



St. Francis of Assisi Parish
 ST. JOSEPH'S CHAPEL
 ST. THOMAS A BECKET CHURCH

December 01, 2024

FR. JAMIE CALLAHAN | PASTOR ✝ **SCOTT COLLEY | DEACON**




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St. Francis of Assisi Parish Directory
Mass Schedule ▪ Press 1

Office Manager | Deacon Malcolm Colgate
Press 2 ▪ OFFICE HOURS ▪ WED ▪ 2PM - 4PM

Our Pastor | Father James Callahan
Press 3

 Baptism and Marriage Preparation
Deacon Scott Colley ▪ Press 4

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by Thursday to be included in the upcoming weekend
 StFrancisofAssisiParish@gmail.com
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Mass Schedule	
Saturday	Sunday
4PM St. Thomas A Becket	8AM St. Joseph's Chapel 10:30AM St. Thomas A Becket
Daily Mass ▪ Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday	
9AM ▪ St. Thomas A Becket Daily Masses are canceled when school is delayed/canceled due to weather	
Confession ▪ Sacrament of Reconciliation	
Saturday ▪ 3PM ▪ St. Thomas A Becket Or by appointment	
Eucharist Adoration	
Tuesday ▪ 6:00PM ▪ St. Thomas-a-Becket In the event a cancellation is necessary it will be announced	
Rosary	
Tuesday ▪ 7:10PM ▪ St. Thomas-a-Becket For more information contact Liz via phone or text at 774.364.2158	

The First Sunday of Advent
"To you, O Lord, I lift my soul."

MASS INTENTIONS

Week of December 1, 2024

Nov 30	SATURDAY 4:00PM	(+) Ted Kowal <i>Req by: The Family</i>
Dec 01	SUNDAY 8:00AM	(+) Joseph & Beatrice Jannette and Deceased Members of Their Family <i>Req by: The Family</i>
	SUNDAY 10:30AM	Pastor's Intentions
Dec 2	MONDAY 9:00AM	(+) Randy May Anniversary <i>Req by: Peg Morin</i>
Dec 03	TUESDAY 9:00AM	Votive Offerings
Dec 04	WEDNESDAY 9:00AM	Pastor's Intentions
Dec 07	SATURDAY 4:00PM	(+) Dolly Thorng <i>Req by: A Friend</i>
Dec 08	SUNDAY 8:00AM	(+) Harry J. Corbett <i>Req by: His Wife Isabel</i>
	SUNDAY 10:30AM	Healing for Christina Gallagher <i>Req by: Flame of Love Rosary Group</i>



Tues. 6PM - 7PM
ADORATION AND
BENEDICTION OF THE
BLESSED SACRAMENT
along with 7:10PM
ROSARY GROUP
will be hosted at
St. Thomas-a-Becket
throughout the
winter months

Family Christmas Movie Night

presented by the Knights of Columbus

SATURDAY DECEMBER 21
THE HALL @ ST. JOSEPH'S CHAPEL
Doors Open at 5:30PM



Dress Code:
Comfy PJ's & Blankets

Enjoy a Christmas Double Feature

Charlie's Brown's Christmas
Intermission with Drinks & Popcorn
Home Alone

RSVP to Zach and Angela Finne
774.757.7901

Additional Snacks will
be available for purchase



THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 1, 2024



The Candle of Hope

"But as for me, I watch in hope for the Lord, I wait for God my Savior; my God will hear me."

MICAH 7:7

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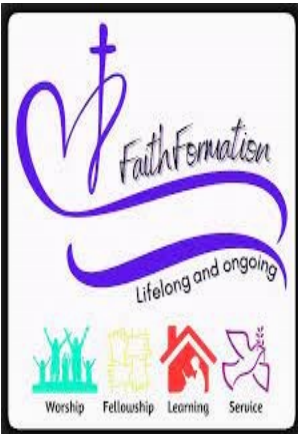
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Parish Weekly Collection Week of: November 24, 2024	
Envelopes	\$1,509.00
Anonymous Cash	\$323.00
Loose Checks	\$705.00
On-Line Giving	\$245.00
Total	\$2,782.00
Special Collections That Stay in the Parish	
Fuel	\$10.00
Maintenance	\$5.00
Total	\$15.00
Additional Collections That Leave the Parish	
Emergency Assistance Fund	\$133.00
Funeral Stipends	\$400.00
Campaign for Human Development	\$205.00
Total	\$738.00
Total Collection	\$3,535.00



Grades 1-6 meet every Sunday on an alternating schedule
 Week 1 · Regular Class 9-10am
 Week 2 · Mass Class 8-9:30am

Grades 7, 8 & 9 meet
 Sunday Evenings 6:00-7:30pm

All classes are held at St. Joseph's Chapel.

For Information Contact
 Liz Sansoucy @ 774.364.2158

Today & Always, Thank You for Your Generosity

Donations of nonperishable food items and health & beauty aids may be left in the vestibules of each church. Distribution is at the Barre Congregational Church.

2025 Epiphany Play
Sunday, January 5
 Following the 8AM Mass

Witness the retelling of Mary & Joseph's journey to Bethlehem and the birth of Jesus with our very own Stars, Angels, Shepherds & Wise Men from our Faith Formation Classes. Rehearsals begin in class on 12/8. A rehearsal will be held during break; date TBD

The Women's Guild
 ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI PARISH

JOIN US AT OUR NEXT MEETING
Wednesday, December 13
6:30PM St. Joseph's Hall

Christmas Fair Wrap Up and 2025 Group Event Schedules to be Discussed.

Meetings are held monthly from September through June on the 2nd Wednesday of the month, 6:30pm, at St. Joseph's hall (unless otherwise noted)

If you have any questions, please contact
 Mary Ann Jordan, 978-808-3371
 or mjordan92557@gmail.com.

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The Parish Council of Knight's of Columbus - St. Cleophas meets the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 7PM at St. Thomas a Becket

St. Francis of Assisi
 CHARITABLE NEEDS & RESOURCES FUND

Donations may be placed in an envelope marked *Emergency Fund* in the basket with the offertory envelopes. For more information please contact Paula Wood at 978.355.2228 ext. 6. *Thank You for Your Generosity.*

2024 St. Francis of Assisi Quilt Raffle

“Underground Railroad”

Created by Beth Cunningham

Quilts with specific patterns were hung in windows, on porches & on clotheslines as signals to enslaved people where to go next.

Tickets Available Now \$2.00 Each

Drawing to be held Saturday, December 7th



Giving Tree Tags will be available next week at both churches to support our local youth, elders and seminarians this holiday season.

St. Francis of Assisi Parish | Christmas Fair Grand Raffle

TICKETS ON SALE • \$1.00 Each

1ST PRIZE • \$1,000 CASH

2ND PRIZE • 100 GALLONS OF HEATING OIL

OR 100 GALLONS OF PROPANE

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3RD PRIZE • HANDCRAFTED DOLLHOUSE

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AND MANY MORE PRIZES TOO

DRAWING TO BE HELD SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7TH

Holiday Cemetery Baskets \$25

Place your orders now for pick up on Sunday, December 8 at St. Thomas-a-Becket Church after the 10:30AM Mass

A limited amount of baskets will be made secure your order on the sign up sheets available at both churches by December 1





Help Us ✨
make memories

Volunteers Needed
Community Service Hours
for Students Available

Please email Robin at
rarob50@yahoo.com ✨

ANNUAL *Christmas Fair*

Hosted by St. Francis of Assisi Women's Guild

✨ The Hall @ St. Joseph's Chapel ✨

December 7

- Grand Raffle
includes \$1,000 Cash Prize
- Handmade Crafts
- Cemetery Baskets
- Gift Card & Basket Raffles
- Handmade Quilt Raffle
- Homemade Soups & Sandwiches
- Bake Shoppe & Hot Cocoa Bar
- Fun Games & Prizes for Kids

For More Information on
how YOU can HELP contact
Mary Ann Jordan @ 978.808.3371
Robin Cummings @ 978.355.2279

10AM to 2PM

We Need Your Help
to Make the Parish
Christmas Fair a Success

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