

Sunday, October 1, 2023

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Reconciliation

Fr. John is available for individual confession. Saturday, 4:30pm, Sunday, 8:30am, 10:30am

Office Hours

Next week the parish office hours are Tuesday/Thursday/Friday 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 or any special occasion in September or October especially... Cindy & Mike Pearce (Ann),



Rafael Colón, Leeanne Luciano, Couper Boissoin, Conchita D'Souza, Thomas Pearce, Patricia Elcome, Ian Roberts, Kevin Money, Haydn Money-Gomes, Carol Pandy-Latendresse, Joan Tisi, Paul van Lith

Readings for Next Sunday

1st Reading: Isaiah 5.1-7 2nd Reading: Philippians 4.6-9 Gospel: Matthew 21.33-43



SSVP Information

For assistance, please call 365 404 2000 weekdays 9am - 5pm. Pantry donations are accepted at any time. Especially in need for back to school are juice boxes & school snacks.



Children's Bulletin

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

Upcoming Collections

Sunday, October 8 – St. Vincent de Paul Society

Financial Information

Deposit	September 23/24
Offertory	\$1,467.00
Papal Charities	5.00
Exercise Class	210.00
Window Donations	12,519.00
Needs of the Cdn. Church	115.00
Capital Fund	30.00
TOTAL	<u>\$14,346.00</u>

Mass Schedule & Intentions (October 2-8)

Monday, October 2 – *NO MASS* Tuesday, October 3 – *NO MASS* Wednesday, October 4 – 9:00 am Thursday, October 5 9:00 am - For Theresa Haggarty (RIP) requested by Larry & Diana Payton 12:30 pm – SFA School Mass Friday, October 6 11:00 am - Adoration 12:00 pm – Mass Saturday, October 7, 5:00 pm Mass for the People Sunday, October 8, 9:00 am For Velda LeFrank (RIP) requested by the Owen Family Sunday, October 8, 11:00 am Special Intention – for the well-being and intentions of Corry van Lith requested by Dennie and John







Dear Parishioners,

It is with tremendous pride, abundant joy, and great humility that I write these words to you; the people who began building this thriving community long before I had the privilege of being your Pastor. I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude to each one of you for your undying commitment to our Parish Community.

As your Pastor, I am enthusiastically committed to working hard to do everything I can, in my time with you, to help our beautiful parish to prosper spiritually, financially, and in every way possible.

The Finance and Building committee viewed the many damaged windows in the rectory which were in dire need of replacement.

We approached many windows companies to get a quote. Fersina Windows was selected from the quotes which we reviewed from contractors. This project is now complete.

We are asking for financial support from members of our congregation and our community. Our goal to cover the cost of this project is \$25,000.00. No donation is too small, and every contribution is deeply appreciated.

Options for donations:

Donation envelopes for this fundraising initiative are available in the gathering room. This donation will be added to your yearly tax receipt.

Donations are accepted via e-transfer to office@stfrancisnewcastle.ca and please indicate the donation is for the windows.

Please include your full name and address and envelope number (if known) on the pink Renovations & Repairs donation envelope.

I thank our Finance and Building Committee for the burdens they shoulder on behalf of the parish at such a difficult time.

Please feel free to contact me or any member of our Finance Committee if you would like further clarification, or to discuss any of these concerns.

Yours in Christ, Fr. John Rathinaswamy

Window Donation Update

Thank you to our parish community for your generosity!

We have received \$12.589.00 to date and are halfway to our goal of \$25,000.00!



Life Corner

The annual witness to life, Life Chain, is this Sunday, October 1, 2-3pm. Due to road construction around Liberty Church in Bowmanville, the site has been moved further west on King Street. Meet in the parking lot for Loblaws/McDonalds. From there it is hoped the witness will extend to Green Street. This is a silent, prayerful witness to life. Our numbers, as well as our prayers, are important. Our next monthly Life meeting is Friday, October 6 in the OLP room following noon Mass. All are welcome. Blessings on all. Choose life.

Children's Sacrament News

Parents whose children attend the Public School or French Immersion Schools and who wish their child to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Eucharist are asked to contact the Parish Office.



Knights of Columbus

Cash Calendar Daily Draw Winners September 2023

John Gibson, Hugh Penney, Aria Sobhani, Sylvia Vanhaverbeke, Yvonne Skanes

2024 Cash Calendars on sale soon!



Knights of Columbus Parish Appreciation BBQ

On Sunday, October 22, 2023 after the 11am Mass Everyone Welcome! More information and sign-up sheets available soon.

Fall/Winter Mass Schedule

We need your opinion! Are you in favour of changing the Mass time to 4:00pm once Daylight Saving Time ends in November or keep the time or remain at 5:00pm? Check the survey in the gathering room.



Relaxation Class

Join Anita Wray for a 6-week relaxation class. Class content will include breath work, stress management topics, health-related tips, relaxation strategies. Classes are one hour and will be held in the gathering room every Friday at 2pm. Classes are \$10 per person. No need to register, just pay before each class. (Cash only)



