



Saint Anthony Church

15 Church Street

White River Jct. Vermont 05001

Baptism of the Lord – January 12, 2020

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.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, January 11	4:00 P.M.	Donald Campbell by Norman & Ann Campbell
Sunday, January 12	8:30 A.M.	The People of Saint Anthony Parish
Monday, January 13	<i>NO MASS</i>	
Friday, January 17	9:00 A.M.	In Thanksgiving to Saint Anthony by JLD
Saturday, January 18	4:00 P.M.	Fonzo Orizzonto by Herb & Patti Castellini
Sunday, January 19	8:30 A.M.	The People of Saint Anthony Parish



Catherine McKenney
Patrick Kendall
Lorraine Drolet
Max Loper
Liz Wheeler
Martha Brock

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:	\$ 3,700.00
Offertory collection January 4-5:	\$ 3,397.00
Building repairs, November:	\$ 260.00
Fuel/energy, November:	\$ 560.00

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

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.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Richard E. Colt, Sr.**, husband of a parishioner, who recently died.
May his family find solace in their faith and in the promise of eternal life with our Heavenly Father.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Sister Alice Vincent** who died this week.
May her family find solace in their faith and in the promise of eternal life with our Heavenly Father.

Message from Fr. Rick:

The Feast of the Baptism of The Lord

This Feast marks the end of the Christmas Season. Tomorrow, Monday, January 13th, 2020 marks the beginning of Ordinary Time.

This, the longest Season of the Church year is the one season most like our ordinary experience of life. Ordinary Time it turns out, is not very ordinary at all.

Ordinary Time: and, in particular the Sunday Celebration of the Eucharist is “The identifying mark of the Christian Community which comes together remembering that on this first day of the week the Lord of Life was raised up and creation came at last to completion.”

Fr. Rick

Please note: I will be away on retreat beginning Sunday afternoon, returning Thursday, January 16th. In emergency please call the office. Please pray for me as I will pray for all of you.

Daily Mass: There will be no daily Mass here on Monday, January 13. Our R.C.I.A. program *will* meet Monday evening, but Fr. Rick will not be in attendance due to the retreat.

Second Collection Next Weekend: The Catholic Education Collection will take place next weekend, January 18-19. Your generosity to this annual collection helps to support the continued faith formation of our young people. One half of the collection will remain in our parish for the local religious education programs, and one half supports 13 Catholic schools throughout the Diocese. Your generosity to this very important mission in the life of the Church is greatly appreciated. *Please make checks payable to St. Anthony Church.*



Hartford Residents: As you entered the church today you may have seen a petition on the table. The petition requests the Selectboard *to add an article to the Warning for the Annual Town Meeting* to be held Tuesday, March 3, 2020. The article asks the town to appropriate the sum of \$9,000.⁰⁰ to assist Southeastern Vermont Community Action. You may know them better as SEVCA, an organization that provides services to families and individuals in need.

Throughout the year, Saint Anthony Parish works with SEVCA and other agencies to coordinate available assistance. If you are a resident of the Town of Hartford, please consider adding your name to the petition today. Thank you.



Our Parish Assistance Fund: During last year, 2019, a total of \$4,784.00 was donated to our Parish Assistance Fund. We thank you for your generosity. The parish was able to help a number of individuals with various needs thanks to **you!**





A Note About Cold and Flu Season: The Sign of Peace has been an integral and valued part of the worship of the church for centuries in the form of a kiss of peace or handshake. As we enter this cold and flu season, it is important to recognize that some people are especially susceptible to the viruses that can be spread by contact and some immune systems are very sensitive. Please understand that some people may choose not to shake hands during the Sign of Peace but might simply greet you with a smile.

Also, please use common sense and good judgment concerning Mass attendance if you are ill. If you do decide to come to church for Mass, please remember that frequent and thorough hand-washing, refraining from physical contact during the Sign of Peace, and refraining from receiving communion from the chalice can help prevent the spread of germs.



Catholic Mass on TV: If illness, injury or weather keeps you from attending Mass, you can find it **Sunday** mornings at 6:00 a.m. on **WCAX-TV**, channel 3 (or consult your local listings.)

Televised Masses may be found on **The CatholicTV Network**, cable channel 166 (or consult your local listings) **Sunday** at 10 a.m., 7 p.m. and 11:30 p.m. Daily Mass is Monday through Friday at 9:30 a.m., with rebroadcasts at 7 and 11:30 p.m.

Televised Masses may also be found on **EWTN**, channel 38 (or consult your local listings) **Sunday** 8:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon. Daily Mass is Monday through Saturday at 8:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

Of course, the ideal is to attend Mass in person. But as Bishop Coyne advises us above, please use common sense and good judgement if you are ill.

LOST & FOUND

Found Items: Sometimes when we leave Mass we are mentally singing the Recessional hymn, perhaps meditating on the homily, or maybe talking with a friend. Occasionally things get left behind. If you think you may have left an item in the church after Mass, please call the parish office to see if it has been turned in. Most often left behind are such things as reading glasses, glove(s), hats.

Annual Diocesan Respect Life Mass: Will be celebrated next Saturday, January 18, at 9:30AM at St. Augustine Parish in Montpelier with Diocesan Vicar General, Monsignor John McDermott. Reception to follow. Vermont Right to Life will then sponsor a prayerful walk to the State House with program to follow inside.

Annual Parish Staff/Volunteer Retreats: Three Free Lenten retreat days for parish staff members and volunteers. These one day retreats are offered by the Diocese through the Office of Evangelization & Catechesis. Retreats run from 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. The dates and locations are (North) Wednesday, March 11, Ascension Parish in Georgia; (South) Wednesday, March 18, St. Stanislaus Parish in W. Rutland; (Open to entire Diocese) Saturday, March 7, Immaculate Heart of Mary in Williston. Contact Valerie Parzyck at vparzyck@vermontcatholic.org to register.



We'll Let You Know: Christmas Bazaar results will be published in the bulletin as soon as we have a final accounting. In order to determine 'how we did' we first need to be sure that all Silent Auction receipts and donations are in. Then we need to wait to receive invoices for expenses such as advertising, wreaths, etc. We know that so many of you have given your time, talent and treasure to make our Christmas Bazaar a success, and are anxious to learn how well we've done. We are, too! We're doing our very best to keep you informed, and we truly appreciate your patience!

Third Annual Catholic Men's Conference: This event will be held here at St. Anthony Church in White River Junction on Saturday, March 28, 2020. The Keynote speaker is retired Air Force Captain, Guy Gruters. Guy is a decorated Vietnam War veteran who spent 5-1/2 years as a POW in Vietnam, and a lifetime Catholic. Other speakers will include Msgr. John McDermott and Paul Kendall. There will also be opportunities for confession, Eucharistic Adoration, lunch, fellowship, and Mass with Bishop Coyne. Registration and more information is available at www.vermontcatholic.org/men.

Retrouvaille: (pronounced Retro-vi) means rediscovery in French. The program helps couples put their broken pieces back together and rediscover their love for each other! This program is for couples with marital problems, including those who are considering marriage separation and those who are already separated or divorced.

The program is also for couples who may be cold and distant, and believe that there is no hope for their marriage. It is for couples of ALL ages, regardless of how long they have been married, or have been in trouble. For more information Email them at RetrouvailleNE@gmail.com or phone (508) 271-7155.

Respect Life: "An unexpected pregnancy can be a difficult and frightening time, and it's important that your friend knows you are thinking of her and supporting her. ... don't forget the most important thing is to pray. Even if it's just a quick two-second prayer, prayer is the most effective way we can help. Pray for her, for her child, and for guidance in how you can give her the best possible support." *USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities*, "10 Ways to Support Her When She's Unexpectedly Expecting" (www.respectlife.org/support-her)

Haven: The most needed items this week are cream cheese, cheese, tuna, canned vegetables, canned fruit, soup and shelf-stable milk. Other needs include a large capacity food processor for the Caruso Café kitchen, long under and sweatpants, both in Adult sizes Medium - XXL, gently-used pots & pans, with lids if possible, and grocery bags. 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.

NEWS FROM The Inland See

January 11-17, 2020

FOR THE DIOCESE OF BURLINGTON

Roman Catholic Diocese of Burlington and Vermont Catholic Charities announce new external position to support those impacted by sexual abuse

In response to concerns raised by survivors of clergy sexual abuse and their families, the Diocese of Burlington has created an external process for supporting and caring for them. In many conversations and communications with survivors, Bishop Christopher Coyne and other church leaders have been told that it is often difficult for survivors to approach the Church directly, especially since it was an agent of the Church that was responsible for their abuse. Many felt that there needed to be another way to get the help and support they need. As such, the Diocese of Burlington and Vermont Catholic Charities, Inc. has contracted with Sheila Conroy LCMHC (licensed mental health counselor) to serve as a Victim Assistance Coordinator to assist in bringing about healing, justice and peace for those suffering from sexual abuse perpetrated by clergy and others employed by the Church in years past.

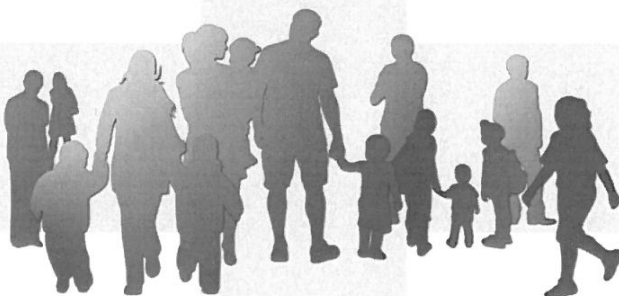
Under this new endeavor, survivors can contact Conroy directly without having to contact the Church. Following this, Sheila is tasked with providing a safe, warm and respectful welcome to survivors of sexual abuse, their families and friends, and impacted parishes outside of the normal church environment. Along with listening to survivors, she will provide therapeutic service and confidentially

communicate victim' needs and concerns with appropriate diocesan leaders in order to provide the best care plan. This role will also plan and promote healing workshops, support groups, healing services and other opportunities for survivors and families if appropriate.

Sheila has an extensive professional background in supporting victims. Thirty-seven years ago, after witnessing the effects of trauma on children and adults who had been suffering from the effects of sexual trauma and war, she began her clinical studies focusing on the impact of early harm to children and young adults. She has held positions as contractor to the State of Vermont, dealing with the effects of sexual abuse on children and their families. She has worked as a clinician in a behavior hospital for adolescents most of whom had suffered from profound physical and sexual abuse that lead to their placement. Sheila also has years of experience contracting with the local and federal government as a Military Family Life Counselor for clients suffering from life-changing effects of war since September 11, 2001 and as a first responder as well as contracted work with Vermont Catholic Charities.

For anyone needing support, Sheila can be reached on a confidential line at 802-855-3016.

PROMISE TO
PROTECT



PLEDGE TO
HEAL

UPCOMING EVENTS



01|18 SATURDAY Diocesan Mass, VT Rally for Life

St. Augustine, Montpelier • 9:30 am - 12 pm
Join us for Mass at St. Augustine. Following

Mass Vermont Right to Life will sponsor a prayerful walk to the Statehouse with a program to follow inside.



01|19 SUNDAY Kof C Pancake Breakfast

Holy Cross, Colchester • 10 - 11 am

Good will donations, proceeds to support military seminarians.



01|21 TUESDAY Nicholas Black Elk: Oglala of the Lakota Sioux, Servant of God

Holy Family, Essex Junction • 7 - 9:00 pm

Cousin of Crazy Horse and subject of the famous book, "Black Elk Speaks," Nicholas Black Elk became a Catholic in 1904. As a catechist he is credited with bringing over 400 people to the Faith. In 2017, the Vatican authorized his cause for canonization. Dr. Damian Costello is a vice-postulator of Black Elk's cause for canonization and the author of "Black Elk: Colonialism and Lakota Catholicism."



01|22 WEDNESDAY VCP Networking Breakfast

Pomerleau Alumni Center, St. Michael's College, Colchester • 8 - 9:30 am

This free event will begin with networking and refreshments, followed by words from a professional development speaker, and followed by more networking and discussion. Our January guest speaker is Mike Smith — Interim president and CEO of the Vermont Information Technology Leaders, Inc / Secretary, Vermont Agency of Human Services.



01|23-26 THURSDAY-SUNDAY Life is Precious Washington D.C. Trip 2020

Trip will include Rally for Life with thousands of other teens, March for Life with hundreds of thousands, National Mall Museums, National Basilica and more! Cost: \$175 — submit \$50 non-refundable deposit by November 1. Submit full deposit by January 1, 2020 (non-refundable after January 1).



01|27 MONDAY Series on the Saints: St. Teresa, The Little Flower

Holy Family, Essex Junction • 7 - 8:30 pm

In the second of our Series on the Saints, Monsignor Richard Lavalley will give a presentation on St. Teresa of Lisieux, the "Little Flower."



01|31, 02|01, 02 FRI, SAT, SUN Discernment in Daily Life

Our Lady of Life Spiritual Center, St-Paul-d'Abbotsford, QC

Retreat for students and young professionals, 18-35 years old, with teaching given in French/English (simultaneous translation as needed) by a team of Our Lady of Life members.



02|01 SATURDAY Our Lady of Fatima Devotions

Holy Family, Essex Junction • 8 - 9:30 am

First Saturday of every month, come to Our Lady of Fatima Devotions. Rosary and reconciliation begin at 8 am and Mass at 8:30.



02|01 SATURDAY French Canadian Dinner

Our Lady of the Holy Rosary, Richmond • 5 - 7 pm

Delicious homemade cuisine: pea soup, tourtiere (meat) pie, mashed potatoes, rolls, desserts, beverages.



02|02 SUNDAY World Marriage Day Anniversary Mass

St. Joseph Cathedral, Burlington • 10 - 11 am

Join us as we celebrate World Marriage Day by honoring in a special way those celebrating a milestone wedding anniversary. Mass with Bishop Christopher Coyne.



02|03 MONDAY Series on the Saints: Brother Dutton of Stowe

Holy Family, Essex Junction • 7 - 8:30 pm

In the third of our Series on the Saints, Monsignor Peter Routhier will give a presentation on Brother Dutton of Stowe, Vermont, whose cause for canonization is now being considered. 02|26 WEDNESDAY



Ash Wednesday

Come to Mass and receive your ashes!



02|22 & 03|21 SATURDAYS Marriage Preparation Retreats

10 am - 5:30 pm

Spend time in prayer, sharing and fellowship with your fiancé and other engaged couples. February 22 at Sacred Heart St. Francis de Sales Parish Hall, Bennington, and March 21 is at Blessed Sacrament in Stowe.



03|09 MONDAY Lenten Series

Holy Family, Essex Junction • 7 - 8:30 pm

"The Journey of the Magi for Lent: A Parable, A Poem, and a Painting" presented by Fr. Richard Berube, SSE.

DIOCESE OF BURLINGTON CAREERS

Diocese: Finance Officer

Diocese: Respect Life Coordinator

Diocese: Senior Accountant

The Loretto Home, Rutland:
Residential Care Positions

Our Lady of Seven Dolors, Fair Haven:
Organist or Keyboardist/Choir Director

St. Joseph Residential Care Home, Burlington:
LPN

Vermont Catholic Charities: Counselor

For More Info:

vermontcatholic.org/careers



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Sunday, Jan 12, 2020

FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

Farewell to the hidden life

Part of our life belongs to us in a private way. The rest is lived in the public eye at school, work, church, or in the community. Even if you're not a celebrity, the private part of who you are is shrinking fast, as more of what we do becomes common knowledge and on the record. Jesus, too, had his hidden years, those first three decades we know little about. At his Baptism by John, heaven claimed him and put his identity on the record. His hidden days were over. After our Baptisms, our choices are on the record too.

TODAY'S READINGS: Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7; Acts 10:34-38; Matthew 3:13-17 (21). *"I formed you, and set you as . . . a light for the nations, to open the eyes of the blind."*

Monday, Jan 13, 2020

MEMORIAL OF HILARY, BISHOP, DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

Let the truth be known

Much like our own times, in the early centuries of the church, many competing ideas circulated about what Christians should believe, including Arianism, which said that God the Father and God the Son were not one. But because of clear-thinking, Spirit-filled people like Saint Hilary, a bishop and later-named doctor of the church, truth prevailed. Truth seems to be taking quite a beating in our own time, so pray for guidance and wisdom and the intercession of Hilary—and like him, stand up for what you know to be true.

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 Samuel 1:1-8; Mark 1:14-20 (305). *"The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel."*

Tuesday, Jan 14, 2020

Choose holiness

It's fun to see the kids dressed up as little red devils at Halloween or to scream with our friends at horror movies. Yet, it is difficult and painful to address the reality of evil in the world. How do we contend with this? Pope Francis in his apostolic exhortation *Gaudete et exsultate (On the Call to Holiness in Today's World)* writes, "We should not think of the devil as a myth, a representation, a symbol, a figure of speech, or an idea. . . . The devil does not need to possess us. He poisons us with the venom of hatred, desolation, envy, and vice." Spend time with God and ask for help in examining your own heart, in rebuking that which is not of God, and in nurturing all that is of God.

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 Samuel 1:9-20; Mark 1:21-28 (306). *"Jesus commands even the unclean spirits and they obey him."*

Wednesday, Jan 15, 2020

Find the perfect word

Imagine having the eloquence and foresight that no word you spoke was without truth. That was God's gift to Samuel in the Old Testament and to many prophets that followed, including Saint Marcarius, whose feast day is today. Saint Marcarius was a fourth-century desert monk celebrated for his prophecies and healing powers. Finding the right words does not come easy for most of us. But if we allow ourselves to be guided by God's word,

we will learn to express ourselves in love—always the perfect response.

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 Samuel 3:1-10, 19-20; Mark 1:29-39 (307). *"Samuel grew up, and the LORD was with him, not permitting any word of his to be without effect."*

Thursday, Jan 16, 2020

Close encounters

Leprosy was considered contagious at the time of Jesus. Following the Mosaic Law, anybody who touched a leper would be banned from society. That's why Jesus encourages those he heals to keep quiet. But good news demands to be shared. The good word gets around. Encounters with the Lord are like that. You've just got to tell somebody! What's your encounter story?

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 Samuel 4:1-11; Mark 1:40-45 (308). *"He spread the report abroad so that it was impossible for Jesus to enter a town openly."*

Friday, Jan 17, 2020

MEMORIAL OF ANTHONY, ABBOT

Let's get our priorities right

How ironic that Saint Anthony of Egypt, a hermit who sought solitude in the desert, would attract the very crowds he was trying to escape. But attract he did—not just admirers who sought advice but disciples who wanted to attain Anthony's same degree of serene single-mindedness for the gospel. Thus some of the first monastic communities formed, teaching adherents to be solitary while also communal, requiring they eschew the trappings of "living in the world." The point of monastic spirituality, after all, is an intentional focus on God's reign rather than the passing preoccupations of the world. How will you seek the reign of God today—can you trust in God instead of the "ways of the world"?

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 Samuel 8:4-7, 10-22a; Mark 2:1-12 (309). *"It is not you they reject, they are rejecting me as their king."*

Saturday, Jan 18, 2020

May we all be one

Every year on this day Christians in the Northern Hemisphere officially begin the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity—an observance lasting eight days, strategically placed between two significant dates for the larger Christian Church. The week begins on the feast of the Confession of Saint Peter, on January 18, and concludes with the feast of the Conversion of Saint Paul on January 25. Begun in 1908 as the Octave for Christian Unity—and heavily promoted by the Graymoor Franciscan Friars, as it still is today—the week promotes prayer to sustain the ecumenical spirit of the worldwide Christian Church. Consider some ways you can pray with and for those of other denominations who also love Christ. Embrace the words that Jesus prayed in John 17:21—that "they may all be one; even as You, Father, are in Me and I in You."

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 Samuel 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a; Mark 2:13-17 (310). *"There were many who followed him."*

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



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