



Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

07/22/2023 - 07/30/2023

Welcome to Mater Dei Parish!



MATER DEI MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKDAY MASSES

MON – FRI: 9:00 AM & 4:00 PM @
ST. MARY'S
MON & FRI: 5:30 PM @ ST. EDWARD'S
FRIDAY: 11:00 AM @ ST. JAMES
SATURDAY: 9:00 AM @ ST. MARY'S

"SUNDAY" MASSES

SATURDAY: 4:00 PM @ ST. MARY'S
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

July 16, 2023

Envelopes: \$ 4,168.00
Loose: \$ 3,437.00
eCatholic: \$ 348.00
TOTAL: \$ 7,953.00



Insurance: \$ 2,944.00
Weekly Budget Expenses
(5 year basis): \$10,756.00
Deficit/Surplus: \$ -2,803.00

There is a special collection this weekend for **Catholic Faith Formation**. All money collected remains in our parish to support Mater Dei's Catholic Education program.

There will be a special collection next weekend,
July 29th & 30th, for Vermont Disaster Flood Relief.

Please be as generous as possible.



DERBY LINE OFFICE HOURS FOR FR. JIM & FR. TOM

FR. JIM is available at the Parish
Office in Derby Line **Monday
through Thursday** from

9:30 am — 1:00 pm. Stop in at

the office to see Fr. Jim, or call him at (802) 624-4973 to make an appointment. Fr Jim looks forward to meeting his Mater Dei parishioners and getting to know us.

FR. TOM is available at the Parish Office in Derby Line **Monday through Wednesday** and on **Fridays** from 9:30 am — 1:00 pm. Stop in at the office to see Fr. Tom, or call him at (802) 624-4103 to make an appointment.

The Derby Line Parish Office is open **Monday through Thursday from 9:00 am—4:00 pm** and on **Fridays from 9:00 am—Noon**. Please call us at

GRACES OF THE KINGDOM: 2023

The Diocese of Burlington is hosting a morning of reflection and rejuvenation called "**Graces of the Kingdom**" at **St. Monica's Catholic Church in Barre on August 26, 2023**



The event is from **8:00 am — 1:00 pm** and will include Holy Mass, a light breakfast, keynote speakers, breakout sessions, lunch and gifts! Topics include Theology of the Body, an Instructor's Guide to Circle of Grace & Student Safe Environment Training, Eucharistic Revival in the Classroom, and Classroom Management in Challenging Circumstances. Catechists, parish volunteers and parents are encouraged to attend.

The registration fee is \$10.

Mater Dei Parish is planning to attend the session on August 26th. Please contact us at (802) 487-9881 if you would like to attend.

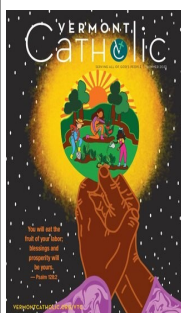
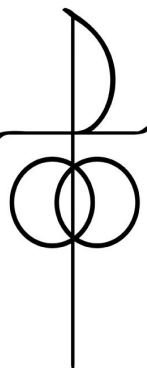
CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR MARRIAGE

DANIELE WARNER & ZACHARY JAMINET

WERE UNITED IN HOLY MATRIMONY ON

JULY 22, 2023 AT
ST. MARY STAR OF THE SEA

LORD, THANK YOU FOR BRINGING THIS COUPLE TOGETHER IN LOVE. AS THEY KNELT TOGETHER AND MADE VOWS TO EACH OTHER AND TO YOU, MAY YOU BE WITH THEM THROUGHOUT THEIR JOURNEY IN LIFE TOGETHER AS MAN AND WIFE. DIRECT AND GOVERN THEIR LIVES TOGETHER THAT THEY MAY BUILD EACH OTHER UP WITH KIND WORDS AND THOUGHTFUL ACTIONS. TEACH THEM TO LISTEN TO EACH OTHER, TO PRAY TOGETHER, AND TO RESPOND TO EACH OTHER WITH WISDOM, GRACE, LOVE, PATIENCE, AND JOY. AMEN.



VERMONT CATHOLIC MAGAZINE

Have you read the summer edition of the Vermont Catholic Magazine yet? Check out Fr. Benny's love of gardening in "More than a Hobby", Amy & Steve Wheeler's maple syrup business in "How Sweet It Is", and our old friend Fr. Paul's love of cooking in "Priest from India Feeds the Body, Nourishes the Soul". Great reading!

Lord, you are good
and forgiving.





MATER DEI 50/50 RAFFLE

Have you bought your 50/50 raffle tickets yet? Tickets are \$50 each or 3 for \$100. *Buy two tickets and get the third one FREE!*

30 ca\$h prizes will be awarded!

Tickets may be purchased at the Parish Office in Derby Line or after weekend Holy Masses at all our parish churches.

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.

Ticket sales this year have generated **\$8,450** so far. Don't miss out! You can't win if you don't buy a ticket!



VOCATIONIST CORNER

FATHER JIM WILL BE ON VACATION BEGINNING MONDAY, JULY 24TH UNTIL AUGUST 6TH. PLEASE PRAY THAT HE WILL HAVE A SAFE AND RESTFUL VACATION.

Thank You for the Barbecue!

Mater Dei Parish owes a big thank you to **Nancy & Bill Cook** for hosting the barbecue for our parish volunteers on July 15th! Thank you also to Brendon Perry and our Vocationist grill masters who were in charge of barbecuing.

Thank you to everyone who brought a salad or dessert to the festivities. They were all delicious! Finally, last but definitely not least, Mater Dei is grateful to all our volunteers who serve our parish throughout the year. The work that you do is essential to our parish.

We sincerely apologize if you are a volunteer and were not invited to the barbecue. Please call the Newport office at (802) 487-9881 to let us know so we can update our list.

May God continue to bless you all.



WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER IS COMING TO MATER DEI PARISH!



Mater Dei Parish is pleased to announce that Worldwide Marriage Encounter is coming to our parish the last weekend in August, beginning Friday evening, August 25th and ending Sunday afternoon, August 27th. Meals will be provided.

August 25 –27, 2023

St. Edward's Parish Hall

Worldwide Marriage Encounter is the largest faith-based marriage enrichment program aimed at helping husbands and wives improve their communication and be the best couple they can be.

Maybe your knight in shining armor is a little tarnished around the edges or the bloom is falling off the rose. Or maybe your marriage just experiences the normal ups and downs of married life.

Whatever your situation, the Marriage Encounter experience will give you tools to remain strong as a couple and continue to grow and thrive in your relationship.

For more information, contact Gary & Lynn Root at (802) 456-8114 or Claire Curtice at (512) 809-7389. Visit their website at <https://wwme.org> to register.

CALLING ALL BAKERS AND SALAD MAKERS!



Mater Dei Parish is looking for help and food donations for our annual Family Parish Picnic at St. Mary's on **August 20th**.

In addition to helping hands on the day of the picnic, we are looking for volunteers to make salads, baked beans, or to bring a dessert.

The parish is also looking to borrow:

coolers for drinks

1 or 2 gas grills to cook hot dogs & burgers

Please contact Maurice Brasseur at (802) 274-6134 if you are able to loan either of these items for the picnic.

For more information, please contact Gail Singer at (802) 873-3508. To donate a salad, call Carmen Comeau at (802) 334-7250. If desserts are your specialty, please contact Diane Laramie at (802) 334-2893.

Thank you in advance for your help!

IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS.....

Please keep St. Mary's retired organist, Nancy Goad in your prayers. She underwent surgery this past week in Hanover and needs our prayers.



St. Mary's Tabernacle Light burns this week in loving memory of
† Romuald Kuczek.

With sincere sympathy...

Please pray for the repose of the soul of † **Lawrence Fournier** and for his grieving family.

