

The Commemoration of all the Faithfully Departed

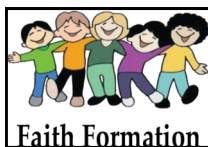
[All Souls Day]

11/01/2025 – 11/09/2025

Welcome to Mater Dei Parish!



CATHOLIC FAITH FORMATION IS NEXT WEEKEND IN DERBY LINE



CFF for **St. Edward's & St. Mary's** students will meet in Derby Line next **Sunday, November 9th**. Faith Formation families are expected to attend the 8:30 am Sunday Holy Mass at St. Edward's. A snack will be provided after Mass. CFF classes will be from **10:00–11:30 am**.

St. James CFF students will meet at the Parish Center in Island Pond **on Tuesday** after school on **November 4th**.

It is still not too late to register your children! Bring them to the next class on November 9th and register them or call the parish office at (802) 487-9881.

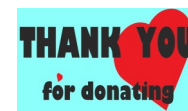


**Thank You for Your Generosity to
our Mater Dei Parish Churches**

October 25th & 26th, 2025

Envelopes:	\$ 5,663.00
Loose:	\$ 1,522.00
eCatholic:	\$ 395.00
TOTAL:	\$ 7,580.00

Priests' Retirement Fund: \$ 1,083.00
Weekly Budget Expenses: \$10,756.00
Deficit/Surplus: \$ -3,176.00



There is a second collection this weekend for **Repairs & Maintenance**. Your contribution supports snow removal and smaller repairs that often come up during the year at our parish churches and buildings. Please be as generous as possible.

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 your All Souls Day envelope from your box of envelopes with the name(s) of loved ones you would like remembered and place it in the collection basket during Mass.

Those of you who do not have a box of envelopes are invited to place your loved ones' names in a plain white envelope.

The names will be placed on the Altars of all our churches and prayed for throughout the month.

THANKSGIVING BASKETS Mater Dei is still collecting food items for this year's Thanksgiving baskets.



Donations of the following items are needed:
Turkeys
Instant Potatoes
Stuffing Mix
Macaroni & Cheese
Canned Vegetables
Cranberry Sauce
Gravy (jars or packets)

Donated items should be dropped off in the bins located at the entrances to St. Mary's or St. Edward's by November 16th.

Monetary Donations in any amount are gladly accepted and greatly appreciated.

Thank you for your generosity.

ST MARY'S & ST. EDWARD'S CEMETERIES

Please remove all flowers and ornaments from your loved one's grave this weekend to help the caretakers prepare the cemeteries for winter.

Decorations remaining after this weekend will be discarded.

Thank you for your cooperation.



For as in Adam all die; so in Christ all will be made alive. [1 COR. 15:22]



KEEP THEM IN YOUR PRAYERS....
PLEASE KEEP THE VICTIMS OF HURRICANE MELISSA IN YOUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS AS THEY STRUGGLE WITH THE FLOODING, DEVASTATION, DESTRUCTION AND THE DEATHS OF THEIR LOVED ONES.

*St. James Tabernacle Light
burns this week in loving memory
of: † Ghislain Fauteux.*



NEW TO MATER DEI PARISH? WELCOME! WE ARE GLAD YOU HAVE JOINED US TODAY.



ST. MARY'S GARAGE CONSTRUCTION HAS BEGUN

WORK CONTINUES ON THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE NEW GARAGE NEXT TO THE CHURCH. THE OLD GARAGE HAS BEEN DEMOLISHED AND THE FOUNDATION HAS BEEN LAID FOR THE NEW ONE.

THE COST OF THE DEMOLITION AND CONSTRUCTION IS ESTIMATED AT \$25,000. WE HAVE ALREADY RECEIVED A GENEROUS DONATION OF \$6,000. THANK YOU TO ALL WHO HAVE ALREADY CONTRIBUTED TO THIS PROJECT. WE RELY ON THE GENEROSITY AND SUPPORT OF OUR PARISHIONERS TO HELP COVER THE CONSTRUCTION COST AND ASK FOR YOUR HELP. ANY DONATION YOU ARE ABLE TO MAKE WOULD BE GREATLY APPRECIATED. IF YOU ARE ABLE TO HELP, PLEASE MAKE OUT YOUR CHECK TO MATER DEI PARISH AND WRITE "GARAGE" IN THE MEMO SECTION OF YOUR CHECK. PLACE YOUR GIFT IN THE COLLECTION BASKET, DROP IT OFF AT THE PARISH OFFICE, OR MAIL IT TO MATER DEI PARISH, 191 CLERMONT TERRACE, NEWPORT, VT 05855.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED FINANCIAL SUPPORT OF OUR PARISH.

IT'S PIE SEASON AGAIN!

Once again this year Mater Dei will be making pies for the local community Thanksgiving dinners. This year a homemade pie will also be included in each of our Thanksgiving baskets.



Once again we are reaching out to our parish family for needed ingredients.

Apples are a big part of what we need!

It would be very helpful if you could peel, cut and freeze the slices. Once they are frozen, they can be dropped off at the rectory in Newport.

We also need **flour, sugar, shortening, pumpkin pie filling, evaporated milk, nutmeg, eggs (please bring closer to November 15th), any other frozen fruit for pies, and aluminum foil.**

Monetary donations in any amount are also most welcome and greatly appreciated.

Donations of ingredients can be dropped off at either St. Mary's or at St. Edward's on Sunday mornings.

Please reach out to Brenda Isabelle at (802) 274-2151 with any inquiries.

"Be sure that you first preach by the way you live." [ST. CHARLES BORROMEO – NOV. 4TH]



VOCATIONISTS CORNER

"O my God and my All."

Fr. Justin emphasized that the vocation of every individual is to develop a personal relationship with God. The Vocationist spirituality encourages all people to live in a loving relationship with the Holy Trinity, viewing this connection as a universal calling rather than a privilege reserved for a few.

For Fr. Justin, the most special function of Mary is to form souls according to the heart of God, as God wants them, as God desires them to be. The vocation of Mary is to form Jesus in every soul, and to make every soul not only holy as to be Jesus, to make it another Jesus, but also make it another formator of Jesus, to form soul-spouses of God. That is why the Vocationists pray to Our Lady of Divine Vocations.

Friends of Fr. Justin

You are invited to join the Friends of Fr. Justin on **Thursday, November 6th** at St. Bernard's Chapel in Newport at 6:00 pm to ask God to give us many holy men and women to dedicate their lives to serve God and His people.



The need is great — throughout the world, in our country and in our own state of Vermont.

Join us this Thursday and on the first Thursday of every month to pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life.



SOCIAL HOUR AT ST. JAMES

Don't forget to join us this weekend in the Parish Center after Sunday's 11:00 am Holy Mass at St. James for coffee and conversation with visitors, members of the Island Pond community and your fellow St. James parishioners. Hope to see you there!

Bishop John's Schedule

BISHOP JOHN IS CELEBRATING HOLY MASS AT SACRED HEART OF JESUS CHURCH IN TROY AT 9:00 AM ON SUNDAY. HE WAS ALSO PLANNING TO CELEBRATE 11:00 AM MASS AT ST. MARY'S, BUT BECAUSE OUR MASS TIME CHANGED TO 10:00 AM, HE IS NOT ABLE TO GET TO NEWPORT IN TIME FOR OUR MASS.



BISHOP JOHN SEND HIS WARMEST REGARDS TO MATER DEI'S PARISHIONERS AND HOPES TO CELEBRATE MASS WITH US IN THE NEAR FUTURE.