

Sunday, Jan 20, 2019
SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
Service with a smile

Service mottos abound, ranging from “The customer is always right” to “Ours is not to question why, ours is but to do or die.” At a particular nuptial celebration in Cana, servants in the middle of a supply crisis were told to follow the instructions of a young man who made puzzling demands of them. As a result of their obedience, ordinary water became fine wine. The crisis turned into a triumph. When we listen to Jesus and act on what we hear—the very definition of “obedience”—marvels ensue. Gospel always starts out sounding incredible, until it’s reality.

TODAY’S READINGS: Isaiah 62:1-5; 1 Corinthians 12:4-11; John 2:1-11 (66). *“His mother said to the servers, ‘Do whatever he tells you.’”*

Monday, Jan 21, 2019
MEMORIAL OF AGNES, VIRGIN, MARTYR

The legacy lives on—the struggle as well

When Martin Luther King Jr. was assassinated, the outcry from other faith leaders was immediate. Pope Paul VI called King a “prophet.” The National Conference of Catholic Bishops joined in a widespread interfaith statement, “bow[ing] together in grief before the shameful murder of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., a unique apostle of the nonviolent drive for justice . . . no service of remembrance or local memorial is equal to the greatness of his labor or the vastness of our national need.” What can your parish do with other churches in the ongoing effort to end racism?

TODAY’S READINGS: Hebrews 5:1-10; Mark 2:18-22 (311). *“The days will come when the bridegroom is taken away from them.”*

Tuesday, Jan 22, 2019
DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE LEGAL PROTECTION OF UNBORN CHILDREN
Remember the us in them

At the heart of *Roe v. Wade*, the U.S. Supreme Court decision legalizing abortion, is the abbreviation v., “versus,” the antagonism, the eternal contest between “us” and “them.” Our great challenge in choosing life over death is less to beat “them” whom we can easily demonize as the “opposition” but rather to see those with whom we profoundly disagree as persons also beloved by God and saved by “The Lord [who] does not see as mortals see, the outward appearance, but the Lord [who] looks on the heart.” Part of the struggle to uphold the sanctity and value of life must be to draw close enough to the other to actually listen to and hear another human heart.

TODAY’S READINGS: Hebrews 6:10-20; Mark 2:23-28 (312). *“They look on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart.”*

Wednesday, Jan 23, 2019
Working together to heal the world

In developing countries around the world, missionaries of every Christian denomination work side by side to help the poor, the hungry, and the sick. Projects that provide water and medical services to remote villages are accomplished every day by people cooperating despite their religious differences. Jesus encountered resistance to his own healing ministry because he often had to cross the dividing lines of religion in order to get the job done. In this Week of Prayer for Christian Unity we may not be able to share the sacrament of Communion, but we can share the work of justice, which ultimately is the work of Jesus.

TODAY’S READINGS: Hebrews 7:1-3, 15-17; Mark 3:1-6 (313). *“Then he said to them, ‘Is it lawful to do good or to do harm on the sabbath, to save life or to kill?’ But they were silent.”*

Thursday, Jan 24, 2019
MEMORIAL OF FRANCIS DE SALES, BISHOP, DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH
Listen to the doctor

What does it mean to be a “doctor of the church”? There are three dozen saints who have been given this title for shaping theology and doctrine through scholarship and writing. Some of the biggies include Saints Augustine, Jerome, and Gregory the Great. Saint Francis de Sales, a French bishop born in 1567, is also part of the esteemed group, and he is known as the “doctor of charity.” He wrote extensively (and is the patron saint of journalists), emphasizing to his readers that charity is a means of spiritual development. Take a page from Saint Francis today.

TODAY’S READINGS: Hebrews 7:25—8:6; Mark 3:7-12 (314). *“Hearing what he was doing, a large number of people came to him.”*

Friday, Jan 25, 2019
FEAST OF THE CONVERSION OF PAUL THE APOSTLE
I once was (and often am) blind

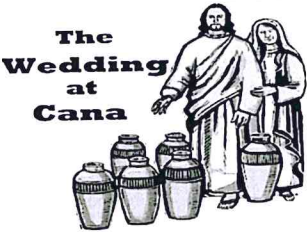
Sometimes it seems Paul was lucky. God made it very clear to him that he needed a major attitude adjustment—what spiritual folks call a conversion of heart. If God met you on the road today, could you meet the divine gaze with a sense of peace, or would you want to beg for a second chance to live more faithfully? In prayer today ask, “Am I blind to my own need for conversion?” Pray for the grace to honestly see and to “respond to the merciful love of God who loved us first,” in the words of the Catechism of the Catholic Church.

TODAY’S READINGS: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22; Mark 16:15-18 (519). *“Immediately things like scales fell from his eyes and he regained his sight.”*

Saturday, Jan 26, 2019
MEMORIAL OF TIMOTHY AND TITUS, BISHOPS
Ready to sign on?

Many ministers would probably say that serving sometimes feels like a battle for bodies and souls in need. Saint Titus, an early church leader and missionary, is the patron saint of U.S. Army chaplains. The Order of Titus Award honors outstanding performance of combat ministry in providing religious support to soldiers. Remember all those who are in the trenches—literally and figuratively—offering support in difficult circumstances of one sort or another. Consider enlisting with them today.

TODAY’S READINGS: 2 Timothy 1:1-8 or Titus 1:1-5 (520); Mark 3:20-21 (316). *“When his relatives heard of this they set out to seize him.”*



Saint Anthony Church
15 Church Street
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Second Sunday in Ordinary Time – January 20, 2019

Father Charles R. Danielson, Pastor
Deacon John P. Guarino

Bishop of Burlington: Most Rev. Christopher J. Coyne

Parish Office

Hours

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday
11:00 AM – 4:30 PM
Closed on Wednesday

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Mass Schedule

Weekend: Saturday 4:00 PM
Sunday 8:30 AM
Weekday: Monday & Friday 9:00 AM
Holy Days: Consult the parish bulletin

Rectory Chapel

Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 11:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Religious Education

Coordinator: Mrs. Julie Hamilton, 295-3989, juliehamilton130@comcast.net

Sacraments

Reconciliation: Saturday from 3:15 – 3:45 PM
Baptism: Parents must come to the rectory to get the necessary forms at least one month in advance.
Marriage: Couples must contact the parish at least six months in advance.

Invest just five minutes a day, and your faith will deepen and grow—a day at a time



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Mass Intentions

Saturday, January 19	4:00 P.M.	Elizabeth Radicioni by Walter
Sunday, January 20	8:30 A.M.	The People of Saint Anthony Parish
Monday, January 21	No Mass	
Friday, January 25	9:00 A.M.	Richard Huntley by family
Saturday, January 26	4:00 P.M.	The People of Saint Anthony Parish
Sunday, January 27	8:30 A.M.	Doris Powden by Roger & Dale Tatro



Nicole Pero
Peter Dailey
Richard Temple
Anne Rule
Theresa Lund

"Aunt" Bunny Hurst
Patrick Kendall
Mike Temple
Frank Klymn

Please also remember others who are in need of our prayers.

Names will be published in our bulletin for one month. If you would like to renew your prayer request after one month, please contact the parish office.

Sanctuary Lamps will burn for:

Saint Anthony
Parishioners
& friends



Sacrificial Giving Report

To meet our expenses we need: \$ 3,500.00
Offeritory collection January 13 & 14: \$ 3,502.00

**Thank You for Your Support
of Saint Anthony Church!**

Message from Fr. Rick:

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
- January 20, 2019 -

"There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee" With these few, simple words, St. John sets the scene for the first public miracle of Jesus: A Wedding Feast at Cana in Galilee.

A miracle it would seem that Jesus was at least at first reluctant to bring about
"My hour has not yet come."

But at the request of His Mother, Jesus saves a young couple and their families from an embarrassing and awkward social faux pas.

So much food for thought here!

This miracle stands out as unique for several reasons.

It is uniquely personal. No one is going to die if the wine runs out (unless one counts dying of embarrassment): Yet Jesus prompted by His Mother's concern intervenes to spare this couple from humiliation.

Mary's role here is indispensable: Without Her there would likely have been no miracle. Such is the love He cherishes for His Mother, Jesus is prepared to begin His public ministry early.

Fr. Rick

Low Gluten Altar Bread: If you require a low gluten host for communion, come to the altar with the Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. The celebrant will give you the consecrated low gluten host from a separate paten.

Parish Office: The office will be closed Monday, January 21. We will open Tuesday, January 22 at 11:00 a.m. The Blessed Sacrament Chapel will also be closed, and there will be no daily Mass.



Pot Lucky Bingo: Pot Lucky Bingo time is fast approaching! Next Saturday, January 26th after the 4 o'clock Mass, the church hall will be a hopping! Everyone is invited to join us for fun, food, fellowship and most of all chocolate! This event is hosted by our Religious Ed students. Please join us!

Rosary With the Knights: For the *Marian Prayer Program* the Knights of Columbus of the Michaud Council 2025 will be hosting the icon of ***Our Lady Help of Persecuted Christians*** from Wednesday, January 23 through Monday, January 28, 2019. A rosary will be offered to foster devotion to the Blessed Mother and call to mind the sufferings of our brothers and sisters in the faith. The rosary will be prayed January 26 and 27 before Saturday and Sunday Mass. Please meet forty-five minutes before each Mass in the pews nearest the tabernacle at the front of the church. Rosary will be prayed at 3:15 p.m. Saturday, January 26, and at 7:45 a.m. Sunday, January 27.

A Prayer Service with the Icon will be held at the VA Hospital Chapel on Wednesday January 23, 2019 at 12 noon. Members of St. Anthony Parish are welcome to join our Veterans for this service.

Volunteer Needed: Help is needed to assist and accompany someone "of strong Catholic faith" who is living at The Village and wishes to attend Sunday Mass at Saint Anthony Church. A volunteer would meet her at The Village and walk her here to St. Anthony Church using a wheelchair if necessary. Please contact the parish office if interested.

Catholic Town Meetings: Future meetings, all hosted by Bishop Coyne will be held: Tuesday, January 22 at Holy Family Church, in Essex Jct.; Wednesday, January 23 at St. Theresa Church in Orleans; Monday, January 28 at Sacred Heart Church in Bennington; Tuesday, January 29 at Christ the King Parish in Rutland and Thursday, January 31 at St. John Vianney Church in South Burlington. Meetings start at 6:00 PM and end at 7:30 PM, and are open to anyone to attend any of the meetings, not just by location.

The bishop begins with a prayer, offers a few remarks about where we are as a Diocese and the Church here in Vermont. Bishop Coyne will then listen and respond as he can to what other "citizens" of the Church have to say. The operative frame for discussion should be Christian charity and respectful listening focused on promoting the work of salvation in and through the Church. Those who come to the town meeting should speak in such a manner, and those who choose not to speak should listen with an open mind as Bishop Coyne will try to do.

"My command
is this:
Love one another
as I have loved you."

John 15:12

World Marriage Day: The celebration of World Marriage Day in the Diocese of Burlington will take place Sunday, February 3, 2019 at the 10:00 AM Mass at St. Joseph's Cathedral with Burlington Bishop Coyne as Celebrant. Recognition will be given to those couples celebrating their milestone anniversaries in the year 2019 (5, 10, 15 etc...) Couples can also choose to be recognized in their parish and receive a certificate on the following Sunday, February 10th. Please register through the Office of Evangelization & Catechesis, Marriage and Family Life at www.vermontcatholic.org or by email to Lori Daudelin at ldaudelin@vermontcatholic.org or contact the parish office ASAP.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter: Allow God to strengthen, renew, rekindle and transform your marriage sacrament by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Weekends are March 15-17, 2019 in Isle La Motte, VT and February 8-10, 2019 in Huntington, NY. For more information, call John & Diane Forcier at 802-456-8114 or visit them at <https://www.mevtw.org/>.



Haven: The most needed items this week are peanut butter, tuna, canned fruits/vegetables, cranberry sauce and cereal. Other needs include cereal, pasta & pasta sauce, soups/broths, dry/evaporated milk and all legumes (peas, beans, etc.) Any non-perishable items may be left in the basket at the top of the stairs. Thank you!

St. Anthony Parish would like to welcome all those who are visiting with us this weekend.