



St. Francis of Assisi Parish

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diospringfield.org/Ministries/child-youth-protection/

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francisatbtown@gmail.com

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stfrancisbelchertown.com



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Mass Times: Saturday 4 PM ✕ Sunday 8 AM, 10:30 AM, 5:30 PM ✕ Monday - Thursday 8 AM

Holy Day Mass Times: Consult the weekly Mass schedule

Reconciliation: Consult the weekly Mass schedule, or by appointment

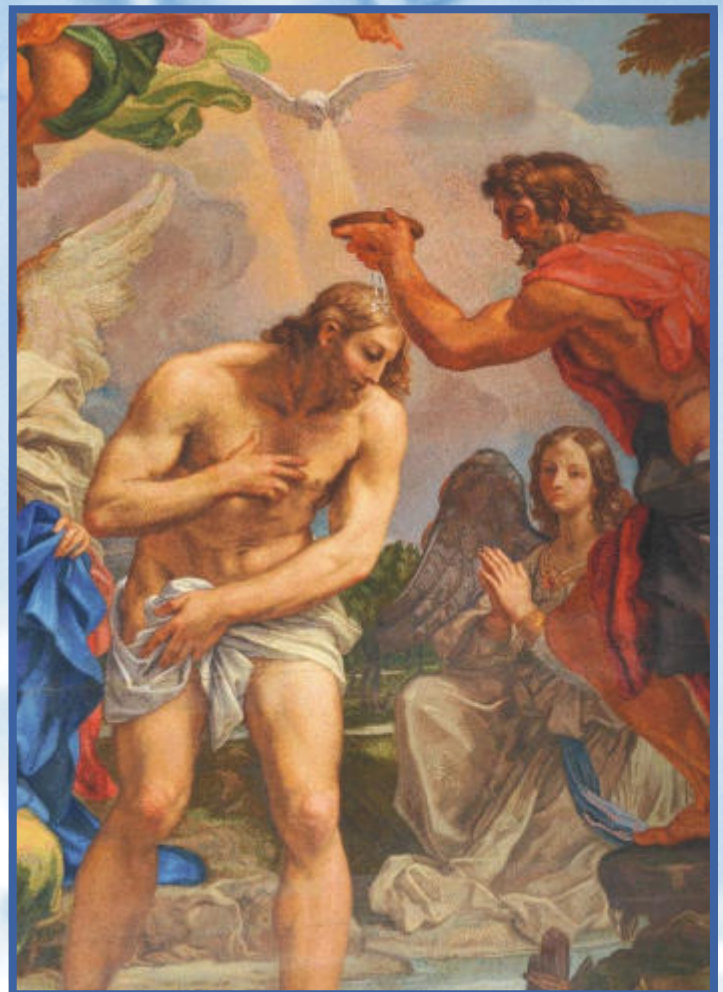
Adoration Hours: Tuesday 8:30 AM - 8 PM & Thursday 8:30 AM - Noon, in the Main Church

Church Visitation Hours: Available all day, every day

Some Thoughts from Today's Scripture...

- This is a high point in salvation history. In a vision of the Trinity, Jesus son of Mary is identified as the dearly loved Son of God the Father.
- So often, as here, Luke portrays Jesus at prayer. By choosing to be baptized, the Son of God is identifying with the community of all humanity, with each one of us, our lot in life and our ultimate destiny of salvation.
- Have I confirmed the baptismal commitment that my godparents made on my behalf? Do I keep the flame of faith alive in my heart, the light of Christ burning brightly?
- God always speaks to Jesus in an intimate and joyful fashion. He says: 'You are my beloved Son, I am pleased with You. I love You deeply. Your whole being springs from Me. I am your Father.' Jesus answers, 'Abba,' 'beloved Father.' His whole life reveals trust. He hands Himself over unconditionally to His Father.
- God, I ponder on this love that You have lavished also upon me, calling me Your child. You are the tender and compassionate Mother of my life. You are the faithful Father, the Rock on which I stand. Your love is everlasting. Your faithfulness is eternal.
- To be baptized with the Holy Spirit and fire is to be baptized with the purifying fire of Divine Love.
- As brothers and sisters of Christ, we are all beloved sons and daughters of God. Do I really believe this? If not, what are the obstacles preventing me from doing so?

www.sacredspace.ie/scripture/luke-315-1621-22



The Baptism of the Lord

January 9, 2022



THE HOLY MASS

- This Week's Intentions -

SATURDAY, January 8, 2022 First Saturday

8:00 AM ☩ The souls in Purgatory req. by Mary Yando

Vigil: The Baptism of the Lord

3:00 PM *Reconciliation*

4:00 PM ☩ Edgar Perrea req. by the family

SUNDAY, January 9, 2022 The Baptism of the Lord

8:00 AM ☩ Lucille LaBarre req. by her husband, Lenny

10:30 AM ☩ John Lisowski, Sr., req. by Pat & Ellie

5:30 PM ☩ Bertha Bartoli req. by Suz Kielbasa

MONDAY, January 10, 2022

8:00 AM ☩ Gerard Provost req. by the St. Francis funeral ministry

TUESDAY, January 11, 2022

8:00 AM ☩ Carolyn McNamara, birthday rem., req. by James & Elizabeth McNamara

WEDNESDAY, January 12, 2022

8:00 AM Fr. David Darcy req. by the Kervick family

THURSDAY, January 13, 2022

8:00 AM Intentions of the Holdsworth family

FRIDAY, January 14, 2022

8:00 AM No Mass

SATURDAY, January 15, 2022 Vigil: Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

3:00 PM *Reconciliation*

4:00 PM Don & Paula Moran, 50th wedding ann., req. by Paula & Don Moran

SUNDAY, January 16, 2022 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Gil & Celeste DaCosta, 50th wedding ann., req. by Dave Adams

10:30 AM ☩ Dr. Oscar Castañeda Hernández req. by Justine G. Holdsworth

5:30 PM ☩ Arlean Nummy req. by Suz Kielbasa

The Rosary is prayed at 7:30 AM before the 8 AM Daily Mass.

PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

- Answer His Call -

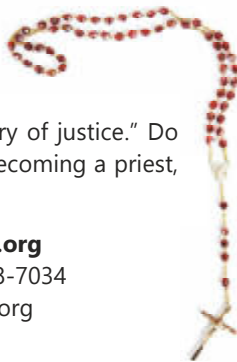
"I, the LORD, have called you for the victory of justice." Do you feel the Lord calling you to consider becoming a priest, or consecrated religious?

Is God calling you? Visit: www.myvocation.org

☎ Fr. Jon Reardon at 413-248-7034

✉ vocations@diospringfield.org

Or, speak with Fr. David Darcy



PRAY FOR OUR SEMINARIAN

John Williams

We ask a special blessing on this young man preparing for priesthood in seminary - for the grace to follow You more perfectly.

A Few Notes from the MUSIC MINISTRY!



Soon we will begin enhancing our musical support of the Liturgy by adding the Parish's voices to **VOICES!**

The GIA Sacred Music contemporary Catholic Hymnal, named **VOICES**, is a treasury of songs that are faithful, theologically sound, and ideal for enhancing our Liturgy.

Our deepest gratitude to Fr. David and the Finance Committee for allowing us to add this amazing resource to our worship materials.

Please Consider Taking Part In These Opportunities For Spiritual Growth

Bishop Robert Barron's - THE CREED

The keys that unlock the beliefs of the Christian Faith are stated succinctly in the Nicene Creed, which we pray at every Sunday Mass. Born at the Council of Nicaea in the Fourth Century after intense debates, this formal statement of faith is the foundation of both eastern and western Christianity. And to this day, most Christians around the world would subscribe to it.

This 7 week study will be held in the Pine Room at 12 Park Street from 9-11 AM on the following Saturdays: March 5, 12, 19, 26, April 2, 9, & 16. Each class will consist of a video, followed by small group discussions. The course will be led by Dcn. John and small group leaders.

Registration will be held January 8 thru February 14. No late registrations will be accepted, due to limited class size and the time needed to gather materials. The anticipated cost for the book/study guide is \$20.

For more information contact Dcn. John Murray at:

✉ DcnJLMurray@gmail.com or ☎ 323-6272 x4.

Catching Fire Becoming Flame

This 6 week program will be held in the Pine Room at 12 Park Street, from 6:30-8 PM, on Thursdays: February 10, 17, 24, March 3, 10, & 17. This powerful spiritual enrichment opportunity will use a book along with video presentations to guide discussions and prayers for the participants. This program is a great way to strengthen our faith and knowledge of our Christian spirituality that can sustain us for our entire lives. **Register by January 22.**

Those who signed up and paid for the event cancelled due to COVID, just have to sign up.

New participants are asked to register and pay a nominal fee of \$10 to cover materials and other costs.

To register: Include your name and phone number along with \$10 in an envelope marked - *Catching Fire Becoming Flame* and drop it in the collection basket or at the church office. Make checks out to 'St. Francis of Assisi Church.'

☎ Gil or Celeste DaCosta at 323-7896

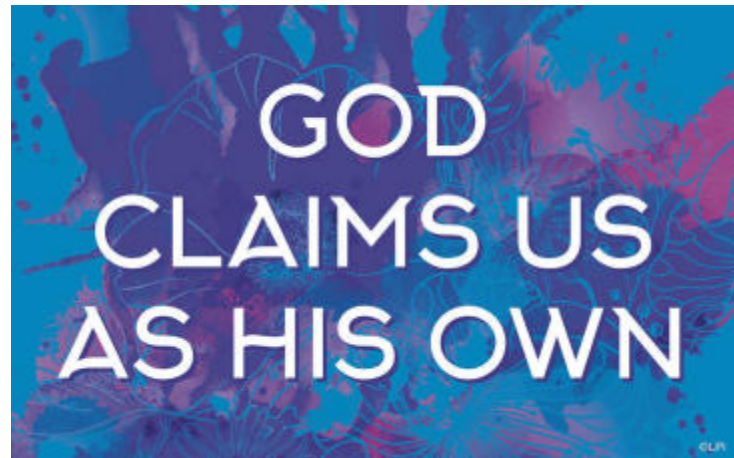
THIS WEEK'S GOSPEL

After all the people had been baptized and Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended upon Him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are My beloved Son; with You I am well pleased."

Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

Scripture Readings for January 15 & 16, 2022

Is 62:1-5/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11



GOSPEL MEDITATION

"We are called to live our baptism every day, as new creatures, clothed in Christ." — Pope Francis

What reference point do you use when making decisions? Many times, impulse takes control and decisions are made based solely on emotion and desire. We all know that these types of decisions can often get us into trouble. When a person has a confident sense of who they are and a real understanding of what is important and of value, the likelihood of kneejerk impulsive choices diminishes. Baptism gives us what we need to make well informed and purposeful decisions. By this simple gesture, God claims us as His own and provides us with the identity and purpose we need to properly live life.

It is tremendously reassuring, when we truly embrace this revelation and realize that we no longer have to wonder about the purpose of our lives or struggle to find our way. The answer of who we are in God has been given to us. We no longer have to fumble around, trip over ourselves or walk aimlessly about. Issues surrounding the sacredness of life, the meaning of death, the protection of those most vulnerable, care for the weak and the poor, offering hospitality to those in search of a home, the purpose and proper place of work, how to create a just social order, caring for creation, and understanding our roles as heralds and stewards are just a few of the wonderful gifts baptism brings. When we make decisions based on things such as these core Gospel truths we really act as Christ himself, revealing to others the new creations that we are. This is how we live our baptism.

It is difficult to walk against the tide. Yet, that is precisely what baptism calls us to do. Although we are sinners, in need of mercy and far from perfection we are called to order our life and make decisions based upon the wisdom and guidance of Almighty God. He alone is the one who can claim us as His sons and daughters. Standing up for our principles will not make us popular. But who ever said Christianity is a popularity contest? Baptism calls us to stand up for that which goes against the grain of secularism. Standing in line with other sinners, we have our anchor to steady us in the tempests of life and God is very pleased. Forge ahead. There is nothing to fear.

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The Lost & Found - If you have lost something in the church, please check the Tovet Room. The lost and found table is behind the door. Unclaimed items will be discarded or donated to an appropriate charity.

Week at a Glance

Monday, January 10

7:00 PM - Choir Rehearsal - Church

Tuesday, January 11

6:30 PM - Women of Grace - Tovet Room

7:00 PM - Catholic Life Band Rehearsal - Church

7:00 PM - KofC Meeting - Knight's Hall

Wednesday, January 12

9:30 AM - Bible Study (*pre-reg. required*) - Tovet Room

7:00 PM - Bible Study (*pre-reg. required*) - Tovet Room

7:30 PM - Men of St. Joseph - Office Conference Room

Thursday, January 13

9:30 AM - Bible Study (*pre-reg. required*) - Tovet Room

6:00 PM - Order of Secular Franciscans - Tovet Room

Friday, January 14

Saturday, January 15

3:00 PM - Reconciliation

Sunday, January 16

5:30 PM Mass

To see our full calendar of events, visit: stfrancisbelchertown.com.

FROM THE PARISH OFFICE

Tax Statements

Please call the office if you would like a statement. Tax statements will be ready at the end of January. They will not be mailed out automatically.

Missing Rosaries

A parishioner left her parents' rosaries to be fixed; they were fixed but now are missing. If you have inadvertently taken a blue or black rosary with a name and phone number in the bag, please return them to the church or call the number in the bag. These rosaries are special mementos and sorely missed.

Hooked on History: In Defense of St. Junipero Serra



Was St. Junipero Serra an agent of Spanish colonial oppression or the "patron saint of racial equality?" In this film, Dr. John Pepino discusses the myths and the truth about Fr. Serra and the Spanish missions in California. In addition, Dr. Tim Gray explores the story of St. Serra who lived his whole life as a "song to Our Lady." Join us on either **Wednesday, January 19 at 9:30 AM** or **Thursday, January 20 at 7 PM** in the Tovet Room. (*Approximately 1 hour*)

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP

Weekend Collection for December 25 & 26 was	\$5,387.00
Mortgage & Expansion for December 1-26 was	13,900.00
Weekend Collection for January 1 & 2 was	\$10,691.00
Weekly Average since July 1, 2021 is	7,242.68
Mortgage & Expansion for January 1 & 2 was	1,755.00
Monthly Mortgage Payment is	6,000.00
Christmas	7,822.00
Mary, Mother of God (New Year's)	947.00

FROM THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

*The voice of the Lord is over the waters,
the Lord, over vast waters. The God of Glory thunders,
and in His temple all say, "Glory!" (Ps 29:3, 9)*

Fr. David and the Finance Committee thank you for your thunderous praise as we all sing, Glory, Glory to God in the Highest! May He bless you for your generosity!

"Remember, God will not be outdone in generosity!"



If you have already signed up to give online, thank you!

If not, please consider signing up today.

- 1** Go to: www.stfrancisbelchertown.com, then click "Online Giving."
- 2** Select the collection of your choice.
- 3** Set-up your donation or payment. *That's it!*

Questions? - ☎ The Parish Business Office 323-6272 x1

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The following people "purchased a brick" to support the building of our new parish complex:

BRIAN CORNER \$10 EACH

Loretta Lund - One Brick In Memory of Patrick Lund

Loretta Lund - One Brick In Memory of Brian Odiorne

Thank you for your support and please remind your friends that they, also, can "purchase a brick."

Rosaries to Spare

Thank You to all parishioners that have donated Rosaries. We have been able to repair several and we now have a backup supply for Fr. David & Dcn. John to share when they receive a rosary request.


A special Thank You goes out to the Parishioner who generously donated 24 new rosaries to give us a quick supply of rosaries to support this parish effort.

Please continue to donate any "extra rosaries" you have leaving them in the rosary donation basket. God Bless us all and enjoy your rosary prayer times.

If you wish to have a rosary repaired, place it in a ziplock bag along with your name and phone number. There is no charge for repairs. You will be contacted to discuss a repair plan.

For more information: ☎ Suz Kielbasa at 413-231-2983

*Note: Please do not remove rosaries from the donation basket.
Contact Fr. David or Dcn. John if you are in need of a rosary.*



FAITH & FELLOWSHIP

For Teens: Be Not Afraid - Follow Me!

All teens are invited to join us for discussion of our faith, with good food and a healthy serving of laughter. Lunch is provided at no cost. Our next gathering is Sunday, January 16, following the 10:30 AM Mass.



Join Gerri Amprimo, Patrick Hegarty, Fr. David and Dcn. John for a fun, faith-filled time.

Please call Gerri for food planning.

☎ Gerri Amprimo: 413-345-0439 or Pat Hegarty: 413-687-7870

Women of Grace



In January, we will take up a study of Pope John Paul II's encyclical "Evangelium Vitae." This program will span 8 weeks and a study guide is available. All women are welcome to join us.

Our next meeting is Tuesday, January 11.

Meetings are held on the 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 6:30-8:30 PM, in the Tovet Room.

☎ Rita Lee: 774-200-6464 or Anne Werbicki: 413-301-3409

Order of Franciscan Seculars

St. Francis' respect for the Holy Name: "Bring all the reverence and all the respect you ever can to bear on the most Holy Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ."



We invite you to join us in the Tovet Room on the 2nd Thursday of every month at 6 PM.

☎ Amy Moran, OFS: 323-0016 or Kathy Ricardi, OFS: 323-9023

Men of St. Joseph



Weekly meetings consist of Bible readings, reflection on those readings, and prayer. One of the readings is always the Gospel for the upcoming Sunday. Studying, discussing and applying the Gospel message is a great way to prepare for Sunday Mass and grow deeper in faith.

We meet every Wednesday from 7:30-8:30 PM in the office conference room.

✉ John Rakouskas at john5star@hotmail.com or Steve Corbin at gmsteve512@gmail.com

Knights of Columbus


St. Francis of Assisi Council 10698's information is available at: facebook.com/belchertownkofc stfrancisbelchertown.com/knights-of-columbus.



The KofC meet on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month.

✉ kofcbelchertown@gmail.com or ☎ PGK Tom Grady: 323-4036

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You will be sent a text. "Click" the link to complete the sign up.

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Both take you to a screen asking for your Name, Email & Phone #.
Then "click" - SIGN ME UP.
Then select the groups you want to hear from.

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Year of the Eucharist

"After the happiness of communicating: Rise modestly, return to your place, kneel down, and do not immediately take up your book or rosary. What good are the words of men when God is speaking? We must be like someone who is very curious and listens at the door. We must listen to all that the good God says at the door of our hearts." - *St. John Vianney, Eucharistic Meditations: 16th Meditation*

For information and videos visit: www.yearoftheeucharist.net

Adoration - Make a Holy Hour

Nowhere on earth are we more welcomed or loved than by Jesus in the Eucharist. When you look at the crucifix, you understand how much Jesus loved you. When you look at the Sacred Host you understand how much Jesus loves you now. This is why we need Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration in every Parish throughout the entire World. - *St. Teresa of Calcutta*



Number of Adorers Needed for Hours Below

Tuesday: 1-2 PM (1), 2-3 (1), & 4-5 PM (1)

**Thursday: 1-2 PM (1), 2-3 PM (1),
4-5 PM (1), & 5-6 PM (1)**

Schedule your hour:

☎ **Anne Werbicki 413-301-3409**

Become a regular adorer and see the fruits it bears.

☎ Anne Werbicki at 413-301-3409, Rita Lee at 774-200-6464, Celeste DaCosta at 413-323-7896 or Nancy Hastings at 413-636-6097

Tuesday 8:30 AM-6 PM (in main church), **6-8 PM** (in chapel)
& **Thursday 8:30 AM-Noon** (in main church)

For updates to hours or closings: Adoration Line at 323-6272 x6

CATHOLIC RESOURCES - Know the Faith

Lighthouse Catholic Media Kiosk

A wealth of topics are available to help you grow in your faith. Your donations of \$4 for CDs and \$5 for books allow us to maintain the kiosk with materials.

Formed.org - Suggested Program

Changed Forever: The Sacrament of Baptism (59 min. audio) - Fr. Mike Schmitz is one of the leading speakers to young people in the Church today. In this presentation, he explains how Christians truly become sons and daughters of God the Father for all eternity through the Sacrament of Baptism.

Be Not Afraid Family Hour - Learn the Catholic faith, pray together, and grow as a family with this 8-part video series. Each episode includes educational content from top Catholic speakers, inspirational stories from real Catholic families, a meditative Rosary, and practical challenges to help you apply the faith at home.



Go to FORMED.org.
Enter Parish Code: **42CFV7**.
Access life changing content!

MICHAEL SWEENEY PRAYER LINE



Please pray for all of the intentions listed on our prayer line, for the sick and dying, the imprisoned and all those in need of spiritual, emotional, physical and/or financial support and healing. Especially please pray:

- ◆ For T. C., for strength, comfort and relief of pain as she goes into hospice.
- ◆ For a woman, for successful chemo for recurring cancer.
- ◆ For J. S., for successful surgery and complete healing.
- ◆ For Robert, for healing after open heart surgery.
- ◆ For Patty, for successful treatment and continued healing.
- ◆ For a woman, for relief of sciatic pain.
- ◆ For respect for all human life.
- ◆ For all of our retired priests.
- ◆ For an increase in vocations.
- ◆ In thanksgiving for all God's graces and answers to the requests of the prayer line.
- ◆ In thanksgiving for the life of Thérèse Couture. Please pray for the repose of her soul and for her family and friends in their bereavement.

To have the prayer line members pray for you or a love one:

☎ Office: 323-6272 x1 or ✉ francisatbtown@gmail.com;
or, visit www.stfrancisbelchertown.com,
click *Liturgy and Prayer*, then *Prayer*.

PRO-LIFE - Because Life is Sacred

Join Us to Stand Up for the "Right to Life"

On Wednesday, January 19, area pro-lifers from Pro-Life of Pioneer Valley and the Diocese of Springfield will hold a March for Life. The March activities will include: Mass at 10 AM at St. Michael's Cathedral, 260 State Street, Springfield; a walk for life to immediately follow the Mass (*approx. 11 AM*); and lunch served in the Bishop Marshall Center. For those who are unable to walk, a pro-life rosary will immediately follow the Mass. This march is in solidarity with the National March for Life held each year in Washington, D.C.

✉ prolifepioneervalley@gmail.com

"March for Life" in D.C.

Join the Pioneer Valley Massachusetts Citizens for Life for the annual "March for Life" in Washington, D.C. Buses will head down on the night of Thursday, January 20, 2022.

☎ Peggy at 413-583-5034 or

✉ pbradford@massachusettscitizensforlife.org

Pray for Dobbs

Our St. Francis Pro-Life team is asking everyone to pray the rosary for the Dobbs case being presented before the US Supreme Court since December 1, as well as for the Texas Heartbeat Law that is being challenged. This is a huge moment because it could be the beginning of the dismantling of the *Roe v. Wade* ruling.

Each week, drop into the tally box, a note with the number of Rosaries you and your family have prayed.

☎ Rita Lee at 774-200-6464,

Donna Laviolette at 413-668-5014, or Sue Dexter at 413-687-2911



Clarity and Support for Pregnant Women

Visit: <https://clearwayclinic.com>

Call: 413-351-0070 or Text: 774-314-8298

1259 E. Columbus Avenue, Springfield, MA 01105

Christmas Flowers Donated In Memory/Honor of:

- M/M Richard Ablicki:** Jeanne & Eugene Tardif, Leopold Ablicki, Neil Croteau
- M/M Frank Adams:** Deceased members of the Adams & Crowley families
- M/M Allan Beauregard:** Fred Seklecki, Muriel Beauregard
- M/M Mark Belanger:** Robert St. Laurent, Audrey & Raymond Belanger
- M/M James Bell:** Vito & Loretta Bell, Annunziato & Rose Sculli, Vito Bell, Jr., Rev. Vincent O'Connor
- Mrs. Jeanine Berger:** Rene Berger
- Mrs. Eileen Boisvere:** Thomas, Eddy & Emily Lepine; Henry & Irene Boisvere
- Mr. James Boyko:** Lena Boyko
- Mrs. Mary Brigham:** Robert Brigham, Ann Gaine
- M/M Christopher Browne:** Deceased members of the Browne & Cameron families
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- Mrs. Rita Campbell:** Norman, Charlotte & Mary Marlowe
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- Mrs. Barbara Campeau:** Deceased members of the Campeau & Desforges families
- Mrs. Joann Champagne:** Eileen & James Santillo, Ellen & Paul Champagne
- Ms. Elizabeth Champigny:** Christine Koziol
- M/M John Collins:** Patricia R. Brown, Mgrs. John Gilmartin, Kathryn S. Riordan
- M/M Michael Collins:** Robert & Gloria Scully; Richard Rivest; Cassidy, Becky, Patches, Scruffy & Brady
- M/M Donald Como:** Laurie Ann, Helen & Geo Como, Laura & Leo Degon, Como & O'Shea families, Art F. & Bill G.
- Mrs. Claire Connors:** Thomas J. & Craig R. Connors
- Mrs. Denise Cote:** M/M Grondin, M/M Cote, M/M Yvon Cote, Real Cote
- M/M Therese Couture:** Raymond, Richard & Diane Couture
- M/M Gilbert DaCosta:** Maria, Antonio & Michael DaCosta; Rita, Robert & Mary Louise Hall
- Mrs. Martha Dehahn:** Waikno Nurmi
- M/M Francesco Dell'Olio:** M/M Benedetto Dell'Olio, M/M Warren D. Horne, Mr. Mauro Orlandini, Mr. Charles J. Herlihy, Jr. & Mr. Charles J. Herlihy, Sr.
- Mrs. Patricia Deren:** Michael Deren; Stanley & Lucy Rys; Edward & Helen Deren, Mary McElway, Rose Bliss
- Mrs. Jeannette Desilets:** A. Gerard Desilets, our parents, friends & families
- M/M Robert Dewhurst:** Joseph & Rita Czaplá; Al & Eleanor Dewhurst; Judy Cole
- Mr. George Disque:** Dolores Disque
- M/M Francis Donovan:** M/M Fred J. Donovan, M/M John Smith
- Mrs. Anna Donovan:** Robert J., David & Bertha Donovan, Anna, Leon & Leon, Jr. Antonovitch, Josephine & Edmund Trombley

Christmas Flowers Donated In Memory/Honor of:

- Mrs. Sandra Dube:** Norman Dube
- Mrs. Georgette Dupont:** Deceased members of the Dupont & Descoteaux families, Georgette Dupont
- Mrs. Brooke Ernest:** Deceased members of the Warner, Ernest & Miller families
- M/M Joseph Fedora:** Deceased members of the Fedora & Lewis families
- M/M Arthur Fish:** Linda & Art Fish, Hubert & Patricia Rees
- Rita Fleury:** Reggie & Anita Fleury, Fern & Jeanne Fillion, Mickey & Doris Ellithorpe, Fr. Vern Decoteau, Edward Nadle, Sr.
- Mrs. Mary Folliard:** Samuel, Kathleen & John Folliard, Sr., John & Nancy Geiger
- M/M Raymond Fontaine:** Ray Fontaine, Sr., Lena & Lorraine Bourk, Jim Lambert
- M/M Michael Forgue, Sr.:** Edna & Ellsworth Forgue
- Mrs. Pricilla Fortin:** The deceased members of the Fortin & Kauchalacos families
- M/M David Fredenburgh:** Hannah Fredenburgh, Richard Boyko, Fr. Vernon Decoteau, Albert Brighenti, Sr., Marilyn Lawrence
- Mrs. Barbara Frigon:** Arthur Frigon, Gwen Fantom
- M/M John Fuller:** Margaret, John & Hazel Fuller, Bruce Walton
- M/M David Garrison:** The deceased members of the Gosselin, Garrison, Corriveau & Beauchemin families
- M/M Thomas Grady:** Lawrence H. Grady, Donald Danek, John Donovan, Geraldine DePreto
- Mrs. Lorraine Guilbault:** Guy R. Guilbault
- Ms. Sarah Guillote:** M/M Joseph Gariepy, Paul & Lorraine Guillotte
- M/M Donald Houle:** Mary, Stanley Hentnick Sr., Peter Hentnick, Sr., Katherine & Alcide Houle, Sr.
- M/M Michael Hurst:** George & Ruth Hurst, Theresa Roy, Tricia, Jerry & Betty Campion
- M/M Dale Johnson:** Frank & Rachel Johnson, Armand, Claire, David, Clement & Delia Cormier, Dora Payette
- M/M Samuel Joyal:** Romeo & Blanche Joyal, Edward & Maria Swanson and families
- Ms. Yvonne Keniston:** Ruth A. Daniele, Mabel Mayotte, Wayne S. Keniston, Sr. Betty Broughan
- M/M James Knittel:** Paul & Dorothy Gawron, Richard & Lorraine Knittel
- Mr. Leonard LaBarre:** Lucille & M/M Aimee LaBarre, M/M Denis Martin
- M/M Michael Laviolette:** Ron & Edith Graham; Jewel Kumpulanian, Alice Piechota, Carolin Knapton
- M/M Robert Lewis:** Philip & Beverly Lewis
- M/M Stanley Libucha:** John, Sr. & Mary Lisowski, John Lisowski, Jr., Charles Malek, Jr., Chester Libucha, Jon & Elzbeta Rys
- Ms. Roberta Lojko:** M/M W. P. Lojko, M/M John Lojko, M/M Rosario St. George
- Mrs. Loretta Lund:** Brian Odiorne, George & Gertrude Opalenik, Francis "Pat," Jean & John Lund



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- M/M Bernard Mathieu, Sr.:** M/M Ernest Mathieu, M/M Charles Weinberger
- Ms. Carole Matott:** Jack Matott, Tony, Eva, Lucia, & Albert Moccio, John & Debbie Arooth, Leonard & Dorothy Belille
- Ms. Amy Marie Moran:** M/M Andrew Moran
- M/M Wesley Nowak:** Emil Nowak, Lester, Janina & Stanley Olearczyk
- M/M Michael O'Connor:** Keith O'Connor, O'Connor & Rioux parents
- Barbara Ogonowski:** Deceased family members
- M/M Donald Perron:** Edward Perron, deceased members of Wysocki & Mosca families
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