

JUNE 6, 2021



SACRED HEART SAINT FRANCIS DE SALES

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH • BENNINGTON, VERMONT

MISSION STATEMENT

Our Catholic parish family is united by God's love and our belief in the Gospel of Jesus Christ. We live and share our faith in our daily actions as a parish, as a school and as individuals.

EUCCHARISTIC LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil
4:00 PM

Sunday
7:30 AM & 9:30 AM

Monday through Friday
8:00 AM

First Fridays (only)
Holy Hour & Benediction: 7:00 PM

Eucharistic Adoration
Every Friday after Mass until 8:00 PM

Last Sunday (only)
Mass: 6:00 PM

Reconciliation
Saturday 3:00-3:30 PM or by appointment



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Rev. Mr. Gary Zack—Deacon

The Congregation of Holy Cross Priests and Brothers have offered continuous service for over 60 years to the Diocese of Burlington and the Bennington area.

I call ON
THE NAME
OF THE
Lord.

PSALM 116



PARISH CENTER MAIN OFFICE HOURS
Monday through Friday
8:30 AM–Noon & 1:00–4:30 PM
email: benncath@comcast.net



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

And Liturgical Celebrations for
June 5—13, 2021

(Numbers next to a name indicate Anniversary of death)

Sat./Sun., June 5/6 The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ

4:00 p.m. † Living & Deceased Members of the
Knights of Columbus Council #307

† Jim Collins - Mary Morrissey

7:30 a.m. Our Parish Family

9:30 a.m. Joan Murphy (Living) - Michelle & Danny Frank

Monday, June 7 Weekday

8:00 a.m. Our Parish Family

Tuesday, June 8 Weekday

8:00 a.m. **No Mass**

Wednesday, June 9 Saint Ephrem

8:00 a.m. † Lorraine Vivaldi (12th) - The Family

† Nancy Frasier (5th) - The Family

Thursday, June 10 Weekday

8:00 a.m. **No Mass**

Friday, June 11 The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

8:00 a.m. Tom Flood in honor of his birthday

- Jo-Anne Prouty

† Daniel & Clarissa McCarthy

- Daughter, Jane Colyer

Keatley Family Members - Paula

Sat./Sun., June 12/13 The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ

4:00 p.m. † Lorraine Vivaldi - Paul Capriola

† Robert Thomas - Sister, Nan

† Phil O'Neill - Mary Morrissey

† Raymond Pinsonneault (10th) - His Wife

7:30 a.m. † James McMahan - The Murphy Family

9:30 a.m. † George Prouty - The Murphy Family

Our Parish Family

Readings for the week of June 6, 2021

- Sunday: Ex 24:3-8/Ps 116:12-13, 15-16, 17-18 [13]/
Heb 9:11-15/Mk 14:12-16, 22-26
- Monday: 2 Cor 1:1-7/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [9]/Mt 5:1-12
- Tuesday: 2 Cor 1:18-22/Ps 119:129, 130, 131, 132,
133, 135 [135a]/Mt 5:13-16
- Wednesday: 2 Cor 3:4-11/Ps 99:5, 6, 7, 8, 9 [cf. 9c]/
Mt 5:17-19
- Thursday: 2 Cor 3:15—4:1, 3-6/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-
12, 13-14 [cf. 10b]/Mt 5:20-26
- Friday: Hos 11:1, 3-4, 8c-9/Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 [3]/
Eph 3:8-12, 14-19/Jn 19:31-37
- Saturday: 2 Cor 5:14-21/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12
[8a]/Lk 2:41-51
- Next Sunday: Ez 17:22-24/Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16 [cf. 2a]/
2 Cor 5:6-10/Mk 4:26-34

Gospel Reflection

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

As our world faces so much turmoil and change, it is now more important than ever to remember who God is, who we are and where we are going. It is easy to get distracted and lose focus, especially when we are being pulled in so many directions. We can not only lose sight of God but one another. Maintaining our well developed and mature relationships with God and one another is essential to continuing to live, healthy, happy, and focused lives. In a message to young people, Pope Benedict XVI said, "the happiness you are seeking, the happiness you have a right to enjoy has a name and a face: it is Jesus of Nazareth, hidden in the Eucharist." What is true for those who are younger is even truer for those who are older. Regardless of how the particulars of life change over time, human beings are still hard-wired to seek the fullness of life and happiness. How we embark on this journey and what we choose along the way will indicate whether we meet success.

There is so much brokenness and pain in our world. Many people are lost, feeling lonely, anxious, marginalized, victimized, isolated, oppressed, and abused. Every time we receive the Body of Christ, we have an opportunity to become what we eat. The power and presence of Christ in the Eucharist becomes present in us and effects change in ourselves and in the lives of those we meet. We are given the grace to become temples of justice and peace, carrying God's sacred Presence within us wherever we go. Our faith community is ignited with the fire of God's love and stands out as a beacon of hope in a world that is lost. This is the only way we can discover peace-filled resolutions to violence and create innovative solutions to what is fueling its need in the first place. True happiness, for the young and old alike, becomes an obtainable goal.

St. John Maria Vianney says it so well. "There is nothing so great as the Eucharist. If God had something more precious, he would have given it to us." Only the Eucharist has the ability to connect, sustain, strengthen, and properly orient us, not only on the road of this life but the road to life eternal. Knowing this, when life gets challenging, unsettling, and difficult, we can rely on and cling to this gift we have in the Real Presence of Christ. This actual encounter with God celebrates God's unconditional love for us and grounds us to the truth of who we are in a way nothing else is able to do. Because through the Eucharist we really do become the Body of Christ, we are also bonded together in a most perfect way to one another as that Body. Nourished, united, and strengthened by the Eucharist, let us individually and collectively, bring this wonderful gift to all we meet, especially the poor with whom we have a special connection.

*"As we walk the road of our spiritual journey,
let us not miss the opportunity to offer a smile and
a word of kindness to every person we encounter,
for we are welcoming the presence
of Christ among us."*



Faith Formation Program

"Growing In Faith Together"

For more information contact the parish office at 442-3141 or shsffaithformation@vermontcatholic.org
You are invited to join us on Facebook – SHSF Faith Formation



The School of Sacred Heart
St. Francis de Sales
307 School Street
Bennington, VT 05201
Mr. David Estes, Principal
802-442-2446

Nineteenth Annual Sacred Heart School Golf Extravaganza



Mount Anthony Country Club
Friday, June 18

On Friday, June 18, 2021, the 19th Annual School of Sacred Heart St. Francis de Sales Golf Tournament ("Sacred Heart Scramble") will take place at Mt. Anthony Country Club.

This year's format is different. Tee times will be assigned between 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm. We will have Lunch To-Go on the Golf Course, and Awards and a Raffle Auction at completion. The Raffle tickets will be sold in advance or throughout the day (golfers and nongolfers may purchase tickets). Winners need not be present to win. Due to Covid-19, several fundraisers had to be cancelled. SHSF School relies heavily on fundraising throughout the year in order to operate. Please know that any level of support is appreciated.



Confirmed at the Cathedral

Congratulations to Jessica Moriarty who received her Adult Confirmation at St. Joseph's Cathedral in Burlington on Pentecost. Jessica attended the parent portion of her son Sean's Confirmation classes this year and was drawn to receive the sacrament of Confirmation as well.

Thank you to those who have already committed to sponsoring the 19th Annual SHSF Golf Scramble:

- Platinum Sponsor:** Jerome Construction
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In Honor of Doris Lemieux
Diane Morrissey Williams Financial LLC

Please contact us if you would like to be a sponsor or play in the tournament. Golf slots are filling up so don't delay if you would like to play!

Kid's Corner

Sharing the Gospel



Jesus broke the bread and said, "This is my body." Then he held up the cup of wine and said, "This is my blood." During Mass the priest says the same words: "This is my body. This is my blood." Through the prayer, the bread and wine are changed into the body and blood of Christ. When you eat the body and blood of Christ, it gives you the power to say "No," to evil.

Prayer

Jesus, please bless everything I eat and drink.

Mission for the Week

I will share a can of my favorite soup with the hungry.



Please remember the sick, including ~

Charlie Buckley, Lavinia, Charles Tremblay, Reatha Williams, Frank Babcock, Tami Greene, Robin Guertin, Nan Mears, Diane Roy, Dorothy Roy, Robin Tremblay, Rene Cassano, Caleb St. John, Marie Parker Mayer, Don Place, Cathy Place, Elaine Letourneau, Janet Sausville, Tina Harrington, A.J. Morton, Eden Jeannine Beckwith, Cindy Levitte, Christopher Rubino, Lena Reap, Dolores Pruden, Ruth Emaish, Matthew Rubino, Gloria VanDerzee, Adrianna Dewey, Kenneth Swierad, Kathy Keenan, and this week we remember the residents of the Centers for Living and Rehabilitation..



**Votive Candles
June 2021 Intentions**

† Perpetual for Frances Bender

† Earl Alderman
requested by Ron & Doris Alderman

† Theresa & Bob Long, Sr.
requested by the Dale Long family

† Raymond Pinsonneault
requested by his wife

† Richard C. "Dick" Pembroke
requested by the family



Meet Our Seminarian

We welcome seminarian Luan Tran who began his summer assignment with our parishes on Wednesday, June 2!

Hello everyone,

My name is Luan Tran. I came to Vermont four years ago from Viet Nam. After two years of studying English, the Diocese of Burlington sent me down to Indiana to study at Saint Meinrad Seminary and School of Theology. I just completed two years of Philosophy on May 8th. I am very excited to move to the Theology Program next semester. Having a summer assignment in Bennington has been my wish since I came. It is a blessing to be with a great community as you are. I believe that I will learn a lot from you all. Please pray for me and all seminarians in our Diocese. Know my prayers for you as well. I am looking forward to being there soon.

May God bless you all!

In Christ, Luan Tran



**Mass of Thanksgiving:
Father Casey Charles Weber
June 13, 2021 at 9:00 a.m.**

Father Casey will celebrate his **Mass of Thanksgiving** at **St. John the Baptist Catholic Church** **Sunday, June 13 at 9:00 a.m.**

You are invited to attend and celebrate with Casey and his family, but because of COVID and the need to socially distance, we request that you RSVP through Flocknote. (space is limited)

The Mass will be livestreamed and the link can be found at:
www.sacredheartsaintfrancis.org



**Mass of Thanksgiving:
Father Robert John Murphy
Sunday June 20, 2021
9:30 AM at Sacred Heart St. Francis**

**Sunday, June 27
9:00 AM and 11 AM at St. John the Baptist**

Robert John Murphy, son of Kevin and Kathy Murphy, will be Ordained a Priest to the Order of the Presbyterate, June 19, 2021 at 10:00 AM at the

Cathedral of Saint Joseph, Burlington Vermont

If you would like to view the ceremony, the livestream link can be found at:

<https://vermontcatholic.org/news/communication/tv-mass/>

Father Robert will celebrate his Mass of Thanksgiving **Sunday June 20, 2021 at 9:30 AM at SHSF**

Sunday, June 27 at 9:00 AM and 11 AM at St. Johns

You are invited to attend and celebrate with Robert and his family, but because of Covid and the need to socially distance, we request that you RSVP, either through your Flocknote Invitation or by calling the church office. (space is limited)

The Mass of Thanksgiving on Sunday, June 20 at 9:30 AM will be livestreamed at the link below:

<https://sacredheartsaintfrancis.org/>

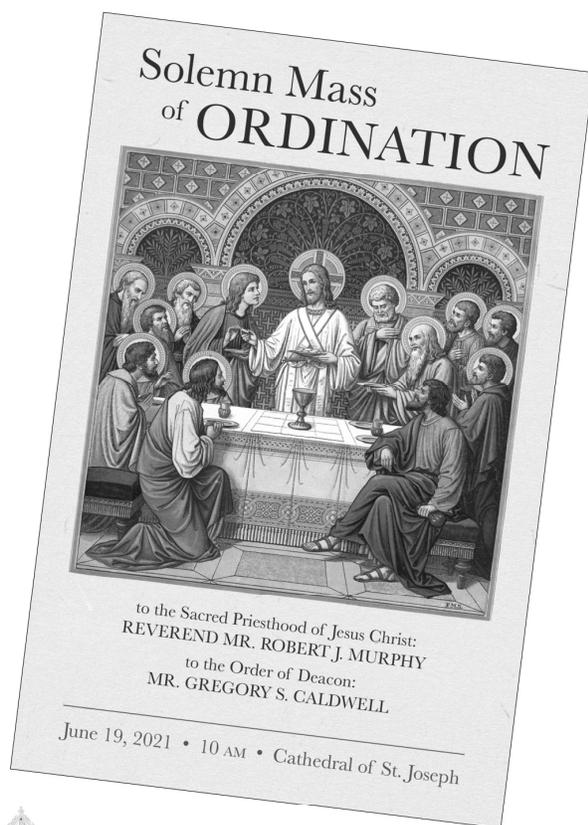
NEWS FROM The Inland See JUNE 5-11, 2021

FOR THE DIOCESE OF BURLINGTON

Bishop to ordain a priest and a transitional deacon

Two men are scheduled to be ordained this year — one to the priesthood and one to the transitional diaconate. Burlington Bishop Christopher Coyne will ordain Deacon Robert Murphy a priest and seminarian Gregory Caldwell a deacon preparing for priesthood at a special Mass on Saturday, June 19, at 10 a.m. at St. Joseph Cathedral in Burlington.

The bishop will place his hands on the head of the candidate for priestly ordination, and through this Laying of Hands and the Prayer of Ordination, the Gift of the Holy Spirit for the priestly office will be conferred on the candidate for priesthood who will receive the stole and chasuble, signs of the office of the ministerial priesthood.



Pictured above are Deacon Robert Murphy (left) and seminarian Greg Caldwell (right). — Vermont Catholic photos

Deacon Murphy graduated from Mount Anthony Union High School Bennington in 2013 then attended Providence College where he earned a bachelor's degree in philosophy in 2017.

He first felt the calling to the priesthood in elementary school. "I was open to the call and desired to do God's will for my life," he said. He chose to study for the Diocese of Burlington because it is his home Diocese, and he felt called to serve the people of Vermont.

"There have been many great priests in Vermont who have inspired me in my discernment of the priesthood," he said.

Caldwell, who graduated from Essex High School in 2008, earned a Master of Arts in Catholic philosophical studies from St. Meinrad Seminary in St. Meinrad, Indiana. He was received into full communion with the Church in 2013.

He has said he hopes to bring to the priesthood an ability to "teach in a way that can reach people," an ability to show people how to live their faith and the willingness to bring the sacraments to the people of the Diocese of Burlington.

Deacon Murphy advises men who are contemplating priesthood to focus on growing in holiness — especially through daily prayer — and striving to grow in virtue. "I believe that if they are open and seeking to do God's will, God will lead them to their vocation and give them what they need to live it well," he said.

The ordination will be a special time for clergy to meet in a spirit of fraternity and camaraderie.

Due to the seating capacity restrictions, attendance at the Mass will be by invitation only to allow for the priests of the diocese, Robert and Greg's family and friends, and members of their home parishes to attend. The Mass will be live-streamed at www.vermontcatholic.org/news/communication/tv-mass/

"The Bishop's Annual Appeal supports the vocations office. Please consider giving a gift during In-Pew Weekend on June 5-6 and June 12-13. To make a gift online or to learn more please visit: bishopsappealvt.org."



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To learn more or make a gift visit: christourhopevt.org

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HIS Pantry at SHSF

(Facebook link)

Wednesdays 1:00 – 3:30 pm
Fridays 10:00 am – 11:30 am

HIS Pantry is a volunteer-run parish ministry which assists those in need of food in our local community.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the pantry food distribution is now being done outside, under tents in the parking lot. Now, more than ever, we need your support to help those struggling with food insecurities in our area. Here are some ways you can help:

If you would like to become a volunteer at HIS Pantry or give us an additional hand in one of the areas listed above, please email hispantryshsf@gmail.com or call 802-823-0195.

Donations:

For those of you who would like to donate items to the pantry, we are most in need of the following:

- * toiletries such as shampoo, deodorant, toothpaste, shaving cream, razors
- * dish soap, laundry pods
- * empty laundry detergent bottles (we partially refill them from large economy sized bottles).



Once again, HIS Pantry has been selected by local Hannaford store leadership as the benefiting non-profit in the Fight Hunger Bag Program!

For the month of June, HIS Pantry will receive a \$1 donation from each purchase of the **\$2.50 reusable Fight Hunger Bag at the Hannaford store located at 141**

Hannaford SQ Ste. 2, Bennington VT. This is a great way to raise awareness, support the environment and fundraise for our cause. Please consider helping us out once again.

Online Giving Now Available!

We are now offering online giving through eCatholic, the company who also manages our parish website.

To check it out, go to our website:

sacredheartsaintfrancis.com,

click on donate, then choose where you want your money to go. You have the option of donating to the offertory, the monthly school collection, the monthly maintenance collection, our parish food shelf, or to the School Capital Campaign. Plus, you can use a credit card, eChecks, or direct debit from your checking account. You can choose to do a one-time donation, or set it up to do recurring monthly donations.

It's safe, secure and easy to use. Please call the office if you have any questions.



You're Invited

The School and Parish of Sacred Heart St. Francis de Sales would like to invite you to an

Open House

celebrating the retirement of

David Estes

June 12, 2021 from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.

Mr. Estes has been an integral part of our parish school for 42 years while serving as principal for the last 33.

Please stop by the

Parish Center

to wish him well and share a memory.



Save the Date ~

Summer 2021

Totus Tuus

Summer Catholic Camp

Returning to Bennington for the 9th summer

Grades 1 – 8 ~ August 2nd
(9:00 am – 3:00 pm)

High School ~ August 1st - 5th
(7:30 pm – 9:30 pm)

Join us for a week of faith and fun! A high-energy dose of faith building led by 4 young adults. Registration forms are available at <https://www.vermontcatholic.org/resource/2021-bennington-totus-tuus-registration/> or at the Parish Center or on our website.

For more information email: shsftotustuus@gmail.com

This summer, due to the pandemic, the number of children participating will be limited. Registrations will be taken on a first-come, first served basis. Register early to ensure a space for your child.

The **Second Collection** this weekend is for our parish school.

The **Second Collection** next weekend is for the maintenance of our church.

We thank you for your generosity!

Parish Office

At this time the office continues to be closed on Wednesday afternoons until further notice.