#### Messages from the Chancery.....

#### Worldwide Rosary Relay

Join Bishop Christopher Coyne as he leads the Diocese of Burlington in the Sorrowful Mysteries on **Friday**, **June 16**, **at 11:30 a.m.** at St. Joseph Cathedral in Burlington. This relay is to pray for the sanctification of all priests. This Rosary Relay happens each year on the feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

If you are unable to attend in person at that time, please plan to join us on the diocesan website, pray with your parish, on your own or tune in live to WRJX 105.5 radio. This year we will receive the rosary from The Rosary Shrine in Haverstock Hill, London. We will pass it on to St. Francis Xavier Parish in Phoenix, Arizona.

#### **Bishop's Annual Appeal**

In St. Paul's Letter to the Corinthians, he writes: "You will be enriched in every way to be generous in every way, which through us will produce thanksgiving to God."

When you offer a gift to the Bishop's Annual Appeal, you are fulfilling the call of discipleship by sharing the blessings you have received from our Heavenly Father. When you give, you act in support of raising critical funds needed by our 20+ statewide ministries, services, and programs at the heart of the mission of our Diocese. You also support the dedicated workers within these ministries who compassionately respond to the material and spiritual needs of individuals and families through emergency aid, prison ministry, counseling, spiritual retreats, lay formation programs, and Catholic education. Join me and together we will move forward in our mission to serve another 170 years as disciples of our Lord. Please, prayerfully consider making a gift to the 2023 appeal by responding to the mailing you received, or by a pledge card and envelope which ca can be found on the entryway table or the table in Fellowship Hall.

#### Messages from the Chancery .....

2023 Bishop Annual Appeal Parish Goal ~ St. Francis of Assisi Parish: \$15,969. To make a gift online visit: bishopsappealvt.org

#### **RECTORY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Rectory work has resumed, a plan in place for the ceiling work. Do you have a pick-up truck? We need to arrange for the disposal of the household hazardous waste that has accumulated in the cellar. An appointment at the disposal site is required. All the details can be provided by contacting: **Dick Fenton** (802)885-3598. Thank you!

#### PARISH OFFICE RESTRUCTURE

Our parish office has been restructured and we have two new part-time staff members joining us on June 19. Please welcome Shannon Harrington, Parish Secretary and Gerry Grimo, Parish Finance Coordinator. Stay tuned for more detail.

#### What do you do in Eucharistic Adoration?

It is easy to think of prayer as something we do. But prayer—like any relationship—is not about Activity. Prayer is about encounter. The reason we can pray at all is because God wants a relationship with us: he wants to speak to us, and he wants us to speak to him. The first movement of prayer, then, is less about doing something and more about being someone. It is about acknowledging God's love for us, recognizing our absolute dependence on God, and thanking God for who he is. We might come to prayer with a "to do" list of favorite devotions, spiritual reading, a list of prayer intentions. These are good, and they can all be part of our prayer! But if "doing" is dominating your prayer time, consider what it means to "be" with God—just as you are—and let him be with you, just as he is. Commit to 15—30 minutes of prayer before the Blessed Sacrament. ~Daughters of St. Paul~

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JUNE 11, 2023
The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ
(Corpus Christi)

## Father Cyrain Cabuenas Administrator

OFFICE HOURS: Tuesday and Thursday

9:30 a.m.— 1:00 p.m.

PARISH SECRETARY: Shannon Harrington

PARISH FINANCE COORDINATOR: Gerry Grimo

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ALTAR SERVER COORDINATOR: Ron Hamel, Jr.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES: Please contact Parish Office

**NEW PARISHIONERS:** Are welcome and urged to register with Parish Office

Finance Council: Ginny Fox (802)436-2831 — Frederick Lord (Co Chair) (802)356-6496 Tom DiNetta (Co Chair) (302)332-1251 — Paul Belaski (802)674-2713

Parish Council: Barbara Barbour (802)299-7117 – Joyce Corbin (Chair) (802)484-3329 — Janet Farley (802)674-6065 Steve Giroux (802)674-6369



#### **WEEKDAY MASSES**

Tuesday 9:00 a.m. Thursday 9:00 a.m.

#### **WEEKEND MASSES**

Saturday 6:00 p.m. Sunday 10:30 a.m.

#### **HOLY DAYS**

As Announced in Bulletin

#### **RECONCILIATION**

by Arrangement

FUNERALS, MARRIAGES,

<u>BAPTISMS</u>

By arrangement

#### WEEKLY MESSAGE FROM FR. CYRAIN.....

The solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ a.k.a. Corpus Christi, is the feast on which we pay special homage to the real presence of Christ in the Eucharist. The Eucharist is the source and summit of Christian life (Second Vatican Council, Lumen Gentium). Here we also proclaim the same Jesus who lives within each one of us who are baptized into his body, the church, of which we are members.

This is a theological mystery we call communion. One reason why we call the reception of the Eucharist, holy communion. Christ is the living bread sent down from heaven as food for our souls to satisfy our deepest spiritual hunger.

As pilgrims on the road of life, we suffer from many hungers but the greatest hunger of all is the yearning for a deeper meaning to life. This is something that no earthly bread can satisfy. In our struggle to find purpose, the Eucharist is of great help because it is an invitation to follow in the footsteps of Jesus. By setting out on the road he travelled and by doing our utmost to imitate his life of caring and sharing, we are gradually brought to see the importance of placing the common good of people before our own self-interest.

If sharing in the Eucharist is to mean more than going to Mass and providing nourishment for our own private spiritual lives, we must rise above the divisions and injustices of society which keep us apart and prevent us from forming a closer bond within the community. We are to go out and touch the lives of others, to be the healing presence, the helping hand, the voice of sympathy and encouragement so that we could be the Body of Christ, a Eucharistic people in the real sense of the word.

#### **Eucharistic Adoration**

When we visit Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, we are with the same Jesus who taught the disciples, healed the sick, restored sight to the blind, forgave the sinner, calmed the stormy sea, and raised Lazarus from the dead. In Jesus, we see the God who created us, calls us by name, baptized us into his family, loves us unconditionally, and thirsts for our love in return. When was the last time you went to see him?

Realize that you may gain more in a few minutes of prayer before the Blessed Sacrament than in all the other spiritual practices of the day.

Join us for Adoration each Tuesday morning immediately following 9:00 a.m.

Mass.

#### MASS INTENTIONS

9:00 a.m.

**Saturday 06/10 6:00 p.m.** For the parishioners and benefactors of St. Francis of Assisi Parish

**Sunday 06/11 10:30 a.m.** For the repose of the soul of John Barth by Constance Barth

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For all victims of abuse by priests by Ireen Daigle

Tuesday

Thursday 06/15 9:00 a.m.

Saturday 06/17 6:00 p.m. For the parishioners and benefactors of St. Francis of Assisi Parish

Sunday 06/18 10:30 a.m.

For the repose of the soul of Robert Leneau by Claire Kilfeather and family

06/13

### OFFERINGS Offerings Report for FY 2022-2023

Weekly Offertory for June 3—4 \$2,119.00

(includes: Mass stipends \$30; Coffee hour \$35; Catholic Communication Campaign \$16)

Weekly Offertory for May 27 — 28 \$1,371.00

Weekly Offertory Goal: \$2,200.00

Offertory Collected (Year to Date): TBA

Offertory Year to Date Goal: \$81,400.00

Total Donations/Fees (Year to Date): \$14,722.00

Donation/Fee Year to Date Goal (TBA/wk): TBA by Finance Council

#### Thank you for your generosity.

Please consider on-line giving. Contact Parish Office for detail.

Our gratitude to Gloria Brancaleoni for her time and talent, lovingly caring for the corpus of our Crucified Christ now, once again, adorning our sacred altar space. The statue was in real need of attention and thanks to Gloria's artistic expertise, it has been repaired. Many thanks, Gloria!!

A Note of Gratitude

# MASS ATTENDANCE May 7 106 May 14 115 May 21 99 May 28 97 June 4 93

#### **PRAYER REQUESTS**

#### Please remember in your prayers:

Laurie Curtis, Jill Lord, Lisa Moeller, Bill Dillon, Cade Bagley, Logan Young, Elaine Markegiani, Christine Rose, Martha Sass, Cindy DiNetta, Helen Michalowitz, Roberta Ferguson, Pat Lucarelli, Claire Harlow, Christiane Zue.

Please pray for the repose of the souls of: Robert Leneau, Loretta Gould, Lucio Cabuenas, Will Moeller, Cynthia Howe, Earl White Sr, Norman Piper, Mary Ann Notaro, Donna O'Neill, Jane Lynch, Anthony Rocchio, Bill Moeller, Ray Neddermann, Father Charles Davignon, Gina Kicinski, Anna Mary Noble, William Moore, Anne Hutchins, John Barth, Raymond Scott, Paul Wynn, Mark Curtis, Margaret Blake

### **Mass Intentions**

If you would like to have a Mass offered for your intentions, for loved ones living or deceased, or for a special occasion, please contact the parish office by email, telephone, or drop a note in the collection basket. Please include the name of the person for whom the Mass will be offered and who is requesting the Mass. Let us know if you want a specific day. We will do our best to accommodate your request. Please include your contact Information. The customary offering is \$10. Thank you.