



Sunday, December 19, 2021

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 Fr. John is available for individual confession
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Office Hours
 The parish office is closed until Tuesday, January 4, 2022.

Birthday Wishes & Prayers

We wish God's Blessings to the parishioners, our loved one's and those who have gone before us celebrating an Anniversary or Birthday in December & January especially...

Michel Tisi, Carys Latendresse, Zenon Samulski, Louis & Louise Lalonde (Ann)
 Glenn Elcome, Colleen Kovacs, Robyn Boissain, Bill Hubert,
 Kit Boissain, Robert Pandey



Readings for Next Weekend

1st Reading: 1 Samuel 1.20-22, 24-28
2nd Reading: 1 John 3.1-2, 21-24
Gospel: Luke 2.41-52



Homebound Visit

If you are aware of someone homebound and would appreciate a visit and Communion, please call the office.

SSVP Information

For assistance, please call 905 786 2249 weekdays 9am – 5pm.



Financial Information

Deposit	December 11/12
Offertory	\$1,210.00
Christmas	200.00
Poinsettias	315.00
Capital Fund	300.00
Mass Stipends	100.00
TOTAL	\$2,125.00

Upcoming Collections

Sunday, December 19 – Parish Capital Fund

Mass Schedule & Intentions (Dec. 20 – Jan. 9)

Monday – December 20 – **NO MASS**
 Tuesday – December 21 – 7:00 pm – Taize Prayer Service
 Wednesday, December 22 – 9:00 am
 Thursday, December 23 – 9:00 am
 Friday, December 24 - 5:00 pm – *Mass for the People*
 8:00 pm – *For Ron Radcliffe (RIP) by Dennie Radcliffe*
 Saturday, December 25 – 10:00 am
 Sunday, December 26 – 10:00 am
 Monday & Tuesday – December 27/28 – **NO MASS**
 Wednesday, December 29 – 9:00 am
 Thursday, December 30 – 9:00 am
 Friday, December 31 – 5:00 pm
 Saturday, January 1 – 10:00 am – *Mass for the People*
 Sunday, January 2 – 10:00 am – *Mass for the People*
 Monday & Tuesday – January 3/4 – **NO MASS**
 Wednesday, January 5 – 9:00 am
 Thursday, January 6 – 9:00 am
 Friday, January 7 – 11:00 am – Adoration, 12:00 pm Mass
 Saturday, January 8 – 5:00 pm – *Mass for the People*
 Sunday, January 9 – 9:00 am
 11:00 am – *For Teresita Vincencio (RIP) by the family*

Prayers for Indigenous Peoples and Communities

O God, we know that the pursuit of righteousness is the pursuit of justice. We pray for reconciliation with all who share this land. We pray for healing, for justice, and for reconciliation between Indigenous and non-Indigenous peoples in Canada.

The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops have released video recordings reflecting on the Gospel Reading for each Sunday during Advent. This year's reflections are inspired by the journey of truth, healing & reconciliation.

Video #1 - Solemnity of Christ the King | Early Missionaries and the Encounter of Worldviews

<https://www.cccb.ca/evangelization-catechesis-catholic-education/video-resources/journey-through-advent/>

Video #2 - The Spirit of the Treaties

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LqxZ--2df-A&t=1s>

Video #3 - Residential Schools

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=beoMS7Ub0PE>

Video #4 – Intergenerational Effect

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4dyb35fZYiQ>

Christmas & New Year Mass Schedule

Friday, December 24, 5pm & 8pm
 Saturday, December 25, 10am
 Sunday, December 26, 10am
 Friday, December 31, 5pm
 Saturday, January 1, 10am
 Sunday, January 2, 10am



Mass attendance is on a first-come basis, no reservations

Sunday Funny



Words of Pope Francis

We're all called to contribute courageously and decisively to respect everyone's basic rights, especially of those who are 'invisible': the hungry and thirsty, the naked, the sick, strangers or prisoners, those living on the margins or are discarded from society.



Knights of Columbus

The Knights of Columbus would like to thank all those who participated in our Twelve Days of Christmas Silent Auction. Your support was exceptional once again. Thank you to our 39 donors who provided auction items for almost everyone in your household. We raised \$ 3,000.00!



Thank you and Merry Christmas!

Taize Prayer Service

Tuesday, December 21, 7:00 pm

Join us for an Advent Candlelight Service of Prayer, Song, Contemplation.

For several years now, during Advent and Lent, the Saturday Evening Choir has put on the unique form of Prayer Service based on the music of the brothers of Taize in France. While it is not specific to the season, it offers an hour of tranquility as a badly needed antidote to the pre-Christmas rush. This service is open to all, so come and join us!



Weekly Offering Option

Are you aware that we offer the service of using automatic withdrawal for your parish weekly offering? With this electronic support, you decide what a fair and constant contribution is for you and set it up by calling the office.



Offertory Envelopes

The 2022 boxed sets are ready for pick up in the Sacristy. If you would like a box of envelopes there are some available. Please write your full address on the first couple of donations.

Offering Envelopes



St. Francis of Assisi Website

www.stfrancisnewcastle.ca

