

ST. ANDRE BESSETTE PARISH
YEAR A
20TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME



**EUCCHARISTIC
CELEBRATION**

Sat:	8/19/2023	4:00 PM OPEN FOR INTENTIONS
Sun:	8/20/2023	9:00 AM † Louis Berthiaume By Joan Berthiaume and Family
Tue:	8/22/2023	9:00 AM
Wed:	8/23/2023	9:00 AM
Thurs:	8/24/2023	9:00 AM † Philip Sr. & Gloria Geoffroy By Diane Geoffroy
Fri:	8/25/2023	9:00 AM
Sat	8/26/2023	9:00 AM
	8/26/2023	4:00 PM † Jean Paul Couture By Theresa Couture
Sun:	8/27/2023	† Yves Morresette By Gisele Grondin

Intentions for Daily Masses are available. Please call or stop by the office with your request.

Society of Divine Vocations
Father Benny Chittilappilly S.D.V
Administrator
Pastoral Associate,
Deacon Ward Nolan

Candle Intentions

Sanctuary Lamp:
Sacred Heart:
Blessed Mother:



Sanctuary lamps/candles in front of the statues of Sacred Heart of Jesus and Mary are available to be lit in honor/memory of your loved ones.
Each candle cost \$10.00.
The candle will be lit for one week.
Contact the office with your intentions.

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



First Fridays



**FIRST
FRIDAY**

**Holy Mass 9:00 AM followed by
Adoration—Praying The Sacred
Heart of Jesus Litany**

FIRST SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH

The Ladies of SABP welcome you to join in a social after Mass on the first Sunday of each month.



**Rose Blais, Abigail
Jackson, Wilma Therrien,
Joyce Crawford, Tess
Round, Robert Laramée,
Rita Taylor**

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)**

*Hour of Adoration
Monday:*

9:00 - 10:00 AM

*Morning Prayer
(Liturgy of
the hours)*

Daily Readings

*Divine Mercy Chaplet
Benediction*



To our St. Andre Bessette Parish Community,



After much prayerful thought and reflection, the decision has been made to sell the Church properties of St. Vincent De Paul Church in North Troy, and St. Ignatius of Loyola Church in Lowell. The properties have been placed on the real estate market.

We assure you that the sale of these properties is being done with careful consideration and in accordance with the appropriate legal and financial processes.

We appreciate your understanding and support as we navigate this process together.

If you are interested in an Upright Piano

It's Free, Come and get it. Needs TLC

Must be removed from Sacred Heart Hall by August 25, 2023

Contact the office 802-744-4066



K of C News

On August 19 – 20, the Knights will conduct our annual Tootsie Roll drive to support the Orleans Essex County Special Olympics. This year our Council will match donations up to \$100.



**Friends of Fr. Justin
(HOLY HOUR)
Each Wednesday Morning
9:30 AM**



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.*

Parish Stewardship Report Weekend of August 12 & 13, 2023

Offertory		\$1321.00
Weekly Budget		\$1156.00



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MONTHLY BREAKFAST



Sunday, August 20, 2023

All are welcome

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.



**Blessing of ATV/Motorcycles/
4-Wheelers at 10:30 AM**

Basket Raffle - \$1.00 per chance

Blueberry Pancakes will be offered along with regular pancakes.



If you have any questions, please contact
Deborah @ 802-673-7510 or
George @ 802-323-2470.

Reflections

August 20, 2023
20th Sunday of Ordinary Time
Year A
(1st Reading)



A HOUSE OF PRAYER FOR ALL!

The word "religion" comes from religare, to join together. Think of our English ligament. The irony of all ironies, then, is that something which is designed to link and unite, has become the greatest divider in the history of humankind. The irony is deepened to tragic proportions when those who exclude others, think they are doing a holy thing for God.

God in our 1st Reading reminds us strongly: "My house will be called a house of prayer for all peoples." We cannot blame our ancestors for being exclusionary – we are equally to blame. Just look at inter-sect rivalry in Christianity in our time.

Paul in the 2nd Reading points out that his mission to the gentiles arouses jealousy among the Jews. He presses on regardless because he is at pains to show how God wants "to show mercy to all mankind." The Gospel is a repeat of one we read less than two weeks ago, but it fits perfectly in the present context. Jesus, who has been nourished by the exclusionary ethos of the Old Testament is not inclined to do a favour for the gentile lady who has approached him. To his great credit he allows himself to be corrected by her, and moved by her great faith into accepting her. Can we rise to such inclusiveness?

NEWS FROM The Inland See

August 19–25, 2023

FOR THE DIOCESE OF BURLINGTON

Christopher Braves is fixing the graves

Christopher and Delana Braves of Richmond recently established two funds in the Vermont Catholic Community Foundation to honor the legacy of their parents and grandparents.

“You always respect and honor those that passed before you,” Delana said. “When we go into a cemetery we pray for the dead. Our prayers are an intercession on behalf of the dead to be in heaven. We are also asking the dead to pray and intercede on our behalf for our journey to heaven.”

Last year, the couple established the Edward A. and Ann M. O’Neill Mobbs Memorial Holy Rosary Cemetery and St. Mary Cemetery Reserve Fund at Our Lady of the Holy Rosary Parish in Richmond. One of the primary purposes of the fund is to fix broken and overturned headstones. The fund honors Delana’s parents, for whom the fund is named.

“My parents had a special mission to care for the cemeteries where their relatives were buried,” Delana said. “It was important for us to carry on their legacy.”

According to the Catechism of the Catholic Church, “The bodies of the dead must be treated with respect and charity, in hope and faith of the Resurrection. The burial of the dead is a corporal work of mercy; it honors the children of God, who are temples of the Holy Spirit.”

“These cemeteries were established in the 1800s and need a lot of repairs,” Christopher said. He began his ministry repairing headstones nine years ago when he noticed one that had fallen over on his morning run. “Every morning I would run down Cochran Road and say the rosary. On one run, I noticed a grave stone had fallen over,” he said. A few years ago, he rebuilt his garage to include a workshop above it where he spends many hours preparing materials for repairing headstones. He calls his workshop “The St. Joseph’s Workshop.”

He grew up in Rutland with many family ties to the community, especially Mount St. Joseph Academy, a school his mother and her siblings attended. Both of his grandmothers played a significant role in his life, especially in his faith.

Last fall, Christopher and Delana established the Thomas F. and Florence E. Chapleau Dunn Family and Christos D. and Catherine T. Lines Braves Family Memorial Mount St. Joseph Academy Fund in honor of his family to support operations of the school. As an educator and coach working with children his entire life, he wanted to do something that honored his family and his faith.

“Today, because of people like Mr. and Mrs. Braves, we can continue our mission to educate the whole person in mind,



Above: Christopher and Delana Braves pose for a photo in Christopher's workshop, along with a headstone he is currently repairing.



Left: Christopher Braves points out restoration work being done at St. Mary Cemetery in Richmond.

— Alayna Masker photos

body, and spirit and remain accessible to all who desire a challenging Catholic educational experience,” said MSJ Principal Michael Alexander.

The Vermont Catholic Community Foundation was established more than seven years ago as a way for the faithful to leave a legacy of faith for the next generation and to honor those who came before them. Most funds are endowed and intended to provide stable income annually to a specific ministry in perpetuity. This is vital for the future operation of schools, parishes, and cemeteries.

To learn more about how to donate to a fund, how to establish a fund, or join the legacy society visit: vtcatholicfoundation.org or contact Ellen Kane at ekane@vermontcatholic.org.

VTC • Ellen Kane

Upcoming Events



08|23 – 08|30 WEDNESDAYS Wednesday Reflection Series

St. Anne's Shrine, Isle La Motte • 11:15 am

Join us for Mass at 11:15 am followed by the presentation. Lunch is available in the cafeteria after the presentation, or you can bring your own picnic lunch.

FOR MORE INFO: (802) 928.3362 or sas@sse.org.

08|23 Fr. David Theroux, SSE

180 Years of Edmundite Ministry Since 1843

08|30 Fr. Richard Myhalyk, SSE

The Life of St. Edmund of Canterbury



08|23, 30 WEDNESDAYS St. Michael Church Summer Lecture Series

St. Michael, Brattleboro • 5 - 7 pm

A program on the saints pictured in the stained glass windows will be presented in the church by a number of visiting priests, artisans and teachers starting on Wednesday, June 28. The program begins at 5 pm with evening prayer followed by the presentation.

8/23 Father Greg Caldwell, Parochial Vicar of Saint Michael Church in Brattleboro will discuss Saint Paul

8/30 Helen Schultz, Teacher at Saint Michael School in Brattleboro will discuss Saint Raphael



08|26 SATURDAY Ascension Church Furnace FUNdraiser Live Auction & Raffle

Ascension, Georgia • 11 am - 3 pm

Light lunch items, raffle & silent auction available throughout the day. Preview the live auction items from 11 am to 1 pm. The live auction will be held from 1–3 pm, by auctioneer Mike LaChance. FOR MORE INFO: Call Jean (802) 782-6491 or Alice (802) 524-3330.



08|27 SUNDAY Knights of Columbus Pilgrimage Mass at St. Anne's Shrine

St. Anne's Shrine, Isle La Motte • 12:15-2:30 pm

Mass followed by the ceremony for the Installation of State

Officers for the 2023-2024 fraternal year and an end-of-summer cookout. Please RSVP for the lunch by going to the K. of C. State Chaplain's Blog: ubipetrusvt.com/shrine2023.



09|03, 11|01 SUNDAYS Eucharistic Healing Service

St. John the Evangelist, St. Johnsbury • 3 pm

Benediction and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on the first Sunday of every month with Fr. Harlow.



09|06 – 10|27 WEDNESDAYS or FRIDAYS Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible

Our Lady of Angels, Randolph

Wednesdays: 6:30 - 8 pm

Fridays: 9:45 am - 11:15 am

This eight-session study program includes video presentations that explore all twelve time periods of The Bible Timeline.



09|07 THURSDAY Fall Concert and Reflection by Paul Koleske

St. Lawrence, Essex Junction • 7 - 8:30 pm

Contemporary Christian singer, songwriter and recording artist, Paul Koleske, will be offering his concert of personally composed sacred music. This is a very spiritually uplifting event, and you are invited to bring family and friends.

His recorded music will be available for purchase. The concert will be on a free will offering basis. Doors open at 6:30 p.m.



09|10, 11|08 SUNDAYS Monthly COSP Knights of Columbus Fund Raising Breakfast

Christ Our Savior, Manchester • 9 am - 12 pm

Supporting Parish and Community outreach programs.



09|14, 10|19 THURSDAYS Spanish Mass

St. Peter, Vergennes • 7 pm

Fr. Timothy Danaher, O.P., Campus Minister at Dartmouth College, will be offering Spanish Mass at 7 pm.



09|14 THURSDAY Meal & Sacrifice: Scriptural Basis for the Eucharist

Holy Family, Essex Jct. • 7 - 8 pm

Fr. Michael Carter, SSE will give a presentation that traces some of the scriptural foundations for the Eucharist, from Genesis to the Gospels.



09|16, 10|21 SATURDAYS The Chosen — Movie Night and Potluck

St. John the Baptist, Enosburg Falls • 5 - 6:45 pm

Come join us for a movie night and potluck dinner every third Saturday of the month. We will watch an episode of *The Chosen* together and have food and fellowship!



09|29 – 10|02 FRI, SAT, SUN, MON Light of the World Retreat

Holy Family Parish Hall, Essex Junction

Parishioners from all parishes are welcome.

Information and registration available at Essex Catholic Light of the World Retreat or email questions to ecc.engage@gmail.com. There is no registration fee.



10|08 SUNDAY Fourth Annual St. John Henry Newman Night

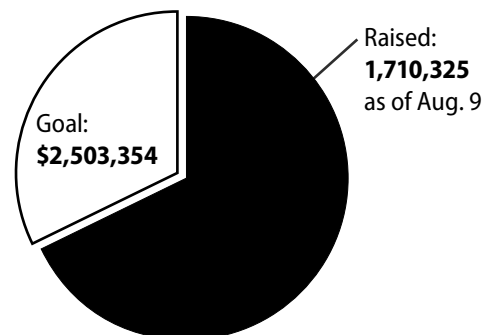
Holy Family, Essex Jct. • 4 - 8 pm

This event features solemn sung vespers, dinner and dessert catered by the Knights of Columbus, and two presentations on the life and works of St. John Henry Newman. RSVP required: vermontnewman@gmail.com.



BISHOP'S
ANNUAL
APPEAL

Progress: 68% to goal



Fall Concert and Reflection by Paul Koleske

Thursday, Sept. 7 • 7 pm

St. Lawrence, Essex Junction