

September 24, 2023

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We are a Welcoming Community of Believers, Hopers and Lovers. We are One Family in Baptism and the Holy Spirit, nourished with the Word of God and the Body and Blood of Christ. All are Welcome in this place!

Cycles of Faith – 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Once I gave my three-year-old niece a certain toy for Christmas. When she opened it, she was happy. Shortly thereafter her five-year old sister opened another present from me: the same toy, along with some play jewelry. The three-year-old cried out: "That's not fair! Why'd she get the jewelry, too?!"

Let's face it: there's something about God's grace in our religion which bugs us. We love to look at others' blessings and cry out: "That's not fair!" Catholicism is not fair in the sense that it is a religion founded on God's grace which is *unmerited* favor. God pours his mercy, love, and divine life upon us not because we're good but because He is infinitely good.

If you think the "not fair" quality of grace is easy to accept, consider how typically angry we get when we hear the parable of the workers who get paid way more than they deserve. The hyper-generous landowner says to the indignant hard workers, "Are you envious because I am generous?" Well, yes, they are, and so are we! Therefore, we *have* to reckon with this painful truth in order to move into the divine sphere of gifts, which is the world of Christ and his Church. Then we are able to move beyond a tit-for-tat world and into one where gifts are poured forth on those who don't deserve it — namely, upon us.

— Father John Muir

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Offertory Last Week: \$1,075.00
Online Banking: \$210.00

Second Collection Next Week for Maintenance

Attendance Last Week:
4:30 p.m. 41 9:30 a.m. 80



MASSES AND INTENTIONS

Saturday September 23 (SJ)

4:30 p.m. For the repose of the soul of Theresa Payea requested by a friend.

Sunday September 24

8:00 a.m. (OLMC) For the Parishioners of Our Lady of Mount Carmel and St. Jude Parishes.

9:30 a.m. (SJ) For the repose of the soul of Sandra White requested by the former St. Jude Liturgy Committee.

11:00 a.m. (OLMC) For the repose of the soul of Kathy Kalaful requested by Dan and Roxanne Smith and Family.

Monday September 25 (SJ) 8:30 a.m.

Tuesday September 26 (OLMC) 5:15 p.m.

Wednesday September 27 (OLMC) 8:30 a.m.

Thursday September 28 (OLMC) 5:15 p.m.

Friday September 29 8:30 a.m. (SJ)

Saturday September 30 (SJ)

4:30 p.m. For the repose of the soul of Richard Dubois II requested by the family.

Sunday October 1

8:00 a.m. (OLMC) For the repose of the souls of Paul, Claude and Marcel Thibault requested by the family.

9:30 a.m. (SJ) For the repose of the soul of June Giroux requested by Marsha Casey.

11:00 a.m. (OLMC) For the Parishioners of Our Lady of Mount Carmel and St. Jude Parishes.

Sanctuary Candle: The Sanctuary Candle this week is in memory of Roger Strong, Jr. requested by Rodney and Marielle Strong.

Calendar of St. Jude Events

-9/26 Senior Bingo at 10:00 a.m.

-9/30 & 10/01 Food Shelf Weekend

-10/01 Family Faith Formation at 9:30 a.m.

-10/08 Sunday Fellowship Coffee & Donut Event at 10:30 a.m.

-10/08 Blessing of the Animals at 3:00 p.m.

Please pray for all priests in your daily prayers, especially the following this week:

Sunday:	Rev. Brandon Schneider
Monday:	Rev. Jon-Daniel Schnobrich
Tuesday:	Rev. James Shea
Wednesday:	Priests Who Are Having Difficulty
Thursday:	Priestly and Religious Vocations
Friday:	For All Our Seminarians
Saturday:	For All Deceased Priests

Schedules for September 30 and October 1, 2023

<u>Greeters:</u>	4:30 p.m.	Donna Shepardson
	9:30 a.m.	Laurie Meyer
<u>Lector:</u>	4:30 p.m.	David Pearson
	9:30 a.m.	Chris Meyer
<u>EM:</u>	4:30 p.m.	Kelly Rohan-Cooley
	9:30 a.m.	Tom Buzzell

Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration and Confession: There will be a Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration and Confession on **Tuesday, September 26** following the 5:15 p.m. Mass at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish.

Archbishop Coyne Farewell Mass and Reception: Save the date!! Archbishop Coyne will celebrate his final Mass at St. Joseph Cathedral on **Sunday, September 24 at 10:00 a.m.** A public reception will follow from 12:00 to 3:00 p.m. at the Doubletree Hotel, 870 Willison Road, So. Burlington. All are welcome to attend.

Sunday Fellowship Coffee and Donut Event: Beginning **October 8** Coffee and Donuts will be offered following the 9:30 a.m. Mass (except on Faith Formation Sundays). Five couples—families, have volunteered to provide this chance for Fellowship again. A big “Thank You” to Michelle Bessette for organizing this event. Please plan on stopping in after the 9:30 a.m. Masses for food, drinks, and fellowship.

2023 Bishop’s Appeal: The Bishop’s Annual Appeal has begun. To learn more about this Appeal or to make a gift online visit: bishopsappealvt.org. We are at 91% (\$21,320) of our parish goal of \$23,502. The appeal supports so many ministries that help our parish, including emergency aid to households in financial crisis, religious education training, vocations, Catholic schools and so much more. Please help us reach our goal.

RCIA: Are you curious about what Catholics believe? Wednesday Night Live! is a kick-off session for our Exploring Catholicism series (RCIA), designed for anyone who’s curious about Catholicism or considering becoming Catholic. Join us on **October 4 at 5:30 PM** to meet other converts, hear of many paths which have brought people to the decision to become Catholic, and get first-hand information on what being Catholic is all about. We’ll even provide pizza! We’d love to meet you at **St John Vianney Roman Catholic Church ~ 160 Hinesburg Rd, South Burlington, VT 05403 ~ Learn more and register at stjohnvianney.org/becoming-catholic.** ***You can also receive RCIA Instruction through FORMED on-line. If you are interested in learning more about the faith, please contact Fr. Zuccaro.



“Did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what is yours and go. What if I wish to give this last one the same as you? Or am I not free to do as I wish with my own money? Are you envious because I am generous? Thus, the last will be first, and the first will be last.”

— Mt 20:13c-16

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Faith Formation: Our Faith Formation Classes (Religious Ed) have begun. We will be meeting in person once a month. These classes include Mass, catechesis for students and adults. The expectation is that parents attend these monthly classes if their children are enrolled in the program. If you have a child or grandchild who has not been part of our program in the past and you would like to enroll them, please contact Marie Cookson at mcookson@vermontcatholic.org, stjude@vermontcatholic.org or carmel@vermontcatholic.org so that you can be added to our mailing list. Our next Class will be **Sunday, October 1**.

Senior Bingo: All Seniors (60+) and care companions (any age) are invited to a relaxed and fun morning of free bingo in the St. Jude Parish hall on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of every month, 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. The next bingo is **Tuesday, September 26**. Prizes are provided by St. Jude’s. Complementary snacks, hot coffee, tea and bottled water are available all morning. The mask requirement has been lifted. However, we continue our safer seating arrangement, and please wear a mask if you are more comfortable doing so. If you are a newcomer, to reserve a Grab and Go packaged full meal** contact Ted and Kathy Barrett at 802-453-3087 (leave a message) or email tedbarrett79@gmail.com by the Wednesday before the following bingo day.

**Please note: Meals are provided by Age Well, for a suggested donation of \$5.00 per meal now that pandemic funding has ended. We hope to see you soon.

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***Did you know you can use Formed for at home on-line RCIA instruction? If you are interested in learning more about the faith, please contact Fr. Zuccaro.

Food Shelf Weekend: Our next Food Shelf Weekend is **September 30-October 1**. Items requested from the Hinesburg Food Shelf are shampoo and/or conditioner 12-16 oz., toothbrushes, toothpaste, deodorant, body wash, 5 - 12 oz. canned chicken, 16 oz cans baked beans, 2 lbs. bag of flour, hearty soups (regular and low sodium, low fat), salad dressings (plastic bottles please), 16 - 20 oz jam (not strawberry or grape), skillet meals to be used with ground meat or tuna, Cranberry sauce, Instant Potatoes, Canned Gravy, Stuffing Mix, Cake Mix or Brownie Mix and Canned Frosting, Quick Breads, Corn Muffin mix, Canned veggies-green beans, corn, creamed corn, peas, Canned Fruit-peaches, pears, pineapple, mandarin oranges, 1 lb. bags of white rice, 6-8oz. Rice Pilaf in a box (nothing spicy). As always, financial donations are always welcome.

Blessing of the Animals: There will be a Blessing of the Animals on **Wednesday, October 4 following the 8:30 a.m. Mass at OLMC and on Sunday, October 8 at 3:00 p.m. in the St. Jude Parking Lot**. Bring your pets to be blessed in honor of the Feast of St. Francis on October 4. Please have your pet either in a carrier or on a leash. Thank you.

Birthright Brunch Fundraiser: Please join them for brunch, fellowship, speakers and updates on how Birthright is helping families in our community. Brunch will be served by Knights of Columbus Council #7525 at St. John Vianney Parish on **Saturday, October 7 at 9:00 a.m.** To reserve your seat, please contact Judith Kanya at 802-999-2439 or kanyaj@comcast.net.

St. John Henry Cardinal Newman: You are cordially invited to a celebration in honor of Saint John Henry Cardinal Newman on **Sunday, October 8, at Holy Family Church Hall in Essex Junction, from 4:00 - 8:00 p.m.** The evening will include Solemn Vespers, dinner and dessert, and two lectures on the life and thought of Cardinal Newman, featuring a visiting professor, as well as Fr. Henry Furman of the Diocese of Burlington. \$15 per person/\$25 for two/\$10 for each additional guest. For more information or to RSVP by October 2nd: VermontNewman@gmail.com

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend: There will be a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend on **October 20-22 at St. Monica/St. Michael School in Barre, VT**. This is an opportunity to explore your relationship with each other, God, and the Church. All married couples, priests, and religious are invited. This is a non-residential event, so attendees can go home at night and return in the morning. Registration is limited; there is a \$100 application fee. For more info or to apply, contact Gary and Lynn Root at 802-456-8114 or at <https://www.mevtw.org>.

Update from Julie Sulva on FOCUS: "It was such a blessing to meet up with each and every one of you in person or on the phone this past summer. I am so beyond grateful for your support and prayers. You are on this mission with me and I physically could not lead students to know Jesus without you. I pray for you everyday and I'm so thankful for you." To learn more about Julie's work with FOCUS, check out her newsletter. Copies are available on the table in the lobby.

St. Joseph's Home: St. Joseph Residential Care Home in Burlington has immediate part-time and full-time career opportunities in nursing, dining, and housekeeping. They are willing to train the right candidates. If interested in learning more or applying, please contact Mary Belanger, Administrator, at mbelanger@vermontcatholic.org.

Men's "Cor" Formation: Men's "Cor" Formation will begin on **October 21**. Calling all men to fellowship, prayer and a deeper faith! You are invited to participate in COR Formation. "Cor" is Latin for Heart. Through fraternity, prayer, and the study of God's word in Scripture and holy examples, we intend to grow closer to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary. COR Formation will be held the third Saturday of each month beginning on **October 21 at 10:00 a.m. at St. John Vianney Church basement**. Coffee and refreshments provided by the K of C. All men from all parishes are welcome.

Spanish Mass: St. Peter's Church in Vergennes in partnership with the Catholic Migrant Ministry of Addison County will host monthly Spanish Masses. The next Mass will be **October 12 at 7:00 p.m.** with Fr. Timothy Danaher at St. Peter's Church, 85 So. Maple Street, Vergennes with a delicious meal to follow. All are welcome!!

Eternal Rest-The Art of Dying Well: We all have very real questions about death. What happens when we die? What does Scripture teach about death? How do we prepare for the life to come? The Augustine Institute invites you to ***Eternal Rest***, a four-part film series exploring the mystery of death and the promise of everlasting life. Available on FORMED.org.

Pilgrimage to Rome: Monsignor Peter Routhier, Rector of the Cathedral of St. Joseph, will be leading a pilgrimage to France in April of 2024. There are still spots available if you would like to join this pilgrimage. Please see: [Unitours | Catholic Pilgrimages to France](#) for more information or email Susan Wing at susan@vermontcatholic.org.

HomeShare Vermont: HomeShare Vermont is a local non-profit with over 40 years of experience of matching Hosts who have an extra room to share with people looking for an affordable place to live. HomeShare Vermont conducts a personal interview with everyone - Host or Guest - who applies to the program, as well as background and reference checks. A two-week trial match is offered to ensure compatibility and ongoing support is provided to all people living together through a homeshare match. To learn more about sharing your home or about homesharing opportunities, you can visit www.HomeShareVermont.org or call (802) 863-5625.



"Suicidal individuals—with or without a terminal illness—typically do not want to die... The patient requesting assisted suicide is often asking, 'Does anyone want me to be alive, or care enough to talk me out of this request and support me through this difficult time?'"

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities
"Every Suicide is Tragic"