



# Second Sunday of Advent

## December 9, 2018



### MASS INTENTIONS

December 8 – December 16

**SAT 7:30 pm** Lynford & Johanna Lumbr  
-by *Craig & Joan Lumbr*

**SUN 9:00 am** Deceased members of Lawrence  
& Nell Rowley family  
-by *Gerald & Bridget Rivet*

**11:00 am** For the Parishioners

#### Daily Mass:

**MON 8:30 am** Father Joseph Lager  
-by *Father Bill*

**TUES 8:30 am** Amanda & Henry Furkey  
-by *their estate*

**WED 8:30 am** Pat Cheney  
-by *Father Bill*

**THUR 8:30 am** Louigi & Maria Rigos  
-by *Louise Covi*

**FRI** No Mass

#### Next Weekend:

**SAT 7:30 pm** Ryan Branon  
-by *Cathy, Jim & Richard Howrigan*

**SUN 9:00 am** Pierre Archambault  
-by *Marc & Patti Reynolds*

**SUN 11:00 am** For the Parishioners

**Please pray for those who are ill:** Mary Ann Hranek, Gabriella Laubisch, Jerry Yates, Donald Connor, Kathy Alarie, Susan Garrow, Alice Baker, Victoria Thompson, Pauline Lawyer, Jamie Branon, and Doris St. Pierre.

**Confessions:** Before the 7:30 pm Saturday evening Masses (6:45 pm–7:15 pm), before the 9:00 am Sunday morning Masses (8:15 am–8:45 am), and following the 11:00am Sunday morning Mass when requested, Father Bill will be available for Confessions between now and Christmas.

#### **Thank You Dear Friends and Neighbors:**

Thank you for your generous response to the Fairfield Community Center Thanksgiving Basket Outreach. It was a pleasure to put Thanksgiving dinners into the arms of 70 families in our neighborhood. May your Holiday Season be Joyful.

The Fairfield Community Center

### NEXT WEEK'S MINISTERS

**Greeters**

**Lectors**

**Eucharistic  
Ministers**

**Sat., Dec. 15**

**7:30 pm** Real Therrien Candi Branon Marty Magnan  
Frank Persons

**Altar Servers:** Leah, Hannah, Kayleigh Branon

**Sun., Dec. 16**

**9:00 am** Janice & Jim Robert Norris Sarah Menard  
Adams Norm Menard

**Altar Servers:** Anthony Andrews

**Gift Bearers:** Bridget Rivet

**11:00 am** Joy Kane Jane Brigham Mary Ovitt

**Altar Servers:** Samantha Churchill

**Gift Bearers:** Jerry & Jane Brigham

### WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Collection last weekend: Dec. 1 - 2

St. Patrick

St. Anthony

-St. George

**Offertory:** \$1,371.00 \$319.00

23 Week Average: \$1,257.00 \$352.00

Weekly Goal: \$1,300.00 \$400.00

Christmas Flowers: \$ 478.00 \$137.00

*Second Collections:*

*Dec. 9: Retirement Fund for Religious*

*Dec. 15: Projects and Food Shelf*

**Thank you for your continuing generosity!**

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION SCHEDULE

**Sunday, Dec. 9 - Grades 2, 6, 7, 9 and 10**

*St. Patrick's Church, 6:00 - 7:00 pm*

**Tuesday, Dec. 11 – Grade 4**

*Fairfield Center School, 3:20 – 4:20 pm*

**Wednesday, Dec. 12 - Grade 8**

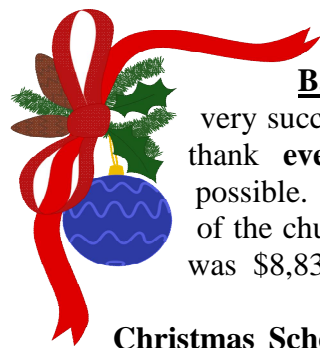
*Fairfield Center School, 3:20 – 4:20 pm*

**Wednesday, Dec. 12 – Grades 1, 3, 5**

*St. Patrick Church, 3:20 – 4:20 pm*

**First Reconciliation:** Seven of our children in second grade will receive First Reconciliation this coming Saturday, December 15<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am. These same children will be making their First Communion in May 2019. Please keep them in your prayers.

**Liturgy Committee Meeting:** Monday evening 7:00 pm at the rectory.



**Bazaar Report:** St. Patrick ran a very successful bazaar again this year. We thank **everyone** who made this success possible. Prize lists are available at the back of the church. Our Profit after all expenses was \$8,830.00.

**Christmas Schedule:** This year Christmas falls on a Tuesday. Our Christmas schedule will be as follows: Christmas Eve, Monday: Masses at 4:00 pm and 7:30 pm at St. Patrick, and Christmas morning, Tuesday: Mass at 10:00 am at St. Anthony-St. George.



**Christmas Pageant:** As in the past, the children will present a Christmas Pageant at 4:00 on Christmas Eve. Mass will follow the Pageant at 4:15. Rehearsal for the Pageant will be on Sunday, December 16th at 5:15 pm. All are welcome! Contact Candi Branon at 827-3673 or 393-0381.

**Decorating for Christmas:** Decorating of the churches will follow the Sunday morning Masses on December 23rd. *Any help will be welcomed and appreciated.*

**Christmas Ministers:** Lectors, Ministers of Holy Communion, Altar Servers, Greeters, and other Ministers are needed for the Christmas Masses. Sign up today in the sacristy.

**Worldwide Marriage Encounter**

Welcome Christ into your marriage by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next weekends are Jan. 18-20, 2019 in South Kingstown, RI and Mar. 15 – 17, 2019 in Isle La Motte, VT. For more information call Gary and Lynn Root 802-456-48114.

**Word of Life**

“Perhaps one of your friends has become pregnant unexpectedly”. As someone who has been there, I encourage you to support your friend in her new journey of being a mother. Not sure how to help or what to say? Learn ten tips at [usccb.org/support-her](http://usccb.org/support-her).

**Contribution Envelopes:** If you are not currently using envelopes and wish to begin, please contact us at the rectory so that we may prepare a box of envelopes for you. By using the envelopes, we can provide you with an annual statement of contributions for tax filing purposes.

**Advent Appeal – 2018**

Please Join Vermont Catholic Charities in supporting the Annual Advent Appeal. The “Season of Giving” has no bounds for people in need. Whatever the season, it is a daily struggle for many Vermonters to maintain housing, stay warm or feed their families. With your help, we can make a difference in lives of those living on the edge. Help people like Grace and John keep the electricity and heat on. Grace, John and their three children were struggling to keep the utilities on as John’s hours at work had been reduced and they faced unexpected medical bills. We helped them avoid the disconnection of their utilities and provided food cards for the family.

Whether your gift is \$10, \$100, \$1000 or more, your gift will make a difference in the life of a needy family. To donate, please mail a check to Vermont Catholic Charities, 55 Joy Drive, South Burlington, VT 05403 or you can give online at [www.vermontcatholic.org/adventappeal](http://www.vermontcatholic.org/adventappeal).

**Best Advent Ever:** This is a free email program from Dynamic Catholic. Advent is a time to prepare our hearts for Christmas, but we often get distracted and busy. Don’t let this Advent pass you by. Slow down and focus on what matters most with **BEST ADVENT EVER**. Each day, you’ll receive an email with short inspirational videos from Allen Hunt and Dominick Albano, practical tips for your everyday life, and real-life stories to encourage you in your faith journey. All you have to do is sign up at [BestAdventEver.com](http://BestAdventEver.com) Do it today!

**Retirement Fund for Religious:**

Your donation works for aging religious. Your gift works for elderly religious by helping to furnish medications, nursing care, and more. Please support this week’s collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious, and give to those who have given a lifetime.

**BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK:**

**Sunday:** Sarah Howrigan, Judy Callan **Monday:** Bradley Adams, Mark Howrigan, Colin Magnan, Ruth Mangan **Wednesday:** Ayvah Bapp, William Howrigan **Thursday:** Nicolas Farinaccio, Cari Howrigan, Charlotte Pudvah **Friday:** Martin Magnan **Saturday:** Donald Bushey, Whitney Montgomery

