

Welcome To St. Francis of Assisi Church

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November 16, 2025

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Music Director/Cantor

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Religious Education Director

Parish Office: (203-729-4543)
Fax: (203-729-6216)

Office Hours: Monday-Friday-8AM-12Noon-
Closed Weekends

Sacramental Life

Sacrament of Baptism

1st and 3rd Sundays of the Month at 11:30 AM

Sacrament of Marriage

**Arrangements should be made with the Rectory at least
6 months in advance**

Sacraments of Reconciliation/Confession

Saturdays 3 PM – 3:45PM in the Church

Eucharistic Adoration

Fridays, 6PM-7PM in the Church

Religious Vocations-Men-Women

**Contact Rev. Anthony Federico, Director of Vocations &
Seminarians—(860-617-456) fr.federico@aohct.org
hartfordpriest.com**

Prayer Line

**Please call Rose Newmark (203-560-5196) and leave a
message**

Schedule of Masses

Daily (Monday-Friday)-7:15AM
Saturday Morning – 8AM

Saturday Vigil – 4PM
Sunday–8AM and 10:30AM

Holy Days Of Obligation
7:15 AM and 6PM

Mission Statement

**We at St. Francis of Assisi Roman Catholic
Church are dedicated to working together as a
Family of Faith united in Christ. It is our goal,
duty and privilege to foster genuine growth in
the spiritual life by initiating the example of
Christ, the Good Shepard; to serve others; and
to express and promote love of God and
neighbor to enhance Jesus' call to discipleship.
As a Family of Faith united in Christ, we bring
to life the core of the Gospel message to love and
serve one another.**

Please remember St. Francis of Assisi Church in your will.

Saturday November 15th	Sunday November 16th 	Monday November 17th	Tuesday November 18th	Wednesday November 19th	Thursday November 20th	Friday November 21st
<i>St Albert the Great</i>	<i>33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	<i>St Elizabeth of Hungary</i>	<i>St Rose Philippine Duchesne</i>	<i>Weekday</i>	<i>Weekday</i>	<i>Presentation of Blessed Virgin Mary</i>
<u>4PM Mass</u> + for Ed Dooling by Wife & Family 	<u>8AM Mass</u> + for Rita Ruggiero by Terry & Terry Ford <u>and also 8AM</u> + for Margaret, Edward, & Judy Logan by Family <u>10:30AM Mass</u> + for Robert Fortin by Mom <u>and also 10:30AM</u> + for Aida Ortiz (1st Anniversary) by Children <u>and also 10:30 AM</u> + for Patricia Sullivan (Birthday remembrance) by Best Friend, Barbara Howell	<u>7:15AM Mass</u> + for Deceased Members of Naugatuck AOH <u>and also 7:15AM Mass</u> + for John Mulreany by Daly Family 	<u>7:15AM Mass</u> + for Peggy O'Rourke & Family by Mike & Nancy Rosa 	<u>7:15AM Mass</u> + for Walter & Mary Jablonowski (Wednesday Anniversary remembrance) by MaryJane & Bruce Monahan 	<u>7:15AM Mass</u> + for Marilyn Korowotny by Kevin Knowles 	<u>7:15AM Mass</u> + for Robert Ford & Family by Mike & Nancy Rosa 

Saturday November 22nd	Sunday November 23rd
St Cecilia 	Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
<u>8AM Mass</u> + for Howard Thurston by Legion of Mary ***** <u>4PM Mass</u> + for Adozinda Barbosa by Children <u>and also 4pm</u> + for Luciano Martins & Cesarina Jose by Family	<u>8AM Mass</u> + for Rita Ruggiero by Family <u>10:30AM Mass</u> + for Walter Czarzasty by Theresa & Tadeus Orszulak 



ALL MASSES

should be paid at time of booking

Weekend Masses: (\$25.)

Saturday 4PM & Sunday 8AM and 10:30AM

Weekday Masses: (\$15.)-Monday-Friday- 7:15AM & Saturday 8AM

Sanctuary Lamp: \$20. **Altar Candles:** \$10.

Thank You

ALTAR CANDLES



for Saturday November 15th to Sunday November 16th are burning for **Robert Bekalowski** by Jim & Peggy Q.

SANCTUARY LAMP



is burning Sunday November 16th to November 22nd for **John & June Burian** by Elisa Molnar

ALTAR CANDLES

for Saturday November 22nd to Sunday November 23rd are burning for **All Deceased St Francis Parishioners**

SANCTUARY LAMP

is burning Sunday November 23rd to Saturday November 29th for **Greg Fortin** by Jim & Peggy Q.



CARE OF THE SICK



if you require a visit from **Fr John** for a **Care of the Sick Call**, please call Parish Office-(203-729-4543)M-F-8AM-12Noon) & leave message with your name and number.

UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

ST FRANCIS CHURCH FUNDRAISER

Bishop's Farm's Thanksgiving Pies and More



Orders to be *Picked-up-Saturday*
November 22nd, 10AM, in the Church

NAUGATUCK ECUMENICAL
FOOD BANK

Donations Needed !

We have collected 277 boxes so far! Still in need of your donations of Mashed Potatoes for our goal of 300 boxes (please **NO PACKETS**) for the Thanksgiving Baskets for local families. Donation boxes are at all Church entrances. Thank You.



BAPTISMAL MEETING



For First-time Parents and chosen Baptism Godparents is held on the last Monday of the month. Next meeting is **Monday,**

November 24th, at 6PM, in Church.

Call the Parish Office to register. (203-729-45643)

THANKSGIVING DAY MASS

Thursday-November 27th-9AM



At the Thanksgiving Mass there will be a special blessing of 'BREAD' and each Family will be given a loaf to take home for their Thanksgiving Meal.

PLEASE NOTE

The Sundays of November 23rd and up until January 4th 'Bulletins' will be due one week ahead. Please send in any articles for those Bulletins at least one week ahead. Thank You



Jesus—
don't leave Earth
without Him!



2025/2026 ST FRANCIS RELIGIOUS
EDUCATION

Classes-Grade 1st-5th-8:50-10:20AM

Sunday November 23rd

Regular Class-8:50-10:20AM

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Classes-Grade 6th-10th-6:30PM-8PM

Sunday November 16th-CONFIRMATION-

Cathedral of St Joseph, Hartford, CT 2:30PM

Sunday November 23rd— Regular
class-6:30-8PM

**Director of Education:*

Michele LoRusso at: *drestfrancis@gmail.com* or



ST VINCENT DEPAUL SOUP
KITCHEN



Please consider making a loaf of bread (9 or 10 sandwiches) filled with either cheese, bologna, ham, egg salad, tuna or chicken salad, etc. (salads and sandwiches can have mayonnaise (*lightly*). Please **NO** *lettuce, tomatoes, ketchup, etc.* Sandwiches are to be cut in half and placed in an individual sandwich bag. ALL sandwiches are then placed back in the bread bag. Donations needed: next *Sunday November 23rd- 7:30AM-9AM*-at the *Church St* entrance of the Church. Questions, please call: **Carol - (203-723-1670)** or **Joyce (203-723-1528).**

ROSE FOR LIFE

The rose adorning our tabernacle has been placed before the Blessed Sacrament for **All Deceased St Francis Parishioners.** If you would like to donate the Rose (cost \$5) in memory of a loved one or to commemorate a special occasion, please call-**Donna- (203-729-0809).**



We walk by Faith,
not by sight



PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS-

Children's Prayer for Vocations

Jesus, I know that you love me. Teach me how to talk to You, how to listen to You, and how to follow You. Bless Religious Sisters, Brothers, and Priest. Bless my Family. Keep all of us close to Your heart. **AMEN**



OFFERTORY REPORT

Weekly-(11/9/25)-\$2,531.00

Military-(11/9/25)-\$8984.00

One-Line-Giving-\$678.00

Next weekend, November 22nd & 23rd the Second

Collection is 'SNOW' COLLECTON

Thank you for your continued donations and you may still mail/drop off your Church envelopes to:

St Francis Parish Center, 294 Church St.,

Naugatuck, CT. 06770



ST FRANCIS CLOTHING DRIVE

Please pack up your unused clothing (clean and in good shape) of coats, pants, shirts, dresses, shoes & sneakers, etc. They are shipped to Central America and Africa to aid the people there.



The Church is compensated for each pound. Please leave your clothes donations at St Francis Rectory back porch. **Thank You**

CAROLYN'S PLACE-137 Grandview Ave-

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Wish List:

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CARD CARE CONNECTION

Do you know of a fellow a birth or birthday? Please notify Card Care Connection. An appropriate card will be sent to them from the St. Francis Family (keeping connected). Please call **(203-560-3447)** and leave a message (include your name, phone number and name and address of the person you'd like a card sent to).

Please tell what type of card-(*Birthday, Sympathy Anniversary, Get Well, Thinking of You, etc.*)



GREATLY NEEDED

Holidays are coming! We are looking for donations of Gift Cards (*Big Y, Walmart, & Stop & Shop*)

to help support our Parishioners who are looking for help. If you can donate, please put in wooden Collection boxes at Church entrances/ or at the Parish Office. **(203-729-4543). Thank You!**



If God seems far away-who moved?

SAINT of the DAY-St Hilda of Whitby-Wednesday November 19, 2025



Patron Saint of: Poetry & Learning & Culture

Born 614 in Deira and died 680 in Hackness. St Hilda was a Celtic Noble, Teacher, and Abbess and key figure in the Christian conversion of Anglo-Saxon England. Born into a royal family and was responsible for founding Whitby Abbey in Streonshalh in 657. Legend is said that St Hilda defeated a plague of snakes by turning each snake to stone.

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**O God, of peace, by whose grace the Abbess Hilda was endowed with gifts of justice, prudence, and strength to rule as a wise Mother over the Nuns and Monks of her household, and to become a trusted and reconciling friend to Leaders of the Church: Give us the grace to recognize and accept the varied gifts you bestow on Men and Women, that our common life may be enrich and your gracious will be done; through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN*

PRAYER SHAWL COMMITTEE



starts at 12:30PM on the second Tuesday of the month— please call Joan-(203-442-3123) for more information.

PRAYER SHAWLS AVAILABLE!

As each shawl is made the crafter prays for the recipient. If you know someone struggling with physical or mental health, financial struggles or that is mourning and would like to give them a Prayer Shawl, please call Joan (203-442-3123).



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St Francis of Assisi Church, 294 Church St, Naugatuck, CT. 06770 or drop in wooden Offertory Boxes at Church entrances, or at St Francis Parish Center, (M/F) 8AM-12Noon.

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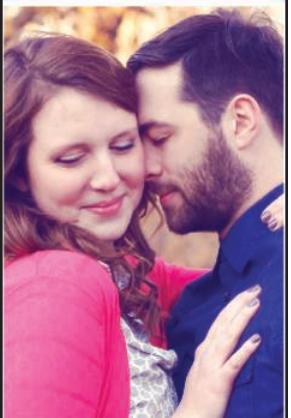
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