

# Saint Anthony Parish

15 Church Street White River Jct. Vermont 05001

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time February 12, 2023

> Father Cyrain G. Cabueñas Deacon John P. Guarino

Most Reverend Christopher J. Coyne Bishop of Burlington

# Parish Office

You may contact the parish office by email or phone. If we are unable to take your call, please leave a message, and we will respond as soon as possible. Father is available for appointments at Saint Anthony Parish on Monday and Friday and at St. Francis of Assisi Parish in Windsor on Tuesday and Thursday. The phone number at St. Francis is 802-674-2157.

**Telephone:** 802-295-2225, ext. 3

E-mail: stanthonychurch@vermontcatholic.org
Website: https://stanthony.vermontcatholic.org

## 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

The rectory chapel is currently closed.

# Religious Education

Coordinator: Diane Usher, <a href="mailto:dmgu70@icloud.com">dmgu70@icloud.com</a>

#### Sacraments

**Reconciliation:** Saturday from 3:15 - 3:45 PM

**Baptism:** Parents must contact 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, February 11 Sunday, February 12	4:00 PM 8:30 AM	Harold Emery by the family The People of Saint Anthony Parish
Monday, February 13	9:00 AM	NO MASS (Raymond Plante Funeral 10:00 AM)
Friday, February 17	9:00 AM	Carol Rivard by her husband and family
Saturday, February 18 Sunday, February 19	4:00 PM 8:30 AM	The People of Saint Anthony Parish Seminarian Giang Vu by the Knights of Columbus



Charlotte King
Frank Klymn
Elizabeth McArthur
Diane Reilly
Gary Schools
Heidi Whidden
Others in need of our prayers.

# Sanctuary Lamps will burn for: Denise & Jean-Louis



# Sacrificial Giving Report

To meet our expenses, we need: \$4,325.00
Offertory Collection Feb. 4 & Feb. 5: \$4,343.00
Thank You for Your Support
of Saint Anthony Parish!



**Parish Support:** Here at Saint Anthony Parish, we do not pass a collection basket during Mass. There are collection boxes by the tables at the entrance of the church. We appreciate your contributions for the support of our parish. Thank you!



**Confessions:** The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available in the confessional at St. Anthony Church on Saturdays from 3:15-3:45 p.m. Individual confession is available by appointment. Please call to schedule.



Low Gluten Altar Bread: Low gluten hosts for Communion are available to those who require them. When you come up to receive, let the minister know and they will get one for you.

St. Anthony Parish welcomes all those who are visiting with us this weekend.



For our gospel episode this Sunday, our Lord reminds us that true love is that which goes beyond the legal and the minimal. Love is a call to fulfill the requirements of the law but goes far beyond. As we celebrate Valentine's Day on Tuesday a.k.a "Hearts' Day," let us be reminded that we all have hearts, and that matters of the heart still do matter. We must not underestimate or deny the stirrings of the heart in this legalistic and pragmatic world.

Before we reach out to our "valentines," let us not forget that God has reached out to us first: "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son..." (John 3:16). Won't we

connect with Him and open our hearts to Him once more? This Day of Hearts we don't have to interpret love. Rather, it is love that defines us. It is love that brings out who we are and we are capable of. It is also love that refines us, removes our impurities, and fine-tunes us.



Please pray for the repose of the souls of **Sean Hamilton** and **Raymond** Plante and for the consolation of their families.



**Weekly Bulletin:** Our bulletin is on our website https://stanthony.vermontcatholic.org. For those who do not have online access and would like a copy of the printed bulletin, you may pick one up outside the parish office from the wooden box on the small porch near the office door. You will also find copies of the Living Faith booklet and the Vermont Catholic magazine.



**Mass Intentions:** If you would like to have a Mass offered for your intentions, for loved ones living or deceased, or for a special occasion, please contact the parish office by email, phone, or drop a note in the collection box. Please include the name of the person for whom the Mass will be offered and who is requesting the Mass. Let us know if you want a specific date or if you would prefer the first available Mass, weekday, or weekend. We will do our best to accommodate your

requests. Please include your contact information in the event that we are unable to reserve the date you have requested. The customary offering is \$10.00. Thank you.



**Sanctuary Lamps:** The Sanctuary Lamps burning in front of the tabernacle may be sponsored for your intentions. A donation to help defray the cost of the candle is appreciated, but not necessary. Please contact the office for availability.



Religious Education Classes: Classes for grades 1-6 are Sunday, February 12, 2023 in the Religious Education Center from 9:30 AM to 10:30 AM.

**Coffee Hour:** On Sunday, February 12, the Knights of Columbus of St. Anthony's Council 2025 will be hosting a coffee hour in the parish hall after the 8:30 AM Mass.

The Knights of Columbus Dinner: The Knights will be holding a Roast Pork Dinner on Saturday, February 18, 2023, from 4:45PM to 6:15PM in the church hall. The cost will be \$15.00 for all over age 13 and children 13 and under \$8.00. Take out will be available for those wishing to dine at home, please phone for takeout in advance. Dominick 802-295-5562 or Karen 802-295-2078.



**The Haven Food Shelf:** The Food Shelf is open to anyone in our community Monday - Thursday 9:00am - 4:30pm & Friday 9:00 - 3:00.

Visit uppervalleyhaven.org/foodshelffaq/ for more information.

Saint Anthony Parish has long supported the Haven by collecting non-perishable food in the basket at the entrance to the church. Thank you for your contributions.

**Food Items**: Canned Tuna, Canned Chicken, Pasta, Canned Vegetables, Pasta Sauce, Soups or Broths, Canned Tomatoes, Macaroni & Cheese, Canned Fruit, Peanut Butter, Rice, Canned beans (black & kidney), Shelf-stable Milk, Instant oatmeal, and Pasta Sauce.

**Personal Items:** Toothpaste, Shampoo, Shaving items (razors and shaving cream), Body wash, Deodorant (men's/women's), Toothbrush, Body Lotion, Diapers (sizes 3, 4, 5 & 6) and Pull-ups (sizes 3T-4T).



**Catholic Mass on TV:** Those **unable** to attend Sunday Mass in person due to illness or medical conditions making them more vulnerable to COVID may view the celebration of Mass livestreamed at:

https://www.vermontcatholic.org/news/communication/tv-mass/ at 10:00 a.m. or watch televised Masses at:

WCAX-TV	(Channel 3)	5:30 a.m.
WNNE-TV	(Channel 13)	10:00 a.m.
CatholicTV Network	(Channel 166)	10:00 a.m.

**EWTN** (Channel 38) 8:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m.

Daily Mass may be found at <a href="https://www.vermontcatholic.org/news/communication/tv-mass/">https://www.vermontcatholic.org/news/communication/tv-mass/</a> or on CatholicTV and EWTN.



Assistance to Our Neighbors in Need: As a parish, we have opportunities to support those in our community who are in need, both through our prayers and our financial help. Saint Anthony Parish publishes the Haven's weekly list of needs in the bulletin and has collected food weekly for them. This parish project helps people year-round. We also have a fund that allows us to provide individuals and families

financial assistance for emergency needs such as fuel, shelter, and other essentials. Donations to replenish our Assistance Fund allow us to continue to provide for these needs. A check made out to Saint Anthony Church **marked "Assistance"** will ensure your donation is used for this purpose. Thank you for your generosity.



# PRAY FOR PRIESTS

Please join us in praying for all our diocesan priests.

#### A PRAYER FOR PRIESTS

O Jesus, I pray for your faithful and fervent priests;

for your unfaithful and tepid priests;

for your priests laboring at home or abroad in distant mission fields;

for your tempted priests;

for your lonely and desolate priests;

for your young priests;

for your dying priests;

for the souls of your priests in purgatory.

But above all, I recommend to you the priests dearest to me:

the priest who baptized me;

the priests who absolved me from my sins;

the priests at whose Masses I assisted and who gave me your Body and Blood in Holy Communion;

the priests who taught and instructed me;

all the priests to whom I am indebted in any other way (especially ...).

O Jesus, keep them all close to your heart, and bless them abundantly in time and in eternity.

Amen.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
			Pope Francis	Bishop Christopher Coyne	Fr. Brian O'Donnell	Fr. Rogelio Organiza
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Fr. Francis Privé	Fr. Marcel Rainville, S.S.E.	Fr. Charles Ranges, S.S.E.	Fr. Matthew Rensch	Fr. Kevin Rooney	Msgr. Peter Routhier	Fr. Donald Roy
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Fr. Maurice Roy	Fr. Yvon Royer	Fr. Kevin Russeau, C.S.C.	Fr. Agnel Samy, HGN.	Fr. Joseph Sanderson	Fr. Steven Scarmozzino	Fr. Brandon Schneider
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Fr. Jon-Daniel Schnobrich	Fr. James Shea	Fr. Sahaya Paul Sebastian	Fr. Dallas St. Peter	Fr. Timothy Sullivan	Fr. David Théroux, S.S.E.	Priests who are having difficulty
26	27	28				
Priestly and religious vocations	All our seminarians	All deceased priests				



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# The Inland See

# The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults



rying to figure out who's who is a common human activity. We like to know who we are sharing our time with and what relationship they have to us. So it is with the Church that gathers on Sunday for Mass.

Many of the faces are as familiar as our own, but as with any healthy group, new faces are to be expected and welcomed. Some of those new faces may be responding to a call to find out more about Christ and His Church. The Church opens its arms to these seekers with the wisdom and rituals of the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (the OCIA, known formerly as the RCIA).

People who desire to learn more about the Catholic faith and its mission fall into two main groups: catechumens and candidates. A catechumen is someone who has never been baptized, while candidates are those having already been baptized in another Christian denomination and desire to become fully initiated members of the Catholic Church.

Catechumens and candidates undergo a period of formation involving a number of steps and phases. After this formation, they receive the Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist — usually at the Easter Vigil or in the Easter Season.

For these catechumens and candidates, Lent is a period of intensified spiritual preparation. At the beginning of Lent, the Diocese of Burlington celebrates a special ritual, the "Rite of Election" for the catechumens and the "Call to Continuing Conversion" for the candidates. Based on the testimony given by the sponsors and catechists, Bishop Christopher Coyne will declare the catechumens to be "Elect," chosen by God for the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist at the upcoming Easter Vigil. The bishop also will recognize the desire of the already-baptized candidates for the sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist within our Catholic community.

All members of the faithful throughout the Diocese are encouraged to pray for and with the catechumens and candidates this Lent, especially for the new faces you may see in your own parishes.

All are encouraged to join us for the Diocesan Rite of Election and Call to Continuing Conversion that will be celebrated on Sunday, Feb. 26, at the Cathedral of St. Joseph in Burlington at 3 p.m.

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



"The Eucharist is the Source and Summit of my life and faith. ... In the Eucharist, I receive a foretaste of Heaven and receive the strength necessary to, by the Grace of God, get there!"

— Deacon Phil Lawson, executive director of pastoral ministries for the Diocese of Burlington

Submit your Eucharistic Testamonial to: revival@vermontcatholic.org

# **Upcoming Events**



02 15 WEDNESDAY

#### Franklin Deanery Holy Hour

St. John the Baptist, Enosburg Falls • 6 pm
The Franklin Deanery will host a Holy Hour,

priests will be available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation.



#### 02|15, 03|01, 08, 15 WEDNESDAYS

# **Good News Bootcamp**St. John Vianney, S. Burlington • 6:45 - 8:30 pm

St. John Vianney, S. Burlington • 6:45 - 8:30 pm Has the Holy Spirit been nudging you lately

to reignite your joy and dig a little deeper into our Catholic faith? Please join us in discussing how we as Catholics can bring healing, transformation, virtue, and enthusiasm to our world. Check out our website at stjohnvianneyvt.org/good-news-bootcamp to discover what each week's topics will be. Join us for the sessions that interest you or join us for all of them! Questions? Contact Connie at SJVGoodNews@gmail.com.



#### 02|18 SATURDAY

# Mardi Gras Dinner and Entertainment

Barton • 5:30 - 9 pm

Featuring the return of Wing-It, as well as other entertainers. Ham dinner and all the fixings, \$13 for advance tickets, \$15 at the door. Tickets are limited to 100. Location: Barton Municipal Building, downtown Barton. Sponsored by Most Holy Trinity Parish. For reservations call Linda at (802) 525-3137. Truly a night to be enjoyed!



#### 02|19 SUNDAY

#### Knights of Columbus St. Stephen's Council #2284 Pancake Breakfast

St. Francis School Gym, Winooski • 8 am - 12 pm
Cost is \$10, includes pancakes — plain and blueberry — scrambled eggs, home fries, bacon, sausage, coffee & juice.



#### 02 19 SUNDAY

#### **Community Family Breakfast**

Sacred Heart of Jesus, Troy • 8 - 11 am
Knights of Columbus Father Meany-Father
St. Onge Council #7943 hosts an "all you can eat" community

family breakfast every third Sunday.



#### 02 19 SUNDAY

#### **Blessing of the Snowmobiles**

Sacred Heart of Jesus, Troy • 8 - 10:30 am
Riders, you and your organization's members

are cordially invited to attend a Catholic Blessing of your snowmobiles by Rev. Mr. Francis "Ward" Nolan.



#### 02 19 SUNDAYS

#### **Bible Study**

Fr. Lively Center, St. Johnsbury • 1 - 2:30 pm Dcn. Tom will lead a Bible study on the

Parables of Matthew. This study began on Sunday, Feb. 5. On Feb. 12 we will study the parables of mercy and justice in chapters 18 and 20 and on Feb. 19 we will study the parables on being ready for Christ's return in chapters 21 and 24.



#### 02|19 SUNDAY

#### Mardi Gras Celebration

St. Francis of Assisi, Windsor • 2 - 4 pm
Come join us at our "Fat Tuesday" celebration.

Music is provided by the East Bay Jazz Quintet under the direction of Gerry Grimo. Traditional (as well as some novel), New Orleans Jazz selections, fitting the Mardi Gras pageantry, will surely lift your soul these last days before Lent. The festivities include a "Kings Cake" competition. To enter, simply bake and decorate your best Kings Cake recipe and bring it to the celebration for judging. Suggested donation is \$10.00 per person to benefit the St. Francis Fuel Fund.



#### 02|23, 03|02, 09, 16, 23, 30 THURS

#### Apostle's Creed Series

St. Michael, Brattleboro • 6 - 7 pm
The Apostle's Creed is the oldest of the

official creeds of the Church and is still used today as our baptismal creed. During Lent, as we prepare to renew our baptismal promises at Easter, what does the Apostle's Creed actually say? How is it important for us today? How does it affect how we live? Join Fr. Greg Caldwell in the Youth Center Thursdays in Lent, starting February 23, for a series of reflections on the Apostle's Creed.



#### 02|24, 03|10, 24 FRIDAYS

#### St. Peter's Take Out Fish Dinners

St. Peter's Parish Hall, Vergennes • 5 - 6:30 pm Take out fish dinners-serving 5:00-6:30pm

(take out). \$13/adults \$7/children 6-12. For reservations, please call (802) 877-2367.



#### 02|24 FRIDAY

#### Organ Recital

Sacred Heart St. Francis de Sales Church, Bennington • 7 pm

This performance by organist Don McMahon — in celebration of his 60th birthday — will be presented in person and streamed live on the parish's website.



#### 02|26 SUNDAY

# Rite of Election & Call to Continuing Conversion

Cathedral of St. Joseph, Burlington • 3 pm

The Rite of Election and Call to Continuing Conversion will be celebrated by Bishop Coyne on the First Sunday of Lent at St. Joseph's Cathedral. Friends and family of those participating in the Rite of Election and Call to Continuing Conversion and all the faithful from around the diocese are invited to celebrate with us. A small reception follows the liturgy.



#### 02|27, 28, 03|01 MON, TUES, WED

#### A Lenten Retreat with Monsignor Richard Lavalley

Holy Family, Essex Jct. • 8:30 am - 12 pm

Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday: 8:30 am Mass with a reflection by Monsignor Lavalley. Monsignor will be available for Confession and Spiritual Direction every morning after Mass until noontime.

Tuesday, February 28 at 7 pm: Monsignor will pray the

Stations of the Cross with meditations at every Station. For more information or to schedule a time to meet with Monsignor, please call 802-878-5331. Everyone is welcome!



#### 03|01, 08, 15, 22, 29 WEDNESDAYS

#### Presence:

#### The Mystery of the Eucharist

via Zoom • 7 - 8:30 pm

Join Christ Our Savior Parish for this weekly Lenten seminar. For information and to register: presencecosp@gmail.com.



#### 03|02, 09, 23 THURSDAYS

#### **Lenten Series**

Our Lady of the Angels Parish, Randolph • 5:30 - 7:30 pm

Come join Fr. Gratton as we learn about Eucharistic miracles, marian apparitions, and inspiring saints throughout Lent. We begin with Stations of the Cross at 5:30 pm, followed by a free meal provided by the KofC Council #14351 (please bring potluck sides), and this inspiring series. Come ignite your faith during this Lenten Season!



#### 03l05 SUNDAY

#### **Eucharistic Healing Service**

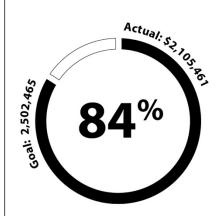
St. John the Evangelist, St. Johnsbury 3 - 4 pm

Benediction and Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament at 3 pm on the first Sunday of every month with Fr. Lance Harlow.

#### BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL



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#### Sunday, Feb 12, 2023

#### Create a genuine love story

No one ever said relationships were easy. Commitments, whether in marriage, religious life, or elsewhere, take spiritual insight to discern, patience to maintain, time to mature, and a whole lot of love to keep the engine moving on the tracks. Today's celebration of World Marriage Day is meant to support the development of a culture of life and love within our most fundamental relationships. As Pope Francis declared in *Amoris Laetitia* (The Joy of Love): "The welfare of the family is decisive for the future of the world and that of the church." Take the journey to joy and love. Work to make each relationship life-giving.

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

TODAY'S READINGS: Sirach 15:15-20; 1 Corinthians 2:6-10; Matthew 5:17-37 (76). "We speak a wisdom to those who are mature, not a wisdom of this age."

#### Monday, Feb 13, 2023

#### Make a petition, not a deal

It can be tempting, especially when we're desperate, to try to bargain with God: "If you do this one thing for me, I'll quit a bad habit forever and never miss Mass again." But that's not how our relationship with God works. For starters, Jesus told us not to bargain, but to simply ask for what we need (Matthew 7:7-11). God already knows what we need better than we do but wants us to ask anyway, persistently even—because a willingness to be vulnerable and share intimacy are central to any healthy relationship. For that reason, petitionary prayer isn't always easy. Open up with your longings and offer God your trust, rather than a deal.

TODAY'S READINGS: Genesis 4:1-15, 25; Mark 8:11-13 (335). "Amen, I say to you, no sign will be given to this generation."

#### Tuesday, Feb 14, 2023

#### Speak the language of love

More than 1,000 years before Vatican II—with its directive to translate the Latin liturgy into the vernacular—two missionary siblings, Cyril and Methodius, got the blessing of their pope to do the same for the Slavic people. In doing so, they created the Cyrillic alphabet. And as Pope John Paul II noted, they impacted not only the "history of the church, but also the civil and the political history of a great part of the European continent. . . . Cyril and Methodius [are] not only the apostles of the Slavic peoples but also the fathers of their culture." On this Valentine's Day, how can you translate love into your vernacular?

MEMORIAL OF CYRIL, MONK, AND METHODIUS, BISHOP TODAY'S READINGS: Genesis 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10; Mark 8:14-21 (336). "Do you not yet understand or comprehend? Are your hearts hardened?"

#### Wednesday, Feb 15, 2023

#### A pioneer priest who broke a color barrier

On this day in 1880, Augustus Tolton departed the United States on a holy mission: to enter a Catholic seminary as an African American. After several years of trying to become a priest stateside and experiencing rejection due to racism, Tolton's friends and allies successfully arranged for his passage to study at the Urban College in Rome, where he was ordained as the world's first openly African-American Catholic priest in 1886. He would return to his home state of Illinois, eventually settling in Chicago

where he founded the city's first black parish. He died of heat stroke in 1897 at the young age of 43 and has since been on the path to sainthood. In these times of continuing anti-black discrimination, may we look to his witness for hope and sustenance. Venerable Father Tolton, pray for us!

TODAY'S READINGS: Genesis 8:6-13, 20-22; Mark 22-26 (337). "My vows to the LORD I will pay in the presence of all his people. Precious in the eyes of the LORD is the death of his faithful ones."

#### Thursday, Feb 16, 2023

#### Take the path of Saint Francis

Christian theology has often encouraged human domination over creation. Saint Francis of Assisi had another view, one that has become more prominent in the church as the climate crisis intensifies. Franciscan Sister Rose Dowling expresses one facet of it: "The Earth with which we are so intimate is our primary teacher about who God is and how God wants to relate with us. . . . I see a God who has set into being a creation that continues to grow, evolve, become more conscious, become more complex. I see that as a human I, like the rest of creation, have the potential to grow and become *more* . . ." How will you become more conscious of all of creation today?

TODAY'S READINGS: Genesis 9:1-13; Mark 8:27-33 (338). "Peter said to him in reply, 'You are the Christ.'"

#### Friday, Feb 17, 2023

#### To Mary, in times of sorrow

The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order were 13th-century Florentine cloth merchants who banded together in prayer, solace, and community during politically tumultuous times. From the beginning, the Servites dedicated themselves to Mary, the Sorrowful Mother. Today their mission is to "gather in fraternal communion to be with those suffering and sorrowful." The Servites developed the three most common devotions to Our Lady of Sorrows, namely the Scapular of the Seven Dolours of Mary, the Novena to Our Sorrowful Mother, and the Rosary of the Seven Sorrows. In the closing prayer of the Rosary chaplet, we say, "Pray for us, O most sorrowful Virgin. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ." That is certainly a prayer to remember as we face each day's trials.

MEMORIAL OF THE SEVEN HOLY FOUNDERS OF THE SERVITE ORDER

TODAY'S READINGS: Genesis 11:1-9; Mark 8:34—9:1 (339). "Whoever loses his life for my sake and that of the Gospel will save it."

#### Saturday, Feb 18, 2023

#### Good to be here

Were you ever so enamored of something that you just wanted it to last forever? That's what Peter was experiencing on the Mount of Transfiguration. But Jesus and his inner circle had to move on. They had to come down the mountain. There was more that needed to be done, people who needed to be served. In his 1967 encyclical, *Populorum Progressio* (On the Development of Peoples), Pope Paul VI wrote, "Genuine progress . . . consists in an economic order designed for the welfare of the human person, where the daily bread that each [one] receives reflects the glow of love and the helping hand of God." Pray that we become enamored by justice and help transfigure the world in Jesus' image!

TODAY'S READINGS: Hebrews 11:1-7; Mark 9:2-13 (340). "Rabbi, it is good that we are here! Let us make three tents."

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



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