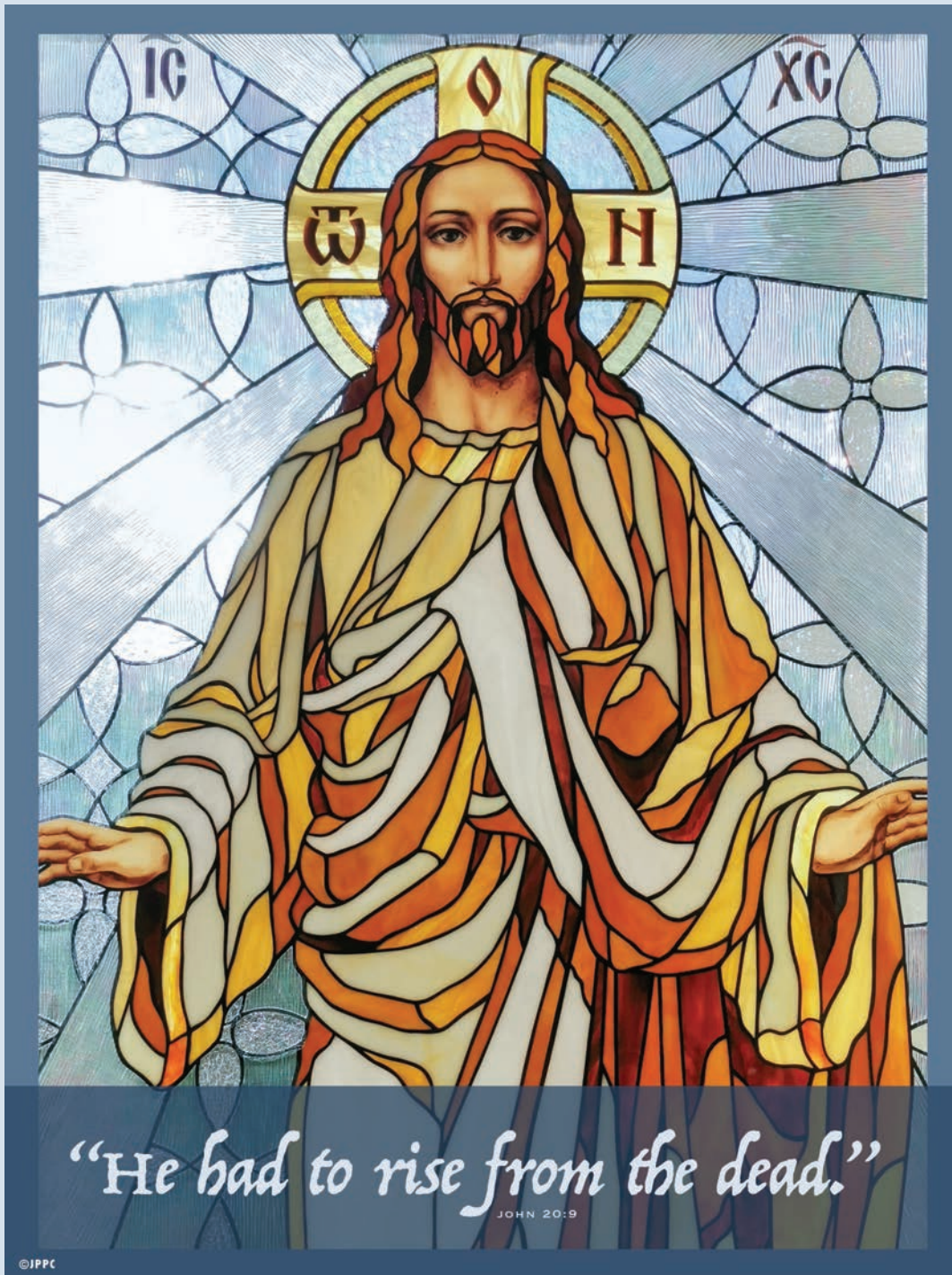


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St. Francis of Assisi, St. Katharine Drexel
Parishes



Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord
April 17, 2022

**Divine Providence Parish at
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195 South Main St.
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**Holy Apostles Parish at
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**St. Francis of Assisi Parish
1755 Stanley St.
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Sunday Mass 10:00a.m.**

**St. Katharine Drexel Parish at
St. Jerome Church
1010 Slater Rd.
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**SATURDAY VIGIL
4:00p.m. at St. Jerome**

**SUNDAY
8:00a.m. at St. Francis
9:00a.m. at St. Joseph
10:00a.m. at St. Francis
11:30a.m. at St. Jerome**

**DAILY MASS at St. Francis
8:00a.m. Monday - Saturday
5:30p.m. Monday - Friday**

**Confessions
will be 1/2 hour before
the weekday Masses
7:30-7:50a.m. and 5:00-5:20p.m.
at St. Francis
3:00-3:45p.m. on Saturday at St. Jerome**

**St. Andrew, St. John, St. Peter and St.
Maurice Churches are no longer used for
regular Masses.**



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DEAR FRIENDS IN CHRIST,

“Alleluia!” Christ is Risen! “Alleluia!” With these simple words we proclaim to all the world that death does not have the final word. With these simple words we proclaim our belief in the promise of Jesus Christ that everyone who lives and believes in Him will have eternal life.

Jesus came to deliver this message of hope. It is a message of his self-sacrificing love for us that even conquers death. It is a message that is received and welcomed by some, and rejected by others until the end of time.

Easter is a day of triumph, of great joy and hope, even though we continue to witness the horrific effects of the Russian invasion of Ukraine and the tragedy being inflicted on so many innocent people of all ages, not to mention the many sorrows and sins that are still part of life in this world. But none of these things will ever have the last word. Easter is the definitive message that God has the last word that life will triumph over death, that sorrow and anguish will inevitably give way vindication and joy!

We possess an unshakeable hope because of Jesus Christ. During this Easter Season, as we celebrate the glory of His death and resurrection, let us remember that it

offers us hope, and it gives us comfort. It is in response to divine love that we rejoice as brothers and sisters today, no longer scattered and divided by sin, but united as one Body in Christ. As together we renew our baptismal promises and receive the Holy Eucharist, we become living signs of the redemption of the world, as one Body we proclaim the Easter Gospel for the salvation of the world.

Today and every day people across our Archdiocese give of their time, talent and treasure to help others and bring them hope. This gift of self is evident within our Church and throughout the wider community. Thank you for all that you do to build up God’s Kingdom.

As we celebrate Easter you are in my prayers, and I ask God’s choicest blessings upon you and your loved ones. He is Risen, Alleluia!

Sincerely yours in Christ,



+ Leonard P. Blair

**Most Reverend Leonard P. Blair
Archbishop of Hartford**





Pilgrimage Registration
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May 21 - 27, 2023

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WHO IS LEADING THE PILGRIMAGE?

Fr. Casey and Fr. Gutierrez will be leading this special parish pilgrimage. The itinerary was designed to give thanks to Our Lord through Our Lady. We hope this pilgrimage will offer parishioners the opportunity to worship and pray in holy places providing graces to return home transformed.

WHO CAN ATTEND?

Families and friends of Divine Providence, Holy Apostles, St. Francis of Assisi, and St. Katharine Drexel Parishes.

HOW DO I JOIN?

Tour brochures with enrollment information will be available in July. To request a brochure email: peter@petersway.com (Ask for Tour Code 9902).



Due to the early submission of the
bulletin, the Collection and
attendance totals will be in an
upcoming bulletin.

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Pastoral Care Ministry



We are most eager to help anyone who is unable to join us at Mass because of illness, handicap or age. Any parishioner in need of anointing of the sick or sacramental care at home, assisted living, hospital or care facility, please call the Parish Office at 860-224-2411 and we will be happy to arrange a visit.

AA Meetings

Wednesdays at 7pm:
basement at St. Francis Church

Fridays at 7pm:
school at St. Joseph
(Spanish speaking group)

Saturdays at 7pm:
hall at St. Jerome Church

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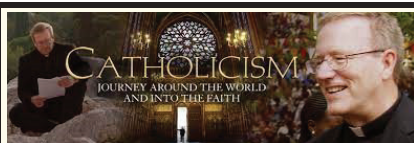
We are seeking to grow our hospitality ministry in each of our four churches. Hospitality ministers help welcome people to Mass, assist with any needs during Mass, greet people as they leave, help ensure the church is ready for the next Mass, and also help with social events after Mass. If you would be interested in helping us in this way, please contact the parish office.

Readings for the Week

Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11; Mt 28:8-15
Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41; Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20 and 22; Jn 20:11-18
Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10; Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9; Lk 24:13-35
Thursday: Acts 3:11-26; Ps 8:2ab, 5, 6-7, 8-9; Lk 24:35-48
Friday: Acts 4:1-12; Ps 118:1-2, 4, 22-24, 25-27a; Jn 21:1-14
Saturday: Acts 4:13-21; Ps 118:1, 14-15ab, 16-18, 19-21; Mk 16:9-15
Sunday: Acts 5:12-16; Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24; Rev 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19; Jn 20:19-31



Please pray for the repose of the soul of
Alice Gilbert
and for her family and friends.



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Please come and join us on Mondays April 25 through June 27 at 6:15pm at St. Francis School to explore our faith, traditions and to have a deeper understanding of what we celebrate.



Holy Saturday, April 16:

Easter Vigil at St. Jerome - 9:00 pm

Easter Sunday, April 17:

The Resurrection of the Lord

8:00 am: **St Francis:** Intention of the Celebrant
9:00 am: **St. Joseph:** Intention of the Celebrant
10:00 am: **St. Francis:** Intention of the Celebrant
11:30 am: **St. Jerome:** Pro Populo

All weekday Masses are at St. Francis:

Monday, April 18:

8:00 am: Intention of the Celebrant
5:30 pm: + Saúl and Xavier Berrios

Tuesday, April 19:

8:00 am: + Ludmilla "Myla" Rak
5:30 pm: Special Intention

Wednesday, April 20:

8:00 am: Intention of the Celebrant
5:30 pm: + Kazimierz Sulima

Thursday, April 21:

8:00 am: Pro Populo
5:30 pm: + Francesco Teti

Friday, April 22:

8:00 am: Intention of the Celebrant
5:30 pm: + Mary Joy

Saturday, April 23:

8:00 am: **St. Francis:** Intention of the Celebrant
4:00 pm Vigil: **St. Jerome:**
+ The Carlina, Rizzo and Koley Family

Sunday, April 24:

8:00 am: **St Francis:** Intention of the Celebrant
9:00 am: **St. Joseph:** + The Occhipinti Family
10:00 am: **St. Francis:** + Derrick Straughn
11:30 am: **St. Jerome:** + Scott Beauchene

To schedule a Mass,
please call the parish office, located in the
Parish Center at St. Jerome at 860-224-2411.



What year did Christ institute the Church?

We can have a pretty good idea. For example, it is generally agreed among the Fathers and early Christian writers that Jesus was born around 2-3 B.C. and that Jesus would have begun his ministry in the same year St. John the Baptist began his, in about A.D. 29 (the fifteenth year of the reign of Tiberius; see Luke 3:1).

From there, it appears St. Matthew focused much of his Gospel on Christ's first year of ministry. You see this by the fact that he focuses on the genealogy (chapter 1); the Magi and flight into and return from Egypt (chapter 2); the preaching of John the Baptist and baptism of Jesus (chapter 3); the temptation of Jesus and his inaugural announcement in the synagogue that he is the Messiah, his beginning to call the apostles, and his first teaching and preaching, which leads to the Sermon on the Mount done very early in his ministry, which covers chapters five through eight.

Then, in chapter nine, we know it is still early because he calls St. Matthew. It isn't until chapter ten that he gets all twelve apostles together and gives them power to minister. In chapter eleven, St. John the Baptist is still alive, and Jesus finds out about the death of John in chapter fourteen, which means it must have just happened, and we know from Mark and Luke this happened early in Jesus' ministry. Then, the text of Matthew has things happening rapidly up to Matthew 16:18.

I say all that to say that it is not a stretch to say the promise of the keys was early in Jesus' ministry. Matthew is not known for telescoping like Luke. So, if Jesus began his ministry in A.D. 29, this probably takes place around A.D. 30—or 31 at the latest.

Credits to: <https://www.catholic.com/qa/what-year-did-christ-institute-the-church>

Calling all Parishioners.....



If you have treasures to sell why not rent a table at the Parish Tag & Craft Sale on Saturday, May 21 at the St. Joseph School on Edson St. (behind St. Joseph Church). The doors will be open from 9:00a.m.-1:00p.m. Table rental is \$10 per table and you can reserve your space by calling Ellen at 860-936-4215. We cannot accept donations of items at this time. Table rental only.

Also, we will be having a Bake Sale at the same event. Donate your best cookies, brownies, cupcakes, pies and breads to sell at the event. Call Elaine at 860-828-1616 to sign up to bake. All proceeds from the Bake Sale will benefit Council 31 Knights of Columbus' programs and activities. Looking forward to a successful parish activity.

BINGO!

Monday Evenings - St. Jerome Church Hall
1010 Slater Rd., New Britain

Doors open at 5p.m. - Games begin at 6:30p.m.

Sunday Afternoons - St. John the Evangelist
655 East St., New Britain

Doors open at 12:30p.m. - Games begin at 2:00p.m.



Our parishes are the support for the Food Pantry at St. Joseph's. It is open every Tuesday morning from 9:30am-10:30am.

Please consider adding a few of these items on your grocery list.

We are currently in need of the following non-perishable food items:

- Cereal
- Instant Oatmeal
- Peanut Butter
- Jelly
- Canned Soup
- Canned Fruit
- Canned Meats and Tuna
- Instant Potato and Rice Mixes
- Ramen Noodles and Soups
- Pasta Sauce
- Mac and Cheese
- Snack Items: Cookies, Crackers and Chips

Monetary donations and gift cards are also accepted. Donations may be brought to any of our open church buildings. Thank you for your generosity.



We are beginning Small Group Parish Bible Studies in the coming weeks. The goal of these is to have small groups of 6-10 people meet each week to read, pray with, and discuss the upcoming Sunday readings. If you'd like to join a group, please fill in the form below to let us know which days, times and locations work for you! You may give the slip to an usher or drop it off at the parish office.

Small Group Bible Study Sign-up

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Date time Interest:

	Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
Morning							
Afternoon							
Evening							

Prayer Line



In need of Prayers? Please call our "Spirit of Love" Prayer Line. Mary M. at 860-225-3890 (Call between 2-4p.m.)

Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet



Join us on the first Saturday of the month to pray the Rosary and the Divine Mercy Chaplet. We begin before the Saturday morning Mass at 7:15am. The Mass intention is for the Priests of the Archdiocese of Hartford. All are welcome.



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