

**THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT –  
March 20<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

**Saturday, March 19<sup>th</sup> – St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

3:00 p.m. – All Saints – Stations for Life  
4:15-4:45 p.m. – All Saints – Confessions  
5:00 p.m. – All Saints – Intentions of the Blessed Virgin Mary by JAN

**Sunday, March 20<sup>th</sup> – Third Sunday of Lent**

7:30-8:00 a.m. – All Saints – Confessions  
8:15 a.m. – All Saints – Deacon Cliff Chagnon by Suzanne Lavalla  
10:00-10:20 a.m. – St. Isidore – Confessions  
10:30 a.m. – SI – Adrien Auclair by Deacon Armand & Susan (Allard) Auclair

**Monday, March 21<sup>st</sup> – Lenten Weekday**

8:30 a.m. – All Saints – Special Intention by Hib & Claire Doe

**Tuesday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> – Lenten Weekday**

5:00 p.m. – All Saints – Adoration with Confession  
6:00 p.m. – All Saints – June & John Lovejoy by a Parishioner

**Wednesday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> – St. Turibius of Mogrovejo, Bishop**

8:30 a.m. – All Saints – Ann Loiselle by a Parishioner

**Thursday, March 24<sup>th</sup> – St. Oscar Romero, Bishop**

5:00 p.m. – All Saints – Adoration with Confession  
6:00 p.m. – All Saints – Holy Souls in Purgatory by JAN

**Friday, March 25<sup>th</sup> – The Annunciation of the Lord**

6:00 p.m. – All Saints – Intentions of the Blessed Virgin Mary by JAN  
6:30 p.m. – All Saints – Stations of the Cross

**Saturday, March 26<sup>th</sup> – Lenten Weekday**

4:15-4:45 p.m. – All Saints – Confessions  
5:00 p.m. – All Saints – Intentions of the Blessed Virgin Mary by JAN

**Sunday, March 27<sup>th</sup> – Fourth Sunday of Lent**

8:15 a.m. – All Saints – Ann Towle by Suzanne Lavalla  
10:00-10:20 a.m. – St. Isidore – Confessions  
10:30 a.m. – St. Isidore – For The People

**Please Pray For:** Erica Johnson, Joan Hahr, Christine Scanlon, Joe Noonan, Sarai Tirado, Sandy Morriell, Michael Daley, Mary Latimer, John Young, David Lindsey, Joel Rasco, Deborah Cuesta, Cecilia Fatzinger, Kristin Lotane, Dena Cassidy, Caroline Elkins, Ryan Skochin, Danielle Desnoyers, Russell Hilton, William Harlow, David Robert, Leslie Garvey, Ann Twohig, Deborah Kneen, Terry Kneen, Joel Rivera, Pat Carroll, Joseph Adams III, Denise Brier, Scott Patterson, Jackey Garrow, Kelly Nuovo, Annie Button, Amber Kneen, Jessica Pomerleau-Honlon, Kaida, Peter Fournier, Tara Stubbs, Alexander Walter, Sandy Paquette, Jeannette Lanoue, all Soldiers, a Special Intention, and for the recently deceased.

To add someone to the prayer line please call Suzanne Lavalla @ 848-7462

**Receipts: March 13, 2022**

<b>All Saints</b>	<i>Amount needed in Sunday Offertory</i> \$1,440.00
Offertory	853.00
Food Shelf	155.44
Donations	160.00
Easter Flower Donation	255.00

<b>St. Isidore</b>	<i>Amount needed in Sunday Offertory</i> \$705.00
Offertory	317.00
Food Shelf	125.00
Easter Flower Donations	145.00
Donation	30.00

**Second Collection:**

**March 20:** Energy

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**March 27:** Catholic Relief Services

**Calendar of Events:**

~Sun. March 20: Lenten Retreat at All Saints from 1-3pm to include adoration and confession with multiple priests – Refreshments to follow at Dorion Hall  
~Friday, March 25: Rosary Cenacle at AS at 5:45pm  
~Fri., Mar. 25: Stations of the Cross at 5pm @ SI followed by a potluck at the hall  
~Fri., March 25: Stations of the Cross @ 6:30pm @ AS  
~Sun. @AS: Recitation of the Holy Rosary prior to Mass

**Lector Schedule:**

**St. Isidore**

**Sunday, March 20<sup>th</sup>** 10:30 a.m.  
Lynn Locher

**Sunday, March 27<sup>th</sup>** 10:30 a.m.  
Ligia Carrick

**All Saints**

**Saturday, March 19<sup>th</sup>** 5:00 p.m.  
John Weld

**Sunday, March 20<sup>th</sup>** 8:15 a.m.  
Janice Godin

**All Saints**

**Saturday, March 26<sup>th</sup>** 5:00 p.m.  
Madeline Wetherby

**Sunday, March 27<sup>th</sup>** 8:15 a.m.  
Lisa Choquette

**LENTE OPPORTUNITIES**

**Stations of the Cross Fridays during Lent:**

St. Anthony @ 7:00 PM                      St. John the Baptist @ 7:00 PM  
St. Isidore @ 5pm followed by a Potluck - All Saints @ 6:30 PM



**UKRAINE RELIEF**

Bishop Coyne has received a number of inquiries about taking up a special collection to support relief efforts for the victims of the war in Ukraine. Parishioners who would like to donate to this relief effort may give their donation in an envelope marked "Ukraine Relief" and drop it in the collection basket over the next three weekends (by April 3rd). We will send the funds to the Diocese. The Diocese will then send the funds to Catholic Relief Services in order to ensure the funds assist those impacted by the war. You may also make donations directly to Catholic Relief Services by going to their web site [www.crs.org](http://www.crs.org). Please continue to pray for an end to this violence and for healing for the victims.

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Lenten Retreat at All Saints, Richford  
Sunday, March 20th 1-3pm  
Lenten talk, Adoration with Confession  
with multiple priests  
Refreshments to follow at Dorion Hall

**Needed:** Lectors for Vigil Mass on Saturday, April 16<sup>th</sup> at 8pm at All Saints. Please call the office at 848-7741 or email [allsaintsrichford@vermontcatholic.org](mailto:allsaintsrichford@vermontcatholic.org) if you can volunteer. This includes lectors from St. Isidore. Your help would be greatly appreciated.

## March 19<sup>th</sup>: Feast of St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary



"At Nazareth Joseph's days were filled with work which necessarily took him away at times from his Infant God. During these hours Mary replaced him, but when evening brought him home again, he would pass the entire night in adoration, never tiring, only too happy for the chance to contemplate the hidden riches of Jesus' divinity. For he pierced the rough garments the Child wore, until his faith touched the Sacred Heart. In profound adoration he united himself to the special grace of each one of the events in

the life of Jesus. He adored our Lord in His hidden life and in His Passion and Death; he adored in advance the Eucharistic Christ in His tabernacles: there was nothing that our Lord could hide from Saint Joseph. Among the graces which Jesus gave to His foster-father -- and He flooded him with the graces attached to every one of His mysteries -- is that special to an adorer of the Blessed Sacrament. That is the one we must ask of St. Joseph. Have confidence, strong confidence in him. Take him as the patron and the model of your life of adoration."

- St. Peter Julian Eymard

*"THOUGHT FROM FATHER FABER - St. Joseph worshiped Jesus as no saint before had done. From his deep, calm soul he poured out a very ocean of love - tenderest love, humblest love, love shrinking from being like the Father's love, yet also daring to be like it as Mary's had been like the conjoined loves of Father and of Spirit, as she was Mother and Spouse conjoined. No angel might love Jesus as Joseph loved Him, as Joseph was bound to love Him. No temporal love but Mary's could be more like an eternal love than the love of Joseph for the Child, because of its likeness to the love of the everlasting Father. Aside from the Blessed Virgin, Saint Joseph was the first and most perfect adorer of Our Lord."*

OUR HIGH PRIEST is Christ Jesus, our sacrifice is his precious body which he immolated on the altar of the Cross for the salvation of all men.

The blood that was poured out for our redemption was not that of goats and calves (as in the old law) but that of the most innocent lamb, Christ Jesus our Savior.

The temple in which our high priest offered sacrifice was not one made by hands but built by the power of God alone. For he shed his blood in the sight of the world, a temple fashioned by the hand of God alone.

This temple, however, has two parts. The first is the earth, which we now inhabit. The second is as yet unknown to us mortals.

Christ first offered sacrifice here on earth, when he underwent his most bitter death. Then, clothed in the new garment of immortality, with his own blood he entered into the holy of holies, that is, into heaven. There he also displayed before the throne of the heavenly Father that blood of immeasurable price which he had poured out seven times on behalf of all men subject to sin.

This sacrifice is so pleasing and acceptable to God that as soon as he has seen it he must immediately have pity on us and extend clemency to all who are truly repentant ... All who have embarked on true contrition and penance for the sins they have committed, and are firmly resolved not to commit sins again for the future but to persevere constantly in that pursuit of virtues which they have now begun, all these become sharers in this holy and eternal sacrifice.

Saint John sets this before us in these words: *My little children, I am writing this to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous one. And he is the propitiation for our sins, and not only for our sins but also for those of the whole world.*

~ Saint John Fisher

*"It is to the Cross that the Christian is challenged to follow his Master: no path of redemption can make a detour around it." — Hans Urs von Balthasar*

## Repentance and Forgiveness

Repentance is a powerful word. We should use it not only in Lent but constantly because daily we commit acts, say words, have inward movements that we are sorry for, wish we had not said or done, and in some way wish to atone for. That is good. It is also good to know that sin is not the immediate cause of this or that calamity. Sometimes God sends us sorrow, trials, and sadness so that we repent, do penance, and turn our face to him. At times it is very hard to understand that those calamities and tragedies can make us understand the love of God, and his tenderness and mercy shine with a new shine, better than ever. Let us be reassured and let us open ourselves to whatever God sends us. A supposed calamity changes into a benediction, into something we could offer to God. Let us look at things that way; it takes faith, but you pray for faith.

Let us be listeners of Christ's voice, and realize that what seems to us a tragedy is but a message, full and pressed down, of his love. Pain and suffering can lead to repentance and unite us again with Christ, especially if we have lost him temporarily.

Sin is turning my back on God. I walk away from God, into a deadly place, a Godless place, in which I look at mirrors, and in every mirror I see myself. Sin is the adoration of self, in a manner of speaking, instead of God. The Eastern Churches pray: "Turn not away your face from your servant, for I am afflicted! Hear me speedily, attend to my soul and deliver me!"

Listen and you will understand the starting point of Lent, the mysterious mixture...of darkness and light. I stand before God, before the glory and the beauty of his kingdom. I realize that I belong to it, that I have no other home, no other joy, no other goal. I also realize that I am exiled from it in the darkness and sadness of sin: "for I am afflicted, Lord." Only God can help in that affliction, only he can attend to my soul.

Servant of God Catherine de Hueck Doherty

Catherine de Hueck Doherty († 1985), born in Russia, established the Friendship House in Harlem, New York, in 1938, and later the Madonna House Apostolate in Combermere, Canada.

## MARCH 25<sup>TH</sup>: FEAST OF THE ANNUNCIATION



**I**n the first chapter of Luke we read how the angel Gabriel announced to Mary that she had been chosen to be the mother of the Christ, and how Mary answered, "Here I am, the handmaid of the Lord. Let it be to me as you have said." It is reasonable to suppose that Our Lord was conceived immediately after this. Accordingly, since we celebrate His birth on 25 December, we celebrate the Annunciation nine months earlier, on 25 March.

For many centuries most European countries took 25 March, not 1 January, as the day when the number of the year changed, so that 24 March 1201 was followed by 25 March 1202. If you had asked a Christian of that time why the calendar year changed so awkwardly partway through a month, he would have answered: "Today we begin a new year of the Christian era, the era which began X number of years ago today when God was made man, when He took upon Himself a fleshly body and human nature in the womb of the Virgin."

**"If men would but acknowledge My love, that which I have done for them would appear trifling to Me."**

~ Our Lord to St. Margaret Mary Alacoque