

July 26, 2020

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)



Eucharistic Celebrations

July 25 – August 2, 2020

7/25 Sat 5:00 pm Mass (Sacred Heart)

† Diane Morin (10th Anniversary) by Roger Morin

7/26 Sun 8:00 am Mass (St. Vincent)

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7/26 Sun 9:30 am Mass (St. Ignatius)

t Patricia Pope by Denis Deatte

7/28 Tue 8:30 am (Sacred Heart)

† Sr Monique Turmel by Madeleine Morrissette

7/29 Wed 8:30 am Mass (Sacred Heart)

t Margaret Carter by Diane Geoffroy

7/30 Thu 8:30 am Mass (St. Vincent)

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7/31 Fri 6:00 pm Mass (St. Ignatius)

t Mary St Jacques Recchia by Rose Blais & Alice Gonyaw-Piette

8/1 Sat 5:00 pm Mass (Sacred Heart)

t Real & Martha Lemogues by Denis Lemogues

8/2 Sun 8:00 am Mass (St. Ignatius)

Open for Intention

8/2 Sun 9:30 am Mass (St. Ignatius)

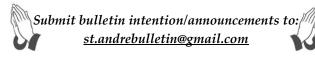
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This Week's Prayer Intentions

For all who are sick, for the homebound of our parishes and for those who have asked for our prayers, especially Bonnie Day, Casey Bonneau, Michelle Warman, Edward Quintal, Noella Berthiaume, Denise (Laramee) King, Lise & Conrad Coulombe, Craig Hansen and Donald St Onge.

"Lord, look upon all the above with Mercy. May Your Healing Hand rest upon them. May Your life-giving powers flow to the depths of their souls, cleansing, purifying, restoring them to health of mind and body".

For our recently deceased family, friends and community members especially Arnold McAllister and Frances Routhier. "Eternal rest grant to them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace."



Papal General Intention (July)

Universal prayer intention -Our Families

We pray that today's families may be accompanied with love, respect and guidance.

St. Vincent's May Steeple Cross Memorial

Dedicated to Wendy Carter By: Andre & Wilma Therrien & Family

Prayer for the Dead

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Message from Bishop Coyne

I announce the second phase of the reopening of our churches to celebrate daily and Sunday Mass. The obligation to attend Sunday Mass remains lifted until further notice, especially if you are part of a vulnerable population and/or have an underlying health condition. Please approach the celebration of Mass with charity and love for our clergy and faith community by following the protocols:

- Stay home if you are sick or not feeling well.
- Wear a mask in Mass.
- Sanitize your hands upon entry. Due to shortages of sanitizer, please bring your own if possible.
- Sit in designated pews and respect social distance between others of 6 feet or more unless you are one family unit.
- Refrain from congregating in tight areas or entering cordoned off areas.
- Follow the protocols to receive Holy Communion as directed at Mass.

While these protocols are intrusive, they are necessary as they allow us to celebrate the sacraments in person while doing our part to help stop the spread of coronavirus.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

- Bishop Christopher Coyne

Noteworthy Days the 14th Week of Ordinary Time July is dedicated to the Precious Blood

7/22 St. Martha (white vestment)

7/31 St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest (white vestment)

8/1 St. Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop & Doctor (white vestment)

Online Bible Study on Wednesdays

Please join Mater Dei parish for Online Bible Study on Wednesdays at 6pm. Please contact 334-5066 or office@materdeivermont.com for details

Feast of St Ignatius of Loyola

There is no Mass at 8:30am in SHJ on Friday, July 31, 2020. Instead, there would be a Feast Mass and Benediction in SI, Lowell at 6pm the same evening. The socials would follow.

Communion on the tongue

It can be given after everyone receives or after the Mass upon request.

Bishops Annual Appeal Update

The Bishops Annual Appeal for the diocese of Burlington is at **49**%. St. Andre Bessette Parish is at **11.97**% of our overall goal of \$15,800 with \$1,891 in donations. Thank you for your generosity

Dear Friends in Christ,

God is being incredibly good to us even at this time of pandemic. He has given us more time to pray. These times have only reinforced that now, more than ever, the Catholic Church in Vermont and especially our parish needs assistance from those who can help. Currently, we are beginning a campaign to help our parish churches. Every church in our parish has some repairs. The needs have been identified and I feel they are more important. I think that this campaign is going to help with those projects. Our parish is to benefit from 60% of the money we raise through this campaign. The parish is going to get every dollar after 115%. Our goal is to make \$86,882.

St Andre Bessette felt that the priest should never use the pulpit to ask people for money, but he had the magnificent building of St Joseph's Oratory in mind. St Andre Bessette (Parish) needs our help for the upkeep of his parish buildings.

20% of our Capital Campaign is going to help the poor through the Vermont Catholic Charities. St Paul collected money from the people of Macedonia and Achaia and helped the poor in Jerusalem (Rom 15: 26, 32). It is one of the ministries of the Church to care for the poor at this time of pandemic. Many need our help.

20% of the campaign is going to educate the poor children. We all know the situation of an ordinary family with more kids. The kids need to be educated and education is a costly commodity in our country. We need to extend our helping hands to them.

I wish that our parish becomes a model by making this campaign successful for the greater glory of God and for bearing the name of St Andre Bessette, a dreamer of the great oratory. If every family pledges to contribute, that would benefit our parish for the best.

<u>Capital Campaign Project Proposals for St. Andre Bessette</u> Parish

St. Ignatius Hall:

• Repair/refurbish hardwood floor

St. Ignatius Church:

- Painting
- Repairing the railing

St. Vincent de Paul Rectory:

- Multiple window replacement
- Insulation/winterization

St. Vincent de Paul Church:

- Replacement of basement windows
- Repairing the railing

Sacred Heart Church:

- Handicap entrance door replacement
- Sidewalk replacement in front of church

Sacred Heart Hall:

Replacement of steps at Fire Exit

Thank you so much for your contribution to our churches. May you all receive the blessings in two times and more.

Fr. Sahaya Paul

First Holy Communion Dress

If anyone needs a First Holy Communion dress, please call 744-2493

Note the Dates:

First Confession	08.22.2020, 3pm	<u>SHJ</u>
First Holy Communion	08.29.2020, 5pm	<u>SHJ</u>
Confirmation	10.25.2020, 4pm	Mater Dei

Parish Stewardship Reports Weekends of 7/18 – 7/19/2020

St. Andre Bessette Parish Offertory \$ 1,457 \$Budget/Week \$ 1,771 Difference +/- \$ (314)

St. Ignatius of Loyola Tidbits

Ignatius had shown none but the ordinary virtues of the Spanish officer. His dangers and sufferings [from his wounds] has doubtless done much to purge his soul, but there was no idea yet of remodelling his life on any higher ideals. Then, in order to divert the weary hours of convalescence, he asked for the romances of chivalry, his favourite reading, but there were none in the castle, and instead they brought him the lives of Christ and of the saints, and he read them in the same quasi-competitive spirit with which he read the achievements of knights and warriors. "Suppose I were to rival this saint in fasting, that one in endurance, that other in pilgrimages." He would then wander off into thoughts of chivalry, and service to fair ladies, especially to one of high rank, whose name is unknown. Then all of a sudden, he became conscious that the after-effect of these dreams was to make him dry and dissatisfied, while the ideas of falling into rank among the saints braced and strengthened him, and left him full of joy and peace.

...[around 1522] he began to make notes of his spiritual experiences, notes which grew into the little book of "The Spiritual Exercises".

"The Third Method of Prayer is that with each breath in or out, one has to pray mentally, saying one word of the Our Father, or of another prayer which is being recited: so that only one word be said between one breath and another, and while the time from one breath to another lasts, let attention be given chiefly to the meaning of such word, or to the person to whom he recites it, or to his own baseness, or to the difference from such great height to his own so great lowness." — Ignatius of Loyola, *The Spiritual Exercises*

Thank you again for your kindness and warm welcome last weekend. It was a joy to be with you at Mass! Let us keep each other in prayer as we accompany each other during these times, joyfully sharing the Goodness of Jesus Christ in our parishes, community and state! God bless you! **-Dcn. Phil Lawson, Diocese of Burlington**

The Inland See

Founder's Day of Giving

JULY 29

MATCHING
GIFT

n July 29, 1853, the Diocese of Burlington, Vermont, was formally created by papal brief under the leadership of the first bishop, Louis de Goësbriand. At this time there were 10 churches and approximately 20,000 Catholics being served by five priests.

The Diocese was very much a missionary Diocese with limited resources and a small congregation of Catholics sprinkled throughout the vast state. The terrain was challenging, and the mostly Protestant state did not welcome Catholicism.

Bishop de Goësbriand spent most of his quarter-of-a milliondollar inheritance to travel throughout the state to spread the Good News and build churches, schools and homes for the most vulnerable. The fruits of his labor paid off. By 1891, the number of Catholics more than doubled to 48,000 with 78 churches. In addition, he helped found eight academies and 16 parochial schools in the Diocese with seven congregations of women religious to staff them.

By the time he died in 1899, he had spent his entire fortune; he had only \$2.12 to his name and a few old suits, noted Father Lance Harlow, rector of St. Joseph Cathedral who wrote a biography of the bishop in 2001.

"Bishop de Goësbriand, even though he was raised in a well-respected and well-to-do household, lived in austere simplicity," said Kathleen Messier, assistant diocesan archivist. "In several biographical accounts of Burlington's founding bishop, his Christ-like love of the poor has often been noted."

Today we find the Diocese of Burlington is again missionary territory, similar to what Bishop de Goësbriand

faced but with new challenges: Covid-19, declining population and a generation of young people disinterested in joining any type of formal religion.

We must face these challenges with the same fortitude and faith as our first leader, Bishop de Goësbriand, and create new ways to engage young people and lay leaders, while keeping our faith community connected during the pandemic and continuing to support the most vulnerable among us.

When the pandemic closed our churches, we increased our communication by live-streaming almost 200 faith engagement activities including weekly and Sunday Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, daily rosary, daily scripture reflections and many other faith engagement opportunities. We continued to provide emergency aid to families — many impacted by Covid-19 — moved our Catholic education online and guided our parishes to safely open for the public celebration of the Mass when the stay-home-order was lifted.

All of these ministries are supported by the Bishop's Annual Appeal.

On July 29, we will celebrate our first Founder's Day of Giving to encourage gifts to the Bishop's Annual Appeal and support the mission of our Diocese. We have received an anonymous matching grant that will match any gift made up to \$18,000. If you have not yet made a gift to the appeal or would like to make an additional gift online, visit vermontcatholic. org/giveonline.

— Ellen Kane, Executive Director of Development & Communication, Roman Catholic Diocese of Burlington



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Upcoming Events



08 01 SATURDAY

Our Lady of Fatima Devotions

Holy Family, Essex Junction • 8 am First Saturday of every month. Rosary and reconciliation at 8 am and Mass at 8:30.



08|01 SATURDAY

Family, Youth and Young Adult Hike with Fr. Dwight Baker

Lincon Gap • 9 am

Hike Mt. Abraham via the Long Trail. Come together for a time of prayer, fellowship and enjoying the majesty of God's creation. All are welcome! Bring sturdy shoes, water and snacks. If you're having trouble finding the trail, Bill Gavin can be reached at (802) 881-7795.



08|02 SUNDAY

Family, Youth and Young Adult Hike with Fr. Curtis Miller

Newark • 2 - 4:30 pm

Hike to Mt. Hor via the Herbert Hawkes Trailhead off Route 5A in Newark. Come together for a time of prayer, fellowship and enjoying the majesty of God's creation. All are welcome! Bring sturdy shoes, water and snacks.

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For More Info:

vermontcatholic.org/careers



Please consider making a gift to the annual appeal on the Founder's Day of Giving or that week to help us reach our \$18,000 matching gift at:

www.vermontcatholic.org/ giveonline

2020 Bishop's Annual Appeal Goal: \$2,651,157

49%

As of July 15, 2020: \$1,288,716

JULY 26 – 31, 2020

YOUR MARRIAGE

VULNERABILITY



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