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MASS INTENTIONS

December 14 – December 22

- 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
- Daily Mass:**
- MON 8:30 am** For the Parishioners
- TUES 8:30 am** Amanda and Henry Furkey
-by their estate
- WED 8:30 am** Andrew Mawn
-by Loretta and Henry Magnan
- THUR 8:30 am** Debra Jusick
-by Tom and Brenda Forsyth
- FRI** No Mass
- Next Weekend:**
- SAT 7:30 pm** Donald and Reda Connor
-by their family
- SUN 9:00 am** W. R. Howrigan Sr.
-by Virginia Howrigan
- 11:00 am** For the Parishioners

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

Christmas Schedule: This year Christmas falls on a Wednesday. Our Christmas schedule will be as follows: Christmas Eve, Tuesday: Masses at 4:00 pm and 7:30 pm at St. Patrick, and Christmas morning, Wednesday: Mass at 10:00 am at St. Anthony-St. George.



Christmas Pageant: As in the past, the children will present a Christmas Pageant at 4:00 on Christmas Eve. Mass will follow the Pageant at 4:15. **Rehearsal will be on Sunday, December 15th at 5:15 pm.** All are welcome! Contact Candi Branon at 827-3673 or 393-0381.

Decorating for Christmas: Decorating of the churches will follow the Sunday morning Masses on December 22nd. *Any help will be welcomed and appreciated.*

NEXT WEEK'S MINISTERS

| Greeters | Lectors | Eucharistic Ministers |
|---|---------------|-------------------------------------|
| Sat., Dec. 21 | | |
| 7:30 pm Real Therrien | Susan Magnan | Susan Rainville Andrew Rainville |
| Altar Servers: Hannah Branon, Kayleigh Branon | | |
| Sun., Dec. 22 | | |
| 9:00 am Gail Williams | Robert Norris | Patti Reynolds Libby Norris |
| Altar Servers: Nicolas Farinaccio, Karina Farinaccio | | |
| Gift Bearers: Renee and Anthony Andrews | | |
| 11:00 am Joy Kane | Jane Brigham | Mary Ovitt |
| Gift Bearers: Jerry and Jane Brigham | | |

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Collection last weekend: Dec. 7 ó Dec. 8

| | St. Patrick | St. Anthony -St. George |
|-------------------|-------------|----------------------------|
| Offertory: | \$1,180.00 | \$288.00 |
| 23 Week Average: | \$1,261.00 | \$396.00 |
| Weekly Goal: | \$1,275.00 | \$390.00 |
| Retirement Fund: | \$ 543.00 | \$235.00 |

Second Collections:

Dec. 14 – 15: Projects and Food Shelf

Thank you for your continuing generosity!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION SCHEDULE

Sunday, Dec. 15 ó **Grades 1, 2, 6, 7, 8-9**

St. Patrick's Church, 6:00 – 7:00 pm

Wednesday, Dec. 18 ó **Grades 3, 4, and 5**

St. Patrick's Church, 3:20 – 4:20 pm

Christmas Ministers: Lectors, Ministers of Holy Communion, Altar Servers, Greeters, and other Ministers are needed for the Christmas Masses. Sign up today in the sacristy.



Bazaar Report: St. Patrick's had a very successful bazaar again this year. We want to thank **everyone** who made this success possible. Our gross was \$10,855.50 and profit after expenses was \$8,811.41.

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and Sunday morning Mass when requested, Father Bill will be available for Confessions between now and Christmas.

Deanery Confessions:

The priests and parishes of the Franklin Deanery are making the Sacrament of Reconciliation available in the various churches during this coming week, December 15-21. At each church at least two priests (not the pastor) will be available for the celebration of the sacrament. Sunday 3:00 pm. at St. Ann's in Milton (Msgr. Routhier, Fathers Dodson, Furman, and Jordan), Monday 6-7 pm. at St. Luke's in Fairfax (Fathers Deresienski and Roy), Tuesday 6-7 pm. at Nativity Parish in Swanton (Fathers Furman, and Chalifoux), Wednesday 6-7 pm. at St. John's in Enosburg Falls (Msgr. Routhier and Father Dodson), and Thursday 6-7 pm. at St. Rose of Lima in South Hero (Fathers Feltz, and Roy).

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.

Word of Life

“Those who die in God's grace and friendship live forever with Christ. Heaven is not an abstract idea, but a true and lasting relationship with God that is beyond all earthly description and understanding. We look forward to the resurrection of the dead and everlasting life by preparing now, in hope, for our passage from this life into eternal life.”

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

“Behold, I am sending my messenger ahead of you; he will prepare your way before you.” Strengthen, renew, and rekindle your marriage by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next weekend is Jan. 31 to Feb. 2, 2020 in Huntington, NY. Call John and Diane Forcier at 802-657-3083.

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.

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 Lavallee, Office of Young Adult Ministry. Checks may be made payable to the Diocese of Burlington. Registration is now entirely online.

Living Faith: Copies of “Living Faith,” The Daily Catholic Devotions for January-February-March 2020 can be found on the tables at the entrances to the church.

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK:

Sunday: Whitney Montgomery,

Donald Bushey **Monday:**

Kevin Howrigan **Tuesday:**

Pamela Cullen, Zoe Walent,

Lawrence Howrigan **Wednesday:** Chad Hale,

Alex Howrigan **Thursday:** Alyssa Callan, Emily

Trombley, Elizabeth Norris **Friday:** Dylan

Callan, Darren Callan, Rita Lavallee

