

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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July 31st 2022
***18th Sunday in Ordinary
Time***

Pastor: Father Charles Danielson

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

PARISH SECRETARY:

Chris Noble cell: (619) 865 2680

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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

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 –
Andrew Robbins 738-3512

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 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

<u>MASS INTENTIONS</u>		
Saturday	07/30	6:00 pm
For the Parishioners and Benefactors of Saint Francis of Assisi		
Sunday	07/31	10:30am
For the Repose of the soul of William Mathew More by Herb More		
Tuesday	08/02	9:00am
For a Special Intention by Lauryn Moeller		
Thursday	08/04	9:00am
No Mass		
Saturday	08/06	6:00pm
For the Repose of the Soul of Mark Curtis by Jeff and Crickett French		
Sunday	08/07	10:30am
For the of the Souls of Annie and Julia Cox by the Carney Family		

<u>MASS ATTENDANCE</u>		
July	03	95
July	10	116
July	17	85
July	24	99

<u>OFFERINGS</u>	
Offerings Report for FY 2021-2022	
Weekly Offertory for July 24th	\$1,538 (-\$662)
Weekly Offertory Goal:	\$2,200
Offertory Collected (Year to Date):	\$93,154.86 (-\$25,845.14)
Offertory Year to Date Goal:	\$119,000.00
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:	

<u>PRAYER REQUESTS</u>	
<i>Please remember in your prayers:</i> Jill Lord, 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	
<i>Please pray for the repose of the souls of:</i> Anne Hutchins, Richard Slusky, John Barth, Raymond Scott, Paul Wynn, Bruce Curtis, Mark Curtis, Joseph Greene, Bill Moeller, James Lucarelli, 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	

<u>Concert at Saint Francis!</u>

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Mark your calendars and bring a friend!

A Concert featuring ***Folk Fusion*** here at St. Francis Sunday afternoon August 14th. A \$10 donation at the door is requested to ***support parish operations and fuel needs.***

Folk Fusion is known for their crisp clean vocals, lovely harmonies, and solid musicianship, performing Celtic, contemporary and traditional folk and light rock tunes, resulting in a peaceful and satisfying sound that delights the ear and soothes the soul.

Vermont Article 22 Proposed Constitutional Amendment

Come learn from a panel of experts about Article 22 and its ethical and practical aspects. The panel will speak on Saturday, August, 13 from 9:30 am to 12:00 noon at St Michael School, 48 Walnut St, Brattleboro, VT 05301

There will be a Saturday morning Mass at Saint Michael Church at 9 am.

Presenters will be: **Deacon Pete Gummere, Annisa Lamberton, Carol Kauffman,** and **Mary Beerworth, Executive Director, Vermont Right to Life**

Message from Fr. Rick,

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time July 31st 2022

“Thus will it be for all who store up treasure for themselves but are not rich in what matters to God.”

We have likely all heard the expression, “You can’t take it with you.”, and it’s true, you can’t take it with you. All the “stuff” we accumulate during our lives: material possessions, money, land, property, our reputations, and social standing, it all gets left behind when at last our eyes close for the last time on this world. And yet, Jesus reminds us there is something we can bring with us, wealth “that matters to God”.

A life of faith, a strong hope, love for God and for our neighbor out of love for God. This is the wealth we ought to be working to accumulate before we leave this world, true wealth that matters to God.

Fr. Rick

Please Note

No 9 AM daily Mass this Thursday 04 August 2022 at Saint Francis.

Daily Mass will resume on Tuesday 9 August at 9:00 AM at Saint Francis

Office Position Available

Saint Anthony Parish in White River Jct., Vermont is seeking a candidate for a part-time non-remote Administrative Assistant position in the parish office. For additional information, please send a letter of interest and resume to Saint Anthony Parish, 15 Church Street, White River Jct., VT 05001, or email to stanthonychurch@vermontcatholic.org.

Bishops Appeal Message

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

This year we celebrate communion — communion in creed, communion in worship and communion in life. It is a time to consider how we are united in the doctrine and dogma of the Church and united in our worship, most especially in the celebration of the Mass.

It is at Mass that we are privileged to hear the Word of God, celebrate the Eucharist and receive Holy Communion; we are united in the call to live that communion with God and our brothers and sisters in Christ. Now is the time when the doors of churches are opening wide again as we make our way out of the Covid malaise to the new spring of the Church and our community.

Our schools and churches that were thriving pre-Covid are coming back in significant ways. More people are gathering for baptisms, the celebration of the sacraments, weddings and all those things that are part of our parish life. Many of our statewide ministries are thriving, including our men’s and women’s retreats with record numbers and the largest number of candidates for full membership in the Church at the Rite of Election at St. Joseph Cathedral in seven years.

We have much to celebrate but we need your support. The weekend of the of 18 and 19 June is the in-pew appeal at your church where I will be directly asking you to support the Bishop’s Annual Appeal, an annual drive for the entire Catholic community to help us sustain our statewide ministries like Catholic schools, vocations, religious education programs and emergency aid to households in financial crisis. I ask you to please come to Mass with an open heart and listen to why your gift is so important. You can learn more at: [bishopsappealvt.org](https://www.bishopsappealvt.org).

Yours in Christ,

Bishop Christopher J Coyne

On-line Offertory

Easy for you— and good for St Francis!

Please visit our safe and secure website and follow the prompts!

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