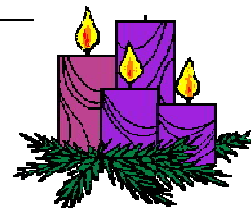


Third Sunday of Advent

December 11, 2016



MASS INTENTIONS

December 10 - 18

This Weekend

SAT 7:30 pm Brothers: Billy, Raymond & Michael Howrigan -by Tom & Susan Howrigan

SUN 9:00 am Norman Garrett
-by Mike & Sherry Boulerice

11:00 am For the Parishioners

Daily Mass

MON 8:30 am Deceased members of the Alfred Furkey Family – by the Amanda Furkey Estate

TUE 8:30 am Dr. Tom Howrigan
-by his estate

WED 8:30 am Deceased members of the Charles Branon Family –by the estate

THU 8:30 am Rose & Emmett O’Connell
-by the family

FRI No Mass

Next Weekend

SAT 7:30 pm For the Parishioners

SUN 9:00 am W. Robert Howrigan
-by Virginia Howrigan & Family

11:00 am John & Theresa Perras
-by Friends of Union Bank

Next Week’s Ministers:

Lectors	Greeters	Eucharistic Ministers
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Sat., December 17

7:30 Susan Magnan	Susan Howrigan	Frank Persons Jeanne Persosn
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Altar Servers: Liam, Nolan, & Gabe Howrigan

Sun., December 18

9:00 Al Capone	Gary & Mary Kay Dukas	Mary Schreindorfer Henry Magnan
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Altar Servers: Wilson Capone, Jade Garceau

Gift Bearers: Peter & Molly Magnan

11:00 Darlene Symons	Liz Boylan	Mary Ovitt
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Altar Servers: Hunter Harris, Samantha Churchill

Gift Bearers: Don & Helen Bushey

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Collection last weekend – December 3-4, 2016

St. Patrick	St. Anthony
	-St. George

Offertory:	\$ 1,420.00	\$ 425.00
23-week average:	\$ 1,269.00	\$ 396.00
Weekly Goal:	\$ 1,275.00	\$ 385.00

Second Collections:

December 10 – 11: Religious Retirement Fund

December 17 – 18: Projects and Food Shelf

Thank you for your continuing generosity!

Please pray for those who are ill, particularly: Mary Ann Hranek, Gabriella Laubisch, John Maynard, Patty Cross, June Morin, Ruby Minor, Cole Paquette and George Jenkins.

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

Christmas Pageant: As in the past, the children will present a Christmas Pageant at the Christmas Eve Mass. Rehearsal for this will be on Sunday, December 18 at 5:15pm. All are welcome! Contact Candi Branon at 827-3673.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION SCHEDULE

Sunday, Dec. 11 – **Grades 1, 6, 7, 9 and 10**

6 – 7 pm at St. Patrick Church

*****No class for Grade 2 this week*****

Wednesday, Dec. 14 – **Grades 4 & 8**

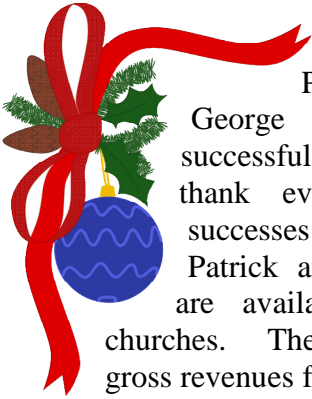
3 – 4 pm at Fairfield Center School

Wednesday, Dec. 14 - **Grades 3 & 5**

3 – 4 pm at St. Patrick Church

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

Retirement Fund for Religious: Aging religious need your help. Senior Catholic sisters, brothers and religious order priests have offered their lives in service to others – educating the young, comforting the sick, seeking justice for the oppressed. Today, many are frail, elderly, and in need of assistance. Your gift to the Retirement Fund for Religious helps to furnish medications, nursing care, and other necessities. Please give generously to today's second collection.



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 for St. Patrick and St. Anthony-St. George are available at the back of the churches. The figures below reflect the gross revenues for each bazaar.

St. Patrick: \$11,006.50

St. Anthony-St. George: \$ 1,365.00

Monthly Prayer for Priests: Would you pray for a priest each day? A request for your daily prayers for one of the priests of our diocese is made available each month. Copies are at the church entrances. For example, on Monday, December 5, you were requested to keep in your prayers “Father William Giroux.”

First Reconciliation: Eight of our children in second grade received First Reconciliation on Saturday, December 10th. These same children will be making their First Communion in May, 2017. Please keep them in your prayers: Jack Barney, Mariah Bourdeau, Gabriel Brown, Eli Edelson, Ezra Magnan, Laura Persons, Kaitlyn Schoembs, and Bailey Williams.

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK: **Saturday:** Bradley Adams, Peggy Howrigan, Mark Howrigan, Ruth Mangan **Monday:** William Howrigan **Tuesday:** Nicolas Farinaccio, Cari Howrigan, John Musick **Wednesday:** Martin Magnan **Thursday:** Donald Bushey, Whitney Montgomery **Friday:** Kevin Howrigan **Saturday:** Pamela Cullen, Lawrence Howrigan



Christmas Schedule: This year Christmas falls on a Sunday. The regular Sunday schedule will be changed to a more traditional Christmas schedule which will be as follows: Christmas Eve, Saturday: Masses at 4:00 pm and 7:30 pm at St. Patrick, and Christmas morning, Sunday: Mass at 10:00 am at St. Anthony-St. George. There will be two collections because Christmas is on Sunday: the regular weekly Sunday Offering and the annual Christmas Offering. Those using envelopes will find both of these envelopes in their boxes.

Decorating for Christmas: Decorating of the churches will follow the Sunday morning Masses on December 18th. Any help will be welcomed and appreciated.

Envelopes and Calendars: Boxes of contribution envelopes for 2017 are now available at the back of the church for those who used them in 2016. Please pick up yours and take it home. Also, there are calendars for 2017 for you to take home. We thank Spears Funeral Home for so generously providing them.

Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest: The Knights of Columbus, St. Albans Council #297 will be sponsoring a “Keep Christ in Christmas” Poster Contest this holiday season. All boys and girls between the ages of 5 and 14 are invited to participate. Posters should reflect the “Keep Christ in Christmas” theme. Posters must be submitted by December 18, 2016. Posters, along with the completed Participant Registration Form, can be dropped off at St. Patrick’s Rectory. Prizes will be awarded to the winners in each age division and their posters will be forwarded for inclusion in State and National/International competitions.

Operation Happiness: Sponsored by the United Way of Northwest Vermont, Operation Happiness provides food baskets, toys, hats and mittens to over 1,000 families in need. We are seeking donations of warm hats, mittens and scarves in addition to gifts for children of all ages from birth to age 16. We are especially in need of gifts for those aged 13 – 16. You may drop off your gifts in one of the Toys for Tots Red Barrels around St. Albans, or at the United Way offices at 48 Lower Newton Street, St. Albans. Thank you for making this program so successful.