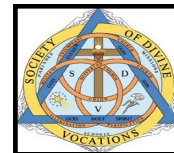




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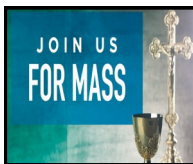
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Welcome to Mater Dei Parish!



MATER DEI MASS SCHEDULE WEEKDAY MASSES

ST. MARY'S: MONDAY – FRIDAY
AT 9:00 AM IN CHURCH &
4:00 PM IN THE CHAPEL AND ON
SATURDAY MORNINGS AT 9:00 AM IN CHURCH
ST. EDWARD'S: WEDNESDAY AT 5:30 PM
ST. JAMES: FRIDAY AT 11:00 AM



WEEKEND MASSES

SATURDAY: 4:00 PM @ ST. MARY'S
4:00 PM @ TROY
SUNDAY: 8:30 AM @ ST. EDWARD'S
9:30 AM & 11:00 AM @ ST. MARY'S
10:30 AM @ ST. JAMES

Thank You for Your Generosity to our Mater Dei Parish Churches

Week of November 7, 2021

Envelopes: \$ 6,392.00
Loose: \$ 2,506.00
Online: \$ 426.00
TOTAL: \$ 9,324.00

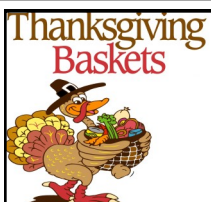


Repairs & Maintenance: \$ 1,178.00
Priest's Retirement: \$ 444.00
All Saints Day: \$ 535.00
All Souls: \$ 936.00
Budget: \$10,756.00
Surplus/Deficit: \$ -1,432.00

There is a special collection this **Fuel**.
Please be as generous as possible.

Happy Thanksgiving!

Mater Dei Parish will be preparing Thanksgiving Food Baskets again this year for those who need help with food for Thanksgiving dinner.



Both monetary and food donations will be gratefully accepted. Baskets with a Thanksgiving card will be at each church for monetary donations. Money collected will be used only for food items for the Thanksgiving baskets. The cost for one food basket this year is estimated at \$45. Whether you are able to sponsor the entire cost of a basket or only a portion of it, please place your monetary donations in these baskets.

If you prefer to donate food, boxes for food donations will also be placed at the entrances of each of our churches. We are looking for the following food items:

Turkeys	Bottles of juices
Boxes of pasta	Boxes or bags of potatoes
Boxes of stuffing	Jars of gravy
Cans of fruit	Cans of cranberry sauce
Cans of vegetables	Jars/Cans of applesauce
Cans of pie filling	Pie crust mix/brownie mix

Thank you for your generosity.

The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord let his face shine upon you and be gracious to you; the Lord look upon you kindly and give you peace.
[Numbers 6:24-26]



Eternal Word

There will be great distress on earth and signs in heaven on the day of the return of the Son of Man. The whole universe will be involved in the return of Jesus. All eyes shall see His return. This will be the clear announcement that God is the Creator and He is going to take possession of all that He has made. It can be a terrifying moment to acknowledge God as the Creator for those who treated this world and its things as their own and did not honor the Creator. But the angels will gather the elect who prayed, shared, and who are holy, humble and compassionate, and carry them to the home of the Heavenly Father.

The elect that Jesus speaks of are the people who are aware of the passing nature of this world. They know how to deal with the things of this passing world and to live in a world that is not permanent. They have the inner light to hold onto what is eternal. The Word is the treasure that will never pass away. His Word, spoken to us in love, lives forever, and is the Light of Life that accompanies us always. The Word of God enlightens us not to think like the world, but to think the thoughts of God. Those who keep this Word in their hearts will never be overcome by the darkness that overwhelms the day of the Son of Man.



Confessions at St. Edward's

Confessions will now be available at St. Edward's on Sunday mornings at 8:00 am prior to the 8:30 Mass and on Wednesdays for 30 minutes before 5:30 Mass.

WELCOME
Home

New to Mater Dei Parish? **WELCOME!!** We invite you to register with the parish. Registration forms are available at each of our parish churches or at the parish office.



When the end time comes, those who are wise and those who work for justice will shine forever! Dedicate your life to furthering the reign of God. If you think God is calling you to be a priest, deacon, sister or brother, visit **vocations@vermontcatholic.org** or contact Fr. James Dodson, Director of Vocations, at **(802) 658-6110, X 2275**.

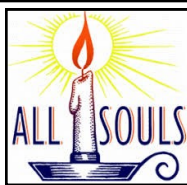
Calling all Singers!

Choir Rehearsals for St. Mary's 7:00 pm Christmas Eve Mass continues this **Tuesday**,

November 16th at 6:30 pm in St. Mary's Church.

New singers are always welcome!

Please call Choir Director Diane Laramie at **(802) 334-2893** for more information.



We Pray for Our Departed Loved Ones During November

Don't forget to return your envelopes with the names of loved ones you would like us to remember during November. The names are placed on the altars of our churches and prayed for throughout the month.

WHITE ELEPHANT DONATIONS NEEDED!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
GIBBONS COUNCIL #2285
IS HOSTING A *COOKIES & SHOPPING WITH SANTA* EVENT
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 4TH
1:00 PM - 4:00 PM
ST. EDWARD'S PARISH HALL



CHILDREN WILL BE INVITED TO SHOP FOR CHRISTMAS GIFTS FOR FAMILY MEMBERS. DONATIONS OF NEW OR LIKE-NEW HOUSEHOLD ITEMS SUCH AS CANDLES, NECKTIES, COOKBOOKS, MUGS, ETC. FOR THE "SHOPPING MALL" WOULD BE GREATLY APPRECIATED. MARKED BOXES WILL BE LOCATED AT ALL OUR PARISH CHURCHES FOR YOUR DONATIONS. THANK YOU FOR HELPING TO CREATE A SPECIAL EVENT FOR OUR CHILDREN.



*St. Mary's Tabernacle Light burns this week in loving memory of † **Theresa Brunelle**.*

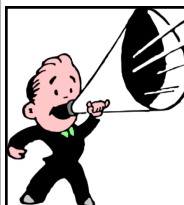
*Please pray for the repose of the soul of † **Thomas Perrino** and for his grieving family.*



VOCATIONIST'S CORNER CONGRATULATIONS TO THE VOCATIONIST FAMILY!



The Canonization of Blessed Father Justin Russolillo has been scheduled for May 15, 2022.



CALLING ALL ST. EDWARD'S PARISHIONERS

ST. EDWARD'S MONTHLY MEETING WILL BE **MONDAY, NOVEMBER 22ND** AT 6:00 PM AT **ST. EDWARD'S PARISH HALL**.

JOIN US TO LEARN ABOUT UPCOMING SPECIAL LITURGIES AND EVENTS.

ST JAMES MONTHLY COORDINATORS MEETING

St. James held their informational meeting on Thursday, November 4th.



- † St. James' campaign to raise \$150,000 for essential building maintenance and parking issues continues. To date, they have received \$46,849 in cash donations and \$11,000 in pledges for a total of \$57,849.
- † The parish hall roof has been replaced at a cost of \$8,300.
- † St. James Church building has 24 storm windows that need to be replaced. Anita obtained a quote of \$47,000 from Portland Glass to replace them. Repair and painting of the casements will be an additional expense.
- † John Carbonneau compiled and published a history of St. James Parish covering the years 1871 to 1971: the "blue book". A committee is being organized to compile a second volume covering the history of St. James from 1971 to 2021. We are looking for volunteers to help with this task.
- † The church sound system is not functioning adequately. Jocelyne volunteered to seek recommendations and quotes for a replacement system.
- † **Everyone present at the meeting unanimously agreed to cancel the Hunters Supper because of the surge of COVID infections in the area.**
- † Volunteers are needed on Saturday, December 10th at 9:00 am to begin decorating the church for the Christmas season.
- † Two ideas were suggested with the hope of involving more people in church activities:
 - Provide at least a portion of the Religious Education Program for children locally.
 - Provide more social activities to give church members more opportunities to gather together for social activities.