

#### **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.*

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May 29th 2022  
***Seventh Sunday in Easter***

**Pastor: Father Charles Danielson**

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

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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:**

Asha Plaustainer

**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 –  
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**Parish Council:** Barbara Barbour 299-7117 – Joyce Corbin 484-3329—Janet Farley 674-6065 –  
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#### **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 Saturday  
And by Arrangement

#### **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

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 05/28 6:00 pm  
For the intentions of Carter Wilcox

Sunday 05/29 10:30am  
For the Parishioners and Benefactors of Saint Francis of Assisi

Tuesday 05/31 9:00am  
In Thanksgiving for all who died in defense of Our Country

Thursday 06/02 9:00am  
For the Repose of the Soul of Noah Osgood

Saturday 06/04 6:00pm  
For the Repose of the Soul of Richard Slusky by David and Marie Carmichael

Sunday 06/05 10:30am  
For the Parishioners and Benefactors of Saint Francis of Assisi

MASS ATTENDANCE

Apr	24	108
May	01	99
May	08	103
May	15	95
May	22	110

OFFERINGS  
Offerings Report for FY 2021-2022

Weekly Offertory for May 22th	\$1500.05	(-\$699.95)
Weekly Offertory Goal:	\$2,200	
Offertory Collected (Year to Date):	\$78,014.86	(-20,985.14)
Offertory Year to Date Goal:	\$99,000.00	
Donations/Fees (fuel fund, stipends) received in addition to Offertory: Donations:		
Total Donations/Fees (Year to Date):	\$11,459.75	
Donation/Fee Year to Date Goal (TBA/wk):	TBA by Finance Council	
In addition to the above, monies were also collected for the following: Ascension \$20 Catholic Home Missions \$25		

PRAYER REQUESTS

*Please remember in your prayers:* Rev Rene Butler, For Peace between Russia and Ukraine, Lisa Moeller, Raymond and Adrian Carney, Bill Dillon, Cade Bagley, Logan Young, Elaine Markegiani, The Fenton and Griffin Families, Those Suffering in Haiti, Our Homeless Brothers and Sisters, The Hennings Family, Christine Porter, Lisa Bianconi, Marianne Kepler

*Please pray for the repose of the souls of:* John Barth, Raymond Scott, Paul Wynn, Bruce Curtis, Mark Curtis, Joseph Greene, Bill Moeller, James Luccarelli, David DeSchamp, Earl White Sr, Mark Curtis, Lydia JoGuidice, Alesandro Salings, Elinor Currie, Nancy Marsden, Deacons Cliff Chagnon and Chris Keough, Richard Slusky, Sol Sulwyn, Louis King, John Scanlon, Beverly Farias, Adrian Carney, Sylvia Stringos, Bill Nugent, Eugene Herbert, Norman Piper, Anna Mary Noble, Thomas Fennell, Ford Geno, Danny Keating, Rolland Johnston, Lene Piper, Daniel Chiara, Justin Noble, Gina Kicinski,

A Time to Decide

In the life of any Nation there come times when certain issues must be faced. I believe we here in the United States of America are now at just such a time. The Justices of the Supreme Court of the United States will likely, by the end of June, be issuing a ruling on the question of:

**Do unborn human beings have a right to life, to liberty, and to pursue happiness?** It really is as simple as that!

Let us pray that the injustice that is Roe v. Wade will in fact be overturned. That this question will be restored to where it belongs ...

... To the States and the Peoples' elected representatives ...

Message from Fr. Rick,  
7th Sunday of Easter  
May 29, 2022

**Amen! Come Lord Jesus!**

The Christian Scriptures begin with the Geneses account of the creation of the world: "In the beginning ..." They end with these compelling words:

**"Amen! Come Lord Jesus!"**

Our heavenly Father, the Creator, called forth into existence all of creation by His word. By that same word, Jesus Christ, that world is forever redeemed by the "Paschal Mystery" of the passion death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Next weekend we celebrate Pentecost Sunday the "birthday" if you will, of the Church with the coming of the promised "Advocate", the "Paraclete"  
**"Who the Father will send in my name"**  
the life, the witness of the Church, begins.

The first reading this weekend tells of the first martyr Saint Stephen stoned to death and, even as he falls dying under the stones hurled by an enraged mob, he shows forth the first mission, task of the Church to bear witness, to give testimony of Christ our risen and ascended Lord and Messiah!

**Fr. Rick**

**Catholic Communication Campaign  
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Memorial Day

There are, every year, two civic holidays observed in the United States with a profound religious, indeed, Catholic meaning.

One is **Thanksgiving Day** and the other is this weekend: **Memorial Day**, a day set aside every year to remember all those men and women who died in defense of this nation and her values and principles.

In popular culture this long Memorial Day weekend has been transformed into the unofficial beginning of Summer. The school year is winding down and will soon end. The days continue to see more and more minutes of daylight and the days are increasingly warmer barbecues, backyard cookouts, trips to the mountains or the beach, vacation time for many after another interminable winter.

All of that is well and good, but let's please remember with gratitude the sacrifice of so many who went before us, whose deaths in the cause of liberty have won for us the **freedom under God to enjoy the blessings of liberty this Memorial Day 2022.**

Please Note:

Please welcome to Saint Anthony and Saint Francis Parishes **Fr. Agnel Samy**, H.G.N. Fr. Samy is a priest with the Heralds of Good News, he currently serves as Pastor of St. Charles Parish in Bellows Falls. Fr. Samy will be speaking on the work of his religious community around the world at Mass on the weekend of 11 12 June  
**Please make him welcome.**