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Franciscan Center for Urban Ministry
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SEPTEMBER 2, 2018 TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Office Hours

Monday-Thursday · 8:30 AM-7:00 PM; Fri. 8:30 AM-5:30 PM
 Sat. 9 AM-4 PM; Sun. 9-11:30 AM

Church Hours

Monday-Friday · 6:30 AM-2:00 PM

Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil - 4:00 PM

Sunday - 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, 11:45 AM and 5:00 PM

Monday through Friday

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

LETTER FROM OUR PASTOR, FR. TOM, OFM

May the Lord give you peace.

Over the last week, I have been hearing the words to a song we often sing, "Let us build a house where love can dwell, and all can safely live..." I think this is our call in the midst of the pain, betrayal and anger that emerges from the latest revelations of sexual abuse and its cover-up. We continue to be grounded in the Gospel and the call to nurture the gifts, healing and integrity that is our fundamental call. With Jesus the temple needs to be cleansed, in Jesus we find our identity, through Jesus we discover the presence of God who is always with us. The presence of the One who weeps with us, rejoices with us, and companions us always.

Saturday, September 15th the church remembers the sorrows of the Blessed Mother. We will take time to gather on that day and remember the sorrows of the children and parents separated at our borders, the legitimizing of this abuse, the sorrows and humiliation of those abused by trusted clergy and the failure of those who could not acknowledge the suffering of the victims. In John's Gospel we see Mary with the beloved disciple at the foot of the cross. Jesus says, behold your

mother, ...behold your son. This is usually linked to the communion of Mary with the beloved disciple. Perhaps we need to behold the powerless one, Mary and those who love those who have suffered abuse, and the sacrificed one, Jesus and the victims of abuse, and realize the presence of the Lord in our midst. There will be more in the bulletin next week about how this will happen. This week's Gospel, a return to Mark, calls us to interior conversion. This is the change of heart that enables us to put aside former ways of thinking and being to wake up and walk in the way of discipleship. Jesus' disciples were not to surrender to conformity for its own sake but to be empowered to live the grace and love they came to know in him. We, too, are invited to shake off ways of conformity for its own sake and be empowered to live in the light of the love that has been poured out upon us. The former structures for obedience to enslaving laws were the chains that were broken for the liberation to know God and not simply the law. We have been set free for freedom, unbound to know the freedom of the sons and daughters of God. This calls us to restructuring and renewal. I ask your continued prayers for the renewal of life

in the church. This renewal is for all the faithful and is empowering a new understanding of what it means to be church.

Finally, I have been at meetings with the friars for the six provinces who are working toward becoming one. The key to the process is the revitalization of the sense of being friars minor in mission. That is to say a renewal of life as lesser brothers entrusted with the mission of living the Gospel. It was a good meeting and the strengthening of the fraternal bonds to which we have all committed ourselves. It will be a long process and I ask your prayers. One facet that is quite interesting is that we have committed to 10 interprovincial pilgrimages for the friars over the next two years. It is my hope that each of the friars here will be able to participate in one of the pilgrimages. I ask your prayers for the friars and your support of this process as we move forward.

Again, my thanks for all you are and do for the many people who come to join us, for all you do to embody the "all are welcome" hospitality that is our gift to the church.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sep 2 Emmaus Ministry, 3:15 PM
 Destiny Children's Choir from Uganda, 6:00 PM
Sep 4 Group Spiritual Direction, 12:30 PM
Sep 4 Lectio Divina, 7:00 PM

Sep 5 Sandwich Ministry, 4:00 PM
 Treble Clef Choir Rehearsal, 5:30 PM
 Gallery Choir Rehearsal, 7:00 PM
Sep 6 Pastoral Associates, 12:00 NOON



DESTINY AFRICA CHILDREN'S CHOIR
CONCERT ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 2 AT 6:30 PM

United States 2018 Tour — Bringing Hope - Releasing Destiny

On Sunday, September 2, at 6:30 PM, the Destiny Africa Children's Choir will present a concert at St. Patrick-St. Anthony. They will also offer music at the 5 o'clock mass that day. Coming from the toughest of situations, including being orphans, children's lives are being restored and transformed at the Kampala Children's Centre in Uganda. There's a new song in their hearts and they are bringing it on tour! The Destiny Africa Children's Choir will put on a captivating performance complete with singing, dancing, drumming, and stories of lives that have been transformed and restored.

A free-will offering will be received to support the choir's ministry and home orphanage.
 Learn more at www.destinyafrica.org.

MEN'S DAY OF REFLECTION

The St. Patrick-St. Anthony Men's Fellowship Group is offering a Day of Reflection at Ender's Island. The event will take place on **Saturday, September 15, 2018**.

Our speaker will be Fr. Francis Soucy, OFM who will speak about the Eucharist.

Plan to arrive at 9:30 AM and feel free to stay to 3:00 PM (or later). Car pooling will be available.

\$45.00 Registration Fee includes baked goods and coffee/tea upon arrival and a BBQ lunch. Make checks payable to "Franciscan Center for Urban Ministry" and mail to Attn: Fran Martyn, 285 Church Street, Hartford, CT 06103

Registration Deadline: September 5, 2018.

THIN PLACES CIRCLE

This Fall, you are invited to join a Thin Places Circle, facilitated by Sr. Ginny Sheehan, SND. On six consecutive Wednesdays, beginning October 3, we will break open Joyce Rupp's latest best seller, **Boundless Compassion**. (Please reflect upon each day of Week One's journey for our first gathering.) Paula D'Arcy's review tells us, "Joyce's exploration of how the heart might open to ourselves, to one another, to all living beings, and to the earth, becomes a master class in Love."

A second Thin Place Circle will convene on six consecutive Thursdays, beginning October 4. Back by popular demand, we will continue to explore John O'Donohue as he explores the most basic of human desires—the desire to belong—in **Eternal Echoes**. (Please read the Prologue and Chapter One prior to our first meeting.)

Each group will meet from 12:45 to 2:15 PM; you may register by calling the church office at 860-756-4034, and if you are able, the suggested donation is \$50.00.

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

We are grateful for all stewards in our parish who demonstrate by their generosity that they understand God is the Source of all they are and have.

CLARE GALLERY

The Clare Gallery is pleased to present ***The Webs We Weave***, an exhibition of paintings by international artist, Amy Hannum, and poems from members of the Connecticut Poetry Society.

A reception and poetry reading will be held on **Thursday, September 20** from 6 to 8 PM with the poetry readings beginning at 7 PM.

An artist talk will be held on Thursday, **October 25** from 6:30 to 7:30 PM during which Ms. Hannum might just share her secret method of transferring a web to her canvas. Join us!

NOVEL IDEA BOOK CLUB

Gather at 7:00-8:30 PM in the Franciscan Center 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 Selections: Sep 20:** The Leavers—*Lisa Ko*; **Oct. 18:** Pachinko—*Min Jin Lee*

OPEN HEARTS LGBT MINISTRY

- Open Hearts LGBT Ministry — Join us for our kick-off picnic for the 2018-2019 programming year! Sunday, September 9th at 6 pm in the Franciscan center.
- Families & Friends of the LGBT Community—Sr. Ginny Sheehan and/or individual parents are available to meet on request. Contact info@spsact.org for more info.

WEEKLY OFFERING—AUGUST 20—26

Envelope & Loose Collection \$10,189.00
 Online Giving: \$7,308.50
TOTAL: \$17,497.50
THANK YOU!



Please support our parish mission through your donations and gifts. Whether through the traditional weekly envelope donation, direct gifts and endowments, or by using the convenience of online giving, your tax-deductible financial support will be gratefully received.

Go to www.spsact.org to register for online giving.

WEEKLY MASS READINGS SEPT. 10-16

Mon. 1 Cor 5:1-8; Lk 6:6-11
Tues. 1 Cor 6:1-11; Lk 6:12-19
Wed. 1 Cor 7:25-31; Lk 6:20-26
Thurs. 1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13; Lk 6:27-38
Fri. Nm 21:4b-9, Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17
Sun. Is 50:5-9a; Jas 2:14-18; Mk 8:27-35

HOUSE OF BREAD SOUP KITCHEN & DAY SHELTER

It's Meatloaf Sunday—Cook meatloaf for your family and one for the House of Bread. Frozen meatloaves will be collected next week. Bring home cooking to the Soup Kitchen clients. We would also welcome donations of 39-gallon trash bags, kitchen garbage bags, dish detergent, dishwasher detergent, bleach, salt, pepper, sugar, coffee, coffee creamer, cooking oil, penne pasta, paper napkins, paper towels, toilet tissue.
www.hobread.org

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

- The House of Bread is rearranging their Thrift Shop, moving items around and setting up new shelves. They need assistance on Tuesday, September 4 from 10 AM to 1 PM, Wednesday, September 5 from 10 AM to 1 PM, and Thursday, September 6 from 10 AM to 1 PM. The need is great! Please respond by calling Tom at 860-416-8965.
- The House of Bread is looking for a Volunteer Substitute Teacher, on Tuesdays 11:30 AM until 2:00 PM for the purpose of teaching English and Language Arts. Please call the House of Bread Office at 860-549-4188, x-201.
- Help is needed, on Sunday, October 7, 2018 from 4 to 7:30 PM, for our celebration of 60 years since the merger of St. Patrick-St. Anthony Parish and our Ladies Guild's 80th anniversary. Help is needed with set-up, clean-up and assistance with our 6-foot grinders! To find out more, please contact Trudi in the parish office.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT PROGRAM

A six-week bereavement program is being offered to help individuals through the process of grieving. The program will be held each Sunday between **September 30-November 4** from 1:00-2:00 PM in The Franciscan Center for Urban Ministry. If you would like to be a part of our group, please register by calling the parish office at (860) 756-4034. A minimum of five sign-ups is needed for the program to be held.

SPIRITUAL REFLECTION

"Every worthwhile gift, every genuine benefit comes from above," says St. James in the second reading. But, he reminds us, true worship of God involves using those good gifts to benefit the less fortunate. Good stewardship is not optional. It is the hallmark of our faith!

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

To register call the Parish Office at 860-756-4034 or email info@spsact.org.

Complete 2018 Fall/Advent program listing available on our website www.spsact.org

DRUMMING CIRCLE

Mondays — September 17, October 1, November 5, December 3 — 6:45-8:00 PM

Did you know that drumming is good for the spirit as well as the heart and mind? Please join us for an evening of African drumming rhythms once a month in the church. If you have a drum, please bring it with you. Let us know if you need a drum when you call the Parish Office to register. *First-time participants, please arrive at the church by 6:30 PM*
Facilitator: Elaine Wiatr

A DAY WITH ST. CLARE OF ASSISI

Gaze and Consider the Light Within

Saturday, September 22 — 12:30-4:00 PM

St. Clare of Assisi, was a medieval mystic and contemplative. Clare recognized and embraced her calling to love and serve God by ministering to, and praying for the poor, marginalized and outcast of Assisi. *The workshop will offer an opportunity to spend time with the tavola of St. Clare, an altar screen, which depicts eight scenes from her life. Participants will be invited to consider their own lives in light of Clare's devotion.*
Presenter: Dr. Alexandria Egler
Suggested Offering: \$25.00
Following the 4:00 Mass, you are invited to a simple meal followed by a Prayer Service in the church to celebrate the Feast of Finding the Body of Clare of Assisi.

TRUST YOUR GRIEVING HEART

Sunday, September 23 — 1:00-3:00 PM

Suggested Offering: \$10.00

Losses weave their way throughout our lives, influencing the next path we take. Grief is our built-in response to loss, our ally in traveling the confusing and transformative sacred journey. Tangible ideas will be offered to help navigate through this time with key reminders about our path toward healing. **Presenter: Lisa Irish**

BEGINNINGS: AN INTRODUCTION TO SERVANT LEADERSHIP

Tuesdays — September 25, October 9 & 23

November 13 & 27, December 4 — 6:30-8:30 PM

Are YOU interested in becoming a Servant Leader?

Imagine serving others first.

Putting others' needs in front of your own is your choice and your priority. This paradox of serving others while leading is the crux of Servant Leadership. If you are interested in improving your listening skills, developing your intuition, and cultivating a deeper understanding of yourself, consider joining **Beginnings**, a course designed to awaken the Servant Leader in you. **Offering: \$40.00 Materials Fee**



For More Information

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

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

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Reconciliation

Mon, Wed, Fri -11:30 AM—12:00 NOON; Sat—3:30 PM-4:00 PM
Private confessions by appointment are available.

Staff

PASTORAL STAFF

Fr. Thomas Gallagher, ofm, *Pastor and Guardian*
Trudi Campbell, *Director of Volunteer Ministry*
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MAINTENANCE STAFF

Orville Russell, *Director of Maintenance*
Gilberto Lisboa, *Church Custodian*



Hearing assisted devices available. Church and Franciscan Center are handicap accessible.



We Pray For...

- Our newly married couple: Rebecca Albini and Michael Azevedo.
- the sick: Nancy Jahn, Stephanie Lamire, Peggy Lewis; Louise MacDonnell; Leonard Pass; Kathleen Rabke
- for members of our Religious Ed Team, for the children who will be entering Religious Ed, for their parents, the catechists and the coordinators.

Altar Flowers—Week of September 2, 2018

In honor of the marriage of Rebecca Albini and Michael Azevedo.

Holiday, September 3, 2018

Please note that on Monday, September 3, Labor Day, there will be one Mass for the day at 8:00 AM.

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, September 1, 2018

4:00 Jim Ahern

SUNDAY, September 2, 2018

8:00 Fred H. Butler, Jr.

10:00 Gladys Gilbert

11:45 In thanksgiving to St. Valentine

5:00 Thomas C. Sachse

MONDAY, September 3, 2018

8:00 Concetta Gianni

TUESDAY, September 4, 2018

7:00 St. Genevieve in Haiti

8:00 Franciscan Center Ministry

12:05 Kenneth A. Barrett

WEDNESDAY, September 5, 2018

7:00 Our Parishioners

8:00 Franciscan Center Ministry

12:05 Biagio & Lucy Ciotto

THURSDAY, September 6, 2018

7:00 Deceased Friars of Holy Name Province

8:00 Intentions of Jacob Campbell

12:05 Salvatore Gianni

FRIDAY, September 7, 2018

7:00 Deceased benefactors of Franciscan Friars of Holy Name Province

8:00 Our Parishioners

12:05 Serafin Villanueva

SATURDAY, September 8, 2018

4:00 John Massaro

SUNDAY, September 9, 2018

8:00 William & Angeline Speziale

10:00 In honor of Wayne & Theresa Urbanski's 28th wedding anniversary

11:45 In thanksgiving to St. Valentine

5:00 Franciscan Center Ministry

2018 ARCHBISHOP'S APPEAL AS OF 8/30

Goal: \$115,000

Number of Gifts: 368 Pledged to Date: \$114,038

% of Goal: 99.12% % of Participation: 24.92%



CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT

Friday
September 14, 2018

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TOURNAMENT UPDATE!

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-  **Total Golfers Registered – 135**
The Course is CLOSE to FULL – Register NOW!
 -  **Total Dinner Only Guests Registered – 65**
There is room for MORE. Please register and come for a delightful evening of fun hosted by WFSB Weatherman, Scot Haney. Tournament dinner includes a live auction, silent auction, Rico raffle, and a delicious dinner.
 -  **GO-FOR-THE-GREEN Raffle – 443 Tickets Sold**
This is where we really need your help. We need to sell a thousand tickets and the percentage of funds raised by the raffle is critical to the success of this event.
TICKETS ARE ON SALE AFTER ALL MASSES THIS WEEKEND AND NEXT!
Winner does NOT need to be present to win. *See details below.*
 -  **Live and Silent Auctions**
Can't attend the Tournament? You can Pre-bid on any Live or Silent Auction Item! They will be on display next weekend at Community Sunday (after the 8, 10, 11:45 Masses). Some of the items included are **3-Nights in Luxury Midtown Manhattan Condo, 4-nights in Block Island Home, UCONN Hockey Experience for 20, 3-Nights in newly renovated Vacation Home in Falmouth.**

Our Annual Tournament is the primary source of funding for the mission of the Franciscan Center. All proceeds help people who come to our doors every day!

“GO FOR THE GREEN” - \$20 Tickets

Only 1,000 tickets will be sold

1st Prize - \$5,000 2nd Prize - \$2,000 3rd Prize - \$1,000

Purchase Tickets **TODAY AFTER ALL MASSES.**

Questions? Speak to a Golf Committee Member or contact the parish office.

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