



Saint Anthony Parish

15 Church Street
White River Junction
Vermont 05001

The Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 17, 2023

Reverend Cyrain G. Cabueñas

Most Reverend Christopher J. Coyne
Apostolic Administrator of the Diocese 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 CONTACTS

Please 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 St. 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.

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MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Saturday, September 16 4:00 PM Fay E. Sharkey by Denise & John Desrochers
Sunday, September 17 8:30 AM The People of Saint Anthony Parish

Monday, September 18 9:00 AM In Thanksgiving by Jaya Thadani

Friday, September 22 9:00 AM Eternal Repose of Lucio Cabueñas

Saturday, September 23 4:00 PM The People of Saint Anthony Parish
Sunday, September 24 8:30 AM Carol Rivard by her husband & family



SANCTUARY LAMPS

will burn this week for
Denise & Jean-Louis



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
Frank Klymn
Elizabeth McArthur

Diane Reilly
Roger Tatro

Virginia Philbin
Dianne Hopkins
Heidi Whidden

Please also remember any others who need our prayers.

PARISH SUPPORT

Our weekly need to meet expenses:	\$4,325.00
Last Week's Collection	\$2,764.00

A MESSAGE FROM FATHER CYRAIN:

Apart from the command to love one another, there is no obligation which Christ taught more forcefully than that of showing forgiveness. In the list of moral priorities, there is probably nothing higher than the duty to forgive as our own ultimate fate may depend on it. But we know full well how we continue to struggle to forgive those who have done us serious, especially irreparable harm. Worse, our secular world often endorses the idea that some offences are beyond forgiveness.

Little wonder, then, that the book of Sirach tells us to reflect on death, the great leveler, and puts all human affairs into the proper perspective. As one walks the long, granite corridors of a cemetery, forgiveness takes on a new dimension. Neighbors who, in their lifetime, remained unrepentantly hostile over a boundary hedge are now buried a short distance from one another. There is no need for a fence between them now.

In the light of eternity and the shortness of our span of life, harboring old grudges is pointless. The great Christian cry of forgiveness, which comes from the heart, was first echoed on the hill of Calvary. What Jesus proclaimed in words from the cross, he had lived out in deeds, to win forgiveness for all of us – sinners. As St. Francis of Assisi once said: “It is in pardoning that we are pardoned.”

PARISH SECRETARY: St. Anthony Parish in White River Jct., Vermont is seeking a candidate for a part-time non-remote Parish Secretary position in the parish office. The position requires a mature, dependable, self-motivated individual with strong communication and problem-solving skills who will maintain a high level of discretion and confidentiality. Computer proficiency, including knowledge of Microsoft Office, is required, as well as the ability to learn specific church management software. Previous experience in a similar position is preferred. A background check will be required as a condition of employment. For additional information, please send a letter of interest and resume to St. Anthony Parish, 15 Church Street, White River Jct., VT 05001, or email to stanthonychurch@vermontcatholic.org.

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.



BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL: The Appeal supports over 20 ministries and services throughout our diocese. 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. As of September 13, 2023, our parish donations total \$16,144.84. This is 47% of our parish goal of \$35,032.00.

2023 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAY: The annual Parish Professional Development Days for all parish Administrative Assistants, Business Managers, and Bookkeepers will include training and a special presentation by Msgr. John J. McDermott. The event is from 9:30AM to 2:00PM and lunch will be provided. The options for attending are:

Wed, October 11 at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in Williston or

Wed, October 18 at St. Anthony's in White River Junction

For more information, contact Nicole Hamilton at nhamilton@vermontcatholic.org.

COLLECTION BASKETS/OFFERING OF GIFTS: Starting this October, we will reinstate the traditional way of passing the collection basket and offering of the gifts from the entrance and down the aisle, in accordance with the rites and rubrics of the Liturgy. We appreciate anyone who would like to volunteer!

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS: Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, deputed by the Bishop/Priest for a period of time, may now assist in distributing Holy Communion to the faithful every weekend.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: Classes for grades 1-6 will meet this Sunday, September 17, 2023 and next Sunday, September 24, 2023 in the Rectory basement and the Religious Education Center from 9:30 AM to 10:30 AM. There will be a coffee hour after the 8:30AM Mass

this Sunday, September 17, hosted by the St. Anthony Religious Education students. Please join us for coffee and refreshments!



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 2025: The members of K of C Council 2025 would like to thank everyone who supported our Food Drive at the CO-OP food store on Maple Street on September 9, 2023. We collected 225 pounds of food and \$148 in donations, which were given to The Haven in White River Junction to support the Food Pantry. The Food Drive was part of the K of C Food for Family Program to help end hunger in communities across America.



CHRISTMAS CRAFTS & BAKE SALE: This annual event will be held again this fall. Please keep us in mind when you are making jam, jellies, pickles, preserves, etc. this season. A variety of homemade canned and baked goods are always welcomed. More details will follow in the coming weeks.

CRAFTERS MEETING: The St. Anthony's Crafters will begin meeting on Thursday afternoons in September, beginning 9/14, from 1:00-3:00 PM in the Religious Ed center. We will be working on items for the 2023 Christmas Bazaar and all materials will be supplied. Everyone is welcome and all you need to bring are willing hands. Questions? Please email Charlotte Merrill at dcmerril@myfairpoint.net.



**Upper Valley
Haven**

THE HAVEN FOOD SHELF: The Food Shelf is open to anyone in our community Monday - Thursday 9:00 AM - 4:30 PM & Friday 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM. Visit uppervalleyhaven.org/foodshelffaq/ for more information. St.

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.

RECTORY CHAPEL

The rectory chapel is now open for visits on:

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



St. Anthony Parish asks for your forbearance and magnanimity especially when emails and phone calls are not answered promptly, as the parish is still looking for regular staff. Thank you!

NEWS FROM The Inland See

September 16–22, 2023

FOR THE DIOCESE OF BURLINGTON

Founder of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Radio to address Vermont Catholic Professionals



Wednesday, October 18, 2023, 8:30 am (speaker at 9 am)
Donna McSoley,
President and founder of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Radio

Register at: vermontcatholic.org/vcp

Donna McSoley, founder of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Radio, will be the keynote speaker at the next meeting of Vermont Catholic Professionals.

The first Catholic radio station in Vermont, OLPR 105.5 FM was established five years ago by McSoley with the support of Archbishop Christopher Coyne and the Diocese of Burlington.

“Radio was something entirely new to me so each step was a challenge, but I learned to turn to prayer and to have great faith in God to sort it out,” she said. “With faith, we can do anything.”

In prayer and gratitude to God for helping her through a difficult time, McSoley wanted “to return the favor,” she said. She had received a letter from the Catholic Radio Association to spread the word that the Federal Communications Commission had announced an opportunity to apply for space on the FM dial. “As I read the letter, I was 100 percent clear that the Lord wanted me to do this. Radio was brand new territory, but God led me through every detail.”

McSoley will speak to members of Vermont Catholic Professionals on Oct. 18. The group will gather at 8:30 a.m. at diocesan headquarters at 55 Joy Drive in South Burlington; the speaker will begin her presentation at 9 a.m.

The purpose of Vermont Catholic Professionals is to join Catholic men and women and others with shared values from the business and professional communities to encourage intellectual discussions, to foster professional and faith-based relationships, and to inspire service and charity to the community in Vermont. The group hosts quarterly events that offer networking and a professional development speaker that is relevant to the business and professional communities in Vermont.

Past speakers have included doctors, businesspeople, educators, and non-profit directors.

The meetings take place in person and on Zoom.

For more information, go to vermontcatholic.org/vcp.

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Archbishop Coyne, we will miss you!

Come say farewell to Archbishop Coyne on Sunday, September 24:

Mass of Farewell

Sunday, Sept. 24, 10 a.m.

Cathedral of St. Joseph, Burlington

All are welcome.



Farewell Reception

Sunday, Sept. 24, 12-3 p.m.

Doubletree Hotel, South Burlington

Please register at (3 options):

- vermontcatholic.org/farewell
- scan the QR code to the left
- call (802) 658-6110 ext. 1452

Upcoming Events



09|18 — 10|30 MONDAYS

"The Chosen"

St. John Vianney Parish Hall, S. Burlington
AM: 9–10:30 am • PM: 6:30–8 pm

Join us to view "The Chosen". This series began on Monday, Sept. 11. Two options, AM or PM, for the eight episodes of season 1, followed by a discussion about that week's episode, led by parishioners. **FOR MORE INFO: Email Connie at sjvgoodnews@gmail.com.**



09|20, 27, 10|04 WEDNESDAYS

St. Michael Church Lecture Series

Saint Michael, Bennington • 5–7 pm

The stained-glass lecture series continues:

Sept. 20 — Dcn. Christopher Dougherty, Deacon at Saint Michael, Brattleboro will discuss Saint Brigid
Sept. 27 — Fr. Henry Furman, Pastor of Saint Michael, Brattleboro will discuss Saint Michael
Oct. 4 — Fr. Beaugard, Pastor of Saint Stanislaus in Winchester, NH will discuss the Holy Spirit



09|20–10|27 WEDNESDAYS or FRIDAYS

Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible

Our Lady of Angels, Randolph

Wednesdays at 6:30 pm • Fridays at 9:45 am

This eight-session study program includes video presentations that explore all twelve time periods of The Bible Timeline Chart. This series began on Sept. 6.



09|21 THURSDAY

Letter for Artists Zoom Study

via Zoom • 9–10 am

Fr. Henry Furman will lead this discussion. We will be reading on Pope John Paul's 1999 Letter to Artists. The letter is addressed to all who are dedicated to the search for new epiphanies of beauty. To join this study, please send your email address to stmichael@vermontcatholic.org. You don't need to be an artist to take part!



09|21 THURSDAY

Our Lady's Kitchen & Catholic Movie Night

Our Lady of the Angels, Randolph • 6–8:30 pm

Free meal and a movie! Come one, come all!



09|23 SATURDAY

Spiritual Retreat: A day of Prayer and Fellowship for Catholic Women

Our Lady of the Angels, Randolph • 9:30 am–2 pm

Led by Fr. Patrick Forman, sponsored by the Vermont Catholic Daughters. All Catholic women 18 and over are invited, because we would love to have you join us there is no registration fee. Lunch will be provided for a free will donation. RSVP to: Rose Pelchuck, brcoal@myfairpoint.net.



09|24 SUNDAY

Farewell Mass and Reception for Archbishop Coyne

Cathedral of St. Joseph, Burlington • 10 am

Join us for this special Mass with Archbishop Coyne as

celebrant. A reception will follow from 12 to 3 pm at the Doubletree Hotel, South Burlington. Please RSVP for the reception at: vermontcatholic.org/farewell.



09|27 WEDNESDAY

Taize Prayer Service

Sacred Heart St. Francis de Sales, Bennington
6 pm

Join us for a Taize prayer service to pray for the work and success of their parish ministries, programs, committees, and catechists, as well as the students, faculty, staff and helpers of The School of Sacred Heart St. Francis de Sales in Bennington.



09|29 — 10|02 FRI, SAT, SUN, MON

Light of the World Retreat

Holy Family Parish Hall, Essex Junction

Parishioners from all parishes are welcome.

Information and registration available at essexcatholic.vermontcatholic.org/light-of-the-world-retreat or email ecc.engage@gmail.com. There is no registration fee.



10|01 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 W. Harlow.



10|02, 11|06 MONDAYS

Spanish Mass at St. Michael's College Chapel

St. Michael's College, Colchester • 7:30 pm

If you wish to be placed on our mailing list, please email Fr. Marcel Rainville, S.S.E at mrainville@smcvt.edu.



10|08 SUNDAY

Harvest Dinner Fundraiser

St. Anne's Shrine, Isle La Motte • 11:30–2:30

In the main building, cafeteria. \$20 per plate.



10|08 SUNDAY

Fourth Annual St. John Henry Newman Night

Holy Family, Essex Jct. • 4–8 pm

An Evening in Honor of St. John Henry Newman, featuring solemn sung vespers, a first class dinner and dessert catered by Bill Rensch and the Knights of Columbus, and two presentations on the life and works of St. John Henry Newman. RSVP required: vermontnewman@gmail.com.



10|18 WEDNESDAY

Vermont Catholic Professionals Networking Breakfast

Diocesan Offices, S. Burlington • 8:30–10 am

Donna McSoley, founder of Our Lady of Providence Radio, will be the speaker. Join us for networking and a light breakfast. Presentation begins at 9. Zoom option available.

Register here: vermontcatholic.org/vcp



10|19 THURSDAY

Spanish Mass

St. Peter, Vergennes • 7 pm

With Fr. Timothy Danaher, O.P.



10|21 SATURDAY

The Chosen — Movie Night and Potluck

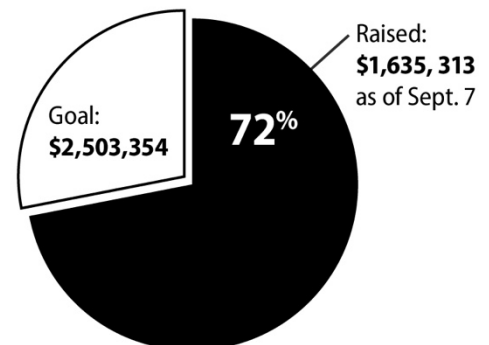
St. John the Baptist, Enosburg Falls • 5–6:45 pm

Come join us for a movie night and potluck dinner every third Saturday of the month.



BISHOP'S
ANNUAL
APPEAL

Progress: 72% to goal



A MESSAGE FROM THE



U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking

Ending Slavery Is Everyone's Work

September — Children make up a quarter of people in forced labor. Millions of children around the world will never go to school because they are working to help provide for their families.

U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking is a 501 c (3) organization, 7575 Grand River Rd., Suite 109, Brighton, MI 48114 (sistersagainsttrafficking.org)

Sunday, Sep 17, 2023

Each one, teach one

Teachers, preachers, and professors have their place. But most of us learn life lessons more broadly. The first school is our home environment. Groups we affiliate with and wider media influences also communicate their values. In 1935, the Vatican called for special acknowledgment of how our parish catechists pass on the faith. While it's right to honor our DRE or religion teachers on this Catechetical Sunday, let's recall too the role of parents and indeed all parishioners in modeling a life rich in love, generosity, compassion, and forgiveness. Catechists literally "echo" the example of Jesus. Deliver your echo boldly!

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

TODAY'S READINGS: Sirach 27:30—28:7; Romans 14:7-9; Matthew 18:21-35 (130). *"Peter approached Jesus and asked him, 'Lord, if my brother sins against me, how often must I forgive?'"*

Monday, Sep 18, 2023

Make of your life a mission of peace

In an address to the World Council of Churches in Evanston, Illinois in 1954, Dag Hammarskjöld, the second United Nations secretary-general (1953-61), referred to churches as the "guardians of ... the deepest beliefs and the loftiest dreams ..." of humanity. He died in a plane crash on this date while on a peace mission in the Congo and is the only person to receive the Nobel Peace Prize posthumously. Pope Francis praised him in 2015 for giving his life for "reconciliation among peoples." May the example and inspiration of Hammarskjöld, and the many who work to end conflict in the world, unite the people of God in their pursuit.

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 Timothy 2:1-8; Luke 7:1-10 (443). *"I did not consider myself worthy to come to you; but say the word and let my servant be healed."*

Tuesday, Sep 19, 2023

The real magic of relics

The significance of saintly relics is best understood in light of basic Catholic teaching: Relics aren't talismans born of superstition, nor are they magical souvenirs from worship-worthy saints. Moreover, relics deserve the same basic respect as other human remains.

This is key because, historically, relics have been the subject of misunderstanding and abuse, everything from pilgrims who would steal bits of saintly bodies to Martin Luther's objection when relics were sold and hoarded like baubles. God alone works miracles and is worthy of worship. Saints merely agree to be the conduit—in obedience to Divine Love—sometimes paying the price with their martyrs' blood. Consider: The real miracle of Januarius' blood might be that he was willing to sacrifice it.

MEMORIAL OF JANUARIUS, BISHOP, MARTYR

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 Timothy 3:1-13; Luke 7:11-17 (444). *"A great prophet has arisen in our midst and God has visited his people."*

Wednesday, Sep 20, 2023

Be inspired to broaden your concern

On this day in 1918, at the age of 58, Mary Theresa Dudzik entered into eternal life. She accomplished a lot of good in her time on Earth. After immigrating to Chicago from Poland at 21, she would invite poor elderly women and girls to her home. "I felt the misery and suffering of others, and it seemed to me that I could not love Jesus, or even expect Heaven if I were concerned only about myself," she wrote. Dudzik started the Franciscan Sisters of Chicago in 1893, the first order of religious women founded in

Chicago. The community devoted itself to aiding the elderly and those in need. She received the honorary title of "Mother" in 1948 and is now a candidate for sainthood. Learn more about Venerable Mary Theresa Dudzik and her heroic virtue.

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 Timothy 3:14-16; Luke 7:31-35 (445). *"To what shall I compare the people of this generation?"*

Thursday, Sep 21, 2023

Witness value

When the name Saint Matthew comes up, many people recall him as the tax collector apostle who wrote the Gospel of Matthew. Modern scholarship has challenged the belief that Matthew the apostle wrote the gospel with his name on it, and other details of Saint Matthew's death by martyrdom cannot be definitively proven. Maybe having precision about all aspects of Matthew's life is not the most important factor in this feast, however. The church celebrates Matthew for being a faithful apostle and evangelist, things to which every Christian can aspire. Does your life evangelize, that is, bear witness to your belief?

FEAST OF MATTHEW, APOSTLE AND EVANGELIST

TODAY'S READINGS: Ephesians 4:1-7, 11-13; Matthew 9:9-13 (643). *"Live in a manner worthy of the call you have received, with all humility and gentleness, with patience."*

Friday, Sep 22, 2023

Delve into fresh spiritual classics

The Spirit dwells in each of us and is expressed in myriad ways. The church treasures this rich diversity as "refractions of the one pure light of the Holy Spirit," as the Catechism of the Catholic Church puts it. Too often erased historically, the experiences of women haven't always been allowed to shine as brightly, however. And so we lift up writers such as Monica Coleman, Gloria Anzaldúa, Mary Oliver, Jung Eun Sophia Park, and Phyllis Tickle, renowned spirituality author who died on this date in 2015. Read one of these or another author whose particular "refraction" resonates with your own.

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 Timothy 6:2c-12; Luke 8:1-3 (447). *"Pursue righteousness, devotion, faith, love, patience, and gentleness."*

Saturday, Sep 23, 2023

The essentials of sainthood

Controversy shadowed the life of the mystical Padre Pio, as Pius of Pietrelcina was known. He was said to bear the stigmata, or wounds of Christ, though detractors claimed he manufactured the wounds with carbolic acid. However one views such claims and counter claims, the undeniable fact is that he was a compassionate counselor to the thousands who came to see him during his lifetime, a tireless servant who lived a simple life. At Padre Pio's canonization Mass in 2002, Saint John Paul II said: "The life and mission of Padre Pio testify that difficulties and sorrows, if accepted with love, transform themselves into a privileged journey of holiness, which opens the person toward a greater good, known only to the Lord." You don't have to be a mystic or stigmatist to mirror the ministry of Christ in your own life—all you need is a kind heart and generous spirit.

MEMORIAL OF PIUS OF PIETRELcina, PRIEST

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 Timothy 6:13-16; Luke 8:4-15 (448). *"And some seed fell on good soil, and when it grew, it produced fruit a hundredfold."*

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



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