

Confirmation 2020



Saint Vincent de Paul Baldwinville, MA

PASTORAL STAFF

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 4:00 PM
Sunday: 8:00 and 11:00 AM
Weekday: 9:00 AM Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday
Holy day: 9:00 AM & 6:30 PM

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Plans may be made by contacting the pastor or deacon at least one month ahead.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Confessions are heard Saturdays from 3:15 to 3:45 PM or by appointment.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Plans may be made by contacting pastor at least one year prior to the intended wedding date.

MINISTRY TO THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND

Please notify us when a parishioner is homebound or hospitalized so that we may visit and offer the sacraments of the Church.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM (C.C.D.)

Held Sunday mornings 9:45-10:45 September - May
Mrs. Jennifer McNeaney, *Safe Environment Coordinator*
Mrs. MaryRose Sideleau, *Sacraments Catechist*
Ms. Lynn Murray, *Confirmation Catechist*

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (R.C.I.A.)

If you are interested in the process leading to membership in the Catholic Church, please contact Mrs. Susan Turcotte, *R.C.I.A. Coordinator* at (978) 939-8969.

REGISTRATION & E-MAIL

All are welcome to join our parish family.
Please call the rectory at 978-939-8851 or fill out a registration form found at church entrances.
E-mail us at stvindepaul05@aol.com
Follow our website at saintvincentcatholicchurch.com

BULLETIN COPY DEADLINE

All items for the parish bulletin must be submitted in writing to the rectory office by the previous Sunday.



Mass Intentions



Saturday	July 11	4:00 PM	~ Beatrice Fortier by George & Dianne Lamore
Sunday	July 12	8:00 AM	~ Victoria Scopelliti Gagne by her son, Lawrence
Sunday	July 12	11:00 AM	~ Frances Grucan (1st anniv) by the parish
Monday	July 13	9:00 AM	~
Tuesday	July 14	9:00 AM	~
Wednesday	July 15	9:00 AM	~
Thursday	July 16	9:00 AM	~
Friday	July 17		No Daily Mass on Fridays
Saturday	July 18	4:00 PM	~ Cindi Patriquin by the Strout family
Sunday	July 19	8:00 AM	~ Richard Carpenter by the family
Sunday	July 19	11:00 AM	~ Eva Robichaud by her daughter, Claudette

YOUR SACRIFICIAL OFFERING

Special thanks to everyone who makes-up their envelopes for weekends missed due to vacations, illness or weather. Our weekly bills average \$3,000 year round (not including oil).

Last weekend's collection was \$2,306

Our Online donations were \$310

The monthly maintenance added \$441

Thank you!

PARTNERS IN CHARITY

With your support, "faith in action" is visible every day in the compassionate outreach of Catholic Charities; the prayerful witness of our retired priests and the joy of new priestly vocations; the many diocesan ministries and programs that heal, teach and care for others. Our parish goal is \$20,000. We have received \$12,700 in pledges and donations.

UPCOMING SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

July 18 & 19 - "Energy Needs"

August 1 & 2 - "Maintenance & Repairs"

August 8 & 9 - "Aide to Church in Europe"

August 15 - "Assumption of Mary"

August 15 & 16 - "Religious Education"

August 22 & 23 - "Fuel Offering"

THANK YOU!!

Thank you very much to all who have mailed in or dropped off their weekly stewardship offerings. Just a gentle reminder that the expenses of our church and the welfare of our employees of the church continue regardless of attendance. We ask and pray that all our members continue to be good stewards and keep up with their commitment to God's work through the church. We have set up an online account for giving. Please check our website saintvincencatholicchurch.com click GIVE ONLINE/DONATIONS and a secure form will appear. Your Member # is your envelope number. You do not need to fill out that field if you are unsure of your number we will credit your account.



PEOPLE ARRIVING AT CHURCH:
MASKS ARE REQUIRED!

Bring your mask to Church every time you come.

To help you maintain social distancing, every other pew will be closed off. No collection will be taken up by ushers, but baskets will be placed for you to drop your envelope of donation as you leave.

Please do not jam up the doorways as you leave but enter and exit quickly.

For Holy Communion you may remove your masks as Deacon Jim and Fr. Fran will be masked for communion. We ask that you come for Communion one pew at a time respecting the six-foot markings on the floor.

Choirs will not be restored but will be phased in over time as the restriction is lifted. We will sing only the Proper parts of the Mass.

The offertory procession is lifted. If you have a Mass booked for a loved one there will be no presenting of the gifts. If you are a server, reader, or Minister of the Eucharist your ministries will be phased in over time.

For now, only Deacon Jim, Fr. Fran and a reader will be in the sanctuary. This is so Deacon and Fr. Fran will not have to be masked during Mass but only at Communion.

There will be no sign of peace so that contact is avoided. At the beginning and end of Mass there will be no procession thru the congregation.

Please do not focus on what we cannot do but rather on what we can do. We now can gather for worship, be enlightened by the Word of God, and receive the Eucharist. Is that not all we want and need? All these measures are for our safety and will be tweaked as we move forward. Many of these restrictions will be lifted over time as we come closer to our "new normal".

Restrictions on the size of the community are in place to allow only 40% of maximum capacity. Our maximum as stated on the occupancy permit is 288. Each Mass then can only seat 112 persons. A thorough sanitizing of the church has taken place and the church will be cleaned again after each service. Volunteers will be required for this duty starting in June. Hymnals and missalettes have been removed from pews and stored for a later date. Signs are posted prominently on all doors. The floor is marked with tape at six-foot intervals approaching the communion stations.

The social guidance all individuals must follow to reduce the risk of new COVID-19 transmission:

- Cover your face
- Wash your hands
- Socially distance
- Be vigilant for symptoms
- Stay home if you feel sick

In the light of the continuing and specific danger presented by this virus to older people and those with certain health conditions, the obligation to take part in the Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation continues to be lifted.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL 2020 SACRAMENTS

First Confession will be celebrated on Saturday, August 15 at 10:00 am with a rehearsal for First Communion to follow.

First Communion will be held on Sunday, August 16 at 1:00 pm.

All the regular precautions and guidelines will apply during these special Masses. Please remember to wear a mask and keep social distancing with anyone not a member of your immediate household.

We are still deciding on the appropriate way to administer and begin our CCD/Religious Education Classes for the fall and winter. Once a decision has been made we will inform all teachers and families.

A Prayer for today

Dear Lord, as I continue through this day, help me look to Jesus, and find strength in Him. I give You my worries and fears, and every struggle, and I ask You to transform my thinking as I focus on things that are excellent and praiseworthy, and thoughts that will honor and please You. I pray my mind and heart will not be shaken by circumstances, but that I will lean hard into Your presence, peace, purpose, provision and power. Thank you for being my hope and strength today.

Amen.