

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time 09/02/2023 - 09/10/2023

Welcome to Mater Dei Parish!



Archbishop Coyne will celebrate his final Mass at St. Joseph's Cathedral 29 Allen Street Burlington, VT



on Sunday, September 24th at 10:00 am.

A public reception will follow from 12:00 — 3:00 pm at the Doubletree Hotel, 870 Williston Road, South Burlington, VT.
All are welcome to attend!



WHAT ARE PRESBYTERAL DAYS?

Our priests will be away this week on **September 5th, 6th & 7th** for their annual presbyteral days.

So what are presbyteral days? Presbyteral comes from the word "presbyter", a term that refers to a person who is a member of the governing body of a church. The Bishop of Burlington calls his priests together each year to consult with them about issues pertaining to the Diocese of Burlington and important to the spiritual welfare of Catholic Vermonters. Each diocese is required by canon law to have a council to discuss these important matters. All priests, both active and retired, are invited to attend Vermont's Presbyteral Days.

These meetings help to foster a stronger bond of fraternity among our priests, and promote communication, cooperation and collaboration between the bishops and his priests.

Presbyteral days also offer our priests an opportunity, probably their only opportunity during the year, to gather together as a brotherhood to relax, get to know each other better, and to exchange ideas.

This will be Bishop Coyne's final Presbyteral
Days with his Vermont priests as he prepares for
his new assignment as Archbishop of the
Hartford, CT Diocese next month.



50/50 Raffle Ticket Sales

Ticket sales for this year's 50/50 raffle generated \$25,100. The amount was incorrect in last weekend's bulletin.



Thank You for Your Generosity to our Mater Dei Parish Churches

August 27, 2023

Envelopes: \$ 4,137.00 Loose: \$ 2,489.00 eCatholic: \$ 530.00 TOTAL: \$ 7,156.00

VT Catholic Magazine: Weekly Budget Expenses

azine: **\$ 1,730.00** Expenses

(5 year basis): **\$10,756.00**

Deficit/Surplus: \$ -3,600.00



There is a second collection this weekend for **Repairs & Maintenance**. The parish paid \$15,925 for snow removal during FY 2022. This is only one payment supported by your Repairs & Maintenance donations. Please be as generous as possible.

CALLING ALL KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS!



All Knights of Columbus, whatever your Degree, are requested to meet on:

Thursday, September 7th at 6:30 pm St. Edward's Parish Hall 59 Elm Street, Derby Line

for a meet-n-greet informational meeting with the **Supreme Council Regional Growth Director**, **PSD William Chasse**.

Supreme Director Chasse will be flying in from Michigan to join us. Director Chasse would like to see 15+ members at this meeting.

The Knights' **State Deputy** and **State Membership Director** are also expected to be present at the meeting.

Please **RSVP** with George Piette at <u>georgepiette@gmail.com</u> or (802) 323-2470 **by September 5th** to ensure that enough food and drinks are available. Thank you for your participation.

2023 – 2024 FAITH FORMATION SCHOOL YEAR



Plans are underway for Faith Formation's new school year which will begin in October.

Faith Formation Classes will be held once a month.

St. Mary's and St. Edward's students will meet at the Parish Hall in Derby Line. St. James students will meet in Island Pond.

If you would like to help in any way, please call Mary at the parish office at (802) 624-4970.

Your help would be greatly appreciated.



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





K OF C ANCHOR AWARD

Please join the Burlington Knights of Columbus Council 279 in celebrating this year's Anchor Award recipient,

Msgr. Peter Routhier.

The Anchor Award is the Vermont State K of C's highest honor and recognizes an individual for their outstanding service and dedication to the Knights and the community at large.

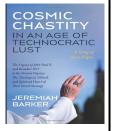
The award celebration will take place on: Saturday, October 7, 2023 at 6:30 pm at the Delta Hotel 1117 Williston Road, South Burlington, VT

Tickets are \$60 per person and include a reception and dinner. To learn more and reserve your tickets, please visit online at

httsp://forms.office.com/r/8uVxEB97XT or scan the QR code with your phone's camera. You may also email Dan St. Hilaire at dan@knowledgewave.com for additional information.

Cosmic Chastity...A Song of Three Popes

Written by Brother Jeremiah Barker, a consecrated religious brother of Madonna House Apostolate in Combermere, Ontario and the son of Fred and



Carol Ann Barker, this book is a well researched comparison of the writings of Popes John Paul II, Benedict XVI, and Francis which highlights the common social teachings of the three very different popes.

For anyone interested in a "readable" book about the three popes who have served the Catholic Church during most of our lifetimes, Song of Three Popes is available on Amazon.



St. Mary's Tabernacle Light burns this week in loving memory of: † Pauline Sinon.

VOCATIONIST CORNER

Important Dates in September:

<u>September 1st:</u> Fr. Paul's Birthday <u>September 7th:</u> 1st Anniversary of Fr. Charles Davignon's death

September 12th: Fr. Leo Bilodeau's Birthday September 15th: Fr. Dwight Baker's Birthday September 20th: 110th Anniversary of Saint Justin's Ordination to the Priesthood

September 25th: Fr. Firmino's Birthday

SAVE ST. MARY'S RECTORY CAMPAIGN

The fundraiser to repair St.

Mary's Rectory continues to go
very well! **\$48,000** in
donations have been received



plus the **\$20,000** in matching funds donated by the K of C, for a total of **\$68,000**!

The total cost of repairs is **\$77,000**, so your help is still needed. If you have not already donated to the campaign, please consider making a gift today. Make checks payable to Knights of Columbus 2285 and write "Rectory Repair" in the memo. Just place your gifts in the collection basket during Mass and write Rectory Repair on the envelope.

May God bless you for your generosity!



THANK YOU TO OUR MEAL ANGELS

FR. RIJO, FR. TOM & FR. JIM SINCERELY THANK ALL OUR GENEROUS PARISHIONERS WHO HAVE BEEN PREPARING AND PROVIDING MEALS SINCE VELA AND ERIC MOVED AWAY.

The parish is looking for a few more volunteers to ease the burden on these meal angels. If you are able to help, please call Ginette at St. Mary's Rectory at (802) 487-9881 to volunteer.

NO ADORATION AT ST. MARY'S THIS WEEK

There will be no adoration this week at St. Mary's on **Wednesday**, **September 6th** because our priests will be away for Presbyteral Days. Please return next week...Jesus is calling.



HAPPY LABOR DAY!

BE CLOSED THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 4TH TO CELEBRATE LABOR DAY.

With sincere sympathy....

Please pray for the repose of the soul of † Normand Auger and for his grieving family.

