



Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
02/26/2022 - 03/06/2022
Welcome to Mater Dei Parish!



MATER DEI MASS SCHEDULE
WEEKDAY MASSES

ST. MARY'S: MONDAY – FRIDAY'S
 AT 9:00 AM IN CHURCH & 4:00 PM IN
 THE CHAPEL AND AT 9:00 AM ON
 SATURDAY MORNINGS 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 February 14, 2022

Envelopes:	\$ 4,003.00
Loose:	\$ 1,782.00
Online:	\$ 544.00
TOTAL:	\$ 6,329.00
Catholic Formation:	\$ 1,856.50
Weekly Budget:	\$10,439.00
Deficit/Surplus:	\$ -4,110.00

There is a special collection this weekend for Insurance.
 Please be as generous as possible.

Ash Wednesday is March 2nd
Fast & Abstinence Requirements for Lent



Ash Wednesday & Good Friday
 are days of **Fast & Abstinence**.

Abstinence means that all Catholics
 over the age of 14 are required to
 abstain from eating meat.

Fasting means that Catholics
 between the ages of 18 and 59 are
 permitted to eat one full meal and two smaller
 meals that do not equal the full meal.

Fasting also means that Catholics should not
 eat between meals on Ash Wednesday and
 Good Friday.

Catholics who are ill or suffering from disease
are excused from fasting & abstinence
requirements.

The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops also
 strongly encourages other forms of penance
 such as fasting or abstinence on other days
 during Lent, and especially increased scripture
 reading, attendance at daily Mass, and
 performing works of charity.

LENTEN TIPS #1 & #2

#1 COMMIT YOURSELF TO
 ATTENDING DAILY MASS ONCE
 OR TWICE A WEEK DURING
 LENT.

#2 SET ASIDE 20 MINUTES EACH
 DAY TO READ THE BIBLE

YOUR REWARD WILL BE GREAT!
 WITH PRAYERS AND BLESSINGS,



Fr. Rijo

SACRED HEART ALUMNI ASSOCIATION
OFFERING SCHOLARSHIPS

The Sacred Heart Alumni Association has funding
 available for scholarships for those students
 entering college this fall. Eligible students are those
 graduating from Lake Region, NCUHS, UCA or
 home-schoolers. In order to qualify, applicants must
 have attended, or his/her parent or grandparent
 must have attended Sacred Heart School or High
 School. They also need to show financial need. For
 an application form, instructions and criteria, contact
 Sacred Heart Alumni Association at:

P.O. Box 394, Derby Line, VT 05830
 or email shalumninewportvt@gmail.com

ST. PAUL'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL
ANNUAL FISH FRY
March 4th, 11th, 18th, & 25th
Take-Out Dinners



Pre-orders for the March 4th meal
MUST BE received by NOON on February 25th for
 pickup at St. Paul's School between
 2:30 pm - 3:00 pm or 4:30 pm - 5:00 pm

Call (802) 525-5500 or (802) 525-3711
 to reserve your meal.

Menu includes golden battered haddock, baked
 potato, coleslaw, rolls and dessert

Prices: \$15 for adults; \$10 for children

ASHES FOR THE HOMEBOUND

If you are homebound or unable
 to attend Mass and would like to
 receive ashes in your home, please
 call the parish office at (802) 334-5066 to
 schedule a time for either Tuesday, March 1st
 or Thursday, March 3rd.

Please call as soon as possible.



"Shine like lights in the world as you hold onto the Word of Life."



Are you being called to shine your light in the world and belong to Christ alone as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? If you think you are being called to consider a vocation in religious life, contact Fr. James Dodson, Director of Vocations, at (802) 658-6110, X 2275, or visit vocations@vermontcatholic.org.

ASH WEDNESDAY IS MARCH 2ND!

WE ARE LOOKING FOR PALMS TO BURN FOR ASHES TO USE ON ASH WEDNESDAY.

PLEASE BRING YOUR PALMS TO MASS WITH YOU OR TO THE PARISH OFFICE BY **FEBRUARY 27TH**.

BOXES WILL BE AVAILABLE AT EACH OF OUR CHURCHES FOR YOUR PALMS.



Adoration at St. Mary's

Beginning Wednesday, March 9th, St. Mary's will be hosting Adoration on each Wednesday from 9:30 am until Benediction at 3:30 pm.

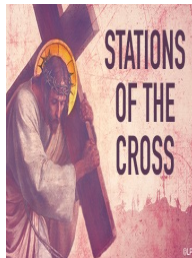
Plan to come to reflect on your many blessings and to thank God for His infinite mercy and compassion.

LENTEN STATIONS OF THE CROSS SCHEDULE

St. Edward's: Fridays at 6:00 pm after 5:30 pm Mass

St. James: Fridays at 10:30 am before 11:00 am Mass

St. Mary's: Fridays at 5:30 pm
4:00 pm Mass will be followed by soup in the Rectory until Stations begin at 5:30 in Church.



CALLING ALL ST. EDWARD'S PARISHIONERS

St. Edward's monthly informational meeting will be on **Monday, February 28th** at 6:00 pm at St. Edward's.

This is a "listening session" to focus on St. Edward's needs. Please come and share your concerns.

St. Mary's Tabernacle Light
burns this week in loving memory of
† Diane Laplume



VOCATIONIST'S CORNER

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE VOCATIONIST FAMILY!

The canonization of Blessed Father Justin Russolillo
Apostle of Vocations
has been scheduled for May 15, 2022
at St. Peter's Basilica in Rome
Oh my God and my All!

A message from the Food Shelf

We are all asked to fast, pray and give alms during our Lenten journey.

Each week during Lent, the Mater Dei Food Shelf will be requesting donations as part of our parish Almsgiving. Each week we will publish suggested items to donate.

Donations can be placed in Food Shelf bins located in the back of each of our churches.

This week we are looking for:

Fruit **Instant Milk**
Cereal **Chicken or Beef Broth**

The Food Shelf could also use large sturdy paper bags and large plastic grocery bags.

Thank you in advance for your generosity.



ASH WEDNESDAY ALMSGIVING COLLECTION

There will be a special collection on Ash Wednesday to support Vermont Catholic Charities. This agency provides financial and emotional support to individuals and families throughout Vermont with programs such as Counseling, Emergency Aid, Prison Ministry and Residential Care Homes, including our own Michaud Manor in Derby Line.

Donations can also be made through the diocesan website at <https://www.vermontcatholic.org/ministries-programs/catholic-charities/ash-wednesday-appeal/> or by mailing a check to Vermont Catholic Charities at 55 Joy Drive, South Burlington, VT 05403

Please know that every gift-whatever the size-makes a difference.

Thank you for your generosity.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of
† Deacon Christopher Keough
and for his grieving family.



JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH