

# Fifth Week in Ordinary Time

Year B

Welcome to St. Andre Bessette Parish!



## EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS February 06, 2021—February 14, 2021

02/06	Sat	<b>4:00 PM Mass (Sacred Heart Church)</b> <i>+ Real and Martha Limoges by Lise &amp; Dave Hackett</i>
02/07	Sun	<b>9:30 AM Mass (Sacred Heart Church)</b> <i>For the people of our Parish</i>
02/09	Tue	<b>4:00 PM Mass (SHJ)</b> <i>For Engaged Couples by Fr Tim</i>
02/10	Wed	<b>8:30 AM Mass (SHJ)</b> <i>For Engaged Couples by Fr Tim</i>
02/11	Thu	<b>8:30 AM Mass (SHJ)</b> <i>For Engaged Couples by Fr Tim</i>
02/12	Fri	<b>8:30 AM Mass (SHJ)</b> <i>For Engaged Couples by Fr Tim</i>
02/13	Sat	<b>4:00 PM Mass (Sacred Heart Church)</b> <i>+ Aurore Morin (2nd Anniversary) by Children</i>
02/14	Sun	<b>9:30 AM Mass (Sacred Heart Church)</b> <i>For all Couples</i>

### Papal Intention for February

#### Violence Against Women

We pray for women who are victims of violence, that they may be protected by society and have their sufferings considered and heeded.

### 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, 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"

Please submit Mass Intentions and bulletin announcements before Wednesday at 1:00 PM to  
[standrebessetteparish@vermontcatholic.org](mailto:standrebessetteparish@vermontcatholic.org)

**St. Vincent's Steeple Cross Memorial—February**  
*For Mark Choquette by Ernest Choquette*

#### 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.



### This Week's Parish Events/Youth Programs Calendar

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| • Feb 07 | Sun | 8AM Religious Education- Zoom |
| • Feb 10 | Wed | 6.30 PM Parish Council        |

### Noteworthy Days

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| ♦ Feb 10 | - | St Scholastica, Virgin |
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### Ash Wednesday

Ash Wednesday Mass will be celebrated in SHJ, Troy at 7 PM on 02.17.2021

### Online Giving...

St. Andre Bessette Parish is excited to offer online giving for one-time as well as recurring gifts! Simply make a secure donation via electronic check or debit/credit using the form on this page. <https://shsvsi.com/give>

### Jewish Passover Meal

Troy Knights of Columbus Council 7943 cordially invites you to join via ZOOM, or in person at St. Andre Bessette Parish Hall, Troy, on Sunday, February 7th, at 2:00 PM, to listen to Rabbi Jan Salzman, founder of Congregation Ruach HaMaqom in Burlington, discuss the Biblical origins of the Jewish Passover Seder Meal and the celebration of Passover during the Rabbinic (1st through 7th century) development of the seder meal and today.

#### Join Zoom Meeting

Meeting ID: 956 4759 1525

Passcode: 890023



#### Contact:

George # 802-323-2470

Email: georgepietie@gmail.com

### Obituary

We are deeply saddened by the sudden death of **Edward Quintal**, from Westfield and **Denise (Laramee) King**. We are sorry for the loss. May God grant them eternal rest.

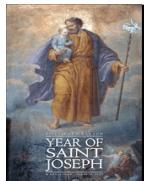
### World Marriage Day

We recognize and give away the certificates to Jubilarian Couples at 4pm on Saturday Feb 13th, 2021 in SHJ, Troy

### Valentine's Day Dinner

Celebrate Valentine's Day with a Takeout Italian Dinner and Bake Sale Sunday February 14 serving from 10:30 AM to 12:30 PM at Sacred Heart Parish Hall in Troy. \$12 per person. The menu will include Lasagna, stuffed shells, garlic bread, salad, and homemade dessert. (Both white and red sauce will be available) 50/50 Raffle will also be available Sponsored by the Ladies of the Sacred Heart for the SHJ Maintenance Fund.





# Year of St Joseph

8<sup>th</sup> December 2020

to

8<sup>th</sup> December 2021



## APOSTOLIC LETTER—PATRIS CORDE

### 5. A creatively courageous father

If the first stage of all true interior healing is to accept our personal history and embrace even the things in life that we did not choose, we must now add another important element: creative courage. This emerges especially in the way we deal with difficulties. In the face of difficulty, we can either give up and walk away, or somehow engage with it. At times, difficulties bring out resources we did not even think we had. As we read the infancy narratives, we may often wonder why God did not act in a more direct and clear way. Yet God acts through events and people. Joseph was the man chosen by God to guide the beginnings of the history of redemption. He was the true “miracle” by which God saves the child and his mother. God acted by trusting in Joseph’s creative courage. Arriving in Bethlehem and finding no lodging where Mary could give birth, Joseph took a stable and, as best he could, turned it into a welcoming home for the Son of God come into the world (cf. Lk 2:6-7). Faced with imminent danger from Herod, who wanted to kill the child, Joseph was warned once again in a dream to protect the child, and rose in the middle of the night to prepare the flight into Egypt (cf. Mt 2:13-14).

A superficial reading of these stories can often give the impression that the world is at the mercy of the strong and mighty, but the “good news” of the Gospel consists in showing that, for all the arrogance and violence of worldly powers, God always finds a way to carry out his saving plan. So too, our lives may at times seem to be at the mercy of the powerful, but the Gospel shows us what counts. God always finds a way to save us, provided we show the same creative courage as the carpenter of Nazareth, who was able to turn a problem into a possibility by trusting always in divine providence.

If at times God seems not to help us, surely this does not mean that we have been abandoned, but instead are being trusted to plan, to be creative, and to find solutions ourselves. That kind of creative courage was shown by the friends of the paralytic, who lowered him from the roof in order to bring him to Jesus (cf. Lk 5:17-26). Difficulties did not stand in the way of those friends’ boldness and persistence. They were convinced that Jesus could heal the man, and “finding no way to bring him in because of the crowd, they went up on the roof and let him down with his bed through the tiles into the middle of the crowd in front of Jesus. When he saw their faith, he said, ‘Friend, your sins are forgiven you’” (vv. 19-20). Jesus recognized the creative faith with which they sought to bring their sick friend to him. The Gospel does not tell us how long Mary, Joseph and the child remained in Egypt. Yet they certainly needed to eat, to find a home and employment. It does not take much imagination to fill in those details. The Holy Family had to face concrete problems like every other family, like so many of our migrant brothers and sisters who, today too, risk their lives to escape misfortune and hunger. In this regard, I consider Saint Joseph the special patron of all those forced to leave their native lands because of war, hatred, persecution and poverty. At the end of every account in which Joseph plays a role, the Gospel tells us that he gets up, takes the child and his mother, and does what God commanded him (cf. Mt 1:24; 2:14.21). Indeed, Jesus and Mary his Mother are the most precious treasure of our faith.<sup>[21]</sup> In the divine plan of salvation, the Son is inseparable from his Mother, from Mary, who “advanced in her pilgrimage of faith, and faithfully persevered in her union with her Son until she stood at the cross”.<sup>[22]</sup>

([http://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/apost\\_letters/documents/papa-francesco-lettera-ap\\_20201208\\_patris-corde.html](http://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/apost_letters/documents/papa-francesco-lettera-ap_20201208_patris-corde.html))

### Consecration to St. Joseph Meetings at SHJ Hall in Troy

The following Monday evenings we will hold both Zoom and an in-person group meeting. Please bring your book to participate.

Feb 15 6:30 PM

Feb 22 6:30 PM

Mar 1 6:30 PM

Mar 8 6:30 PM

Mar 15 6:30 PM

Friday Mar 19 - Consecration Day - TBD

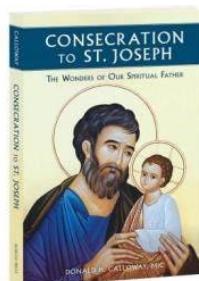
### Join Zoom Meeting

Meeting ID: 927 3233 5200

Passcode: 215622

Join by Computer: <https://www.zoom.us/join>

Join by Phone: 1 646 558 8656



### Stations of the Cross

Stations of the Cross is scheduled at 7 PM every Friday during Lent. Let us join our Lord to share in his pain.

02.19.2021 - Knights of Columbus

02.26.2021 - St Vincent's Ladies

03.05.2021 - Finance Council

03.12.2021 - Sacred Heart Ladies

03.19.2021 - Religious Education & Confirmation

03.26.2021 - St Ignatius' Ladies

04.02.2021 - Parish Council

### St. Andre Bessette Parish

Weekend of 01/30/2021 – 01/31/2021

Offertory \$1,512.00

Weekly Budget \$1,771.00

Difference +/- (\$259.00)

### CHRIST OUR HOPE CAMPAIGN

Thank you for participating in our Capital Campaign. It is progressing every week. We appreciate that. Please consider helping our parish with your generosity. You are encouraged to participate for the good of our parish. Thank you!

PARISH	GOAL	PLEDGED	% TO GOAL	RECEIVED
SABP	\$86,882	\$11,877	14%	\$4,824.33



### FREE MEMBERSHIP

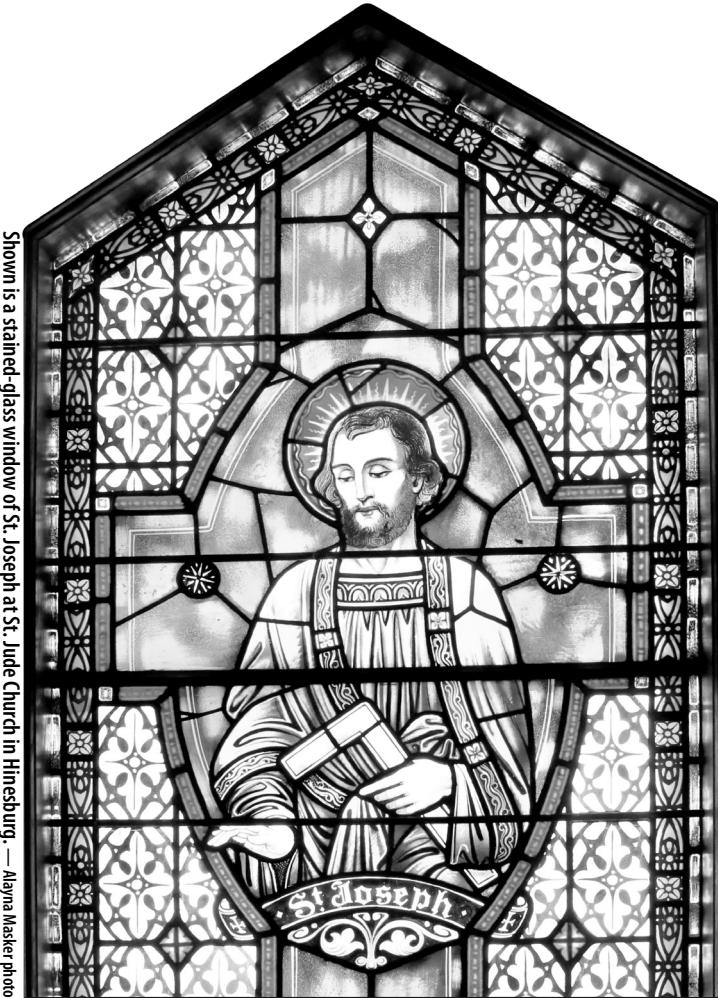
Interested in joining the Knights of Columbus? The Knights of Columbus is offering a one year FREE online membership to men who join before the fraternal year's end. Just use the code MCGIVNEY2020 when signing up at [kofc.org/join](http://kofc.org/join). Act now — this offer expires June 30, 2021.



# NEWS FROM The Inland See

February 6–12, 2021

FOR THE DIOCESE OF BURLINGTON



Shown is a stained-glass window of St. Joseph at St. Jude Church in Hinesburg.—Alayna Master photo

## Year of St. Joseph

On Dec. 8 of last year, Pope Francis declared a “Year of St. Joseph” to commemorate the 150th anniversary of St. Joseph being named patron of the Universal Church. The year began that day and will end this year on Dec. 8.

In his Apostolic Letter entitled “Patris Corde” (“With a Father’s Heart”), Pope Francis describes St. Joseph “as a beloved father, a tender and loving father, an obedient father, an accepting father; a father who is creatively courageous, a working father, a father in the shadows.” Love and devotion

to St. Joseph are particularly close to us here in the Diocese of Burlington as our cathedral is named for him and places us under his protection.

There is much to consider and ponder concerning St. Joseph and his importance to the Church. Much will be offered for our devotion to him during this patronal year. In this moment, I would offer some thoughts that draw upon a homily of St. Paul VI “On the Holy Family” that he preached on Jan. 5, 1964. In his homily St. Paul VI spoke of Nazareth as “a kind of school where we may begin to discover what Christ’s life was like and even to understand His Gospel.” In describing what we can learn from the hidden years of Jesus, Mary and Joseph in Nazareth he raises up three simple aspects of the Holy Family which can also be applied to St. Joseph himself.

First, we can learn from St. Joseph’s silence. “Beset as we are by the cacophony of strident protests and conflicting claims so characteristic of these turbulent times, the silence of St. Joseph should teach us how to meditate in peace and quiet, to reflect on the deeply spiritual, and to be open to the voice of God’s inner wisdom.” St. Joseph can teach us the value “of meditation, of a well-ordered personal spiritual life and of silent prayer that is known only to God.”

Second, from St. Joseph we can learn about family life. He can serve “as a model of what the family should be”—a community of love and sharing, beautiful for the problems it poses and the rewards it brings, in sum, the perfect setting for rearing children—and for this there is no substitute.

Finally, in St. Joseph we have a craftsman who teaches us about “work and the discipline it entails.” He reminds us that while “work has its own dignity … it is not an end in itself. Its value and free character derive not only from its place in the economic system, as they say, but rather from the purpose it serves.”

In closing, this initial reflection on St. Joseph is, I hope, the first of many that I will share with you.

St. Joseph, patron of the Church, pray for us.



Sincerely Yours in Christ,

+ Christopher J. Coyne

The Most Reverend Christopher J. Coyne  
Bishop of Burlington



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# Upcoming Events



02|09 TUESDAY  
**Praise and Worship**  
**St John Enosburg**

St. John, Enosburg • 7 - 8 pm

Come experience the light of Christ! Open to all!



02|09 – 04|20 TUESDAYS  
**The Sacraments**

via Zoom • 7:45 - 8:45 pm

Join Seminarian Greg Caldwell to think about and reflect upon the Seven Sacraments. For Zoom information email Greg Caldwell at [gcalwell@saintmeinrad.edu](mailto:gcalwell@saintmeinrad.edu).



02|10 & 16 WEDNESDAY & TUESDAY  
**Diocesan Formation Opportunities Info Sessions**

via Zoom • 7 - 8 pm

As the Diocesan Synod called for, the Diocese of Burlington is seeking to continue inspiring and equipping lay men and women for leadership positions in their parishes. Under the umbrella of the Diocesan Institute for Missionary Discipleship, four formation programs are being offered this year. Learn more and register at: [vermontcatholic.org/event/diocesan-formation-opportunities-information-sessions/](http://vermontcatholic.org/event/diocesan-formation-opportunities-information-sessions/)



02|15 MONDAY  
**Lent: The Work of Renewing Our Baptism**

via Zoom • 7 - 8 pm

Join Josh Perry, Director of the Office of Worship, as he unpacks the season of Lent with his virtual presentation Lent: The Work of Renewing Our Baptism. Learn how Lent came to be a time of intense preparation for those being initiated into the church as well as a time of spiritual renewal for the faithful. We'll look at Lent as a way of reconnecting to our baptism and consider the relationship between Lent and Easter. We'll conclude by exploring how some of the familiar sights, smells, and sounds of Lent help us do the hard work of baptismal renewal. Register at: [www.vermontcatholic.org/event/lent-the-work-of-renewing-our-baptism/](http://vermontcatholic.org/event/lent-the-work-of-renewing-our-baptism/)



02|17, 18, 19 WED, THURS, FRI  
**Embracing Lent during a Pandemic**

Essex Catholic Community

Beginning on Ash Wednesday, offered at St. Lawrence Church, Essex Jct. at 8:30 am Mass and at St. Pius X Church, Essex Center at 7 pm Mass. Hosted by Fr. Michael Carter, S.S.E.



02|23, 03|02, 9, 16, 23 TUESDAYS  
**Encounter Jesus Bible Study**

via Zoom • 7 - 8 pm

Each week will focus on a different encounter with Jesus as described in the Gospels which in the words of Pope Francis, "changes our lives... and fills us with joy." Hosted by Deacon Phil Lawson



02|24 – 05|12 WEDNESDAYS  
**Awaken / Light of the World**

via Zoom • 7 - 8:30 pm

It's Time to AWAKEN! Awaken is an innovative new program developed by Light of the World

Evangelization Ministries (the same people that sponsor the Light of the World retreats) designed to help people grow in their relationship with Jesus and His Church. The program is a completely on-line series of 12 sessions using Zoom and prepared videos followed by small group discussions building on the video themes. Essex Catholic Community is planning to begin Awaken during Lent on Wednesday nights at 7 pm starting on Feb 24th. There is no cost to participate. If you think you might be interested in participating or have questions, e-mail or phone Deacon Gerry Scilla at [vtscilla@comcast.net](mailto:vtscilla@comcast.net), 878-0639. Please include name(s), emails, and phone numbers in your email. This is a great opportunity to grow in our faith and relationship with God during these challenging times. All are welcome!



02|24 WEDNESDAY  
**Emotional Virtue for a Drama Free Life with Sarah Swafford**

Zoom • 7:30 pm

The Catholic Center at UVM is hosting well-known speaker and author, Sarah Swafford. To register for this online event visit: [www.signupgenius.com/go/4090b-4dabab2aa6f49-evening](http://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090b-4dabab2aa6f49-evening)



02|25 THURSDAY  
**Dispel the Darkness — An Evening of Light and Hope**

St. Monica, Barre • 6:30 – 8 pm

Come rest in the light and the hope of Christ. Whatever the darkness you may find yourself in, come discover the hope of God. Evening will include reflections and prayers led by Deacon Phil Lawson, with music by Bill Gavin. There will be adoration, the Luminous Mysteries of the rosary and an opportunity for confession. This event will be live streamed for those who are unable to attend in person.



03|03 WEDNESDAY  
**Building a Culture of Encounter Through Fasting, Prayer, Almsgiving**

via Zoom • 6:30 – 8 pm

All are welcome to attend this virtual evening of reflection and conversation, offered by Josh Perry, Director of the Office of Worship, that will help us consider anew the traditional Lenten disciplines: fasting, prayer, and almsgiving. Between each reflection, there will be time for conversation and questions, silent prayer and guided meditation, and music. Register at: [www.vermontcatholic.org/event/an-evening-of-reflection-building-a-culture-of-encounter-through-fasting-prayer-almsgiving/](http://vermontcatholic.org/event/an-evening-of-reflection-building-a-culture-of-encounter-through-fasting-prayer-almsgiving/)



03|04 THURSDAY  
**Dispel the Darkness — An Evening of Light and Hope**

Cathedral of St. Joseph, Burlington • 6:30 – 8 pm

Come rest in the light and the hope of Christ. Whatever the darkness you may find yourself in, come discover the hope of God. Evening will include reflections and prayers led by Deacon Phil Lawson, with music by Bill Gavin. There will be adoration, the Luminous Mysteries of the rosary and an opportunity for confession. This event will be live streamed for those who are unable to attend in person.

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Goal: \$2,651,157

81%

As of  
Jan. 28, 2021:  
\$2,144,515

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Goal: \$9,582,456

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Jan. 28, 2021:  
\$4,271,821