



# Third Sunday of Easter Year B

Welcome to St. Andre Bessette Parish!



## EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

April 17, 2021 – April 25, 2021

- 04/17 Sat 4:00 PM Mass (SHJ)  
*For our Parishioners by Fr Paul*
- 04/18 Sun 9:30 AM Mass (SHJ)  
*For our diocese by Fr Paul*
- 04/20 Tue 4:00 PM Mass (SHJ)  
*† For all deceased Bishops and priests of Dio. of Burlington by Fr Paul*
- 04/21 Wed 8:30 AM Mass (SHJ)  
*For those who sponsored Easter Lilies and their intentions*
- 04/22 Thu 8:30 AM Mass (SHJ)  
*Open for Intention*
- 04/23 Fri 8:30 AM Mass (SHJ)  
*Open for Intention*
- 04/24 Sat 4:00 PM Mass (SHJ)  
*† Maurice Morin by Children*
- 04/25 Sun 9:30 AM Mass (SHJ)  
*Open for Intention*

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

- Monthly Breakfast 04.18 8 to 11.30am SHJ hall

## Saints of the Day

St. Apollonius	April 18
Pope St. Leo IX	April 19
St. Agnes of Montepulciano	April 20
St. Anselm	April 21
Pope St. Caius, Martyr	April 22
St. George, Martyr	April 23
St. Euphrasia	April 24

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MONTHLY BREAKFAST

The Knights of Columbus Council 7943 will hold its monthly family breakfast from 8:00 AM to 11:00 AM at the Sacred Heart Church Hall on **April 18th** (Every 3rd Sunday) to benefit families in need. Eat-in or Takeout is available. All you can eat—\$9.00 (6-12 years of age \$5.00 and under 6 - FREE). There is a Monthly basket raffle. We will be following all Covid guidelines. If you would have any questions, please contact Deborah @ 673- 7510 or George @ 323-2470.

## New Administrative Assistant



The parish feels happy to have Tess Round as the new Administrative Assistant. We thank her and wish her all the best and blessings. The new office hours are as follows.

**Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 9am to 2pm.**

## Papal Intention for April Fundamental Rights

We pray for those who risk their lives while fighting for fundamental rights under dictatorships, authoritarian regimes and even in democracies in crisis.

## Prayer List

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, Lise & Conrad Coulombe, Craig Hansen, Donald St. Onge, Wilma Therrien, Jim Cunningham, Katherine Waters and Devoney Choquette.

*"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—April

*In memory of our Parents: Raoul & Rejeanne Roberge  
Robert & Muriel Starr  
By Claudette & John Starr*

## 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.



## Summer Mass Schedule Beginning May 8th

- Saturday - at 4pm in SHJ, Troy
- Sunday - at 8am in SV, North Troy
- Sunday - at 9.30am in SI, Lowell

## Capital Campaign

Have you been thinking about a gift or pledge to the *Christ Our Hope* campaign? There is still time to join thousands across the Diocese who already have made donations.

With your help at St. Andre Bessette Parish, the gifts and pledges received so far have moved us closer to funding our goals. The *Christ Our Hope* campaign is focused on building vibrant parishes, and we pray that our projects will strengthen us for the future.

You can return your completed pledge form or go online to <https://www.christourhopevt.org/donate> to make a gift.



### Thanks to all who sponsored the Easter Lilies

Ladies of Sacred Heart  
Raul & Kathy Fernandes  
Alicia Couture  
Arthur & Claudette Limoges  
(Please let the office know if your name is missing)



### **ST ANDRE BESSETTE RAFFLE**



Tickets will be drawn on June 20, 2021  
( \$100 donation)

Please Make Donation Checks Payable  
to:  
St Andre Bessette Parish

(In the event all 100 tickets are not sold, this will become a 50-50  
raffle. 50% of the proceeds to prizes and 50% to the general fund.)  
Contact: # 802-221-1330

### Rosary Relay

On the Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus (June 11), the Diocese of Burlington will be participating in a worldwide Rosary Relay led by Bishop Coyne at the Cathedral of St. Joseph in Burlington.

- Join us on [www.vermontcatholic.org](http://www.vermontcatholic.org) or [facebook.com/DioBurlington/](https://www.facebook.com/DioBurlington/)
- Learn more about the Worldpriest Annual Global Rosary Relay at [worldpriest.com/annual-global-rosary-relay/](http://worldpriest.com/annual-global-rosary-relay/)
- Questions? Email Valerie Parzyck at [vparzyck@vermontcatholic.org](mailto:vparzyck@vermontcatholic.org)

### 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>

### Capital Campaign Update

PARISH	GOAL	PLEGDED	% TO GOAL	RECEIVED
SABP	\$86,882	\$11,977	16%	\$5,345.83

### Parish Prayer

St. Andre Bessette we implore your intercession for our parish named in your honor.  
May your example of devotion and love for St. Joseph, guide us with your prayers, so that our parish becomes an Inspirational light shining for all souls in our surrounding communities  
St. Joseph, Zealous Defender of Christ, Protector of the Holy Church, Pillar of Families, And Comforter of the Afflicted, pray for us.

### Weekly Offertory

We will have the data of Sunday collection and Easter collection in the next bulletin.

### Pope Francis' Easter Urbi et Orbi blessing 2021

Dear Brothers and Sisters, a good, happy and peaceful Easter!

Today, throughout the world, the Church's proclamation resounds: "Jesus, who was crucified, has risen as he said. Alleluia!" The Easter message does not offer us a mirage or reveal a magic formula. It does not point to an escape from the difficult situation we are experiencing. The pandemic is still spreading, while the social and economic crisis remains severe, especially for the poor. Nonetheless – and this is scandalous – armed conflicts have not ended, and military arsenals are being strengthened. That is today's scandal.

In the face of, or better, in the midst of this complex reality, the Easter message speaks concisely of the event that gives us the hope that does not disappoint: "Jesus who was crucified has risen." It speaks to us not about angels or ghosts, but about a man, a man of flesh and bone, with a face and a name: Jesus. The Gospel testifies that this Jesus, crucified under Pontius Pilate for claiming he was the Christ, the Son of God, rose on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, just as he had foretold to his disciples.

The crucified Jesus, none other, has risen from the dead. God the Father raised Jesus, his Son, because he fully accomplished his saving will. Jesus took upon himself our weakness, our infirmities, even our death. He endured our sufferings and bore the weight of our sins. Because of this, God the Father exalted him and now Jesus Christ lives forever; he is the Lord.

The witnesses report an important detail: the risen Jesus bears the marks of the wounds in his hands, feet and side. These wounds are the everlasting seal of his love for us. All those who experience a painful trial in body or spirit can find refuge in these wounds and, through them, receive the grace of the hope that does not disappoint.

The risen Christ is hope for all who continue to suffer from the pandemic, both the sick and those who have lost a loved one. May the Lord give them comfort and sustain the valiant efforts of doctors and nurses. Everyone, especially the most vulnerable among us, requires assistance and has the right to have access to necessary care. This is even more evident in these times when all of us are called to combat the pandemic. Vaccines are an essential tool in this fight. I urge the entire international community, in a spirit of global responsibility, to commit to overcoming delays in the distribution of vaccines and to facilitate their distribution, especially in the poorest countries.

The crucified and risen Lord is comfort for those who have lost their jobs or experience serious economic difficulties and lack adequate social protection. May he inspire public authorities to act so that everyone, especially families in greatest need, will be offered the assistance needed for a decent standard of living. Sadly, the pandemic has dramatically increased the number of the poor and the despair of thousands of people.

"The poor of every kind must begin once more to hope." Saint John Paul II spoke these words during his visit to Haiti. It is precisely to the beloved Haitian people that my thoughts turn in these days. I urge them not to be overwhelmed by difficulties, but to look to the future with confidence and hope. And my thoughts turn especially to you, my dear Haitian brothers and sisters. I am close to you and I want a definitive resolution to your problems. I am praying for this, dear Haitian brothers and sisters.

The risen Jesus is hope for all those young people forced to go long periods without attending school or university, or spending time with their friends. Experiencing real human relationships, not just virtual relationships, is something that everyone needs, especially at an age when a person's character and personality is being formed. I express my closeness to young people throughout the world and, in these days, especially to the young people of Myanmar committed to supporting democracy and making their voices heard peacefully, in the knowledge that hatred can be dispelled only by love.

Dear brothers and sisters, once again this year, in various places many Christians have celebrated Easter under severe restrictions and, at times, without being able to attend liturgical celebrations. We pray that those restrictions, as well as all restrictions on freedom of worship and religion worldwide, may be lifted and everyone be allowed to pray and praise God freely.

Amid the many hardships we are enduring, let us never forget that we have been healed by the wounds of Christ (cf. 1 Pet 2:24). In the light of the Risen Lord, our sufferings are now transfigured. Where there was death, now there is life. Where there was mourning, now there is consolation. In embracing the cross, Jesus bestowed meaning on our sufferings and now we pray that the benefits of that healing will spread throughout the world. A good, happy and serene Easter to all of you! (Full text: Pope Francis' Easter Urbi et Orbi blessing 2021 | CNA ([catholicnewsagency.com](http://catholicnewsagency.com)))

# NEWS FROM The Inland See

April 17-23, 2021

FOR THE DIOCESE OF BURLINGTON

## Diocesan opportunities for **ADULT FORMATION**

**F**our formation classes — including two that are new offerings — are set to begin in the late summer to ensure the spiritual and pastoral needs of Catholics throughout the Diocese of Burlington are being addressed: new classes for the Diocesan Lay Formation and Deacon Formation programs and new offerings of a Diocesan Leader of Prayer and a Pastoral Associate for Parish Life training programs.

Burlington Bishop Christopher Coyne “wants to ensure the spiritual and pastoral needs of Catholics throughout the Diocese are being attended to, which is what these programs are designed to inspire and equip men and women to do,” explained Deacon Phil Lawson, executive director of evangelization, catechesis, divine worship, marriage and family and respect life for the Diocese of Burlington.

Applications are being accepted in the spring, with each of the programs set to begin in August/September.

The programs are part of a larger vision to inspire and equip men and women for greater service in the Church, under the umbrella of the Diocesan Institute for Missionary Discipleship. “Having already seen the faith, growth, joy and zeal manifested in the current students; I am eager to see this grow,” Deacon Lawson said. “Ultimately, we will have more and more men and women, filled with the joy of the Gospel and eager to share that passion and their gifts with their parishes as we seek to build vibrant Catholic communities.”

Three of the programs will help to empower the laity to take a greater role in the Church; the fourth is for deacons who are

members of the clergy. “The laity, by virtue of their baptism, are called to share their gifts in service to Christ and the Church,” Deacon Lawson said. “This is normally done by living out their faith in the secular world. However, some are called to specific ministerial roles in their parishes, for which the Diocese is called to equip them for that service.”

The new offerings of a diocesan leader of prayer and pastoral associate programs were added as a response to concrete needs in parishes — “individuals to assist in helping facilitate various liturgical ministries in lieu of the priest shortage and individuals who can assist in the pastoral care and evangelizing mission of the parish in lieu of a resident full-time pastor,” he explained.

Each of the programs is a different length: Lay Formation is two years, Deacon Formation is five years, Leader of Prayer is four sessions and Pastoral Associate for Parish Life is one year.

These programs will be done primarily in person once a month; additional classes will be completed online.

The cost varies depending on the program and is generally split between the Diocese, the parish and the participant.

“This is an exciting time for our Diocese as the directives of the Diocesan Synod continue to be implemented with the fruits starting to be experienced,” Deacon Lawson said.

For more information about the programs, email Deacon Lawson at [plawson@vermontcatholic.org](mailto:plawson@vermontcatholic.org), or visit [vermontcatholic.org/ministries-programs/evangelization-catechesis/adult-formation-programs/](http://vermontcatholic.org/ministries-programs/evangelization-catechesis/adult-formation-programs/).

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## Upcoming Events



04|28 WEDNESDAY  
**Vermont Catholic Professionals Virtual Event**  
 Zoom • 8 - 9 am

Our April guest speaker is Mary Anne Sheahan, Executive Director — Vermont Talent Pipeline Management Program, Vermont Business Roundtable. Learn more: [www.vermontcatholic.org/event/vermont-catholic-professionals-virtual-event-2/](http://www.vermontcatholic.org/event/vermont-catholic-professionals-virtual-event-2/)



05|01 SATURDAY  
**Our Lady of Fatima Devotions**  
 Holy Family, Essex Junction • 8 am  
 Rosary, Confessions, Mass at 8:30 am.



05|08 SATURDAY  
**Padre Pio Devotions**  
 Holy Family, Essex Junction • 8 am  
 Rosary starts at 8 am followed by Mass,

Special Intentions for the intercession of Saint Padre Pio and then learning about Padre Pio.



05|08 SATURDAY  
**Food Drive at Cathedral of St. Joseph and St Mark Churches**  
 Burlington • 9 - 11 am

The Knights of Columbus de Goesbriand Council # 275 is conducting a food drive at both churches, with drop-off in the parking lot of nonperishable food items to benefit the North End Food Pantry. Please consider making a donation.

# Worldpriest Annual Global ROSARY RELAY

Friday, June 11, 2021 • 2 p.m.

- Live-streamed from the Cathedral of St. Joseph, Burlington
- Rosary to be led by Bishop Christopher J. Coyne
- Join us on [www.vermontcatholic.org](http://www.vermontcatholic.org) or [facebook.com/DioBurlington/](https://facebook.com/DioBurlington/)
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- How many Vermonters can we get praying the Rosary together? *Join us to find out!*



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APRIL 18-24, 2021

## CHALLENGES TO GROW YOUR MARRIAGE

### HAVE A "REMEMBERING NIGHT"

Reminisce about the first time you saw each other, your first date, when each of you realized he/she might be "the one", and how you felt the night before your wedding. End with a prayer thanking the Holy Spirit for bringing you together.

[vermontcatholic.org/marriagechallenge](http://vermontcatholic.org/marriagechallenge)

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