



# Saint Anthony Church

15 Church Street

White River Jct. Vermont 05001

Third Sunday Easter – April 26, 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

**Secretary:** Ms. Joanne Collins

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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](mailto: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

**In keeping with Governor Scott's Stay at Home directive, Bishop Christopher J. Coyne has suspended all public celebrations of the Catholic Mass, sacraments and devotions until further notice.**

Although the obligation to attend Mass has been lifted, we strongly encourage you to view Sunday Mass every week. You may view Mass every Sunday at 10:00 AM live-streamed on our homepage <https://www.stanthonyvt.org> or click "previous broadcasts" to view at a later time.

Watch live-streaming of Mass Monday through Friday at 12:05 PM at the diocesan website <https://www.vermontcatholic.org/news/communication/tv-mass> or visit our homepage for a link.



Janet Flaherty  
Catherine McKenney  
Max Loper  
Sherry Brown  
Jeff Potts

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 April 18-19:	\$ 5,300.00
Building repairs, March:	\$ 502.00
Fuel/Energy, March:	\$ 663.00

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

**Thank You:** Saint Anthony Parish thanks all those who have continued to mail their donations and offertory envelopes. We **truly appreciate your support** during this difficult time. Although we are trying our best to minimize expenses, we still have bills to pay. We understand that many of you, **our people**, are experiencing financial hardship, and we pray for you. Through prayer and trust in the Lord, we will get through this together.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Thomas Ralston** who died last week. May his family find solace in their faith and in the promise of eternal life with our heavenly Father.

*Let us pray for one another and for all those impacted in any way  
by the Covid-19 pandemic.*

## Message from Fr. Rick:

“Death, solitude and fear are not the last word. There is a word that transcends them, a word that only God can speak: it is the word of the Resurrection.” *Pope Francis*

The Season of Easter celebrates the mystery that lies at the heart of Christianity: That, appearances notwithstanding, we live in a world transformed. Transformed by the Incarnation, the coming into our world of time and space of Him who is Himself the creator of time and space! The Word, the Second Person of the Blessed Trinity took flesh in the womb of the Blessed Virgin Mary and became man; Jesus Christ the Word made flesh. This man taught, worked miracles, and proclaimed by all He said and did, the Good News The Gospel! Put to death, He rose from the dead, “The Lamb once slain who lives forever!” His Resurrection is the definitive sign that God is reordering our world! Jesus whole life, and, above all, His Suffering, Death and Resurrection are signs of God’s presence breaking into our world to change it forever!

Please note: I am available to talk via phone call and/or email Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday. The phone (802) 674-2157 rings in both the St. Francis Church office and the Rectory. If I am out, please leave a message including a phone number and I will get back to you as soon as possible. It’s helpful if you identify yourself as being from St. Anthony in White River Jct.

Note further I will again livestream Sunday Mass from Saint Francis in Windsor this Sunday, April 26th at 10:00 a.m. at <https://www.facebook.com/StFrancisWindsorVT/live/>  
Please tune in!

God bless you all, let us continue to pray for one another!

Please continue, as you are able to financially support your parish. Thank you!

Fr. Rick

**Weekly Bulletin:** Our bulletin is on our website. For those who do not have web access, or who prefer a printed version, you may pick up a bulletin outside the parish office in a plastic container on the small porch near the office door.

**Just a Note:** Our parish office is closed, but we are still able to retrieve messages. If you have any concerns, or if we may be of help, please don’t hesitate to leave a message by phone (802) 295-2225, ext. 3 or by email [Info@SaintAnthonyChurchWRJ.org](mailto:Info@SaintAnthonyChurchWRJ.org).

A parishioner, well known to us for her volunteer services at Saint Anthony Church, has offered to bring food or medicine or comply with other needs of our people. *If you have such a need please let us know.* Resources are here, just waiting for you!



**Reminder:** Although we are separated and not able to physically join together at Mass, remember that prayer can occur anywhere and everywhere, not only in a church building.

**Additional Message from Fr. Rick:**

My faithful Parishioners, Hope you are all well, and staying healthy?

Well, these strange times in which we are living continue.... Like you, and like everybody else, I wonder how much longer it will continue. But the people of God have a lot of experience with waiting: To cite just a few examples,

Noah, it took time to build that ark! It took time to gather the animals together and bring them into the ark, then came 40 days of rain! Then the lengthy time for all that water to drain off and the earth to dry....

Then the long period of Israel's enslavement in Egypt.... The 40 years wandering through the Sinai wilderness to the promised land.... Strangest of all perhaps was the gradual unfolding of God's plan of redemption in Christ!

Through it all God has given us many assurances that He is indeed with us, He has not left us orphaned.... So too now, in this time of Pandemic:

I am available for live calls or emails on the following days and times: Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, 10:00 a.m. 4:00 p.m., 802-674-2157, phone rings in both church office and rectory; E-mail: [jazzie30@gmail.com](mailto:jazzie30@gmail.com). If I am out when you call, please leave a message, including a phone number and I will return your call as soon as possible... THANK YOU! God bless you all! Let us all continue to pray for one another and for an end to the pandemic.

A sincere THANK YOU to everyone who has joined in on our livestream Sunday Masses and for the positive responses from those who watch! Thank you too for those who continue to reach out to me with kind thoughts and prayers and notes! I am blessed to be pastor of such amazing parishes!

St. Francis of Assisi, pray for us! Saint Anthony, pray for us! Our Lady of Good Counsel, Pray for us!

In Christ,

Fr. Rick.

**What Can You Do:** Here is a suggestion for you to keep in touch. Remember that many nursing homes, assisted living and long term care facilities have been closed to visitors since the beginning of flu season. Many people at these facilities have few visitors under 'normal' circumstances. If you have a relative or friend or know of someone who is isolated, won't you please take a moment or two to write a note or send a card? If you are comfortable in doing so, pass their name & address along to friends, and perhaps they can also send a card or note.

**What's New:** We are hoping to expand contact with you through phone calls. The diocese has given guidelines and outreach 'tips' for us to make these calls. We will want to know how you are doing, and if you have any needs or prayer intentions. Callers will be parishioners who are known to us, so don't be surprised if you receive such a call. We will *not* be asking for your personal information or donations. If you receive any calls that do ask, *please hang up immediately. It is a scam.*

**Saint Anthony and Mt. Olivet Cemeteries:** To facilitate the cleaning and maintenance of our cemeteries, gravesites must be cleared by May 1<sup>st</sup> of all dead flowers, wreaths, old and faded artificial flowers or other decorations, shepherd hooks, statuary, and any other loose personal objects placed on or near monuments. After May 15<sup>th</sup> flowers may be placed in pots or urns to the right and/or left of the monument. Following Governor Scott's directives, please wear a face mask and maintain social distancing guidelines when doing so.

Complete cemetery policies and procedures may be found on our website. If you do not have online access, please leave a message at the rectory and we will arrange to send a copy to you.

**Catholic Home Missions Appeal:** Support the Catholic Home Missions Appeal today. Right now over 40% of dioceses in the United States are considered mission territories because they are unable to fund the essential pastoral work needed in their communities. Your support funds religious education, seminary formation, lay ministry training, and other programs that build vibrant faith communities right here in the United States. Please support this appeal. More information may be found at [www.usccb.org/home-missions](http://www.usccb.org/home-missions). *Please make checks payable to St. Anthony Church.*

If you receive offertory envelopes through the mail, you will find an envelope in your packet. For others who may wish to give, envelopes are available in the bulletin box outside the rectory.

**Catholic Mass on TV:** The obligation to attend Sunday Mass has been suspended by Bishop Coyne in light of recent and ongoing public health directives. We encourage you to view the celebration of Sunday Mass at 10:00 a.m., livestreamed on our website, or on the following: **Sunday** mornings at 6:00 a.m. on **WCAX-TV**, channel 3; **Sunday** mornings at 10:00 a.m. on **WNNE-TV**, channel 13 (or consult local listings.) Televised Masses may be found on **The CatholicTV Network**, cable channel 166 **Sunday** at 10 a.m., 7 p.m. and 11:30 p.m. Televised Masses may also be found on **EWTN**, channel 38 **Sunday** 8:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon.

**A Prayer for Protection in Time of Pandemic:** O Mary, you always brighten our path as a sign of salvation and of hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who, at the Cross, took part in Jesus' pain while remaining steadfast in faith. O loving Mother, you know what we need, and we are confident you will provide for us as at Cana in Galilee. Intercede for us with your Son Jesus, the Divine Physician, for those who have fallen ill, for those who are vulnerable, and for those who have died. Intercede also for those charged with protecting the health and safety of others and for those who are tending to the sick and seeking a cure. Help us, O Mother of Divine Love, to conform to the will of the Father and to do as we are told by Jesus, who took upon himself our sufferings and carried our sorrows, so as to lead us, through the Cross, to the glory of the Resurrection. Amen. **Under thy protection we seek refuge, O Holy Mother of God. In our needs, despise not our petitions, but deliver us always from all dangers, O glorious and blessed Virgin. Amen.** - *Adapted from the prayer of Pope Francis*

**Haven:** With the suspension of Mass, we are unable to continue collecting at the church, and ask that you bring your donations directly to the Haven. The **Top Five Food Shelf Needs** this week include canned fruit, canned vegetables, peanut butter, tunafish and macaroni & cheese. Thank you!

We pray that you and your families are safe and healthy, and we hope to welcome you back to Saint Anthony Church when this crisis is over.

# NEWS FROM The Inland See

April 25–May 1, 2020

FOR THE DIOCESE OF BURLINGTON

## Faith in the risen Christ strengthens our hope



**M**sg. John McDermott, vicar general of the Diocese of Burlington, offered this weekly message of hope to diocesan staff.

What are you most looking forward to doing when the quarantine and Stay Home-Stay Safe order is eased/lifted? For some it may be the ability to come back to the office each day to work, but I imagine for most of us it will be the ability to get together again with family and friends without the worry of maintaining a safe distance or the need to wear masks and gloves. If there is one thing that this time has taught us, as well as the rest of the state and country, we should never take the simple things for granted again. There have been far too many stories of people passing away without the comfort of family being by their side because of the coronavirus, and far too many instances of people only being able to meet via the internet or through a glass window or door.

We are by nature social beings. This is lived out in family life, community life, work life and church life. Community and social interaction allows us to live full and joy-filled lives. So, it is essential that we keep supporting one another through prayer, regular communication and gestures of fellowship especially when we can't be together physically.

Let's never forget that during this Easter season, when we are celebrating Christ's victory over sin and death that, it is our faith in the risen Christ that strengthens our hope and sustains us while apart. May St. Paul's to the Romans words encourage us:

*What then shall we say to this? If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare his own Son but handed him over for us all, how will he not also give us everything else along with him? Who will bring a charge against God's chosen ones? It is God who acquits us. Who will condemn? It is Christ [Jesus] who died, rather, was raised, who also is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. What will separate us from the love of Christ? Will anguish, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or the sword?...No, in all these things we conquer overwhelmingly through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor present things, nor future things, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.*

— Msgr. John McDermott, Vicar General  
of the Diocese of Burlington



# Diocese of Burlington

## *Online Ministry Opportunities*

April 26–May 2, 2020

### Mass, Adoration, Rosary, and the Office of the Dead

Daily (Monday – Friday)	8 AM	<i>Eucharistic Adoration</i> (30 min) — Livestream — <a href="http://www.vermontcatholic.org/tvmass">www.vermontcatholic.org/tvmass</a>
Daily (Monday – Friday)	11:15 AM	<i>Live Rosary</i> — with Valerie Parzyck — <a href="http://www.facebook.com/DioBurlington">www.facebook.com/DioBurlington</a>
Daily (Monday – Friday)	12:05 PM	<i>Mass</i> — Livestream — <a href="http://www.vermontcatholic.org/tvmass">www.vermontcatholic.org/tvmass</a>
Sunday	10 AM	<i>Mass</i> — Livestream — <a href="http://www.vermontcatholic.org/tvmass">www.vermontcatholic.org/tvmass</a>

**Office of the Dead** will be livestreamed on [www.facebook.com/DioBurlington](http://www.facebook.com/DioBurlington), and also available on [www.vermontcatholic.org/spiritualresources](http://www.vermontcatholic.org/spiritualresources).

	8 AM	<b>Office of the Dead, Morning Prayer</b>
Friday, May 1	4 PM	<b>Office of the Dead, Evening Prayer</b>
	8 PM	<b>Office of the Dead, Night Prayer</b>

### Online Ministries

Daily	Posted at 9 AM	<b>Bishop Coyne's Daily Reflections</b> — <a href="http://www.facebook.com/DioBurlington">www.facebook.com/DioBurlington</a> and <a href="http://www.vermontcatholic.org/about/office-of-bishop/dailyreflections/">www.vermontcatholic.org/about/office-of-bishop/dailyreflections/</a>
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For the below offerings, we encourage people to register. Find the event on our diocesan calendar ([www.vermontcatholic.org/events](http://www.vermontcatholic.org/events)) and sign up, or contact [mhagan@vermontcatholic.org](mailto:mhagan@vermontcatholic.org). All events are FREE. Some of these will also be live-streamed on the diocesan Facebook page ([www.facebook.com/DioBurlington](http://www.facebook.com/DioBurlington)).

Monday, April 27	7:30 PM	<b>Praying with the Scriptures</b> (30 min) — Michael Hagan
Tuesday, April 28	10:30 AM & 7 PM	<b>Encountering Jesus Bible Study</b> (30 min) — Deacon Phil Lawson
Wednesday, April 29	3 PM	<b>Family Fun! Quiz Game</b> (30 min) — Terri McCormack & Michael Hagan
	7:30 PM	<b>Book Study: <i>The Screwtape Letters</i> by C.S. Lewis, Part 4</b> (45-60 min) — Michael Hagan
Thursday, April 30	7 PM	<b>Theology On Tap</b> (for young adults ages 21–35) — Fr. Robert Little & Bill Gavin
Friday, May 1	<i>no online ministry scheduled</i>	

## DIOCESE OF BURLINGTON CAREERS

*Diocese:* Respect Life Coordinator  
*The Loretto Home, Rutland:* Director of Nursing – \$7,500 Sign-on Bonus!  
*Sacred Heart / St. Francis de Sales School, Bennington:* Administrator

*St. Joseph's Residential Care Home, Burlington:* Full-Time LNA or Caregiver — \$500 Sign-On Bonus  
*St. Joseph's Residential Care Home, Burlington:* Full-Time LPN or Med Tech — \$1000 Sign-On Bonus  
*St. Joseph's Residential Care Home, Burlington:* Part-Time LNA or Caregiver

*St. Joseph's Residential Care Home, Burlington:* Part-Time LPN or Med Tech  
*St. Joseph's Residential Care Home, Burlington:* Maintenance Supervisor  
*St. Joseph's Residential Care Home, Burlington:* Night Shift Caregiver  
*For More Info:*  
[vermontcatholic.org/careers](http://www.vermontcatholic.org/careers)

## Sunday, Apr 26, 2020

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

### Three ways to foolishness—or faith

Some of us are quick to admit we don't need help in being foolish. We do this quite well on our own. Nonetheless, the story of the Emmaus travelers provides a checklist of choices that lead to boneheaded moves. First of all, they abandon hope too soon. Second, they separate from the community of faith. Third, they discount reports that Jesus is still being encountered. No wonder they didn't recognize Jesus when he was standing right next to them! Practice patience. Stay close. And seek the Lord while he may be found.

TODAY'S READINGS: Acts 2:14, 22-33; 1 Peter 1:17-21; Luke 24:13-35 (46). *"Oh, how foolish you are! How slow of heart to believe all that the prophets spoke!"*

## Monday, Apr 27, 2020

EASTER WEEKDAY

### Saints for all seasons

Six years ago today, Pope John XXIII and Pope John Paul II were both canonized. Commentators pointed out the apparent differences between these new saints: one known for his progressive outlook in convening Vatican II, one seen as upholding more traditional Catholic values. And yet their canonization was the perfect snapshot of what we believe the communion of saints to be—holy role models who are each unique unto themselves, demonstrating so many different ways to follow Christ. Ask John XXIII and John Paul II to pray for you today, requesting they guide your own distinct path to holiness.

TODAY'S READINGS: Acts 6:8-15; John 6:22-29 (273). *"Believe in the one he sent."*

## Tuesday, Apr 28, 2020

MEMORIAL OF PETER CHANEL, PRIEST, MARTYR

### Exercise your right of redemption

Saint Peter Chanel is revered for having lived a courageous life as a missionary and having died a martyr's death in 1841 on the Oceania island of Futuna. The later remorse and repentance of his murderer Musumusu is also noteworthy. Having clubbed Chanel to death in 1841 on instructions from the king to "do what was necessary" to stop Chanel's evangelization, he later repented and was baptized. He asked to be buried outside the church where Chanel's remains were kept, so that the faithful would walk over his grave on their way to revere Chanel. Even your greatest errors in life can be redemptive.

TODAY'S READINGS: Acts 7:51—8:1a; John 6:30-35 (274). *"The bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world."*

## Wednesday, Apr 29, 2020

MEMORIAL OF CATHERINE OF SIENA, VIRGIN, DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

### Speak up!

Preaching is a sacred art, whether at a podium or in everyday life, "to communicate the awe of the word," says Jonathan Edwards, one of the best-known Protestant preachers. A skilled preacher prays with scripture, studies, and reflects on the circumstances of the local and global community to inspire and challenge listeners.

Each of us has the capacity to preach the Good News. One of the great saints and a member of the Order of Preachers, Catherine of Siena advises us: "Preach the truth as if you had a million voices. It is silence that kills the world."

TODAY'S READINGS: Acts 8:1b-8; John 6:35-40 (275). *"Now those who had been scattered went about preaching the word."*

## Thursday, Apr 30, 2020

MEMORIAL OF PIUS V, POPE

### Set the bar high

Picture horse racing in St. Peter's Square. Hard to imagine how that worked, but it does give us an indication of the state of the papacy when reformer Pius V took charge in 1566. Though his stern demeanor and reforms did not endear him to comfortable Vatican insiders, he practiced what he preached, living and dressing simply and often walking barefoot. During a famine he used church resources to purchase corn from abroad and distributed it widely to the poor. He also spent heavily to improve the water supply and sewers of Rome. If you wish to hold others to high standards, be willing to start with yourself!

TODAY'S READINGS: Acts 8:26-40; John 6:44-51 (276). *"The bread that I will give is my Flesh for the life of the world."*

## Friday, May 01, 2020

EASTER WEEKDAY

### Food for the soul's journey

What food does to the body is what the Eucharist does to the soul. It gives us energy, strength, defense against disease. It's intimate, partaken in relationship, in family, in community. It's a gift, shared in love. If you are what you eat, as the old saying goes, then it transforms us, makes us more like Christ. Finally, we take it with us, out of the church doors. In the words of Pope Benedict XVI: "We cannot approach the Eucharistic table without being drawn into the mission which, beginning in the very heart of God, is meant to reach all people."

TODAY'S READINGS: Acts 9:1-20; John 6:52-59 (277); or Genesis 1:26—2:3 or Colossians 3:14-15, 17, 23-24; Matthew 13:54-58 (559).

*"Unless you eat the Flesh of the Son of Man and drink his Blood, you do not have life within you."*

## Saturday, May 02, 2020

MEMORIAL OF ATHANASIUS, BISHOP, DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

### Be an ideal person

It can feel lonely to fight for an ideal, including some of the ideals that the church has spoken up for in recent years: immigrant rights, racial justice, dignity of life from womb to tomb. Today is a good day to find inspiration and support in a soulmate: Saint Athanasius, who spent much of his energy as a bishop in the fourth century defending our core belief in the divinity of Christ as the Word made flesh. Hold fast to your ideals and continue to bring them to life.

TODAY'S READINGS: Acts 9:31-42; John 6:60-69 (278). *"Master, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life."*

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



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