



Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

11/11/2023 - 11/19/2023

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

November 5, 2023

Envelopes:	\$ 6,126.00
Loose:	\$ 2,791.00
eCatholic:	\$ 410.00
TOTAL:	\$ 9,327.00

Repairs & Maintenance:	\$ 2,275.00
All Saints:	\$ 1,262.00
All Souls:	\$ 646.00
Weekly Budget Expenses	
(5 year basis):	\$10,756.00
Deficit / Surplus:	\$- 1,429.00



There will be a special collection this weekend for **Fuel**.
Mater Dei's fuel cost for 2023/2024 is estimated at
\$63,180. Fuel collections for this fiscal year have totaled
\$8,465. Please be as generous as possible.

PRAYER FOR A NEW BISHOP

*Almighty God, Eternal Shepherd
and Guide, in Your love for us,
grant to the Diocese of Burlington a
shepherd who will lead us to be Christ's heart
of mercy, voice of hope, and hands of
justice. Help him to fill our minds and hearts
with the truth of the Gospel, the power of the
Sacraments, and the desire to build up Your
Holy Church. We ask You this through Christ
our Lord, Amen.*



PATRIOTIC ROSARY

We pray for our veterans during
the month of November. Please
join us at our parish churches
as we pray for all those who
have served to protect our country.

St. James will pray the Patriotic Rosary on
11/17 at 10:30 am before the 11:00 am Mass.

THANKSGIVING BASKETS



Mater Dei Parish is once again
spearheading the distribution of
Thanksgiving Food Baskets to our
less fortunate families who need
help this holiday season.

ITEMS NEEDED:

Turkeys	Pudding & Pie Filling
Pasta	Instant Potatoes
Stuffing Mix	Gravy Jars or Packets
Cranberry	Canned Fruits & Veggies
Juice	Applesauce
Pie Crusts	Brownie or Cookie Mix

Items must be dropped off at St. Mary's or
St. Edward's by Sunday, **November 19th**.

Boxes will be available at both churches for
your food donations.

The cost of a complete basket is estimated at
\$50. Monetary donations in any amount are
gladly accepted and greatly appreciated.

Please call the parish office at (802) 334-5066
with any questions.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

CATHOLIC FAITH FORMATION IN DERBY LINE

St. Mary's & St. Edwards
Catholic Faith Formation
students will meet next Sunday



November 19th from 9:30 am — Noon
and will include Holy Mass at 11:30 am.
Join us. It is still not too late to register!



K OF C EXEMPLIFICATION

THERE WILL BE A FIRST, SECOND, &
THIRD DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION FOR
ANY MEN WHO HAVE RECENTLY JOINED
OR WISH TO JOIN THE KNIGHT OF COLUMBUS ON:
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14TH AT 7:00 PM
IN ST. JOHNSBURY.

CARPPOOLING IS AVAILABLE. FAMILIES ARE
WELCOME TO ATTEND. THE CEREMONY WILL
LAST FOR LESS THAN AN HOUR.

PLEASE CONTACT GRAND KNIGHT MIKE COUTU
AT (802) 624-3824 FOR MORE INFORMATION OR
IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ATTEND.



St. James next Catholic Faith Formation class is **Tuesday, Nov. 14**
from 3:00—4:15 pm in the Parish Center.





THIRD ANNUAL TRUNK OR TREAT



K of C Council 2285 thanks everyone who supported their annual Trunk or Treat on October 28th. Record numbers of witches, princesses and superheroes turned out and the 1,400 individual treat bags were gone in 40 minutes! Everyone had loads of fun and enjoyed the homemade Mac & Cheese, hot dogs, cookies, and beverages. The number of Tootsie Rolls in the jar was 258. Sawyer and Makayla both guessed 250. They will split the Tootsie Rolls and each will receive a Wendy's gift card. Thank you for your continued support of the Knights of Columbus.

Thank You from the Young Apostles



The Young Apostles would like to sincerely thank our Mater Dei parishioners for the wonderful turnout at our Charity Breakfast & Bake Sale on November 5th. An incredible \$1,432 was raised to help support local families during the Christmas holiday season. Thank you also to those who contributed money or donated maple syrup for the breakfast and baked goods for the food sale. Your generosity was essential to the success of our fundraising event. If you were not able to attend the breakfast and would still like to donate, please contact Patricia at pclmaterdeiparish@vermontcatholic.org or at (802) 624-4912. Any checks can be made out to Mater Dei Parish with YA Charity written in the memo portion of the check. Your continued support of our parish youth is greatly appreciated.

WE PRAY FOR OUR DEPARTED LOVED ONES DURING NOVEMBER

Throughout the month of November, we remember our loved ones we have lost. Please fill out the All Souls Day Envelope from your box of envelopes or a Special Collection envelope from your pew with the names of loved ones you would like remembered and place it in the collection basket. The names will be placed on the Altars of our parish churches and prayed for throughout November.



MATER DEI FOOD SHELF NEWS & NOTES



To date in 2023, the Mater Dei Food Shelf has distributed close to 350 bags of food and personal items to those in need. It is so rewarding to see how our food shelf is addressing the needs of those in our area who are experiencing food insecurity. We are grateful to the many parishioners who continue to donate items and/or gifts of money to support our mission. However, with the increase in distribution, we are experiencing a shortage of food shelf items and are in need of donations of the following items: cereal, oatmeal packets, canned pasta, tuna fish, peanut butter, rice and pasta quick mixes, crackers, ramen noodles/soup mixes, hearty soups (not condensed), broth, hygiene & toiletry products, toilet paper/paper towels, garbage bags and laundry detergent. Non-essential specialty items such as microwave popcorn, pudding/jello, granola bars, baking mixes, jelly and dressings, for example, are also always appreciated to add variety to the choices available. Truly any donation is greatly appreciated. There are totes in the back of each of the churches and in the entryway at St. Edward's to collect items, or you can drop donations off in the entryway at St. Mary's Rectory or at the parish office in Derby Line during office hours. We are also happy to pick up items if that is more convenient.

If you have any questions or suggestions, or if you would like to make a monetary donation, please contact Jen Patenaude at (802) 238-0388 or by email at agapepeace96@gmail.com.



ANNUAL HARVEST DINNER

You are cordially invited to **St. James Harvest Dinner**
St. James Parish Center
146 Middle Street
Island Pond, VT

Saturday, November 18th
5:00 pm until all are served

Join us for a delicious dinner featuring baked ham, baked beans, coleslaw, mashed potatoes, chili, rolls, assorted homemade desserts, coffee & tea, along with friendly conversation and parish fellowship with your fellow Mater Dei parishioners.

Adults: \$20; Children under 12: FREE!
All are Welcome!



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