



Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

11/15/2025 – 11/23/2025

Welcome to Mater Dei Parish!



Triumph of the Heart

[RATED PG-13]

Triumph of the Heart is a film based on the true story of **St. Maximilian Kolbe**, a Polish Catholic priest who volunteered to take the place of a stranger in a Nazi starvation cell at Auschwitz during World War II. The film depicts his final days where he provided solace to the other condemned men before being killed by lethal injection. While the exact details of the two weeks are lost to history, the film is a narrative feature based on existing historical accounts and Kolbe's life and sacrifice, which were officially recognized when he was canonized as a martyr of charity.



St. Edward's Parish Hall

November 23, 2025

3:00—5:00 pm

Light refreshments will be served. Join us and learn his amazing story.



Thank You for Your Generosity to our Mater Dei Parish Churches

November 8th & 9th, 2025

Envelopes:	\$ 3,235.00
Loose:	\$ 1,374.00
eCatholic:	\$ 674.00
TOTAL:	\$ 5,283.00

Fuel:	\$ 2,588.50
Weekly Budget Expenses:	\$10,756.00
Deficit/Surplus:	\$-5,473.00



WE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR OUR DEPARTED LOVED ONES DURING NOVEMBER.

As we continue to remember our loved ones this month, you are invited to place the names of family and friends you have lost in the collection basket during Mass. The names are placed on the Altars of all our parish churches and prayed for throughout the month.



LECTIO DIVINA BIBLE GROUP

will meet every **Friday at 3:00 p.m.** at St. Mary's Rectory **beginning November 21st**. Lectio Divina,

meaning "Divine Reading", focuses on reading, meditating, praying and contemplating Scripture.

Come on November 21st and begin to read and understand Sacred Scripture in a more profound and spiritual way.

ESTATE PLANNING

Are you thinking about the future and planning your estate? Why not consider making Mater Dei Parish a beneficiary of your will?



You can designate which one of our parish churches you would like your gift to go to, and even earmark your contribution for a specific project. Our needs are many and we rely on the generosity of our wonderful parishioners to meet these needs. Please keep Mater Dei Parish in your prayers as you make these important decisions.

Thank you for your continued support of our Parish.

K of C ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CHARITY RAFFLE



The 11th annual 24-day Knights of Columbus Christmas Charity Raffle has begun! Thanks to our VERY generous donors, the 2025 raffle is our biggest one yet with over 80 prizes valued at over \$12,000 in cash and gift cards!!! Winning tickets are returned to the box for even more chances to win.

Ticket are \$10 each or 3 for \$25. Tickets are included in this week's bulletin and extra tickets are available at the parish office.

Members of the K of C will be at all our parish churches before and after weekend Masses to sell tickets.

"How very beautiful and consoling our faith is! For the little work we do here on earth it promises in return all the joys of assured happiness."

St. Rose Philippine Duchesne — November 18th

St. James Tabernacle Light burns this week in loving memory of † **Sharon Miceika**.



St. Mary's All Souls' Tabernacle Light burns this week in loving memory of: † **Durward Starr, DVM.**



ST. MARY'S GARAGE CONSTRUCTION



THE COST OF THE GARAGE CONSTRUCTION IS **\$25,000**. TO DATE, WE HAVE RECEIVED **\$7,295**, LEAVING US WITH A BALANCE STILL NEEDED OF **\$17,745**.

ANY DONATION YOU ARE ABLE TO MAKE WOULD HELP AND BE GREATLY APPRECIATED. THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED FINANCIAL SUPPORT OF OUR PARISH.

YOU CAN HELP OUR LOCAL HOMELESS!

A new cold weather 8-bed warming shelter is opening in Newport for the homeless at 501 Pleasant St. Ext. in Newport (the old Bayview Motel)! The anticipated opening is around Thanksgiving with plans to operate through April.



You can help by:

- ~ volunteering to help oversee the shelter
- ~ staffing it overnight whenever you are available
- ~ getting the building ready to open with tasks like cleaning, organizing and making light repairs.

For more information or to volunteer, please contact:

Tim Daley at jhinctim@gmail.com
Rick Ufford-Chase at rick.uffordchase@newportvermont.org
Joshua House at (802) 323-7113

Training will be provided.



PRESENTATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

The presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary is celebrated on November 21, commemorating the event when Mary's parents,

Joachim and Anne, dedicated her to God by bringing her to the Temple in Jerusalem when she was three years old. This act was in fulfillment of a promise made to God during their years of childlessness.

The Presentation emphasizes Mary's unique role in salvation history. By dedicating her to God at such a young age, it highlights her purity and readiness to accept her future role as the Mother of God. Celebration of this feast reminds Catholics of their call to holiness and the importance of following God's will.

The feast has its origins in the Eastern Church around the 6th Century and was officially recognized in the Western Church in the 15th Century by Pope Gregory XI.

VOCATIONISTS CORNER



The Vocationist Fathers had a very successful raffle and dinner dance!

Raffle ticket sales totaled **\$60,000!** The Vocationist Fathers will receive 50% of ticket sales or \$30,000.

Congratulations to our prize winners!

- 1st Prize—35% or \$21,000: Diane Perez
2nd Prize—10% or \$6,000: St. Clement Pope Roman Catholic Church
3rd Prize—5% or \$3,000: Clara Marney
Mater Dei's ticket sales totaled **\$2,320!** Thank you for your continued support of the Vocationists' Mission by buying and selling tickets! May God bless you all!



5th Annual Shopping with Santa Bazaar

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 13TH
NOON – 3:00 PM
NATIONAL GUARD ARMORY
UNION STREET, NEWPORT

Children get to meet Santa, buy gifts for those they love, enjoy treats at the North Pole food court and have loads of fun!!

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Elves are needed to organize items, wrap gifts, help children shop and bake goodies for the snack area.

Contact Roberta Bruce at (802) 673-9127 to offer event assistance. Drop off items in front of the Armory on the left side of the porch near the wall. **NO CLOTHING PLEASE!** Only new or gently used items such as kitchen related items, candles, jewelry, household décor, men's ties, puzzles and games suitable for children to give as gifts.

Many thanks for your support & participation!

FOOD PANTRY REQUESTS

THE FOOD PANTRY IS LOOKING FOR DONATIONS OF CANNED GOODS, ESPECIALLY VEGETABLES, FRUIT, SOUP, CANNED MEAT, AND PASTA SAUCE.. THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT OF OUR FOOD SHELF.



With Deepest Sympathy...

Please pray for the repose of the soul of † Susan Ward and for her grieving family.

"O my God and my All."