



Sunday, January 8, 2023

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Reconciliation

Fr. John is available for individual confession Saturday, 4:30pm, Sunday, 9:30am

Office Hours

The parish office hours this week are Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday, 9am-3pm. Please email any inquiries to office@stfrancisnewcastle.ca.



Homebound Visit

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

Birthday Wishes & Prayers

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

Glenn Elcome, Colleen Kovacs, Robyn Boissain, Bill Hubert, Kit Boissain, Robert Pandey



Readings (Next Weekend)

1st Reading: Isaiah 4.3, 5-6

2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 1.1-3

Gospel: John 1.29-34



SSVP Information

For assistance, please call 365 404 2000 weekdays 9am – 5pm.

Food donations are greatly accepted at any time. Please consider donating peanut butter and sugar, as well as shampoo and laundry detergent.

Financial Information

Deposit	December 24/25/31 January 1
Offertory (Envelopes)	3,865.25
Offertory (Christmas)	1,846.00
New Year's	402.00
Initial Offering	485.00
Capital Fund	40.00
Missals	60.00
Mass Stipends	280.00
TOTAL	\$6,978.25

Mass Schedule & Intentions

January 9 - 15

Monday - Friday – **NO MASS**
(Fr. John is on vacation)

Saturday, January 14, 5:00 pm,
For Rini Bouwmeester (RIP)
requested by
Fred & Gabrielle Horvath

Sunday, January 15, 9:00 am
For Terry McGarry (RIP)
requested by the Suthers Family

Sunday, January 15, 10:00 am
Mass for the People



Words of Pope Francis

Jesus, Crucified and Risen, the Living One and the Lord, was the destination to which Pope Benedict led us, taking us by the hand. May he help us rediscover in Christ the joy of believing and the hope of living.



2023 Offertory Envelopes

The boxed sets of envelopes for next year may be picked up in the gathering room.

After this weekend they will be moved into the Parish Office.

If you would like envelopes for next year please take one of the available boxes and record your contact information on your first few envelopes.



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.



Pro-Life

At Christmas we are reminded how God sent hope to a broken world by giving us His Son, Jesus, in the form of a baby placed in a lowly cradle.

An initiative of this parish, Hope's Cradle, will be installed at the Bowmanville Fire Station (planned for 2023) to give hope to mothers and their babies when they have no other options. "Baby Hope" will be placed for adoption in order to give him or her hope for a brighter future with a loving family.

Hope's Cradle

Knights of Columbus – Cash Calendar Raffle

December Winners

Jane Bouwmeester Wrenshall

Patti Williamson

Congratulations to all our 2022

Calendar winners!

The first draw for the 2023 Calendar takes place January 25.

Thank you for your continued support of this initiative.



Thank you, Thank you, Thank you

The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul Conference at St. Francis of Assisi Parish would like to express a big thank you to all who supported the Christmas hampers this year with food, money and gift cards. Those who received your gift cards in their Christmas hampers were overwhelmed by your generosity.

The delicious apples were generously donated by Algoma and we had other generous private donations of eggs, potatoes and lots of cookies for the young and old. A special thanks to all the volunteers that helped to prepare the hampers and assisted with deliveries. May 2023 be filled with blessings for you all!



Senior's Exercise Program

St. Francis Women's Guild run's an exercise program in the parish hall – all welcome.

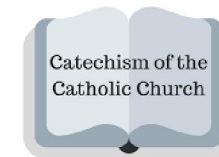
The cost is \$2.00 a class which is payable at the door.

Have fun and exercise at the same time. Classes are Monday & Thursday 10am-11am. For more information call Dennie at 289 312 0462. *Everyone works at their own pace.*



Catechism In A Year

Join Father Mike Schmitz in reading the Catechism of the Catholic Church in one year! Available on all social media platforms. Ascension Press link: <https://ascensionpress.com/pages/catechisminayear>



Employment Opportunity St. Joseph's

Bowmanville Housekeeping
(up to four hours a week)

St. Joseph's, Bowmanville is looking for someone to help keep the public spaces, office and rectory of our church clean. This helps keep our parish functioning well and ensures that those who worship with us have a clean and inviting space to encounter our Lord. Candidates should submit resumes with references to the pastor by email at pastor@stjoeschurch.ca.

