

St. Francis of Assisi Parish

30 Union St. P.O Box 46 Windsor, Vt. 05089

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time August 13, 2023

Administrator: Reverend Cyrain Cabueñas

Apostolic Administrator of Diocese of Burlington: Most Reverend Christopher J. Coyne

Mass Schedule

Weekend: Saturday 6:00 p.m.

Sunday 10:30 a.m.

Weekday: Tuesday & Thursday 9:00 a.m.

Adoration: Tuesday 9:30-10:30

Holy Days: As announced in the Bulletin

Baptisms & Reconciliation: By arrangement

Marriage: Couples please contact the parish six months in advance

Parish Contact

Office: 802-674-2157

Office Hours: Tuesday & Thursday 9:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

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New Parishioners are welcome and are urged to register with the Parish Office

Altar Server Coordinator: Ronald Hamel Jr.

Parish Secretary: Shannon Harrington

Parish Finance Coordinator: Gerry Grimo

Finance Council: Frederick Lord (Co Chair) (802)356-6496; Tom DiNetta (Co Chair) (302)332-1251; Ginny Fox (802)436-2831; Paul Belaski (802) 674-2713

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A Message from Father Cyrain

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

The gospel episode of Peter walking on the water, and sinking after a while, contains two important lessons for us. The first concerns Peter's faith. It was still a weak faith, but it was nevertheless genuine. It enabled him to step out of the boat in the middle of the sea and despite the huge waves, to walk on the water. Surely it shows an important truth: that with a modicum of faith, we can achieve extraordinary results.

The second lesson is - Peter started to sink because he took his eyes off Jesus and focused on the rough sea. His faith wavered when he realized what he was doing. We may not walk on water, but we do walk through tough situations. If we focus on the waves of difficult circumstances around us without looking to Christ for help, we too may despair and sink.

Life is a perilous journey and we need the help of Christ to guide us. Peter's mistake was that he turned to Christ in real prayer only in moment of crisis and in danger of drowning. When all is going well, like Peter, we rely on our own strength and when everything else fails, prayer is the last resort.

If we leave our relative security behind and follow Christ with conviction, we will never be casualties of any storm or rough sea.

Eucharistic Revival

"The Eucharist communicates the Lord's love for us: a love so great that it nourishes us with Himself; a freely given love, always available to every person who hungers and needs to regenerate his own strength. To live the experience of faith means to allow oneself to be nourished by the Lord and to build one's own existence not with material goods but with the reality that does not perish: the gifts of God, his Word and his Body." (Pope Francis Homily – June 19, 2014

<u>Prayer Requests- Please remember in your prayers:</u>

Len Zabilansky, Kevin Curtis, the Longacre family, Griffin Thompson, The Thompson family, Laurie Curtis, Jill Lord, Lisa Moeller, Cade Bagley, Logan Young, Elaine Markegiani, Christine Rose, Martha Sass, Cindy DiNetta, Helen Michalowitz, Roberta Ferguson, Pat Lucarelli, Claire Harlow, Christiane Zue, Scott McCandless, Amy Chesser.

Please pray for the repose of the souls of:

Elinor Garcia, Ella Perry, Bill Dillon, Peter Toepfer, Ludwig Markert, Robert Leneau, Linda Parker, Loretta Gould, Lucio Cabueñas, Will Moeller, Cynthia Howe, Earl White Sr. Norman Piper, Mary Ann Notaro, Donna O'Neill, Jane Lynch, Anthony Rocchio, Bill Moeller, Ray Nedderman, Father Charles Davignon, Gina Kicinski, Anna Mary Noble, William Moore, Anne Hutchins, John Barth, Raymond Scott, Paul Wynn, Mark Curtis, Margaret Blake.

Mass Intentions:

If you would like to have a Mass offered for your intentions, for loved ones living or deceased, or for a special occasion, please contact the parish office by email, telephone, or drop a note in the collection basket. Please include the name of the person for whom the Mass will be offered and who is requesting the Mass. Let us know if you want a specific day. We will do our best to accommodate your request. Please include your contact information. The customary offering is \$10. Thank you

Offerings (Offerings report for FY 2022-2023)

Weekly Offertory for August 5-6 \$2,150.00

Includes: On line giving \$469.00; Mass Stipends \$170.00; Coffee Hour \$30.00;

Weekly Offertory of July 29-30

\$2.015.00

Includes: On line giving \$365.00; Mass Stipends \$30.00; Coffee hour \$67.00 Second Collection for Flood Relief victims through Vermont Charities \$50.00

Weekly Offertory Goal

\$2,200.00

Offertory Collected to date (for the year) TBA Offertory Year to Date Goal \$81,400.00

Total Donations/Fees(Year to Date) \$14,722.00

Donation/Fee Year to Date Goal **TBA** (by the Finance Council)

Thank you for your prayerful generosity

Please consider on-line giving. Contact Parish office for detail

Mass Intentions

Saturday 08/12/2023 6:00 p.m.

For the Parishioners and Benefactors of St. Francis of Assisi Church

08/13/2023 Sunday 10:30 a.m.

For the repose of the soul of Richard Slusky by Kathy DeSchamp

08/15/2023 Tuesday 8:00 a.m. Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Thursday 08/10/2023 9:00 a.m.

Saturday

08/19/2023

6:00 p.m.

For the Intentions of Ireen Daigle

08/20/2023 Sunday

10:30 a.m.

For the repose of the soul of Finley Conlon by Earl and Kathleen White

Mass Attendance

| July 1- 2 | 99 | July 8-9 | 88 |
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| July 15-16 | 105 | July 22-23 | 104 |
| July 29-30 | 99 | August 5-6 | 88 |

Lectors

Please pickup new workbooks from the Sacristy counter.

Parish Monthly Meetings/Events:

| Parish Council and Finance Committee | August 10th | 6:00 p.m. |
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| Knights of Columbus | September 5th | 7:00 p.m. |
| Annual Parish Picnic | September 17 th | 11:30 a.m. |

Holy Day of Obligation

Tuesday, August 15th; The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary will be celebrated at 8:00 a.m.

Monday, August 14th, Vigil Mass for Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary will be celebrated at **5:00 p.m.** at *St. Anthony's* Church in WRJ.

Funeral

A Christian burial Mass will be celebrated for Elinor Garcia on Tuesday, the 15th at 11:00 a.m.

Parish Home Visits: Father may be requested to visit a parishioner at home, or current place of residency on the First Friday of each month. Please call the Parish Secretary to set up a time.

Feast of the Assumption: Tues August 15th, Our Lady of Ephesus House of Prayer, 35 Fawn Ledge, Jamaica, VT invite you to celebrate the Feast of the Assumption. Gathering begins at 2:00; followed by guest speaker, the Holy Rosary, Songs and Reflections, Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, Pot luck Supper following Mass. See Web site for further details at www.ourladyofephesushouseofprayer.org

A message from The Diocese of Burlington

The Diocese is offering regional workshops around the diocese this fall in conjunction with the National Eucharist Revival.

A copy of the letter and Workshop forms are available in the Sacristy for all EMHC and Lectors to read and complete. You may complete the form and leave for the Parish Secretary to file or you may register on line at www.vermontcatholic.org/workshop.

The letter and workshop forms are being emailed to all Lectors and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion this week. If you need assistance, please let the Parish office know.

Holy Father Pope Francis Announcement

The Vatican has announced that the Holy Father Pope Francis has appointed the Most Reverend Christopher J. Coyne, until now the Bishop of Burlington, as the Coadjutor Archbishop of Hartford when in 2024 the latter submits his resignation at the age of 75 in keeping with church law.

2023 Bishop Annual Appeal St. Francis Parish Goal: \$15,969.

As of August 9, our parish giving is \$4,168.00, representing 26% of our goal.

As of August 9, the 2023 Bishop's annual Appeal has reached 68% of it.

To make a gift online visit: www.bishopsappealvt.org

First Friday Adoration: Join us for Eucharist Exposition and Benediction in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel on Friday September 1, 2023 at 4:00 p.m.

Eucharistic Adoration

When we visit Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, we are with the same Jesus who taught the disciples, healed the sick, restored sight to the blind, forgave the sinner, calmed the stormy sea and raised Lazarus from the dead. In Jesus, we see the God, who created us, calls us by name, baptized us into his family, loves us unconditionally, and thirsts for our love. When was the last time you went to see him? Realize that you gain more in a few minutes of prayer before the Blessed Sacrament than in all other spiritual practices of the day. Join us for Adoration each Tuesday following 9:00 am Mass.