

### SUCCESSFUL SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE

On behalf of Old South Church, Mt Ascutney Hospital and Sled Dog Disco, we would like to say Thank You to Mascoma Savings Bank for their continued support in always lending a helping hand to the community and to the Windsor Rotary for consistently offering their assistance whenever and whenever needed.

Thank you to the generosity of our donors who contributed and participated in the WSESU School Supply Drive. We received 64 individual donations from Windsor, Hartland, Weathersfield and West Windsor along with a few friends across the river! We raised \$4,933 along with a grant for \$1,750 which allowed us to cover the cost of calculators for the 5th - 12th graders. We purchased \$6,400 worth of school supplies to help alleviate costs for families for 455 students who qualified for free/reduced lunches.

We would not have been able to reach our goal without everyone willing to work together! This was truly an outpouring of love and support from our wider community. Neighbor helping neighbor! It is our privilege to have been a part of this initiative. Thank you, again!

### A Prayer for Protection in Time of Pandemic

O Mary, you always brighten our path as a sign of salvation and of hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who, at the Cross, took part in Jesus' pain while remaining steadfast in faith.

O loving Mother, you know what we need, and we are confident you will provide for us as at Cana in Galilee. Intercede for us with your Son Jesus, the Divine Physician, for those who have fallen ill, for those who are vulnerable, and for those who have died. Intercede also for those charged with protecting the health and safety of others and for those who are tending to the sick and seeking a cure.

Help us, O Mother of Divine Love, to conform to the will of the Father and to do as we are told by Jesus, who took upon himself our sufferings and carried our sorrows, so as to lead us, through the Cross, to the glory of the Resurrection. Amen.

Under thy protection we seek refuge, O Holy Mother of God. In our needs, despise not our petitions, but deliver us always from all dangers, O glorious and blessed Virgin. Amen.

### PRAYER FOR MAKING A SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Holy Eucharist. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

### CHRIST OUR HOPE CAMPAIGN PRAYER

Almighty and eternal God, we place our hope in You to guide the Catholic Church in Vermont to renew our parishes, and engage our youth; to form lay leaders and serve the most vulnerable among us.

In the power of the Holy Spirit, help us build a vibrant Church in this time and place and for generations to come.

Seeking the intercession of our first bishop, Louis de Goës Briand, we pray this through Christ Our Lord, Amen. Mary, Mother of the Church, pray for us.

# ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI CATHOLIC CHURCH

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**September 13, 2020**  
**24th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Pastor: Father Charles Danielson**

OFFICE HOURS: Tues. & Sat. 9:30am—1:00pm

**PARISH SECRETARY:**

Christine Porter

email: [stfranciswindsor@vermontcatholic.org](mailto:stfranciswindsor@vermontcatholic.org)

#### JOIN US AT MASS!

We will no longer continue registration for weekend Masses. Please just feel free to come as you are able. However, if possible, groups of three or more should contact Christine in the parish office to be sure seats are arranged for you before you arrive.

**ALTAR SERVER COORDINATOR:** Ron Hamel, Jr.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES:** (currently on hold)

Sundays 9:15-10:15 for Grades K-7

Sundays 5:30-6:30 for Grades 8-10

**NEW PARISHIONERS:** Are welcome and urged to register with Parish Office

**Finance Council:** Richard Fenton 885-3598 – Ginny Fox 436-2831 — Frederick Lord 356-6496 –  
Andrew Robbins 738-3512 John Scanlon 484-9427

**Parish Council:** Barbara Barbour 299-7117 – Joyce Corbin 484-3329—Janet Farley 674-6065 –  
Mary Anne Mesropian 674-9284 — Colleen DeSchamp 484-5245 – Steve Giroux 674-9509



#### WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday & Thursday  
Mass 9:00 am

#### WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 6:00 pm  
Sunday 10:30 am

#### HOLY DAYS

As Announced

#### RECONCILIATION

11:15-12:00 noon

#### FUNERALS, MARRIAGES,

#### BAPTISMS

By arrangement

#### MASS INTENTIONS

If you would like to have a Mass intention said for a friend or loved one, please contact the Parish office. There are many dates currently available.

### TV MASS & SPIRITUAL RESOURCES

For the weekly schedule of Diocesan activities, including daily Mass at 12:05pm and Sunday Mass at 10:00am on Sunday, live rosary at 11:15am visit [www.vermontcatholic.org/spiritualresources](http://www.vermontcatholic.org/spiritualresources)

Additionally, televised Masses can be seen on Windsor On Air Comcast Channel 8 & 1081 at the following times every week: Saturday at 5:00 pm, Sunday at 5:00 am, 7:00 am, and 5:00 pm and on WCAX-TV Channel 3 at 6:00 a.m.

### PRAYER REQUESTS

#### ***Please remember in your prayers:***

Peg Grimard, Dale West, Jan Lepisko, Lisa Moeller, Kathy Whited, Rhonda McFarland, Theo Shyne, Christiane Zue, Claire Harlow, John Hofmann, Elinor Garcia, Nancy LaBounty, Officer Kevin Valencia, Sandra Carney, Joan Schuyler, Renee Bowling, John Ayers, David Dillon, Joseph Farley, John Scanlon, Ron Poulin, Archer David Ruzik and Mark Curtis.

#### ***Please pray for the repose of the souls of:***

Ford Geno, Stephen Titus, Peter Barbour, Priscilla Spencer, Bill Moeller, Betty Lemire, Jackie Avery, Tom Baker, John M. Lynch, Nancy Hamilton, Janet McClellan, Pat Terry, Jean Hunt, William Tansey, Wesley Hrydziusko, Peter Kilfeather, Masie Ayers, Kacey Leavitt, John Crump, Gerald Lepisko, Father Raphael Kakwavu Nyabenda, Paul Koch, Peter Toepfer, Phil Turgeon, Shirley Bates, Hugh Duling, Phil Salzano, Anne Juzwiak, Nancy Levesque, Joan Lemire, Freida Leneau, Nancy Marsden, Nancy Hall, and Earl White Sr.

### OFFERINGS

#### **Offerings Report for FY 2021**

Weekly Offertory for September 6, 2020: \$1,360.00  
Weekly Offertory Goal: \$1,951.14

Offertory Collected (Year to Date): \$15,823.00  
Offertory Year to Date Goal: \$19,511.40

Donations/Fees received in addition to Offertory:  
September 6, 2020: \$40.00

Total Donations/Fees (Year to Date): \$ 797.00  
Donation/Fee Year to Date Goal (\$935.12/wk): \$9,351.20

**In addition to regular offertory, the donations received included \$40.00 for Mass intentions**

### MASS ATTENDANCE

August 23	66
August 29	58
September 6	50

### MASS INTENTIONS

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>09/12</b>	<b>6:00pm</b>
For the Parishioners and Benefactors of St. Francis of Assisi Parish		
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>09/13</b>	<b>10:30am</b>
For the repose of the soul of Matthew Kicinski by Christine Porter		
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>09/15</b>	<b>9:00am</b>
For healing in our nation		
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>09/17</b>	<b>9:00am</b>
For Peace		
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>09/19</b>	<b>6:00pm</b>
For the Parishioners and Benefactors of St. Francis of Assisi Parish		
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>09/20</b>	<b>10:30am</b>
For the repose of the souls of George and Tammy Lamantea by Marie Carmichael		

### **Message from Fr. Rick,**

#### **24th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

"Father, forgive them for they know not what they do..."

St. Peter asks the Lord how often he must forgive a brother who sins against him. As many as seven times?

Jesus' reply indicates that forgiveness is to be limitless. We are to forgive those who have wronged us. Period. Full stop.

Notice nothing is said here about repentance. The wrongdoer does not even have to admit and express sorrow for the misdeed.

No, we are simply challenged, called to forgive, with limitless generosity because, after all, that is what Jesus, in His marvelous prayer from the cross, does. "Father, forgive them for they know not what they do..."

Hard? Yes!

But this is what Jesus asks of us. And, as always, this is what He Himself does for us. He offers us forgiveness without limit.

### DAILY ROSARY APOSTOLATE

The Diocese continues to offer a daily Rosary online. Individuals from around the diocese have been joining Valerie Parzyck in leading each day. Interested in leading a rosary? Here are the details:

"I would love it if you would schedule a time with me to record a Rosary. What does that look like exactly? It's very simple! You email me with convenient times for you and once it is scheduled, I will send you a link to Zoom for the appointed time. You may choose to show your face or, if you'd prefer, I can show slides for each mystery while we pray. If this is something you would like to participate in, *please* contact me. You can email me with a time that works for you and we can schedule it. Please email me at [vparzyck@vermontcatholic.org](mailto:vparzyck@vermontcatholic.org)"

### GOOD FRIDAY HOLY LAND COLLECTION

At the request of Pope Francis, the 2020 Pontifical Good Friday Collection—Holy Land Sanctuary—will be taken up this weekend, September 12-13, 2020.

This notice is for parishioners who do not give through the envelope system or for those who may not have used their Holy Land Sanctuary envelopes dated April 10, 2020.

### 2nd COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND

This weekend, the collection envelopes include a collection for the Catholic University. Catholic University is the only institution of higher education founded by the U.S. Bishops and chartered by the Vatican. It is the National University of the Catholic Church, and your support will help them solve issues within the Church and educate graduates who will leave campus ready to impact the Church, the nation, and the world. We appreciate your support. You can learn more at [collection.catholic.edu](http://collection.catholic.edu)

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION UPDATE

Due to COVID, our year ended rather abruptly last year. We are moving forward in September; however, Religious Education is going to look quite different for a while. For the most part, we will be meeting via an online platform as a family. The theme for this year's classes will be "No Place Like Home - Faith Formation as a Family". We will gather for about an hour to spend time with each other, praying and inviting God into our daily lives. We will complete a short lesson and prayer activity together. I'm looking forward to this becoming a special time together that families look forward to and can grow with. Dates and times TBA dependent on availability. If we haven't already reached out to you, and you are interested in Religious Education for your child, or if your child is slated to receive a Sacrament during the 2020-2021 year, please reach out to Christine at the office or via email at [youngsongsings@gmail.com](mailto:youngsongsings@gmail.com) to set up your personal schedule for the year. Registration forms will be available on our website soon.

Confirmation, which had been postponed due to the pandemic, is scheduled to be held here at St. Francis of Assisi Parish on Saturday, October 31st at 1:00pm. Due to spatial concerns, our parishioners will be unable to attend. However, we ask that you keep these young candidates in your prayers. Their classes will take place separately from the classes listed above. Information will be emailed separately to those families.

### CHRIST OUR HOPE CAMPAIGN

Philippians 4:19: "And my God will supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus."

Now is the time for all of us to contemplate how we can offer support to the Christ Our Hope: Building a Vibrant Church campaign.

Remember a successful campaign provides great benefits to St. Francis parish. Most of the funds — 60% — will return to our parish allowing us to address our furnace needs.

The Diocese will direct the remaining dollars into two endowments, including one to support Catholic education. Our school system educates roughly 2,000 students yearly. Some families need tuition assistance. Funding an endowment to support education allows us to continue to offer financial support to those who need it.

To learn more about the campaign visit:  
[christourhopevt.org](http://christourhopevt.org)  
<https://vimeo.com/437684366>