

Fourth Sunday of Easter
April 21, 2024

ST. FRANCIS
CATHOLIC



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Welcome to our Parish



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Parochial Vicar
Rev. Eduar Gutierrez

Deacon
Alan Bielawski

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**Office Hours
Monday-Friday,
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Online Giving

Visit www.stfranciscatholic.org, click Donate to launch the Parish Giving website where you can Give Now or create an account to set up recurring contributions. Thank you for your generosity!



Email Notification System

In the event of inclement weather, schedule changes or cancellations, this will be the primary way to notify our parishioners. To opt in, email your request with your full name and email address to: notification@stfranciscatholic.org. Please note: We do not send texts and cannot make phone calls.

Prayer Line

In need of Prayers? Please Call Mary M. at our Prayer Line between 2 pm and 4 pm 860-225-3890.

Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil
4:00 pm at St. Jerome

Sunday
8:30 am at St. Maurice
10:30 am at St. Francis

Daily Mass
8:00 am Monday – Saturday at St. Francis

Confessions
7:30-7:50 am Monday – Saturday at St. Francis
5:15 pm-5:45 pm Wednesday at St. Francis
3:30-3:50 pm Saturday at St. Jerome

Adoration
5:00 pm-6:00 pm Wednesday at St. Francis

St. John, St. Peter and St. Joseph Churches are no longer used for regular Masses.

Our Parish Churches

St. Francis of Assisi Church
1755 Stanley St. New Britain, CT 06053

St. Jerome Church
1010 Slater Rd. New Britain, CT 06053

St. Joseph Church
195 South Main St. New Britain, CT 06051

St. Peter Church
98 Franklin Sq. New Britain, CT 06051

St. Maurice Church
100 Wightman Rd. New Britain, CT 06052

St. John the Evangelist Church
655 East St. New Britain, CT 06051

Count & Collection

April 14, 2024: \$10,922.51

This amount includes the basket, mail in and online donations.

Mass Attendance for the weekend of

April 14, 2024: 659

Thank you to all who generously support our parish!

Finance Notes

As we continue our merger into one parish, any donations should be made to:

St. Francis of Assisi Parish.

Thank you for your continued generosity.

In Loving Memory we pray for

Jane Turchetta

May the souls of the faithful departed, through the Mercy of God, rest in peace.

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Weekly Mass Intentions

Saturday, April 20

8:00 am: St. Francis: Special Intention

4:00 pm Vigil: St. Jerome: +Aleksander Czyrko

Sunday, April 21

8:30 am: St. Maurice: +Carlo & Giuseppina Carlozzi

10:30 am: St. Francis: +Carolina Liscio

All weekday Masses are at St. Francis

Monday, April 22

8:00 am: Pro Populo

Tuesday, April 23

8:00 am: +Debby Tetro

Wednesday, April 24

8:00 am: +Margaret Bandzi

Thursday, April 25

8:00 am: Intention of the Celebrant

Friday, April 26

8:00 am: Special Intention

Saturday, April 27

8:00 am: St. Francis: Intention of the Celebrant

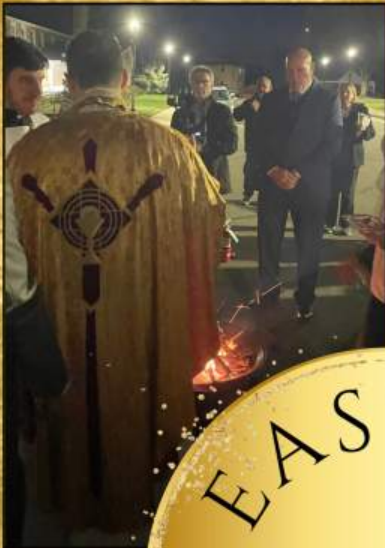
4:00 pm Vigil: St. Jerome: +Lucien Sr. & Lucien Jr. Paradis

Sunday, April 28

8:30 am: St. Maurice: +Patrick Pressamarita & the Holy Souls in Purgatory

10:30 am: St. Francis: +Richard Simpson

To book an intention please contact the Parish Office at 860-224-2411



EASTER
2024
VIGIL





PARISH
 PILGRIMAGE
 PART I
 LISBON & FATIMA,
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*Baptism of Georgia Lecheminant
at St. Francis Church*

*Quinceañera
of
Hannah Planas
at
St. Jerome Church*



Faith Formation: Meet Our Teachers

Hi everyone! My name is Eliza Harris and I am the First Communion teacher! I am a junior at Central Connecticut State University studying biochemistry. My favorite book of the Bible is the Gospel according to John. His writing inspires belief for the followers of Jesus, focusing on His miracles and emphasizing His divine nature. Reading this Gospel helps inspire my heart for mission and fosters very fruitful prayer in my life.

New Britain Council of Catholic Women

On **Friday April 26**, the Feast Day of Our Lady of Good Counsel, the NBCCW will hold it's April meeting, at 1pm at St. Jerome's Church. Note that this is a Friday, rather than our usual meeting day of Thursday. We will celebrate this special day with a reflection by Deacon Alan and a culmination of the Novena to Our Lady of Good Counsel. A fair-trade pop-up store with proceeds benefiting our Ukraine Charity Fund will follow our meeting.

Spring Cleanup

Save the date! Our annual Spring Cleanup is right around the corner and we need help to brighten and beautify our parish grounds!

More information coming soon

Cleaning Schedule:

Friday May 3rd: St. Francis

Friday May 10th: St. Jerome

Saturday May 11th: St. Maurice

Reason for Hope

"Always be ready to give an explanation to anyone who asks you for a reason for your hope." (1Peter 3:15)

The Little World of Don Camillo



*Author:
Giovanni Guareschi*

In the Little World, eternal forces grapple with the absurd drama of everyday life and hilarious and unearthly things tend to happen. Keep this in mind and you will have no difficulty in getting to know the village priest, Don Camillo, and his adversary, Peppone, the Communist Mayor. Nor will you be surprised when a third person watches the goings-on from a big cross in the village church and not infrequently intercede. These enchanting, wise and strangely moving stories of life in the Lower Plain of Italy have for years enthralled millions of readers of all ages around the world with their delightful story telling and simple yet profound lessons.

The Compelling Story of The First Christians

Acts is the story of how a few Christians, empowered by the Holy Spirit, were chosen to bring Christ and the Good News to the ends of the earth. They faced secular forces, internal strife, and hostile crowds, and despite all of this, they brought the kingdom of God to a broken world and the love of God to the hearts of men.

Acts: The Spread of the Kingdom is a compelling video series that traces how the Gospel witness spread outward in waves from Jerusalem, and reveals how the seeds of Church structure and authority took root. Presenter Jeff Cavins shows how the joys and struggles of the early Christians in living the life of Christ apply to us today. *Acts: The Spread of the Kingdom* will help you to see your place in the Church as a disciple of Christ.

Sessions offered on Monday evenings at 6:30 pm
Beginning this Monday April 22nd at St. Francis School Cafeteria.



Prayer Shawl Ministry

Anyone interested in using their knitting skills to make prayer shawls please contact Lisa at the parish office at (860) 224-2411. The shawls can be knitted as a group or completed independently.

Food Pantry Shopping List

Tuesdays at St. Joseph 9:30 am - 10:30

The item needed this week is:

- Dried Beans
- Cereal
- Pasta/Pasta Sauce
- Canned Soup
- Instant Oatmeal
- Canned Fruit & Vegetables
- Peanut Butter & Jelly
- Canned Meat/Tuna
- Instant Potato and Rice Mixes
- Ramen Noodles
- Mac and Cheese
- Snack Items:
- Cookies, Crackers, etc.

*Monetary donations & gift cards are also appreciated.
Donations may be brought to any of our open churches.
Thank you for your support!*

St. Francis Young Mothers Group

Join other faithful Catholic women in their 20's through early 40's, with children from newborn through age 6 for a decade of the rosary, good fellowship (and sometimes food)! Meetings are Wednesday mornings from 9:30am - 11:30am in the St. Francis School Cafeteria. For more information contact Rebecca Noon at becca.dworak@gmail.com

BINGO

Sunday Afternoons at **St. Joseph School**
195 South Main St. New Britain
Doors open at 11:30am, Games begin at 2:00pm

AA Meetings

Wednesdays at 7pm: St. Francis Church basement
Fridays at 7pm : St. Joseph School (Spanish speaking)
Saturdays at 7pm: St. Jerome Church Hall

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