

## Mass Schedule & Intentions 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time February 8th ~ 14th, 2020

2/8 SATURDAY VIGIL:

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time 4:30pm Andrew McHugh

2/9 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:00am The People of the Parish 10:30am Peter Wallack

2/10 MONDAY

7:30am Adoration 8:30am Intentions of Frances Routhier

2/11 TUESDAY

11:00am Adoration 12noon Daniel Collins

2/12 WEDNESDAY ~ NO MASS @BSC 8:15am Bishop Marshall School Clifford Joseph Schnieders

2/13 THURSDAY

4:30pm Adoration 5:30pm Claire & Joseph Lazzaro

2/14 FRIDAY

7:30am Adoration 8:30am Monsignor Peter Routhier

Most Holy Name of Jesus - Morrisville
Daily Mass Schedule
Monday & Tuesday - No Mass
Wednesday, Thursday & Friday - 9:00am

Dear Parishioners,

WOW...it's already February! I'm grateful that the daylight is longer and that we are moving toward Spring. This upcoming Tuesday, February 11, the Church will celebrate Our Lady of Lourdes, where in 1858, the Blessed Virgin Mary appeared to a peasant-girl, St. Bernadette 18 times. The first being on February 11 of that year, Mary asked her to both pray and do penance for the conversion of sinners, but also to dig in the ground and drink from the spring of water that miraculously welled up. As the spring became of river, medical patients were brought there and numerous miracles occurred. Upon the examination of doctors of numerous cases, 69 accounts have been declared scientifically inexplicable.

Since then, 4-6 million pilgrims annually visit the grotto in Lourdes and are bathed in the water. This is not magic, but an opportunity to exercise one's faith. There are so many stories in the Gospels of people who approached Jesus with faith and received healing. Our Lord is always attentive to where we are most in need of healing - whether it be emotional, spiritual, or physical. We might remember the story of the paralyzed man who was lowered by his 4 friends before Jesus, and our Lord first addressed the state of his soul, "Your sins are forgiven." As the onlookers grumbled about Jesus' moral authority to forgive sins, for only God could do such, He then manifested his authority over physical nature; "So that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins," He said to the paralytic, "I say to you, get up, pick up your mat, and go home." He got up in the sight of everyone, picked up his mat, and went home.

Jesus desires wholeness and holiness of our hearts and souls. Unfortunately, I cannot bring you all to Lourdes...but I can bring Lourdes to you! After Mass this weekend, Fr. Joseph and I will be offering to bless you with holy water from Lourdes by tracing the sign of the cross on your forehead with the water and asking for Jesus to heal you. I invite you to come forward and approach our Lord, as so many have, with faith and an open, trusting heart. If you wish, you may mention to the priest what specifically you are seeking healing for; you may also come forward and receive the blessing on behalf of someone else. Together, through Our Lady of Lourdes, let us seek the graces of healing in faith from Jesus – the source of all grace and blessing.

With Mary
In Christ,

## Religious Education Program

Class on Sunday, Feb 9th

Grades K-7th will meet in the Parish Hall from 9-10 AM

Confession, Bible Study & Maps

Confirmation Students will meet in the Parish Hall from **5-6:30 PM** 

## Summer Youth Retreat (July 10-12)

Attention teens: Registration for Steubenville Conference is due soon, Feb 15th

https://www.vermontcatholic.org/event/ste ubenville-east-2020/

Holy Land Presentation will be held on Tuesday, February 11<sup>th</sup> after the noon Mass in the Parish Hall.

## SAVE THE DATE!

The Parish will be having a Pancake Supper, on Shrove Tuesday, February 25<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm at the Parish Hall. All are welcome!

Our Wednesday daily Mass will be held this week at Bishop Marshall School at 8:15am. All are welcome to attend.

Starting on Tuesday, February 11<sup>th</sup> after the noon Mass there will be a series of videos for the next 3 weeks on Padre Pio, Miracle Man. Please bring a bag lunch and it will be shown in the Parish Hall.

Third Annual Vermont

Catholic Men's Conference
Saturday, March 28<sup>th</sup>
9:00am - 3:15pm
St. Anthony's Parish
13 Church St.,
White River Junction
Mass with Bishop Coyne
Learn more or register at:
Vermonthcatholic.org/men

Lenten Retreat

Accompanied on the Way
Retreat Day for All Parish Ministers

Saturday, March 7, Immaculate Heart of Mary, Willison 9:30am - 3:00pm

A Lenten retreat day for anyone who works for or ministers in the parish including: Administrative assistants, bookkeepers, religious education leaders, maintenance personnel, music directors, parish volunteers, ushers and other parish staff. Retreat facilitated by Diocesan Department of Evangelization and Catechesis. You can register for the retreat online at:

<u>www.vermontcatholic.org/retreats</u> or contact Valerie Parzyck @ 802-846-5813. \