

Third Sunday of Lent

March 24th, 2019

This Sunday's Readings:

Exodus 3.1-8a: "Moses, you will tell the children of Israel; I AM has sent me to you."

Psalms 103.1-2: "The Lord is merciful and gracious."

1 Corinthians 10.1-6: "Our ancestor's experience in the desert under Moses is recorded to instruct us."

Luke 13.1-9: "Unless you turn back to God, you will perish as they did."

Winona will be available Monday-Friday from 10a.m.-2 p.m. at 357-2593 or svdp@rogers.com

Tammy will be available Monday-Friday evenings at 444-6005 or stfranassisi@nb.aibn.com.

St. Vincent de Paul Hall rentals please contact Bob Christenson at 357-5719.

(People are encouraged to book Masses for their Special Intentions and in Memory of their deceased through the secretaries at the office of St. Vincent de Paul or St. Francis of Assisi, depending on which church the Mass is to be held.)

Mass Intentions

St. Francis of Assisi	Sat. March 23	7:00 p.m.	†	Ronnie Rose Butler-Melody & Doug Hurshman
St. Francis of Assisi	Wed. March 27	9:00 a.m.	†	David Weir-Leanne & Linda Weir
St. Francis of Assisi	Sat. March 30	7:00 p.m.	†	Andy Lebel-Bob & Geneva Collette

St. Vincent de Paul	Sun. March 24	10:00 a.m.	†	John & Mary Healey
St. Vincent de Paul	Tues. March 26	6:30 p.m.	†	Thomas Arthur McCaffrey
St. Vincent de Paul	Thurs. March 28	12:00 p.m.	†	Anne Marie Duffie
St. Vincent de Paul	Fri. March 29	9:00 a.m.	†	Cecil Snow
St. Vincent de Paul	Sun. March 31	10:00 a.m.	†	Anne Marie Duffie

St. Bridget's Sun. March 24 12:00 p.m. Mass

*****THE WAY OF THE CROSS** WILL BE HELD EVERY FRIDAY DURING LENT AT 7PM AT ST. VINCENT DE PAUL AND AFTER THE 7PM SATURDAY MASS AT ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI ***

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI

Anyone currently using the Automatic Withdrawal for your offertory contributions. We are changing banks and you will need to sign a new PAD agreement and provide a new void cheque. I have left a copy of the PAD forms with your name on it on the table in the entry. If you have any question, please contact Tammy at the office after 5 p.m. this week. Thank you!

Devotion to the Blessed Sacrament will be held on Wednesdays from 8 a.m.-9 a.m.

Starting in December the second Saturday of the month will be a Toonie Collection for Fall Supper turkeys.

March 17th Offertory

(THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED CONTRIBUTIONS)

St. Francis of Assisi

St. Vincent de Paul and St. Bridget's



Regular	\$358.00	Regular	\$1395.00
Loose	\$50.00	Loose	\$172.90
Ash Wednesday	\$15.00	Ash Wednesday	\$10.00
Easter Flowers (CWL)	\$75.00	Initial Offering	\$5.00
St. Patrick's Day Supper	<u>\$1015.00</u>	Building Fund	<u>\$35.00</u>
Total	\$1423.00	Total	\$1572.90

(Please make any cheques payable to **St. John Paul II Parish**)

Please Note: The total amount reflects only what is available to the church and any other special collections will not be added to the total.

Mass in Honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary will be held the first Saturday of every month at 10 a.m.

(April 6th-St. Vincent de Paul), (May 4th-St. Francis of Assisi), (June 1st-St. Bridget's)

Monthly Confessions: 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. every first Saturday of the month at whichever church the first Saturday Mass in Honor of our Mother Mary will be celebrated. In case of an emergency, people are free to approach the priest for confession before or after the weekday Masses

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

- ❖ **Divine Mercy**-Will be held on the last Sunday of every Month at 2:45 p.m. at St. Vincent de Paul.
- ❖ **Holy Hour**-Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will be held on the First Friday of every month from 6-7 p.m. at St. Vincent de Paul.

Devotion to the Blessed Sacrament will be held on Fridays from 8 a.m.-9 a.m.

The rosary will be said at St. Vincent de Paul on Sundays from 9:30-9:50 prior to mass.

Choir practice is 7:15 p.m. every Tuesday at St. Vincent de Paul. New members are welcome.

Faithful Departed:

Joseph Raymond Poirier, husband of Josie Poirier and father of daughters Christine Stewart, Wendy Quinn, Karen Ellsworth and sons Brian, Wayne and the late Frank Poirier.

Let us pray....

Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord,
And let perpetual light shine upon him.
May he rest in peace. Amen

Through Love and Mercy

Meditation:

September 25, [1937]. When I learned how great are the difficulties in this whole work, I went to the Lord and said, "Jesus, don't You see how they are hindering Your work?" And I heard a voice in my soul: **Do as much as is in your power, and don't worry about the rest. These difficulties prove that this work is mine. Be at peace so long as you do all that is in your power** (Diary, 1295).

The Lord said to me, **it should be of no concern to you how anyone else acts; you are to be my living reflection, through love and mercy.** I answered, "Lord, but they often take advantage of my goodness." **That makes no difference, My daughter. That is no concern of yours. As for you, be always merciful toward other people, and especially toward sinners** (Diary, 1446).

My Prayer Response:

Lord Jesus, in difficulties in my work and relationships, may I rejoice and do what is in my power with peace. May I always be merciful.

OTHER PARISH NEWS

A Bible Study-Journey with Christ during Lent

Wednesdays throughout Lent from March 13th to April 10th to be held at St. Vincent de Paul Family Centre from 12:15 p.m.-12:45 p.m.

OTHER NEWS

Knights of Columbus Bishop Dollard Council 1942 100th Anniversary Dinner & Dance (Marc Pepin DJ) on Saturday, April 27th. Begins with 5 pm Mass at St. Dunstan's celebrated with Bishop Harris followed by Dinner and Dance at the Fredericton Inn. Tickets \$40 per person are available from K of C Members, Art 206-0885, John 449-2287 or Robert 459-8209. Everyone is welcome.

Regional Lenten Reconciliation Service – Thursday, April 11, at 7:00 pm at Our Lady of Peace Parish (St. Theresa's Worship Site, 1 William St.).

Regional Youth Group - We Are ONE Body. Join us for next youth group event for grades 6-12 on Friday, March 29th from 7:00 - 8:30pm, in the Msgr. Boyd Family Centre. Games, faith sharing and fun, be sure to bring a friend!!

Annual Bus Pilgrimage to Ste. Anne de Beaupre June 8th to 11th, 2019. This year's trip we will include a guided tour of Old Quebec City. To register or for more information, call Rick Bourgeois at 327-6777.

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Vision Prayer

Heavenly Father may the Holy Spirit guide us to become a welcoming, vibrant Catholic community of lifelong learners growing in your love.

Be with us as we joyfully share our gifts and talents and serve others through prayer, words and actions. Give us the courage to answer the call to bring all people to Christ. We ask this in the name of Jesus, our Lord. St. John Paul II, pray for us.

Mass Schedule

St. Francis of Assisi
2130 Route 102 Hwy
Lincoln, N.B

St. Vincent de Paul
25 Loisville Street
Oromocto, N.B.

St. Bridget's
2088 Route 102
Gagetown, N.B.

Saturday-7 p.m.
Wednesday-9 a.m.

Sunday-10 a.m.
Tuesday-6:30 p.m.
Thursday-12 p.m.
Friday-9 a.m.

Sunday-12 p.m.

Marriages-6 months' notice

Baptisms-Contact Parish Office

Confession-Feel free to meet with the priest any time before or after the weekday Masses for Confession.

If you have a family member in hospital or in need of a home visit please contact the priest.