

ST. PATRICK  ST. ANTHONY

open hearts open minds open doors



2012 ANNUAL REPORT

MISSION STATEMENT

St. Patrick–St. Anthony Parish and The Franciscan Center for Urban Ministry is a welcoming and dynamic community of Christian disciples. Rooted in the Franciscan experience of the Roman Catholic tradition, we proactively endeavor to extend hospitality both at the Eucharistic Table and as we minister reciprocally and in solidarity among the alienated and the poor, nurturing the mind, body, and spirit in the Greater Hartford Community.

2012 MINISTRY COORDINATORS

Adult Faith Formation: Pat Curtis

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Care Ministry: Lynne Willis

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Prayer Shawl Ministry: Janet Bristow

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Religious Education: Deb Pelletier

Sandwich Makers: Rebecca Webber

Sandwich Serving: Lise Perody

Sister Parish: Tom Cuthbertson & Patricia Wawzyniecki

Treble Clef Choir: Pamela Johnson

Ushers: Andrew Giardino, ofm

Volunteers at Large: Trudi White, CVA

Welcoming Committee: Anna & Roger Eddy

Women of Hope: Pat Curtis

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PASTOR'S LETTER



Dear Parishioners and Friends of St. Patrick-St. Anthony and St. Genevieve,

May the Lord give you peace.

I thank you for taking the time to consider our 2012 annual report. We are blessed to be able to be a Catholic community that continues to seek to live our vision of open hearts, open minds, open doors. People find refuge here who have been away from the church, who have been made to feel unwelcome in the church, or have been seeking an experience of God's presence for many years. The Franciscan vision of living within a diverse and gifted community of dreamers, seekers, the weary, and those weighted down by the struggles of life is an essential dimension of our lives. All are welcome. All are gifted.

In the spring of 2012 we celebrated fifty years of ministry with Fr. Andrew. Almost half of those years have been here with us at St. Patrick-St. Anthony. The celebration was a block party with great food — a pizza truck, a huge sandwich and desserts. We managed to close Church Street and had a wonderful party giving thanks for Fr. Andrew's gifts and presence among us. Just a month later Fr. Andrew had a stroke while visiting his family in Geneva, New York. Fr. Andrew worked hard to recover from that stroke and was back to work in a remarkably short time. We were fortunate that he was able to do his therapy and recover without leaving Hartford. I am grateful for your prayers for Fr. Andrew both in celebrating his gifts and in assisting in his recovery.

During the summer we were able to remove the bushes that surrounded the parking lot and to plant 20 red maple trees around the perimeter. Visually this was an amazing change. Ecologically, we hope to assist in providing shade, purifying the air, and creating space for birds to light as they make their way through the city. The tree adventure included providing water for the trees during the hottest days of the summer. You may remember the bags of water that surrounded the base of the trees. We also began plans to install benches as places of rest and contemplation in downtown. We looked at providing three benches each in memory of a significant person in our life, Fr. John Murphy, ofm, John Walsh, Franciscan Affiliate and Fr. Jim Hynes, ofm, former Pastor.

The fall of 2012 saw the first trip to Haiti since the earthquake. Our Sister Parish is doing well and is grateful for our partnership. More importantly, we are grateful for the many ways that our Sister Parish community is so much a part of who we are.

In December we grieved with our sisters and brothers from Newtown. We gathered to keep memory of all who died in the shootings on that painful day. Our prayer shawl ministry provided dozens of prayer shawls for many who live with the pain of loss from that tragic day at Sandy Hook School. Prayer shawl ministers from all over the globe sent their prayers embodied in the work of their hands to enfold the grieving in God's presence. One of my friends, Br. David Schlatter, ofm, lent us the use of one of his bells that we were able to toll as we prayed together on that Advent weekend and at the special liturgy entrusting to God our pain, confusion, loss and hope. Br. David brought the bell from Wilmington, Delaware just for our use. You may remember that he brought us a bell to commemorate 9/11 on the tenth anniversary. Within the tradition of the church bells are often considered the "vox Dei", the voice of God. Bells call us to prayer, peal for moments of joy and toll as we grieve our beloved deceased family and friends.

The amazing celebrations of Christmas reminded us again that in a broken world, God is always present bringing hope, goodness, healing and grace. We are a people who incarnate that presence in welcome, celebration, prayer, and the uniqueness of the gifts of each member. I thank you for your sharing in our life.

Peace and all good,

Fr. Tom Gallagher, ofm
Pastor



The Knox Park Foundation planted 20 red maple trees around the perimeter of the Saints Parking Lot.



2012 AT A GLANCE

Your Staff

Fr. Thomas Gallagher, ofm, *Pastor*

Carolyn Abramo, *Office Assistant*

John Bizis, *Wedding Coordinator & Sanctuary Décor*

Patricia Curtis, *Pastoral Associate*

Denis Geary, *Weekend Sacristan*

Fr. Andrew Giardino, ofm, *Parochial Vicar*

Mary Gray, *Religious Ed Family Program*

Carol Hanlon, *Religious Ed 7th & 8th Grade Program*

Roberta Horton, *Volunteer Facilities Scheduler*

Pamela Johnson, *Associate Liturgy Director,
Office Administrator*

Robert Johnson, *Church Custodian*

Fr. Cidouane Joseph, ofm, *Parochial Vicar*

Lauren Kasperowski, *Traditional Rel. Ed Program*

Fr. John Leonard, ofm, *Parochial Vicar*

Gabriel Löfvall, *Director of Music Ministry*

Frances Martyn, *Parish & Center Secretary*

Salvatrice Mazzarella, *Weekend Receptionist*

Deb Pelletier, *Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Program and
Religious Ed Team Coordinator*

Orville Russell, *Director of Maintenance*

David Violette, *Maintenance*

Faith VosWinkel, *High School Confirmation Program*

Trudi White, *Director of Volunteer Ministry*

The Numbers

1,512 Volunteers with 63,044 service hours

26,726 Community Ministry Hours

7,886 Formation Ministry Hours

125 New Member Registrations

404 Children in Religious Education

267 Weekend Masses

766 Daily Masses

42 Baptisms

45 Confirmations

5 Adult Confirmations

1,749 Registered Households

18,904 Worship Ministry Hours

9,528 Urban Ministry Hours

60 First Communions

29 Weddings

41 Funerals

1,683 Participants in Adult Faith Formation and
Women of Hope Programs

113 Zip Codes

Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM ✕ Sunday: 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, 11:30 AM, and 5:00 PM

Weekday: 7:00 AM, 8:00 AM, and 12:05 PM

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Monday, Wednesday, and Friday: 11:30 AM to 12:00 NOON; Saturday: 3:30 PM to 4:00 PM

General Info

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Office Hours: Monday—Thursday: 8:30 AM—7:00 PM

Friday: 8:30 AM—4:30 PM

Saturday: 9:00 AM—4:00 PM; Sunday: 9:00—11:30 AM

Church Hours: Monday—Friday: 6:30 AM—after 12:05 Mass

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Altar Servers

Forty-two new and veteran Altar Servers ministered at the Lord's table during our liturgies in 2012. These men, women, and children provided generous assistance at our weekend celebrations of the Eucharist.

Baptism

The Baptismal Preparation Team offered five preparation classes to help parents consider the ways in which Baptism begins our life in Christ. In 2012, we welcomed forty-one children and one adult into the Church through the waters of Baptism. The preparation program includes a presentation about the theology of Baptism. The team explores with parents the primary symbols of Baptism and the important role of godparents as well as practical information about the day of Baptism here at St. Patrick- St. Anthony Church. A blessing of the participants to commission them in their ministry of parenting is an important element in the preparation session.

Eucharistic Ministers

This year has been one of great interest and growth within the ministry. Twelve candidates attended the Archdiocesan Training Sessions with five being commissioned in 2012 and seven parishioners commissioned in March 2013. Ten will serve as liturgical ministers and two as pastoral care ministers. There are sixty plus ministers whose activity in the ministry is determined by availability and preference for certain liturgies.

This ministry is now headed by two coordinators who schedule for weekday, weekend, special liturgies, in-service training and communication with the Office of Divine Worship. In September a Luncheon and Liturgical Workshop, facilitated by Father Tom Gallagher, was offered. Altar Servers, Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors and Music Ministers attended this event.

Lectors

Fifty Lectors served at our weekend Masses during 2012, and twenty-one Lectors served at the weekday 12:05 pm Mass.

Liturgical Dancers

In 2012, dancers offered their talents to provide prayerful liturgical dance at our liturgies during the Easter Triduum, on Easter Sunday, and at Christmas. The grace and beauty of their movement highlighted the drama of the Passion and the solemnity of the presentation of the Cross on Good Friday, heightened the joy of the Resurrection as they danced to Handel's *Hallelujah* Chorus and helped us experience the wonder of Christ's birth as they led us in adoration of Jesus, who assumed our flesh.

Marriage Preparation

The Marriage Preparation Team, made up of married couples from St. Patrick-St. Anthony Parish, planned and conducted two workshops during 2012 for 25 engaged couples.

Discussion topics included family of origin, communication, conflict resolution, finances, and intimacy. The couples were introduced to the parish community at the 4:00 pm liturgy, where the community blessed them as they continued their preparation for living the Sacrament of Matrimony.



As the congregation sings praise to God during the singing of the Gloria on Easter Day liturgical dancer Sabrina Rostkowski praises God through dance.



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Music Ministry

St. Patrick-St. Anthony takes pride in its vibrant music ministry, one that encompasses musical expressions from all corners of the world and strives to imbue every member of the congregation with passion for word and sound, and an eagerness to express this passion through singing and playing. St. Patrick-St. Anthony Church is well known for its exuberant music and bold programming, which permeate every liturgy. The unparalleled acoustics of our exquisite nineteenth-century brownstone church provide a steady incentive to fill it with beautiful sounds woven together in blended harmony, while leading the congregation in reverent worship.

The Bass Clef Choir

Over a dozen volunteers and three section-leaders offered their talents to the Bass Clef Choir in 2012. This unique ensemble of male voices provided music leadership at the 5:00 pm Sunday Mass every other week, occasionally at the 8:00 am Mass, and on special feast days and at special liturgical celebrations. While they are fond of all musical styles, the Bass Clef Choir made the church resonate splendidly, especially with early colonial American shape-note numbers and the ageless Gregorian chant that so well suits their low voices. They joined the other two choral groups of our parish for special performances of Maurice Duruflé's *Requiem* and John Rutter's *Gloria*.



Fr. Tom looks on as choreographer, Mary Beth Griffith (right) and her daughter, Fiona Griffith Benson (left) express the drama of the reading of the Passion on Good Friday.



Members of the Gallery, Treble Clef and Bass Clef Choirs join forces to sing John Rutter's *Gloria* at the Annual Lessons and Carols. The *Gloria* was also featured at the Midnight Mass to celebrate Christmas.

The Gallery Choir

Over thirty volunteers and eight section-leaders brought their musical gifts to the Gallery Choir in 2012. This choir was featured at the 10:00 am Mass on Sundays and major feasts. Their members provided music leadership through a sacred choral repertoire that brought scriptural poetry to life through music. The Gallery Choir explored a diversity of different styles of music, including antique Medieval and Renaissance motets, beautifully crafted Baroque, Classical, and Romantic works, through dazzling twentieth-century pieces that include Gospel, world, and contemporary sounds. Their varied repertoire included music sung in English, French, German, Latin, Portuguese, Russian, and Spanish. The Gallery Choir also led the Good Friday special prayer service featuring Maurice Duruflé's poignant *Requiem*, and the annual Christmas *Festival of Lessons and Carols*, which this year

showcased John Rutter's magnificent *Gloria*.

The Treble Clef Choir

Over two-dozen volunteers and three section-leaders combined their gifts of melody and harmony for the Treble Clef Choir in 2012. This very distinctive choir of high voices provided musical leadership at the 5:00 pm Sunday Mass every other week, periodically at the 8:00 am Sunday Mass, and also on some special feasts. The distinctive sound of treble voices is wonderfully amplified in the acoustics of our sanctuary: conductor Pam Johnson finds rare gems of repertoire



that highlight the beauty and expressiveness of the treble range, such as Loman's *What Child Is This?* presented at Lessons and Carols. The TCC joined the other two choral groups of our parish for special performances of Maurice Duruflé's *Requiem* on Good Friday, and John Rutter's *Gloria*, offered both for the annual *Festival of Lessons and Carols* and the midnight Mass.

The Christmas and Easter Kids' Chorale

Many children participated in the 2012 Easter and Christmas celebrations, lending their young, clear voices to the special Masses celebrated at the Urban Center. The children not only added beautiful sound and vitality to the liturgy by singing anthems and special songs, they also led the congregation as Cantors and Proclaimers of the Word. The Kids' Chorale was conducted by Suzanne O'Connor and accompanied by Christian Cashman for Easter, and conducted by Pam Johnson and accompanied by Gabriel Löfvall for Christmas.

Instrumentalists

Volunteer and professional instrumentalists enhanced our worship experience at the 2012 Easter and Christmas celebrations and on other feast days. The sound of new timbres—strings, brass, woodwinds, and percussion instruments (alone or in combination with organ and piano)—resounded throughout our acoustically outstanding sanctuary. The Cashman family (Christian Cashman, *Piano*; Paul Cashman, *Trumpet*; John Cashman, *Cello*; Matthew Cashman, *Violin*; Jim Malley, *Cello*; Joey Cashman, *Percussion*), and the Irizarry Lambright siblings (Maya and Mobey, *violins*) offered their endless gift of music to make our liturgies unique and heartfelt!

Combined Events

In 2012, the Gallery Choir, the Treble Clef and Bass Clef Choirs joined forces as usual to tackle two major choral works. For Good Friday, Maurice Duruflé's *Requiem*, a most poignant setting of the ageless mass for the dead, was offered as part of our annual service of prayer and music. The service included a chamber orchestra of 12 professional musicians and the guest appearance of the local children's choir *Chorus Angelicus*.



Music Director, Gabriel Löfvall, conducts the choirs during the Festival of Lessons and Carols.

In June 2012, the Bass Clef, Treble Clef, and Gallery Choirs came together to rejuvenate our vocal and choral techniques under the guidance of Mark Singleton (Choral Leader of Immanuel Congregational Church, Hartford, and the renowned vocal ensemble VOCE) who provided a very educational and refreshing Choral Workshop for our singers. Our three choirs welcomed him with separate pieces and two combined anthems. In December 2012, our three choirs shared duties again at the annual *Festival of Lessons and Carols*, when all of our musicians crowned the musical year with buoyant and bright sounds. The occasion was celebrated with the performance of another famous choral masterpiece: John Rutter's sparkling *Gloria*, a magnificent setting of the timeless Christmas canticle, accompanied by a band of brass and percussion featuring 10 professional musicians. Rutter's *Gloria* greatly enriched our Advent journey and was repeated as the resonant proclamation that opened our Midnight Mass on Christmas Eve.

The All Are Welcome Choir

An impromptu choir was formed on several occasions during 2012, which was dubbed the "All Are Welcome Choir." The group was convoked only for the liturgy at which the choir sang; preparation consisted of a single rehearsal. The only requirement for admittance was an eagerness to provide musical accompaniment for the liturgy. This spontaneous choir sang twice during the summer months, when the permanent choirs were in recess, and for a Mass in celebration of the covenant with our sister parish, St. Genevieve, Zoranje, Haiti (June 2012). The All Are Welcome Choir provides an



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ideal opportunity for friends and parishioners who are considering joining one of the permanent ensembles to learn about choral expectations and to experience a rehearsal.

Music in the City Returns!

Our erstwhile concert series *Music in the City* was brought back to life, thanks to determined requests from local musicians to use our church for concerts. The first concert for *Music in the City* in 2012 was *The Connecticut Children's Chorus* (CCC) in Concert on January 22, under the artistic direction of Dr. Stuart Younse. The CCC, the official children's chorus of the Hartford Symphony Orchestra, is one of the region's most comprehensive youth chorus programs, and trains some of Connecticut's most talented young voices. We were certainly eager to hear these young singers explore the richness of St. Patrick-St. Anthony's celebrated acoustics.

In the spring we heard Maurice Durufle's *Requiem* on Good Friday. We were invited to participate more fully in the paradox of devastation that brings joy and triumph, the Death that brings transformed Life. Celebrated all over the world since 1947, this Mass bridges the grandiose and the intimate in a manner never before achieved by any composer. St. Joseph Cathedral Organist Ezequiel Menéndez accompanied this moving piece, with soloists Ray Hardman and Pam Johnson, strings, trumpets, timpani and the voices of our three St. Patrick-St. Anthony Church choirs under the direction of Gabriel Löfvall.

On April 14, the *Hartt School Chamber Choir*, known for its pure and refined sound, presented "A Sonic Feast" directed by Dr. Edward Bolkovac; the program ranged from Renaissance and Baroque masters to Poulenc and Whitacre. The series continued with "Trumpet Soundscapes", featuring Gabriel Löfvall (piano & organ) and Larry Gareau (trumpet), and the final performance, "A Choral Extravaganza", which brought together the three Church Choirs - the Gallery Choir, Treble Clef Choir, and Bass Clef Choir - who presented their favorite anthems to end their choir year. The Advent season offering, *Lessons and Carols*, performed on December 9 by the three choirs of St. Patrick-St. Anthony, organ, brass and percussion, brought a fresh take on the ancient chant of Christmas, the *Gloria*, presenting the setting by British composer John Rutter in all its grandeur.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

In 2012, five people participated in the Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA) process. Weekly meetings included an opportunity for participants to reflect together on the Sunday Scripture readings; to learn about Scripture and the Catholic faith and liturgy; to pray together; and to share their mutual journey of faith with each other. These candidates were received into the church at the Easter Vigil.

Special Liturgical Events

February 21—Ash Wednesday Vigil (including burning of palms from 2011)	November 17—Suicide Survivors Mass
February 22—Vespers for Ash Wednesday	November 21—Vigil Mass for Thanksgiving
May 26—Vigil Mass for Pentecost	December 1—World AIDS Day
August 10—Transitus of St. Clare	December 10—Mass of Anointing of the Sick (celebrated at all masses)
October 3—Transitus of St. Francis	December 31—Vigil Mass for New Year's Day, including a reception and the viewing of fireworks.
November 1—Mass of Remembrance	

Ushers

We are blessed with ushers who are committed to their ministry! Some come prepared to assist each week; others are drafted by Denis Geary to serve as needed. Each usher offers the hospitality unique to St. Patrick – St. Anthony. This year saw the passing of Anna Alexis, wife of long-time parishioner and usher at the 4:00 pm Saturday Vigil Mass. Ten o'clock usher Rico Pace celebrated 65 years of marriage to his beloved wife, Petronella in November of 2012.

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Baptisms Celebrated in 2012

Emma Elizabeth Ahlstrand	Joseph Kevin Feeney	Gregory Lewis, Jr.	Andrew Nicholas Soto
Lucy Jane Archambault	Cameron Richard Fox	Jack Thomas Linskey	Maya Grace Sousa
Tyler Joseph Bradway	Olivia Malloy Garrett	Cecilia Jane Makari	Seamus Sullivan
Whimsy Olivia Brand	Jaxon David Glantz	Samuel Alexander Mitchell	Lucy Mae Szyluk
Conor Griffin Buzzell	Mai Sierra Grumbley	Eli Anthony Monroe	Brooke Corrine Thayer
Tesfanesh Janet Carlson	Valentino Colm Hendrick- Baker	Charlotte Francesca Mowel	Ryan David Tummillo
Delaney Grace Cook	Madelyn Avery Jones	Joseph John Reynolds	Paulo Michael Tutunjian
Brennan Maria Cykley	Lily Julianne LaBella-Johnson	Dante Lewis Rossi	Arthur Peter Vautour
Liam Michael Day	Cora Marie Lane	Lucas Anthony Senia	Emily Jocelyn Ward
Adam Eddy Derbel	Lucy Angel Laureano	James Wyatt Slogesky	Elizabeth Lillian Yamalis
Madison Kathleen Etienne		Kendall Grace Smith	

Sealed by the Holy Spirit in 2012

Christopher Abramo	Derek Farrell	Kerry McFadden	Madeleine Sinnock
Chelsey Barbosa	Dale Galbo	John McGuire	Megan Stevenson
Michael Barry	John Galle	Sarah McHale	Ashley Talbot
Hannah Bissonnette	Sydney Gallo	David Midura	Olivia Tarantino
Tomiko Blais	Margaret Grusse	Benjamin Mueller	James Tomlinson
Alannah Boyle	Meridith Hanlon	Rose O'Brien	Marbella Villamizar
Sydney Calderon	Brian Hatch	John Palermo	Anna Walker
Cathryn Callaghan	Nathaniel Heiden	Bridget Pepin	Cory Wilson
Gabrielle Collins	Jennifer Hogan	Jeannine Phillips	Michelle Wilson
Reid Collins	Matthew Houpert	Lauren Rossi	Billy Winter
Emma Deneen	Devon Hussey	John Russell	Nathan Zlotnick
Anna Doroghazi	Jacqueline Klingman	Charles Sanady	
Emma Everett	Beatrice Lynch	Alessandro Schooley	

Welcomed to the Eucharistic Table in 2012

Lauren Mary Armstrong	Lilla Felice	Peter Langevin	Olivia Grace Pillow
Nicholas Anthony Augustino	Reilly Kate Fournier	Thomas George LaSpada	Jack Michael Morgan
Arianna Barnes	Sarah Rose Garceau	Jonathan Davis Lattimer	Redmond
Aislinn Kathleen Bermingham	William Brook Gaumer	Christopher George Leduc	Sophia Enya Rodrigues
John Sebastien Brand	Mollie Naughton Gorman	Maggie Elizabeth Mancini	Carly Elizabeth Sanzo
Madeline Grace Brennan	Caroline Jane Gray	Brooke Healy Martindale	Andrew Thomas Sauer
Tyler Cavo	Raphael Francis Hendrick- Baker	Jay McNamara	Adam Michael Saviano
Eamon Patrick Conneely	Cora Marie Hixson	Martin William Cooligan	Patrick Reilly Schwab
Elizabeth Helen Davis	Sawyer John Hoon	Moran	Elijah Walsh Shenk
Holly Jean Dillon	Alyse Lily Karanian	Grace Yvonne Moreau	Helena Clare Shenk
Douglas Baxter Doyle	Mary Rec Kasperowski	Maeve Catherine Moylan	Sofia Jessica Sukiennik
Kali Renee Dominguez	Emma Keller	Hannah Irene Murphy	William Peter Tonkinson
Nicholas Petrucelli Duncan	Marielle Joy Kirsche	Liam Frank Murphy	Ethan Jacob Torres
Molly Catherine Edgington	Brian Anthony Kruzick	Madeline Joyce O'Toole	William Eric Tousignant
Jake Matthew Errickson	William Winfield Kuhnly	Maxmilian Gabriel	Simon Jullian Villamizar
Alejandro Figueroa		Petropoulos	Gunnar Whalen



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Pictured from left to right are Maeve Moylan, Cara Moylan, Andrew & Jill O'Toole with daughters, Isabel & Madeline in the front of them and Mairin Moylan on the far right during the First Communion Retreat Day indoor picnic.

Marriages Celebrated in 2012

Tomiko Blais & Steven Odorcuk
 Maureen Shiner & Ralph Peffers
 Christine Foley & Matthew Smith
 Alexandra Alarez & Matthew Carlson
 Alyssa DeNino & Michael Davis
 Beth Rogers & Scott Friedman
 Maura Pepin & Brian Discenza
 Sarah Parker & Michael Bozzuto
 Allison Dahli & J. R. Clisham
 Nicholyn Rusin & Michael DePaolo
 Jenna Ferraro & Bret Faticone
 Katherine Andreadis & Michael Paronick
 Chelsea Lynch & Pasquale Polletta
 Liz Cenci & Gerry O'Donoghue
 Jennifer Susin & Tom Wise

Kara LeBeau & Stephen Filmer
 Kelli Broekema & Brendan Collins
 Jessica Bayona & Jay Abraham
 Erin Ferrantino & Michael Forrest
 Megan Reilly & Michael Cartman
 Kylee Scotto & Eric Adams
 Jessica Watcke & Claudio Boni
 Sarah Judice & Chris Albert
 Josegin Gindap & James MacFeat
 Susan Dupont & Brian Ashe
 Elena Urciuoli & Phillip Alexander
 Julie Allen & Eric Fields
 Catherine Caldwell & Michael Velez
 Mary Banach & Kyle Parlante

Deceased of the Parish in 2012

Anna Alexis
 Patricia Ann Ambrogio
 William E. Arnold
 Mary Bayliss
 Delphinie Bricuglio
 Mary Brockman
 Lucille Calabrese
 Paul Calvo
 Mark C. Conway
 Lorraine Ferguson
 Virginia Filippelli

Thomas Flanagan
 Helen Gallucci
 Thomas Garrity
 Enzo Frank Gronda
 John Grottole
 Teresa Haggerty
 J. Waide Howley
 Wayne Johnson
 Carrie Landry
 William Leone

Julie Longo
 Eileen Mahoney
 Pasquale Maida
 John Manfredi
 J. Brendan McCann
 John Mirabello
 Austin P. Mordowanec
 Deborah Moriarty-Laffin
 Debroah Murphy
 Thomas O'Leary

Robert Perry
 Bernard J. Relihan
 Rosina Scala
 Maria Serra
 Eugene Smith
 John J. Stone
 Josephine Tanasi
 Mary Thomas
 Erna VandeWint
 Robert W. Walsh

FAITH FORMATION



Adult Faith Formation

The Adult Faith Formation Ministry sponsored 136 programs and prayer offerings during 2012 to nourish participants' spiritual growth. These offerings included programs in faith sharing, Scripture study, and explorations into spirituality and prayer that encouraged adults to deepen their faith and heighten their awareness of God in their daily living. In 2012, we continued our ongoing series *How The World Worships* by inviting members from the Church of Latter Day Saints to share about their faith. Also in October, we welcomed Fr. Ken Himes, OFM from Boston College to speak about the *Catholic Voter in an Election Year*. Commitment to contemplative prayer remained strong, and parishioners participated regularly in weekly/monthly prayer sessions of *lectio divina* and *theological reflection*. The Franciscan Reading Groups have expanded our ongoing Franciscan spirituality program. Our commitment to exploring Scripture included an eight-part series on the Gospel of John. Richard Coffey led our discussion of the intersection of art and spirituality through the great oratorio, Handel's *Messiah*. And, over 200 people came to hear internationally known peace activist, Fr. John Dear, SJ speak at the Franciscan Center. The number of participants in our daytime programs increased as more people found ways to share significant experiences with others. Films were used to explore spirituality and social justice topics. Four Twilight Retreats and two weekend retreats for men and women of the parish and their friends offered time for extended quiet and reflection. This rich variety of program offerings—daytime and evening, weeknight and weekend—provided something for everyone! These challenging endeavors help participants to grow and mature in their faith, and be enlivened through spiritual transformation. The Adult Faith Formation Ministry serves as a regional resource for people from all over the greater Hartford area.

Religious Education

Religious Education continued to flourish at St. Patrick-St. Anthony during 2012. Sixty children made their First Communion in spring 2012. In addition to sacramental preparation, a variety of programs are offered throughout the school year to meet the individual catechetical needs of children. For younger children (through sixth grade) there are three programs offered. A traditional-style program in which students attend Sunday morning classes is complemented by a second, Family Program in which students and their parents meet monthly with other families to discuss sacraments, the liturgical seasons, and Christian family life. A third offering, Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, is a hands-on learning program based on the Montessori method; participants meet in small-group sessions (Sunday mornings or Friday after school) under the guidance of a skilled and certified instructor, making this a popular choice for Religious Education. Seventh and Eighth Grade Youth Ministry met together on two Sunday afternoons a month throughout the academic year; this program focused on understanding their faith as they approach Confirmation and adult life choices. Sixty seventh and eighth grade students made deliveries of homemade cookies to senior members of our parish for Valentine's Day 2012. In Advent 2012, students prepared 250 Advent Wreath kits for the St. Patrick-St. Anthony community; in addition, wreaths were prepared to be picked up or delivered to senior members of our parish. All of our programs include social ministry and family involvement in various ways.



Br. Dan Horan, ofm chats with Charlie Slaughter during a Lenten Noontime Nourishment Program.



Confirmation students John Cannon and Declan Moylan make pancakes for the Annual Pancake Breakfast.



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Confirmation 2012: Forty-three candidates from the St. Patrick-St. Anthony Community were confirmed on April 20 by Bishop Malcaluso. They participated in a two-year preparation program which included a Sunday retreat at Holy Family Passionist Retreat Center (West Hartford) during the first year; the program included both classroom instruction and ministerial experience. As part of their ministerial experience, Confirmation candidates regularly prepared Sunday breakfasts at the House of Bread, made dinners for Catherine's Place residents, assisted young children in the Adventure Saturday Mentor Program, and on a number of Saturdays worked at the Catholic Worker House. The Confirmation candidates also held a very well-attended pancake breakfast, which is an annual fundraiser for the Mentor Program and the Catholic Worker House. Several candidates participated in reading the Passion on Palm Sunday 2012; others helped with the Giving Tree or participated in various other parish ministries.

Spiritual Direction

Since in the Franciscan tradition the real spiritual director is the Holy Spirit, this type of spiritual direction is characterized by the willingness of a mature Christian to accompany another person on his or her life journey to help that person discern, support or recall the manifold experiences of God's presence in their personal history. All of our directors are trained and in peer review.

Women of Hope Ministry

Women of Hope Ministry catalyzes our faith community to be more attentive to the ongoing needs and challenges of women in church and in society—both within our parish boundaries and beyond. Women of Hope Ministry sponsored forty program, prayer, outreach, and advocacy offerings in 2012. There are five ministry areas: faith formation, prayer, advocacy, Muslim/Christian dialogue, and Ministry of Mothers Sharing (MOMS). Our women's Drumming Circle continues to meet monthly and was part of the Music Ministry at special Haitian liturgical celebrations. Our prayer experiences this year have taken us to Enders Island and to Fishers Island Sound for our annual *Sunset Cruise and Evening of Reflection*. We hosted the Labyrinth Prayer Walk for parishioners to have this type of meditative experience in the Franciscan Center. We also shared the rosary and dinner with our friends from St. Justin's Martha/Mary Guild.

We celebrated Mary Magdalene on her Feast day and other women of the Bible as depicted in our storytelling quilt. This summer, we led discussion and study of Sr. Elizabeth Johnson's book *Quest for the Living God*.

In support of the Women Religious in our community, we invited the leaders of four local congregations to share and celebrate their orders' charisms and ministries dedicated to service. And, we premiered the documentary film *Band of Sisters* in Connecticut with over 200 people filling the Franciscan Center!

Our *Vibrant Voices* series continued to encourage critical thinking about issues in the Church today and provide inspiration from faith-filled leaders.

We inaugurated *Courageous Conversations* with our Muslim friends and invited all women and men to partake in this interreligious forum.

In collaboration with the Ladies Guild, the Gaelic and Garlic Pasta Feast and Basket Bazaar continued to be a successful annual fundraiser. Through these various ministry offerings, Women of Hope formed people's minds and hearts through education programs, spirituality groups, ecumenical retreats and prayer opportunities, interfaith conversations, and activities that promote the dignity of all people.



Fr. John Leonard enjoys a bit of pasta with his mom, Mary Leonard, who was visiting from the Boston area, during the 1:00 pm seating of the Annual Gaelic and Garlic Pasta Dinner.

FAITH FORMATION



A Novel Idea

A Novel Idea is a book discussion group that meets monthly, and has for more than eighteen years to discuss works of fiction. In 2012, membership increased; attendance ranged between 15 and 25 participants at the monthly meetings.

Care Ministry

Our six Care Ministers assisted 41 families who lost a loved one in 2012 to guide them in planning the funeral Mass or memorial service. These compassionate ministers offered grieving families and friends the support of our community during their time of loss.

The Church Décor Team

Throughout 2012, the Church Décor Team enhanced our community worship space with beauty and elegance. Each week the Sanctuary Décor Coordinator prepared flower arrangements for the sanctuary that reflected the mood of the liturgical season or event. This year a platform was built that added an extension to the sanctuary space. This allowed for the placement of the baptismal font as well as the Christmas nativity scene making it more accessible to viewers.

Clare Gallery Ministry

Clare Gallery, a not-for-profit professional exhibition gallery, hosted four exhibits in 2012 that emphasized social justice, world religion, and interfaith themes. These exhibits were: *The Practice of Iconography* (February 9 - April 12); *Our Best Friends* (April 19 - May 19); *Eucharistic Impressions* (August 16 - September 27); *Pulse of Life* (October 4 - November 11). The seven member Clare Gallery ministry team logged over 200 hours last year on installations, publicity, receptions, and researching artists for future exhibits. An important part of the Clare Gallery ministry is soliciting the commitment of the artists to provide educational sessions in conjunction with their exhibits. These sessions have contributed to the faith formation of all who entered Clare Gallery. For example, more than forty people gathered to listen to iconographer Marek Czarnecki for a Twilight Retreat program entitled, "The Iconography of the Passion of Our Lord". Also, our parishioners were treated to the visually inspiring PowerPoint meditation of the creation-centered artwork of Nancy Earle, smic. Clare Gallery had the privilege of hosting the first exhibit of local artist Antoine Ménoret and we were treated to the wonderful images from our own parishioners as we celebrated *Our Best Friends* – our pets – and the beauty of all God's creation.

Committee for Social Justice

In 2012, the Committee for Social Justice (CSJ) continued its focus on Peace. In February, the CSJ held a Peace Fair that brought in agencies and organizations with exhibits on inner peace and peace in our homes, schools, community, and world through prayer, advocacy, action, and education. In May, the CSJ coordinated the St. Patrick-St. Anthony Team for FoodShare's Annual Walk against Hunger, raising over \$11,000, 70% of which went directly to House of Bread. St. Patrick-St Anthony was the Top Faith Team (in funds raised) for the 9th consecutive year. CSJ participated in the October Ministry Fair where several signed up to participate in the 2013 Just Peacemaking 12-week course. Four new members joined the CSJ at the Fair. The CSJ 2012 Local Giving Tree resulted in 474 gifts collected and distributed to the following charities.

Agency	Gifts
Catherine's Place	30
CT Children's Medical Center - Children with HIV (CCMC-C)	43
CT Children's Medical Center - Teens Against Negligence (CCMC-TAN)	53
House of Bread (HOB) - Families in Need (HOB-F)	73
HOB* - H.O.M.E Program - Mothers (HOB-HM)	55
HOB* - H.O.M.E Program - Children (HOB-HC)	17

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Agency	Gifts
HOB* - Mentors (HOB-M)	25
HOB* - Soup Kitchen (HOB-S)	49
HOB* - Transitional Living - Men (HOB-TM)	29
HOB* - Transitional Living - Women (HOB-TW)	8
Youth United for Survival (Y-US)	40
Christian Activities Council	52

Community Sunday Hosts a.k.a. “Donut Sundays”

On the second Sunday of every month during 2012, our group of volunteers offered their time to tend to the distribution of free trade coffee, juice and as many as 30 dozen donuts to parishioners and friends after the three Sunday morning Masses. The team ensured that hot coffee was ready for those who looked forward to a hot beverage upon arrival; they kept the donut trays and drinking pots filled and had juice available to all. During the months of June, July and August, lemonade and cookies were served in place of donuts and hot coffee. As important as the nourishment, each team member offered a welcoming smile, friendship and assistance whenever the opportunity presented itself. The team worked diligently in the background to provide a friendly and welcoming monthly community setting for parishioners to meet each other and mingle. Community hosts made certain that the room was left in a clean and orderly manner for the next function. The rewards for team members continue to be the friendships that have grown in meeting each month to serve the needs of others.

Gardens Team

The Father Murphy Garden and the Ann Uccello Street Garden, cared for by 14 team members, were the source of pleasure for countless individuals from June through October 2012. “Murph’s Garden” continued its transformation into a more welcoming space conducive to quiet reflection and outdoor parties by the addition of benches and arbors and by the removal of the more invasive large perennials. Members of the team helped water the new trees that surround the parking lot during the crucial initial weeks after planting and kept the large tender potted outdoor trees and bushes alive through the winter. The Gardens Team Ministry held a successful ministry fair and six new members have expressed interest in helping to maintain the gardens either on a regular basis or on special projects. Efforts were made this year to make the Ann Uccello Street Garden more welcoming to the community by the addition of a sign at the Church Street gate indicating the hours and by the addition of brochures with the prayer of St. Francis, the church mission statement, and the mass schedule in a weatherproof box near one of the picnic tables. A new rose garden was added to replace an overgrown bed. Wedding reception lines and outdoor church functions were enhanced by these scenic surroundings, and downtown visitors met or lunched in the privacy of the Ann Street Garden and enjoyed its beauty.

Golf Tournament Committee

Seventeen Golf Committee members planned for the 17th Annual St. Patrick-St. Anthony Charity Golf Tournament which took place on September 21, 2012, at Tunxis Plantation Golf Club in Farmington. The beautiful, sunny day welcomed 110 golfers to the course. The golfers were joined by 99 other guests for dinner and evening festivities that included live and silent auctions as well as a raffle. WFSB meteorologist Scot Haney once again served as host for the evening events. The Committee’s efforts to solicit advertisers, golfers, auction items, and raffle prizes resulted in \$59,000 contributed to the Franciscan Center for Urban Ministry to benefit all of the ministries serving the Greater Hartford community.

Hospitality Ministry

The Hospitality Ministry collaborates with other ministries to welcome and care for people, providing meals and refreshments to those who attend events at the Franciscan Center for Urban Ministry. In 2012, twenty-one volunteers

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planned, prepared, and served meals at 18 events. These events included the Lenten, Summer, and Advent Nourishment luncheons and Twilight and Weekend retreats. More than 350 volunteer hours were offered in service in 2012.

Ladies Guild

In our 74th year, the Ladies Guild continued its ministry in service to the members, Church community and outreach to women. Seven new members were welcomed as a result of the October Ministry Fair. The Annual Gaelic and Garlic Pasta Feast and Basket Bazaar, in conjunction with the Women of Hope, raised more than \$6,500, with proceeds distributed to Catherine's Place, The House of Bread and the Ladies Guild Scholarship Fund. The Ladies Guild awarded \$4,900 in scholarships this year to nine parish students attending Northwest Catholic, St. Timothy, St. James and St. Thomas the Apostle and Fairfield Prep Schools. A total of \$30,000 has been awarded since 2003. Funds are generated through the November Bake Sale, December Raffle, Pasta Feast and Basket Bazaar and memorial donations to the Guild. Handmade robes for parish children baptized in the parish continue as a rewarding ministry. We continue to grow in membership, participation, and look forward to our 75th Anniversary Celebration May 2013.

Men's Fellowship

The Men's Fellowship group had an excellent year in 2012 as they shared their faith with other members of the fellowship and sponsored various service opportunities. Discussions at monthly meetings covered a range of topics per the information presented below. Extended opportunities for prayer and reflection included the annual SPSA Men's Retreat at Holy Family Retreat and Conference Center, and a Saturday day retreat at Ender's Island. We participated with the Women of Hope ministry as a co-sponsor for a pot-luck dinner / rosary meeting and a meeting to dialogue with the Muslim community. Service activities included: participation in the Gaelic and the Garlic Dinner – donating a raffle basket of premium beers and assisting with cleanup activities; providing assistance at the Hartford Marathon - collecting food for the House of Bread; and participating in the SPSA Thanksgiving Response - collecting 215 turkeys along with a myriad of canned goods, stuffing and the items for the House of Bread and SPSA.

New Life Program for Divorced and Separated Catholics

The New Life Program for Divorced and Separated Catholics was offered during the Fall at St. Patrick-St. Anthony. The group met for 10 weeks beginning October. Books and Journals were provided to each participant. The facilitators followed the curriculum offered by the Family Life Office which includes using *Divorce and Beyond* as a guide for readings and discussions. Each person was encouraged to keep a journal of their journey. Each meeting started with the serenity prayer and ended with a prayer related to the topic for the evening. Members were encouraged to share as they felt comfortable. The last session was held and celebrated as a rite of passage each participant received a prayer shawl provided by the prayer shawl ministry

Newsletter Committee

Slowly but surely, St. Patrick-St. Anthony has been moving into the electronic age, using email blasts to communicate information regularly and in timely fashion to parishioners and friends of the Church and Franciscan Center. *Church Street Life*, the Church's former print newsletter, was redesigned in an electronic version and in August it featured stories on Music in the City, the Men's Fellowship Ministry, Denis Geary and Carl Zyskowski.

Office Volunteers

Office Volunteers assist with mailings, song sheet preparation, birthday cards, special projects and reception desk when our parish staff are not available. The ten dedicated volunteers are critical to the ongoing work in the office and larger community.

Open Hearts Ministry

During 2012, Open Hearts GLBT ministry continued to offer activities that promote fellowship and journeying in our



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spirituality. This included retreats and monthly Sunday fellowship gatherings at the Franciscan Center. We hosted the reception for the annual Festival of Lessons and Carols in December, which included an abundance of food, fellowship, singing and joy for all. In addition to our ongoing programs, we participated in the first ever GLBT-themed overnight retreat at Holy Family Passionist Retreat Center in West Hartford entitled: *Our Place at the Table: Affirming GLBT Catholics*. In addition, we participated in the regional *LGBT Inter-parish Collaborative* — an initiative that builds collaboration and networking between Catholic parishes with LGBT ministries in the Northeast region of the United States. We are grateful to be part of the loving parish family of St. Patrick-St. Anthony!

Parish Nursing Ministry

Our Nurses continued to minister on Community Sundays, taking blood pressure, paying attention to the stories and needs of those who come each month. In 2012 we expanded the ministry to meet with people after the 11:30 Sunday Mass, as well as the 8 and 10 am Masses. This dedicated core group of ten nurses maintained contact with the sick, and comforted both those who were dying and those who grieved the loss of a loved one.

Pastoral Advisory Board

During 2012 the Pastoral Advisory Board met regularly to develop current ministries, make links between ministries as well as to continue to realize the integration between our many ministries and our Mission Statement. We welcomed the Secular Franciscans into our Ministry Weekend. It is good to include another dimension of our Franciscan life into our vision and implementation of life.

Pastoral Care Outreach

In 2012 fifteen Pastoral Care Outreach Ministers called or visited parishioners and their family members who were ill, homebound, disabled, recuperating after an injury or surgery, or who expressed a desire for a pastoral visit from the parish. Our ministers visited residences, nursing care facilities, and hospitals to convey the support and prayers of the parish as well as to assess whatever needs the parish could meet. Communion was also provided to individuals, if they requested it. Reflecting the overall registration of our parish our ministers hail from diverse geographic locations within Greater Hartford and so we are able to visit many people who are not physically close to our church.

In 2012 monthly reflection and sharing sessions for pastoral care outreach ministers continued. In addition to strengthen the bonds with each other and receive welcome support, through the sessions the ministers implemented two initiatives. The first was a list of guidelines for visitation and the second was to raise awareness of the availability of this pool of ministers.

Powerful Tools for Caregivers

A new ministry of pastoral care began in 2012 when five members of the parish were trained as facilitators for Powerful Tools for Caregivers. The facilitators offered a session of six weeks to people who are caregivers, offering information, inspiration and connection with others caring for individuals. One session was offered at our parish and another in a nearby community.

Prayer Network Ministry

The Prayer Network continues to grow both in the number of participants, and in the number of daily prayer requests. By the end of 2012, over fifty-five members had dedicated themselves to praying for others who requested their prayers. If you or a loved one is in need of spiritual support, please keep this group in mind. We are just a phone call or an email away, and would love the opportunity to support you through this meaningful and “hands on” (and clasped together!) ministry.

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Prayer Shawl Ministry

The members of the Prayer Shawl Ministry at St. Patrick-St. Anthony continued to create shawls to comfort and bless families, friends, parishioners and their families, as well as clients of Interval House (Hartford). Five white prayer shawls were presented to the RCIA candidates at the 2012 Easter Vigil symbolizing the community's prayerful support. The annual Gathering of the Prayer Shawl Ministry Circles (November 3, 2012) was once again hosted at St. Patrick-St. Anthony and the event was filled to capacity. A highlight this year was the launching of yet another book by Janet Bristow and Victoria Cole-Galo, co-founders of the Prayer Shawl Ministry worldwide. And, in December 2012, a number of shawls from our Prayer Shawl Ministry group were contributed to the over 1,100 shawls received by the Prayer Shawl Ministry at St. Rose of Lima Church in Newtown, CT as an outreach to that community. Through the work of their hands and the prayers of their hearts, the Prayer Shawl ministry served and blessed many and, in turn, were blessed by those who received their prayer shawls.

Secular Franciscans

Within the Franciscan Movement there are three distinct orders, each with its own Rule of Life. Friars (First Order) and Poor Clares (Second Order) follow rules written by Francis and Clare, respectively. Francis found a way to include lay people in the Franciscan movement even as they continued to live their lives in the world; these lay people are referred to as the Third Order or, more commonly today, Secular Franciscans. The Secular Franciscan Order is a vibrant branch of the Franciscan Movement and we are fortunate to have a fraternity here at St. Patrick-St. Anthony. The Secular Franciscans meet monthly for prayer in common, spiritual development, and support in living the Gospel life in the Franciscan Tradition. This fraternity welcomes new members who seek to discover how to live the Gospel life in the manner of Francis and Clare of Assisi.

Sunday Collection Counters

Each Sunday during 2012, one of five teams of collection counters spent approximately five hours recording the weekly collection. The efforts of these collection counters are an important aspect of the administration of our parish.

Welcoming Committee

The Welcoming Committee provides services to the parish and Center as requested. They continued to host the annual Welcome Brunch for new parishioners; in 2012, the Committee welcomed over sixty parishioners, and even some longstanding parishioners who wanted to hear the history and take the tour. All are welcome! The "Welcome Buffet" consisted of food prepared by the welcoming committee, food garnered from local businesses by the committee, and food prepared by Sebastian Kolodziej of the House of Bread. The brunch provided an opportunity to make new acquaintances, to share information on parish life, and to provide highlights of the parish's history. Tours of the Church and Franciscan Center helped enrich parishioners' and other visitors' appreciation of our parish and the hospitality offered here.

Volunteers at Large

Volunteers at Large is a group of individuals who help on specific occasions (e.g., set up for the Easter Vigil, receptions, parking lot cleanup days). In 2012 these Volunteers at Large provided 500 hours of service.



In the Fall of 2012 a Ministry Fair was held which featured the variety of ways one could share their time and talents.



OUTREACH MINISTRIES

The Adventure Saturday Mentor Program

Adventure Saturday Mentors met every other Saturday during the school year months of September through May with children from Hartford, who joined the program through the House of Bread. Activities included games in Bushnell Park, pumpkin and apple picking in Glastonbury, holiday parties including Thanksgiving, Christmas and Mother's day, ice skating and bowling, visiting the festival of trees at the Wadsworth Atheneum Museum of Art and Watkinson School gymnasium for game day. These activities ended with lunch for the mentors and children. This ministry relies on donations for its sponsored activities, but especially relies on its committed mentors, who contribute their time and talent to nurture the gifts of the young people in the program and provide them with opportunities that they would not otherwise have. Several members of the parish's Confirmation class also assisted the mentors in this ministry.

Virtus: Protecting God's Children

St. Patrick-St. Anthony is committed to providing a safe environment for everyone, especially children. In 2012 we continued our compliance with the Archdiocesan policies regarding children and vulnerable adults that require all employees and all volunteers who have contact with children to attend the VIRTUS: Protecting God's Children program as a condition of their employment or service. Three separate training sessions were held for twenty adults which included catechists, mentors, staff, parish nurses, Eucharistic Ministers, and Pastoral Care Outreach ministers.

Catherine's Place

Catherine's Place, the collaboration between the Franciscan Center for Urban Ministry and Mercy Housing and Shelter Corporation, has been in continuous operation since November 2005 as a year-round transitional residence for homeless women in recovery. In 2012, Catherine's Place continued to offer housing, hot meals and other homey comforts for up to fifteen women at a time, while they were finding jobs and independent housing. More than seventy-five households work on a monthly schedule to provide, prepare and serve a family style supper each night of the year. We are very grateful for other donations that we have received, including two meals a month provided by Agave Restaurant and one each month provided by The House of Bread.

The House of Bread Meal Teams

The Meal Team Ministry of St. Patrick-St. Anthony is in partnership with the House of Bread, and serves the hungry, homeless, and needy population of Hartford. There are 140 volunteers divided into 12 teams and serve 10-12 times a year. Members of the religious education confirmation classes also serve breakfast 8 times a year. In 2012 the House of Bread hired a Director of Operations to help oversee the daily operations of 27 Chestnut Street, and the Meal Team Ministry.

In 2012 Thursday dinner teams served 2503 clients; Saturday teams served 3230 clients; Sunday teams served 5558 clients. The food that is served for Thursday and Saturday meals is donated by local organizations. The food for Sunday breakfast is donated by St. Patrick-St. Anthony Church. Volunteers of the St. Patrick-St. Anthony House of Bread Ministry offer their time and talent every month in dedication and love, and in service to God's people; thus they are answering Jesus' invitation to join Him in the ministry of serving and feeding His people.

This ministry's reward is the experience of living the gospel value of feeding the poor, and the satisfaction that comes from filling the voids of nutrition and hunger in the community. We also fill needs of the clients for socialization and caring.

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The Sandwich Ministry

The sandwich-making ministry continued to make sandwiches each day for daily distribution. The 90 individual volunteers include both parishioners and non-parishioners from the greater Hartford community. In 2012, a “snack bag” initiative was started to provide an additional way for people to participate in this ministry. Each Friday, volunteers provide sandwich bags containing cookies or other treats, which are distributed with the sandwiches.

The sandwich-serving ministry worked rain, snow or shine every day of 2012, with thirty-one servers alternating days. The Sandwich Ministry, continuously operating for the past nineteen years, is an important outreach to assist the hungry in Hartford. The working poor and the destitute have come to rely on—and are grateful for—this sustenance. On the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month, they were joined by nursing students from The Wellness Center on Church Street (our partnership with the University of Saint Joseph) to measure blood pressure and blood sugar levels. Students from the Nutrition, Counseling, and Social Work departments also assisted.

Sister Parish

The Sister Parish Committee (SPC) grew by several members in 2012, and now numbers 23 active members. Meetings are held on the 2nd Monday evening of each month. Several sub-committees were formed to insure the success of the major projects of the SPC. These include the “Taste of Haiti”, the “Haiti Giving Tree,” Travel, and Finance committees etc.

Through the generosity and support of St. Patrick-St. Anthony parishioners, we are able to sustain our commitment to St. Genevieve School and parish. Annual school expenses are \$32,000. The church remains un-usable, and Fr. Frixner has received confirmation that the PROCHE office (responsible for overseeing the rebuilding of churches in Haiti) continues evaluating the grant application to rebuild. The SPC has committed a donation for the new church. St. Genevieve has asked if we could replace the church bell that was cracked and stolen, prior to the earthquake and this is being pursued.

Another successful “Taste of Haiti” was held the first Saturday in June; preceded by Mass with Haitian responses, drumming, and offertory gifts. Several generous local Haitian ladies helped prepare the food, along with committee members and other parishioners. The raffle, 50/50 drawing and sale of Haitian art were included again. New in 2012 was the addition of a children’s game to involve more fun & family-oriented activities, a slide show of Haitian information and photos from recent trips, and a silent auction.

The Advent season Giving Tree was again blessed with a donor who matched \$10,000 in parishioner donations, bringing the total raised to \$33,000. The first immersion trip since the 2010 earthquake was held in March 2012. There were 5 travelers, including 2 that were visiting Haiti for the first time. Other activities included Sister Parish participation in the parish Ministry Fair, and a Mass celebrating the feast of St. Genevieve. Sister Parish members contributed to raffle baskets for the Golf Tournament and Ladies Guild Gaelic/Garlic event.

The Wellness Center on Church Street

The Wellness Center on Church Street, a partnership between the Franciscan Center for Urban Ministry and the University of Saint Joseph, was formalized in 2005 and renewed in 2009. The heart of this collaboration is the commitment of both institutions to the call to service to reach out to those in greatest need. During 2012, faculty practitioners and students from the Counseling, Nursing, Nutrition, and Social Work programs participated through their clinical internship and community outreach experiences. The Wellness Center has established consistent relationships with four programs serving those with the greatest need: *The Franciscan Center for Urban Ministry and the Sandwich Ministry — Mercy Housing and Shelter Corporation and Catherine’s Place — Hands on Hartford and MANNA Community Meals*. The Wellness Center works in collaboration with the Office of Volunteer Ministry to provide opportunities for students, parishioners, and volunteers to collaborate in providing services, especially to the Sandwich Ministry participants.



FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

Finance Committee

In 2012, the Finance Council met four times. At each meeting, we had a thorough discussion of the Profit and Loss and Balance Sheet of the Church, Urban Center and the Metro Parking Lot. At our February 12, 2013, we reviewed and signed the report to the Archdiocese.

2012 St. Patrick-St. Anthony Parish Income	
Collections (Sundays, Christmas, Easter, Other Holy Days)	\$964,476
Interest and Dividends	\$2,187
Stole Fees (Baptisms, Weddings, and Funerals)	\$8,360
Gifts, Donations, and Bequests	\$196,246
Program Education Fees	\$18,279
Votives	\$4,882
Total 2012 Income	\$1,194,430

2012 St. Patrick-St. Anthony Operating Expenses	
Salaries (Pastoral Staff, Support Staff, Custodial Staff)	\$394,973
Benefits (Disability, Health Insurance, and Retirement)	\$122,735
Payroll Taxes	\$35,485
Utilities (Heating and Cooling for the Church and Franciscan Center, Electricity, Telephone, Water, Internet)	\$71,826
Physical Plant (Contracted Services: e.g., Snow Plowing, Property and Casualty Insurance, Trash Removal Services, Maintenance and Repairs)	\$85,355
Friary Expenses	\$25,029
Miscellaneous	\$6,705
Sacramental and Liturgy Expenses (Organists, Cantors, Music Coordinators, Section Leaders, Choirmasters, Altar Flowers, Altar Supplies, Music Supplies, Worship Aids, Missalettes, Music Licensing Fees, Votive Lights, Music Library, Sound System Upgrade and Maintenance)	\$205,254
Religious Education (Formation to Discipleship Programs and Sacramental Preparation Programs for Children and Adults [including the Religious Education Staff])	\$67,267
Charity	\$19,222
Office Expenses (Copy Machine, Office Supplies, Computers/Data Fees, Website Maintenance)	\$26,612
Parish Events and Social Expenses, Professional Services, Memberships and Dues	\$13,777
Catholic Schools Assessments (\$250 per student parishioner attending Catholic school)	\$13,500
Diocesan Expenses (Catholic Schools Support Program [CSSP], Cathedraticum)	\$100,614
Total 2012 Expenses	\$1,188,354
2012 St. Patrick-St. Anthony Net Income/(Loss)	\$6,076
Other Income: Unrealized Investment Gain/(Loss)	\$164,937
Other Expense: Depreciation Expense	\$75,682
2012 St. Patrick-St. Anthony Adjusted Net Income/(Loss)	\$95,331

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Special Collections 2012

In addition to weekly, monthly, and Holy Day collections that support the General Operating Expenses of the Parish, several other works were supported financially that do not appear in our reported income (shown on the previous page), because the money went directly to the listed agency or to the Archdiocese of Hartford. This list is impressive and demonstrates the generosity and caring of the members and friends of St. Patrick-St. Anthony Church and the Franciscan Center for Urban Ministry.

January	Catholic High Schools	\$1,793
April	Peter's Pence	\$2,147
May	Catholic Communications	\$1,931
June	Catholic Relief Services (CRS)—CRS provides programs that give hope to refugees, the impoverished, and immigrants, including victims of war, natural disaster, and drought. These programs not only direct aid, but also provide important tools such as agricultural assistance, water programs, and health care, that allow people to create better lives for themselves in the most challenging circumstances.	\$1,814
July	The Franciscan Missionary Union of Holy Name Province was founded in the 1920s to help support and promote the missionary activity of the friars. Beginning with China and the rural Southern United States, the Province has provided missionaries to many diverse places: Brazil, Mexico, Hong Kong, Taiwan, Japan, Puerto Rico, Bolivia, Peru, Sri Lanka, Jamaica, Sweden, Africa, Easter Island and, most recently, Vietnam and inner city Camden, New Jersey. In addition, they provide assistance to the Church in China and friars who minister in Thailand and North Korea. It is a mission of word and deed. Human development programs are part of missionary work: schools, economic programs (food centers, job training, public works projects), environmental work (farming, soil renewal, conservation, water projects), medical centers, and hospice care.	\$5,528
June	The Mission Cooperative Plan (MCP) is a program in which missionary dioceses are invited to send representatives to preach at the weekend Masses. The program helps to raise awareness in our community of the richness of missionary work across the world, and inspires us all to live the missionary call in our daily lives. The offerings collected during the MCP weekend are sent to the mission organizations represented by the visiting missionary. In June of 2012, Fr. Joe Blonski of the Diocese of Gallup, New Mexico visited our Church.	\$3,844
September	HOPES—Catholic Elementary Schools	\$2,071
October	Propagation of the Faith	\$1,628
November	Campaign for Human Development	\$2,455
December	Retired Religious	\$3,426
December	St. Rose of Lima - a special collection of funds and notes for the people of Newtown in the aftermath of the Sandy Hook tragedy.	\$3,501
2012	2012 Archbishop's Annual Appeal	\$99,138
TOTAL 2012 ADDITIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS		\$129,276



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The Franciscan Center for Urban Ministry Inc. is classified as a public charity under section 501(c)(3) of the United States Internal Revenue Code. The Center relies on goodwill contributions, in-kind donations, hundreds of volunteer service hours, charitable grants, and proceeds from the Annual Charity Golf Tournament to support the operational expenses, programs, and services of the Center. For the third year in a row, the Franciscan Center ended the 2012 calendar year with net income. This is due in large part to the tireless efforts of the Golf Tournament Committee and all those who contribute to this center while still supporting the operational expenditures of the parish. We are grateful for your generosity.

2012 Franciscan Center for Urban Ministry Income	
Sandwich Ministry	\$20,536
Charity Golf Tournament	\$59,000
Grants and Donations	\$55,205
Adult Faith Formation and Women of Hope Program Fees	\$23,540
Catherine's Place	\$9,151
Clare Gallery	\$3,808
Other Programs (Men's Fellowship, Open Hearts Ministry, Wellness Center)	\$1,096
Interest	\$58
Total 2012 Income	\$172,394

2012 Franciscan Center for Urban Ministry Operating Expenses	
Physical Plant	\$26,134
Golf Tournament Expenses	\$3,795
Volunteer Ministry, Catherine's Place, Mentor Program and Sandwich Ministry	\$78,377
Adult Faith Formation and Women of Hope	\$22,684
Clare Gallery	\$1,244
House of Bread Supplies for Weekend Meal Program, Charity to local persons in need	\$7,868
Men's Fellowship, Open Hearts Ministry, Social Justice, Miscellaneous Expense	\$6,527
Total 2012 Expenses	\$146,629
2012 Franciscan Center for Urban Ministry Net Income/(Loss)	\$25,765

If you would like to contribute by...

- A bequest in your will
- Making St. Patrick-St. Anthony Church or the Franciscan Center for Urban Ministry the beneficiary of a life insurance policy
- An endowment fund or non-cash bequest

... we are happy to accept whatever gift you are able to make. For more information, contact Fr. Thomas Gallagher, ofm, Pastor. Phone: 860-756-4034; Email: tgallagher@spsact.org.

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Metro Center Parking (Saints Lot) Financial Report

Since March 2003, St. Patrick-St. Anthony has contracted with a management company to oversee the day-to-day operations of our parking lot, which is located directly across the street from the Church and the Center. In 2012 we actually saw a net income for the parking lot due to increased parking income and reduced expenses mainly in the area of snow removal and in equipment repairs that are generously provided by our own parishioner, Richard Nolan. The parking lot continues to be an important support to the ministry of the Church and the Center. Parishioners and volunteers have ample, free parking—a *difficult thing to come by in downtown Hartford!*—during weekend and Holy Day Masses, Parish and Center meetings, and many other events throughout the year.

2012 Metro Center Parking (Saints Lot) Income	
Monthly Parking Income	\$190,701
Transient Parking Income	\$105,510
Special Events Parking	\$106,348
Validations	\$573
Pre-Season Hockey Parking Sales	\$3,663
Interest Income	143
Total 2012 Income	\$ 406,938

2012 Metro Center Parking (Saints Lot) Expenses	
Payroll Expenses (including Workers' Compensation and benefits)	\$146,120
Bank Service Charges	\$596
Snow Removal	\$12,315
Liability Insurance and Claims	\$11,479
Accounting/Professional Fees	\$1,965
Equipment Repairs, Landscaping	\$9,384
Telephone	\$631
Utilities (including street lights)	\$5,214
Filing Fees	\$500
Management Fees	\$12,000
Supplies	\$2,272
Miscellaneous	\$368
Property Taxes and Sales Tax	\$153,204
Total 2012 Expenses	\$356,048
2012 Metro Center Parking (Saints Lot) Net Income/(Loss)	\$50, 890
Other Expense: Equipment & Resurfacing Depreciation	\$19,438
Adjusted Net Income/(Loss)	\$31,452



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Sister Parish Financial Report July 2012—June 2013

The Sister Parish financial report runs on a July-to-June fiscal year. Please see pages 26-27 of this report for complete details on the activities by and for our Sister Parish in 2012.

Income	
General Fund Designation	\$1,398
Giving Tree	\$34,431
Lunch Program Designation	\$430
Teacher Salary Designation	\$1,150
Interest	\$88
Taste of Haiti	\$5,589
Total Income	\$43,086
Expense	
Lunch Program	\$14,350
Teachers' Salaries	\$13,425
Tuition Program	\$2,000
Internet Fees	\$617
Taste of Haiti Event	\$727
Contingencies	\$2,632
Bank Fees, Miscellaneous Expenses, Postage, Supplies	\$1345
Travel	\$627
Total Expense	\$35,723
Net Income (July 2012—June 2013)	\$7,363



We were treated to Haitian trumpeter Carlot Dorve during the liturgy and at dinner.



Each year during the Taste of Haiti, our storage room becomes the "Haiti Boutique" complete with beautiful hand-made Haitian decorative items, bags, bowls, jewelry, and more.

FACILITIES USAGE



Facilities Usage at the Franciscan Center for Urban Ministry

Over 6,600 square feet of meeting space is open to non-profit organizations that would otherwise have to spend precious resources to rent space for various functions. In addition, we are a critical downtown site for *Alcoholics Anonymous* and *Narcotics Anonymous*. Following is a list of some of the non-profit organizations that enjoyed our hospitality in 2012:

Alcoholics Anonymous

- 12-step Program Meetings
- Way of Life Step Group

Archdiocese of Hartford

- Catholic Charities
- Social Justice Meeting

“Brake the Cycle” of Poverty

Capital Community College

Capital Region Education Council

Chorus Angelicus Inc.

Community Partners in Action

Connecticut Children’s Chorus

Connecticut Coalition to End

Homelessness

- Journey Home Inc. Board Meetings
- Journey Home Housing Committee Meetings

Connecticut Council for

Interreligious Understanding, Inc.

Hartford/Ocotal Sister City Project

Holy Name Province

House of Bread:

- Adventure Saturday Mentor Program
- Annual Hunger Banquet
- Board Meetings & Executive Committee Meetings

Immigration Course

Mercy Housing & Shelter

- Staff Meetings and Training Sessions

Mosaic Children’s Chorus

Mothers United Against Violence

Narcotics Anonymous

- Activities Subcommittee Meetings
- Area Service Committee Meetings

Hospitals and Institutions

- Subcommittee Meetings

National Association of Catholic Chaplains

Notre Dame College

- Hesburgh Lecture

Notre Dame Missions Volunteers

Notre Dame Learning Providers:

- Classrooms for ESL Tutoring
- Board Meetings

Order of Ecumenical Franciscans

Saint Joseph College

- Nursing Student Meetings

Sisters of Notre Dame

- Jubilee Celebration



The walls between Community Rooms A, B, and C of the Franciscan Center for Urban Ministry open to create a lovely, well-lit space with an expansive window that opens to the City of Hartford



CELEBRATE FR. ANDREW

In 2012 we gave thanks to God for Fr. Andrew Giardino, ofm, and for his 50 years of ordained ministry in the church. Having been blessed to have him here in Hartford for a majority of those years we celebrated through liturgy, word and community. On the weekend of March 17-18th, Fr. Andrew received a special blessing at all the liturgies and was greeted in the Urban Center following each one. On a warm, sunny day in May after the 4:00 pm Mass, Church Street was closed, a pizza “fire” truck was brought in and we continued to give thanks to God for his presence, prayer, and commitment to ministry in the Franciscan tradition.



On the weekend of March 17-18, 2012, Fr. Andrew Giardino, ofm, on the occasion of his 50th anniversary in ordained ministry, received a blessing by Fr. Thomas Gallagher, ofm, Pastor and Guardian.



Fr. Andrew greeted the Horan family at the reception after the 10:00 am Mass on March 18th.

CELEBRATE FR. ANDREW!



Fr. Andrew poses with parishioner Connie Houde outside the Church after Mass on the day of the celebratory picnic.



Fr. Andrew with parishioner Al Chase.



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