

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI CATHOLIC CHURCH

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June 19 & 20, 2021
12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Pastor: Father Charles Danielson

OFFICE HOURS: Tues. & Thurs. 9:30am—1:00pm
**Starting June 1, our office hours will be returning to
Tuesdays and Thursdays.**

PARISH SECRETARY:

Chris Noble

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JOIN US AT MASS!

We have been working hard to ensure your safety. If you haven't yet come back, we encourage you to do so. Hopefully, you will notice all that we are doing to make sure that our Church building is a safe space. We are glad to see more and more of you coming back! Thank you!

ALTAR SERVER COORDINATOR: Ron Hamel, Jr.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES:

Classes will resume in September.

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

PRAYER FOR MAKING A SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Holy Eucharist. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

PRAYER FOR THE WEARING OF MASKS

“Holy Spirit, whose very breath brought creation into existence, Grant me the grace to wear this mask, with all its discomforts and inconveniences, in wisdom and charity. Help me to bear this cross which I carry for the most vulnerable among us. Hold us all close in your care and bring this pandemic to a swift end. Amen.”

A Prayer for Protection in Time of Pandemic

O Mary, you always brighten our path as a sign of salvation and of hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who, at the Cross, took part in Jesus' pain while remaining steadfast in faith.

O loving Mother, you know what we need, and we are confident you will provide for us as at Cana in Galilee. Intercede for us with your Son Jesus, the Divine Physician, for those who have fallen ill, for those who are vulnerable, and for those who have died. Intercede also for those charged with protecting the health and safety of others and for those who are tending to the sick and seeking a cure.

Help us, O Mother of Divine Love, to conform to the will of the Father and to do as we are told by Jesus, who took upon himself our sufferings and carried our sorrows, so as to lead us, through the Cross, to the glory of the Resurrection. Amen.

Under thy protection we seek refuge, O Holy Mother of God. In our needs, despise not our petitions, but deliver us always from all dangers, O glorious and blessed Virgin. Amen.

Adapted from the prayer of Pope Francis

PANDEMIC HOME BLESSING

Almighty and eternal God, our refuge in every danger to whom we turn in our distress: In faith we pray make this home a sanctuary from illness and disease, and keep far from it all anxiety and fear. May Christ dwell here, among us and within us. Bless those who reside here. As we face restrictions and quarantines, help us seek your face. Grant us the courage to follow the heart of your Son, who often retreated to quiet spaces to seek solace and intercede on behalf of others. Look with compassion on the afflicted, grant eternal rest to the dead, comfort to mourners, healing to the sick, peace to the dying. Give strength to healthcare workers, wisdom to our leaders, and the courage to reach out to all in love, so that together we may give glory to your holy name. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

As we continue to open up, I want you to know that we at St. Francis Parish are here for you. We miss you. We invite you to come back to Mass if you have been away, even if it is one of our weekday Masses with fewer people present. We have been adamant about our safety procedures and feel confident that this is a safe space for you. For Catholics, the Sacraments are instituted by Christ to give us grace. Pope Francis reminds us that Communion is not a reward for good behavior but medicine for the sick. We all need Christ's help during these times. Take time out each day for your own prayer. Pray as a family before meals. Join in the online offerings that our diocese offers. I am here for you and pray daily for you. This is my duty and blessing as a parish priest.



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.

<u>MASS INTENTIONS</u>		
Saturday	06/19	6:00pm
For our newly ordained Priest Robert Murphy and Transitional Deacon Greg Caldwell		
Sunday	06/20	10:30am
For the Parishioners and Benefactors of St. Francis of Assisi		
Tuesday	06/22	9:00am
. For our Diocese		
Thursday	06/24	9:00am
For the intentions of Christine Porter		
Saturday	06/26	6:00pm
For the Parishioners and Benefactors of St. Francis of Assisi		
Sunday	06/27	10:30am
For the repose of the soul of Gina Kicinski by Christine Porter		

<u>MASS ATTENDANCE</u>	
May 23	86
May 30	94
June 6	84
June 13	89

<u>OFFERINGS</u>	
Offerings Report for FY 2021	
Weekly Offertory for June 13, 2021:	\$1,133.00
Weekly Offertory Goal:	\$1,951.14
Offertory Collected (Year to Date):	\$80,698.25
Offertory Year to Date Goal:	\$97,557.00
Donations/Fees (fuel fund, stipends etc.) received in addition to Offertory:	
June 13, 2021:	\$20.00
Total Donations/Fees (Year to Date):	\$ 8,507.00
Donation/Fee Year to Date Goal (\$935.12/wk):	\$53,023.52
In addition to the above, monies were also collected for the following:	
None	

<u>PRAYER REQUESTS</u>	
<i>Please remember in your prayers:</i>	Peg Grimard, Dale West, Jan Lepisko, Lisa Moeller, Kathy Whited, Rhonda McFarland, Christiane Zue, Claire Harlow, Elinor Garcia, Nancy LaBounty, Sandra Carney, Joan Schuyler, Renee Bowling, John Ayers, David Dillon, Joseph Farley, John Scanlon, Ron Poulin, Archer David Ruzik and Doreen Aube.
<i>Please pray for the repose of the souls of:</i>	William Tansey, Peter Kilfeather, Masie Ayers, 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, Earl White Sr., Charles Rushia, Mark Curtis, Margaret Rising, Florence Parent, and Officer Kevin Valencia

TV MASS & SPIRITUAL RESOURCES

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

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.

2nd COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND

Next week, we will take up the Peter's Pence Collection, which is a way to support the Universal Church and the work of the Holy See, including helping Pope Francis with the funds to carry out his charitable works. These works benefit our brothers and sisters on the margins of society, including victims of war, oppression, and disasters. Please be generous. For more information, visit www.peterspence.va/en.html

2021 BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

Happy Father's Day! In this Year of St. Joseph, we celebrate the important role of all fathers to pass along the Catholic faith to their children. We also celebrate our deacons and priests who spiritually nurture the Catholic community. Your gift to the Bishop's Appeal supports the permanent diaconate and vocations. Please consider a gift to the appeal by visiting: bishopsappealvt.org.

Message from Fr. Rick,

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 "Who then is this, whom even wind and sea obey?"

A very good question.

So good a question, in fact, that the Church has preserved this question from the awestruck disciples precisely to let us know just who Jesus really is: He is God, the second person of the Blessed Trinity made incarnate in Jesus Christ.

As the God/Man, Jesus has power and authority over even the forces of nature "and they obey."

In a world where skepticism abounds, especially skepticism about religious or moral claims, the Church challenges this prevailing skepticism by proclaiming the simple, astounding truth about Jesus:

He is Lord over all, even the wind and the sea!

NEW PEW CARDS

We have placed new pew cards throughout the Church. These cards contain the prayers and responses used throughout Mass. Please leave these at your seats so that everyone can share this easy to use reference guide throughout the Mass during the coming weeks.

FAMILY CHAMPIONS

Looking for ways to connect spiritually as a family? Check out the Diocesan Family Champions page for some ideas. This week's challenge: Make cards for Dad or a family male friend who is like a dad. Share why he is special and pray for him together. Check out all of the champion challenges, past and present: <https://vermontcatholic.org/ministries-programs/marriage-family/family-the-domestic-church/>

COVID UPDATE

As of June 14, the Vermont Department of Health announced that there are no longer any state Covid-19 restrictions or requirements for Vermonters or visitors to follow. Since vaccination rates in Vermont are at 80% and Covid-19 cases are low, churches may remove all Covid restrictions and return to the regular celebration of Mass and all other pre-pandemic parish activities. As we move past the pandemic, please be aware that some people may still choose to greet you at the Sign of Peace simply with a nod of the head or a smile. A statement on the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and holy days of obligation will be forthcoming from Burlington Bishop Christopher Coyne.

HOSPITALITY—USHER MINISTRY

Our greeters provide hospitality in their welcome in addition to the valuable service of collecting our Offertory gifts at Masses. If you have a welcoming spirit and a smile and can make a commitment of even once a month, contact Len Zabilansky at lenzab@comcast.net or 802-236-4671 for details of this important ministry. Please prayerfully consider. We need your help. *Thank you!*

NEW DIOCESAN LAY FORMATION LEADERSHIP PROGRAM CLASS FORMING

Applications are now being accepted for the next 2-Year class, which begins in August. The Diocesan Lay Formation Leadership Program is designed to form laity to assist in leadership roles in their parishes, with a particular focus on evangelization and missionary discipleship. Informational brochure and application forms can be found online at <https://www.vermontcatholic.org/ministries-programs/evangelization-catechesis/lay-formation/>

SUMMER MEALS IN WINDSOR—CAN YOU HELP?

We have a great opportunity to help improve food security for the children in our community. The school will be delivering meals to various meal sites in Windsor and the surrounding communities and we need volunteers to help distribute those meals. Would you consider helping at one of these locations (Kennedy Pond, Windsor Park Pavilion, Windsor School) from 10:00-11:30am for one day per week from 6/21/through 8/20?? This is a universal program, meaning that **EVERYONE 18 and under** can take advantage of these delicious and nutritious meals. With your help, we will be able to provide a **Picnic every weekday through the summer!** How does that sound?! We need help to make this a reality. Share the joy and invest in the community while you help feed our children! Please contact Jill Lord or Anna Caputo if you can help. jill.m.lord@mahhc.org or Anna.caputo@mahhc.org. Thank you for your consideration!

SPECIAL PILGRIMAGE TO FRANCISCAN ITALY

With Fr. John Loughnane and Sr. Dymphna: \$3,999 from Boston. October 16-25, 2021 This Pilgrimage Tour begins with four nights in Rome where you will visit St. Peter's Basilica and other Major Basilicas, the Vatican Museum, the Sistine Chapel, and you will attend an Audience with the Pope if he is in Residence. Other spiritual highlights of the pilgrimage include 4 nights in Assisi to pray at the Shrines of St. Francis and St. Clare, at the Portiuncula in the Basilica of Santa Maria degli Angeli, and at Mount Subiaco and La Verna where St. Francis received the stigmata. Throughout the Shrines of Italy Pilgrimage Tour, you'll also experience the cuisine, art, and culture that exemplifies "la Dolce Vita," which is Italy! Get all the details and book online www.catholicjourneys.com/franciscan or call 800-715-6670

THANK YOU FROM CHRISTINE!

Thank you so much for the warm send off and gathering! Your cards, gifts, well wishes and prayers are so meaningful during this time. I am incredibly grateful for the time I got to spend serving you here at St. Francis. I am thrilled that as one of my final duties, I had the privilege to return the Church to pre-COVID formation!! We are truly open once again! I will miss you all and thank you for love and support!