

Saint Francis Xavier Parish

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Monsignor
Richard G. Lavalley
Pastor

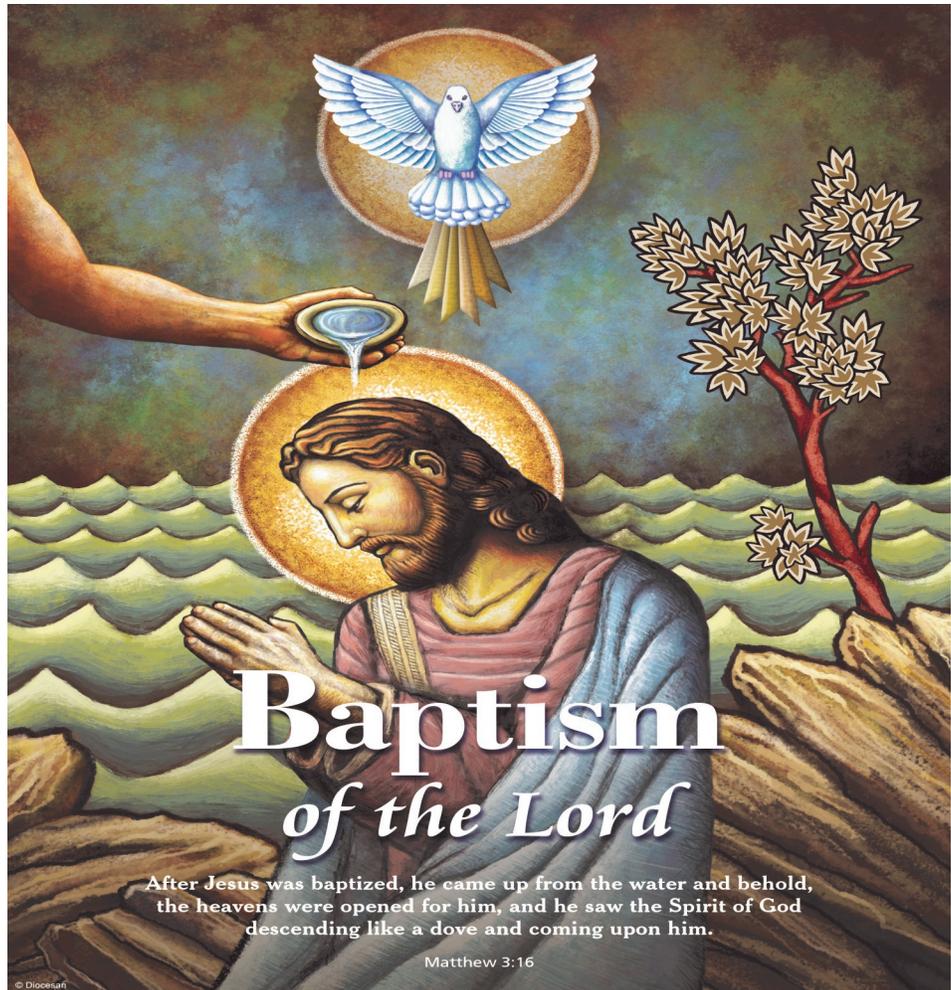
Reverend
Joseph Sanderson
Parochial Vicar

Saint Francis Xavier School
Eric Becker, Principal
Pre-School through 8th grade
655-2600

**Director of Faith
Formation**
Jordan Easley
503-8241

**Our Lady of
Providence**
Residential Care
Facility
655-2395

St. Francis Xavier Cares
Sharon Brown, RN
Parish Nurse
922-2958



Weekend Masses

Saturday : 4:00 PM

Sunday : 7:30, 9:00, & 11:00 AM

Weekday Masses

Monday - Friday : 8:00 AM

Confessions

Saturday 2:30 to 3:30 PM
Anytime by appointment

St. Vincent de Paul Center

Phone: 655-3006
Open 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM
Tuesdays and Wednesdays

Baptisms

Parent classes required. Please call the rectory for more information.

Marriage

Plan six months in advance.
Contact the rectory. Attend Pre-Cana classes

Registration

New parishioners and newly married couples should register by calling the rectory as soon as possible.

TELEPHONES

School
655-2600

After School
655-4660

School Website: www.SFXVT.org

NEWS FROM The Inland See

January 11-17, 2020

FOR THE DIOCESE OF BURLINGTON

Roman Catholic Diocese of Burlington and Vermont Catholic Charities announce new external position to support those impacted by sexual abuse

In response to concerns raised by survivors of clergy sexual abuse and their families, the Diocese of Burlington has created an external process for supporting and caring for them. In many conversations and communications with survivors, Bishop Christopher Coyne and other church leaders have been told that it is often difficult for survivors to approach the Church directly, especially since it was an agent of the Church that was responsible for their abuse. Many felt that there needed to be another way to get the help and support they need. As such, the Diocese of Burlington and Vermont Catholic Charities, Inc. has contracted with Sheila Conroy LCMHC (licensed mental health counselor) to serve as a Victim Assistance Coordinator to assist in bringing about healing, justice and peace for those suffering from sexual abuse perpetrated by clergy and others employed by the Church in years past.

Under this new endeavor, survivors can contact Conroy directly without having to contact the Church. Following this, Sheila is tasked with providing a safe, warm and respectful welcome to survivors of sexual abuse, their families and friends, and impacted parishes outside of the normal church environment. Along with listening to survivors, she will provide therapeutic service and confidentially

communicate victim' needs and concerns with appropriate diocesan leaders in order to provide the best care plan. This role will also plan and promote healing workshops, support groups, healing services and other opportunities for survivors and families if appropriate.

Sheila has an extensive professional background in supporting victims. Thirty-seven years ago, after witnessing the effects of trauma on children and adults who had been suffering from the effects of sexual trauma and war, she began her clinical studies focusing on the impact of early harm to children and young adults. She has held positions as contractor to the State of Vermont, dealing with the effects of sexual abuse on children and their families. She has worked as a clinician in a behavior hospital for adolescents most of whom had suffered from profound physical and sexual abuse that lead to their placement. Sheila also has years of experience contracting with the local and federal government as a Military Family Life Counselor for clients suffering from life-changing effects of war since September 11, 2001 and as a first responder as well as contracted work with Vermont Catholic Charities.

For anyone needing support, Sheila can be reached on a confidential line at 802-855-3016.

PROMISE TO
PROTECT



PLEDGE TO
HEAL

UPCOMING EVENTS



01|18 SATURDAY
Diocesan Mass, VT Rally for Life
St. Augustine, Montpelier • 9:30 am - 12 pm
 Join us for Mass at St. Augustine. Following

Mass Vermont Right to Life will sponsor a prayerful walk to the Statehouse with a program to follow inside.



01|19 SUNDAY
Kof C Pancake Breakfast
Holy Cross, Colchester • 10 - 11 am

Good will donations, proceeds to support military seminarians.



01|21 TUESDAY
Nicholas Black Elk: Oglala of the Lakota Sioux, Servant of God
Holy Family, Essex Junction • 7 - 9:00 pm

Cousin of Crazy Horse and subject of the famous book, "Black Elk Speaks," Nicholas Black Elk became a Catholic in 1904. As a catechist he is credited with bringing over 400 people to the Faith. In 2017, the Vatican authorized his cause for canonization. Dr. Damian Costello is a vice-postulator of Black Elk's cause for canonization and the author of "Black Elk: Colonialism and Lakota Catholicism."



01|22 WEDNESDAY
VCP Networking Breakfast
Pomerleau Alumni Center, St. Michael's College, Colchester • 8 - 9:30 am

This free event will begin with networking and refreshments, followed by words from a professional development speaker, and followed by more networking and discussion. Our January guest speaker is Mike Smith — Interim president and CEO of the Vermont Information Technology Leaders, Inc / Secretary, Vermont Agency of Human Services.



01|23-26 THURSDAY-SUNDAY
Life is Precious Washington D.C. Trip 2020

Trip will include Rally for Life with thousands of other teens, March for Life with hundreds of thousands, National Mall Museums, National Basilica and more! Cost: \$175 — submit \$50 non-refundable deposit by November 1. Submit full deposit by January 1, 2020 (*non-refundable after January 1*).



01|27 MONDAY
Series on the Saints: St. Teresa, The Little Flower
Holy Family, Essex Junction • 7 - 8:30 pm

In the second of our Series on the Saints, Monsignor Richard Lavalley will give a presentation on St. Teresa of Lisieux, the "Little Flower."



01|31, 02|01, 02 FRI, SAT, SUN
Discernment in Daily Life
Our Lady of Life Spiritual Center, St-Paul-d'Abbotsford, QC

Retreat for students and young professionals, 18-35 years old, with teaching given in French/English (*simultaneous translation as needed*) by a team of Our Lady of Life members.



02|01 SATURDAY
Our Lady of Fatima Devotions
Holy Family, Essex Junction • 8 - 9:30 am

First Saturday of every month, come to Our Lady of Fatima Devotions. Rosary and reconciliation begin at 8 am and Mass at 8:30.



02|01 SATURDAY
French Canadian Dinner
Our Lady of the Holy Rosary, Richmond • 5 - 7 pm
 Delicious homemade cuisine: pea soup, tourtiere (meat) pie, mashed potatoes, rolls, desserts, beverages.



02|02 SUNDAY
World Marriage Day Anniversary Mass
St. Joseph Cathedral, Burlington • 10 - 11 am

Join us as we celebrate World Marriage Day by honoring in a special way those celebrating a milestone wedding anniversary. Mass with Bishop Christopher Coyne.



02|03 MONDAY
Series on the Saints: Brother Dutton of Stowe
Holy Family, Essex Junction • 7 - 8:30 pm

In the third of our Series on the Saints, Monsignor Peter Routhier will give a presentation on Brother Dutton of Stowe, Vermont, whose cause for canonization is now being considered. 02|26 WEDNESDAY



Ash Wednesday
 Come to Mass and receive your ashes!



02|22 & 03|21 SATURDAYS
Marriage Preparation Retreats
10 am - 5:30 pm

Spend time in prayer, sharing and fellowship with your fiancé and other engaged couples. February 22 at Sacred Heart St. Francis de Sales Parish Hall, Bennington, and March 21 is at Blessed Sacrament in Stowe.



03|09 MONDAY
Lenten Series
Holy Family, Essex Junction • 7 - 8:30 pm

"The Journey of the Magi for Lent: A Parable, A Poem, and a Painting" presented by Fr. Richard Berube, SSE.

DIOCESE OF BURLINGTON CAREERS

Diocese: Finance Officer

Diocese: Respect Life Coordinator

Diocese: Senior Accountant

The Loretto Home, Rutland:
 Residential Care Positions

Our Lady of Seven Dolors, Fair Haven:
 Organist or Keyboardist/Choir Director

St. Joseph Residential Care Home, Burlington:
 LPN

Vermont Catholic Charities: Counselor

For More Info:

vermontcatholic.org/careers



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To see more events or to submit your event to the diocesan calendar:
vermontcatholic.org/events

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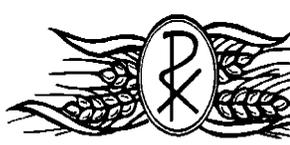


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Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday	January 13, 2020
8:00 AM	Leon Sabourin <i>by Sandra Devoid</i>
11:00 AM	Mass at OLP Chapel
Tuesday	January 14
8:00 AM	Special Intention <i>by a Parishioner</i>
10:00 AM	School Mass at Church
11:00 AM	Mass at OLP Chapel
Wednesday	January 15
8:00 AM	Souls in Purgatory
11:00 AM	Mass at OLP Chapel
Thursday	January 16
8:00 AM	John Spittle <i>by Wife and Children</i>
11:00 AM	Mass at OLP Chapel
Friday	January 17
8:00 AM	Rita Coyne <i>by K of C #2284</i>
11:00 AM	Mass at OLP Chapel
5:30 PM	Balbina Szalkucki <i>by Family</i>
6-7:00 PM	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Saturday	January 18
4:00 PM	Laurette Gagnon <i>by M/M Bernard Turmel</i>
Sunday	January 19
7:30 AM	Intentions of Parishioners
9:00 AM	Maureen Pierce & Joanne Thibault <i>by Family</i>

Parish Support

December 25 2019.....	\$ 11,332.50
Online Giving Christmas (45 Givers).....	\$ 1,175.00

December 29, 2019.....	\$ 6,190.00
Online Giving Offertory(44 Givers).....	\$ 1,433.00
Weekly Average (July 1st Week 26).....	\$ 8,396.58
Weekly Goal.....	\$ 8,500.00
January 5, 2020.....	\$ 6,267.00
Online Giving Offertory (51 Givers).....	\$ 3,198.00
Weekly Average (July 1st Week 27).....	\$ 8,407.50
School Support.....	\$ 1,457.00
Online Giving School (26 Givers).....	\$ 944.00

Thank you! Many thanks for your generous contributions to Saint Francis Xavier School in the second collection last week. The parish support is vital to ensuring that students of all economic backgrounds can attend our school.



The Winooski Knights of Columbus meet every 2nd Monday of each month at the Senior Center at 7 PM. Any man 18 years of age or older wishing to join the Knights should contact Grand Knight Greg Clairmont at 343-8446 or listandsellvt@gmail.com or Deputy Grand Knight Greg Bolger at 660-9044 or gbolger@ccnne.com For additional information about the Knights of Columbus visit our web site www.wkofc.org and “like” our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/Winooskikofc2284

Knights of Columbus Sunday Breakfast

The Knights of Columbus St. Stephen’s Council #2284’s world famous breakfast returns on Sunday, January 19, 2020, 8:00 AM – 11:00 AM, at the Winooski Senior Center. Charge is \$7.00 per person, maximum \$20.00 per family, children under 5 years of age complimentary.

“For I was hungry and you gave me food” Matthew 25: 35-40

Our St. Francis Xavier parish community is partnering with the new Winooski Food Shelf to help feed our neighbors in need. For the month of *January* the food shelf is in need of canned chicken, carrots, beets, peas, chowders, ramen noodles, tomato paste, garbanzo beans, spam, hash, chili, baked beans. Cereal such as Raisin Bran, Life, Honey Nut Cheerios and Fruit Loops as well as additional non-perishable food items for distribution. There is also a need for Laundry Soap and Dish Soap, as well as ketchup, mustard and mayonnaise. Shampoo and toothpaste. Collection boxes are placed in the church vestibule and delivered to the Food Shelf each week.

National March for Life:

The Diocese is sponsoring a bus for teenage Vermonters to participate in the annual National March For Life in Washington. This is amazing experience for youth. Buses will leave January 23 (eve) and return January 26. This will be an extended itinerary for teens and their chaperones to include visits to several museums/shrines in the D.C. area and overnight stays.

Super Bowl Calcutta

St. Francis Xavier School will be hosting its annual Calcutta on Friday, January 31 at 6 PM at the Hampton Inn in Colchester. Tickets are \$100 which includes dinner for two and a chance to win this year's jackpot of \$1,500! The evening also features many live and silent auction items. Tickets can be purchased online at sfxcalcutta.org or with Ms. Terry at school between 8:30 - 2:00 PM .

SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER SCHOOL ANNUAL APPEAL

As you may know, the 2019-2020 Annual Appeal for Saint Francis Xavier School is underway. This year a group of benefactors is offering a wonderful challenge to you, our generous supporters. They will match all money raised in our Annual Appeal by **January 31, 2020**, up to **\$50,000!** Please take advantage of this opportunity to double your donation to Saint Francis Xavier School and thereby double the gift you give to our children.*

The Annual Appeal plays a crucial part in the school's financial health. The money from this Appeal bridges the gap between what tuition covers and the actual cost of educating our students. Two of the Co-Chairs for this year's Annual Appeal, former SFX teachers Cathy Richards and Mary Ellen Varhue, explained the importance of supporting a Catholic school: " At Saint Francis Xavier School, we have a 'super power' we can use to help our students. We can turn to them and say, 'You are loved totally and completely by God,' and that makes all the difference." Please help Saint Francis Xavier School continue to make a difference in the lives of our children.

**Please remember that certain companies will match charitable contributions made by their current or retired employees. If you qualify for matching contributions, your gift will be MORE than doubled! Remittance envelopes are available at the church entrances. You may also give online by visiting our website: www.sfxvt.org.*

The CARES Catholic Network: St. Francis Xavier Health & Wellness Ministry

Compassion, Advocacy, Respite, Education, Service

We are three Mercy Associates who are working with the Parish Nurse to collect and redistribute medical equipment in an effort to help those in need have a better quality of life. We are seeking wheelchairs, walkers, canes, commodes, adult diapers, bed pads and other related equipment (good condition only, please). If you have any equipment that you would like to donate or if you are in need of equipment, please call 863-8508 or 578-9920 and ask for Monique.

A Gift For You

Our parish has just subscribed to an amazing resource called formed.org. This is a faithfully Catholic website that offers HUNDREDS of movies, documentaries, Bible studies, sacrament studies, books, and audio teachings. If you like the lighthouse Catholic media CDs, then imagine having all of those resources at your fingertips in audio and video. You can sign up for this on your smartphone, tablet, smart TV, or your home computer. Just go to formed.org (or download the app) click the "sign up as part of a parish" button, type in Saint Francis Xavier, and enter your name and email. That's all you have to do to have all of these FREE resources at your finger tips. If you need help signing up, then please call the parish office 655-2290 or contact Jordan Easley, 802-503-8241.

Saint Francis Xavier School Open House

Saint Francis Xavier School is hosting an Open House for prospective families on Wednesday, January 29, from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. St. Francis Xavier offers strong academics, a vibrant community, and a supportive, faith-filled environment for our students. We are located at 5 St. Peter Street in Winooski. Walk-ins are welcome, but we also encourage RSVPs by calling 655-2600 or e-mailing info@sfxvt.org. Saint Francis Xavier School serves students from Pre-School (age 3) to 8th grade. Our goal? Developing the whole person . . . academics, character, community and faith. Come see what we have to offer. Visit our website at www.sfxvt.org.

Please Note:

St. Francis Xavier Parish has a new email address.

sfxchurch@vermontcatholic.org

Food for the Journey

Take time to feed your soul with the food that really matters...Prayer and meditation, scripture reading, daily Mass, Adoration, the Eucharist. To assist you on your journey, pick up some CD's and books at the entrances of the church. You will find inspiring and challenging messages and meditations from outstanding Catholic speakers. Your donation for each CD or book covers our cost and will enable us to continue bringing in new titles. Have a blessed journey!!