

March 26, 2023

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Reconciliation

Fr. John is available for individual confession Saturday,

4:30pm, Sunday, 8:30am & 10:30am

Office Hours

Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday 9am – 3pm.

Please email any inquiries to <u>office@stfrancisnewcastle.ca</u>.



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 in March & April especially...



Rhonda Roberts, Cathy Pandy, Randy Luciano, Kathy Garvey, Cindy Pearce & Fr. John

Aurora Talusan (RIP), Carlito Lampano, Conly Bayley, Maureen Rego, Ron Gabriel Delos Reyes, Ronel Delos Reyes, Liberty Talusan

Readings (Next Weekend)

1st Reading: Isaiah 50.4-7
 2nd Reading: Philippians 2.6-11
 Gospel: Matthew 26.14-27.66



SSVP Information

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

Food donations are greatly accepted at any time. Please consider donating sugar, shampoo, laundry detergent, instant coffee.

St. Francis of Assisi Website





Children's Bulletin

www.stfrancisnewcastle.ca

Parents can access this children's weekly bulletin to learn about our faith in a fun way. https://thekidsbulletin.com

Financial Information

Deposit	March 11/12	March 18/19
Offertory	\$2,055.00	1,625.00
Lenten Charity		10.00
Donation	250.00	
Capital Fund	<u>45.00</u>	455.00
TOTAL	\$2,350.00	<u>\$2,150.00</u>

Upcoming Collections

Sunday, April 7 – Good Friday Sunday, April 9 – St. Vincent de Paul/Easter

Mass Schedule & Intentions (March 27 - April 2)

For Lisa Marie Turco (RIP) requested by Jeanette Emslie

Monday, March 27 – No Mass
Tuesday, March 28 – No Mass
Wednesday, March 29 – 9:00 am
10:30am – St. Francis of Assisi School
Thursday, March 30 – 9:00 am
Friday, March 31
11:00 am – Adoration
11:30 am – Stations of the Cross
12:00 pm – Mass
Saturday, April 1, 5:00 pm
Sunday, April 2, 9:00 am
Mass for the People
Sunday, April 2, 11:00 am



Development and Peace

This Solidarity Sunday,
Development and Peace —
Caritas Canada's Stand for the
Land campaign invites you to
give generously and thanks you
warmly for your generosity.
Your donation transforms the
lives of some of our most
vulnerable sisters and brothers
across the world. Our solidarity
rests on your generosity.



"The support we receive from Development and Peace has been very important for me. It allowed me to find myself, to live again." — Raquel Soto, participant in the documentary filmmaking school of the Asociación Campesina de Antioquia (ACA, Peasant Association of Antioquia)

Such is the difference you can make by giving to your Share Lent parish collection or at <u>devp.org/give</u>. Thank you for helping us build a world of justice.

Words of Pope Francis

In Lent, may we be increasingly concerned with speaking words of comfort, strength, consolation and encouragement, and not words that demean, sadden, anger or show scorn.





The St. Francis of Assisi Knights of Columbus invites you to please consider participating in the **"40 Cans for Lent"** program as part of your Lenten journey.

Simply donate one can of food or a non-perishable food item for the "40 Days of Lent".

Donations may be dropped off in the Gathering Room through to Easter Sunday. This program benefits those in our community served by the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. Lent provides an opportunity for each of us to live generously, to show gratitude for God's gift to us and to share those gifts with others.

Taize Prayer Service

Please join us on Tuesday, March 28, at 7:00pm in the church for our Lenten Taize Prayer service. Take a time out to relax and reflect before the busy Easter season starts.



4th Annual Good Friday Fish Fry

The Knights of Columbus Fish Fry will take place after the Good Friday Service, April 7, 4:15pm-6:00pm. Drive thru and pick up.

1 piece fish, chips and salad, \$10.00 2 piece fish, chips and salad \$15.00 order and pre-pay by Friday, March 31 by calling the parish office or place order after weekend Mass.



Life Corner

A couple of us attended the Peterborough Pro-Life AGM with guest speaker Maeve Roche (who is the youth and outreach co-ordinator with Campaign Life Coalition and has recently moved to



Peterborough.) Maeve totally engaged us with the story of how she became involved in pro-life and the importance of political activism. Fully trained, she has also been frequently tested as she prayerfully witnesses for life. Maeve teaches pro-life apologetics in schools. She would love to be invited into our High Schools (where teachers are often reluctant to broach this subject) to engage the students and answer their questions. Please inform us if you have a connection/introduction for her to make a presentation: 905

903 4431. Our next meeting will be on Friday, April 14 at 12:30 (as the first Friday is GOOD FRIDAY) Blessings on all. Choose Life.

Lenten Reconciliation

Fr. John will be available on Thursday, March 30, 10am-12pm and 3pm-7pm for individual confession. No appointment needed, just drop in.

