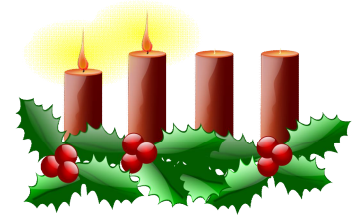


Sunday of Advent December 8, 2019



MASS INTENTIONS

December 7 – December 15

SAT 7:30 pm Lynford and JoHanna Lumbra
-by Craig and Joan Lumbra

SUN 9:00 am Jerry Yates
-by Robert and Libby Norris

11:00 am For the Parishioners

Daily Mass:

MON 8:30 am Andrew Mawn
-by John and Mary Schreindorfer

TUES 8:30 am Amanda and Henry Furkey
-by their estate

WED 8:30 am John and Ellen Spear
-by Cathy, Jim, and Richard Howrigan

THUR 8:30 am Jacqueline and Albert Tetreault
-by their family

FRI **No Mass**

Next Weekend:

SAT 7:30 pm Donald and Reda Connor
-by Margaret Ryan

SUN 9:00 am Ryan Charbonneau
-by the Paquette family

11:00 am Pierre, Lionel, and Gertrude Couture
-by Krista Birkheimer

Please pray for those who are ill: John Giroux,
Dan Schreindorfer, and Kristina Marcotte.

The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary: Sunday, December 8th is the Second Sunday of Advent in 2019. The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, patronal feast of the United States, is transferred to the following day: Monday, December 9th. The obligation to attend Mass, however, does NOT transfer. Because of the transfer, the optional memorial of St. Juan Diego on December 9th is omitted this year. All Masses celebrated on Sunday, December 8 (including anticipatory Masses on Saturday evening, December 7th) will be for the Second Sunday of Advent.

Meeting:

Monday Dec. 9th at 7:00 pm – Liturgy Committee

NEXT WEEK'S MINISTERS

Greeters	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers
Sat., Dec. 14		
7:30 pm Linda Callan	Peter Cross	Marty Magnan Frank Persons
Altar Servers: Gabe Howrigan, Liam Howrigan		
Sun., Dec. 15		
9:00 am Jim and Janice Adams	Lawrence Howrigan	Sarah Menard Norman Menard
Altar Servers: Brody Toof, Ray Toof		
Gift Bearers: Peter Magnan Family		
11:00 am Helen Bushey Mike Morse Linda Watson		
Gift Bearers: Don and Helen Bushey		

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Collection last weekend: Nov. 30 ó Dec. 1

	St. Patrick	St. Anthony -St. George
Offertory:	\$1,534.00	\$422.00
22 Week Average:	\$1,265.00	\$401.00
Weekly Goal:	\$1,275.00	\$390.00
Christmas Flowers:	\$ 435.00	\$182.00

Second Collections:

Dec. 7 – 8: Retirement Fund for Religious

Dec. 14 – 15: Projects and Food Shelf

Thank you for your continuing generosity!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION SCHEDULE

Sunday, Dec. 8 ó **Grades 1, 2, 6, 7, 8-9**

St. Patrick's Church, 6:00 – 7:00 pm

Tuesday, Dec. 10 ó **Grade 4**

Fairfield Center School, 3:20 – 4:20 pm

Wednesday, Dec. 11 ó **Grades 3, 5**

St. Patrick's Church, 3:20 – 4:20 pm

Confessions: Before the 7:30 pm Saturday evening Masses (6:45 pm ó 7:15 pm), before the 9:00 am Sunday morning Masses (8:15 am ó 8:45 am), and following the 11:00am Sunday morning Mass when requested, Father Bill will be available for Confessions between now and Christmas.

work reflecting the theme of *Keep Christ in Christmas*. Entry forms for the contest may be found on the table in the back of the church, or speak to Father Bill. Questions may be directed to Father Bill. **Deadline for entries is December 10.**

2020 Calendars: Parish calendars for the new year are available to be picked up after Mass today. There should be enough calendars for every family to have one. We are grateful to Goss Funeral Services (Spears Funeral Home and Kidder Memorial Home) for sponsoring the calendars once again this year.

Thank You Dear Friends and Neighbors:

Thank you for your generous response to the Fairfield Community Center Thanksgiving Basket Outreach. The Fairfield Community Center sends you all heartfelt wishes for a Blessed Christmas Season.

Word of Life

Perhaps one of your friends has become pregnant unexpectedly. As someone who has been there, I encourage you to support your friend in her new journey of being a mother. Learn ten tips at respectlife.org/support-her.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

So too, you also must be prepared, for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come. Enrich and renew your marriage by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. Call John and Diane Forcier at 802-657-3083.

Life is Precious Trip: On January 23-26, take a stand with thousands of young people for the dignity of every human life. The March for Life is a pro-life rally held every year in Washington, D.C. Our trip will include a pilgrimage to the National Basilica of the Immaculate Conception, exploring the National Mall Museums, and more! Submit your full deposit of \$175 by January 1st to the Diocese of Burlington. Attention: Rachel Lavalée, Office of Young Adult Ministry. Checks may be made payable to the Diocese of Burlington. Registration is now entirely online.

Retirement Fund for Religious: Our second collection today is for the Retirement Fund for Religious. Many senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests served for little or no pay. Today, religious communities often do not have enough savings to meet retirement needs. Your gift helps provide medications, nursing care, and more for tens of thousands of elderly religious, and ensures younger members can continue the good works of their elders. Please give generously.

Advent Appeal: This year marks the 25th year of Vermont Catholic Charities Advent Appeal. As we prepare to celebrate the coming of our Lord and Savior into our world, we ask you again to join Vermont Catholic Charities in answering the call to show our love and compassion for Vermonters in need of emergency assistance. Last year, thanks to your generosity, we assisted more than 2,000 adults and 1,500 children through the Advent Appeal and Emergency Aid Program. A donation to this year's Appeal; every gift, whatever the size, makes a difference. Please support this worthy effort by sending a check to Vermont Catholic Charities, 55 Joy Drive, South Burlington, Vermont 05403 or giving online at vermontcatholic.org/adventappeal. The Vermont Catholic Charities, Thank you.

Annual Diocesan Respect Life Mass: On Saturday, January 18, 2020, 9:30 am at St. Augustine Parish in Montpelier with Diocesan Vicar General, Monsignor John McDermott. Reception to follow. Vermont Right to Life will then sponsor a prayerful walk to the State House.

Contribution Envelopes: Boxes of envelopes are available for pick up after Mass. If you wish to begin using envelopes, please contact us at the rectory so that we may prepare a box for you. By using envelopes, we can provide you with an annual statement of contributions for tax filing purposes.

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK:

Sunday: Brian Howrigan, Colby Dukas **Monday:** Judy Callan, Sarah Howrigan **Tuesday:** Colin Magnan, Mark Howrigan, Ruth Mangan **Thursday:** Ayvah Bapp, William Howrigan **Friday:** Nicolas Farinaccio, Cari Howrigan, Charlotte Pudvah **Saturday:** Martin Magnan

