



Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 20, 2015



MASS INTENTIONS

December 19 - 27

SAT 7:30 pm Dr. Tom Howrigan

-by his estate

SUN 9:00 am W. Robert Howrigan, Sr.

-by Virginia & family

11:00 am For the Parishioners

Daily Masses

MON 8:30 am Amanda & Henry Furkey

-by the estate

TUE 8:30 am Rev. Pierre Lavallee

-by Richard, Jim & Kathy Howrigan

WED 8:30 am Dr. Tom Howrigan

-by his estate

Christmas Ministers

Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Servers
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Christmas Eve

4:00pm Susan Magnan	Martin Magnan Jeanne Persons Frank Persons	Leah Branon Elizabeth Magnan Sarah Magnan Margaret Tiffany
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7:30 pm Beth Branon	Norman Menard Sarah Menard	
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Christmas Morning

10:00 am Steve & Margaret Doe		Hunter Harris Samantha Churchill
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Next Week's Ministers:

Lectors Eucharistic	Greeters Ministers
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Sat., Dec. 26

7:30 Susan Magnan	Real Therrien	Frank Persons Jeanne Persons
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Altar Servers: Sarah & Elizabeth Magnan

Sun., Dec. 27

9:00 Al Capone	Janice & Jim Adams	Mary Schreindorfer Henry Magnan
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Altar Servers: Wilson Capone, Lauren-Kate Garceau

11:00 Darlene Symons	Don Watson	Linda Watson
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Altar Servers: Hunter Harris, Samantha Churchill

Christmas Mass Schedule

THU Christmas Eve (at St. Patrick)

4:00 pm Mass with Children

For the Parishioners

7:30 pm Mass with Choir

Special Intention

FRI Christmas Day (at St. Anthony-St. George)

10:00 am *Special Intention*

Next Weekend

SAT 7:30 pm Leo & Veronica Ryan

-by the Ryan Family

SUN 9:00 am Brother Guy Roddy

-by the Brothers of Christian Instruction

11:00 am For the Parishioners

Please pray for those who are ill, particularly: Maureen Ryan Cooper, Judy Vanslette, Tammy Tinker, Ava Crowley, Hortense Vanslette, Ruby Gonyea, Shaun Lavalette, Michelle Baker, Denise Brier, Mary Ann Hranek, Louise Covi, Bishop Kenneth Angell, Carter Paradee, Sunni Tipper, Mary Gebo, Paul Baker, Cynthia Lawyer, Margaret Ryan, Joyce Levesque and Anita Barrette.

Decorating for Christmas: We will be decorating the churches for Christmas after the 9:00 and 11:00 am Masses this weekend. We welcome all who wish to help.



WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Collection last weekend – Dec. 12 – 13

St. Patrick	St. Anthony -St. George
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Offertory:	\$ 945.00	\$ 310.00
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22 Wk. Average:	\$ 1,228.00	\$ 390.00
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Weekly Goal:	\$ 1,230.00	\$ 370.00
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Religious:	\$ 521.00	\$ 275.00
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Second Collection:

Dec. 19 – 20: Projects and Food Shelf

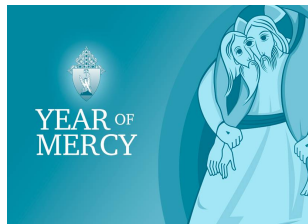
Thank you for your continuing generosity!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

No classes for two weeks. Next classes will be held during the week of January 3, 2016.

Office Hours: Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday- 8:30 am – 12:30 pm.

Lay Ministers: All are invited to attend the Jubilee Year of Mercy celebration recognizing Lay Ministries in the Diocese of Burlington at St. Joseph Co-Cathedral on Sunday, January 17th at 3:00 pm. This celebration will include Solemn Vespers (Evening Prayer) and Eucharistic Exposition. Confessions will be made available for those people desiring to receive the Holy Year indulgence. The Holy Door was blessed last Sunday and is now open for group and individual pilgrimages throughout the Year of Mercy. Light refreshments will be served after the celebrations. (Please note this is not a Mass).



Be sure to Log On Everyday! Each week throughout the Year of Mercy, the diocesan site will be offering meditations to guide your journey within this Jubilee. We will be starting with a series of reflections on Psalm 86, and expand from here. If you click on the weekly meditation on the diocesan site, you will be taken to an archive of each meditation to review: www.vermontcatholic.org.

Why a “Year of Mercy”? The overarching goal of the Jubilee Year is personal conversion. There are three emphases for the Jubilee Year: the pilgrimage, the Holy Door indulgence, and performing Works of Mercy. We practice the *Corporal Works of Mercy* when we feed the hungry, give drink to the thirsty, clothe the naked, welcome the stranger, heal the sick, visit the imprisoned and bury the dead. We practice the *Spiritual Works of Mercy* when we counsel the doubtful, instruct the ignorant, admonish sinners, comfort the afflicted, forgive offences, bear patiently those who do us ill, and pray for the living and the dead.

Pamphlets and prayer cards: Pamphlets explaining the Year of Mercy and Holy Cards may be found at the church entrances. Please pick them up if you would like them.

Children’s Mass Christmas Eve: Those children who wish to be a part of the pageant for the Christmas Eve Children’s Mass should come to the church for rehearsal on Sunday, December 20 at 5:15 pm.

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

Bazaar Reports: St. Patrick and St. Anthony-St. George Parishes both ran very successful bazaars again this year. We thank everyone who made these successes possible. Prize lists are posted at the entrances to the churches.

9 Days for Life: The U.S. Bishops’ Annual Novena, “9 Days for Life,” takes place Saturday, January 16 – Sunday January 24. Join thousands of others in praying for the protection of all human life. Download the novena online, or participate through Facebook, e-mail, text message or an app. Join at www.9days.com.

Annual Rally for Life: The annual Rally for Life will take place in Montpelier on Saturday, January 16, sponsored by the Vermont Right to life Committee. The theme will be “Standing Together ~ Defending Life.” At 9:30 am there will be a Respect Life Mass celebrated by Burlington Bishop Christopher Coyne at St. Augustine Church. Then, at 10:45, people will gather behind City Hall and at 11:00, proceed down State Street to the Statehouse. Signs will be provided. At 11:30 keynoter Sarah Mary Toce will speak in the House Chambers.

High School Youth Conference: This summer, the Catholic Diocese of Burlington is planning to send a group of teens to an amazing spiritual and really fun Youth Conference taking place in Lowell, Massachusetts on July 15 – 17. In order to secure spots for this regional event, please submit a \$50 check and the necessary Adult-Youth authorization and liability release forms by January 10, 2016. For registration information, please visit the Diocesan webpage, www.vermontcatholic.org. In the menu, simply click on Education, and then open the Youth Ministry tab. The conference information is labeled “Steubenville East.” Please note, this conference is open to all high school teens, including current 8th graders who will be entering the 9th grade in the fall of 2016.



BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK:

Saturday: Alyssa Callan, Libby Norris, Emily Trombley **Sunday:** Darren Callan, Dylan Callan, Rita Lavallee **Tuesday:** Jack McNall, Sarah Montgomery **Wednesday:** Natalie Branon, Daniel Howrigan, Angie Baitz **Thursday:** Nora Kittell, Kamryn Montague, Brendan Schreindorfer **Friday:** Faith Corey, William Howrigan **Saturday:** Kyle Howrigan