



**St. Patrick - St. Anthony Church**  
**Franciscan Center for Urban Ministry**  
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**Church Hours:** Monday - Friday · 6:30 am - 2:00 pm

**December 25, 2016—The Nativity of the Lord**



**SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD**

**Saturday, New Year's Eve**

**December 31, 2016 - Mass at 4:00 pm**

The Vigil Mass for the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God will be followed by a reception in the Franciscan Center for Urban Ministry. We will have sandwiches, warm/cold beverages, face painting and games for all. Stay and watch the 6:00 pm Hartford Fireworks from the warmth of the Center. *(Bring cookies or other goodies to share.)*

**Sunday, New Year's Day**

**January 1, 2017 - Masses at 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 11:45 am & 5:00 pm**

**Letter from Fr. Tom, ofm**

May the Lord give you peace.

The friars and staff wish you a blessed Christmas. I thank you for joining us to celebrate the birth of Jesus, the embodiment of God's overwhelming love for all. I also thank you for the wonderful gifts that you provided for our giving trees. Your generosity touches the lives of children, our sister parish (who will be celebrating Christmas in their new church!), the homeless, the hungry, and many people who struggle day to day for their existence. I thank you.

This Christmas we will see the folks who have made us their home and join us regularly. We will also welcome many folks who join us just for Christmas as they visit family and friends, some will come wondering if they will be welcome, some will come seeking to be at home in the Church. I am grateful for your hospitality

that embraces any and all who come to the doors of St. Patrick-St. Anthony. All are welcome! Come to the feast.

This Christmas we are aware as well of people around the world who live in poverty, violence, homelessness, fear, and war. It was into just such a world that Jesus was born. He came to bring us peace, to remind us of how greatly loved we are by God, to affirm the dignity of each person as he became one with us. This peace, love, dignity is not simply for a select few; not only for those who are graced to know his name; not just for the righteous; Jesus was sent for all. As we keep joyful celebration we are aware of our sisters and brothers around the globe who long for freedom from fear and violence, a just and lasting peace, respect for their dignity, and a new world for their children. I am grateful for your compassion, prayers, and action that helps

each person to realize Christ's presence among us all now.

This Christmas we also remember those who have gone before us. We give thanks for the ways in which they have helped us to recognize God's presence in their shared gifts, their joy, love, goodness, and their many foibles. We remember Fr. Andrew in a special way as we gather this Christmas. He together with all who have gone before us remind us of the many ways in which God is always present in our lives.

I wish you a blessed and holy Christmas and thank you for being a part of the St. Patrick-St. Anthony community.

Fr. Thomas M. Gallagher, ofm

## Upcoming Events

**12/26/2016** Parish Office is Closed  
**12/27/2016** Group Spiritual Direction, 12:30 pm  
**12/28/2016** Sandwich Ministry & Wellness Center, 4:00 pm  
**12/29/2016** Prayer Shawl Ministry, 10:30 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 – December 26, 2016– January 1, 2017

**Monday** Acts 6:8-10, 7:54-59; Mt 10:27-22  
**Tuesday** 1 Jn 1:1-4; Jn 20:1a, 2-8  
**Wednesday** 1 Jn 1:5—2.2; Mt 2:13-18  
**Thursday** 1 Jn 2:3-11; Lk 2:22-35  
**Friday** Sir 3:2-6, 12-14; Mt 2:13-15, 19-23  
**Sunday** Nm 6:22-27; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21



## SISTER PARISH UPDATE

My Dear Brothers & Sisters of St. Patrick-St. Anthony Church

As Christmas is near, I want to take the time to express greetings and best wishes to you. May the Baby Jesus, Son of God, and Son of Mary and Joseph, with his open arms, bring Peace and Joy to each one of you and to all the people dear to you.

Here at St. Genevieve, we are preparing to have big celebrations on Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, and on New Year's Day. Know that we always keep you in our prayers and good thoughts considering your Solidarity with us since the foundation of our parish. Thank you so much for your different initiatives such as The Taste of Haiti and the Haiti Giving Tree to support us and our children.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.  
Your Brother in Christ,

*Fr. Philippe for the parishioners of St. Genevieve*



## STEWARDSHIP

### Stewardship Reflection

For unto us is born this day a Savior! In response to so great a love, only the gift of my whole self will do. You have given us Yourself, dear Lord, in love and thanksgiving. I commit myself afresh to you.

### Your Weekly Giving

December 17/18.....\$12,808.00  
Online Dec 12-18 .....\$ 5,409.50

**Total available for operating budget:**  
**\$18,217.50**

**St. Anthony Bread for the Poor: \$290.00**  
*(These monies go directly to the poor through the Sandwich Ministry Program)*

We're still here while you are away. Use On-Line Giving to schedule recurring or one-time donations. To register for Online Giving, please visit our website: [WWW.SPSACT.ORG](http://WWW.SPSACT.ORG). Need help signing up for Online 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.**

## House of Bread Thrift Store...Serving our neighbors in the North End

It's always time for Spring Cleaning! Small appliances (toasters, microwaves, irons, TVs), dishes, flatware, glasses, pots and pans, dressers and end tables. We can use most anything except clothing (we simply don't have the space). One person's stuff is another person's treasure! Help find gold!

**[www.hobread.org](http://www.hobread.org)... more than just soup**

## Personal Care Items Needed

We continue to collect 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!

## Living Stewardship

We are grateful this week for all stewards who rejoice because the Word became flesh and dwells among us! O come let us adore him



## COMMUNITY LIFE

### "The Power of Words" Opens At Clare Gallery

This exhibition will begin with a performance by artist Susan Kapuscinski Gaylord on January 14, 2017. During the performance, large-scale calligraphic words will be written on paper with fluid acrylic paint. These drawings will be attached to the Gallery walls. Gaylord's love of words led her to the study of English Literature, which in turn brought her to calligraphy. The artifacts produced during the performance will be exhibited from January 15 to March 10, 2017. **An opening reception and artist talk will be held on Sunday, January 15, 1-3 pm.**

Gaylord will speak about her performance, her creative process, and her belief in the power of words to inspire, comfort, connect and create personal and communal change.

### Novel Idea Fiction Discussion Group

Gather once a month to discuss works of fiction with a wide appeal. For more information contact Marybeth Walsh (860-523-7034) or Sara Zagorski (860-721-1814).

### Upcoming Selection:

**January 19: *Did You Ever Have a Family*** by Bill Clegg

**Time:** 7:00 to 8:30 pm

Check the following website for book listings. <http://www.spsact.org/main-menu/community-life/spirituality-and-social-groups/book-discussion-group/>



## Open Hearts Gay & Lesbian Ministry

- **GLBT Ministry** meets monthly. Next meeting is on January 8, 2017 at 6:00 pm
- **Families & Friends of the Gay & Lesbian Community**—January 24, 2017 at 6:30 pm

## CHRISTMAS FLOWER REMEMBRANCES

- Hilda & Ellie Carson; Carrie & Louie Samotus
- Josephine & Salvatore Tanasi; Marjorie & Samuel Crockett
- Deceased Franciscan Sisters of Allegany, NY
- Deceased members of the Ferrero, Sapko & Binkowski Families
- Kristen Bing Clarke; Mary DeBona
- Anthony & Ann Leone
- John C. Brennan; Deceased members of the Brennan, Lemega, Marut, Ramos, Watt & Gilbert Families; Fr. Ronan Callahan, C.P.
- Donald Hall, Mildred Hall, Kim Rutkowski, John Rutkowski; In honor of Eleanor Davis
- Thomas McCue; Helen McCue
- J. Gregori Montano
- William & Antoinette Mastropietro; Leo & Marie Young; Ned Young
- Salvatore Rinaldi; Anna Calabrese; Antonio Calabrese; Guiseppe Calabrese; Rocco Calabrese
- Dun & Agnes Waddy; Dick & Dorothy Dillon
- John Sheehy; James Mullin; Tom Reynolds
- James Regan; Thomas Lynch; Josephine Lynch; Dave Boisvert; Bertha Regan
- Ed, Fran, Jerry Marin; Jack, John, Carmella Karwan
- Frances Coco; Sal Coco; Eleanor Laffin
- Elizabeth & John Nolan
- Kathryn Baker; Everett Baker
- Prisloe & Ollie Families
- Mr. & Mrs. Diamantino Marques; Mr. & Mrs. Elias Carvalho; Maria Brito
- Vita Hodgkins; Mary E. Young
- Delphinie & Leo Bricuglio, Sr.
- The Lombardo Family; The Kruse Family; The Rizzo Family
- Melzen, Lukach & Humphrey Families
- Thomas Sataro; Anna Pavlick
- James & Isabel Watt
- Nicholas Arturo; Leo Andreoli; Bill & Barbara Murady; In Honor of Jess Mumper
- Tom Picone; Patricia Zipps; Joan Eagan; In Honor of Josephine Picone
- The Quigley Family
- Monica Grigaitis; Richard Lee Allard
- Douglas Corr
- Arthur & Jean Field; Barbara & Francis Pierz
- M. G. Bartholomay; Gary S. Bunting
- Concetta & Salvatore Gianni
- Katherine Wright; Mary Hyland; In honor of Roger & Edwina Harris
- Fr. Andrew Giardino
- Fr. Andrew Giardino; Fr. Jim Hynes; Ryiz Family; Grasso Family; In honor of Sr. Ginny Sheehan
- Mary Blackburn; Angelina Senia; Stuart Blackburn; Anthony Senia
- Josephine & Patrick Tarascio
- Victor John
- Nicholas Arturo; Leo Andreoli
- Stephen Curran; John Curran; James Moran
- The Errickson & Hardy Families
- Eleanor Dwyer; Vickie Rice
- The Loren Family
- Jim Nash
- Margaret & James Dinunzio; Aldona & Lucian Urbanski; Josephine & Tom DeLucco; Ronald & Richard Colannino; Sadie Martin; In Honor of Wayne & Theresa Urbanski
- Joan Marie Montovani
- Roger Mattulke; Robert Blanton; Rumples & Avatar
- Ginna Young
- Catherine McDonald; Robert Hughes
- Anthony & Ann Amaio; Charles & Mary Kauke
- Rosemary Cronin; Carol DiFazio
- Family & Friends
- William Leone
- Thomas Zaleski
- Carol Nista
- John Lilly
- Ada Taylor; Joan Cardillo & Carol Woerz; Bill, Jack, Phil Lacourciere; Arthur Abronzino; Chuck Wray
- William & Margaret Kramer; Rosalie K. LaTorra
- Louise Brackett; George Brackett; Jeanette Brackett; George Perreault; Eileen Perreault

# CHRISTMAS FLOWER REMEMBRANCES

- Raymond Meany
- Hewley Barker; Vibert Sullivan; Dorothy David
- Henry N. & Irene Cormier
- Ronald Gina
- Grace Paula; Gertrude Laurence
- Carroll Tierney; Hy Gottlieb
- Daniel & Gayner Cronin; Robert Daniel Cronin; Antonio & Stella Pizzoferrato; Agatha W. Pizzoferrato
- Mary Bowie; Thomas Bowie; Rebecca Stark
- The Mahoney Family; The Daly Family
- Fr. Andrew Giardino
- Lucente Family; Martins Family; Sullivan Family; Cinotti Family; Fr. Andrew Giardino
- Lita Hooley (Nana); Caria Chiappalone; Drost Grandparents; Uncle Jimmy
- George & Leounteena Tull; Dianne & Sylvia Tull; Rita Subeeksingh; Winston Tull; William Spencer
- Richard Ledvorowski
- Tim Murphy, Sr. & Jr.
- Dorothy Murphy
- Matthew R. Kilgariff; Frances B. Anelli; Nicholas Anelli; Lucy S. Russell
- D. Peter Davies
- Lillian & Frederick Sullivan; Margaret & James Sheehan
- Mary & John Lemega; Mary & John Ramos; Michael J. Digby; John V. Ramos; Barbara A. Dubovik; August W. Linder; Inez Williams; Carole A. Spector; John C. Brennan; Fr. James Hynes, ofm; Laura S. Diunizio; Adelaide S. Vida
- Fitol & Fedoruk Families
- Thomas E. Claffey
- Alice & Joseph Wilson; June & Cliff Price
- James & Barbara Mally; Joseph & Katherine Malloy
- The Souls in Purgatory
- W. Tomolonius; Mary Peterson; James Cox; Sylvia Kuddris
- Ross Wittemann; Elizabeth & Otto Bues
- Thomas McCamley; Anna McCamley; Martin McCamley
- Jane & Harry Forlenza; Dorothy & John Bailey
- Daniel & Sandra Cummings
- Marion Benedetto
- Megan O'Connell Albright
- Tyler Cop; Nick Zuk
- Providence Bentine; John Rosado; Elizabeth Bentra; Catherine Haven
- Miriam & Darby Costello
- Ernest & Emily Keeton; James Prenetta; Frank & Anne Triska; Frank & Margaret Aylward; John & Kathryn Keeton; Joan Dowling; Peter Prenetta
- Angelo Tomasso, Jr.; C. Richard Ficks; Margaret Ficks
- Antonio & Eleanor Netinho
- Eleanor Sullo; Donald Sullo
- The Fisher, Smigiel, Clark & Kovacik Families
- Aelred, Rita, Kennetgh & Tom Wagner; Philip Knutson; Anne L. Ferrucci
- Johannah Reeves
- Robert Casinghino
- Stanley Sidur; Jason Connolly; Brittany O'Brien; Ryszard Bartkowicz; In Honor of Ryan Langan
- Gasper & Donatelli Families; Taylor & Serafini Families
- The Homeless
- Anna & Edward Alexis
- Hill & Padegimas Families
- Dr. Iain Campbell
- Marie Piccolli
- Syrian Refugees
- Nicholas & Mary Cavalieri; Neil Cavalier; Coleman & Mary Malia; Kathy Cavalier
- The Burt & Carnelli Families
- Mary & George Marsdale
- Flood, O'Brien, Doyle Families; Lanning, Devaney & McNabb Families
- Deceased members of the Loffredo & Glinn Families
- John & Helen Felice; Henry & Catherine O'Mara
- Poppa Jack, Mumz & Jacky
- George Sanford, Jr.; Melissa Sanford; Mr. & Mrs. F. N. Plummer
- Selena Mason
- Alice & Joseph Singer; Albina Sloat
- Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Longo; Mr. & Mrs. Innocenzo DiMascio
- Mara Alexander
- Jack & Johnny; Mim & Dad & Dinny
- Robert Tuttle
- Frank & Elaine D'Amico
- Edward Guzek; Charlotte Bowen; Francis Bowen; In honor of Eugenia Guzek
- Charles I. Brink, MD
- Robert Faulkner, Jean & Donald Unwin
- Jim Hurley
- Mingo, Rossi and Bull Families
- Louis Valente
- Joseph and Annie Grady, Ray & Doris Ramsey, Roger Grady
- Baby Mary Makan



## For More Information

Go to [www.spsact.org](http://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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*Hearing assisted devices available.*



*Church and Franciscan Center are handicap accessible.*

## We Pray...

- For the sick, **Paul Egan; Ken Maliga; Cindy Wiggins**
- For our brothers and sisters who are in need this holiday season.

### SANCTUARY LAMPS—WEEK OF DECEMBER 25, 2016

In loving memory of Josephine Tanasi

## Mass Intentions

### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 24, 2016

4:00

5:30

7:00

Mid-Night

Masses are in Thanksgiving for Christ's Presence Among Us.

### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 25, 2016

8:00

10:00

11:45

5:00

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### MONDAY, DECEMBER 26, 2016

12:05 John Walsh, 5th anniversary

### TUESDAY, DECEMBER 27, 2016

7:00 Patrick Giardino

8:00 Our Parishioners

12:05 Frank Giardino

### WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 28, 2016

7:00 Franciscan Center Ministry

8:00 Our Parishioners

12:05 Jim Stamler

### THURSDAY, DECEMBER 29, 2016

7:00 Franciscan Center Ministry

8:00 Our Parishioners

12:05 Intentions of the Maiorini & Urbanucci Family

### FRIDAY, DECEMBER 30, 2016

7:00 Franciscan Center Ministry

8:00 Stanley Zyskowski

12:05 Jennie Bramante

### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 31, 2016

4:00 Our Parishioners

### SUNDAY, JANUARY 1, 2017

8:00 William & Angeline Speziale

10:00 George Sanford

11:45 Natalie Virginia Atwood

5:00 Francis Aiello

## 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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