



Most High, Glorious God,
enlighten the darkness of our minds.
Give us a right faith, a firm hope, and a perfect charity,
so that we may always and in all things act
according to Your Holy Will.
Amen.

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Dear Parishioners and Friends,

Welcome to a New Year of Faith Formation opportunities! We have many different programs to offer you, your friends, and family members. We think you'll be pleased with the diversity – both daytime and evening, weeknight and weekend – something for everyone!

Here at the beginning of 2018, I encourage you to *select one program a month or a couple of offerings during the seasons of Lent and Easter and mark them on your calendar now*. These gatherings or groups will help us to grow in our faith, to ask questions, and to open new doors of learning about our spirituality, our call/response to discipleship, and our relationship with God.

The listing and schedule are available through the Faith Formation link on our parish website, www.spsact.org. Also, in our weekly parish bulletin we highlight programs in a timely manner and encourage registration through the Parish Office, 860-756-4034. Please feel free to pass along this link and information to friends, colleagues, and family members. **We envision our Faith Formation offerings available on a regional level, open to anyone who is interested in the journey of faith. All are Welcome!**

You will notice that with each program we list a "Suggested Offering". This donation helps us to cover the costs associated with providing each program (stipend, material, food, etc.). We want our programs to be available to all and do not want the offering to limit who can attend. Therefore, *we welcome any offering that you are able to make*. If your current economic situation limits the amount you are able to afford, please attend and give what you can. Conversely, if you would like to make a donation greater than the suggested amount, please know that the funds will be used to support the faith formation opportunities that we offer.

The Adult Faith Formation Ministry works throughout the year planning each semester of programs and activities. Please feel free to pass along suggestions and ideas for their consideration. On their behalf, I thank you for supporting the ministry they faithfully provide and I look forward to seeing you at these functions in this New Year of 2018!

Patricia Curtis
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**** Please note:**

Payment: Checks should be made payable to "*Franciscan Center for Urban Ministry*".

For Faith Formation Programs that include a full meal, we have listed a registration deadline date 4 days prior to the event. You may choose one of three options for that program:

If you choose:	Start Time	Suggested Offering
1. Presentation and Meal	5:30PM	\$15.00 / \$20.00
2. Presentation only	6:30PM	\$10.00 / \$15.00
3. Register after deadline = Presentation only	6:30PM	\$10.00 / \$15.00

Pre-registration for ALL programs is strongly encouraged.
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GROUP SPIRITUAL DIRECTION

Every Tuesday: 12:30-1:30 p.m.



Group Spiritual Direction refers to the active conversation centering on the relationship with God/Divine Presence/Higher Power/Spirit of what is life-giving. Every Tuesday after the 12:05 Mass, two Spiritual Directors gather with all who attend for reflection on the Gospel for the upcoming Sunday Mass. As companions on the journey, the directors listen for the underlying flow of life (often named ‘spirit’) in the reading while facilitating conversation within the group. Please join us!

Co-Facilitators: Trudi Campbell and Pamela Morrison-Wolf

LECTIO DIVINA

Tuesdays: January 16, February 6 & 20, March 6 & 20,
April 3 & 17, May 1 & 15, June 5 & 19
7:00-8:00 p.m.

Lectio Divina is an ancient art of praying the Scriptures that honors the most basic source of all real prayer – an interior desire for God. We seek the presence of the living God by listening – giving the Lord the first word and letting that word expand our listening. We create a safe and sacred space to read, contemplate, and share what the Bible reveals to our hearts.

Facilitator: Sheila Denion



BOTTLES OF HOPE

Saturday, January 27 (snow date Saturday, February 10)
10:00-11:30 a.m.

The *Bottles of Hope* project was started in 1999 by Diane Gregoire, a cancer survivor and a member of the Southern Connecticut Polymer Clay Guild. Diane found a way to use her special talents as an artist to cheer up the lives of cancer patients going through the ordeal of chemotherapy. She used clay to decoratively cover small glass medicine bottles and gave them to other patients as a symbol of hope.

Join us on Saturday, January 27, to make *Bottles of Hope* that will go to cancer centers throughout greater Hartford. You do not need to bring anything, all supplies will be provided.

This is a great project for both adults and children.

Co-sponsored by Women of Hope and Clare Gallery Ministries

Pre-registration for ALL programs is strongly encouraged.

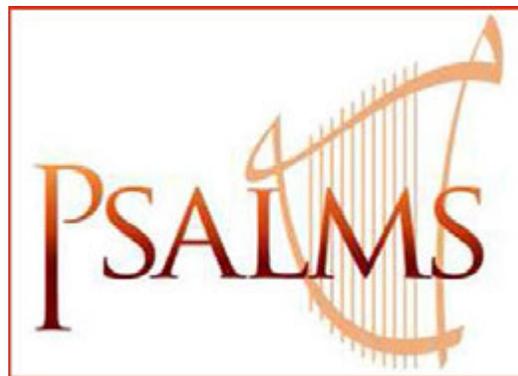
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PRAYING THE PSALMS DURING LENT

Thursdays: February 1, 8, 15, 22 March 1, 8

10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

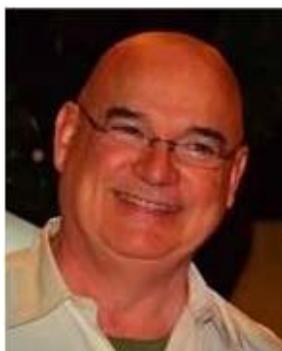
The psalms usually get short shrift in the Eucharistic liturgy, functioning only to separate one reading from another. Hence, they fail to attract attention to themselves. Their humble (and usually partial) appearance prevents the worshipper from benefiting from the panache of their electrifying elegance. This program will attempt to give these deeply emotional and fiery verses their just due. After all, some say that poetry and music are one – God’s language. *Presenter: Fr. A. Francis Soucy, OFM*



Our LENTEN-EASTER-PENTECOST Journey: 90 days

On Ash Wednesday we commence a ninety day journey that leads us through the seasons of Lent and Easter and concludes with the feast of Pentecost. From the prophet Joel we hear the call to start this journey: “Even now, says the Lord, return to me with your whole heart,” and from the disciple Paul in his letter we are encouraged that “now is the acceptable time” to receive the grace of God. Thus we are welcomed to a journey of possible transformation. How will we enter into these 90 days? Will we set aside time for prayer? How will we open ourselves up to transformative experiences? When we celebrate Pentecost on May 20th will we be different?

Adult Faith Formation Ministry has designed several opportunities during these 90 days to assist us in making time for God and for entering into these seasons of conversion, reconciliation, renewal, and change.



TWILIGHT RETREAT FOR LENT

Tuesday, February 13

5:30-7:00 p.m.

A time for input, reflection, discussion, and prayer as we begin our 90-day journey together.

Presenter: Fr. Thomas Gallagher, OFM, PhD

Suggested Offering: \$15.00; includes dinner

Presentation only at 6:00 p.m.: \$10.00

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: February 9

Pre-registration for ALL programs is strongly encouraged.

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“MOVING IN THE SPIRIT” WORKSHOP

Saturday, February 17; 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Suggested Offering: \$10.00



Come experience a “moving” way to pray! We will share in gestural prayer that is an outward expression of our inner spirit and faith. Former workshop participants reflect: “I enjoyed experiencing this new way to pray as it touched my soul in a very ‘moving’ way. For me it enhanced my prayer time and I felt lifted body and soul”; and, “The workshop leaders taught us gestures and movement that were simple to learn. I was surprised by the true prayer environment which was created by the group.”

No previous experience is necessary—just a willing spirit and an open heart. Dress comfortably—looser clothing is recommended.

Co-Facilitators: Karen Rossignol & Lisa Muscanell-DePaola

SPIRITUAL REFLECTION

**Mondays: February 19, March 19, April 16,
May 21, June 18
6:30-8:00 p.m.**

Spiritual Reflection offers a monthly opportunity to take a moment, an experience of everyday life, or an event in time and to consider it through a spiritual lens using Scripture and stories from our tradition. All are welcome to join this group process of reflecting upon spiritual moments in daily life.

Facilitator: Trudi Campbell

**The glory of God is a
human being fully alive.**

— Irenaeus of Lyon

LENTEN NOURISHMENT

Tuesdays: February 20, 27 March 6, 13, 20, 27; 12:30-1:00 p.m.



Join us this Lent at noontime for spiritual and physical nourishment. Immediately following 12:05 Mass, Spiritual Talks with members of the St. Patrick-St. Anthony staff or guest speakers will be presented in the Franciscan Center for Urban Ministry.

We will explore the theme: *Discovering the Gifts of Lent.*

Offering: \$5.00 per lunch

A light lunch is provided.

PERSISTENT WOMEN OF SCRIPTURE ~ THE STORIES CONTINUE

Thursday, February 22; 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Persistent women are nothing new! Mary Magdalene is a woman whose story was dismissed by those in her closest circle. Her story has also been misinterpreted by those in power. Join us for this session as we break open Mary’s story in Scripture and tradition. Come to discover how her faith, courage, and persistence can be a model for us in these days.

All women and men are welcome.

Co-Facilitators: Janet Bristow & Rev. Donna Manocchio

Suggested Offering: \$10.00

Sponsored by Women of Hope Ministry



“TO UPROOT AND TO PLANT” (Jer. 1:10): *Introduction to the Prophet Jeremiah*

Saturday, February 24; 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. *Presenter: Paul Sansone*

Among the Old Testament writing prophets, Jeremiah stands out both for his passionate preaching and his evocative poetry. His prophetic career spanned the late 7th and early 6th centuries B.C.; just before, and at the beginning of, the Babylonian Exile. He delivers a message about the impending destruction and deportation that Judeans faced at the hands of the Babylonian rulers. This unpopular message led to Jeremiah’s rejection and imprisonment, and yet he remained steadfast in the face of this adversity. Jeremiah provides us with a sense of his inner vocational struggle and, out of this experience, he infuses his prophetic message with a deep sense of hope that remains inspirational for us today. During this day-long session, we will read key texts from Jeremiah and discuss how they fit into the larger Israelite and Christian story. *Participants may find it useful to bring a Bible with them. Please bring your own lunch.* ***Suggested Offering: \$35.00***



REEL FAITH: *Romero*

Monday, March 5; 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Sponsored by the Committee for Social Justice

Free Will Offering

Romero tells the moving story of a bookish prelate's change of attitude from theoretical theologian to champion of justice for the poor struggling to survive in a country torn by political unrest. In March 1980, he was murdered and his funeral was celebrated in the Cathedral of San Salvador amid violence perpetrated by the government. And, in March 2015, in that same Cathedral, Romero was recognized as a martyr for justice and officially declared blessed by the Church. This film offers us a Lenten opportunity not only to reflect on the price of working for justice paid by Blessed Oscar, but also to consider the qualities needed for being justice-seekers with the poor today. *Film is 104 minutes in length.*



**ALL ARE WELCOME RETREAT
“*Discovering God on Your Journey*”**

March 9-11, 2018

Mercy By The Sea, Madison, CT

Retreat Leader: Sr. Jeanne Williams, OSF



All men and women are invited to consider this annual parish retreat opportunity in the Lenten Season to set aside time for one’s relationship with God. The retreat theme will focus our presentations, discussion, and prayer together. You will have the time to explore the seaside grounds of Mercy By The Sea, enjoy their hospitality, and walk their waterfront labyrinth. **There will be time to just “BE”.** Here’s a chance to truly retreat from the ordinary schedule of life and devote this time to your spiritual growth. **And, if you have never experienced a retreat before, please join us!** Located on the shores of Long Island Sound, *Mercy By The Sea* offers beautiful, simple, and peaceful spaces. Fee includes program & bedroom accommodations with meals. Mercy By The Sea is an ADA compliant facility.

Retreat Fee: Double Room - \$255 Single Room - \$285 (limited availability)

Registration deadline is February 9, 2018 *RESERVE a spot NOW for you and a friend.*

DON’T MISS this opportunity open to ALL! Registration forms available ~ call 860-756-4034.





Arabic script for the word "dialogue"

WOMEN IN RELIGIOUS LEADERSHIP:

Christianity and Islam

Tuesday, March 13

(snow date Thursday, March 15)

6:45-8:30 p.m.

Women have made great strides in taking on leadership within their respective religious traditions and institutions. What various roles are we women playing, and what makes it hard for us to reach our goals? Join the conversation with Muslim and Christian women as they share their experiences, challenges, and hopes for the future. **All women and men are welcome!**

Sponsored by Muslim & Christian Women of Hope and Faith

INSIDER'S TALK WITH GABRIEL LÖFVALL

Monday, March 19

5:30-7:15 p.m.

Join us in the Franciscan Center to share an insider's talk on Johannes Brahms's Ein Deutsches Requiem (A German Requiem). The session will provide historical and cultural context for this imposing masterwork, which, as the title indicates, is sung entirely in German. Gabriel will offer a sense of the development of the work as Brahms wrote it while journeying through the loss of his own mother, also delving into the evolution of the musical Requiem Mass as a liturgical genre and its special significance in the context of Holy Week.

Presenter: Dr. Gabriel Löfvall

Suggested Offering: \$10.00; includes a light supper

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: March 15



LENTEN TWILIGHT RETREAT: *Holy Week ~ A Time of Reconciliation and Joy*

Thursday, March 22; 5:30-8:30 p.m.



As Lent comes to an end and we look to Holy Week, there is still time to fulfill the Lenten call to return to God with all your heart!

Holy Week, beginning with Palm Sunday and leading into the Sacred Triduum, is all about reconciliation -- reconciliation with God, reconciliation with the world, and reconciliation with ourselves.

Let's take some time on this twilight retreat to explore the many ways Holy Week is a time of reconciliation and joy!

Presenter: Fr. Frank Sevola, OFM

Suggested Offering: \$20.00; includes dinner

Presentation only at 6:30 p.m.: \$15.00

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: March 18

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AN EVENING WITH FR. KEN HIMES, OFM

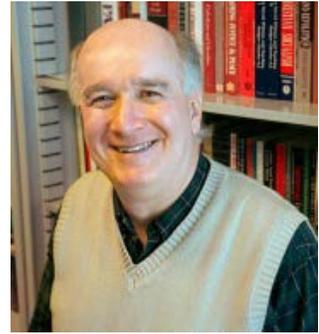
Thursday, April 12

6:30-9:00 p.m.

We welcome Fr. Ken once again to Hartford for an enlightening evening of conversation. Be sure to join in this dialogue about faith and ethical living!

Presenter: Fr. Kenneth Himes, OFM, PhD

Suggested Offering: \$10.00



CLARE GALLERY

at the Franciscan Center for Urban Ministry

The Clare Gallery is pleased to present
Adeebah: My Life, My Story

ARTIST WORKSHOP & RECEPTION

Saturday, April 14

4:00-5:00 p.m. Clare Gallery Workshop for *Slow Art Day*

5:00-7:00 p.m. Artist Reception & Lecture

Adeebah Alnemar is a self-taught artist from Homs, Syria. She is a Syrian refugee who came to the United States with her husband and five children. While living in Jordan, Adeebah found drawing to be a catalyst for inner peace and self-expression. Her drawings reflect the tragic nature of war and displacement, the beauty she finds amidst the turmoil, and her hope for peace. The artist will lead a workshop in the Gallery on Saturday, April 14th, from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m., which will be followed by a reception and an artist talk.

WOMEN AND THE RESURRECTION

Sunday, April 15

1:00-3:00 p.m.

Join us for an afternoon of learning and reflection as we read the Gospel stories of the Risen Christ and his encounters with women. Women are the first to discover the empty tomb, the first to tell the good news of his resurrection, and the first to encounter the Risen Christ. Mary Magdalene has an especially prominent role in these ancient narratives. What lessons and inspiration can we draw from these stories? How do we encounter the Risen Christ in our own lives? What does he want us to understand, and what would he have us do?

Presenter: Amy Ekeh

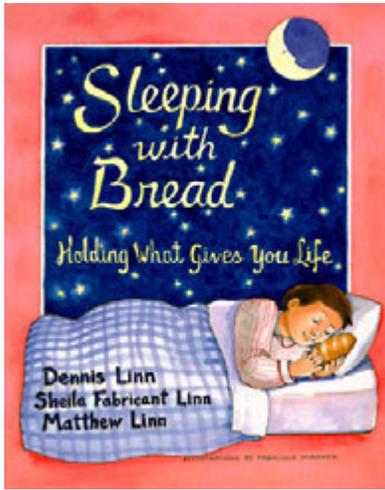
Suggested Offering: \$10.00

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SLEEPING WITH BREAD: *Holding What Gives You Life*
Thursdays, April 19, 26 May 3, 10; 7:00-8:30 p.m.

Join us to learn about and experience the practice of the Ignatian Examen of Consciousness. Using the book *Sleeping With Bread: Holding What Gives You Life* by Dennis, Sheila, and Matthew Linn, we will meet for 4 consecutive Thursdays in April and May to study the Examen while practicing it daily. The Linns' book encourages us to ask what we are most grateful for, and least grateful for, each day. These questions help us identify what brings us consolation and desolation, and in this way to hear the voice of God guiding us.

Please invite a friend to join you!

Maximum number of participants is 20, so register early!

Co-facilitators: Patricia Curtis and Sheila Denion
Suggested Offering: \$25, includes text and journal

EASTER TWILIGHT RETREAT

Tuesday, April 24

5:30-8:30 p.m.

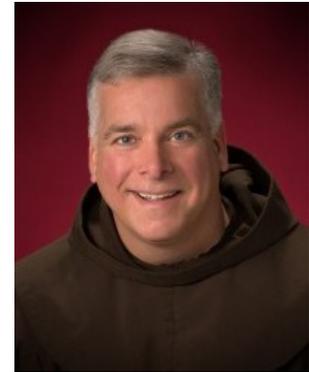
We are delighted to invite Fr. Ken back for an evening of presentation, inspiration, and reflection in this Easter season.

Presenter: Fr. Kenneth P. Paulli, OFM, EDD

Suggested Offering: \$20.00; includes dinner

Presentation only at 6:30 p.m.: \$15.00

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: April 20



“THE SPIRIT AS FIRST FRUITS” (Rom 8:23):

The Holy Spirit in the Bible

Saturday, May 5; 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

In preparation for celebrating the solemn feast of Pentecost (May 20, 2018), this day-long session will consider the topic of the Holy Spirit in the Biblical writings. The focus texts will be drawn from those appointed for the liturgy for the Vigil of Pentecost (specifically, Ezek 37:1-14; Joel 3:1-5; Psalm 104; Rom 8:22-27; and John 7:37-39). These texts will be discussed within the larger context of their respective books

to better understand how Israelite and Christian believers understood the role of God's Spirit active both in their personal lives and abroad in the world.

Participants may find it useful to bring a Bible with them.

Presenter: Paul Sansone

Please bring your own lunch.

Suggested Offering: \$35.00

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**CELEBRATING the 60TH ANNIVERSARY of the Merger of St. Patrick & St. Anthony Churches
ST. PATRICK AND ST. ANTHONY**

COME TO PROMINENCE, THEN UNITE:

19th and 20th Century Realities

Sunday, May 6; 1:00-3:00 p.m.

Sister Dolores will discuss the separate strengthening of two key parishes in downtown Hartford - St. Patrick and St. Anthony from the 19th century until their combining as one parish. Sister Dolores will highlight how St. Patrick Church developed into the 1950's using parish records to show demographics, growth, and decline. She will explore the prominent role of the Sisters of Mercy in the development of the school along with the work of influential pastors.

Sr. Dolores will continue to highlight the Front Street development of a church for Italian immigrants using historical studies. St. Anthony parish took on an extremely vibrant life of its own with the help of visionary pastors. The redevelopment and restructuring of Hartford had an impact upon the union of these two city parishes. Although drawing from different ethnic groups and having separate cultural aims and gifts to offer Catholics, their union in the 1950s quickly brought a renewal of Catholic pride to the city - a reality that exists to the present day.

Presenter: Sr. Dolores Liptak, RSM



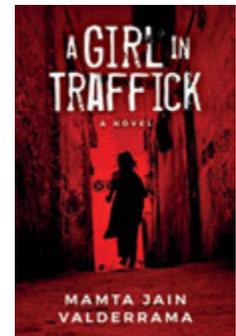
A GIRL IN TRAFFICK

Tuesday, May 8

7:00-8:30 p.m.

Join us for a lecture by social justice author and speaker Mamta Jain Valderrama who writes about important human rights issues that receive little-to-no media attention. Her debut novel, *A Girl In Traffick*, is based on a decade of true stories of human organ trafficking. Our time together will also include a reading and questions and answers.

Presenter: Mamta Jain Valderrama Offering: \$20; includes copy of novel



DAY OF REFLECTION FOR WOMEN at Enders Island, Mystic CT

Saturday, May 12; 9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Retreat Day Leader: Rev. Donna Manocchio

Give yourself a wonderful gift this Spring on lovely Enders Island. Be free.... to move away from all that captures your daily attention and energy. This is a day to sit back in your soul, breathe deeply, and gaze upon the wonders of the world, both inside yourself and outside on the seascape/horizon. There will be time for prayer, for pondering, for contemplating,

for sharing the delight of a precious God who loves us into becoming, more and more, the divine image that we already are.

**** Reserve your spot early – register with a friend ****

**Registration and offering due by May 1;
carpooling to Enders Island is available.**

Suggested Offering: \$45.00; includes lunch.

Sponsored by Women of Hope Ministry





PENTECOST TWILIGHT RETREAT

Saturday, May 19

6:30-8:00 p.m.

A time for input, reflection, discussion and prayer as we conclude our 90-day journey together.

Presenter: Fr. Thomas Gallagher, OFM, PhD

Suggested Offering: \$15.00; includes dinner.

Presentation only at 7:00 p.m.: \$10.00.

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: May 15

PENTECOST VIGIL SERVICE

Saturday, May 19

8:00 p.m.

The celebration of Pentecost brings our season to its culmination. We celebrate the indwelling of the very Spirit of God within us. Using some of the same rituals found in the Easter Vigil, we will celebrate what God has accomplished within us beginning with Ash Wednesday and coming to fullness in the lived reality of the gift of God's Spirit.

Presider and Homilist: Fr. Thomas Gallagher, OFM, PhD

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Men's Retreat Weekend – March 23-25, 2018 at Holy Family Retreat Center, West Hartford

The retreat theme will be "Grace Enough". In an age of division, tension and change, *Grace Enough* will explore the many ways God's presence empowers us and supports us through every step of life's journey. Retreatants will discover anew how God's grace is our greatest source of strength and courage to meet the ever-present challenges in our lives. Together we'll reflect on how living in God's grace guides us to make wise choices, leading to true happiness and peace.

The retreat begins with a buffet dinner from 6:00-7:30 p.m. on Friday evening and concludes with the celebration of Sunday Eucharist at 10:45 a.m., followed by a hot brunch at noon. Families of retreatants are most welcome to attend the Sunday mass and brunch at no extra charge.

Offering: \$315; more if you can, less if you can't.



Biographical Information

Ms. Janet Bristow, a graduate of the first Women's Leadership Institute at Hartford Seminary, is a 2009 recipient of its Distinguished Alumna Award. She is co-founder of The Prayer Shawl Ministry and co-author of *The Prayer Shawl Companion*, *The Crocheted Prayer Shawl Companion*, and *The New Prayer Shawl Companion*. She is a parishioner of St. Patrick - St. Anthony Church, coordinator of the Prayer Shawl Ministry, and member of the Women of Hope Ministry.

Ms. Trudi Campbell, CVA is a graduate of University of the South Education for Ministry program and a Spiritual Director. Trudi has worked extensively in spiritual group facilitation (including Spiritual Reflection) since 1995. Trudi continues to use reflection tools in her work with other Spiritual Directors, people on the margins and individuals on an ongoing basis. Trudi's work, as the Director of Volunteer Ministry at St. Patrick – St. Anthony Church and The Franciscan Center for Urban Ministry, continues to challenge her in the areas of community building and empowerment of all the baptized.

Ms. Patricia Curtis joined the Pastoral Staff in December, 2001. Pat's responsibilities include collaborating with the Women of Hope Ministry, Baptism Preparation Team, Clare Gallery Ministry, Adult Faith Formation Committee, RCIA process, Prayer Shawl Ministry, Welcoming and Hospitality Ministries. Prior to relocating back to Connecticut, Pat lived and worked in Rochester, NY as a Pastoral Associate for 12 years in the Diocese of Rochester. Pat has a Master's degree in Pastoral Ministry from Boston College.

Ms. Sheila Denion is a longtime parishioner who has served in many different ministries at St. Patrick-St. Anthony Church. She has participated in the Lectio Divina group for more than 10 years, and in 2017 completed the Ignatian Spiritual Exercises in the 19th Annotation format at Mercy By The Sea. She has been married to Tom Eysmans for more than 40 years.

Ms. Amy Ekeh is a writer, retreat director, and instructor in the Hartford Catholic Biblical School. She has an M.A. in Theology from The Catholic University of America. Amy's work has been published in a variety of Catholic publications including St. Anthony Messenger and Magnificat. Her most recent book is a Bible study entitled *Lent: Season of Transformation*. Her weekly blog can be found at amyekeh.com. Amy lives with her husband and four children in Milford, CT.

Fr. Thomas Gallagher, OFM, PhD joined the St. Patrick-St. Anthony community in August 2008 as pastor. Previously, he served as Novice Master/Director for 9 years for the Holy Name Province. He has also served for 14 years in parish ministry in Little Falls, NJ and 4 years at St. Francis Retreat Center in Rye Beach, NH. Fr. Tom has a B.A. in Speech Therapy from Montclair State College, a M.A. in Theology from Washington Theological Union, and a PhD degree in Transformative Studies from the California Institute of Integral Studies.

Fr. Kenneth R. Himes, OFM, PhD is a Franciscan friar and former chairman of the Department of Theology at Boston College where he continues to teach theological ethics. A native of Brooklyn, NY he was ordained a Catholic priest in 1976 and was awarded a Ph.D. in religion and public policy from Duke University in 1981. Fr. Himes is a past President of the Catholic Theological Society of America and the author of more than one hundred publications, both academic and popular. His book, *Christianity and Political Order*, was published in 2013 and received the First Place Award in the area

of social teaching from the Catholic Press Association this year. His most recent book, *Drones and the Ethics of Targeted Killing*, was published in 2015 by Rowman and Littlefield.

Sr. Dolores Liptak, RSM, PhD is a Sister of Mercy who has taught all her religious life--from grammar school to graduate studies. She has authored several books and was appointed the official Historian of the Archdiocese of Hartford in 1979 by Archbishop John F. Whealon.

Dr. Gabriel Löfvall, DMA is the Director of Music Ministry at St. Patrick-St. Anthony Church. Gabriel grew up listening to the sounds of the tango in his native Argentina, and is at ease conducting, playing the keyboards, or singing tenor. From a very young age Gabriel sang with the Universidad Nacional de Cuyo Boys' Choir in the city of Mendoza, Argentina, where he also studied piano. He received his Bachelor's Degree in Music from the same university. Gabriel moved to the US in 1997 and got his Master of Music in Piano Performance as well as a Master's Degree in Choral Conducting from the Hartt School of Music at the University of Hartford. In addition to his duties as Director of Music, Gabriel is the director of both the Bass Clef Choir and Gallery Choir. Gabriel received his D.M.A. (Doctor of Musical Arts degree) in choral conducting from the Hartt School of Music at the University of Hartford in May 2016.

Rev. Donna Manocchio has served as Associate Pastor of Asylum Hill Congregational Church, the Senior Pastor of Rocky Hill Congregational Church, and an adjunct faculty member in spirituality and interfaith relations at Hartford Seminary. A certified spiritual director, she previously served as the Associate Director of the Women's Leadership Institute at the Seminary. Donna and Janet Bristow have presented numerous times together in a variety of settings. Donna is passionate about discovering women's stories in the Bible and in the world as a source of inspiration and hope.

Ms. Pamela Morrison-Wolf is a Connecticut Master Gardener and a Spiritual Director. She never ceases to be amazed at how these two passions work together! Pamela joined St. Patrick- St. Anthony in 2002, drawn by the Franciscan commitment to "Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Doors." She also serves as lector, home visitation Eucharistic Minister, and past steward of the Servant Leadership School. Pamela and her husband Guy Wolf live in Farmington.

Ms. Lisa Muscanell-DePaola has taught liturgical dance to children at St. Dunstan, Glastonbury, as well as various faith festivals and events. Karen Rossignol and Lisa have choreographed, taught, and danced many liturgical pieces to share with retreatants at Holy Family Retreat Center and other faith-based or spiritual based groups in the Greater Hartford area.

Fr. Kenneth P. Paulli, OFM, EdD is a Franciscan priest of the Province of the Most Holy Name of Jesus and a Professor of Education at Siena College, Loudonville, NY. Born and raised in Westchester County, NY, he graduated from Siena in 1982 with a B.S. in Marketing/Management. Upon his college graduation, Fr. Ken taught high school and subsequently entered the Franciscan Order. After graduating from the Washington Theological Union in May 1990 with an M.A. in Theology, Fr. Ken was ordained to the priesthood in September of that same year. After serving as a parochial vicar in two parishes, Fr. Ken enrolled in Columbia University's Religion & Education doctoral program. Columbia awarded him a doctorate in May 1999.

Fr. Ken is a member of the First Year Seminar Faculty and an Associate Professor of Education. His book, *Outside the Walls: Encountering God in the Unfamiliar*, is due out this year. In addition to teaching, research, and writing, Fr. Ken has given numerous parish missions and retreats.

Ms. Karen Donahue Rossignol has had the privilege of studying and performing with members of the Boston Liturgical Dance Ensemble directed by Fr. Robert VerEcke - “the dancing priest” - at Boston College. Karen offers workshops in movement and prayer at Holy Family Passionist Retreat Center and is on the faculty at Dance Step in Berlin, CT.

Mr. Paul D. Sansone studied Scripture at The Catholic University of America, Washington, D.C., and has been active in adult education and formation for many years.

Fr. Frank Sevola, OFM is currently the guardian at St. Anthony Shrine in Boston. He has served as pastor of St. Mary's Church in Pompton Lakes, NJ, St. Mary's Church & St. Francis Chapel in Providence, RI and, before all that, served as an associate at St. Patrick - St. Anthony Church for a total of seven years.

Fr. A. Francis Soucy, OFM taught English literature and linguistics for fifteen years in Pennsylvania and Massachusetts, during which time he also chaired the Medieval Colloquium of the Lehigh Valley. In 1986 he entered new waters. Fr. Francis established a nursing home in New Jersey for infirm Franciscan Friars where he served as the licensed administrator for 26 years. Currently, he is a Senior Associate Friar of Holy Name Province ministering at St. Patrick-St. Anthony Church.

Ms. Mamta Jain Valderrama holds a journalism degree from George Washington University, and an MBA from University of Southern California. Prior to her writing career, Valderrama was a healthcare strategist in Washington, DC and Los Angeles, CA. Mamta resides in Los Angeles with her husband and daughter.

Sr. Jeanne Williams, OSF is a Franciscan Sister of Allegany. She has many years of experience as an educator, spiritual director, and retreat leader. One area of her expertise is a holistic spirituality which integrates body, mind, and spirit.

**** Please note:** Pre-registration for ALL programs is strongly encouraged.
Please call the parish office at 860-756-4034 or email Fran Martyn at fmartyn@spsact.org
Payment: Checks should be made payable to “Franciscan Center for Urban Ministry”.

**** Please note:** For Faith Formation Programs that include a full meal, we have listed a registration deadline date 4 days prior to the event. **We are requesting pre-registration** for these programs so that our volunteers can purchase and prepare enough food for everyone’s enjoyment. We would like to decrease the number of walk-ins for programs that serve a full meal out of courtesy for the ministers who are preparing our dinner. **Therefore, we strongly encourage pre-registration by the deadline date.**

For Faith Formation Programs that include a full meal, you may choose one of three options for that program.

If you choose:	Start Time	Suggested Offering
1. Presentation and Meal	5:30PM	\$15.00 / \$20.00
2. Presentation only	6:30PM	\$10.00 / \$15.00
3. Register after deadline = Presentation only	6:30PM	\$10.00 / \$15.00

Several additional programs also require pre-registration. The REGISTRATION DEADLINE connected with each program is clearly indicated with the program description. Honoring this deadline allows our presenters to plan appropriately for their session. Thank you in advance for respecting this request.

Our LENTEN-EASTER-PENTECOST Journey: 90 days
Schedule of Masses and Services

Tuesday, February 13 at 7:00 p.m. Liturgy of the Eucharist

On this eve of Ash Wednesday, all are invited to bring your dried blessed palms that you may still have to be burned to ash and used for Ash Wednesday services.

Wednesday, February 14 Ash Wednesday

Liturgy of the Eucharist with ashes distributed at 7:00 a.m., 8:00 a.m. and 12:05 p.m.

at 7:00 p.m. Solemn Vespers for Ash Wednesday

Sung anthems and psalms, readings from Scripture featuring the Treble Clef Choir; ashes distributed.

February 16, 23 March 2, 9, 16, 23 at 12:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross

Each Friday in Lent immediately following the 12:05 Mass; a wonderful opportunity to meditate with family and friends on the saving journey of Christ.

Sunday, March 25 Palm Sunday - Blessing and distribution of palms at all the masses

Saturday Vigil, March 24 at 4:00 p.m.

Sunday Masses 8:00, 10:00, 11:45 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Holy Thursday, March 29

at 12:05 p.m. Prayer Service

at 6:30 p.m. Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper; reflection on Scripture over a shared meal,

Liturgy of the Word, Foot Washing, Liturgy of the Eucharist.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will follow.

Good Friday, March 30

at 12:05 p.m. Prayer Service

at 3:00 p.m. Celebration of the Lord's Passion

at 7:30 p.m. Service of Word and Song - *A devotional service featuring the St. Patrick-St. Anthony Treble Clef Choir*

Holy Saturday, March 31

at 8:00 a.m. Prayer Service

at time TBA The Easter Vigil

We gather this night around sacred flames to remember our origins, to tell our story, to form Church. The ancient symbol of the Easter candle is plunged into the waters of our font. Tonight, the Church gives birth. As it labors in love, Mother Church sings its pangs of joy as catechumens are born and our hearts are reborn. The Easter Vigil sets out for the church in sign, symbol, word, and gesture the heart of our Catholic Christian faith and identity. Our Vigil accentuates the symbols that illuminate our existence. We are people of the cross. We enter the waters and become members of the faith community. Thus we become people of the light, gathered to celebrate the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ around the Eucharistic table.

Easter Sunday, April 1

Masses at Sunrise – time TBA, 8:00, 10:00, 11:45 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Saturday, May 19

at 4:00 p.m. Vigil Mass for Pentecost

at 8:00 p.m. Vigil Mass and Program for Pentecost (*see page 12 for more information*)

Sunday, May 20 Pentecost Sunday

Masses at 8:00, 10:00, 11:45 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.