



Mass Schedule & Intentions

August 12th –
August 20th, 2023

8/12 SATURDAY
19th Sunday of Ordinary Time
4:30pm Mass: Daniel Collins

8/13 SUNDAY
19th Sunday of Ordinary Time
8:00am Mass: Carol Scheurlein
10:30am Mass: People of the parish & Donna O'Dell

8/14 MONDAY
Vigil of the Feast of the Assumption
5:30pm Mass: Intentions of Fr. Bernie Gaudreau

8/15 TUESDAY
Feast of the Assumption
11am Adoration
12pm Mass: Dave Richards & Michele Altadonna

8/16 WEDNESDAY
7:30am Adoration
8:30am Mass: Poor Souls in Purgatory

8/17 THURSDAY – NO MASS @ BSC

8/18 FRIDAY
7:30am Adoration
8:30am Mass: Evan Lovell

8/19 SATURDAY
20th Sunday of Ordinary Time
4:30pm Mass: People of the parish & Allison Blais

8/20 SUNDAY
20th Sunday of Ordinary Time
8:00am Mass: Frances O'Neill
10:30am Mass: Anderson & O'Donnell families

MOST HOLY NAME OF JESUS MASS SCHEDULE

Monday – No Mass
Tuesday – 12pm Mass; 4pm Adoration, 5pm Mass
Wednesday – 11am Adoration, 12pm Mass
Thursday – 8am Adoration, 9am Mass
Friday – 8am Adoration, 9am Mass
Saturday – 4:00pm
Sunday – 8am, 10:30am



Dear Parishioners,

Question: This upcoming week I heard that I have to go to Mass again because it's a Holy day of obligation. What is that?

Answer: Well, first thing is that it's not that we have to go to Mass, but we are blessed to go to Mass again...and yes, it is obligatory. Let's start with the truth that it is both a privilege and a sacred duty to go to Mass. Keep in mind that Catholics in other parts of the world literally risk their lives to leave their homes to go to their Church for attend Mass.

A Holy Day of Obligation (HDO) is a type of solemnity, or special day, when we celebrate a particular mystery of our faith or a particular saint. HDO's can feel intrusive to our work week or schedule, but that's kind of the point. God created us as human beings, not *human doings*, meaning that as busy and overscheduled as we are, our Mother, the Church, attaches a moral obligation to CELEBRATE these mysteries of our faith to remind us of our priorities – placing the things of heaven above the passing things of earth. Unfortunately, many Catholics see HDO's as inconvenient and burdensome, and they fixate on the "obligation" part. Talk about totally missing the point! To be a Catholic and an intentional disciple of Jesus, one must think of their lives, their time, their activities and yes, even their resources in light of standing before Christ and giving an account. As we make time to attend Mass on Sunday's/HDO's and restrain from unnecessary work, we offer God more of our time, our life, our hearts. We celebrate the HDO's with Mass to offer God our praise and worship, which is good for us because worshipping God at Mass recalibrates our entire being towards the ONE who is our ultimate fulfillment and joy.

Our culture proposes many things to worship: entertainment, work, pleasure, power, popularity, nature, the body, other people, etc. In my undergraduate study of anthropology, one common element linked every human society and culture that has ever been discovered and studied – the human being is a religious creature. If humans aren't shown what to worship, they will find or make something to worship (e.g. – the golden calf). In the Bible, something that was worshipped that wasn't God was called an idol... and our contemporary culture is full of them.

If one is searching for an easy religion that doesn't demand anything, then Catholicism is probably not for you. By nature, Christianity is countercultural because the way of Jesus Christ is countercultural, self-sacrificing love. Our Mother, the Church, invites her children to remember their identity as human beings, not human doings, and calls us to the observance of HDO's to make the personal sacrifice that witnesses to the centrality of Christ in our lives. Hope to see you at Mass this week for the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, *HDO*.

With Mary,
In Christ,
Fr. Jon



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Catholic Academy

Mrs. Carrie Wilson, Head of School
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Feast of the Assumption Celebration with Our Lady of Ephesus House of Prayer:

Tuesday, August 15, starting at 1pm. Join us for welcoming the new president, a Rosary, songs and reflections, Mass, and potluck supper. For more info: ourladyofephesushouseofprayer.org, 802-896-6000

Lamoille County Food Share has seen an increase in people asking for help. Please donate to the basket in the back of the church. Please be mindful of the expiration dates as donating something that has expired helps no one. You may also send a check to LCFS, P.O. Box 173, Morrisville, VT, 05661 or visit their website to donate online. Wish list items: peanut Butter, canned meat, canned vegetables, soups, spaghetti sauce, pasta, cereal. Other items needed: toiletries, tissues, cleaning products, diapers, feminine products, pet food, etc.

Please note the adjusted Mass schedule this week for the Feast of the Assumption:

Masses for the Assumption

BSC:
◇ Monday, Aug 14th, 5:30pm
◇ Tuesday, Aug 15th, noon
MHNJ: Tuesday, Aug 15
◇ Noon
◇ 5pm

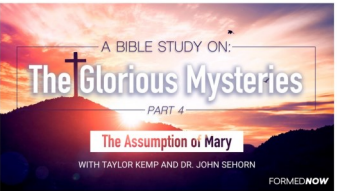


Week of August 13, 2023



Life for Life: Maximilian Kolbe

After escaping from Auschwitz, a man hears the tragic news about ten random inmates sentenced by the Nazis to death as a punishment for his escape—one of whom is Fr. Maximilian Kolbe.



A Bible Study on the Glorious Mysteries: Assumption (Part 4 of 5)

What do you know about the Assumption? Join Dr. John Sehorn and Taylor Kemp as they discuss the theology behind this dogma of the faith.



Saint Maximilian Kolbe | Lukas Storyteller

Inspired by the heroic life of St. Maximilian Kolbe, Lukas helps his friends understand that they should always be grateful for what they have.

*Visit formed.org/signup to and enter 05661 as the zip code to set up your free account.

Religious Education

BSC Religious Education registration for the 23-24yr is OPEN!! Sign up here. ASCA sacramental (First Communion & Confirmation) families were emailed directly with the schedule and information.



Bishop's Annual Appeal—

Blessed Sacrament is 44% to its goal. Please prayerfully consider your gift to the BAA. Make a gift at: bishopsappealvt.org.

The second collection next week is for Catholic University.

July Financials

	2023	2022
Offertory	\$9,917	\$10,055
E-Giving	\$3,770	\$4,280
Donations	\$6,374	\$6,759
Total	\$20,061	\$21,049

Msgr. Routhier, Rector of the Cathedral of St. Joseph, will be leading a pilgrimage to France in April of 2024. There are still spots available if you would like to join this pilgrimage. Please see: Unitours | Catholic Pilgrimages to France for more information or email Susan Wing at susan@vermontcatholic.org.

Eileen George Prayer Group:

Fr. Lance Harlow will be starting a book study on Eileen George's most sought after book that is out of print (for now). August 20 at 2:00pm in the Crosby Center at Most Holy Name of Jesus Parish in Morrisville.

UPCOMING Events

- * Assumption Vigil Mass: Mon, Aug 14, 5:30pm
- * Assumption Mass: Tues, Aug 15, noon
- * Godett/Moreland Wedding: Fri, Aug 18, 4pm
- * Eileen George Prayer Group: Sun, Aug 20, 2pm, MHNJ
- * Varghese/Tempesta Wedding: Sat, Aug 26, 2pm
- * ALIVE!: Wed, Aug 30, 6pm, MHNJ
- * Soulcore resumes: Fri, Sep 1, 9:15am

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NEWS FROM The Inland See

August 12–18, 2023

FOR THE DIOCESE OF BURLINGTON

The Fullness of the Eucharistic Prayer

One of the most fascinating classes I had in graduate school was a course on the Eucharist. As we explored various Eucharistic prayers, it quickly became apparent that the prayer is meant to be understood as a unified whole, and our understanding of the Eucharist is diminished if we focus on only one or another part of the prayer.

I remember my professor posing this question: “How often do we pull out the Institution Narrative (the Consecration) as the most important part of the Eucharist Prayer? How often is the Consecration the point of focus so much so that it is separated from the rest of the prayer so that the rest of the prayer becomes a mumble of words?”

This really got me thinking, because I had thought of the Consecration as the moment in Mass. Understanding the fullness of the Eucharist Prayer, though, helps me set the Consecration in the proper context. Indeed, without the Consecration, the Eucharistic Prayer loses its meaning, but without the rest of the Eucharist Prayer, the Consecration loses its purpose.

The Eucharistic Prayer is an example of God’s superabundant graces given to us. It is miracle enough to have the Real Presence of the Christ through the Consecration. It would be enough to have the Consecration at Mass because we could still talk about the Real Presence, and we could still receive the sacramental presence of Christ at communion. But without the rest of the Eucharistic Prayer — specifically — without the few lines that are spoken immediately after the Consecration, the

Real Presence of Christ simply remains on our altars.

That is miracle enough, but God desires — and does — more. Only in embracing the fullness of the Eucharistic Prayer do we understand that the Church — as the Mystical Body of Christ — does something with the Real Presence of Christ. In remembering the events of the Paschal Mystery — the Passion, Death, and Resurrection of Jesus Christ — the Church offers that very presence of Christ back to God, the Father.

In calling to mind the events of the Paschal Mystery, we bring those same events to the present moment, and the Mystical Body of Christ offers all this, brought into the present moment in this particular Eucharistic celebration, to the Father. Here we have offering and sacrifice, and we begin to realize the Sacrifice of the Mass. Listen carefully, or you might miss it: “Therefore, O Lord, as we celebrate the memorial of the saving Passion of your son, His wondrous resurrection, and ascension into heaven, and as we look forward to His second coming, we offer you in thanksgiving this holy and living sacrifice” (Eucharistic Prayer III).

This is but one example of how the complete Eucharistic Prayer, taken as a single whole, offers a more complete picture of what happens at Mass.

May we more fervently join in the entire Eucharistic Prayer with our hearts and minds, remembering that through this prayer, the mission of the Church is accomplished.

— **Josh Perry is director of the Office of Worship for the Diocese of Burlington.**

“Spend time with Jesus. Give Him your worries, thanks, and struggles. Then sit in silence and pay close attention to what He says in your heart. When we are still and listen, we can hear what had previously been unheard due to static in our life. It is in this stillness that God will reveal Himself to you and transform you!”

— **Valerie Parzyck, Parish Catechetical Leader, St. John Vianney, S. Burlington**

Read the full Eucharistic Testimonial and others at: vermontcatholic.org/eucharistic-testimonials
Submit your Eucharistic Testimonial to: revival@vermontcatholic.org



Upcoming Events



08|16 – 08|30 WEDNESDAYS
Wednesday Reflection Series

St. Anne's Shrine, Isle La Motte • 11:15 am
Join us for Mass at 11:15 am followed by the

presentation. Lunch is available in the cafeteria after the presentation, or you can bring your own picnic lunch.

FOR MORE INFO: (802) 928.3362 or sas@sse.org.

08|16 Fr. Michael Carter, SSE
St. Justin Martyr on the Eucharist
08|23 Fr. David Theroux, SSE
180 Years of Edmundite Ministry Since 1843
08|30 Fr. Richard Myhalyk, SSE
The Life of St. Edmund of Canterbury



08|16 WEDNESDAY
St. Michael Church Summer Lecture Series

St. Michael, Brattleboro • 5 - 7 pm

A program on the saints pictured in the stained glass windows will be presented in the church by a number of visiting priests, artisans and teachers starting on Wednesday, June 28. The program begins at 5PM with evening prayer followed by the presentation.

08|16 Father Michael Pierz, Pastor of Blessed Sacrament Church in Greenfield, Massachusetts will discuss St. John the Baptist



08|17, 09|14, 10|19 THURSDAYS
Spanish Mass

St. Peter, Vergennes • 7 pm

Fr. Timothy Danaher, O.P., Campus Minister at

Dartmouth College, will be offering Spanish Mass at 7 pm.



08|19, 09|16, 10|21 SATURDAYS
The Chosen — Movie Night and Potluck

St. John the Baptist, Enosburg Falls
5 - 6:45 pm

Come join us for a movie night and potluck dinner every third Saturday of the month. We will watch an episode of *The Chosen* together and have food and fellowship!



08|20 SUNDAY
Burlington Concert Band at St. Mark Parish

St. Mark, Burlington • 5 pm

All are invited for an evening of music on our back lawn. Bring your own chairs, blankets, and picnic basket. Weather Permitting!



08|26 SATURDAY
Ascension Church Furnace FUNdraiser Live Auction & Raffle
Ascension, Georgia • 11 am - 3 pm

Things are heating up with a live auction and raffle fundraiser to support Ascension Parish's new furnace project! Light lunch items, raffle & silent auction will be available throughout the day. You may preview the live auction items from 11 am to 1 pm. The live auction will be held from 1–3 pm, by auctioneer Mike LaChance. **FOR MORE INFO: Call Jean (802) 782-6491 or Alice (802) 524-3330.**



08|27 SUNDAY
Knights of Columbus Pilgrimage Mass at St. Anne's Shrine

St. Anne's Shrine, Isle La Motte • 12:15-2:30 pm

Mass followed by the ceremony for the Installation of State Officers for the 2023-2024 fraternal year and an end-of-summer cookout. Lunch will include burgers, dogs, home-made potato salad and coleslaw, chips, dessert, condiments, and water & cold drinks. There is a suggested Donation of \$7 per person for the cookout (make your own family discount for multiple kids). Any net proceeds from donations will benefit the charitable work of K. of C. District 1 councils. The collection at Mass will benefit St. Anne's Shrine. RSVP for the lunch by going to the K. of C. State Chaplain's Blog: ubipetrusvt.com/shrine2023.



09|02, 10|07 SATURDAYS
First Saturday Mass and Devotions

All Saints, Richford • 7:30 - 9:30 am

Please join us every first Saturday for First Saturday confession, Mass, and devotions. Confessions from 7:30 to about 7:50. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass at 8 am, followed by the devotional prayers. All are welcome!



09|02, 10|07 SATURDAYS
First Saturday Devotions

St. John Vianney, S. Burlington • 8 am

Mass at 8 am, Holy Rosary and Confessions

at 8:30 am. The Blessed Virgin Mary asked the three children at Fatima in 1917 that these devotions be followed to bring peace to the world.



09|02, 10|07 SATURDAYS
First Saturday Devotions

Holy Family, Essex Junction • 8 am

Confessions and Rosary at 8 am, Mass at 8:30.



09|03, 11|01 SUNDAYS
Eucharistic Healing Service

St. John the Evangelist, St. Johnsbury • 3 pm

Benediction and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on the first Sunday of every month with Fr. Harlow.



09|06 – 10|27 WEDNESDAYS or FRIDAYS
Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible

Our Lady of Angels, Randolph

Wednesdays: 6:30 - 8 pm

Fridays: 9:45 am - 11:15 am

Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible helps you get the “big picture” by showing how fourteen narrative books of the Bible tell the complete story from Adam and Eve to Christ and the Church. Presenter Jeff Cavins shows you how to read the Bible so that you can actually understand it. This eight-session study program includes video presentations that explore all twelve time periods of The Bible Timeline Chart.



09|10, 11|08 SUNDAYS
Monthly COSP Knights of Columbus Fund Raising Breakfast

Christ Our Savior, Manchester • 9 am - 12 pm

Supporting Parish and Community outreach programs.



09|29 – 10|02 FRI, SAT, SUN, MON
Light of the World Retreat

Holy Family Parish Hall, Essex Junction

Parishioners from all parishes are welcome.

Information and registration available at Essex Catholic Light of the World Retreat or email questions to ecc.engage@gmail.com. There is no registration fee.



10|08 SUNDAY
Fourth Annual St. John Henry Newman Night

Holy Family, Essex Jct. • 4 - 8 pm

An Evening in Honor of St. John Henry Newman, featuring solemn sung vespers, a first class dinner and dessert catered by Bill Rensch and the Knights of Columbus, and two presentations on the life and works of St. John Henry Newman. RSVP required: vermontnewman@gmail.com.

For the full listing of events, please visit the diocesan Events Calendar at vermontcatholic.org/events.



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