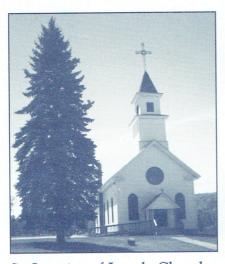
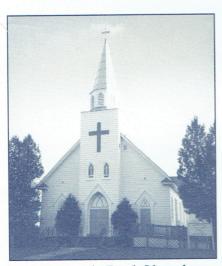


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Sacred Heart of Jesus - St. Ignatius of Loyola - St. Vincent de Paul

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Priest	Fr. Sahaya Paul, Administrator
Parish Office	Located in Sacred Heart Parish Hall
Mailing Address	P.O. Box 109, Troy, VT 05868
Phone	(802) 744-4066
Fax	(802) 744-4030
Parish E-mail	. standrebessetteparish@vermontcatholic.org
Office Hours	Tuesday - Friday: 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
Rectory/Priest's Mailing Address	
Rectory Phone	(802) 988-2608
Website	
Diocese of Burlington Website	www.vermontcatholic.org

Sacraments

See current bulletin for all current
Mass times and devotions in each church location

Confessions: Saturdays 4:30-4:55 p.m. at Sacred Heart of Jesus Church Sundays 7:30-7:55 a.m. at St. Vincent de Paul Church

Sundays after 9:30 a.m. Mass by request at St. Ignatius First Friday after 8:30 a.m. Mass at Sacred Heart of Jesus Church

Marriage: Must begin preparation at least six months in advance of the

proposed wedding date.

Baptism: Contact the office for preparation.

Monthly Devotions

Sacred Heart of Jesus: 1st Friday - First Friday Devotion 8:30 - 9:30 a.m.
Sacred Heart of Jesus: 3rd Friday - Eucharistic Adoration 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
St. Vincent de Paul: 2nd Thursday - Marian Devotion 8:30 - 9:30 a.m.
St. Ignatius: 3rd Wednesday - Holy Hour 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Other Information

New parishioners: Welcome to our Parish Family!

Please call the office to register.

Parishioners: Kindly call the office with any address or phone number

changes. Please call the office to request house blessings, hospital or sick call visits or are homebound and would

like to receive the Eucharist.

Weekly Bulletin: Bulletin items should be submitted by noon on Tuesday

prior to the weekend Mass.

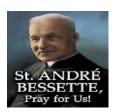
E-mail at st.andrebulletin@gmail.com or call the parish office.

Cemetery Contact: Notre Dame Cemetery, North Troy

David Hamelin (802) 988-2938

St. Ignatius Cemetery, Lowell

Raymond Geoffroy (802) 744-6584



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12/13

Second Sunday of Advent December 5, 2020 – December 11, 2020 Year B

Welcome to St. Andre Bessette Parish!

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Eucharistic	Celebrations	į

	Dec	ember 5, 2020—December 11, 2020
12/5	Sat †Rola	4:00 PM Mass (Sacred Heart Church) and Limoges (23rd Anniversary) by Nicole Pion
12/6	Sun †	9:30 AM Mass (Sacred Heart Church) Roger Decheneaux by Deborah Morrissette
12/8	Tue	7:00 PM Mass (Sacred Heart—K of C Room) HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION Deceased Members of Sacred Heart Ladies
12/9	Wed	8:30 AM Mass (Sacred Heart—K of C Room) Open for Intentions
12/10	Thu	8:30 AM Mass (Sacred Heart—K of C Room) Open for Intentions
12/11	Fri	8:30 AM Mass (Sacred Heart—K of C Room)

This Week's Prayer Intentions

Open for Intentions

t Joann Dawson & Patrick Warner by Emily Austin

Howard and Dora Deatte by Dennis Deatte

4:00 PM Mass (Sacred Heart Church)

9:30 AM Mass (Sacred Heart Church)

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, Denise (Laramee) King, Lise & Conrad Coulombe, Craig Hansen, Donald St. Onge, Wilma Therrien, Jim Cunningham.

"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, and restoring them to health of mind and body. Amen"

Prayer for the Dead

Eternal rest grant unto 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. Amen.



Please submit Mass Intentions and bulletin announcements before Wednesday to st.andrebulletin@gmail.com.

St. Vincent's November Steeple Cross Memorial

Leo and Simone Therrien Hugh and Louise Sargent By The Therrien Family

Papal Intentions for December

For a Life of Prayer

We pray that our personal relationship with Jesus Christ be nourished by the Word of God and a life of prayer.

This Week's Parish Events/Youth Programs Calendar

Dec 9	Wed	6:30PM Parish Council	SHJ
Dec 11	Fri	6:00PM Saints in Training	SHJ

Noteworthy Days - 29th Week of Ordinary Time

- Dec 5 St. Sabas
- Dec 6 St. Nicholas
- Dec 7 St. Ambrose
- Dec 8 Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception
- Dec 9 St. Juan Diego
- Dec 10 Blessed Adolph Kolping
- Dec 11 St. Damasus I, Pope

FROM THE DIOCESE OF BURLINGTON: MASK MANDATE



With the recent sharp increase in the number of Covid -19 cases in Vermont, and having learned that more people are no longer wearing masks at Mass, Bishop Coyne asks that you inform your parishioners that

beginning next weekend, November 21-22, 2020, masks are reguired for all attendees for the entire celebration of the Mass, excluding children 2 and under. This action is being taken to ensure that all of our parishioners are safe at Mass and so that we can continue the public celebration of the sacraments.

In the event that the Bishop learns of a parish/community not abiding by this requirement, the public celebration of the sacraments may be suspended in that parish. Parishioners should be reminded that the obligation to attend Mass is still suspended at this time.

Are you a "Saint in Training"?



If not, and you would like to know more about us, please come to our meeting this week-Friday, Nov 13th at 6:00PM at the Parish Hall in Troy. All young adults are welcome to join us. You are the future of the Catholic Church!

Parish Stewardship Reports Weekend of 11/28/2020—11/29/2020

Weekend 01 11/26/2020—11/29/2020		
Offertory	\$1,083.00	
Weekly Budget	\$1,771.00	
Difference +/-	(\$702.00)	

CHRISTMAS SIGN-UP FOR HOLY MASS FOR ST. ANDRE BESSETTE PARISH

Name:	
Mass Time:	
No. of People:_	

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE All Masses at SHJ

Thursday, December 24—4:00 PM Thursday, December 24—7:00 PM Friday, December 25—9:30 AM

Note: Please sign up for the

Phone No.:_

Christmas Mass you intend to attend by December 20th. Only 70 people can attend each Christmas Mass. Clip and drop in the basket at the entrance of the Church.

Or you can also use the sign-up sheets available at the entrance of Sacred Heart Church in Troy.



"During the season of Thanksgiving, we often take time to reflect on our many blessings. With the *Christ Our Hope* campaign, we are especially grateful for those who have given their time and talents to help along the way.

Many volunteers, office administrators, priests and deacons across the Diocese have shared their leadership, broad shoulders and love for their parish to help create the campaign foundation.

At St. Andre Bessette, we would especially like to extend a heartfelt thank you to Cheryl Clarke and Andre Lablanc for their many contributions.

Phone calls by volunteers and staff not only helped support the campaign and inform fellow parishioners, but perhaps were timely outreach to somebody in need of a conversation. And if a parishioner was not yet ready to make a campaign gift or pledge, a conversation maybe planted a seed for the future.

We are building for the future of the Catholic Church in Vermont and want everybody to share in that excitement and vision. So we again thank those who were willing to serve others by sharing that message.

PARISH	GOAL	GIFTS	PLEDGED	% TO GOAL	COH CAMPAIGN TOTAL
SABP	\$86,882	13	\$11,189	11.7%	\$2,619,760

The Christmas Collection:

Twenty percent of the Christmas collection goes to the Pastor. In the event that a parish supports a parochial school, the Pastor receives twenty-five percent of the Christmas collection. Ten percent of the Christmas collection is given to the Parochial Vicar, if there is one. Twenty percent is sent to the Diocesan Fund to support parishes in need of financial assistance. (Last year St. Andre Bessette parish received \$8,000 from this fund to help our deficit.) The remainder goes to the particular parish.

ADVENT THOUGHT

"Waiting"

The question is: Is the humanity of our time still waiting for a Savior? One has the feeling that many consider God as foreign to their own interests. Apparently, they do not need him. They live as though he did not exist and, worse still, as though he were an "obstacle" to remove in order to fulfill themselves. Even among believers—we are sure of it—some let themselves be attracted by enticing dreams and distracted by misleading doctrines that suggest deceptive shortcuts to happiness. Yet, despite its contradictions, worries and tragedies, and perhaps precisely because of them, humanity today seeks a path of renewal, of salvation, it seeks a Savior and awaits, sometimes unconsciously, the coming of the Savior who renews the world and our life, the coming of Christ, the one true Redeemer of man and of the whole of man.

---Pope Benedict XVI, General Audience December 20, 2006

Christmas Home Alone Dinner:

Friday, December 25th, 11:30 am - St Vincent Hall Deliveries in North Troy, Troy, Jay, Westfield & Lowell are available. Donations are gladly accepted. Checks can be made out to "Christmas Home Alone" and sent to: Christmas Home Alone C/O Becky Therrien, 71 Church St., Newport Center, VT 05857. There is *take out only*, curbside pickup or delivery. People need to call to reserve their meals. For more information or meal delivery contact Becky Therrien at 673-5924 or by email at therrien rebecca@hotmail.com

Parish Leadership Webinars during this time of Pandemic

Msgr. McDermott and Deacon Phil Lawson will continue hosting an optional bi-weekly webinar on **Mondays from 1pm-130pm** for parish staff and leaders. This includes Parish administrative assistants, Parish Catechetical Leaders, Deacons, Lay Formation Students and other leaders. Note that when you register you are sent an email that includes information for joining the webinar via your computer and also via your phone with a call in number. If you are not getting this weekly invitation and would like to please contact Dcn. Phil Lawson at plawson@vermontcatholic.org

Marriage Day Mass

Married Catholic couples celebrating milestone anniversaries (e.g. 5, 10, 15, 20...55, 57) in 2021, who wish to be recognized at the Diocese Anniversary Mass with Bishop Coyne, at the Cathedral of St. Joseph in Burlington, February 7, 2021, at the 10:00am Mass. Given the health restrictions this year, there will be a limit of 20 couples to be recognized in person at this Mass. Couples can bring up to 6 family members with them (a total of 8). Registrations will be accepted through January 28, 2021, at https://www.vermontcatholic.org/event/marriage-day-mass-with-bishop-coyne-2/

Parishes who wish to recognize significant anniversaries locally, can request certificates signed by Bishop Coyne, to be mailed by contacting Valerie Parzyck

at <u>vparzyck@vermontcatholic.org</u>. Include the couple's names, anniversary, Catholic parish married, and priest/deacon. Please note that requests will be accepted through January 28, 2021.

The Inland See

Update on *Christ Our Hope*: Building a Vibrant Church

he Christ Our Hope: Building a Vibrant Church campaign Virtual Giving Challenge Nov. 21-22 was a big success! We received 79 gifts/pledges totaling \$131,641 in two days. Thanks to matching gifts from Bishop Christopher Coyne and an anonymous donor, the 35 parishes listed in the sidebar will receive a \$1,000 match towards their goal.

We already have been blessed with the generosity of many, and we share our gratitude on behalf of the parishes, who benefit the most from this campaign.

There are 83 churches engaged in this campaign with goals ranging from increasing parish ministries that serve the poor, to capital needs to make the parish more welcoming and accessible (such as a handicap ramp or paving the parking lot) to supporting evangelization and religious education. Every parish is stepping up to make the campaign a success. None of this would be possible without the efforts of the parish campaign volunteers and the leadership of our pastors. To view your parish's progress visit: www. christourhopevt.org/parish.

As we approach the end of the year, we also ask that you prayerfully consider making a Bishop's Annual Appeal gift. Due to the pandemic, we are only at 76 percent of our goal, and the annual appeal supports many of our essential

ministries, including emergency aid to the poor, Catholic schools and religious education, vocations, Vermont Catholic magazine, lay and youth ministries and so much more.

When the pandemic closed our churches, the donations to the Bishop's Appeal allowed us to keep our vital ministries going in new and creative ways. We increased our communication by livestreaming 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 stayhome-order was lifted.

To make a gift to the Bishop's Annual Appeal or Christ Our Hope campaign, visit: www.vermontcatholic.org/donate

As we prepare ourselves for the birth of our savior, let us rejoice: *Thanks be to God for His inexpressible gift!* —2 Corinthians 9:15

With gratitude,

Ellen Kane

Parishes receciving \$1,000 matching gift

Christ the King/St. Anthony Parish

St. Joseph Cathedral Parish

St. Mark Parish

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish

Our Lady of Grace Parish

St. Pius X Parish

Holy Cross Parish

St. Ann Parish

Our Lady of the Holy Rosary Parish

St. Catherine of Siena Parish

St. John Vianney Parish

Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish, Williston

St. Francis Xavier Parish

Our Lady of the Valley Parish

St. Francis of Assisi Parish, Windsor

Christ Our Savior Parish

Sacred Heart-St. Francis de Sales Parish

St. Monica Parish

Mary Queen of All Saints Parish

St. Augustine Parish

St. John the Evangelist Parish

Our Lady of the Angels Parish

Our Lady of the Snows/St. Patrick Mission

St. Andrew Parish

Mater Dei Parish

Corpus Christi Parish

Our Lady of Good Help Parish

Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish

St. Stanislaus Kostka Parish

All Saints Parish

Ascension Mission

Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary/St. Louis Parish

Goal: \$10,000,000

St. Andre Bessette Parish

St. Patrick, Fairfield

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Christ Our Hope Campaign Update

A portion of the funds raised through the *Christ Our Hope: Building a Vibrant Church* campaign supports these types of ministries through the faith formation fund established in the Vermont Catholic Community Foundation. This will ensure stable income for vital faith formation ministries, especially in times of crisis. To learn more about the campaign or make a gift online visit: **www.christourhopevt.org**.

Upcoming Events



12|07, 14, 21 MONDAYS

Pope Francis' *Fratelli Tutti* Study with Msgr. McDermott

via Zoom • 6:30 - 7:30 pm

Msgr. McDermott will host a three-part Zoom study which will focus on the major themes of the document. Participants are encouraged to read the document, or at least a summary of the document, prior to the meetings.

Register at: vermontcatholic.org/events/



12|08, 15, 22 TUESDAYS

Praying with the Scriptures in Advent

via Zoom • 7:30 - 8 pm

This Advent, prepare for the coming of Christ by praying with the Scriptures. Bring a prayerful end to your day as Michael Hagan guides you in reading, reflecting, responding, and resting with the previous Sunday's Gospel reading. This will be a Zoom webinar — participants will not be on camera/microphone but will be able to interact through chat.

Register at: vermontcatholic.org/events/



12 10 THURSDAY

Parent Cafe: Advent Special

via Zoom • 7:30 pm - 8:15 pm
Join other Catholic parents in our virtual

café as we start with a fun game, have some laughs, and then discuss family Advent traditions. All parents welcome! Hosted by Terri McCormack and Michael Hagan. Register at: vermontcatholic.org/events/

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IT'S THE SECOND WEEK OF ADVENT

How are you doing on those activities to help out a neighbor by donating your time or material possessions? Pray together for your neighbors.

vermontcatholic.org/marriagechallenge



As we launch the Christ our Hope campaign, we ask that you first prayerfully consider your annual gift to the Bishop's Appeal which helps support statewide ministries today: **bishopsappealvt.org**. If you are able, we then ask that you prayerfully consider making a gift to our first-ever statewide campaign over a three-year period to ensure the vibrant future of our parishes, schools and ministries to the poor.

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