



Be on guard! Be alert! You do not know when that time will come. It's like a man going away: He leaves his house and puts his servants in charge, each with their assigned task, and tells the one at the door to keep watch. "Therefore keep watch because you do not know when the owner of the house will come back—

whether in the evening, or at midnight, or when the rooster crows, or at dawn. If he comes suddenly, do not let him find you sleeping. What I say to you, I say to everyone: 'Watch!'" *Mark 13:33-37*

**Mass Intentions**

**This Weekend**

<b>Saturday</b> November 28	RIP 4:00 PM	Albert Bousquet Family By: Jane Westfall
<b>Sunday</b> November 29	RIP 10:00 AM	Timothy & Katherine Murphy By: Mary & Warren Peschl
<b><u>Daily Masses</u></b>		
Monday November 30	RIP 9:00 AM	Jacqueline LaChappelle By: JoAnn
Tuesday December 1	RIP 9:00 AM	Norman LaCoille (death rem) By: his family
Wednesday December 2	RIP 9:00 AM	Paul Hurley & Sean P. Gallagher By: Alan & Sandi Gaspardino
Thursday December 3	INT 9:00 AM	Fr. Maria By: A Parishioner
First Friday December 4	RIP 9:00 AM	Robert L. Dunn By: Phyllis Wertz
<b><u>Next Weekend</u></b>		
<b>Saturday</b> December 5	RIP 4:00 PM	Robert Johnson By: his family
<b>Sunday</b> December 6	RIP 10:00 AM	Dennis Nauceder By: Theresa Nauceder

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope. Romans 15:13

**Readings for the Week of November 30, 2020.**

- Sunday:** Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7/Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19/  
1 Cor 1:3-9/Mk 13:33-37  
**Monday:** Rom 10:9-18/Ps 19:8-11/Mt 4:18-22  
**Tuesday:** Is 11:1-10/Ps 72:7-8, 12-13, 17/Lk 10:21-24  
**Wednesday:** Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-6/Mt 15:29-37  
**Thursday:** Is 26:1-6/Ps 118:1, 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a/Mt 7:21, 24-27  
**Friday:** Is 29:17-24/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Mt 9:27-31  
**Saturday:** Is 30:19-21, 23-26/Ps 147:1-6/Mt 9:35 – 10:1, 5a 6-8  
**Sunday:** Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 85:9-14/2 Pt 3:8-14/Mk 1:1-8

***Parish Support***

**Weekend of November 21, 2020 & November 22, 2020**

Weekly Offertory:	\$ 981.00
Envelopes	\$ 581.00
Loose Donations	\$ 400.00
Christmas Flowers	\$ 145.00
Votive Candles	\$ 29.00
	<b>\$ 1155.00</b>

Campaign for Human Development \$ 209.00

**Last Year's Offertory Collection  
November 24, 2019 \$ 2032.00**

The obligation to attend Sunday Mass remains lifted until further notice, especially if you are part of a vulnerable population and/or have an underlying health condition. Please approach the celebration of Mass with charity and love for our clergy and faith community by following the protocols:

- Stay home if you are sick or not feeling well.
- **Wear a mask in Mass.**
- **Sanitize your hands upon entry.**
- Sit in designated pews and respect social distance between others of **6 feet or more** unless you are one family unit.
- Refrain from congregating in tight areas or entering cordoned off areas.
- Follow the protocols to receive Holy Communion as directed at Mass.

For more details about church protocols visit: [vermontcatholic.org/covid-19](http://vermontcatholic.org/covid-19). **Bishop Coyne**

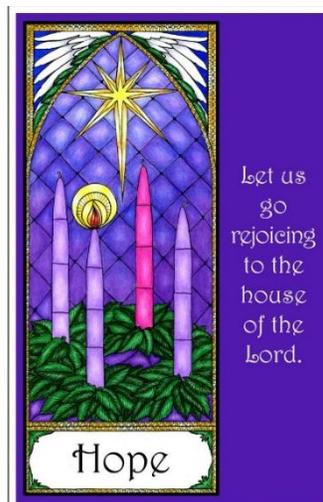
**St. Charles is open for daily and weekend mass.**

**Mass schedule is as follows during this time:**

**Monday – Thursday 9:00 AM**

**Saturdays 4:00 PM / Sundays 10:00 AM**

**Confessions are available during Advent on Saturdays at 3:00 PM**



*First Sunday of  
Advent*

Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

*Pray for Healing and Comfort* Especially for: Dan Green, Frances Vaine, Richard Whitcomb, Barbara Stickney, Mary H. Smith, Constance Burns, Deacon John Blicharz, Doreen Aldrich, Nick Hudson, Mary Frances Branch, Warren Peschl, Theresa Nauceder, Monica Luedtke, Lois Woodard, Joseph Marion, Jr., Paul Desruisseaux, Betsy Bashaw, Betsy & Bob Anderson, Frances Gallagher, Mary Damon, Grace Shelc, Tom Shelc, Ed Hindes, Maria Coyne, Madison Bills, Robert Brown, Mary Folsom, Peggy Lafave, Lorraine Reynolds, Bob Hanold, Marilyn Lemoine, Patrick Barry, Robert Fogg, Bernie Hindes, Nick Deistler, Ted Waryas, Peter Bodner, Ellah Williams, Fred Waryas, Maybelle Long, Joseph Mitchell, Heather Rodger, Patricia Jones, Frances Hackett, Colleen Paquet, David Robarge, Kathy Mcarthy, Tom Burns, Mary Lou Fogg, Jim Nyberg, Cheryl Elysse Garrett, Ed Atkins, Conner Glover. **Please contact the rectory (463-3128) if you wish Father Maria Lazar to make a sick call or bring Holy Communion to someone who is unable to attend Mass.**

**First Sunday of Advent**

Today we begin the season of Advent, which marks the start of a new liturgical year for the Church. This week and next week, our readings from Mark’s Gospel present two important Advent themes: The Lord’s return at the end of time and John the Baptist’s preparation for Jesus. Today’s Gospel is taken from the end of Mark’s Gospel, the chapter that immediately precedes Mark’s account of Jesus’ Passion. Having been questioned repeatedly by the scribes and the Pharisees, Jesus is now questioned by his disciples—Peter, James, John, and Andrew—who want details about his prediction of the destruction of the Temple. Jesus answers with many warnings about the difficulties that the disciples will face. Today’s passage comes at the conclusion of Jesus’ warnings to his disciples. Jesus emphasizes the need for watchfulness. The Son of Man will come without warning; only the Father knows the exact hour. The disciples must not be caught unprepared when this time comes. They were likely beginning to face persecution as followers of Jesus. In this difficult time, it helped to recall that Jesus had foretold of such difficulties. Early Christian communities took courage from Jesus’ warning to remain alert and watchful, and they found in his words a way to persevere through suffering. Today’s Gospel reminds us that Advent is about more than our preparation for the Church’s celebration of Christ’s birth at Christmas. Advent is also about preparing ourselves for Christ’s return in glory at the end of time. Like the disciples and the faithful in Mark’s community, we must also stay alert and watchful. Our faithfulness to God, through the good times as well as the difficult times, shows us to be ready for the coming of the Son of Man. (Copyright © 2020 Loyola Press. All Rights Reserved. Used with permission. [www.loyolapress.com](http://www.loyolapress.com))



**Christ our Hope Campaign**  
**Isaiah 7:14**

“Therefore, the Lord Himself will give you a sign: Behold, a virgin will be with child and bear a son, and she will call His name Immanuel.” It’s with great joy and excitement that we welcome Advent and the celebration of the birth of our Lord and Savior. Jesus is God’s greatest gift to mankind. He is the perfect present received every Christmas. John 3:16 – “For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life”—serves as a reminder of God’s love and the sacrifice made on our behalf. Along with celebrating God’s wonderful gift, Advent is a time when we enjoy giving a little more. It is an opportunity to give a little more of our time, a little more of our love and a little more of the gifts we’ve received from God. So we invite you, this Advent season, to join your brothers and sisters in Christ with a *Christ Our Hope* campaign commitment. Remember your gift will make a difference as we address our needs at St. Charles. But don’t forget it will also support the many needs of those most vulnerable among us, while enhancing our ability to educate others. Please return your completed pledge form or go online to [christourhopevt.org/donate](http://christourhopevt.org/donate) to make your gift.

**Pope Francis’ Prayer for a special Mass and act of prayer asking Mary to protect Italy and the world during of the coronavirus pandemic.**

O Mary, you always shine on 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, keeping your faith firm.  
You, Salvation of the Roman People, know what we need, and we are sure you will provide so that, as in Cana of Galilee, we may return to joy and to feasting after this time of trial.  
Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform to the will of the Father and to do as we are told by Jesus, who has taken upon himself our sufferings and carried our sorrows to lead us, through the cross, to the joy of the resurrection. Amen.  
Under your protection, we seek refuge, Holy Mother of God. Do not disdain the entreaties of we who are in trial, but deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin.

*Pope Francis ~ Vatican City, March 11, 2020*



Due to the current guidelines set up by the Diocese in accordance with State and Federal rules regarding the COVID-19 pandemic. **Parishioners need to register to attend the Christmas Vigil Mass and the Christmas Day Mass.**

The Mass times have changed as well.

December 24<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Vigil –  
2:00 PM **89 seats open**  
4:00 PM **30 seats open**

December 25<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Day 10:00 AM **109 seats open**

To register, please email the Parish office [stcharlesrectory@comcast.net](mailto:stcharlesrectory@comcast.net), or call 802-463-3128, with your name, time of Mass and number of people attending. This is a first come first serve list.