

JUNE 5, 2022



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

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



Rev. Robert Wiseman, c.s.c.—Pastor
Rev. Hugh Cleary, c.s.c.—Parochial Vicar
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.



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 4 — June 12, 2022

(Numbers next to a name indicate Anniversary of death)

Sat./Sun., June 4/5	Pentecost Sunday
4:00 p.m.	† Florence Kalinowski - Tom Maynard † William Toftness - Mary Morrissey † Rose Santarcangelo - Elizabeth Green
7:30 a.m.	† Eleanore Simpatico - Tom & Mary Flood
9:30 a.m.	† Kenneth Stemp - The Stemp Family
Monday, June 6	The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church
8:00 a.m.	† Rolande Bruneau - Rose Nichols & Mary Brochu Special Intention - Lana Hill
Tuesday, June 7	Weekday
<i>No Mass</i>	
Wednesday, June 8	Weekday
8:00 a.m.	† Lorraine Vivaldi - The Family † Walter & Yvonne LaFlamme - The Family
Thursday, June 9	Saint Ephrem
<i>No Mass</i>	
Friday, June 10	Weekday
8:00 a.m.	† Kenneth Stemp - Mary Pat Racicot
Sat./Sun., June 11/12	The Most Holy Trinity
4:00 p.m.	† Daniel & Clarissa McCarthy - Daughter, Jane Colyer † Ronald Maynard - Tom Maynard † Raymond Pinsonneault (11 th) - His Wife Special Intention - Lana Hill
7:30 a.m.	† Alex Mahar - The Kevin Kees Family
9:30 a.m.	† Deceased members of the Sandquist and Jordan Families - John & Linda Sandquist (Living) In Celebration of Bernie Bellemare's 90 th Birthday—Estelle Hoth

Readings for the week of June 5, 2022

Sunday:	Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Rom 8:8-17/Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 14:15-16, 23b-26
Monday:	Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14/Ps 87:1-2, 3 and 6, 6-7/Jn 19:25-34
Tuesday:	1 Kgs 17:7-16/Ps 4:2-3, 4-5, 7b-8/Mt 5:13-16
Wednesday:	1 Kgs 18:20-39/Ps 16:1b-2ab, 4, 5ab and 8, 11/Mt 5:17-19
Thursday:	1 Kgs 18:41-46/Ps 65:10, 11, 12-13/Mt 5:20-26
Friday:	1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-16/Ps 27:7-8a, 8b-9abc, 13-14/Mt 5:27-32
Saturday:	Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6/Mt 5:33-37

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Gospel Reflection

Encouraging a deeper understanding of scripture.

Pentecost Sunday



Even though Pentecost is rightly celebrated in late spring, the robust experience of a New England fall can provide a profound metaphor for reflection. A full expression of fall colors is beautiful to behold. But, with all of its majesty and beauty, the observer knows the experience of death is soon to come. Creation will be dark and barren for a while. Pentecost cannot be separated from the cross. Before God's transformative, life-giving power can bear fruit, we must first die.

Pentecost is all about leaving the lifeless dead wood behind and allowing God, through the power of the Holy Spirit, to create something new. These Pentecost creations happen repeatedly over and over again. The birthing process of the Church is ongoing. God is always bringing life out of death and creating something where there was once nothing. That is why the fall is such an apropos metaphorical season for Pentecost. In order to really receive the gift of the Holy Spirit we have to die to what we once knew and what no longer works.

When fire and wind find their fullest expression, they are in no way gentle nor kind. They have the potential to level anything in their paths. We are experiencing great turmoil in our world, nation, and our Church. Whether the result of circumstance or the work of the Holy Spirit, much of what we knew to be normal and constant is changing. Common systems and institutional structures that may have worked for a time no longer do. When the old and familiar need to be left behind, God creates something new. Change and disorder do not need to be our enemies. They always bring opportunities for something exciting and new. What we need is untiring faith, firm hope, and perfect love.

What we need is for the Holy Spirit to enlighten us to see what is important and what we must do. "O Holy Spirit, descend plentifully into my heart. Enlighten the dark corners of this neglected dwelling and scatter there Thy cheerful beams." (St. Augustine) If we experience joy, even in the midst of turbulence, then we will know we are exactly where God needs us to be. If not, then perhaps there is a lesson in the decaying leaves that graciously descend to the ground on a crisp fall day.

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Sunday Summary

Acts of the Apostles 2:1-11 The Spirit comes, and frightened people become the church.
Psalm 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34 All life on Earth is dependent on the breath of God to sustain it.
Romans 8:8-17 The body must die because of sin, but the spirit lives because of righteousness.
John 20:19-23 Jesus displays his wounds to prove his identity to his disciples.



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
Mrs. Tiffany McKenna, Principal
802-442-2446

Providing excellence in academics and a deepening faith in God and Gospel Values in an environment that is caring, challenging, and respectful, striving to develop in every student the habits of thinking critically and acting responsibly in daily life.



Seeking Prayer Partners

Can you help by adopting a family in prayer?

We would like to continue to support those who received the sacraments this year through prayer. If you are willing to keep a family who had a person who was Baptized, Confirmed, received First Communion, or went through RCIA in your special prayer intentions, please contact Kathy Murphy or Mary Drew by calling 802-442-3141 or email them at 1kathy.murphy@gmail.com or maryedrew1@gmail.com. It's been wonderful to see families at church, and we would love to see more! Thank you!

Reflect and Respond to Scripture

First Reading:

On Pentecost Sunday, the Holy Spirit descended upon the apostles and gave them the gift of speaking in multiple languages of the mighty acts of God accomplished in Jesus Christ. What gifts of the Spirit might you pray for today?

Second Reading:

Paul speaks of believers in Christ as having the "Spirit of God" dwelling within them. How do you experience the presence of the Holy Spirit in your life?

Gospel:

The resurrected Jesus breathed on the disciples and gave the Holy Spirit to them to forgive or retain sins. How often do you partake in the sacrament of reconciliation?



Join Us...

We'd love to have you and your family at our upcoming summer camp! All students who are entering first grade through graduating seniors are eligible.

The Day Program is for students entering 1st - 8th grade

DATE: Monday - Friday, June 20 - 24

TIME: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

PLACE: Sacred Heart St. Francis Parish Center

The Evening Program is for students entering 9th grade through freshmen in college

DATE: Sunday - Thursday, June 19 - 23

TIME: 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

PLACE: Sacred Heart St. Francis Parish Center

Registration is now open! Please register by **June 10** to ensure you receive your Totus Tuus T-shirt.

Please contact Mary Drew, Tammy Buckley, or Kathy Murphy at 802-442-3141 if you have any questions.

Please register at:

<https://sacredheartsaintfrancis.org/totus-tuus>



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Please remember the sick, including ~

Cindy Levitte, Linda Kenyon Thayer, Barbara Marino, Dotti DePollo, Donna Savoia, Jean Thomson, Joan Douglass, Mark Fortun, Kay Krawczyk, Pauline Restino, Adelaide Talbot, Kyle Dame, Charlie Buckley, Frank Babcock, Tami Greene, Robin Guertin, Nan Mears, Diane Roy, Dorothy Roy, Caleb St. John, Elaine Letourneau, Janet Sausville, Christopher Rubino, Ruth Emaish, Matthew Rubino, Gloria Van Derzee, Kenneth Swierad, Kathy Keenan, and this week we remember the residents of Cora B. Whitney.



**on Catholic Concerns
Sunday, June 5**

Join us in the Parish Center following the 9:30 Mass on Sunday, June 5 for coffee and conversation about Catholic concerns as we continue to seek what excites us and what pains us about the Church today. All are welcome!



**Votive Candles
June 2022 Intentions**

† Perpetual for Frances Bender

† Theresa & Bob Long, Sr.
requested by their children & families

† Dick Pembroke
requested by his family

† Raymond Pinsonneault (11th Anniversary)
requested by his wife



**Please Join Us in Praying the Rosary
Saturday, June 11, 2022**

June is the month of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus.
We need His help for getting peace and joy
in this broken world.

We will meet at the Four Corners
in front of the Putnam Hotel at Noon



Prop 5 has become Article 22 - a proposed amendment for Vermont's Constitution. It will be on the ballot this November. If approved, Article 22 will have profound effects and ramifications for parents, families,

health care providers and their conscience rights, hospitals, the court system, religious institutions, and all Vermont taxpayers.

Come learn from a panel of experts about Article 22 and its ethical and practical aspects. The panel will speak on **Saturday, June 18 from 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon at Christ our Savior Parish, 398 Bonnet Street, Manchester Center.**

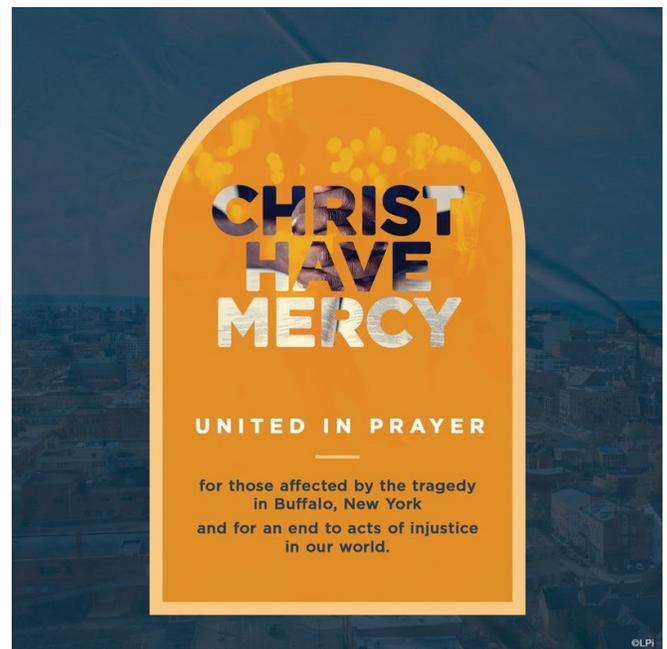
Presenters will be:

Deacon Pete Gummere M.S., M.A., Bioethicist, Diocese of Burlington

Annyssa Lamberton, Spokesperson for Vermonters for Good Government

Carol Kaufman of Vermont Family Alliance

Mary Beerworth, Executive Director, Vermont Right to Life.



PENTECOST SUNDAY



HIS Pantry

“Seeing Christ in the hungry”

Phone Number: **442-1720**

hispantryshsf@gmail.com

HIS Pantry at SHSF

(Facebook link)

Wednesdays 1:00 – 3:30 p.m.

Fridays 10:00 – 11:30 a.m.

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

If you would like to become a volunteer at HIS Pantry please email hispantryshsf@gmail.com or call 802-823-0195.

Donations:

For those of you who would like to make a donation to HIS Pantry, we have a continued need for the following items:

- ◆ Canned vegetables, fruit, soups
- ◆ Pasta sauces (preferably not in glass containers)
- ◆ Peanut butter, tuna, canned chicken
- ◆ Condiments such as mayo, ketchup, mustard, vegetable oil
- ◆ Toiletries: shampoo, deodorant, bars of soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes

Our continued thanks for your kindness and generosity!



Share Well Wishes to Fr. Bob on His Retirement!

Do you have a special memory, well wishes, or pictures that you would like to add to a memory book for Fr. Bob for his retirement? You may submit them online by going to:

<https://FrBob.fromabirdie.com/contribute>

Please add your pictures, stories, and well wishes by **Friday, June 17**. If you are unable to make an online submission, please drop off pictures and notes to the parish offices by June 17 and we will include them for you.

Save the date for an Open House for Fr. Bob at SHSF on Sunday, July 24 from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.

More details to follow.



What is Lectio Divina?

Are you curious about it? Interested in learning more?

There will be a Lectio Divina workshop on

Sunday, June 12 from Noon to 2:00 p.m.

at St. Peter's Church Parish Hall in Bennington.

We'll watch Fr. Thomas Keating's video on the principles of Lectio Divina, discuss the information, and have a practice time.

This Latin phrase simply means “divine reading.”

It is a way of reading scripture in a contemplative way – reading not for information, but for transformation.

Come learn more...

Hosted by Contemplative Outreach, Bennington, Vermont.

For further information, call Neva Hebert at (802) 753-6914.



SUMMER Mass Schedule

Daily Mass Schedule June 1 – August 31

Sacred Heart Saint Francis de Sales

Monday, Wednesday, Friday
8:00 a.m.

Saint John the Baptist

Tuesday and Thursday
9:00 a.m.

The **Second Collection** this weekend is for our Parish School.

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

We thank you for your generosity!



Class of 2022

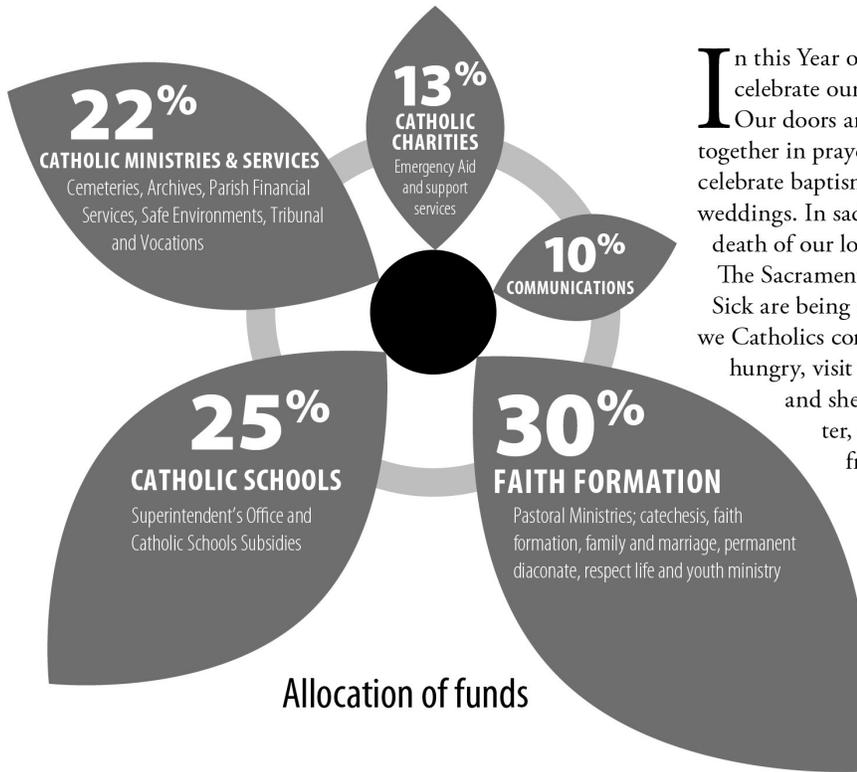
Baccalaureate Mass and Blanket Ceremony

We will honor the High School Graduates of our parish on **Sunday, June 12 at the 9:30 a.m. Mass** with prayers and a special blessing. The parish will also bestow upon each graduate a blanket to symbolize the warmth we hope they have received at Sacred Heart St. Francis de Sales Parish.

NEWS FROM The Inland See

FOR THE DIOCESE OF BURLINGTON

June 4-10, 2022



In this Year of “Communion: Creed, Worship & Life,” we celebrate our unity in faith as one Catholic community. Our doors are once again wide open, and we are gathering together in prayer, song and worship. With great joy we celebrate baptisms, First Communions, confirmations and weddings. In sadness and hope, we are able to mourn the death of our loved ones at funerals and Memorial Masses. The Sacrament of Reconciliation and the Sacrament of the Sick are being renewed as Covid protocols are relaxed. And we Catholics continue to do what we do so well as we feed the hungry, visit the sick and the elderly, support our families and shepherd our children in the faith. This past Easter, our churches were filled once again with many friends and parishioners whom we have missed over the past two years. It is a “renaissance,” a rebirth. God is good.

We have much to celebrate — at the Rite of Election at the beginning of Lent we had the largest number of candidates in more than seven years — men and women who entered the Church at the Easter Vigil. We have seven candidates preparing to be ordained to the permanent diaconate this fall. I have ordained two men to the priesthood in May. In the January cold of Montpelier, we had the largest “Rally for Life” in years. We are seeing a steady increase in Catholic school enrollment.

But here’s the challenge. We need your financial support to keep the momentum going. The pastoral and financial stress of the last two years has had a significant impact on the Bishop’s Annual Appeal which supports all these ministries, including emergency aid to the rising number of families in crisis. While care will be taken to stay within our means, we want to do so in a way that does not impact the important work that we are doing.

This is where we need your help. Please prayerfully consider a gift this year, so our Catholic Church can continue to thrive.



Sincerely yours in Christ,



The Most Reverend Christopher J. Coyne
Bishop of Burlington

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