

**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.

**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.

*Adapted from the prayer of Pope Francis*



# ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI CATHOLIC CHURCH

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**October 25, 2020**  
**30th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Pastor: Father Charles Danielson**

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

**PARISH SECRETARY:**

Christine Porter

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**JOIN US AT MASS!**

*We have been working hard to ensure your safety. If you haven't yet come back, we encourage you to do so. Hopefully, you will notice all that we are doing to make sure that our Church building is a safe space. We are glad to see more and more of you coming back! Please be sure to sit only in seats designated in order to allow for proper social distancing. And remember your masks! Thank you!*

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

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES:**

The new classes are just beginning. Contact Christine Porter for scheduling.

**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, Christiane Zue, Claire Harlow, 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.

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

William Tansey, Wesley Hrydziusko, Peter Kilfeather, Masie Ayers, Kacey Leavitt, John Crump, Gerald Lepisko, Father Raphael Kakwawu 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, Earl White Sr., Charles Rushia and Mark Curtis

#### OFFERINGS

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

Weekly Offertory for October 18, 2020: \$1,194.00

Weekly Offertory Goal: \$1,951.14

Offertory Collected (Year to Date): \$27,265.00

Offertory Year to Date Goal: \$31,218.24

Donations/Fees received in addition to Offertory:

October 18, 2020: \$95.00

Total Donations/Fees (Year to Date): \$ 1,627.00

Donation/Fee Year to Date Goal (\$935.12/wk): \$15,213.80

**In addition to regular offertory, the donations received included \$45.00 for Mass intentions, \$50.00 in memory of Mark Curtis**

**We also received \$32.00 for World Mission Sunday and \$1.00 for Priest Benefit Fund**

#### MASS ATTENDANCE

October 4	80
October 11	57
October 18	66

#### **2nd COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND**

The Priests' Benefit Fund works to support our priests throughout their ministry, but especially seeks to provide senior and disabled priests with sufficient financial means to lead a prayerful and dignified life. This Fund was established as a means to care for the ill and aged priests with healthcare needs, and support a pension program and health insurance coverage. The Annual Collection for this fund will be taken up on the weekend of October 26 & 27. Your support is greatly appreciated.

#### MASS INTENTIONS

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>10/24</b>	<b>6:00pm</b>
For the Parishioners and Benefactors of St. Francis of Assisi Parish		
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>10/25</b>	<b>10:30am</b>
For the repose of the souls of George and Alyce Anderson by Myra Poland		
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>10/27</b>	<b>9:00am</b>
For the repose of the soul of Mark Curtis by Charlene Geno		
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>10/29</b>	<b>9:00am</b>
For the repose of the soul of Mark Curtis by the Therrien family		
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>10/31</b>	<b>6:00pm</b>
For the Parishioners and Benefactors of St. Francis of Assisi Parish		
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>11/01</b>	<b>10:30am</b>
For all of our newly confirmed by Christine Porter		

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

#### **30th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

"Every day, around the world, pious Jews begin their day praying the "Sh'ma", essentially the Jewish Profession of Faith. Replying to the question posed to Him by the Jewish legal scholar, Jesus quotes from part of the "Sh'ma"; a summons, if you will, to place God where He belongs: right at the very center of our lives.

Everything else in our lives finds its meaning and value precisely to the degree that it is but an expression of that first love, the love we ought to have for our God.

Everything else - family, friends, possessions - every sphere of human activity - religion, sports, leisure, economics, politics - all of it should flow from, and be an expression of, our first love, for God our Creator and Lord...

#### **NO CONFESSIONS NEXT WEEKEND**

Please note that due to the Confirmation schedule both at St. Anthony's and St. Francis, there will be no confessions heard at St. Francis next Saturday, October 31st.

#### **WREATHS**

The Church will be selling wreaths again this year as a fundraiser. The cost will be \$25 and a portion of the proceeds will go to our fuel fund. We have missed out on many fundraisers this year due to COVID and our offertory numbers are also down, so this will be much needed assistance. The wreaths are from Reading Greenhouse and last a long time. This year, wreaths will all be pre-ordered. Orders must be placed by November 15th and will be delivered the Saturday after Thanksgiving. Please support our Parish! Any questions or to place an order, please call Crikett French at 802-674-6605.

#### **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) "

#### **SAVE THE DATE**

St. Francis will be hosting a craft fair this year on Friday, November 20 and Saturday November 21 from 9am to 3pm. It will look a little different this year as we work to ensure this event is done safely. Stay tuned for more info in the coming weeks.

### CHRIST OUR HOPE CAMPAIGN

Romans 8:28: "And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose."

For the last month, campaign volunteers at St. Francis have worked the phones diligently calling their fellow parishioners to invite them to join us in support of the Christ Our Hope: Building a Vibrant Church campaign. For many, this task was a major calling but, thanks to their faith, they accepted the challenge. We should all be grateful as we continue to see the benefits of their work. Members of our faith community continue to make commitments pushing our campaign thermometer upward.

We thank our volunteers and we offer sincere thanks to our donors for their sacrifice. Those who've yet to commit, please spend time in prayer to define your gift and remember your sacrifice will help in our goal to build a vibrant parish for today and well into the future.

To stay current with all campaign news, please visit <https://www.christourhopevt.org/>.

Watch Bishop Coyne's message here: <https://vimeo.com/437684366>

#### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION UPDATE**

Our Confirmation class will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation next Saturday, October 31 at 1:00pm right here at St. Francis, along with 10 candidates from Our Lady of the Snows. We ask that you keep these young candidates in your prayers as they prepare to be Confirmed and also as they begin a journey with an exciting new youth ministry program. Look for them helping in various areas of the Church as lectors, ushers, etc as well as becoming an involved presence here in our community!

#### **GIVING TREE COMMITTEE**

This year, we are forming a team to organize the giving tree program for the upcoming Christmas season. This valuable service to our community includes getting applications into the community, processing returned applications, distribution of tags, collection of presents, and giving of the presents to appreciative families and caregivers. If anyone is willing to work on the committee with us, please either let Christine know or contact Jill Lord either by phone at 802-674-7224 or by e-mail at [jill.m.lord@mahhc.org](mailto:jill.m.lord@mahhc.org).