



Saint Anthony Parish

15 Church Street
White River Junction
Vermont 05001

The Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time
June 25, 2023

Reverend Cyrain G. Cabueñas
Deacon John P. Guarino

Most Reverend Christopher J. Coyne
Bishop of Burlington

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend: Saturday 4:00 PM
Sunday 8:30 AM

Weekday: Monday & Friday 9:00 AM

Holy Days: Consult the parish bulletin.

SACRAMENTS

Reconciliation: Saturday from 3:15 – 3:45 PM or by appointment.

Baptism: Parents must contact the parish for the necessary forms at least one month in advance.

Marriage: Couples must contact the parish at least six months in advance.

PARISH CONTACT

You may contact the parish by email or phone. If we are unable to answer your call, please leave a message. 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: stanthony.vermontcatholic.org

Religious Education: Diane Usher
Email: dmgu70@icloud.com

RECTORY CHAPEL

The rectory chapel is now open for visits on:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, June 24	4:00 PM	The People of Saint Anthony Parish
Sunday, June 25	8:30 AM	Michael Gagnon by the John Usher family
Monday, June 26	9:00 AM	Daily Mass
Friday, June 30	9:00 AM	Daily Mass
Saturday, July 1	4:00 PM	The People of Saint Anthony Parish
Sunday, July 2	8:30 AM	John & Janice Usher by the John Usher family



SANCTUARY LAMPS

will burn this week for
The People of Saint Anthony Parish



A Sanctuary Lamp 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.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Charlotte King	Diane Reilly	Geoff Garrow
Frank Klymn	Roger Tatro	Dianne Hopkins
Elizabeth McArthur	Heidi Whidden	Beverly Loper

Please also remember any others who need our prayers.

PARISH SUPPORT

Our weekly need to meet expenses:	\$4,325.00
Last Week's Collection	\$2,670.00

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!

A MESSAGE FROM FATHER CYRAIN:

Our gospel episode today reminds us that we cannot expect the community around us to receive the teaching of Christ with open arms. Jesus makes no secret of the fact that bearers of the word of God will suffer ridicule and rejection. However, he urges us to bear witness to him openly and to be fearless in making a stand for truth and justice however unpopular this may make us.

Sometimes we are afraid that we will make a wrong decision. At other times, we are afraid what others might think when we speak up for Jesus. We are afraid what the future will bring. We are afraid of growing old. We are afraid of declining health. At the root of these fears is the fear of loss. Every fear we have is grounded in the knowledge that we have something or someone to lose. We can lose our job, our house, our money, our reputation, and even lives. But let us not forget one thing: whatever trouble or crisis affects us, know that God understands it better than we do. Our heavenly Father knows exactly what is happening. The next time fear grips us, we need to remember that being faithful to Christ is much more important than our fear of loss or rejection.

God does not magically remove suffering from our lives, but He gives us the strength to bear it and to profit immensely from it. He did not protect his own son from suffering, but through suffering He made him strong enough to save the world.

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.

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 day 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 if we are unable to reserve the date you have requested. The customary offering is \$10.00. Thank you.



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.

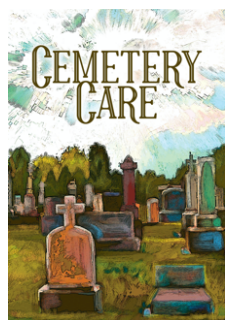
Saint Anthony Parish has long supported the Haven by collecting non-perishable food in the basket at the entrance to the church. Thank you for your contributions.

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).

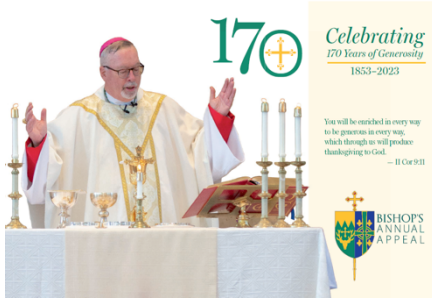
SECOND COLLECTION: Next week we will take up the **Peter's Pence Collection** to support the Universal Church and the work of the Holy See, including helping Pope Francis to carry out his charitable works. These works benefit our brothers and sisters on the margins of society, including victims of war, oppression, and disasters. Please be generous. For more information, visit www.obolodisanpietro.va/en.html.

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.



INFORMATION REGARDING OUR CEMETERIES: The care of our cemeteries requires an ongoing effort to keep them well maintained, attractive, and safe. Over the past few years, we have cleared brush, trimmed branches, and cut trees that presented a danger to visitors as well as to the integrity of the monuments. We initially focused our efforts at Mount Olivet Cemetery as it is the most often visited. This year we centered our attention at Saint Anthony Cemetery on South Main Street. This is an older cemetery with monuments that are very fragile. There were several large unstable trees

overhanging the gravestones that needed to be removed and brush that needed to be cleared. The work has been completed, and we should not need to do more major projects at either cemetery for the foreseeable future.



BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL: The Appeal supports over 20 ministries and services throughout our diocese. Please ask yourself if any of the following is something that you have experienced or is something that has been made available to you as a member of our faith and parish.

- Have you had children confirmed or baptized in this parish or another parish with the Diocese of Burlington?
- Have you or someone you know been in a marriage preparation class offered by the Diocese of Burlington?
- Have you attended RCIA through this parish or another parish within the Diocese?
- Do you have children, godchildren, grandchildren, nephews or nieces that attend Catholic school here in Vermont?
- Have you or a family member attended a conference or retreat offered by the Diocese?
- Have your children gone or currently go to religious education class within the Diocese or have you yourself attended any faith formation classes?
- Have you attended a funeral for a loved one in this parish or another parish within the Diocese?
- Do you care about those in our communities that are hungry or homeless and if so, do you care enough to help us provide emergency aid to those in need?
- Do you pray for retired priests and pray for the strength of our current priests?
- Are you concerned that our Diocese does not have enough seminarians for future generations?

If you answered any of these questions with a YES, then you or someone you know has benefited from the ministries within the Bishop's Annual Appeal.

If you have already received a pledge card in the mail, please send your gift directly to the diocese. There are additional brochures and pledge cards on the tables at the entrance of the church if you have not already received one and would like to make a gift to this important annual appeal.

To learn more or make a gift online visit: bishopsappealvt.org.

“Whoever is kind to the poor lends to the LORD, and he will reward them for what they have done.” - Proverbs 19:17 (NIV). The Bishop's Annual Appeal supports more than 2,000 individuals who are struggling financially through the Vermont Catholic Emergency Aid program. Many of your neighbors are silently struggling to make ends meet and the number keeps rising. Our emergency aid program is a lifeline to households who can't make the rent, pay their utilities, or must choose between food and prescription drugs.

**As of June 14, 2023, our parish donations total \$10,909.84.
This is 32% of our parish goal of \$35,032.00.**

NEWS FROM The Inland See

June 24–30, 2023

FOR THE DIOCESE OF BURLINGTON

Fulfilled in Your Hearing: The Importance of Proclamation At Mass



The liturgy can be described as two movements: the movement of God toward us and our movement toward God. In the Liturgy of the Word, we experience both types of movement. We have begun our movement toward God by gathering as one assembly in gesture, word, and song. We prepare our hearts and minds for worship as we celebrate the Penitential Rite. We give praise to God in the Gloria. Now we sit and hear God speak to us through Scriptures.

The Liturgy of the Word should not be a time filled with private prayers, but rather a time of reflection and meditation on what is being proclaimed to the assembly. Here the movement shifts: Our prayer is not filled with our words to God, but God's Word to us. As a Church, we gather to listen to what God offers in Scripture.

Some have asked why there aren't bibles in the pews or why we do not read directly from the bible as certain Protestant denominations are accustomed to doing. For the Catholic engaged in liturgy, it's important to keep two things in mind: We are not individuals worshipping God apart from one another but rather a community of believers that has come together as church.

For Catholics, although individual reading of the bible is commended and encouraged, at liturgy, it is insufficient since an individual reading of the bible is just that — individual reading. For many Protestant traditions that place emphasis on Scripture, it is the written word that predominates in worship. For Catholics, it is the words that are spoken and sung within a community that takes precedence. It is this community — the Church — that receives what is spoken. It is this community, then, that is moved by the spoken word to profess its faith and offer prayers in petition. It is this community nourished by the Word of God that takes bread and wine and offers them to God, who in turn offers to us the gift of the Son's Body and Blood in the Eucharist.

I like to think of the proclamation of Scripture as a sacramental exchange — a gift exchange. The proclamation of Scripture involves the acts of giving and receiving. God, through the ministry of the lector in proclaiming Scripture, gives the Holy Word of God to the People of God in the assembly. At the same time, the assembly receives that Word with open hearts and minds in the act of listening.

As Catholics, we believe that we encounter the Presence of Christ in the Holy Scripture that is proclaimed in the assembly. Think about the other time we engage in the act of giving and receiving at Mass? In the act of offering and receiving Holy Communion do we find another sacramental exchange — giving and receiving the presence of Christ in the Most Holy Eucharist.

Let us then listen attentively to the proclamation of the Holy Word of God, for within the proclamation of Scripture, God draws close to us, offering the gift of His presence within that very proclamation.

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



Upcoming Events



06|24 – 08|04 MONDAY – FRIDAY

Totus Tuus

Totus Tuus is one week long, with the grade school (grades 1-8) session during the day from 9am to 3pm, and a session for high school students each evening. The week is led by our enthusiastic team of Totus Tuus missionaries! To download a registration form, visit: vermontcatholic.org/totustuus.

June 25–30 St. Peter, Vergennes

St. Monica, Barre

July 9–14 Sacred Heart-St. Francis deSales, Bennington

Christ the King, Rutland

July 16–21 Mater Dei, Newport

St. John Vianney, South Burlington

July 23–28 St. John the Baptist, Enosburg Falls

Blessed Sacrament, Stowe

July 30–Aug. 4 Corpus Christi, St. Johnsbury

Ascension, Georgia



06|28 & 07|05 WEDNESDAYS

Summer Lecture Series on Stained Glass: A Foretaste of Heaven

Saint Michael, Brattleboro • 5 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 June 28. The program begins at 5 pm with evening prayer followed by the presentation. The first program will be given by Father Greg Markey, chaplain at Thomas Aquinas College, and will focus on the window featuring Saint Joseph. The second program will be given by Dr. Jennifer Healy, Ph.D in Visual and Language Arts, and will focus on the window featuring Saint Patrick.



06|29 THURSDAY

Catechism Study

St. Michael, Brattleboro • 9 am

This catechism study led by Fr. Henry Furman every Thursday at 9 am via Zoom or at the rectory office. Email the rectory at stmichael@vermontcatholic.org to provide your email address if you'd like to receive the Zoom link.



07|01 SATURDAY

First Saturday Devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

Our Lady of Fatima requested this devotion for

Reparation to the her Immaculate Heart. This includes attending five consecutive first Saturday masses, going to confession within eight days, receiving Holy Communion, and meditating on the mysteries of the Rosary for fifteen minutes.



07|02, 08|06 SUNDAYS

Eucharistic Healing Service

St. John the Evangelist • 3 pm

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



07|09, 08|13 SUNDAYS

Monthly COSP KofC Fund Raising Breakfast

Christ Our Savior, Manchester • 9 am - 12 pm

Supporting Parish and Community outreach programs.



07|09 SUNDAY

Annual Diocesan Family Day Mass and Picnic

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

Msgr. John McDermott will be the celebrant. The shrine will be providing a free-will-donation barbecue after the Mass. Visitors are welcome to bring their own picnic as well as lawn chairs and lawn games.



07|09, 16, 23, 30 SUNDAYS

Teachings on Spiritual Discernment

St. John the Evangelist, St. Johnsbury • 1 pm

For four Sundays in July during which Fr.

Harlow and Deacon Tom Lovett will offer sessions dealing with spiritual discernment. The sessions will include teaching and time for discussion. Plan to come and bring a friend!



07|13, 14, 15, 16 THURSDAY – SUNDAY

Padre Pio Relic Events

Padre Pio Relics will be touring the diocese, visiting four locations July 13 – 16. See parish

websites for specific times regarding special Masses and veneration of the relics.

07|13 — St. Mary Star Of The Sea, Newport

Veneration 9 am – 6:30 pm, Mass 6:30 pm

07|14 — St. Monica, Barre

Veneration 7 am – 7 pm, Mass 7 am

07|15 — Christ the King, Burlington

Veneration 10:30 am – 6:00 pm, Mass 10 am

07|16 — St. John the Baptist, Bennington

Veneration 10:30 am – 6 pm, Mass 10 am



07|30 SUNDAY

St. Mary's Church Brunch

St. Mary, Franklin • 8 am - 12:30 pm

Adults \$12, children 7-16 yrs. \$8, under 7 are

free. All you can eat! Take-outs are available.



Eucharistic TESTIMONIALS

"Jesus' Divinity is veiled in us once we receive his precious body. Once received, the choice is ours... do we bring Him to others by how we live our life? Or do we keep Him all to ourselves, entombed inside us?"

— Julie Trevor
St. Ambrose, Bristol

Read the full Eucharistic Testimonial and others at:
vermontcatholic.org/eucharistic-testimonials

Submit your Eucharistic Testimonial to:
revival@vermontcatholic.org



BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

Ways to give

Give Online

vermontcatholic.org/giveonline
or scan the QR code below.



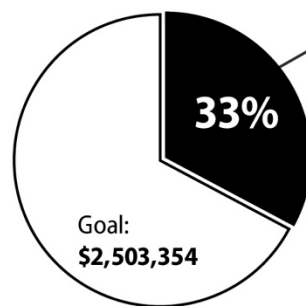
Donate By Mail

Bishop's Annual Appeal
Diocese of Burlington
55 Joy Drive
South Burlington, VT 05403

Stock Gifts/Planned Gifts

802-658-6110 ext. 1226
ekane@vermontcatholic.org

Progress: 33% to goal



Raised:
\$822,589
as of June 14

Goal:
\$2,503,354

Sunday, Jun 25, 2023

With justice for all

Politics is noble, among the highest forms of charity, Pope Paul VI once said. Pope Francis speaks often about the intersection of politics and justice. Yet Francis points out, "Some people continue to defend trickle-down theories which assume that economic growth, encouraged by a free market, will inevitably succeed in bringing about greater justice.... This opinion ... expresses a crude and naive trust in the goodness of those wielding economic power and in the sacralized workings of the prevailing economic system." Politics is noble, but regrettably, not all politicians are. Work for justice, both in the system and on the street.

TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

TODAY'S READINGS: Jeremiah 20:10-13; Romans 5:12-15; Matthew 10:26-33 (94). *"Sing to the LORD, praise the LORD, for he has rescued the life of the poor from the power of the wicked!"*

Monday, Jun 26, 2023

The journey of faith has surprising twists

French missionary to the United States Simon Bruté, who died on this day in 1839, lived through major upheaval. His father came from a wealthy, aristocratic family. His mother often told him, "You were born to live in opulence." But Bruté later wrote, "God ordered it otherwise." His father died deeply in debt and his affairs in disarray. His mother saved the boy from military service during France's Reign of Terror. Disguised as a baker's assistant, he brought the Eucharist to imprisoned priests. He was eventually ordained, moved to Baltimore to teach, and later became the first bishop of the Diocese of Vincennes, Indiana. Life rarely turns out the way you plan, but if you surrender to God's will for you, you might find your faith takes you on an adventure you never could have imagined.

TODAY'S READINGS: Genesis 12:1-9; Matthew 7:1-5 (371). *"The measure with which you measure will be measured out to you."*

Tuesday, Jun 27, 2023

It takes two

When patriarch Nestorius refused to accept Mary as *Theotokos*—Greek for "God bearer"—it was Cyril of Alexandria who took him on. Nestorius insisted that Mary, as human, could only bear another human—not God—thus disputing the Incarnation. Cyril would insist upon the "hypostatic union" of human and divine in Jesus. Or, as proclaimed by the Council of Ephesus: Jesus is always and ever "one person" with "two natures." But another type of union also stirred Cyril. Use his words as your meditation today: "As two pieces of wax fused together make one, so [the one] who receives Holy Communion is ... united with Christ."

MEMORIAL OF CYRIL OF ALEXANDRIA, BISHOP, DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

TODAY'S READINGS: Genesis 13:2, 5-18; Matthew 7:6, 12-14 (372). *"How narrow the gate and constricted the road that leads to life."*

Wednesday, Jun 28, 2023

Room for everyone at the table

Saint Irenaeus, living a scant 100 years after Jesus, was a staunch defender of orthodoxy and church unity: "The Church, having received this preaching and this faith, although scattered throughout the whole world, yet, as if occupying but one house, carefully preserves it." Yet he also made room for those who, through no choice of their own, lived and died without having heard the Good News: "Christ came not only for those who believed from the time of

Tiberius Caesar, nor did the Father provide only for those who are now, but for absolutely all [persons] from the beginning, who, according to their ability, feared and loved God and lived justly." Focus on loving God and living justly and there will be a place for you at the heavenly feast.

MEMORIAL OF IRENAEUS, BISHOP, MARTYR

TODAY'S READINGS: Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18; Matthew 7:15-20 (373).

"Beware of false prophets, who come to you in sheep's clothing, but underneath are ravenous wolves. By their fruits you will know them."

Thursday, Jun 29, 2023

Let your life be transformed

It's hard to imagine the development of the church we know today without Saints Peter and Paul. Saint Peter was among the 12 apostles, one with a starring role in the gospels. Saint Paul's spiritual encounter with Jesus transformed him into a tireless Christian evangelizer and likely author of what eventually became half of the New Testament. Peter and Paul were contemporaries who were leaders in the church and both were martyred around the year 64 as a result. Jesus utterly transformed their lives, leading them to build up the fledgling Christian church. What can you do today to help build the church?

SOLEMNITY OF PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES

TODAY'S READINGS: Acts 12:1-11; 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18; Matthew 16:13-19 (591). *"You are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my Church."*

Friday, Jun 30, 2023

Water the seeds that have been planted in you

The early followers of Jesus found themselves in a strange new world. Sure, it was the same dusty streets and ebb and flow of life they always had known. Yet nothing was the same. The disciples had to navigate a world in which they found life in the risen Christ but also persecution and even death at the hands of those determined to punish and erase Christianity. Today the church remembers these protomartyrs as being "seeds of life," as early Christian author Tertullian noted. Their faith and witness continue to grow the church. What seeds of life have been sown in your faith journey?

MEMORIAL OF THE FIRST MARTYRS OF THE CHURCH OF ROME

TODAY'S READINGS: Genesis 17:1, 9-10, 15-22; Matthew 8:1-4 (375). *"Walk in my presence and be blameless."*

Saturday, Jul 01, 2023

We leave a mixed legacy

When we think of 1776, we think of Anglo colonists up in arms along the East Coast. But on the other side of what is now the continental United States, a very different process was taking place. Spanish Franciscans led by Junípero Serra were establishing missions along what is now the California coast, then Spanish territory. While the legacy of the missions is a mixed one, and rightfully open to scrutiny, near the end of his life Serra made an arduous trip from the California coast to Mexico City and demanded legislation protecting the indigenous people and the missions from military abuse. The result was the first step toward a bill of rights for Native Americans. It might have been Saint Teresa of Ávila who said, "God writes straight with crooked lines."

MEMORIAL OF JUNÍPERO SERRA, PRIEST

TODAY'S READINGS: Genesis 18:1-15; Matthew 8:5-17 (376). *"Amen, I say to you, in no one in Israel have I found such faith."*

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



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