Our Lady of the Angels & Our Lady of the Valley Parishes 21 August 2022 21st Sunday of Ordinary Time (Year C)

St. Anthony

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THIS WEEKEND - No 2nd Collection

Saturday, August 20 St Bernard

St E~ 3:00 pm Adoration/Reconciliation

St E~ 4:00 pm Mass: Intentions of the Parishioners

Sunday, August 21

OLA~ 8:00 am Knights of Columbus-Randolph

OLA~ 8:00 am Reconciliation

OLA~ 9:00 am **Mass:** Brendan Farrington+ (by Patrice Conard)

St A~ 11:00 am **Mass:** Elizabeth Perrin+ (by Rosemary Brown)

St A~ 12:00 pm Reconciliation

St Anthony~ 12:00 pm (after Mass) FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON: WELCOM FR. SCHNEIDER!!

Norwich Univ.~ 8:15 pm Mass: ROOK MASS

THIS WEEK:

Monday, August 22 The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

St J~ 7:00 am Adoration

St J^{\sim} 8:00 am Mass: For the Protection of all Unborn

Babies

St A~ 8:00 am Mass: Rosalie Benson+ (by Rosemary

Brown)

St. A~ 8:30 am Adoration

Bethel Library~ 5:30 pm Book Club: <u>The Seven Storey Mountain</u> by Thomas Merton

Tuesday, August 23 St Rose of Lima

St J~ 8:00 am Mass: For World peace (by Diane Byrne)

St J~ 8:30 am Adoration St A~ 5:00 pm Adoration

St A~ 6:00 pm Mass: Ronald Veiss+ (by Jim Ford)

Wednesday, August 24 St Bartholomew

OLA~ 8:00 am **Mass:** Elizabeth Perrin+ (by Rosemary

Brown)

OLA~ 8:30 am Adoration

St A~ 5:00 pm Adoration

St A~ 6:00 pm Mass: Elizabeth Perrin+ (by MaryAnn &

Richard Church)

OLA~ 6:30 pm BIBLE STUDY - Psalms

Thursday, August 25 St Louis, St Joseph Calasanz

St John~ 8:00 am Mass: Janice V, William & Mabel

Maynard

St John~ 8:30 am Adoration

OLA~ 8:00 am Mass: Fr. Donald Ravey+

OLA~ 8:30 am Adoration

OLA~ 6:00 pm OUR LADY'S KITCHEN Free Supper & Movie (with popcorn) The Count of Monte Christo

Friday, August 26

OLA~ 8:00 am **Mass:** Elizabeth Perrin+ (by Rosemary Brown)

OLA~ 8:30 am Adoration

OLA~ 9:45 am BIBLE STUDY - Psalms

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NEXT WEEKEND - No 2nd Collection

Saturday, August 27 St Monica

St Elizabeth~ 3:00 pm Adoration/Reconciliation St Elizabeth~ 4:00 pm **Mass:** Healing for J. L. (by

Debby Scherrer)

St John~ 5:00 pm Reconciliation

St John~ 5:30 pm Mass: Intentions of the

Parishioners

Sunday, August 28

OLA~ 8:00 am Reconciliation

St. J~ 8:30 am Mass: Clark Leonard (by his family) &

Bob Tucker (by Joe & Diane Byrne)

OLA~ 9:00 am Mass: Guy Delyea+ (by Bill Lynch)

St J~ 9:30 am Reconciliation

St A~ 11:00 am Mass: Intentions of the Parishioners

St A~ 12:00 pm Reconciliation

Norwich Univ.~ 5:30 pm Reconciliation

Norwich Univ.~ 6:30 pm Mass

COMING SOON:

Tuesday, August 30

OLA~ 12:00 pm - 5:00 pm AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

Wednesday, August 31

OLA~ 6:30 pm BIBLE STUDY - Psalms

Friday, September 2

OLA~ 9:45 am BIBLE STUDY - Psalms

Saturday, September 3

St A~ 9:00 am First Saturday Rosary

Monday, September 5 LABOR DAY OFFICES ARE CLOSED

Tuesday, September 6

St A~ 11:00 am – 1:00 pm Our Lady's Kitchen Free hot meal in the Parish Hall



Sunday, August 21st Fellowship & Welcome Luncheon for Fr. Schneider St. Anthony's Parish Hall

12 noon (after the 11 am Mass) The menu is pulled pork, pulled chicken, coleslaw, and more!

Remember to pray for the sick and hurting, especially for...Janice Brown, Rita Morin, Bobby Perez, Richard Perez, Cathy Bigelow, Paul & Sue Field, Samantha Field, Sophie Weden, Blanche Rea, Marion Bourn, Maybelle Dumont, John Flanagan, Annette W., Russ Mitchell, Jim Morse, Barbara Audette, Francie Epperson, Eric Gilman, John Mahaffy, and Jeanne Griffin.

Please contact the office if anyone should be

Please contact the office if anyone should be removed from the prayer list. It would be a great to start a "PRAISE GOD" list!

Catechesis for children ages 3 to Confirmation*

Catechesis will be offered at St. Anthony Church in the parish hall on **Sunday mornings**9:00 am to 10:30 am AND Thursday afternoons 3:30 pm to 5:00 pm starting in September. The lessons are a mix of large group prayer and learning centered around the annual theme, which, this year, is Scripture. Catechesis of the Good Shephard or age-appropriate textbooks will be used. Parents should contact Rosemary Brown with the names and ages of new students:

Rosemary Brown: 802-234-9522

(*Confirmation is now celebrated in the 6th grade in our Diocese)

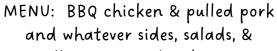
WELCOME to our visitors: Do you have questions about the Catholic Church? Questions about the Mass? Questions about becoming Catholic or participating in any of the Sacraments? Call 513-238-4854 (cell), OR email Elizabeth at estuart@ vermontcatholic.org. If she doesn't have the answers, she can find someone who does!

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Our Lady's Kitchen
"A Meal with a Movie"
Thursday, August 25th
6 pm Free Supper

6:30 pm Popcorn & a Movie:

A free, hot meal for anyone in the community in need followed by the monthly Catholic Movie Night



desserts y'all are inspired to bring!!

The plan is to provide a MEAL and a MOVIE every third Thursday of the month. Interested? Willing to help? Wanting to support this ministry? Please contact the Meal Coordinator:

Bill Johnson: coachjohnson@outlook.com
Or Elizabeth at the Parish Office
estuart@vermontcatholic.org
802-728-5251

The opportunities:

- To serve the larger community
- To feed the hungry
- To care for the needy
- To work together with other members of the community

The needs:

- Cooks, bakers, & general prep crews
- Set-up crews, servers, clean-up crews, dishwashers, pot scrubbers
- The hungry in the community and those willing to serve them
- Drivers to provide rides
- Prayer Warriors



THE COUNT OF MONTE CHRISTO

The classic story of an innocent man who is wrongly accused, and deliberately imprisoned, and his brilliant strategy for revenge against those who betrayed him. Dashing young sailor Edmond Dantes (Jim Caviezel) is a guileless and honest young man. His peaceful life and his plans to marry the beautiful Mercedes (Dagmara Dominczyk) are shattered when his best friend Fernand (Guy Pearce) deceives him.



he Inland August 20-26, 2022

Priest's role at Mass is multi-faceted

ne of my earliest memories of attending Mass as a child involved my thinking that God must be in the attic of the church. My mother and I most often sat about half-way back from the sanctuary; a perfect spot for a child like me to see not the altar or the priest, but the back of people's heads. I couldn't see a thing when everyone was standing, but I could hear everything through the sound system. I heard the voice over the sound system "Glory to God in the highest ... Let us pray ... This is my body ... This is my blood." Our speakers were hung from the ceiling, and so it sounded like a booming voice from above. For whatever reason, I associated that voice with God. And with the voice coming from above, I thought, "Could

I find it intriguing that this memory came back to me as I began writing this article on the role of the priest at Mass. You

see, the priest isn't the voice of God in the attic. The priest, through the Sacrament of Holy Orders, stands in the midst of, or more appropriately, at the head of the liturgical assembly — the Body of Christ as the very person of Christ as head of that body. No, Josh, God isn't in the attic when we celebrate liturgy. He is much, much closer.

God be in the attic of the church?"

The priest's role at Mass is multi-faceted, and the confines of this article unfortunately do not allow me to dive into the beauty of the priesthood as exercised in the liturgy. There's so much important imagery to uncover! At a very basic, human level though — perhaps the most fundamental level — the priest is seen as presiding over the gathered assembly. He leads the prayers and prompts the participation of the people. His leadership in the liturgical assembly can help

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express the faith of the Church (or obscure that expression of faith); his role can be instrumental in fostering unity in worship with the Church Universal (or fostering

He fulfills this role in the very way he celebrates the liturgy. It is for this precise reason that a priest is entrusted not only with the reverent celebration of liturgy but with the very careful preparation of the liturgy. Too often the temptation is to fall back onto the "ritual" and not be attentive to how one leads the liturgical assembly. Although there is comfort in following the ritual structure, the danger is that one falls into a ritual "rut" and neglects attention to

the preparation needed to celebrate liturgy "worthily and well."

This applies not only to the preparation of the priest but the preparation of all the ministers and to everyone who gathers for liturgy! In their 2009 document on music, "Sing to the Lord,"

the bishops of the United States said "faith grows when it is well expressed in celebration. Good celebrations can foster and nourish faith. Poor celebrations may weaken it" (my emphasis).

I'll conclude with a word of gratitude to all the liturgical ministers — especially our priests and deacons - who, week after week, take the time to carefully prepare the liturgy, whether it be through attention to their homily, or to the ritual and music, or to how they voice the prayers or bodily express the faith. Your preparation fosters faith. Perhaps your preparation will even make a young child think that God can be found in the attic of the church. Or better yet — even closer.

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





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Upcoming Events



08|23, 9|13, 27 TUESDAYS

Grief & Loss Support Group for Widows/Widowers

St. Mark, Burlington • 9:45 - 11 am

The benefits of a support group with others who have experienced the loss of a spouse or partner helps universalize your experience. You are not alone, although it may feel that way sometimes. Listening to the experience of others who have traversed rough waters usually lends helpful insights into personal practices. Please join us every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month in the rectory parlor to explore supportive ways grief and loss can be the entry point for God's healing.



08|23 - 11|08 TUESDAYS

The Creed Professed: a seminar on Part I of the U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults

via Zoom • 7 – 8 pm

This bi-weekly Zoom seminar is being offered as part of the Diocesan "Year of Communion: Unity in Creed, Worship and Life." The first session was held on May 10. For information and to register: studythecreed@gmail.com

Aug 23, Session 8: The Saving Death and Resurrection of Christ
Sep 13, Session 9: Receive the Holy Spirit (In 20:22)
Sep 27, Session 10: The Church: Reflecting the Light of Christ

Oct 11, Session 11: The Four Marks of the Church
Oct 25, Session 12: Mary: The Church's First and Most Perfect
Member

Nov 8, Session 13: Our Eternal Destiny



08|24, 31 WEDNESDAYS

Summer Reflection Series at Saint Anne's Shrine

St. Anne's Shrine, Isle LaMotte • 11:15 am

We hope you can join us for the 11:15 am Mass followed by the presentation. Lunch is available in the cafeteria after the presentation, except for July 27 when you can bring your own picnic lunch. Please call or email us with any questions at (802) 928.3362 or sas@sse.org.

August 24: Monsignor Peter Routhier, The Role of Saints in the Life of the Church August 31: Rev. Richard Myhalyk, S.S.E., How We See God: Our Spiritual Lens on Life



08|24 - 10|28 WEDNESDAYS

"The Search" Video Series

St. John Vianney, S. Burlington • 6:45 - 8:30 pm Why are we here? What's life all about? What

happens when we die? Have you ever pondered the answers to these questions, or others like them? Do you wonder what kinds of answers the Catholic faith has given throughout the centuries? To get to the crux of the matter, please consider joining us "The Search" video series: viewing, brief discussion, and some light refreshments. FOR MORE INFO: Connie, sjvgoodnews@qmail.com.



08|25 THURSDAY

Our Lady's Kitchen & Catholic Movie Night

Our Lady of the Angels, Randolph • 6 – 8 pm Free meal for the poor, the hungry and the lonely. Also, Catholic Movie Night will take place with free popcorn and a screening of "The Count of Monte Cristo." Come join us for food, fellowship, and faith!



08|26, 09|02, 09, 16, 23, 30 FRIDAYS **SoulCore**

Blessed Sacrament, Stowe • 9 - 10:30 am
Join us on Fridays after the 8:30 am Mass.

SoulCore is an apostolate that intentionally engages the whole person in the sacred experience of the rosary. Integrating the prayers of the rosary with core strengthening, stretching and functional movements to nourish body & soul and encourage deeper reflection on the virtues. A gentle path to grow in virtue and cultivate interior peace. Bring a mat and water, weights optional (1-3lbs). SoulCore is self-paced and can be modified for any ability



08|27 SATURDAY

Informational: "Reproductive Liberty Amendment" Article 22

Holy Family, Essex Jct. • 9 - 10:30 am

Vermont Representative Anne Donahue is the featured speaker. There will be an opportunity for asking questions as well as discussion. Come learn why Article 22 is worded to win your support and why you should oppose it. Light refreshments.

FOR MORE INFO: (802) 878-3568



09 02 FRIDAY

The Women Ancestors of Jesus and Salvation History

St. Anne's Shrine, Isle LaMotte • 10 am - 3 pm
This day long event includes Mass and a day of recollection,
prayer and reflection at peaceful and beautiful Saint Anne's
Shrine in Isle La Motte. Directed by Brother Frank Hagerty,
S.S.E. Begins at 10 am, includes lunch and concludes at 3 pm.



09|06 TUESDAY

Article 22 (Prop 5) Discussion

St. Augustine, Montpelier • 6:30 - 8:30 pm
Fr. Julian Asucan has invited Representative

Anne Donahue to host a discussion on Article 22. Representative Anne Donahue is a spokesperson for Vermonters for Good Government, which seeks to educate the public about the ramifications of adding Article 22 — originally called Prop 5 — to our Vermont constitution. She is the vice-chair of the House Health Care committee and has served in the legislature since 2003, representing Northfield and Berlin.



09 17 SATURDAY

Vermont Catholic Daughters Fall Retreat: The Rosary

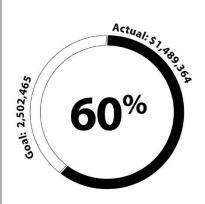
Our Lady of the Angels, Randolph • 9 am – 2 pm

The Vermont Catholic Daughters Fall Retreat will be lead by Father Brandon Schneider. There will be a series of short talks and Mass will be celebrated during the retreat. Father will be available for confessions. Snacks and lunch will be provided. We will be raising awareness of the need to support our seminarians. There is no fee for this event if you register by Sept. 7. Please pre-register by Sept. 7: Debbie, dgbrown264@gmail.com.

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AFFIRMING A CULTURE OF LIFE

It is time for some of us to confess/repent of a serious sin: judging the struggling, single mother and thinking "this situation is her fault, the result of her irresponsible behavior and poor choices." "A person reaps what they sow. . . "We resent that we are now burdened by her needs (and the needs of the child), because of her "poor choices."

Shame, shame, shame on any of us who have such thoughts. *This mother chose life!*She chose life for her child, and we should celebrate and rejoice. Rather than the easy way, she has chosen the hard path, the path of self-sacrifice for the sake of her child. It is on us to walk beside her, and help however we can. There are only two choices that really matter in life — the last one, and the next one. Her last choice was life. Let us rejoice!

Let us affirm life — please vote "no" to Article 22.

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	Our Lady of the Valley			OUR LADY OF THE ANGELS			
The week of August	Sunday			Sunday			
8th to August 14th	baskets	eCatholic	total	baskets	eCatholic	other	total
Fundraisers	\$5		\$5				\$0
Fuel/Energy	\$217		\$217	\$515			\$515
Furnace			\$0			\$1,000	\$1,000
Gifts-undesignated		\$90	\$90			\$125	\$125
Holy Day			\$0	\$60			\$60
Sunday	\$980	\$10	\$990	\$1,394	\$190		\$1,584
Deposit	\$1,202	\$100	\$1,302	\$1,969	\$190	\$1,125	\$3,284
		\$1,302				\$3,284	
Attendance	St A	36					
total	St E	27	63		OLA		81

VOLUNTEER'S NEEDED:

Can you count to 100? Are you strong enough to open multiple envelopes in a single sitting? Do you know how to use a calculator or have you always wanted to learn? Do you have time to give to on Sundays? Our Lady of the Angels AND Our Lady of the Valley

need assistance on Sundays in tallying the Collections. This means opening the contribution envelopes, tallying the checks and cash donations, preparing



the deposit and taking said deposit to the weekend drop box. Frequency depends entirely on the number of volunteers – more people means serving less frequently.

BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL:



To learn more or to make a gift online, visit:

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PARISH RESULTS AS OF AUGUST 16th:

- OLA: Goal \$9,625.40, pledges & gifts \$8,3050.00 => 86% of goal
- OLV: Goal \$16,133.85,
 pledges & gifts \$14,353.00 => 89% of goal
- St J: Goal \$23,395.81, pledges & gifts \$9,066.00=> 39% of goal

At St John, the Evangelist, the following books from Dynamic Catholic are currently available: <u>Rediscover the Saints</u> and <u>Amazing Possibilities: 365 Days of Inspiration</u>. Please take a copy while they are still available!!

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ST. BARTHOLOMEW

Saint of the Day for August 24 Patron Saint of Plasterers

In the New Testament, Bartholomew is mentioned only in the lists of the apostles. Some scholars identify him with Nathanael, a man of Cana in Galilee who was summoned to Jesus by

Philip. Jesus paid him a great compliment: "Here is a true Israelite. There is no duplicity in him" (John 1:47b). When Nathanael asked how Jesus knew him, Jesus said, "I saw you under the fig tree" (John 1:48b). Whatever amazing revelation this involved, it brought Nathanael to exclaim, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God; you are the King of Israel" (John 1:49b). But Jesus countered with, "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than this" (John 1:50b).

Nathanael did see greater things. He was one of those to whom Jesus appeared on the shore of the Sea of Tiberias after his resurrection (see John 21:1-14). They had been fishing all night without success. In the morning, they saw someone standing on the shore though no one knew it was Jesus. He told them to cast their net again, and they made so great a catch that they could not haul the net in. Then John cried out to Peter, "It is the Lord."

When they brought the boat to shore, they found a fire burning, with some fish laid on it and some bread. Jesus asked them to bring some of the fish they had caught and invited them to come and eat their meal. John relates that although they knew it was Jesus, none of the apostles presumed to inquire who he was. This, John notes, was the third time Jesus appeared to the apostles.

FURNACE UPDATE!

The new furnace at Our Lady of the Angels has been installed! Final inspection is still pending but the hard work has been completed!! The final cost was \$26,000, well below the original estimates of \$29-\$31,000. FYI: to date, we have raised \$26,655, readily covering the full cost.

May God bless your generosity a 100-fold! Thank you, Fr. Gratton



Go to the Parish Website at https://ourladyvt.org/. On the home page, select
DONATE (it's on the right side of the page) then the

"Online Giving" dropdown. Select your Parish and the category for the donation (Sunday Collection, Building Fund, Energy Needs, etc.). A screen will pop up asking for all the relevant information (amount, frequency, payment method, etc). Complete the appropriate information and submit it. Let me know if you encounter any difficulties.

God bless, Elizabeth

BOTTLE REDEMPTION – Do you have



returnable cans and bottles just hanging about? If you take them to M&M Beverage in Randolph, you can ask them to hold the moneys for Our Lady of the Angels and Our Lady of the

Valley instead of returning the deposits to you. We (myself or Fr. Gratton simply collect the cash from M&M Beverage and deposit!

St John the Evangelist Candle Intentions:



Sanctuary: In Loving Memory of Lawrence D Abbiati Sacred Heart of Jesus: In Memory of Bob Tucker Blessed Virgin Mary: In Memory of Clovis DeLary

St. Therese: In Memory of Clark Leonard

St. Joseph: Our Thankfulness for Fr. Julian Asucan

St. Patrick: For Retired Clergy

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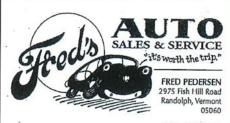
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