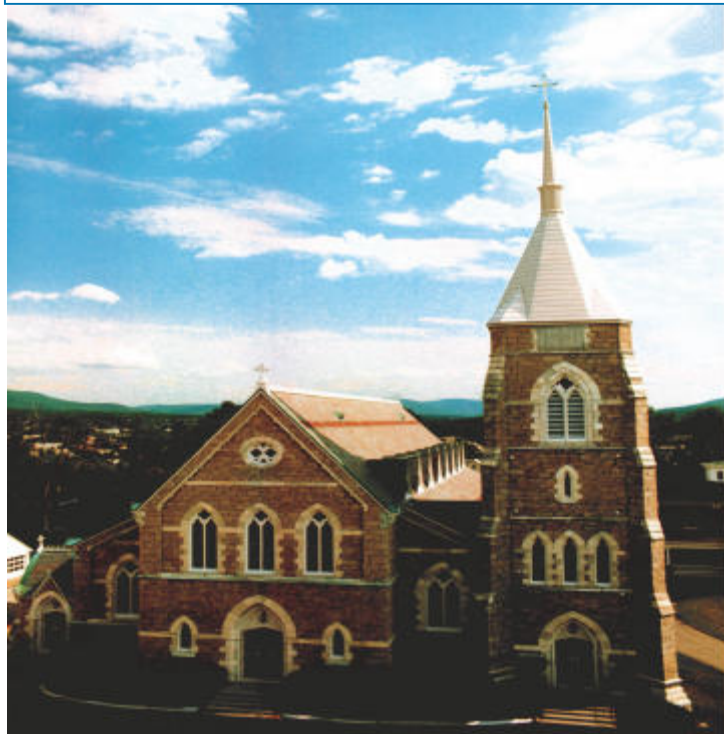


**Second Sunday of Advent— December 5, 2021**

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### **Weekday Masses**

**Mondays & Fridays—9:00 A.M. Except Holidays**

#### **Sacrament of Baptism**

Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements.

#### **Sacrament of Matrimony**

Please call the Parish Office at least six months in advance to make arrangements.

#### **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Saturday 3:00 PM—or by appointment

#### **New Parishioners**

Please call Parish Office to register.

#### **Religious Education**

DRE, Michael Audette

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**ST. PETER MASS SCHEDULE:****Saturday, December 4**

4:15 Birthday Mem: Lorraine Canty By Terri, Brad,  
Jason & Families

**Sunday, December 5**

11:00 Mem.: Joseph & Jeanne Zingale By Family  
**And** Ann.: Edward Earle By Family

**Monday, December 6**

9:00 Mem: Roger Audette By Michael Audette

**Wednesday, December 8:**

**The Immaculate Conception of  
The Blessed Virgin Mary**

**Masses will be at 9:00 AM and 5:00 PM**

**Friday, December 10**

9:00 Birthday Mem.: Maria Antonietta Susin  
Zancanaro By Paolo-Anton Erminio Zancanaro

**Saturday, December 11**

4:15 Mem.: Luigi & Dorothy Notte and Anthony &  
Thomas Notte By Daughter, & Family

**Sunday, December 12**

11:00 Ann.: Jean McGinnis Clifford By Family  
**And** Birthday Mem.: Maria Antonietta Susin  
Zancanaro By Paolo-Anton Erminio Zancanaro

**Monday, December 13**

9:00 Mem.: Ernie Zambon By Jeanne Kelly &  
Family

**Friday, December 17**

9:00 Mem.: Peg Ryan By: John & Diane  
Lazarczyk

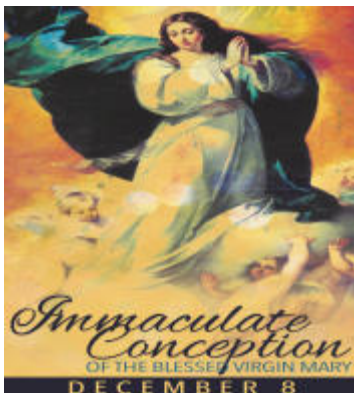


**CANDLES FOR THE WEEKEND  
OF 12/4 & 12/5**

Ann.: Ann Marie & Alex Firliet By Family

**RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS**

There will be a collection on the weekend of December 11/12.  
Thank you for your generosity.

**Always Be Prepared**

Every human life is filled with constant things that we must do and activities that we must undertake in order to stay alive and to live well. These activities are often activities of preparation. When we first awake we prepare for our day by brushing our teeth, washing, making ourselves look generally presentable. Next we prepare something to eat, some nourishment to sustain us. When beginning our work or task at hand we prepare by retrieving our messages or our e-mails in order to start our day with information necessary to accomplish our goals and to schedule our work. Mid-day we prepare to eat again in order to continue our day. We anticipate future events by preparing what we need for them. We prepare to conclude our day by completing tasks or "tying up loose ends". We prepare an evening meal and prepare to retire for the evening by relaxing and then prepare for bed. Preparation is a daily and constant activity of life.

Since we human beings are composed of three parts, physical, mental and spiritual, it is good for us that our preparations includes spiritual preparation to maintain our spiritual condition as well. For example as we begin our day we can prepare our spirits by spending a few minutes in prayer and meditation inviting God into the day which God has given us. Throughout our day we can prepare to enhance our patience, understanding our perhaps tolerance by pausing, being quiet and asking God for help. We can prepare to be more composed and less reactive by allowing for spiritual breaks as we might make time for a "coffee break". At day's conclusion we can prepare to increase our gratitude by quietly reviewing the blessing which we have received and acknowledging how God has worked with us and for us throughout our day. Before sleep we can prepare for tomorrow by simply asking God for the blessing of adequate rest.

Preparations help us to live life fully and well. This Advent let's practice the spiritual preparations as well as the other preparations so our hearts may be gentle, our minds peaceful, and our relationships with others richer.

Fr. John

**RECTORY HOURS**

Monday-Thursday: 8:30 A.M.-2:30 P.M.  
Friday: 8:30 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.

**THE LEGION OF MARY**

The Legion of Mary will meet every Monday at 1:30 P.M.  
at the Rectory. All are welcome.

### WEEKLY READINGS

Sunday: Bar 5:1-9/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 [3]/Phil 1:4-6, 8-11/Lk 3:1-6  
Monday: Is 35:1-10/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14 [cf. Is 35:4f]/Lk 5:17-26  
Tuesday: Is 40:1-11/Ps 96:1-2, 3 and 10ac, 11-12, 13 [cf. Is 40:10ab]/Mt 18:12-14  
Wednesday: Gn 3:9-15, 20/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [1]/Eph 1:3-6, 11-12/Lk 1:26-38  
Thursday: Is 41:13-20/Ps 145:1 and 9, 10-11, 12-13ab [8]/Mt 11:11-15  
Friday: Is 48:17-19/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [cf. Jn 8:12]/Mt 11:16-19  
Saturday: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11/Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16, 18-19 [4]/Mt 17:9a, 10-13

### FR. BOYLAN MEMORIAL

December 4, marks the 135<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the death of Reverend Charles J. Boylan. As Pastor of St. Peter's, Fr. Boylan not only built up the growing parish but also this beautiful church. To commemorate his death, we have put together a brief biography/history of the building of the church. They will be available the weekend of December 4-5. Please take one and read about this man of great faith.

### DEADLINE FOR THE BULLETIN

There is a deadline each week for information to be put into our bulletin. It is Monday by noon. Holiday bulletin deadlines may vary.

### WEEKLY MASSES

We will be having weekly Masses on Mondays and Fridays except for holidays at 9:00 A.M. If you would like to book a Mass intension please call the Rectory. Thank you.

### **ST. PETER OFFERTORY REPORT WEEKEND OF NOVEMBER 20/21**

64 Envelopes (156 sent out) plus \$735.00	3,174.00
Need	4,500.00
Difference	-1,326.00
Last Year-Same Date	2,322.00

### **ST. PETER OFFERTORY REPORT WEEKEND OF NOVEMBER 27/28**

57 Envelopes (156 sent out) plus \$688.00	3,632.00
Need	4,500.00
Difference	- 868.00
Last Year-Same Date	3,093.00

### MSJ PROJECT HELP

Project Help is an event that provides the families of the Rutland area with Christmas baskets, filled with food for Christmas dinner as well as clothes, supplies, and presents for the children. These baskets are put together by the students of MSJ and the whole school is involved in making this project happen. It is one of the largest student-led service projects in the area and provides food for many families in need each year. Donations of non-perishable food items are accepted at drop-off bins in the rear of the Church and the side door of the Church and monetary donations are accepted at Mount Saint Joseph Academy. For additional information, contact [lbartenstein@msjvermont.org](mailto:lbartenstein@msjvermont.org)



### MEMORIAL FLOWERS FOR CHRISTMAS

The ushers will be giving out envelopes this weekend for names and donations for the flowers at Christmas. Please print the names clearly and put the envelope in the Offertory box, mail it or drop it off at the Rectory Office during normal business hours **before December 5th.**



To our *Christ Our Hope* campaign supporters, we offer a sincere thanks during this giving season. We cannot carry out our mission and realize our dreams without your help.

We are continuing our fundraising efforts as we try to reach our campaign goals. If you are still praying over your decision and discerning how you might help, please know that soon you will receive a follow-up mailing asking to consider a gift.

You can return your completed pledge form or go online to [christourhopevt.org/donate](http://christourhopevt.org/donate) to make a gift. Your donation of any size will help address our needs at St. Peter's but also support fellow Catholics across the state.

**St. Peter Parish has raised \$6,082.50 of our Parish Goal of \$251,576.00. Thank you.**

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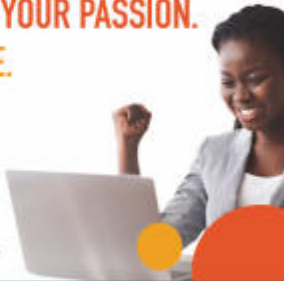
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