



**CATHOLIC FAMILY SUMMER CHALLENGE**

ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF BURLINGTON

This summer, we challenge you and your family to team up and complete the fun activities below. Each family that sends in their completed "challenge card" will receive a small prize and be entered to win our grand prize — a super family fun basket!

All activities, as much as possible, should be done as a family. The deadline for all submissions is September 9, 2020. Good luck and have fun!

**EXPLORE the Faith**

Complete 2 of the 4 activities and include at least one photo:

- Take a family photo with a saint statue and tell us where you found it!
- Go on a pilgrimage! Visit one of Vermont's beautiful religious sites, such as:
  - Isle la Motte — St. Anne's Shrine
  - Jamaica — Our Lady of Ephesus House of Prayer
  - Weston — Weston Priory
- Explore your church! Find something that you never noticed before.
- Pick one of the following saints. Read about their lives and, on their feast day, celebrate them in a special way!
  - St. John the Baptist, June 24
  - St. John Vianney, Aug. 4
  - St. Josemaria Escriva, June 26
  - St. Maximilian Kolbe, Aug. 14
  - Sts. Peter and Paul, June 29
  - St. Monica, Aug. 27
  - St. Thomas, July 3
  - St. Augustine, Aug. 28
  - St. Kateri Tekakwitha, July 14

**Have FUN**

Complete 3 of the 5 activities and include at least one photo:

- Build a fort. Get creative and spend some time reading stories, sharing snacks, or telling jokes together!
- Family Game Night (3x)
  - Choose one night a week for 3+ weeks to play a game together. Suggestions: dominoes, monopoly, candy land, cards, jacks, charades, scrabble, etc.
- Have a family BBQ - we recommend finishing with s'mores!
- Camp out in your backyard and explore the stars
- Plant a garden

**PRAY Together**

Complete 3 of the 6 activities and include at least one photo:

- Create a sacred space, indoors or outdoors.
  - Does your family have a space at home dedicated to praying together? This can be a corner in the living room with your favorite icons, and maybe some candles. Why not dedicate a space outside while the weather is great? Find a nice place under a shady tree and plant some flowers. Place a nice statue of Christ and your favorite saint there and get the family together for a Rosary!
- Attend daily Mass together
- For a full week, pray together before a family meal, for example:
  - Bless us, O Lord, and these Thy gifts, which we are about to receive from Thy bounty, through Christ, Our Lord, Amen.
- Go to Confession together
- Go on a hike or walk and pray a decade of the rosary together
- Pray a daily rosary together for 2 weeks

**Live the GOSPEL**

Complete 2 of the 5 tasks and include at least one photo:

- Make a card for someone who would love to hear from you, such as a grandparent, family friend, or maybe a parishioner
- Donate clothes and toys (in good condition) that you no longer use
- Volunteer at your parish
  - Talk with your priest or call the rectory to see how your family can get involved!
- Invite your priest over for dinner or cook and bring him a meal
- Plan and do your own family service project



**Looking forward to smiles in September**

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# ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI CATHOLIC CHURCH

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**August 2, 2020**  
**18th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Pastor: Father Charles Danielson**

OFFICE HOURS: Tues. & Sat. 9:30am—1:00pm

**PARISH SECRETARY:**

Christine Porter

email: [stfranciswindsor@vermontcatholic.org](mailto:stfranciswindsor@vermontcatholic.org)

**ALTAR SERVER COORDINATOR:** Ron Hamel, Jr.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES:** (currently on hold)

Sundays 9:15-10:15 for Grades K-7

Sundays 5:30-6:30 for Grades 8-10

**NEW PARISHIONERS:** Are welcome and urged to register with Parish Office

**Finance Council:** Richard Fenton 885-3598 – Ginny Fox 436-2831 — Frederick Lord 356-6496 – Andrew Robbins 738-3512 John Scanlon 484-9427

**Parish Council:** Barbara Barbour 299-7117 – Joyce Corbin 484-3329—Janet Farley 674-6065 – Mary Anne Mesropian 674-9284 — Colleen DeSchamp 484-5245 – Steve Giroux 674-9509



**WEEKDAY MASSES**

Tuesday & Thursday  
Mass 9:00 am

**WEEKEND MASSES**

Saturday 6:00 pm  
Sunday 10:30 am

**HOLY DAYS**

As Announced

**RECONCILIATION**

11:15-12:00 noon

**FUNERALS, MARRIAGES,**

**BAPTISMS**

By arrangement

**MASS INTENTIONS**

If you would like to have a Mass intention said for a friend or loved one, please contact the Parish office. There are many dates currently available.

**Daily Rosary Apostolate:**

The Diocese continues to offer a daily Rosary online. Individuals from around the diocese have been joining Valerie Parzyck in leading each day. Interested in leading a rosary? Here are the details:

“I would love it if you would schedule a time with me to record a Rosary. What does that look like exactly? It's very simple! You email me with convenient times for you and once it is scheduled, I will send you a link to Zoom for the appointed time. You may choose to show your face or, if you'd prefer, I can show slides for each mystery while we pray. If this is something you would like to participate in, *please* contact me. You can email me with a time that works for you and we can schedule it. Please email me at [vparzyck@vermontcatholic.org](mailto:vparzyck@vermontcatholic.org) “

**TV MASS & SPIRITUAL RESOURCES**

For those who are not comfortable with coming back to Mass in person, St. Francis will be continuing to live-stream for a few more weeks on our Facebook page. **Just note the time change back to our regularly scheduled time of 10:30am.**

Mass recorded at St. Francis can be viewed anytime on our website:  
<https://www.stfranciswindsor.org/mass-times>.

For the weekly schedule of Diocesan activities, including daily Mass at 12:05pm and Sunday Mass at 10:00am on Sunday, live rosary at 11:15am visit [www.vermontcatholic.org/spiritualresources](http://www.vermontcatholic.org/spiritualresources)

Additionally, televised Masses can be seen on Windsor On Air Comcast Channel 8 & 1081 at the following times every week: Saturday at 5:00 pm, Sunday at 5:00 am, 7:00 am, and 5:00 pm and on WCAX-TV Channel 3 at 6:00 a.m.

**PRAYER REQUESTS**

***Please remember in your prayers:***

Peg Grimard, Dale West, Jan Lepisko, Lisa Moeller, Kathy Whited, Rhonda McFarland, Theo Shyne, Christiane Zue, Claire Harlow, John Hofmann, Elinor Garcia, Nancy LaBounty, Officer Kevin Valencia, Sandra Carney, Joan Schuyler, Renee Bowling, John Ayers, David Dillon, Joseph Farley, John Scanlon and Ron Poulin.

***Please pray for the repose of the souls of:***

Ford Geno, Stephen Titus, Peter Barbour, Priscilla Spencer, Bill Moeller, Betty Lemire, Jackie Avery, Tom Baker, John M. Lynch, Nancy Hamilton, Janet McClellan, Pat Terry, Jean Hunt, William Tansey, Wesley Hrydziusko, Peter Kilfeather, Masie Ayers, Kacey Leavitt, John Crump, Gerald Lepisko, Father Raphael Kakwavu Nyabenda, Paul Koch, Peter Toepfer, Phil Turgeon, Shirley Bates, Hugh Duling, Phil Salzano, Anne Juzwiak, Nancy Levesque, Joan Lemire, Freida Leneau, Nancy Marsden, Nancy Hall, and Earl White Sr.

**OFFERINGS**

**Offerings Report for FY 2021**

Weekly Offertory for July 26, 2020: \$2,162.00  
Weekly Offertory Goal: \$1,951.14

Offertory Collected (Year to Date): \$6,753.00  
Offertory Year to Date Goal: \$7,804.56

Donations/Fees received in addition to Offertory:  
July 26, 2020: \$171.00

Total Donations/Fees (Year to Date): \$ 701.00  
Donation/Fee Year to Date Goal (\$935.12/wk): \$3,740.48

**In addition to regular offertory, \$56.00 was given for Mass intentions, and \$115.00 was given in memory of Earl White, Sr.**

**Also, \$1 was collected for the Solidarity fund for the Church in Africa.**

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**Saturday 08/01 6:00pm**  
For the repose of the souls of Jules, Evelyn, and Carol Poulin by Ron Poulin

**Sunday 08/02 10:30am**  
For the intentions of John Usher and Chris Olmstead

**Tuesday 08/04 9:00am**  
For the intentions of Jeff and Danielle Bousquet

**Thursday 08/06 9:00am**  
For the intentions of Deacon John Guarino

**Saturday 08/08 6:00pm**  
For the intentions of Marie Scott and Danny Padgitt by Barbara and Jim Kelczewski

**Sunday 08/09 10:30am**  
For the Parishioners and Benefactors of St. Francis of Assisi Parish

***Message from Fr. Rick,***  
**18th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

This weekend the Scriptures speak to us of God's loving concern for us. This Divine Concern is no mere sentiment. No, Jesus, God incarnate Word, truly loves us and gives evidence of this through His teaching, His Gospel, His miracles, and above all through His suffering, death and resurrection. Through the Eucharist, the perpetual memorial of His Passion, He quite literally feeds us with His very Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity. Every Sunday throughout the year (even during this year of pandemic), the Church commemorates this amazing act of love in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. This Sunday, we have still more evidence of Christ's love for us.

Chris Olmstead of Windsor and John Usher of Hartland both went through the R.C.I.A. program this past year. Chris will be baptized and John will be received into the Church, and then both will be Confirmed and receive Communion. All of this will take place in Windsor at St. Francis of Assisi Church this weekend, Sunday, August 2<sup>nd</sup> at 10:30 a.m.

Please pray for Chris and John and their families!

**NEW EMAIL ADDRESS**

Please note that the parish has a new email address! It is [stfranciswindsor@vermontcatholic.org](mailto:stfranciswindsor@vermontcatholic.org)

**RECONCILIATION**

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is once again available in the Church on Saturday mornings from 11:15am-12:00noon. No appointment necessary.

**CHECKING IN ON EACH OTHER**

Visits to the sick have been suspended until further notice. If you are an Extraordinary Minister who brings Communion to local residents, consider making phone calls to those people you normally visit to check in with them and pray with them over the phone. Perhaps it will boost their spirits and yours, too! We encourage all parishioners to check in on each other, especially those parishioners who may not have internet access to receive these updates. Continue to pray for each other during this time.

**JOIN US AT MASS!**

We will no longer continue registration for weekend Masses. Please just feel free to come as you are able. However, if possible, groups of three or more should contact Christine in the parish office to be sure seats are arranged for you before you arrive.

A reminder that Collection baskets will be found as you leave the Church and bulletins will be distributed at that time. Please hold onto your offertory envelope until you are leaving Church.

**A REMINDER**

If you are experiencing any of the symptoms of Covid-19 (cough, fever, chills, loss of sense of taste or smell, body aches, sore throat, headache, diarrhea etc.), out of consideration for the health and well-being of others, you should not come to Mass.

**Please note that while we are opening, the obligation to attend Sunday Mass remains lifted until further notice, especially if you are part of a vulnerable population and/or have an underlying health condition.**

**DID YOU KNOW?**

Did you know that you can continue to support St. Francis financially by continuing your usual weekly parish offering online?

You can visit our website and make a donation online, which can be setup as a one-time or recurring offering.

Visit <https://www.stfranciswindsor.org/donate>

If the internet is not your thing, you can also mail a check to: St. Francis of Assisi Parish, P.O. Box 46, Windsor, VT 05089. We greatly appreciate your support.

**SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE**

Kids will be returning to school soon. Across our Supervisory Union towns of Hartland, Weathersfield, Windsor, and West Windsor, hundreds of children qualify for free and reduced price school lunch. Their families will struggle to pay for much needed school supplies. Especially in the time of COVID, it's important that each child have their own supplies and not share with other students.

Old South Church, Mt. Ascutney Hospital, and Sled Dog Disco -- a Windsor-based group focused on building developmental assets in youth -- are hosting a school supply drive on behalf of WSESU. Our goal is to raise \$5,000 to purchase supplies for all 455 WSESU children who qualify for free or reduced price school lunch.

The schools have given us their supply lists, now we need your help to raise the funds to purchase them. A donation of \$13 will cover supplies for one Elementary School student. A donation of \$11 will cover supplies for one Middle School student. A donation of \$10 will cover supplies for one High School student. Donations in any amount are welcome!

Please make checks payable to "Old South Church" and put "School Supply Drive" on the memo line. Checks should be mailed to:

School Supply Drive c/o Mascoma Savings Bank  
105 Main Street  
Windsor, VT 05089

Please donate by August 10<sup>th</sup> – and thank you in advance for your contributions to help reduce financial burdens on struggling families in our community.