



After six days Jesus took Peter, James and John with him and led them up a high mountain, where they were all alone. There he was transfigured before them. His clothes became dazzling white, whiter than anyone in the world could bleach them. And there appeared before them Elijah and

Moses, who were talking with Jesus. Peter said to Jesus, “Rabbi, it is good for us to be here. Let us put up three shelters—one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.” (He did not know what to say, they were so frightened.) Then a cloud appeared and covered them, and a voice came from the cloud: “This is my Son, whom I love. Listen to him!” Suddenly, when they looked around, they no longer saw anyone with them except Jesus. As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus gave them orders not to tell anyone what they had seen until the Son of Man had risen from the dead. They kept the matter to themselves, discussing what “rising from the dead” meant. *Mark 9:2-10*

Mass Intentions

This Weekend

Saturday February 27	INT 4.00 PM	Warren & Mary Peschl By: Friends of St Charles
Sunday February 28	RIP 10.00 AM	Anna Bissonnette By: Margaret Nowers

Daily Masses

Monday March 1	RIP 9:00 AM	Sally Carter By: Mary Folsom
Tuesday March 2	RIP 9:00 AM	Lottie Green (bday) By: Green Family
Wednesday March 3	RIP 9:00 AM	Judy Ruggiero By: friends of St. Charles
Thursday March 4	RIP 9:00 AM	Gary Chaudior By: friends of St. Charles
First Friday March 5	INT 9:00 AM 5:00 PM	Fred Waryas Friends of St. Charles Stations of the Cross

Next Weekend

Saturday March 6	RIP 4.00 PM	Marylou Palmariello By: Karen Brodeur
Sunday March 7	RIP 10.00 AM	Dennis Nauceder By: Theresa Nauceder

.Readings for the Week of March 1, 2021.

- Sunday:** Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 116:10, 15-19/Rom 8:31b-34/Mk 9:2-10
- Monday:** Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8-9, 11, 13/Lk 6:36-38
- Tuesday:** Is 1:10, 16-20/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23/Mt 23:1-12
- Wednesday:** Jer 18:18-20/Ps 31:5-6, 14-16/Mt 20:17-28
- Thursday:** Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-4, 6/Lk 16:19-31
- Friday:** Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Ps 105:16-21/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
- Saturday:** Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 103:1-4, 9-12/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
- Sunday:** Ex 20:1-17 or 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17/Ps 19:8-11/1 Cor 1:22-25/Jn 2:13-25

Parish Support

Weekend of February 20, 2021 & February 21, 2021

Weekly Offertory:	\$ 705.00
<i>Envelopes</i>	\$ 513.00
<i>Loose Donations</i>	\$ 192.00
<i>Online Donation</i>	\$ 60.00
<i>Easter Flowers</i>	\$ 20.00
<i>Votive Candles</i>	\$ 57.00
	\$ 842.00

Ash Wednesday \$ 211.00
Black & Indian Mission \$ 220.00

Last Year's Offertory Collection February 23, 2020 \$ 1409.00

GUIDELINES FOR LENT

- The time of Lent is to be observed by Catholics as a special season of prayer, penance and works of charity.
- Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, in particular, are the most important penitential days of the liturgical year. They are days of both fast and abstinence. All Fridays in Lent are days of abstinence.
- The rule of fasting states that only one full meal a day can be taken. Two small meals, “sufficient to maintain strength”, are allowed, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals breaks the fast, but drinking liquids does not. The rule of fasting obliges all Catholics from 18 to 59.
- Abstinence refers to the eating of meat. The common estimation of the community is used to determine what falls under the category of meat. The rule of abstinence binds all Catholics 14 years or older.
- The substantial observance of the laws of fast and abstinence is a serious obligation.
- Self-imposed fasting on the other weekdays of Lent is recommended. Abstinence on all Fridays of the year is also highly recommended.
- Parents and teachers should see to it that, even those who are not bound by the laws of fast and abstinence because of age, are brought up in an atmosphere that is conducive to a sense of penance. Please be aware that due to the Covid-19 pandemic there may be changes to the manner in which Holy Week and the Triduum are celebrated.

Chrism Mass

The Chrism Mass will be celebrated on Tuesday, March 30, 2021, in St. Joseph Co-Cathedral, Burlington. Vesture will be white. The Mass will begin at 11:00 A.M.

Pray for Healing and Comfort Especially for: Dan Green, Deb Etheridge, Ron Etheridge, Margaret Nowers, Frances Vaine, Richard Whitcomb, Barbara Stickney, Mary H. Smith, Constance Burns, Deacon John Blicharz, Doreen Aldrich, Mary Frances Branch, Warren Peschl, Theresa Naucecer, Monica Luedtke, Lois Woodard, Joseph Marion, Jr., Paul Desruisseaux, Betsy Bashaw, Betsy & Bob Anderson, Frances Gallagher, Mary Damon, Grace Shelc, Tom Shelc, Ed Hindes, Maria Coyne, Madison Bills, Robert Brown, Mary Folsom, Peggy Lafave, Lorraine Reynolds, Bob Hanold, Marilyn Lemoine, Patrick Barry, Robert Fogg, Bernie Hindes, Nick Deistler, Ted Waryas, Peter Bodner, Ellah Williams, Fred Waryas, Maybelle Long, Joseph Mitchell, Heather Rodger, Patricia Jones, Frances Hackett, Colleen Paquet, David Robarge, Kathy Mcarthy, Tom Burns, Mary Lou Fogg, Jim Nyberg, Cheryl Elysse Garrett, Ed Atkins, Conner Glover. **Please contact the rectory (463-3128) if you wish Father Maria Lazar to make a sick call or bring Holy Communion to someone who is unable to attend Mass.**

Second Sunday of Lent

On the second Sunday of Lent in each Lectionary cycle, the Gospel reading proclaims the story of Jesus' Transfiguration. Jesus takes three of his disciples—Peter, James, and John—to a high mountain. While they are there, Elijah and Moses appear with Jesus. In appearing with Jesus at his Transfiguration, Moses represents the Law that guides the lives of the Jewish people. Elijah is remembered as one of the most important prophets of Israel who helped the Israelites stay faithful to Yahweh. Some Jews believed that Elijah's return would signal the coming of the Messiah for the Jewish people. On seeing Jesus with Elijah and Moses and having witnessed his Transfiguration, Peter offers to construct three tents for them. Mark reports that the disciples are terrified by what they have witnessed and that Peter's offer is made out of confusion. We also notice that Peter has reverted from his earlier confession that Jesus is the Messiah, calling Jesus rabbi instead. As if in reply to Peter's confusion, a voice from heaven speaks, affirming Jesus as God's Son and commanding the disciples to obey him. This voice from heaven recalls the voice that was heard at Jesus' baptism. In his Transfiguration, we see an anticipation of the glory of Jesus' Resurrection. In each of the reports of the Transfiguration, Jesus instructs the disciples to keep secret what they have seen until after the Son of Man has risen from the dead. The disciples' confusion continues as they wonder what Jesus means by rising from the dead. The disciples cannot possibly understand Jesus' Transfiguration until they also witness his passion and death. We hear the story of Jesus' Transfiguration early in Lent, but we have the benefit of hindsight. In our hearing of it, we anticipate Jesus' Resurrection, even as we prepare to remember Jesus' passion and death. (Copyright 2021 Loyola Press. All Rights Reserved. Used with permission. www.loyolapress.com)



Christ our Hope Campaign

Have you been thinking about a gift or pledge to the *Christ Our Hope* campaign? There is still time to join thousands across the Diocese who already have made donations. The *Christ Our Hope* campaign is focused on building vibrant parishes, and we pray that our projects will strengthen us for the future. You can return your completed pledge form or go online to christourhopevt.org/donate to make a gift. As of 1/8/21 we are at \$8389.00 which is 8% of our goal.

Bishop's Annual Appeal

Our Goal for this year's appeal is \$21,263.00 as of 1/8/21 we are at **\$8875.00** which is **42%** of our goal. If you would like to make a pledge please go to <https://www.vermontcatholic.org/donate/bishops-annual-appeal/give-online/annual-appeal-pledge-2/> **Please select St. Charles Parish**



Notice: St Charles cares about our Parishioners safety, we continue our stringent cleaning after every Mass. We would like to re-assure our parishioners that we are taking every measure possible in continuing to keep our Church clean and disinfected. Please remember that properly wearing masks, hand washing/sanitizing, and social distancing are our best defense against the virus.

The obligation to attend Sunday Mass remains lifted until further notice, especially if you are part of a vulnerable population and/or have an underlying health condition. Please approach the celebration of Mass with charity and love for our clergy and faith community by following the protocols:

- Stay home if you are sick or not feeling well.
- **Wear a mask in Mass, must cover your nose and mouth.**
- **Sanitize your hands upon entry.**
- Sit in designated pews and respect social distance between others of **6 feet or more** unless you are one family unit.
- Refrain from congregating in tight areas or entering cordoned off areas.
- Follow the protocols to receive Holy Communion as directed at Mass.

For more details about church protocols visit: vermontcatholic.org/covid-19. **Bishop Coyne**

St. Charles is open for daily and weekend mass.

Monday – Thursday 9:00 AM

Saturdays 4:00 PM / Sundays 10:00 AM

Encountering Jesus Bible Study

- 2|23 **Jesus & Nicodemus** Jn 3:1-21
- 3|2 **Jesus & the Woman at the Well** Jn 4:1-30
- 3|9 **Jesus Heals** Mk 1:40-2:12
- 3|16 **Jesus Raises Lazarus** Jn 11:1-44
- 3|23 **Jesus Calls Us to Discipleship** Lk 9:18-26 & 18:18-30

Diocese of Burlington — Online Ministry

Encountering Jesus Bible Study Every Tuesday starting on February 23rd.

Each week will focus on a different encounter with Jesus as described in the Gospels which in the words of Pope Francis, “changes our lives...and fills us with joy.”

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82819809537>

Hosted by Deacon Phil Lawson