

December 6th, 2020 – Second Sunday of Advent

This Sunday's Readings:

Isaiah 40.1-5: "Prepare the way of the Lord."

Psalm 85.8ab+9: "In his days may righteousness flourish, and peace abound forever."

2 Peter 3.8-14: "We wait for new heavens and a new earth."

Mark 1.1-8: "Make straight the paths of the Lord."

To Book Mass Intentions:

Please contact Winona (Parish Office 357-2593) to have the Mass celebrated at St. Vincent de Paul or St. Bridget's.

Please contact Tammy (Lincoln Office 444-6005) to have the Mass celebrated at St. Francis of Assisi.

Mass Intentions

St. Francis of Assisi	Sat. Dec 5	5:00 p.m.	†	Stephen Hickey
St. Francis of Assisi	Wed. Dec 9	9:00 a.m.		MASS
St. Francis of Assisi	Sat. Dec 12	5:00 p.m.	†	Stephen Hickey
St. Vincent de Paul	Sun. Dec 6	10:00 a.m.	†	Maria Francis
St. Vincent de Paul	Tues. Dec 8	6:30 p.m.	†	Gerald Connelly
St. Vincent de Paul	Thurs Dec 10	12:00 p.m.	†	Deceased Members of the Blanchard & Lanteigne Families
St. Vincent de Paul	Fri. Dec 11	9:00 a.m.	†	Evangeline Savoy
St. Vincent de Paul	Sun. Dec 13	10:00 a.m.	†	Deceased Members of the Healey & Collins Families
St. Bridget's	Sun. Dec 6	12:00 p.m.	†	Alice Despres
St. Bridget's	Sun. Dec 13	12:00 p.m.		MASS

ADVENT CONFESSION- Tues. Dec 8th from 4-6pm - St. Vincent de Paul
 - Wed. Dec 9th from 4-6pm - St. Francis of Assisi
 - Thurs. Dec 10th from 4-6pm - St. Vincent de Paul
 - Fri. Dec 11th from 4-6pm - St. Bridget's

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI

Adoration to the Blessed Sacrament will be held on Wednesdays from 8 a.m.-9 a.m. at St. Francis of Assisi.

The Rosary will be said at St. Francis of Assisi on Saturday evening beginning at 4:30 p.m. prior to Mass.

"Give Warmth for the Homeless" Each week in Advent St Francis of Assisi will be collecting warm items for the homeless. 1st Week - warm socks, 2nd week- gloves & mitts, 3rd week- hats & scarves, 4th week- personal hygiene items.

St. Francis of Assisi Fundraiser- Christmas Baking- assorted sweets; breads etc., Pre-orders by Dec.12th for Pickup Dec.19th- for more information call Pauline @ 452-1090.

*Nov. 29th, 2020 Offertory St. John Paul II Parish
(THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED CONTRIBUTIONS)*



	<u>St. Francis of Assisi</u>	<u>St. Vincent de Paul</u>	<u>St. Bridget's</u>
Regular & Loose	\$498.50	\$1024.70	\$297.05
Direct Deposit (November)	\$605.00	\$650.00	
Building Fund/Upkeep	\$10.00	\$40.00	
Fund Raising		\$100.00	
Donation (anonymous)	\$92.81		
Sick or Infirm Priests		\$40.00	\$20.00
Totals	\$1206.31	\$1814.70	\$297.05

(Please make all cheques payable to St. John Paul II Parish and put them in your offertory envelopes or use the blue envelopes provided at the church entrances for Income Tax purposes).

Please Note: The total amount reflects only what is available to the church and any other special collections will not be added to the total.

Mass in Honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary will be held the first Saturday of every month at 10 a.m. (Feb. 6th, 2021-St. Bridget's), (Mar. 6th, 2021-St. Vincent de Paul), (May 1st, 2021-St. Francis of Assisi).
Monthly Confessions: 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. every first Saturday of the month at whichever church the first Saturday Mass in Honor of our Mother Mary will be celebrated. In case of an emergency, people are free to approach the priest for confession before or after the weekday Masses

Holy Hour – Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will be held on the 1st Friday of every month from 6 p.m. – 7 p.m. and will be rotated between the 3 churches. (Feb. 5th, 2021 – St. Vincent de Paul), (Mar. 5th, 2021 – St. Francis of Assisi), (May 7th, 2021– St. Vincent de Paul).

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Adoration to the Blessed Sacrament will be held on Fridays from 8 a.m.-9 a.m. at St. Vincent de Paul except for the 1st Friday of each month.

The Rosary will be said at St. Vincent de Paul on Sundays from 9:30-9:50 prior to Mass.

Anyone wishing to donate towards "Christmas Flowers" in memory of a loved one can do so now. Please put it in an envelope with your name, envelope # and who it is "In Memory Of".

Spiritual Adoption Month 9: IT'S my Birthday! Thank you *so much* for all your prayers. Because you prayed for me, I got the best of all gifts **-LIFE!**

PARISH NEWS

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES FOR 2021 ARE NOW READY TO BE PICKED UP AT YOUR

CHURCH. PLEASE NOTE: SOME OF THE ENVELOPES NUMBERS HAVE CHANGED FOR 2021. TO ENSURE YOUR OFFERTORY IS CREDITED TO THE CORRECT PERSON, PLEASE PUT YOUR NAME ON YOUR ENVELOPES. THANK YOU.

Responsible Ministry: Please note that all outstanding paperwork is due by December 15, 2020. The RCMP turnaround time on police checks is one week so please get your letters to them ASAP. Please drop off your papers to the parish office or call Peggy Dunne 506-999-1691 to arrange pick up.

PRE-REGISTER FOR CHRISTMAS EVE MASS OR CHRISTMAS DAY MASS:

Due to current restrictions by GNB with a maximum of 50 persons that can gather for Mass, we are encouraging parishioners to pre-register to attend either the Christmas Eve Mass at St. Vincent de Paul or St. Francis of Assisi or Christmas Day Mass at St. Vincent de Paul or St. Bridget's. This can be done when you come to Mass on Saturday or Sunday at your church or by contacting Margaret Rowney (506) 488-2187 for St. Bridget's, Pauline Bourque 452-1090 for St. Francis of Assisi and Parish Office 357-2593 for St. Vincent de Paul.

For those who are unable to attend in person, you can follow the Mass online at St. John Paul II Parish Facebook page.



The Meaning behind the Candles on the Advent Wreath:

- The **first candle** symbolizes **hope** and is called the "Prophet's Candle." The prophets of the Old Testament, especially Isaiah, waited in hope for the Messiah's arrival.
- The **second candle** represents **faith** and is called "Bethlehem's Candle." Micah had foretold that the Messiah would be born in Bethlehem, which is also the birthplace of King David.
- The **third candle** symbolizes **joy** and is called the "Shepherd's Candle." To the shepherd's great joy, the angels announced that Jesus came for humble, unimportant people like them, too. In liturgy, the color rose signifies joy.
- The **fourth candle** represents **peace** and is called the "Angel's Candle." The angels announced that Jesus came to bring peace--He came to bring people close to God and to each other again.
- The (optional) **fifth candle** represents **light and purity** and is called "Christ's candle." It is placed in the middle and is lit on Christmas Day.

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St. Vincent de Paul †

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Family Centre Phone: 357-8281

St. Francis of Assisi †

Lincoln, NB
Phone: 444-6005 Fax: 444-6039
Church Hall Phone: 444-6004

St. Bridget's

Gagetown, NB

Father Charles Udeh – Pastor: 357-2593

Parish Office
25 Loisville Street
Oromocto, NB E2V 1B9

Phone: 506-357-2593 Fax: 506-357-7752

Office Hours: Mon – Fri 10:00 am – 2:00 pm

Parish Email: svdp@rogers.com Parish website address: stjohnpaul2parishnb.ca

St. Francis of Assisi Office Hours: Tues – Thurs 5:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Email: stfranassisi@nb.aibn.com.

St. Francis of Assisi Hall Rentals: - please contact Tammy at 444-6005

St. Vincent de Paul Hall Rentals: - please contact Hilda Aube at 208-0652

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Vision Prayer

Heavenly Father may the Holy Spirit guide us to become a welcoming, vibrant Catholic community of lifelong learners growing in your love.

Be with us as we joyfully share our gifts and talents and serve others through prayer, words and actions. Give us the courage to answer the call to bring all people to Christ. We ask this in the name of Jesus, our Lord. St. John Paul II, pray for us.

Mass Schedule

St. Francis of Assisi
2130 Route 102 Hwy
Lincoln, N.B.

Saturday- 5 p.m.
Wednesday-9 a.m.

St. Vincent de Paul
25 Loisville Street
Oromocto, N.B.

Sunday-10 a.m.
Tuesday-6:30 p.m.
Thursday-12 p.m.
Friday-9 a.m.

St. Bridget's
2088 Route 102
Gagetown, N.B.

Sunday-12 p.m.

Marriages-6 months' notice

Baptisms-Contact Parish Office

Confession-Feel free to meet with the priest any time before or after the weekday Masses for Confession.

If you have a family member in hospital or in need of a home visit please contact the priest.