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#### St. Thomas Cemeteries

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Please call the parish office if you are a new parishioner and would like to register.

# St. Thomas Church

6 Green Street  
 PO Box 3  
 Underhill Center, VT 05490

#### Office Hours:

M-TH 9:30 AM - 4:00 PM

#### Priest's Office Hours:

Tue. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM, Fri. 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

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#### Weekend Masses

Saturday 4:00 PM      Sunday 8:30 AM

#### Daily Masses

Tuesday 6:30 PM      Friday 8:00 AM

This schedule is subject to change. Please consult the weekly bulletin for current schedule.

#### Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

First Friday, 8:30-9:30 AM

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Tuesday 5:30-6:15 PM      Saturday 3:15-3:45 PM

Please consult weekly bulletin.

#### Baptisms

Please call the parish office to set up Baptism preparation and Baptism date.

#### Marriages

Call the Pastor nine (9) months in advance of the wedding for preparation meetings.

#### Sacrament of the Sick & Home Visits

Please call the office if you are unable to attend Mass due to illness.

Thomas said to him, "Master, we do not know where you are going; how can we know the way?"  
 Jesus said, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me."

John 14:5-6

### WEEKEND AND WEEKDAY MASSES

July 8 SAT	4:00 PM - Mass for the Parishioners of St. Thomas and St. Mary's Parishes
July 9 SUN	8:30 AM- Mass for the repose of the soul of John Roberts requested by Gerard and Susan Adams 10:30 AM - Mass at St. Mary of the Assumption
MON	6:30 PM - Mass at St. Mary of the Assumption
TUES	5:30 PM - Adoration 6:30 PM - Mass in thanksgiving for Ed and Louise Mathews on their 36th Wedding Anniversary
WED	8:00 AM - Mass at St. Mary of the Assumption
THU	NO Mass
FRI	8:00 AM - Mass for the health and wellbeing of Bruce and Kathleen Towne requested by Gail Nadeau
July 15 SAT	4:00 PM - Mass for the repose of the soul of Mary Parisi requested by Sean and MaryAnn Ledwith
July 16 SUN	8:30 AM- Mass for the repose of the soul of John Kunkel requested by Donna Kunkel 10:30 AM - Mass at St. Mary of the Assumption

<u>Ministry Schedule</u> <u>July 15 &amp; 16</u>	<u>Extraordinary</u> <u>Ministers of</u> <u>Holy Communion</u>	<u>Lectors</u>	<u>Altar</u> <u>Servers</u>
4:00 PM SATURDAY	J Burke	L Berard	NONE
8:30 AM SUNDAY	P Brooks	M Ledwith	NONE

### Parish Picnic Cancelled

Unfortunately we had no one step up to organize the parish picnic scheduled for July 9th, so we have had to cancel. We will try again in the fall.

### eCatholic Online Giving

St. Thomas is pleased to offer parishioners the option of on-line giving through eCatholic. This option is for the convenience of parishioners, especially those who are unable to regularly attend weekend Mass at St. Thomas. There is a link on the St. Thomas web site home page for those who are interested in participating. Please visit [www.stthomasvt.com/](http://www.stthomasvt.com/) donate to set up a donation. You may also scan the QR code in this announcement to link to the page on any smart phone.



### Stewardship - July 1/2, 2023

Weekly Budgeted Goal: .....\$ 2,676.31  
Regular Collection: ....(incl. \$1,008 On-Line Giving)....\$ 2,704.00  
Second Collection - Peter's Pence: .....\$ 176.00

If you are unable to attend Mass, please give online at [www.stthomasvt.com/donate](http://www.stthomasvt.com/donate) or mail your contributions directly to the parish at PO Box 3, Underhill, VT 05490. Thank you for your generosity.

### St. Kateri Tekakwitha Feast Day, July 14

St. Kateri Tekakwitha is the first Native American to be recognized as a saint by the Catholic Church. She was born in 1656, in the Mohawk village of Ossernenon in present day New York State. Her mother, an Algonquin, was captured by the Mohawks and became wife to a Mohawk chief. Kateri and her family contracted smallpox when she was four years old. Her entire family died during the outbreak, and she was disfigured by scarring. She was subsequently raised by her uncle, who was the chief of a Mohawk clan. Kateri was known as a skilled worker, who was diligent and patient. When her adoptive parents proposed a suitor to her, she refused to marry. They punished her by giving her more work to do, but she did not give in. Instead, she remained quiet and diligent. Eventually they were forced to relent and accept that she had no interest in marriage.

At age 19, Kateri converted to Catholicism, taking a vow of chastity, and pledging to marry only Jesus Christ. Her decision was very unpopular with her adoptive parents and their neighbors. Some of her neighbors started rumors of sorcery. To avoid persecution, she joined a native Christian community south of Montreal. Kateri was very devout and often prayed for the conversion of her fellow Mohawks. According to the Jesuit missionaries that served the community where Kateri lived, she often fasted and performed other self-mortification which was common among the Mohawk. Kateri became very sickly and passed away at age 24, on April 17, 1680.

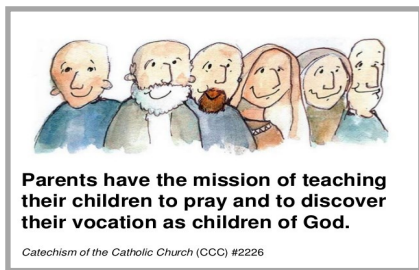
Her name, Kateri, is the Mohawk form of Catherine, which she took from St. Catherine of Siena. St. Kateri Tekakwitha was canonized by Pope Benedict XVI on Oct. 21, 2012. She is the patroness of ecology and the environment, people in exile, and Native Americans.



**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament for Tuesday** was added to last weeks bulletin in error. Adoration is actually this Tuesday, July 11, from 5:30 to 6:15. Please come visit Jesus for this meditative time of prayer.

### PARISH EVENTS

Sunday	7/9	Parish Picnic **CANCELLED**
Monday	7/10	9:00 AM - Bone Builders
Tuesday	7/11	5:30 PM - Confessions & Adoration
Wednesday	7/12	9:00 AM - Bone Builders
Thursday	7/13	9:30 AM - Social Concerns
Friday	7/14	9:00 AM - Bone Builders
Saturday	7/15	3:15 PM - Confessions



### Summer Adult Bible Study

Summer Adult Bible Study - "Jesus Fulfills the Old Testament" Sign-up now! Bible study continues Saturday, July 22, 10-11:30 AM. Contact Laura Wells stthomasrel.ed@vermontcatholic.org or call 802-899-4632.

### Religious Education

2022-2023 Religious Education Registration is open. Religious Education helps you to pass on the Catholic faith to your children. Note that Confirmation is now received in grade 6. Share with friends! e.

### Bishop's Annual Appeal 2023

"The vocation is truly a treasure that God places in the hearts of some men, chosen by Him and called to follow Him in this special state of life. This treasure, that must be discovered and brought to light, is not made to 'enrich' someone alone. He who is called to the ministry is not the 'master' of his vocation, but rather the administrator of a gift that God has entrusted to him for the good of all the people, or rather for all humanity, even those who have drifted away from religious practice or do not profess faith in Christ." – Pope Francis. The Bishop's Annual Appeal supports vocations to the priesthood and deacons. This year we have seven seminarians and commissioned the largest number of deacons last fall. To learn more or make a gift online visit: [bishopsappealvt.org](http://bishopsappealvt.org). So far St. Thomas parishioners have donated \$9,693, which is 47% of our goal of \$20,455. Thank you.

### Underhill Historical Society

The Underhill Historical Society welcomes you its open house, Saturdays at the Old District 5 Schoolhouse on Pleasant Valley Road, beginning this Saturday, July 1. Both floors of displays and collections will be open, and volunteers will be on hand to answer questions. We hope you can visit!

### Baby Bottle Campaign

1 bottle of mixed	\$23.83
1 bottle of pennies	\$3.92
1 bottle of nickels	\$13.45
1 bottle of dimes	\$50.70
1 bottle of quarters	\$54.75



### Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle.

Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him we humbly pray; and do Thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the Power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

### Weekend Mass Intentions

Saturday, Sunday, Week Day and Holy Day Masses are available for your intentions here at St. Thomas. Masses may be scheduled one year in advance from the calendar date you arrange the Mass, and there is a suggested donation of \$10 per intention. You can schedule Mass intentions through July 2024 by stopping in or calling the parish office at 802-899-4632.

### Blanket Raffle

We are raffling a soft fleece throw (40x50), with a screen print photo of St. Thomas church - a great gift idea! Tickets at \$1 each or 6 for \$5. Raffle drawing will be July 9 The throw is displayed in the vestibule of the church. Tickets are available after all Masses. Monies will benefit the social concerns projects.

### FORMED

#### Mysteries of the Rosary

Travel with Mark Hartfiel and over twenty guest speakers to the Holy Land on a journey to enter into the Mysteries of the Rosary. Mysteries of the Rosary integrates deeply reflective insights into the life of Christ, theological truths, and captivating stories together with breathtaking scenery, illuminating sacred art, and inspiring music. By filming on location in the Holy Land, our aspiration is to make the Rosary come alive in the hearts and minds of the participants. This first season is focused upon the Sorrowful Mysteries. Scan this QR code to watch.



### July Word of Life

"Adopting Andrew has made us more aware of God's power and of his love for us. We realize that he always has a perfect plan for our lives."  
Read more at [www.bit.ly/AdoptionLoveStory](http://www.bit.ly/AdoptionLoveStory).  
USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities "An Adoption Love Story"

If you would like to add or remove someone from this list, please call the office at 802-899-4632

### WE PRAY FOR

**SICK:** For all our sick: Riley McLaughlin, Jen DiNardo, David Claghorn, Ed Keeler, Sr. Elaine Lattanzi, Tonia Barbin, Abby Wintersteen, Jack Russ, Lawrence Lecours, Deacon Gerry Scilla, Patricia Stone, Amy Gratton, Diane Dufresne, Audra Goss, Alex Wintersteen, Dorothy Reny, Maureen Mayes, John Lehouiller, Joseph Tijan, Meghan Diana, Diann Bean, Jean Danaher, Jay Tisbert, Curtis Stuhr, Jerry Reny, Charles Mannings, Janine Fleri, Bob Keeler, Amy Burdine, Rick & Deb Wilhelm, Will Esmay, Joanna Weinstock, Yuriy Bihun, Nate Sullivan, Mary Kelley, Reba Legrand, Deloras Saltis, Andy Bibb, Patricia Monta, and all those preparing for or recovering from surgery.

**DECEASED:** For all who have died, especially Alice Novembrino, Theresa Nadeau, and all deceased members of St. Thomas & St. Mary's Parishes.

## Readings For the Week



### July 10

Gn 28:10-22a  
Mt 9:18-26

### July 11

Memorial of Saint Benedict,  
Abbot  
Gn 32:23-33  
Mt 9:32-38

### July 12

Gn 41:55-57; 42:5-7a,  
17-24a  
Mt 10:1-7

### July 13

Gn 44:18-21, 23b-29;  
45:1-5  
Mt 10:7-15

### July 14

Memorial of Saint Kateri  
Tekakwitha, Virgin  
Gn 46:1-7, 28-30  
Mt 10:16-23

### July 15

Memorial of Saint Bonaventure,  
Bishop and Doctor of the Church  
Gn 49:29-32; 50:15-26a  
Mt 10:24-33

### July 16

The Fifteenth  
Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Is 55:10-11  
Ps 65:10, 11, 12-13, 14  
Rom 8:18-23  
Mt 13:1-23



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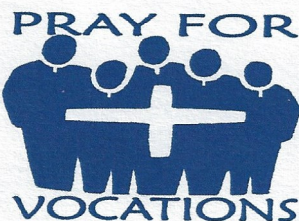
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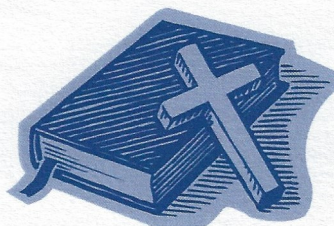
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**For prayers answered**  
Most holy Apostle St. Jude, faithful servant and friend of Jesus, the name of the traitor who delivered the beloved Master into the hands of His enemies has caused you to be forgotten by many, but the Church honors and invokes you universally as the patron of hopeless cases, of things despaired of. Pray for me who am so miserable; make use, I implore you, of this particular privilege accorded to you, to bring visible and speedy help, where help is almost despaired of. Come to my assistance in this great need, that I may receive the consolations and succor of Heaven in all my necessities, tribulations and sufferings, particularly (here make your request), and that I may bless God with you and all the elect forever. I promise you, O blessed St. Jude, to be ever mindful of this great favor, and I will never cease to honor you as my special and powerful patron and to do all in my power to encourage devotion to you. Amen.  
To be prayed 8 consecutive days

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**RCIA = Rite of Christian  
Initiation of Adults**

Are you interested in becoming a Catholic or interested in learning more about Jesus Christ and the Catholic Church? RCIA is the process by which adults are received into the church and receive the sacraments.

**Adult Confirmation**

Are you an adult who has not yet received the sacrament of Confirmation or First Holy Communion? Did you know that to be a god-parent for baptism, you are required to have received the sacrament of Confirmation? Please contact Laura Lynch Wells 802-899-4770 or rel.ed@stthomasvt.com



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