

Mass Schedule & Intentions August 7th – August 14th, 2022

8/6 SATURDAY
19th Sunday in Ordinary Time
4:30pm Intentions of Terri Griffin

8/7 SUNDAY
19th Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00am People of the parish & Mirardo & Concesa Baduel and the Baduel Family
10:30am Abel & Mary Duperre

8/8 MONDAY
11:00am Adoration
12pm Gerry Griffin

8/9 TUESDAY
7:30am Adoration
8:30am Robert McEleney

8/10 WEDNESDAY
7:30am Adoration
8:30am Intentions of Jean Sheehan & Caryl Sheehan Riggio

8/11 THURSDAY
4:30pm Adoration
5:30pm Diane Grennan

8/12 FRIDAY
7:30am Adoration
8:30am Daniel Collins

8/13 SATURDAY
20th Sunday in Ordinary Time
4:30pm Intentions of Linda Garafalo

8/14 SUNDAY
20th Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00am People of the parish & Gerry Griffin
10:30am Freddie Lavilette

MOST HOLY NAME OF JESUS MASS SCHEDULE

Monday—No Mass
Tuesday—4pm Adoration, 5pm Mass
Wednesday—11am Adoration, 12pm Mass
Thursday—8am Adoration, 9am Mass
Friday—8am Adoration, 9am Mass
Saturday—4pm
Sunday—8am, 10:30am



Dear Parishioners,

I cannot explain to you how incredible the Steubenville East High School Retreat was for our youth last weekend. About 35 teens (11 from our parishes!!) and 10 adult chaperones from Vermont travelled to Springfield, MA to join 1,200 other teens from the Northeast for the weekend. With some of the top name speakers like Mark Hart (The Bible Geek), Sr. Miriam James Heidland, Nic Frank, and Katie Hartfiel presenting on relevant topics to today's youth, the weekend was truly full of grace! Fr. Paul and I attended the weekend with the youth to support them as they encountered Jesus in the sacraments, in the joy of those gathered, and the music and praise of God's glory.

With music-led Adoration on Friday night and a Eucharistic procession through the Mass Mutual Convention Center, the Vermont youth who attended had a profound encounter with Jesus Christ, the Living God, truly present in the Blessed Sacrament. One retreatant remarked, "Going to Steubenville East was one of the best things I've done in my life. Over the course of the weekend, the walls came down and my heart became open. It's hard to put into words what happened this weekend. I will never forget that night when they processed the Eucharistic Jesus around the auditorium." Another one of our high school students said, "They inspired everyone with their touching music. It was cool to be with other Catholic teenagers who also share my faith!"

To see these teens come alive in their faith and how free their hearts became to be open and praise God was so beautiful and I am so proud of these young people for giving an entire weekend to Jesus. Please continue to lift them up in prayer that the graces they received will bear abundant fruit in their lives. God bless you and have a grace-filled week!

With Mary,
In Christ,
Fr. Jon



Bishop Marshall School

Mrs. Carrie Wilson, Head of School
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We would like to welcome any and all new parishioners! If you haven't yet registered, it's a snap on our website at bscvt.com (upper right hand corner has a link to Registration). You can also stop by the office to fill out a hard copy. Welcome to Stowe!

Last Chance to order your Chicken Curry!

This weekend is your last chance to place your chicken curry takeout order. **This Sunday, August 7th, is the deadline.** Please place orders directly with the office where you want to pickup:

- Stowe - blessedsacrament@vermontcatholic.org or 802-253-7536;
- Morrisville - mhnj@vermontcatholic.org or 802-888-3318

Pickup is on Thursday the 11th between 4-5pm at either location. Meals are \$15 and include chicken curry, rice, potatoes and paratha.

We are fundraising to help the family of a priest, Fr. Selvam, MSFS order, and his sister, Sr. Helen, FSM order, with plastering their mother's house so it doesn't suffer damage during monsoon season and adding another room so they have somewhere to stay when they visit her.

Walk Where Jesus Walked: A Holy Land

Pilgrimage, February 26 - March 8 with

Fr. Jon Schnobrich & Fr. Ben Holdren

Itinerary and more details available our website here.

Register at tektonministries.org/tekton-registration-form/

*Fundraising opportunities will be available to assist with reducing the cost to participants

Next week's second collection is for Property Insurance. We thank you in advance for your generosity!

Mark your calendars for August

19th—when SoulCore resumes!!

With a new time of Fridays at 9:15am, after the 8:30am Mass, consider trying it out once - we know you won't regret it!!

WHAT IS SOULCORE? *SoulCore is an apostolate that intentionally engages the whole person in the sacred experience of the rosary. Integrating the prayers of the rosary with core strengthening, stretching and functional movements to nourish body & soul and encourage deeper reflection on the virtues. A gentle path to grow in virtue and cultivate interior peace.*

WHAT TO BRING: Mat, water, weights optional (1-3lbs)

WHO SHOULD COME? Everyone! SoulCore is self-paced and can be modified for any ability

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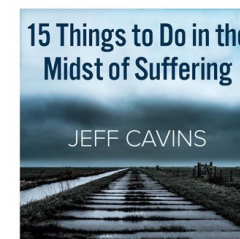
PICK OF THE WEEK

August 7, 2022

15 THINGS TO DO IN THE MIDST OF SUFFERING BY JEFF CAVINS

The Church celebrates the feast of St. Maximilian Kolbe this week. Kolbe, a Polish Catholic priest, fearlessly suffered the horrors of Auschwitz, where he was eventually martyred because of his faith. The life of this Saint reminds us that suffering is a mystery we all face at many points in our lives. In this talk, internationally known speaker Jeff Cavins shares his insights on this difficult topic and shows us how our suffering can become redemptive.

To setup your free account, go to formed.org/signup and enter 05661 for the parish zip code.



ALIVE—August 9, 6-7PM at Most Holy Name of Jesus. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Praise and Worship, Reflection, and Confession followed by fellowship. Feed your soul and come ALIVE!

Please remember to prayerfully consider your contribution to the Annual Bishop's Appeal.

Blessed Sacrament is currently at 43% of our goal. Envelopes are in the church for your use or you can donate online:

vermontcatholic.org/giveonline



Eileen George's prayer group will meet August 21 at Most Holy Name of Jesus in the Crosby Center at 2:00pm. We will be having part two of "Hide yourself in Me," Eileen's CD teaching, led by Father Lance Harlow.

A special THANK YOU to all who help keep our church and grounds in ship-shape! Candle stockers, flower waterers, gardeners, linen cleaners, etc. Our church would not be so lovely without your beautiful donation of time and talent!



We need veggie choppers!

If you can help out with the chicken curry prep by chopping some veggies with us, please swing by the church between 9am-12pm next Tuesday, the 9th.



UPCOMING Events

- * **Veggie Chopping:** Tues., Aug 9, 9am-12pm
- * **ALIVE:** Tues., Aug 9, 6pm, MHNJ
- * **Chicken Curry for a Cause:** Thurs., Aug 11, pickup 4-5pm (deadline to order Aug 7)
- * **SoulCore starts again!** Fri., Aug 19, 9:15am, after the 8:30am Mass
- * **Tuition Assistance Meeting:** Thurs., Aug 25, 4pm
- * **SoulCore:** Fri., Aug 26, 9:15am, after the 8:30am Mass
- * **SoulCore:** Fri., Sep 2, 9:15am, after the 8:30am Mass

Blessed Sacrament Venmo
(Venmo is an online giving platform):



NEWS FROM The Inland See

August 6-12, 2022

FOR THE DIOCESE OF BURLINGTON



Why go to Mass? 'First of all, to worship God'

For better or for worse, in our age the Church finds herself in a posture of severe self-examination. We see around us everywhere in the Western world a decline in participation in the sacramental life of the Church and the personal affiliation of the majority of people under 50 is the famous "none." Anyone reading this who has participated in a parish council meeting in the last 30 years or our own Diocesan Synod knows the inevitable topic: Why are so many simply drifting away from faith and the Sunday Mass entirely?

There are any number of answers to this, many of them true as far as they go: Changing social norms and expectations that are hostile to the faith, material prosperity, which makes faith seem superfluous, scandal within the Church, and on and on. The noxious brew of apostasy has many ingredients.

And while we should never see any program, catchphrase or approach at outreach to our fallen-away brothers and sisters as the "magic bullet" or "the next best thing that will save the Church," whatever sincere and devout attempts to reconcile our neighbor with the Church should be encouraged. For ourselves — faithfully clinging to the barque of Peter even amidst these tempestuous times — let us be clear and without doubt what we are principally about.

When I was in seminary, I came across a book in the library called "Parish Priest" by French priest Father Eugène Masure.

The author immediately made a point in the book that struck this reader squarely between the eyes. Right at the beginning he asks the question: "For what purpose, firstly and above all, does a parish exist?"

Father Masure distills it perfectly: Every parish exists to be the place where a specific community is brought into the worship of the all-holy, triune God. The parish, and all its ancillary activity, centers around the worship of God. Period. And of course, the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass is the locus of this worship. But it should also encompass every short visit we make to the church, every meeting that takes place there; the religious education and all the spiritual and corporal works of mercy performed by its congregation are meant to redound in union with the Mass to the worship and glory of God.

Then-Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger (Pope Benedict XVI) knew this reality when he wrote, "The Church stands or falls with the liturgy. The true celebration of the sacred liturgy is at the center of any renewal of the Church" (my emphasis).

Father Daniel Cardó, commenting on this line from Cardinal Ratzinger, said, "The key point here is the priority of God and, therefore, the problem of faith. Believers, and the world, need a real encounter with God."

Too often we fall into the trap of thinking the Church is a company or a business in need of better marketing and publicity, as if that would solve the problem of people drifting away. What I fear we too often underestimate is the real depth of the crisis of our time: that the vast majority of people leaving the faith of their fathers is not because of any perception of how "welcoming" the Church is, but because they simply find belief itself impossible. There are too many obstacles in the way to an encounter with the living God. They no longer believe, and so in honesty they no longer participate in the life of the Church.

Taking our cue from Cardinal Ratzinger, we would do well to truly examine whether our parish liturgies reflect the reality that we are there, first of all, to worship God. Is the whole work of the Sunday Mass like a clear window through which we can see that something wholly unworldly and transcendent is happening? Or does it distract and feel like a mere expression of ourselves and our littleness?

People are spiritually starving in our world today. People need something from our parishes that they cannot get anywhere else or from any other activity: an encounter with God that leads to worship. That's what our parishes are for.

— **Father Steven Marchand is administrator of St. Peter Parish in Vergennes and St. Ambrose Parish in Bristol.**

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Upcoming Events



08|09 – 11|08 TUESDAYS
**The Creed Professed:
a seminar on Part I of the U. S.
Catholic Catechism for Adults**
via Zoom • 7 – 8 pm

This bi-weekly Zoom seminar is being offered as part of the Diocesan "Year of Communion: Unity in Creed, Worship and Life." The first session was held on May 10. For information and to register: studythecreed@gmail.com

Aug 9, Session 7: *The Good News: God Has Sent His Son*
Aug 23, Session 8: *The Saving Death and Resurrection of Christ*

Sep 13, Session 9: *Receive the Holy Spirit (Jn 20:22)*
Sep 27, Session 10: *The Church: Reflecting the Light of Christ*

Oct 11, Session 11: *The Four Marks of the Church*
Oct 25, Session 12: *Mary: The Church's First and Most Perfect Member*

Nov 8, Session 13: *Our Eternal Destiny*



08|10, 17, 24, 31 WEDS
**Summer Reflection Series
at Saint Anne's Shrine**
St. Anne's Shrine, Isle LaMotte
11:15 am

We hope you can join us for the 11:15 am Mass followed by the presentation. Lunch is available in the cafeteria after the presentation, except for July 27 when you can bring your own picnic lunch. Please call or email us with any questions at (802) 928.3362 or sas@sse.org.

August 10: Rev. David Cray, S.S.E.,

St. Lawrence the Martyr: Dying to Self

August 17: Rev. Michael Carter, S.S.E.,

Presidents and Piety: Catholic Schools in America

August 24: Monsignor Peter Routhier,

The Role of Saints in the Life of the Church

August 31: Rev. Richard Myhalyk, S.S.E.,

How We See God: Our Spiritual Lens on Life



08|13 SATURDAY
Padre Pio Devotions

Holy Family, Essex Junction • 8 am

Rosary at 8 am followed by Mass and an opportunity to learn more about Padre Pio.



08|13 SATURDAY
**Amendment 22/Prop 5
Information Session**
Saint Michael School, Brattleboro
9:30 am - 12 pm

Speakers include: Deacon Pete Gummere M.S., M.A. Bioethicist, Diocese of Burlington; Annisa Lamberton, Spokesperson for Vermonters of Good Government; Carol Kauffman of Vermont Family Alliance; Mary Beerworth, Executive Director, Vermont Right to Life. **FOR MORE INFO: (802) 257-5101.**



08|14 SUNDAY
St. Mary's Church Brunch
St. Mary, Franklin • 9 am – 12:30 pm
Adults: \$12; children: \$8; 6 & under: free.

All you can eat! Take-outs are available



09|17 SATURDAY
**Vermont Catholic Daughters
Fall Retreat: The Rosary**
Our Lady of the Angels, Randolph
9 am – 2 pm

The Vermont Catholic Daughters Fall Retreat will be led by Father Brandon Schneider. There will be a series of short talks and Mass will be celebrated during the retreat. Father will be available for confessions. Snacks and lunch will be provided. We will be raising awareness of the need to support our seminarians. There is no fee for this event. However, you must pre-register by September 7, 2022. After that, there will be a late fee of \$10. Please register with Debbie at: dgbrown264@gmail.com



09|24, 25 SATURDAY & SUNDAY
**Catechesis of the Good Shepherd
Level II Course for Adults**
Saint Andrew, Waterbury

This Level II course builds upon the foundation of the Level I course and prepares catechists to work with 6-9 year old children. Complete dates: Sept 24-25, Nov 5-6, 2022, Jan 7-8, Mar 18-19 (tentative) 2023; May 13-14 (snow make-up date), June 19-25, 2023. Learn more about Catechesis of the Good Shepherd at www.cgsusa.org. **MORE INFO: Kathleen Cosentino, kcosenino@madriver.com or (802) 233-3009.**



AFFIRMING A CULTURE OF LIFE

Parishioner testimony:

"My life is different because 2 courageous women chose not to abort their children. One was the girlfriend of my brother. He wanted her to get an abortion, and drove her to the clinic. When they got there, she refused to enter. "I'm not going in there," she said quietly. My brother yelled and shouted, but she stood fast. Angry but thwarted, he drove her home. They married, and had a beautiful daughter, Jenny, my first niece. I was only 12, and thrilled to be an uncle. Jenny turned out to be the glue that held them together, and became the older sister to 3 more siblings. I only learned this story years later, when Jenny herself was a mother, with 4 beautiful children."

A MESSAGE FROM THE



August — Are you aware of trafficking in your state? Do you know your state laws that protect victims? Invite a member of your state legislature to talk about laws or a state patrolman to share his/her experiences with trafficking.

U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking is a 501 c (3) organization, 2039 N Geyer Road, St. Louis, MO 63131 (sistersagainstrafficking.org)



BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL



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