



## ST. ANDRE BESSETTE PARISH YEAR A SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT



### EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATION



3/5/2023 4:00 PM Mass (SHJ)  
†Real and Martha Limoges  
By Denis Limoges

3/11/2023 4:00 PM Mass (SHJ)  
Mass in Thanksgiving  
By Pat LeMay

### Weekday Mass Schedule at local Churches

**St. Mary's Star of the Sea -**  
Daily 9:00 am.

**Lowell Carmelite Monastery -**  
8:00 am Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday  
9:00 am Monday and Wednesday

**Benedictine Monastery -**  
10:00 am daily

**Society of Divine Vocations**  
**Deacon Ward Nolan,**  
**Temporary Administrator**

### LADIES OF SACRED HEART MEETING



**Monday, March 6th at 6:00 PM**



March  
St. Vincent's Steeple Cross  
Memorial  
**For Rita Croteau**

*New time for Holy Hour during Lent is  
Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m.  
Starting on March 1st*

### HOLY HOUR

Each Wednesday  
from 6-7 pm



*Will include a song or hymn, the  
Flame of Love Rosary and prayer  
petitions from the faithful.*

### Reflections

March 5  
2nd Sunday of Lent  
Year A



### GO TO THE LAND THAT I WILL SHOW YOU:

If the first week of Lent was around the question "Who?" we are invited as we enter the second week, to consider the question "Where?" Where are we going ultimately, where is our true home, where is our destiny. Today's Gospel paints the lovely picture of Jesus' transfiguration. The idea of course is that since we are members of his body then we too shall be transfigured like him.

Our 2nd Reading says it is all about grace. Grace, we have not on our part, gratefully received. It implies "raising up" our eyes, like the three disciples on the mountain, and "seeing no one but only Jesus." The idea of being children of God, loved by the cloud. Our destiny as transfigured beings has a "not yet" colouring to it, which is the foundation of our hope and our seeking of a city that is to come. We are always moving into "moreness", always letting go. The picture of Abraham leaving his home and setting out to a land where God would lead him, remains beautifully true even in our day, as we struggle upward and onward to our true completeness in God

Carmen Menard, Executive Director of Future pregnancy care in Lyndonville will be speaking about the ministry of the center on March 12th. All are invited to come and learn about what their program offers for our area on:



**Sunday, March 12th at 3:30 at the  
Sacred Heart of Jesus Hall in Troy.**

The event will start at 3:30 followed by a crock pot dinner hosted by the Ladies of Sacred Heart. We want to encourage the community to join in this informative evening of fellowship which is being provided as a special event during the Lenten season.

Contact info for questions: Rose Bathalon,  
802-744-2373 or  
Carmen Sanville, 802-744-6547

**If you know of someone in need of  
a home visit for  
Holy Communion or to see a  
priest,  
please call the office.  
802-744-4066**





### A Lenten Thought

These days the most famous naturally beautiful spots tend to be overrun by jostling crowds. Vow that at least once this Lent, you visit (even if virtually) a quiet, natural area with a long view, (a hilltop (Jay Peak?), a broad Meadow, a seashore) and spend time in silence. Allow the experience to touch, quiet, and fill your heart with awe and gratitude.

Prayer: I lift my soul to you today, Transfigured Lord, in grateful praise for the earth's inspirational beauty, the sky's uplifting glory.

In His peace. Dcn. Ward

### Knights of Columbus Lenten Dinners

The Knights will host a baked fish dinner on Fridays during Lent. Menu includes



Parmesan-Herb baked fish, Rice Pilaf with Orzo, freshly made Cole Slaw, veggies, beverages, and dessert. Meal dates are March 17th and 31<sup>st</sup> from 4:30 to 6:30 pm at the Sacred Heart Parish Hall. \$15 per person. Eat in or take away available. RSVP required. **Please call by the Wednesday prior to reserve your dinner.** Contact Dan at 744-6272 or

email [dmcavinney@outlook.com](mailto:dmcavinney@outlook.com)

### Papal Intention March

#### **For victims of abuse**

We pray for those who have suffered harm from members of the Church; may they find within the Church herself a concrete response to their pain and suffering.



### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Every Friday evening at 7:00 PM at SHJ

March 10th  
March 17th  
March 24th



### Parish Stewardship Report Weekend of February 25, 2023

Offertory  
Weekly Budget  
Difference +/-



\$907.00  
\$1156.00  
-\$249.00

### **Second Collection: Support Home Missions**



### **From the desk of The Most Reverend Christopher J. Coyne**

*My dear family in Christ:*

*This year, the Memorial of Saint Patrick falls on Friday, March 17. It is well known that Saint Patrick's Day is a day of convivial celebration for many American Catholics. In addition, St. Patrick is the secondary Patron of the Diocese of Burlington.*



*I therefore decree that on Friday, March 17, 2023, all Catholics of the Diocese of Burlington, no matter where they may be, and all other Catholics actually present in the Diocese on that day, are, by my authority, dispensed from the obligation (can. 87 §1). For those who make use of this dispensation, I recommend embracing some additional penance or act of charity during this Lenten season.*

*The Most Reverend Christopher J. Coyne  
Bishop of Burlington*

### Prayer for the Dead

#### **Prayers for the repose of the souls of Phillip Sheltra and Roger Raboin**

*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.*



### Prayer List

**Abigail Jackson,  
Geraldine Berneche,  
Wilma Therrien,  
Joyce Crawford**



#### *Prayer for the Sick*

*Dear Jesus, Divine Physician and healer of the sick, we turn to  
You in this time of need. Alleviate our worry and sorrow with  
Your gentle love and grant us the strength to accept this burden.  
Dear God, we place our worries in Your hands. We place our sick  
under Your care and humbly ask that You restore Your servant to  
health. Above all, grant us the grace to acknowledge and accept  
Your will.  
Amen*

**Please call the parish office  
at (802-744-4066)  
if you would like to add a name to the list**

### PRAYER CORNER



The church is open during the day from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm for anyone wanting a quiet place to pray.

# NEWS FROM The Inland See

March 4–10, 2023

FOR THE DIOCESE OF BURLINGTON

## Diocese hosts three spring retreats

The Diocese of Burlington will be hosting three retreats over the next few months and invite you to join us! There will be a Young Adult Retreat, the Annual Men's Conference, and the Annual Women's Retreat. While the Men's and Women's Retreats are repeat events, the Young

Adult Retreat is a new retreat aimed at creating community and spiritual nourishment for those in our diocese aged 20-39. For questions about any of the retreats listed, please contact Nicole Hamilton at [nhamilton@vermontcatholic.org](mailto:nhamilton@vermontcatholic.org) or 802-658-6110 x 1131.



### Young Adult Retreat

Friday, March 17 (Evening) – Sunday, March 19

Saint Anne's Shrine, Isle La Motte

Cost: \$75 (includes lodging and meals)

Register at: [vermontcatholic.org/2023-young-adult](https://vermontcatholic.org/2023-young-adult)

This retreat is an opportunity for Catholic Young Adults (both married and single) to gather with others from around the state for a weekend of community, fun, and spiritual nourishment. The retreat will also include members of the Franciscan Sisters of the Eucharist and will feature time for Mass, Adoration, and Confession. Intended for ages 20 through 39.

### Annual Vermont Catholic Men's Conference

Saturday, March 25

9 am to 2:15 pm

Our Lady of the Angels Parish Hall, Randolph

Cost: \$30 with lunch included

Register at: [vermontcatholic.org/men](https://vermontcatholic.org/men)

This year's theme is 'Band of Brothers' with Fr. Jon Schnobrich as the keynote speaker.



### Annual Vermont Catholic Women's Retreat

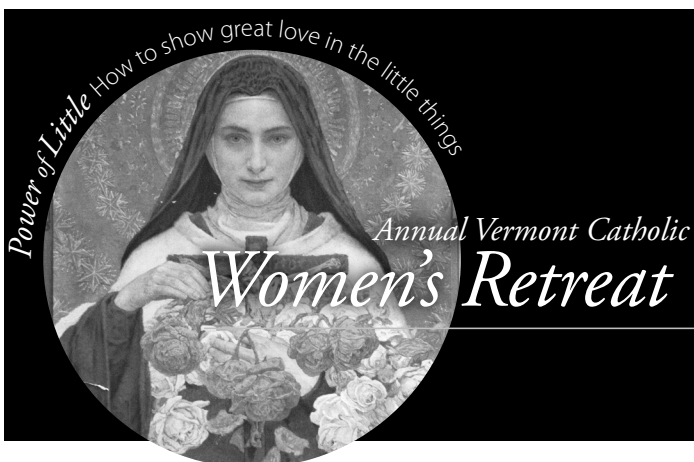
Saturday, April 22 • 9 am to 3 pm

Our Lady of the Angels, Parish Hall Randolph

Cost: \$30 with lunch included

Register: [vermontcatholic.org/womens-retreat/](https://vermontcatholic.org/womens-retreat/)

This year's theme is inspired by St. Therese of Lisieux — Power of Little: How to show great love in the little things. Msgr. Richard Lavalley will be the keynote speaker. This is the same retreat that was offered in the Fall, we kindly ask that if you attended the October retreat that you refrain from registering for this retreat as a way to give other women an opportunity to attend.





# Upcoming Events



03|05, 06, 07 SUN, MON, TUE  
**A Lenten Retreat with  
Fr. Thomas Weinandy, O.F.M, Cap**  
*St. Mark, Burlington • 7 - 8 pm*

Join us for this three night retreat entitled "Coming to Love Jesus More."



03|07 TUESDAY  
**Our Lady's Kitchen — Bethel**  
*St. Anthony, Bethel • 11 am - 1:00 pm*  
Free meal — come one, come all!



03|07, 14, 21, 28, 04|04 TUESDAYS  
**Come Pray with Us**  
*Immaculate Heart of Mary, Williston  
7:30 - 8:30 pm*

Begins with Eucharistic Adoration after Mass, followed by group prayer at 7:50 PM, concludes with Benediction.



03|08, 15, 22, 29, 04|12, 19, 26  
**Contemplative Prayer Series**  
*Holy Family-St. Lawrence Parish Center, Essex  
Jct. • 9:15 - 10:15 am*

Join us for this series led by Louise Boisvert, a member of Notre Dame de Vie, a Secular Institute, founded in the 20th century by Blessed Marie Eugene of the Child Jesus, a carmelite father. Silent prayer is not well known to the general public and yet we are all called to it through the grace of our baptism.



03|08, 15, 22 WEDNESDAYS  
**The Chosen Season 2**  
*St. Elizabeth, Lyndonville • 6 - 8 pm*  
Join us for Season 2 of *The Chosen* at St.

Elizabeth Catholic Church in Lyndonville. You are invited to join in this second season as we continue to journey through the life of Jesus in this multi-season TV show.



03|08, 15 WEDNESDAYS  
**Good News Bootcamp**  
*St. John Vianney, South Burlington  
6:45 - 8:30 pm*

Join us in discussing how we as Catholics can bring healing, transformation, virtue, and enthusiasm to our world. Check out our website at [stjohnvianneyvt.org/good-news-bootcamp](http://stjohnvianneyvt.org/good-news-bootcamp) to discover what each week's topics will be. Join us for the sessions that interest you or join us for all of them! Questions? Contact Connie at [SJVGoodNews@gmail.com](mailto:SJVGoodNews@gmail.com).



03|08, 15, 22, 29 WEDNESDAYS  
**Presence:  
The Mystery of the Eucharist**  
*via Zoom • 7 - 8:30 pm*

Join Christ Our Savior Parish for this weekly Lenten seminar. For information and to register: [presencecosp@gmail.com](mailto:presencecosp@gmail.com).



03|09, 23 THURSDAYS  
**Lenten Series**  
*Our Lady of the Angels, Randolph • 5:30 - 7:30 pm*  
Come join Fr. Gratton as we learn about Eucharistic miracles, marian apparitions, and inspiring saints

throughout Lent. We begin with Stations of the Cross at 5:30 pm, followed by a free meal provided by the KofC Council #14351 (please bring potluck sides), and this inspiring series. Come ignite your faith during this Lenten Season!



03|09, 16, 23, 30 THURS  
**Apostle's Creed Series**  
*St. Michael, Brattleboro • 6 - 7 pm*

The Apostle's Creed is the oldest of the official creeds of the Church and is still used today as our baptismal creed. During Lent, as we prepare to renew our baptismal promises at Easter, what does the Apostle's Creed actually say? How is it important for us today? How does it affect how we live? Join Fr. Greg Caldwell in the Youth Center Thursdays during Lent, starting February 23, for a series of reflections on the Apostle's Creed.



03|09, 16, 23, 30 THURSDAYS  
**Lent with the VT Catholic  
Women's Group**  
*Online • 7:30 pm - 9:00 pm*

Grow with the Vermont Catholic Women's Group on Zoom as we go through the "Holy is His Name" Video study by Dr. Scott Hahn. Join us for one or all meetings. Women of all ages are welcome. Contact Carolina for more details: [caro3600@gmail.com](mailto:caro3600@gmail.com).



03|10, 17, 24 FRIDAYS  
**St. Paul's Catholic School —  
Lenten Fish Fry**  
*St. Paul's Catholic School, Barton • 2:30 - 5 pm*

Pre-order week before desired meal. Two pick up times: 2:30-3 pm and 4:30-5 pm. Adults: \$15, Children: \$10. **FOR MORE INFO: call (802) 525-3711**



03|10, 24 FRIDAYS  
**St. Peter's Take Out Fish Dinners**  
*St. Peter's Parish Hall, Vergennes • 5 - 6:30 pm*  
Take out fish dinners-serving 5:00-6:30pm

(take out). \$13/adults \$7/children 6-12. For reservations, please call (802) 877-2367.



03|10, 24 FRIDAYS  
**Community Soup and Bread  
Supper**  
*St. Catherine of Siena, Shelburne • 5 - 7 pm*

Please join us for a meatless soup and bread meal in the parish hall at 5 pm. Afterwards, join us for Stations of the Cross at 6:30 pm in the church. Bring a friend.



03|10, 17, 24, 31 FRIDAYS  
**Stations of the Cross and Meal**  
*St. Mark, Burlington • 6 - 7:30 pm*  
Stations of the Cross prayer followed by a Lenten meal in the parish center dining room.



03|10, 11, 12 FRI, SAT, SUN  
**Worldwide Marriage Encounter  
Weekend**  
*St. Gabriel the Archangel, Upton, MA*

As a married couple do you desire a richer and joy-filled life? Take advantage of this invitation for married couples by attending the next in-person, non-residential retreat. **FOR MORE INFO: contact Joe & Ginny Vatile at (978) 870-5646 or visit [www.wmema.org/applyweekend.php](http://www.wmema.org/applyweekend.php)**



03|12 SUNDAY  
**Vergennes Council Knights of  
Columbus Breakfast Buffet**  
*St. Peter, Vergennes • 8 - 10 am*

\$10/adults \$6 Children 8-12 (\$32 immediate family maximum). Come join us!



03|12 SUNDAY  
**Monthly COSP Knights of Columbus  
Fund Raising Breakfast**  
*Christ Our Savior, Manchester • 9 - 12 pm*

Join us for the Knights of Columbus Council 6816 — Fr. Martin F. Clancy, Jr. Monthly COSP KofC Fund Raising Breakfast. Supporting Parish and Community outreach programs.



03|13 MONDAYS  
**SJV Book Group —  
"One Ordinary Sunday"**  
*St. John Vianney, S. Burlington • 9 - 10:30 am*

The book group will meet Monday mornings in Lent (except Monday, March 6), following the 8:30 Mass, to discuss "One Ordinary Sunday" by Paula Huston. Books are \$16.95 each. SJV will be placing an order for books and covering the shipping costs. **FOR MORE INFO: email Connie at [SJVGoodNews@gmail.com](mailto:SJVGoodNews@gmail.com)**



03|14, 21, 28 TUESDAYS  
**Taize Prayer**  
*Sacred Heart St. Francis de Sales, Bennington  
5:30 - 6:00 pm*

Taize Prayer will be offered weekly on Tuesday evenings during Lent, beginning on Feb. 28 and ending on March 28. Taize is a village in France that is home to an ecumenical community of religious brothers who sing, fast and perform acts of charity throughout the world. The service will last about 30 minutes.



03|17 FRIDAY  
**St. Patrick's Day Calcutta**  
*Catamount Country Club, Williston  
5 - 9:30 pm*

Sponsored by St. Thomas Church in Underhill. Chance to win the \$2,000 cash grand prize. Cost is \$130 per ball which includes dinner for 2. **FOR MORE INFO: visit the parish website at [stthomasvt.com](http://stthomasvt.com) or email us at [stthomasvtcalcutta@gmail.com](mailto:stthomasvtcalcutta@gmail.com).**



03|21 TUESDAY  
**Fertility Care  
and the Catholic Church**  
*St. Ann, Milton • 6:45 - 8:45 pm*

Join us for a Lay Formation Project Presentation focusing in on God's design for our bodies and why understanding our own fertility (for both men and women) is important in living out a faithful, fruitful, and holy life. For questions, please contact Nicole Hamilton at [nhamilton@vermontcatholic.org](mailto:nhamilton@vermontcatholic.org).