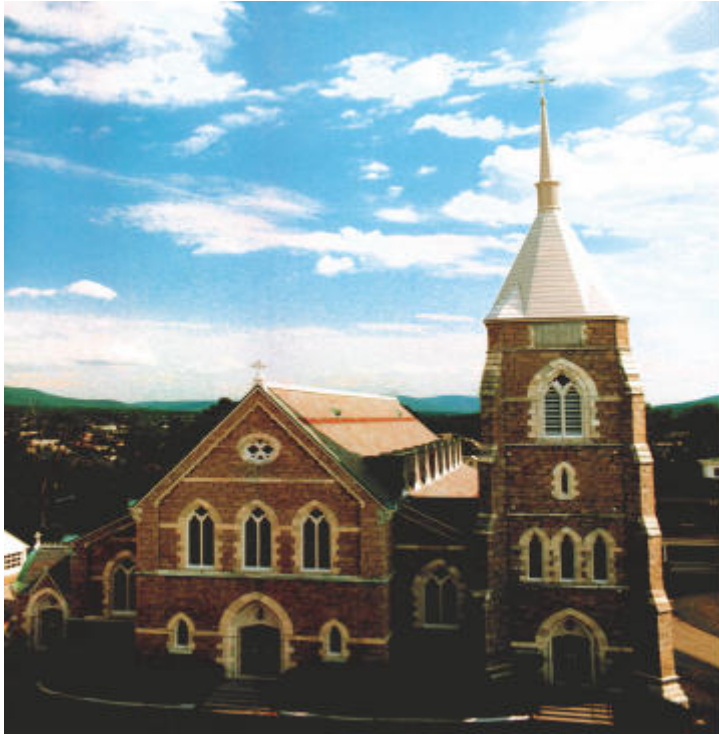


Third Sunday in Ordinary Time—January 24, 2021

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Sunday—11:00 AM

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Weekday Masses

Chapel of our Lady

Monday—4:45 PM—Except Holidays

Suspended until further notice

Sacrament of Baptism

Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements.

Sacrament of Matrimony

Please call the Parish Office at least six months in advance to make arrangements.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 3:00 PM—or by appointment

New Parishioners

Please call Parish Office to register.

Religious Education

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**Please visit parish website or Facebook
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ST. PETER MASS SCHEDULE:**Saturday, January 23**

4:15 Birth.: Anthony "Tony" Flory by Family

Sunday, January 2411:00 Wedd. Ann: Laura & Guido Rotella by Family
and Mem: Mr. & Mrs. Richard Bartlett by Family**Monday, January 25****No Monday Masses at this time****Saturday, January 30**4:15 Birth.: Basilio Valente by Wife, Sarah
and Birth.: Gary Bedard by Mom & Dad**Sunday, January 31**11:00 Mem.: Sharon Smith by Tom & Maureen
Trudeau**CANDLES FOR THE WEEKEND
OF JANUARY 23/24**

Birthday: Alberico Ciccotelli by Family

RECTORY HOURS

Monday-Thursday: 8:30 A.M.-2:30 P.M.

Friday: 8:30 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.

2022 MASSES

There will be no advanced bookings for 2022 Mass intentions this year as we will have to wait until Spring of 2021 when we receive the new book Thank you.

ROOF WORK SCHEDULED

Roof work will begin on January 20th, weather permitting. Please note that parking around the church may be limited.

**ST. PETER COLLECTION REPORT
WEEKEND OF JANUARY 16/17**

66 Envelopes (242 sent out) plus \$534.00	2,484.50
Need	4,500.00
Difference	- 2,015.50
Last Year-Same Date	4,075.00

To Follow the Leader

Our culture and society in the twenty first century United States of America teaches us subtly and yet poignantly to be self-creative, self-motivated, self-determined and self-sufficient. While these values are in and of themselves helpful and valuable to the personal growth and development of the individual and to society, for the Christian Catholic they are not enough. We Christian Catholics are always reminded to go beyond self to ultimately live in and rely on God. We believe that God possesses our truest fulfillment and while God wishes us to use the gifts bestowed on us, God always invites us to follow His plan for us rather than our own plan for ourselves. We are called to follow God's plan for us with humility, trust and spiritual focus.

"Following" anyone or anything first requires focus. In order to follow we must be intent on the one we are following. We must keep them within our vision and watch them as they lead us in a certain direction. We must be focused on the leader. Secondly, we must have the humility to acknowledge that our own thinking and actions and abilities are limited. We need the help of One who is perfect and unlimited. This humility makes us open to follow the One who leads with confidence. We believe that where we are being lead is better than where we would have gone ourselves. Finally, "following", requires trust. In following the leader we trust that the leader has our best interests in mind. We trust that the leader wants only good for us. We trust that the leader truly and genuinely cares for us.

Just as Jesus called the apostles to follow Him, Jesus calls us to follow him everyday. If we wish to follow or Lord then we must do our best to have the spiritual focus necessary to keep Him in our vision. We must develop a healthy humility to realize that the Lord knows better than we do what is best for us. As followers we must trust that Our Lord truly cares for us, loves us and will always give us what we need.

Following requires great courage. However, our faith tells us that when we are willing to follow Our Lord we can never go wrong.

Fr. John



THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

CAUTION PLEASE **FALLING SNOW AND ICE**

For those who park behind the church—a word of caution—snow and ice does fall from the roof of the church. Please walk away from the church and friary buildings, and please **DO NOT PARK ALONG SIDE OF THE CHURCH BUILDING** during these winter months due to the danger of falling snow and ice; you could be seriously injured and your car could sustain serious damage with this falling snow and ice. **AND PLEASE DO NOT BLOCK THE GARAGES.** Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

BISHOP'S FUND UPDATE

To date we have raised \$18,194.00 towards our goal of \$30,089.00. For information and to make your gift, please visit vermontcatholic.org/giveonline. Thank you for your support.

NO KNEELING

We are asking that the kneelers in the church **NOT** be used; the reason for that is if they are used, it means more work and time to sanitize them; if they are left in their upright position than a simple spraying will take care of it and our volunteer “sanitizers” will be able to finish much more quickly. Thank you for your understanding and observance of this.

WEEKLY READINGS

Sunday: Jon 3:1-5, 10/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [4a]/1 Cor 7:29-31/
Mk 1:14-20
Monday: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/Ps 117:1bc, 2 [Mk
16:15]/Mk 16:15-18
Tuesday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8a, 10 [3]/
Mk 3:31-35
Wednesday: Heb 10:11-18/Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4 [4b]/Mk 4:1-20
Thursday: Heb 10:19-25/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 [cf. 6]/Mk 4:21-
25
Friday: Heb 10:32-39/Ps 37:3-4, 5-6, 23-24, 39-40 [39a]/Mk
4:26-34

THANK YOU

I would like to thank everyone for their kind words, cards and gifts for my retirement.

I will always remember that you always made me a part of your families especially the laughter.

Again, Thank you.

Linda Wortman



To our *Christ Our Hope* campaign supporters, we offer a sincere thanks during this giving season. We cannot carry out our mission and realize our dreams without your help.

We are continuing our fundraising efforts as we try to reach our campaign goals. If you are still praying over your decision and discerning how you might help, please know that soon you will receive a follow-up mailing asking to consider a gift.

You can return your completed pledge form or go online to christourhopevt.org/donate to make a gift. Your donation of any size will help address our needs at St. Peter's but also support fellow Catholics across the state.

St. Peter Parish has raised \$4,340.00 of our Parish Goal of \$251,576.00. Thank you.

IMPORTANT NOTE:
YOUR CHECKS MUST BE MADE PAYABLE
TO CHRIST OUR HOPE NOT ST. PETER'S

PASCHAL CANDLE

Each year at this time of year, St. Peter Church purchases a new Paschal Candle. If anyone in the parish is interested in purchasing the Paschal Candle in memory of someone for 2021, please contact the Rectory Office as soon as possible. Thank you.

Mount St. Joseph Academy is now accepting applications for new students for the 2021-22 school year.

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For an online application go to:

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DEADLINE FOR THE BULLETIN

There is a deadline each week for information to be put into our bulletin. It is Monday by noon. Holiday bulletin deadlines may vary.

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