



February 19, 2023
7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Reconciliation
Fr. John is available for individual confession Saturday, 4:30pm, Sunday, 10:30am

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/Birthday or any special occasion February especially...



Lukas Kovacs, Doris & Tony Araujo (Ann), Nolan Luciano, Liz Araujo (RIP), Peter Gualandris, Fr. John (Ann) Ambrose & Susan Samulski (Ann), Rosendo Talusan (RIP)

Readings (Next Weekend)
1st Reading:
Genesis 2.7-9, 16-18, 25; 3.1-7
2nd Reading: Romans 5.12-19
Gospel: Matthew 4.1-11



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.

St. Francis of Assisi Website
www.stfrancisnewcastle.ca



Financial Information

Deposit	February 11/12
Offertory	1,955.00
Camp Northern Lights	185.00
Indigenous Reconciliation Fund	20.00
Capital Fund	20.00
Sacrament (Confirmation)	50.00
Initial Offering	15.00
TOTAL	\$2,245.00

Mass Schedule & Intentions
February 20-26, 2023

Monday, February 20 – No Mass
Tuesday, February 21 – No Mass
Ash Wednesday, February 22
9:00 am, 12:30pm – SFA School, 7:00 pm
Thursday, February 23 – 9:00 am
Friday, February 24
11:00 am – Adoration
11:30 am – Stations of the Cross
12:00 pm – Mass
Saturday, February 25, 5:00 pm
For Cheryl Gibson (RIP) by John Gibson
Sunday, February 26, 9:00 am
Mass for the People
Sunday, February 26, 11:00 am
For Julie Owen (RIP) by the Owen Family



This Weekend!

Special Collection for the Indigenous Reconciliation Fund

Thank you for supporting this Fund which goes toward Indigenous peoples' initiated projects for healing and reconciliation for communities and families; culture and language revitalization; education and community building; and dialogues for promoting indigenous spirituality and culture.
Donations can be placed in the regular collection, please indicate your envelope number and IRF collection.
TO DONATE: <https://www.canadahelps.org/en/dn/73075>



Children's Confirmation News

Parents whose children attend the Public School or French Immersion Schools and wish their child to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation are asked to contact the Parish Office at 905 987 5446 or send an email (preferred) to office@stfrancisnewcastle.ca.



Words of Pope Francis

Let us not forget those suffering from the earthquake in Turkey and Syria. Let us continue to pray for the victims and their loved ones and make a concrete commitment to help the survivors. May the Lord give consolation to the people affected by this terrible tragedy.



SSVP Information

The SSVP wish to thank all for your continued support and to remind parishioners of the monthly collection available at the back of the church coinciding with the third Sunday of the month. Your generous monetary and food donations support those in need.



Emergency Campaign!

Earthquake in Turkey and Syria

The devastation wrought by the earthquake in Turkey and Syria is heart-wrenching and it has inspired many to ask how we can respond. To support an immediate response, please consider making donations online. There are four organizations listed below that are well-positioned with connections in the earthquake area to respond to urgent needs. Donating directly to these organizations online is really the fastest way to get the money to where it is most needed. Here is the link to make a donation to one of the four organizations through the Diocesan website.
www.peterboroughdiocese.org/earthquake/



Life Corner

Some members of the St. Francis Life group will be meeting with our MP Philip Lawrence on February 21. We will be presenting a position paper developed by the group, based upon our Catholic beliefs and principles and addressing the current issue of government-induced death which encourages suicide, which we strongly oppose.
You can find this paper on the St Francis website as of this week. There is great information; please check it out. The Life group meets on the first Friday of every month a 12:30pm; please join us if you have any comments or questions. Blessings on all. Choose Life.
We meet every First Friday of the month following noon Mass. All are welcome!



Blood Donation



Your donation matters
It matters to every patient across Canada. Because it's something we can do today to help others wake up healthier tomorrow.

Upcoming blood donation events

Newcastle Fellowship Baptist Church
200 King Avenue East

Monday, March 6
2:30 pm to 7:30 pm

Join Canada's Lifeline
Book now at blood.ca or call 1 888 2 DONATE

