

JULY 31, 2016
EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SATURDAY, JULY 30, 2016

4:00 Maria Brito – req. by Teresa Carvalho

SUNDAY, JULY 31, 2016

8:00 Selena Mason – req. by Sebastian Kolodziej & Michael Taylor

10:00 John Lemega, 47th anniversary – req. by the Family

11:45 Kathy Gerardi – req. by Laura Dwyer

5:00 Annamae & James Kerrigan – req. by Daughter Nancy Kerrigan Jarasek

MONDAY, AUGUST 1, 2016

7:00 Mary Giardino

8:00 For Our Parishioners

12:05 Anthony Parrotta, 3rd anniversary – req. by Wife & Family

7:00 **Reconciliation Service**

TUESDAY, AUGUST 2, 2016

7:00 For Franciscan Center Ministry

8:00 Robert Silvester – req. by Michael & Mary-Ellen Rogers

12:05 Hank Martyn

7:00 **Feast of the Portiuncula**

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 3, 2016

7:00 For Our Parishioners

8:00 For Franciscan Center Ministry

12:05 Concetta Gianni – req. by the Family

THURSDAY, AUGUST 4, 2016

7:00 For Our Parishioners

8:00 For Franciscan Center Ministry

12:05 James Egan – req. by Pat Botteron

FRIDAY, AUGUST 5, 2016

7:00 For Our Parishioners

8:00 Wayne Klukey – req. by Peggy & Ray Ramsey

12:05 John C. Brennan – req. by his Wife, Alice

SATURDAY, AUGUST 6, 2016

4:00 James & Sadie Baio – req. by the Family

SUNDAY, AUGUST 7, 2016

8:00 Salvatore Gianni – req. by the Family

10:00 John C. Brennan, 8th anniversary – req. by his Wife, Alice

11:45 Larry Fagan – req. by Friends from Oak Hill

5:00 Gary Bunting – req. by George Bartholomay

SANCTUARY LAMPS – WEEK OF JULY 31, 2016

In loving memory of Anthony Parrotta, 3rd anniversary – req. by his Wife & Family.

PLEASE REMEMBER THE SICK IN YOUR PRAYERS

Fr. Andrew Giardino, ofm; Bruce May; Katherine Nel

READINGS – AUGUST 1-7, 2016

Mon. Jer 28:1-17; Mt 14:13-21

Tues. Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22; Mt 14:22-36

Wed. Jer 31:1-7; Mt 15:21-28

Thurs. Jer 31:31-34; Mt 16:13-23

Fri. Na 2:1, 3, 3:1-3, 6-7; Mt 16:24-28

Sun. Wis 18:6-9; Heb 11:1-2, 8-19; Lk 12:31-48

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Baptisms

MAXSON, son of Wayne and Carolyn Vaughan



SISTER PARISH UPDATE

This is a reflection of Bob Wiatr's trip to Haiti in March 2013.

First of all, I did a lot more than just visit our sister parish. I got to see how the people of Haiti, rich and poor, live. I learned what their daily lives are like, and how resilient and adaptive they are to living

with earthquakes, floods, and lack of an effective government. I even got to see some donated vehicles from CT including cars, school buses, and trucks that are being put to good use.

I visited orphanages and Haiti's only hospital that is open seven days a week, twenty-four hours a day. That hospital is dedicated to providing medical services to the poorest children. Some orphanages had children who weren't really orphans but sent by their parents who didn't have the means to take care of them and wanted them to have a chance at a better life.

At our sister parish, I got to see the minimalist buildings that are the school rooms and the temporary church. I met the dedicated staff that is doing a fantastic job teaching in the parish school.

I would encourage all of you to consider going on one of the parish trips to Haiti. You will learn about Haiti, its people, and our sister parish.

It's a very rewarding spiritual experience as well as a learning experience both about Haiti and yourself.

PEACE CIRCLES

Wed. Aug. 3, 10, 17, 24 & 31 – 12:30-1:00 p.m. in the Chapel following 12:05 p.m. Mass and 6:30-7:00 p.m. in the Franciscan Center.

"Send Thy peace, O Lord, our Father and Mother, that we Thy children on earth may all unite in one family."
(Hazel Inayat Khan)

ANNIVERSARY SUNDAY CELEBRATION

A special Mass will take place at St. Joseph's Cathedral on Sunday, October 16, 2016 at 2:00 p.m.

ALL COUPLES CELEBRATING THEIR 25TH, 50TH, 60TH AND ANY OTHER SPECIAL WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES THIS YEAR ARE INVITED. Archbishop Blair will be the main celebrant. Mass will include the renewal of marriage vows, followed by a simple reception and an opportunity for a photo with Archbishop Blair. Family members and friends are encouraged to attend. Please call the parish office at 860-756-4034 to respond. (Deadline: September 9, 2016)

Dear Parishioners and Friends at

St. Patrick-St. Anthony and St. Genevieve,
May the Lord give you peace.

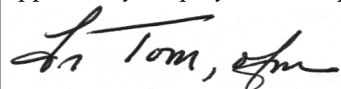
On these especially warm days of July we remember the prayers of the dead of winter when we were longing for some warmth. We have certainly gotten more than we imagined.

The month of August has two special Franciscan feasts. We are invited to celebrate the Portiuncula and St. Clare. This year the feast of the Portiuncula has particular significance in as much as it is a celebration of pardon and healing. St. Francis, 800 years ago, asked the pope for the special privilege of this reconciliation at the chapel of Our Lady of the Angels of the Portiuncula. Over time this privilege has been granted to all Franciscan Churches. With this in mind and the incredible need for healing that we currently experience, we the friars and team invite you to a twofold celebration. On Monday evening we will gather to celebrate reconciliation in the church at 7 PM. We acknowledge our ways of participation in the division that has torn the fabric of our communities. We seek the grace to be peacemakers reweaving that fabric that we might be recognized as women and men clothed with Christ. This is our Baptismal gift. We will celebrate the Eucharist on Tuesday, August 2, remembering our desire to be the Body of Christ, to be in communion with one another and with Christ. We will have the Masses at 7 and 8 AM as well as the 12:05 PM with the addition of a special celebration at 7:00 pm. I hope you can join us.

We celebrate our sister Clare, co-founder of the Franciscan movement, on August 11. On the evening before the feast, the 10th, at 7 PM we gather to keep memory of Clare considering her call to live the Gospel in the manner of Francis. We celebrate her passing, a transitus, into deeper communion with the Lord. Clare is the first woman to write a rule of life for religious women, she boldly refused to allow popes or cardinals to limit the manner of life to which she had been called and to which so many others had joined. Before there was a glass ceiling, she broke it. One of the great graces of the Franciscan life is its unique blend of masculine and feminine ways of knowing God and living in sorority/fraternity. We are strengthened in this relationship of brothers and sisters. I have been delighted in my experiences with the Poor Clare sisters. They are deeply rooted in the scripture, live a Eucharistic contemplative life, are known for their hospitality, joy, and love. The Transitus of Clare is on the 10th at 7 and the daily Masses of the 11th will celebrate God's gift to us of our sister Clare of Assisi. Please mark your calendars and join us.

If you cannot join us, please take some time to pray on your own remembering both our need for healing and the grace of God realized in Clare of Assisi. We will try to get the homilies on our web page.

Finally, I thank you for your continued prayer for Fr. Andrew. He is still at St. Mary's and as hard as he is trying to stand and walk, it is just not happening for him yet. I appreciate your prayers and support.



- From preparing/serving meals for various church functions to serving at the House of Bread, our Ministry of Hospitality takes on many forms. One such form is the **nighttime receptionist** position. This part of the

Ministry of Hospitality during the weekday evenings from 4 to 7:30 p.m. With a smile, ministers will be the nighttime "Face of our Parish" by answering the phone and doors, doing light office work and helping visitors find their program location. Please consider becoming part of our Ministry of Hospitality. For more information, please contact Trudi in the office.

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

Good stewards follow the advice of St. Paul and conduct themselves – by wise use of their time and talents – in a way worthy of the Gospel of Christ. "If you were raised with Christ, seek what is above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God."

LIVING STEWARDSHIP

We are grateful this week for all stewards who receive God's mercy in such profound way that it moves them to share mercy with others, especially during this Jubilee year.

SPIRITUAL DIRECTION MEETING

Each Tuesday at **12:30 p.m.** in the Franciscan Center a Spiritual Direction meeting will take place. **Next meeting: Aug. 2.** The focus for reflection will be the Gospel for the upcoming Sunday. All are welcome! Please join us.

SPSA MEN'S FELLOWSHIP GROUP

On Fri., Aug. 26 at 6 p.m., we will be hosting a BBQ in the Friary Meeting Room of the Urban Center. Join us for a hot dog and/or hamburger and chips as we hear Bill Walsh, Associate Retreat Director at Holy Family Retreat Center explain "The Benefits of Attending Retreats." Men & Women are welcome. Please invite a friend. Register by calling the parish office.

Our Men's Day of Reflection at Enders Island will be on **Sat., Sept. 17 from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.** Bill Walsh's presentation will be *Recapturing the Wonder of God's Presence in our Lives* and *What does it Mean to be the Church of Mercy?* The cost is \$45 per person and will include a BBQ lunch. Transportation is on your own. Registration is required by calling the parish office. All men are welcome to attend, but we are limited to a total of 30. Please spread the word.

Please keep the members of the Sister Parish Committee in your prayers. This committee represents our work with the parish of St. Genevieve in Haiti. While keeping committee members in prayer, also pray for our sister parish, St. Genevieve and the members of that community.

NOVEL IDEA: FICTION DISCUSSION GROUP

A group of parishioners and friends gather once a month at the Urban Ministry Center to discuss works of fiction with a wide appeal. We invite and welcome new participants. Feel free to join us when the book announced in the bulletin is of interest to you or become a regular participant and help us choose the selections. For more information, contact Marybeth Walsh (860-523-7034) or Sara Zagorski (860-721-1814).

Upcoming Selections:

Aug. 18 *Station Eleven* by Emily St. John Mandel

Sept. 15 *The Summer Before the War* by Helen Simonson

Oct. 20 *The Girl Who Came Home* by Hazel Gaynor

Date/Time: Thurs., Aug. 18 – 7 to 8:30 p.m.

Place: Franciscan Center for Urban Ministry



HOME Day Care (Babysitting while mom studies for her GED)

General day care supplies such as diapers (sizes 3, 4, 5), wipes, baby powder, juice boxes, toddler friendly snacks (Cheerios, graham crackers, etc.) and paper goods.

Thank you for your generosity.

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**OPEN HEARTS
GAY & LESBIAN MINISTRY**

Next meeting: TBA

Families & Friends of the Gay & Lesbian Community

Next Meeting: TBA

Sr. Ginny and individual parents are available for one-on-one visits. Please call the church office for further information.

**EMMAUS GRIEVING PARENTS
SUMMER MEETING DATE**

All parents who have lost a child are invited to gather in the Franciscan Center on August 18 at 10:30 a.m.

THIN PLACES: "The Gifts of Imperfection"

Oct. 5, 12, 19, 26; Nov. 2 & 9 – 12:45-2:15 p.m.

Join Sr. Ginny Sheehan, SND in the Franciscan Center as we share our own life-long journey from "What will people think?" to "I am enough" while reading Brene Brown's 'The Gifts of Imperfections.' Harriet Lerner said it best: The author's "unique ability to combine original research with honest storytelling makes this reading like having a long, uplifting conversation with a very wise friend who offers compassion, wisdom and great advice."

Call the parish office to register. Please read the introductory materials up to Guidepost #1 prior to Oct. 5.

Suggested offering: \$50 (if you are able)

SAVE THE DATE

2016 Blue Mass to Honor First Responders Sunday, Sept. 11 at the Cathedral of St. Joseph at 11 a.m. – Archbishop Leonard P. Blair will preside.



**11th Anniversary Sail
Sunset Cruise & Evening of
Reflection**

Wed., Sept. 7; 5:30-7:30 p.m.

All men & women are invited to our annual Sunset Cruise& Evening of Reflection. We will sail aboard the **Argia**, a replica of a 19th century gaff-rigged schooner, down the Mystic River. **Sebastian Kolodziej** of the House of Bread will once again provide a delicious dinner as we sail the waters of Fisher's Island Sound. **There will be time for music and prayer during this Evening of Reflection.**

Offering: \$40

Register early to reserve your spot aboard the Argia as seating is limited. Non-refundable payment due at registration.

Checks payable to: Franciscan Center for Urban Ministry. Please mail payment to Fran Martyn, 285 Church Street, Hartford, CT 06103.

SECOND COLLECTION – AUGUST 6/7, 2016

The second collection next weekend will be taken up for the Franciscan Missionary Union of Holy Name Province.

COLLECTION AMOUNTS

Weekly – July 23-24	\$10,812.00
On-line Giving –July 18-24.....	\$ 4,732.00
Total available for operating budget	\$15,544.00
Disclaced Carmelite Friars.....	\$ 2,977.00



To register for Online Giving, please visit our website: WWW.SPSACT.ORG.

We're still here while you're on vacation. Use On-Line Giving to schedule recurring or one-time donations.

Need help signing up for On-Line Giving? Our Sunday Visitor Support is available at 1-800-348-2886, option 4

Thank you for your continued generous support to St. Patrick-St. Anthony Church.