

January 21, 2024

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We are a Welcoming Community of Believers, Hoppers 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 – 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

We start telling lies around the age of three, the experts tell us. It's understandable. Lying is a god-like power. Whatever I want, I need only *say* it, and the world rearranges itself accordingly. It's amazing at first. But soon reality snaps back and I'm faced with a dilemma. If I remain committed to my lie I start to fracture into pieces. My words and reality drift apart, and I find myself lost in a lonely world of further falsehoods and fear of being found out.

How marvelous, then, that Jesus begins his ministry by proclaiming: "**Repent!**" We tend to think it means "stop doing bad things" but it doesn't. It literally means "go beyond the mind you have." Think in a new way. It's painful to admit, but some portion of my mind is addicted to lie-telling, usually to protect my ego or make life easier. To repent means to admit this tendency, to say, "I'm done lying," and to move beyond my split mind into a complete commitment to the truth. Perhaps that's why at Mass we together proclaim, "I have sinned in my *thoughts*, and in my *words*..." Repentance and truth-telling work together.

Those who know the twelve-step process of addiction recovery know this process well. The fourth step requires radical truth-telling: listing our moral defects. This isn't being scrupulous. Rather it is freedom from falsehood, and entrance into the real world. This week, I invite you to join me in this practice. Get your phone or piece of paper. Answer the question: what are your true moral defects? Write them down. Remember, the Lord knows them already and loves you. We have a sacrament where this truth-telling is celebrated: Confession. Perhaps it is finally time to go beyond our childish lies.

Father John Muir
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Offertory Last Week: \$649.00 Maintenance: \$30.00
Fuel: \$673.00 Initial Offering: \$10.00
Online Banking: \$120.00

Second Collection This Week for Catholic Education
Second Collection Next Week for Church in Latin America

Attendance Last Week:
4:30 p.m. 28 9:30 a.m. 71

MASSES AND INTENTIONS

Saturday January 20 (SJ)

4:30 p.m. For All Catholics in Recovery

Sunday January 21

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 Roger Strong, Jr. requested by the Family.

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

Monday January 22 (SJ) 8:00 a.m.

Tuesday January 23 (OLMC) 5:15 p.m.

Wednesday January 24 (OLMC) 8:30 a.m.

Thursday January 25 (OLMC) 5:15 p.m.

Friday January 26 (SJ) 8:30 a.m.

Saturday January 27 (SJ)

4:30 p.m. For the repose of the soul of Joe Genest, Sr. requested by Marie Cookson

Sunday January 28

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 Dan Giroux requested by the family.

11:00 a.m. (OLMC) For the repose of the soul of Leonard Cachran requested by Rosemarie Cartularo and Larry Poitras.

Sanctuary Candle: The Sanctuary Candle this week is in memory of Roger Strong, Jr. requested by his family.

Calendar of Events:

-1/21 Coffee Hour following the 9:30 a.m. Mass

-1/23 Senior Bingo at 10:00 a.m.

-1/28 Pancake Breakfast following the 9:30 a.m. Mass

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

Sunday: Rev. David Theroux, SSE
Monday: Rev. John Tokaz, OFM Cap
Tuesday: Rev. Richard VanderWeel, SSE
Wednesday: Rev. James Zuccaro
Thursday: Rev. Fidelis Agughara
Friday: Rev. Julian Asucan
Saturday: Rev. Michael Augustinowicz

Counter Schedule for January 22, 2024

Linda Savalli
Nicole Cookson
Marie Cookson

Schedules for January 27 and 28, 2024

Greeters: 4:30 p.m. Donna Shepardson
9:30 a.m. Laurie Meyer

Lector: 4:30 p.m. Dawn Griswold
9:30 a.m. Chris Meyer

EM: 4:30 p.m. Heidi St. Peter
Dcn. Patrick Leduc
Peggy Cioffi

9:30 a.m. Doug Taff
Dcn. Patrick Leduc
Stephanie Buzzell

Hospitality: 9:30 a.m. NO Coffee Hour

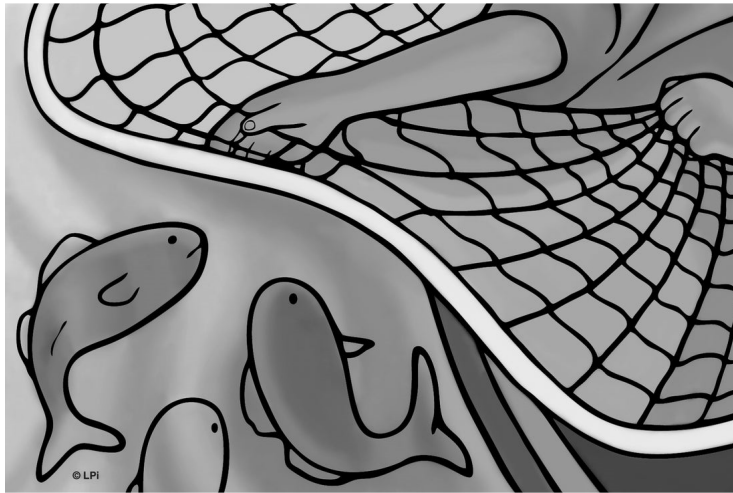
Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration and Confession: There will be a Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration and Confession on **Tuesday, January 23** at OLMC following the 5:15 p.m. Mass.

2024 Collection Envelopes: The Collection Envelopes for 2024 are available in the lobby. Envelopes are in alphabetical order. If you have not used collection envelopes in the past but would like to do so now, please take a box without a name on it. **Please be sure to write your name and address on the envelopes for the first few weeks you are using them. Also, please do not use leftover envelopes from previous years as some of you have a new number assigned to you.** Thank you.

Beautiful Eucharist: There are copies of the book, "Beautiful Eucharist", sponsored by Dynamic Catholic available in the lobby. Please feel free to take a copy for yourself and one for a friend or family member. Enjoy!!

Pancake Breakfast: The Knights of Columbus and St. Jude Hospitality Committee will be offering a Pancake Breakfast after the 9:30 a.m. Mass on **Sunday, January 28**. They will be serving pancakes, French toast, sausage, bacon, scrambled eggs, juice, coffee, and chocolate milk. Donations will be free-will offering. Hope to see you there.

Lenten Fish Fry! The Knights of Columbus, Council #7525 will be hosting a Lenten Fish Fry dinner at the St. John Vianney Parish Center. Serving Times & Date: 5pm to 7pm on Friday, February 16th: Adults - \$15.00, Children 9 & under - \$7.00, Immediate Family (4 or more) - \$40.00. Meal includes Beer Battered Baked Haddock, French Fries, Coleslaw, Dinner Roll, Beverage & Dessert. Advance tickets are required and limited to 150 customers. For tickets/reservations or more info, call Dave Martin @ (802) 864-4166 x 207.



As he passed by the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting their nets into the sea; they were fishermen. Jesus said to them, "Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men." — Mk 1:16-17

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Knights of Columbus Scholarship: Knights of Columbus Scholarships Available for the 2024-2025 school year. Applications will be available beginning in JAN 2024. See details at this link: [KofCScholarships](#)

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, January 23**. Prizes are provided by St. Jude's. Complementary snacks, hot coffee, tea and bottled water are available all morning. 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.

Pickleball: Free weekly Pickleball has started at St. Jude's every **Friday afternoon from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.** Any skill level is welcome. They'll show you how if you have never played before. Contact Ted Barrett at tedbarrett79@gmail.com if you are interested. Equipment will be provided.

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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.

Diocesan Marriage Day Mass: Married Couples celebrating milestone anniversaries in 2024, who wish to be recognized at the Diocese Anniversary Mass, are invited to the Mass on **February 4, at the 10:00 a.m. at St. Joseph's Cathedral in Burlington.** Recognition is given to those celebrating marriages 5, 10, 15, 20...50, 51, or more. Registrations will be accepted through **January 26, 2024**, by contacting Nicole Hamilton at nhamilton@vermontcatholic.org, or calling 802-6110, ext. 1131. Please provide the information of the Catholic parish married, parish presently attending, and the anniversary being celebrated. ***Those who wish to be recognized with significant anniversaries locally, can request certificates signed by Msgr. John McDermott. Please include the couple's names, anniversary year (5, 10, 15, 20...50, 51, or more), Catholic parish married, and priest/deacon. Please note that requests will only be accepted through January 26, 2024. Please contact Marie at 802-482-2290 or mcookson@vermontcatholic.org to request a certificate. These will be available the weekend of February 10 and 11.

Snow Shoveling Help Needed: We are in need of someone to shovel the walkways at OLMC. This includes the church, hall and rectory. Snow shoveling must be done before the 8:00 a.m. Mass on Sundays, the 5:15 p.m. Mass on Tuesdays and Thursdays, and 8:30 a.m. on Wednesday and after significant storms. If interested, please contact Fr. Zuccaro at 802-425-2253 or email at jzuccaro@vermontcatholic.org.

Chittenden County Right to Life: The Chittenden County Right to Life will be attending **Pro-Life Lobby Day** as a group on **February 21**. All are welcome. Mark your calendar and plan to caravan together to the State House in Montpelier to quietly and effectively advocate for LIFE! More details to follow.



Sanctuary and Marian Candles: The Sanctuary Candle (by the Tabernacle) and the Marian Candle (by the statue of Mary) are lit at all times. Parishioners can have either candle lit in memory of someone or for someone or for any intention. Each week the intention will be listed in the bulletin along with the name of the person who has requested the intentions, if they so desire. We are asking for a monetary donation of \$5.00 or whatever you are able to give for each candle. If you are interested in having an intention for either candle, please contact Marie at 802-482-2290 or via email at stjude@vermontcatholic.org.



LOOKING FOR A MUSICIAN TO HELP WITH MUSIC AT THE 11:00 A.M. MASS AT OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL. IF INTERESTED, PLEASE CONTACT FR. ZUCCARO AT 802-425-2253 OR SEE HIM AFTER MASS.



"There is such a wide spectrum of issues involving the protection of human life and the promotion of human dignity. Good people frequently disagree on which problems to address, which policies to adopt and how best to apply them. But for citizens and elected officials alike, the basic principle is simple: *We must begin with a commitment never to intentionally kill, or collude in the killing, of any innocent human life, no matter how broken, unformed, disabled or desperate that life may seem.* In other words, the choice of certain ways of acting is *always and radically incompatible* with the love of God and the dignity of the human person created in His image."

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Prayer for the Appointment of a New Bishop

Almighty God, Eternal shepherd and guide, in your love for us, grant to the Diocese of Burlington a shepherd who will lead us to be Christ's heart of mercy, voice of hope, and hands of justice. Help him to fill our minds and hearts with the truth of the Gospel, the power of the sacraments, and the desire to build up your holy Church. Through Christ Our Lord. Amen.