



Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

02/10/2024 - 02/18/2024

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

February 3rd & 4th, 2024

Envelopes: \$ 4,835.00

Loose: \$ 2,952.00

eCatholic: \$ 439.00

TOTAL: \$ 8,226.00

Repairs & Maintenance: \$ 2,023.00

Weekly Budget Expenses: \$ 10,756.00

Deficit / Surplus: \$ - 2,530.00

THANK YOU
FOR YOUR
GENEROUS
SUPPORT!

There will be a collection on Ash Wednesday to support
Vermont Catholic Charities.

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.
Through Christ Our Lord. Amen.*

CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS



Contribution statements are
ready and have been mailed.

If you have any questions,
please call Emily in Finance at
(802) 487-9013 on Monday,
Tuesday or Wednesday.

Thank you for your financial support of our Parish.

ASH WEDNESDAY IS FEBRUARY 14TH

ASH WEDNESDAY MASS SCHEDULE

St. Mary's: 9:00 am, 12:00 Noon &
4:00 pm

St. Edward's: 5:30 pm

St. James: 5:30 pm



Ashes will be distributed at all Masses.

CONFESSIONS ON ASH WEDNESDAY



RECONCILIATION

Confessions will be offered at all our
parish churches on Ash Wednesday.

St. Mary's: 10:30 am – 11:30 am

St. Edward's: 4:00 pm – 5:00 pm

St. James: 4:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Begin this Lenten Season by
reconciling yourself with God.

Ash Wednesday Almsgiving Collection

The Ash Wednesday collection
supports 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 Memorial Manor.



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,
55 Joy Drive, South Burlington, VT 05403.

Please know that every gift – whatever the
size – makes a difference. As a Catholic
community, let us be the hands and feet of
Christ to our neighbors in need.

Thank you for your generosity.

*St. Edward's Tabernacle Light
burns this week in loving memory
of † Nancy Dowling.*



*St. Mary's Tabernacle Light
burns this week in loving memory
of † Domina Nolin.*



"We love because He first loved us." [1 John 4:19] Happy Valentine's Day!



CALLING ALL ST. EDWARD'S PARISHIONERS

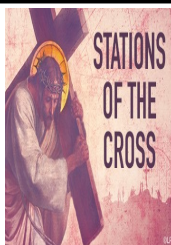


St. Edward's parishioners are urged to attend February's monthly informational meeting on **Monday, February 12th** at **6:00 pm** in the parish hall.

Your input is important. Lent begins on February 14th and your help is needed to make plans and assist with St. Edward's Lenten services.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS SCHEDULE FOR LENT

STATIONS OF THE CROSS WILL BE PROFESSED AT EACH OF OUR CHURCHES EVERY FRIDAY DURING LENT BEGINNING ON FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16TH



ST. JAMES: EACH FRIDAY AT **10:30 AM** BEFORE 11:00 AM MASS

ST. EDWARD'S: EACH FRIDAY AT **5:00 PM** BEFORE 5:30 PM MASS AND FR. TOM'S BIBLE STUDY AT 6:00 PM. JOIN US IN THE PARISH HALL AFTER THE STATIONS TO ENJOY A LIGHT SOUP LUNCHEON WHILE YOU ATTEND BIBLE STUDY.

ST. MARY'S: EACH FRIDAY AT **5:30 PM**

PLEASE JOIN US AND WALK THE WAY OF THE CROSS WITH JESUS DURING THIS HOLY SEASON.

CATHOLIC FAITH FORMATION IN DERBY LINE



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

Sunday January 21st from 9:30 am—Noon

at St. Edward's Parish Hall.

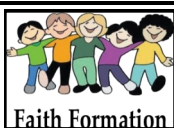
Holy Mass will be celebrated at 11:30 am followed by lunch for our students and their families. Please join us.

Catholic Faith Formation Families and St. Edward's parishioners are asked to bring an item to donate to the Mater Dei Food Shelf. A

box for your contributions will be provided in the entryway of the parish hall. This month the food shelf is requesting shampoo/body wash, paper towels & toilet paper and soup/stew with meat and vegetables.

Thank you for your continued support of the parish food shelf.

JESUS MARY & JOSEPH



St. James Catholic Faith Formation will meet on **Tuesday, February 13** at **3:00 pm** in the Parish Center.

VOCATIONIST'S CORNER



CONGRATULATIONS TO **FR. MICHAEL REARDON, SDV** WHO CELEBRATES THE **25TH ANNIVERSARY OF HIS ORDINATION** TO THE PRIESTHOOD ON **FEBRUARY 13TH** AND TO **FR. LEO BILODEAU** WHO CELEBRATES THE **51ST ANNIVERSARY OF HIS ORDINATION** TO THE PRIESTHOOD ON **FEBRUARY 16TH**.
MAY GOD CONTINUE TO BLESS THEM BOTH.

ASH WEDNESDAY IS FEBRUARY 14TH 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 & 59 are permitted to eat one full meal and two smaller meals that do not equal a 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.

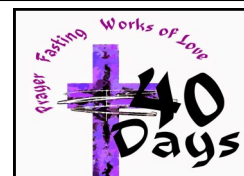
The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops also strongly encourages other forms of penance such as fasting or abstinence on other days during Lent, and especially increased Scripture reading, attendance at daily Mass, and performing works of charity.

LENTEN TIP #1

#1 Commit yourself to attending daily Mass once or twice a week during Lent.

Your reward will be great!

With Prayers & Blessings, *Fr. Rijo*



SPONSOR A PASCHAL CANDLE

Sponsor St. Edward's Paschal Candle for \$181.25.

Sponsor St. Mary's Paschal Candle for \$135.95.



With deepest sympathy...

Please pray for the repose of the soul of † Francis "Frank" Cheney, Jr. and for his grieving family.