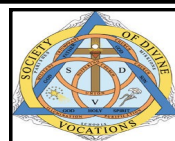




## Sixth Sunday of Easter 05/13/2023 - 05/21/2023

*Welcome to Mater Dei Parish! Happy Mother's Day!*



### MATER DEI MASS SCHEDULE WEEKDAY MASSES

MON – SAT: 9:00 AM @ ST. MARY'S  
MON & FRI: 5:30 PM @ ST. EDWARD'S  
FRIDAY: 11:00 AM @ ST. JAMES

### "SUNDAY" MASSES

SATURDAY: 4:00 PM @ ST. MARY'S  
4:00 PM @ SACRED HEART OF JESUS  
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

*April 30, 2023*

Envelopes:	\$ 4,224.00
Loose:	\$ 4,904.00
eCatholic:	\$ 574.00
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$ 9,702.00</b>



THANK YOU  
FOR YOUR  
GENEROUS  
SUPPORT!

Mother's Day: \$ 1,110.00  
Weekly Budget Expenses  
(5 year basis): \$ 10,756.00  
Deficit/Surplus: \$ - 1,054.00



### FEAST OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

The Feast of the Ascension of the Lord is **Thursday, May 18th** and is a Holy Day of Obligation.

Mater Dei Parish Holy Day Masses:

St. Mary's: Vigil Mass on

Wednesday, May 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm

Thursday, May 18<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am

St. Edward's: 5:30 pm on Thursday, May 18<sup>th</sup>.

St. James: 5:30 pm on Thursday, May 18<sup>th</sup>.

"God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord." (Psalm 42: 6-7)

### Become a Knight & Give Glory to God

Any man, age 18 or older, is invited to join the Knights of Columbus.

An opportunity to receive the degrees of charity, unity, and fraternity will take place on **Sunday, May 21st** at St. Edward's Parish Hall beginning at 2:00 pm.



Spouses and family members are welcome to attend. Food will be served following the installation ceremony.

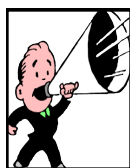
### PRAYER FOR MOTHERS

*Where would we be without our mother's love? Lord, bless our mothers with wisdom to teach and guide their children in a way that will help them to follow You and to become men and women pleasing in Your sight.*

*Give all mothers the patience to deal with the difficulties of their job, and most of all, give them a special blessing for caring so lovingly for the children You have given them to raise.*



### CALLING ALL ST. JAMES PARISHIONERS



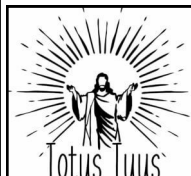
ST. JAMES' PARISHIONERS ARE URGED TO ATTEND THEIR MONTHLY INFORMATIONAL MEETING ON **MONDAY, MAY 15TH AT 5:00 PM IN ST. JAMES PARISH CENTER.**

PLEASE PLAN TO JOIN US.!

*With sincere sympathy...*  
*Please pray for the repose of the souls of † Lawrence Levielle and † Anita Lamothe Salmon and for their grieving families.*



### TOTUS TUUS IS COMING IN JULY



Totus Tuus will be coming to Mater Dei Parish this summer!

**July 16 — 21, 2023**

Write it on your calendars! Plan to attend; come and spend a week with old friends and make new ones!

Totus Tuus is an energetic and fun Catholic youth program dedicated to sharing the Gospel and promoting the Catholic faith through evangelization, catechesis, Christian witness, and Eucharistic witness.

**Grade School Program:** 9:00 am — 3:00 pm

Monday, July 17<sup>th</sup> — Friday, July 21<sup>st</sup>

St. Edward's Parish Hall

**High School Program:**

Sunday, July 16<sup>th</sup> — Thursday, July 20<sup>th</sup>

St. Edward the Confessor

The Knights of Columbus 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Assembly and the K of C Councils from Newport, Orleans and Troy generously cover the cost of all Totus Tuus registrations.

Registration forms are available at all our parish churches and at the parish office.



## VOCATIONIST CORNER

*Please keep Fr. Rijo in your prayers this week while he is on retreat.*

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR  
ST. MARY AND ST. EDWARD  
YOUTH WHO RECEIVED THEIR  
FIRST HOLY COMMUNION  
ON SATURDAY, MAY 6<sup>TH</sup> AT  
ST. MARY STAR OF THE SEA



*Nicholas LaPlume*

*Mira Leblanc*

*Ariah Nagle*

Lord Jesus, bless these children who came forward to receive You for the first time in Holy Communion. Thank You for their goodness and innocence. May their First Holy Communion be a step toward a life-long love of the Eucharist. Give them a hunger for this sacred food so they will turn to You for comfort, guidance and wisdom as they continue to grow in their faith. May their hands, extended in anticipation of receiving Your body and blood, inspire all of us to cherish this sacred Sacrament. Amen.



### MAY IS FOR MOTHERS

Please fill out your Mother's Day envelopes with the name[s] of your mother, grandmother, or mother-figure in your life that you would like to honor or remember during May and place them in the collection basket.

The names will be placed on the Altars of our churches and prayed for throughout the month. Those without envelopes are encouraged to write the names of your loved one[s] on a plain envelope.

Any donation you would like to make in honor of your mother would be greatly appreciated.

### MASS TIME CHANGE AT ST. EDWARD'S ON MAY 15<sup>th</sup>

Monday's Mass at St. Edward's will be at 4:15 pm instead of 5:30 this week to include our Faith Formation students.

Family members of our students are especially invited to attend with their children. All are welcome!



### REV. FRANCIS E. CONNORS

Fr. Francis Connors will be celebrating the 50th Anniversary of his Ordination to the Priesthood on June 2<sup>nd</sup>.



Fr. Connors served the parishioners of St. James from 1981 to 1986 and again from 2008 - 2012.

He is residing in a nursing home in Winooski and would enjoy receiving cards or notes with family pictures from his former parishioners. Please send your cards to:

Fr. Francis Connors  
Our Lady of Providence Residential Care  
47 W. Spring Street  
Winooski, VT 05404

Congratulations to Fr. Connors and thank you for remembering him on his special anniversary.

### VIRGINIA HOLBROOK SCHOLARSHIPS



Mater Dei Parish is once again offering scholarships to parishioners who will be graduating from UCA, North Country, or Lake Region in 2023.

The student, a parent, or a grandparent must be a member of Mater Dei Parish to be eligible to receive a scholarship.

Please contact Reynold at the parish office at (802) 487-9039 for more information if you are interested in applying.

### MATER DEI PARISH 50/50 RAFFLE



It's time to buy your Mater Dei Parish 50/50 raffle tickets!

Tickets are \$50 each or 3 for \$100.

*Buy two tickets and get the third one FREE!*

There will be a total of 30 cash prize winners!

Tickets may be purchased at the Parish Office in Derby Line or after weekend Masses at all our parish churches. Armand will be selling tickets at the entrance to the parish hall in Derby Line after 8:30 Mass. Tickets will be available after each Mass in the rectory garage at St. Mary's and at the church entrance at St. James after the 10:30 am Mass.

Winning tickets will be drawn at our annual Mater Dei Parish Picnic on August 20, 2023 when we will continue to celebrate Fr. Leo Bilodeau's 50 years of priesthood.

Last year's raffle netted **\$49,000!** Let's increase ticket sales and prize money even more this year!



*St. James' Tabernacle Light  
burns this week in loving memory  
of † Ghislain Fauteux.*