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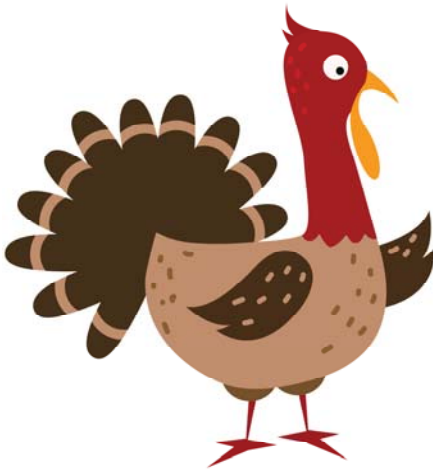
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Church Hours: Monday - Friday · 6:30 am - 2:00 pm

OCTOBER 16, 2016—Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Please Help in our Upcoming Thanksgiving Turkey Drive

The parish will be having our **EIGHTH ANNUAL TURKEY DRIVE** the weekend of **November 12-13**. Please bring the following items to church with you that weekend to help us feed the hungry for the holiday:

- Frozen Turkeys (no fresh or live turkeys)
- Bags/Boxes of Stuffing Mix
- Canned Vegetables (large cans)

There will be a collection point outside the Franciscan Center before each Mass that weekend. Please be alerted that due to a lack of storage these items will be collected **ONLY** on the weekend of November 12-13. Our collection is being sponsored by our Men's Fellowship Group. Our collection will benefit the House of Bread. *Thank you for your support in feeding the hungry!*

Letter from Fr. Tom, ofm

May the Lord give you peace.

I ask your continued prayers for the people of Haiti devastated by Hurricane Matthew. This weekend we will pray a special prayer for all those affected by the storm. One of our friars, Br. Abraham Joseph reports that in the south of Haiti (his home country), Hurricane Matthew destroyed all the crops, fruit trees and livestock, so food and clean water are urgently needed. In addition, 90% of homes in the region, including his father's, have been completely lost or seriously damaged, so building mission trips will be a great help down the line, after the initial emergency relief. I will be in contact with Br. Abraham to see what if any building mission trips might be possible for those who are interested. Donations for the relief effort can be made to Catholic Relief Services: https://secure.crs.org/site/Donation2?df_id=9520&9520.donation=form1&utm_source=media-center&utm_medium=media

[-center&utm_campaign=hurricane-matthew&_ga=1.155361787.1747166393.1476279532](#) or you can make a donation here and we will send it to Catholic Relief Services.

With the upcoming election many of the key issues have been put on the back burner. On Tuesday the 18th one of our friars, Fr. Ken Himes, will be with us to discuss The Catholic Voter and the Catholic Conscience. I am sure that Fr. Ken will help us to sift through some of the concerns that we have in this election. We are also providing a supplement to the bulletin each week that invites consideration of significant, sometimes overlooked, issues. The text is well written and there are questions for consideration at the end of each reflection. This is a consideration that includes thoughts from Holy Name Province, Pope Francis and the United States Catholic Conference. I also ask your continued prayers as we discern how best to support those candidates who will represent the values of the Gospel.

Two closing thoughts: First we are in conversation to discover how we might sponsor a refugee family through St. Patrick-St. Anthony and the Franciscan Center. We will do a good deal of work before presenting this new ministry to you for your consideration, thoughts, and hopefully engagement in the ministry. Second, we are in discussion about the possibility of providing space this winter for those who need shelter on the very cold winter nights. Among the possibilities are providing space for women and children who would otherwise sleep in cars or on the street. As this unfolds, I will present this for your consideration and with your approval will seek volunteers to staff the space. It is hard to believe that children are living on the streets of Hartford but that is the current reality.

As always, I thank you.

Fr. Tom Gallagher, ofm

Upcoming Events

- 10/16/2016** Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, 8:30 am
Traditional Rel. Ed, 9:00 am
Confirmation Class, 11:00 am
7th & 8th Grades, 11:15 am
Drumming Circle, 1:00 pm
- 10/17/2016** Journey in Discipleship, 7:00 pm
Spiritual Reflection, 6:30 pm
Bass Clef Choir Rehearsal, 7:00 pm
- 10/18/2016** Hartford Faith-Based Initiative, 5:30 pm
Catholic Voter and Catholic Conscience, 6:30 pm
Lectio Divina, 7:00 pm
- 10/19/2016** Thin Places, 12:45 pm
Sandwich Ministry & Wellness Center, 4:00 pm
Treble Clef Choir Rehearsal, 5:30 pm
Gallery Choir Rehearsal, 7:00 pm
Men's Fellowship Group, 7:00 pm

- 10/20/2016** New Life Program, 6:30 pm
Novel Idea Book Club, 7:00 pm
- 10/22/2016** Adventure Saturday Mentor Program, 9:00 am

Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil - 4:00 pm
Sunday - 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 11:45 am & 5:00 pm
Monday through Friday - 7:00 am, 8:00 am & 12:05 pm

Readings – October 17-23, 2016

- Monday** Eph 2:1-10; Lk 12:13-21
Tuesday 2 Tm 4:10-17b; Lk 10:1-9
Wednesday Eph 3:2-12; Lk 12:39-48
Thursday Eph 13:14-21; Lk 12:49-53
Friday Eph 4:1-6; Lk 12:54-59
Sunday Sir 35:12-14, 16-18; 2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18;
Lk 18:9-14



FAITH FORMATION

Journey in Discipleship

Mondays, October 17 & 31
November 14 & 28; December 12
7:00-8:30 pm
Presenter Fr. Tom Gallagher, OFM
Free Will Offering

The Catholic Voter and the Catholic Conscience

Tuesday, October 18
6:30-9:00 pm
Presenter: Fr. Kenneth Himes
Suggested Offering: \$10.00

In the fall of 2015 Pope Francis spoke before a Joint Session of Congress on the promise and challenge before the American people. The pope also issued a new social encyclical on the theological and ethical aspects of the environmental crisis. And as they have done in the past the American bishops issued a document during the Presidential election about the responsibility of Catholics as citizens. These texts will help provide the framework for thinking and discussing how we can integrate our dual identities as disciples and voters in a democracy.

Rare Tour of Mormon Temple

Join Marion Kingsbury and Nancy Lemega-Watt from the Adult Faith Formation Committee on a unique

opportunity to visit the beautiful Hartford Temple of the Latter Day Saints in Farmington on Thursday, October 20. The tour of the temple will be from 1:00 to 2:00 pm This literally is a once-in-a-lifetime chance to experience this special spiritual place. We will meet in the St. Patrick-St. Anthony parking lot at 12:30 pm and carpool to the temple, returning at approximately 3:45 pm. There is no charge. The group size is limited to 20. To sign up, please call the parish office at 860-756-4034 by October 18.



SACRAMENTS

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

Are you hungering for a sense of belonging to God and to a Faith community? Are you or someone you know interested in becoming a member of the Catholic Church? Would you like to prepare for Communion and Confirmation? RCIA is a process that prepares and welcomes the unbaptized or those baptized in other Christian traditions into the Catholic community or those Catholic members who have not received Confirmation or Communion. We warmly welcome all interested persons! If you have an interest, or know of someone who may be interested in the Church, please call Fran Martyn in the parish office.



SISTER PARISH UPDATE

Fr. Philippe has confirmed that Hurricane Matthew hit Haiti very hard, especially in the southern region. All in the village of Fouji where St. Genevieve is located, are okay. He thanks you all for your prayers. Please continue to pray for those who were devastated by the hurricane.

The next meeting of the Sister Parish Committee will be on Monday, November 14.



COMMUNITY LIFE

Open Hearts Gay & Lesbian Ministry

- **GLBT Ministry** meets monthly. Next meeting is on November 13 at 6:00 pm
- **Families & Friends of the Gay & Lesbian Community** next meeting is October 25 at 6:30 pm

SPSA Men's Fellowship Group

Our next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 19 at 7:00 pm in the Franciscan Center. We will have a presentation arranged by Steve Gray on "The Catholic Worker" organization.

Please consider joining us for some meaningful dialog, friendship, networking and refreshment. Decaf coffee and cookies will be available. Bring something else to share if you are able. All men are welcome. Bring a friend.

The Secular Franciscan Order Meeting

Is God calling you to live a life of love, peace and holiness in the model of St. Francis of Assisi? Join us for our gathering in the Franciscan Center on Sunday, October 23 to learn more about the Secular Franciscan Order. The rosary is at 1:30 and the meeting starts at 2:00. We will discuss The Joy of the Gospel by Pope Francis as it relates to the social dimension of evangelization.

"A New Day"

Bereavement Program

A six-week bereavement program, "A New Day" is being offered to help individuals through the process of grieving. Parishioner, Roberta Horton, will be the facilitator. The program will take place each Saturday, October 29-December 10 (with the exception of Thanksgiving Weekend) from 9:30-10:30 am. Please register by calling the parish office at 860-756-4034. A minimum of five registrations is needed for the program to be held.

Emmaus Grieving Parents Ministry

October 29 Retreat Invitation

If you have lost a child and would like information regarding the Emmaus Grieving Parent ministry here at St. Patrick-St. Anthony and our annual retreat on October 29. Retreat flyers are available in the literature rack at the back of the church.

All who have suffered the loss of a child at any time – including prior to birth and many decades ago – are welcome.



STEWARDSHIP

Volunteer Ministry

Thank you to all who joined us last weekend for the Ministry Fair! You should

receive an email or letter acknowledging the receipt of your name for specific ministries for which you signed up. If you did not have a chance to join us last week, please call Trudi in the office so that you can take home an updated Ministry Guide with all our offerings.

Stewardship Reflection

Today's theme is perseverance—Moses keeping his hands upraised throughout the battle, Paul urging Timothy to stay with the task of preaching and teaching, and the widow appealing to the corrupt judge. To be faithful stewards of God's gifts, we must persevere in the roles to which we are called.

Living Stewardship

We are grateful this week for all stewards in our parish who seek to discover their own individual gifts and personal vocation/role in this life.

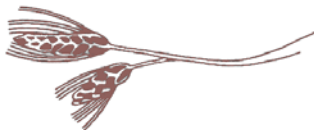


Personal Care Items Needed

Consider assisting our brothers and sisters who are in need. We are collecting travel size items such as razors, toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, soap and shaving cream. We will assemble these items for those who **come to our door seeking assistance**. Please help our neighbors by placing items in the bin at the back of the church marked "travel kits". Thank you!

House of Bread Kids Cafe

Help feed over 400 kids a day with donations of canned vegetables, pasta, rice, tuna, powdered milk, spices, yummy spices of taco seasoning, adobo, sofrito...or help us deliver the meals and clean up with plastic wrap, aluminum foil, bleach, dish detergent, paper towels/napkins/cups. Collection bins are located at the back of the Church



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October 8/9 \$15,468.00
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\$20,472.50

Thank you for your continued support of your parish.

Second Collection—October 22/23, 2016

The second collection next weekend will be taken up for the Society of the Propagation of the Faith in celebration of World Mission Sunday.



OTHER INFO

Evening Prayer

Tuesdays at 6:00 pm. This is a brief respite from the busyness of life and an opportunity to gather in Our Lady of the Angels chapel to pray for peace in our city, our nation, and our world.

- October 18, 25
- November 1—NO Evening Prayer
Mass of Remembrance 7:00 pm
- November 8, 15
- NO Evening Prayer on November 22
- November 29; December 6, 13, 20

"TAPPED" Documentary

In Laudato Si Pope Francis speaks to the growing world tendency to privatize water. Access to water is a basic and universal right, essential to human life and the exercise of human rights. Scarcity of water may become a major source of conflict in the century. Come see the award winning documentary, TAPPED, which focuses on the effects of the water bottling industry's control of water and production of environmentally harmful plastic bottles. Discussion to follow. Learn what you can do. FREE. **Tuesday, October 25 from 6:30 to 8:00 pm** in the Franciscan Center. All are welcome.

2017 Assisi-Rome Pilgrimage

Pat Curtis is looking into the possibility of an Assisi-Rome Pilgrimage for 2017. The Pilgrimage would be from May 15 to 27. If you think you might be interested, please call Fran at the parish office so we can begin to get a sense of the potential pilgrims.



For More Information

Go to www.spsact.org or call the Parish office at 860-756-4034 for information on **Baptism, The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults, First Communion, Confirmation, First Reconciliation, and Sacrament of the Sick.**

Free, well-lighted parking is available in the Saints Surface Parking Lot located directly across the street from St. Patrick-St. Anthony Church and the Franciscan Center for Urban Ministry.

Reconciliation

Mon • Wed • Fri -11:30 am; Sat - 3:30 pm

Private confessions by appointment are available.

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We Pray...

For the sick, **Edward Gaffney, Michelle Inman**

For our newly married couple, **Courtney Saccente and Brian Geer.**

For our less fortunate brothers and sisters in Hartford who are in need of housing in the upcoming winter months

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2016

4:00 Brian Callahan

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2016

8:00 Tina & Charles Vella; Lucille Vella Konstandaras

10:00 Salvatore Romano

11:45 Mary Elizabeth (Betty) O'Connor

5:00 Al Silver

MONDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2016

7:00 Franciscan Center Ministry

8:00 Our Parishioners

12:05 In thanksgiving to St. Jude

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2016

7:00 Franciscan Center Ministry

8:00 Our Parishioners

12:05 Mary Gorden Robinson

6:00 **Evening Prayer**

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2016

7:00 Franciscan Center Ministry

8:00 Our Parishioners

12:05 Franciscan Center Ministry

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2016

7:00 Mary & Dominic Giardino

8:00 Our Parishioners

12:05 Franciscan Center Ministry

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2016

7:00 Our Parishioners

8:00 Franciscan Center Ministry

12:05 William O'Connor

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2016

4:00 Hipolit Narwid

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2016

8:00 Florence Toscano

10:00 Living & Deceased Members of the Ladies Guild

11:45 Nellie Aukstolis

5:00 Fabiola Vega

St. Anthony's Bread for the Poor

Financial gifts to St. Anthony's Bread For The Poor help to support our Weekend Meal Program at the House of Bread and Sandwich Distribution Program that takes place 7 days a week, 52 weeks a year.

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Faith Formation sponsored by Women of Hope

** Register NOW for a program or two with a friend * Please call the Parish Office at 860-756-4034.*

Our relationships with people of another religion grow when we discover the core values our faiths share in common. And the relationships deepen still further when we read and explore together what God is saying to all of us in the sacred texts of both our traditions. We warmly encourage you to join us for one or all of the programs in our series celebrating a Muslim/Christian relationship among neighbors who have become good friends. All are welcome; please come, and bring someone with you !

"SIGNS OF THE TIMES: Islam and the West"

Monday, November 14; 7:00-8:30 p.m.

In a February 2016 essay written by Fr. Michael Calabria for the "Franciscan Response" reflection series, he states,

"Faithful, law-abiding Muslims suffer not only the effects of violence and unrest in Africa and Asia, but also the effects of prejudice and discrimination here in the United States. Sadly, "Islamophobia" has been added to the list of other "phobias" plaguing our society and world." Join us for an evening of dialogue and discussion! What can a small, grassroots community do? How can we respond?

Here is the link to the essay: <https://hnp.org/signs-times-islam-west/>

Presenter: Fr. Michael D. Calabria, OFM, a Franciscan Friar of Holy Name Province, is Director of the Center for Arab and Islamic Studies at St. Bonaventure University.



Free Will Offering

MERCY IN ISLAM AND CHRISTIANITY: A Shared Understanding

Tuesday, November 15; 6:45-8:30 p.m.

Free Will Offering



Muslims begin every supplication to God with the Bismillah blessing: "In the name of God, the Most Gracious, the Most Merciful ..."

Christians speak always of a God who is merciful, who has mercy on all of us. Join us for an enlightening and reflective evening as we consider the importance of Mercy in both of our traditions. We mark the closing of Pope Francis' Jubilee Year of Mercy, by celebrating our shared understanding of Mercy: as an essential attribute of our God, and a vital aspect of our lives of faith.

Presenters: Imam Refai Arefin and Fr. Michael D. Calabria, OFM

Imam (and Attorney) Refai Arefin is full-time imam of the Islamic Association of Greater Hartford at the Berlin Mosque, where he leads

weekly congregational prayers, preaches, and is active in youth and family-oriented programming.

DISCOVERING SHARED THEMES in ISLAM and CHRISTIANITY:

Studying the Bible and Qur'an Together

Tuesdays, November 29 and December 6; 6:45-8:30 p.m.

As "People of the Book" (Ahl al-Kitab in Arabic), both Christians and Muslims are deeply rooted in our sacred texts. When we read both texts together, we discover important teachings that are common to our two faith traditions. Join us for two rich evenings in which we explore, compare, and discuss the stories, the imagery, and the wisdom to be found in the Qur'an and the Bible. We can all become acquainted with the scripture of our neighbor's religion – and come to appreciate our own, and each other's, even more.

Facilitators: Fr. Tom Gallagher, Feryal Salem, and Jane I. Smith

Feryal Salem is Assistant Professor of Islamic Scriptures and Law and Co-Director of the Islamic Chaplaincy Program at Hartford Seminary.

Jane I. Smith is Professor Emerita at Hartford Seminary, where she was Co-Director of the Macdonald Center for Islamic Studies and Christian/Muslim Relations.





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