

Parish Family of Saint Vincent de Paul Baldwinville, MA



PASTORAL STAFF

Rev. Francis A. Roberge, *Pastor*

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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	November 28	4:00 PM	~ Lawrence Edmands (3rd anniv) by his brother, Frank
Sunday	November 29	8:00 AM	~ Fran Grucan by the parish
Sunday	November 29	11:00 AM	~ Curtis Clayman, MD by Dr. Coral M. Grout
Monday	November 30	9:00 AM	~
Tuesday	December 1	9:00 AM	~ St. Anthony for a favor obtained
Wednesday	December 2	9:00 AM	~
Thursday	December 3	9:00 AM	~ St. Jude or a Favor obtained
Friday	December 4		<i>No Daily Mass on Fridays</i>
Saturday	December 5	4:00 PM	~ Judith LaBatt (5th anniv) by her husband, Claude
Sunday	December 6	8:00 AM	~
Sunday	December 6	11:00 AM	~ Ronald & Vera Richard by Bill & Sue

YOUR SACRIFICIAL OFFERING

Just a gentle reminder that the expenses of our church and the welfare of our employees of the church continue regardless of attendance.

Last weekend's collection was \$1725

Our Online donations were \$575

Campaign for Human Development \$168

Thank you very much!

Thank you very much to all who have mailed in or dropped off their weekly stewardship offerings. 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. To give online go to saintvincentcatholicchurch.com click GIVE ONLINE/DONATIONS and a secure form will appear. Member # is your envelope number, or you may leave it blank and we will credit your account.

UPCOMING SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

Dec 6 - "Christmas Flowers"

Dec 8 - "Immaculate Conception"

Dec 13 - "Retirement Fund for Religious"

Dec 20 - "Fuel Offering"

Dec 25 - "Christmas"

Dec 27 - "Maintenance & Repairs"

WHEN ARRIVING AT CHURCH:

Wear your mask at Church every time you come.

To help you maintain social distancing, every other pew is closed off. No collection will be taken up by ushers, but baskets are placed for you to drop your envelope of donation as you leave. A thorough sanitizing of the church has taken place and the church will be cleaned again after each service. The floor is marked with tape at six-foot intervals approaching the communion stations.

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.

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.

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.

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

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Thanks to those who have already registered their children for Religious Education. **We will mail the materials to you each session.** Teachers will offer support by phone or email. Even though there will be no class time in the Fall, we ask you to register as usual just to be sure we have contact information that is accurate and up to date. Registration forms available by calling the rectory at 978-939-8851 or at saintvincentcatholicchurch.com.

EMMANUEL RADIO 1230

Calling all Cantors, Choirs, Clergy, Classmates and Christmas Carolers!! Emmanuel Radio invites you to showcase your Christmas spirit by singing an Advent/ Christmas song on Emmanuel Radio's three Catholic radio stations. Share your talent. You could receive a \$100 donation from Emmanuel Radio! For more details or to enter call Cindy at 774-222-2566 or visit www.1230radio.com today.

FOR ADULTS DURING ADVENT

"A Time Will Come for Singing" is a four-session program for adults during Advent. Each weekly session will be online and will include a brief lesson and prayer, a short Advent-related video, and closing comments and prayer. Twenty minutes tops - from your own laptop, tablet, or mobile phone! Login whenever you want to during each of the four weeks. Take a step back from the hectic pace of the holidays to reflect on the true reason for the season. FREE, but you must register ahead of time so you can receive a link each week. Contact Romeo Marquis, Rmarquis48@outlook.com for details.

ST MARTIN'S HOLIDAY FAIR

St. Martin's Craft Group will hold a scaled-down, socially-distanced Holiday Fair from 9am-3pm on Saturday, December 5 at 248 State Rd, Otter River. The parish barn, rectory and parking lot will be home to a "2020 version" fair that will include fresh wreaths & greens, crafts, theme baskets, and a Chinese Auction.

THANK YOU

Special Thanks to Catholic Financial Life Chapter N84 for their Matching Gift of \$500 to our Scratch Ticket Raffle making the profit from the raffle \$5,600! Thank you very much!

PARISH NEWS

Our regular Major Raffle is underway and will be pulled on Monday the 30th. This raffle is for cash prizes totaling \$1600 with the main prize of \$750. Tickets have been sent out to all households. Please do your best to purchase or sell the books. They are \$2 each or a book of 6 for \$10.

GIVING TREE

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Giving Tree will be different this year. We will continue to support Families in Need, the Nursing Home and the Homeless Shelter as best as we are able given that our attendance remains at 20%. The giving Tree will not be set up as usual. We do not want a place where people will gather to remove tags or place gifts and not social distance. It just is not safe. Instead, please consider a gift card from Walmart, Hannaford's, Market Basket, Target, CVS, or anyplace where you shop. You may also give a financial donation in any amount. Simply place your gift card in a Christmas Card or plain envelope and mark it Giving Tree. You are asked to place those gifts in the same baskets you use for the weekly collection. We will divide up those gifts between the agencies and families. Let us pray for one another and remember it will be a difficult Christmas Season for many.

FACING FEAR WITH JESUS IN A COVID-19 WORLD

Our country faces a host of fears: sickness and death from a worldwide pandemic, job, and financial loss, loneliness, and radical changes in our society. But the storm that surrounds us is nothing that we cannot handle with Jesus' help. He is not asleep in our boat. Explore eight concrete tips from the Bible, the Saints, and our Catholic Faith. The session includes prayer, reflection, small group sharing, and presentations. Speakers: John and Therese Boucher, teachers and authors of hundreds of articles and many books. **Tuesday, December 8, 7:00-9:00 pm** FREE REGISTRATION (limited spaces available)! Send an email with your name, email, and phone number to Esperanza Oliveras, cje21@verizon.net, by Monday, December 7, 2020, to receive the [Zoom.com](https://zoom.com) video session link.