## **February 4, 2024**

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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 - 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Maybe I'm weird, but I like spending time in doctor's offices, confession lines in churches, auto repair shops, prison cells, and support groups of various kinds. It's refreshing to be with people who humbly admit something is wrong and forthrightly set out on a path toward a solution. When we ignore what is off kilter, we become alone and fragile. In places where people are honest and hopeful about brokenness, sturdy if subtle fellowship usually ensues.

Consider the image we see of Jesus in the Gospel of Mark. "...they brought to him all who were ill or possessed by a demon. The whole town was gathered at the door." The entire human community is afflicted in various ways, and so it gradually forms a strange new community around Jesus. The healer from Nazareth is like a sun of health around which orbits a throng of humanity absorbing his healing rays. These blessed souls can't fix themselves and become healthy, and they know it. But they have found in him the living source of all imaginable healing.

It's the Church, isn't it? A sin-sick community gathered and healed is what happens at the beginning of every Mass. We shuffle in through the door from everywhere and announce that we are not okay, and we can't fix it. In doing so, we are drawn into the orbit of the healing power of Christ — and into a renewed community with the whole human family. It's nothing to fear or rush. Maybe we can even learn to enjoy more how good it is to be in such a happy place.

Father John Muir ©LPi

Offertory Last Week: \$835.00 Church in Latin America: \$227.00 Online Banking: \$370.00

Second Collection This Week for Maintenance

Second Collection Next Week for Campaign for Human Development

Attendance Last Week: 4:30 p.m. 56 9:30 a.m. 60

#### MASSES AND INTENTIONS

#### Saturday February 3 (SJ)

**4:30 p.m.** For the repose of the soul of Donna Galipeau requested by Marie Cookson

#### Sunday February 4

**8:00 a.m. (OLMC)** For the repose of the soul of Pierre Berube.

**9:30 a.m. (SJ)** For the Parishioners of St. Jude and Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish.

11:00 a.m. (OLMC) For the repose of the soul of Sue Haman requested by Eileen and Ray Curtis.

Monday February 5 (SJ) 8:30 a.m. For the Intentions of Edward Zuccaro.

Tuesday February 6 (OLMC) 5:15 p.m.

Wednesday February 7 (OLMC) 8:30 a.m.

**Thursday February 8 (OLMC) 5:15 p.m.** Mass for the election of a new Bishop for the Diocese of Burlington.

Friday February 9 (SJ) 8:30 a.m. For the Intentions of Cecile Auger requested by her daughter, Marie Cookson

## Saturday February 10 (SJ)

**4:30 p.m.** For the Intentions of the Cooley Family.

#### Sunday February 11

**8:00 a.m. (OLMC)** For the repose of the soul of loe Bean.

**9:30 a.m. (SJ)** For repose of the soul of Pierre Berube.

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 for a Special Intention requested by Helen Cote.

## Calendar of Events:

- -2/03 & 2/04 Blessing of the Throat after each Mass
- -2/03 & 2/04 Food Shelf Weekend
- -2/04 Family Faith Formation at 9:30 a.m.
- -2/08 Parish Council Meeting at 7:00 p.m.
- -2/13 Senior Bingo at 10:00 a.m.
- -2/17 First Reconciliation Parent Meeting at 10:00 a.m.

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

Sunday: Rev. Dwight Baker
Monday: Rev. Justin Baker
Tuesday: Rev. Albert Baltz
Wednesday: Rev. William Beaudin
Thursday: Rev. Andrzej Bednarowicz
Friday: Rev. Richard Berube, SSE
Saturday: Rev. Leopold Bilodeau

Counter Schedule for February 5, 2024

Judi Maculan Anne Donegan Nicole Cookson

#### Schedules for February 10 and 11, 2024

4:30 p.m. Dawn Griswold **Greeters:** 9:30 a.m. Charlene Van Sleet 4:30 p.m. David Pearson Lector: 9:30 a.m. Sue McGuire Dcn. Patrick Leduc EM: 4:30 p.m. 9:30 a.m. Ray Bouchard **Hospitality:** 9:30 a.m. The O'Neill Family

Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration and Confession: There will be a Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration and Confession on Tuesday, February 6 at OLMC following the 5:15 p.m. Mass.

**Blessing of the Throat-St. Blaise**: There will be the Blessing of the Throat in honor of St. Blaise Feast Day following each of the weekend masses this weekend, **February 3 and 4**. Everyone is invited to have their throat blessed.

Ash Wednesday: Ash Wednesday is Wednesday, February 14. Distribution of ashes will be at 7:00 a.m. at OLMC and 7:00 p.m. at St. Jude. This is a great way to begin the Lenten season.

Food Shelf Weekend: This weekend, February 3 and 4, is Food Shelf Weekend. Items requested from the Hinesburg Food Shelf are: canned chicken (5-12 oz.), canned beaked beans (16 oz), canned or microwave containers of pasta, chili, stew (9-16 oz), flour (2 lb. bags), hearty soup (16 - 19 oz low sodium/low fat), salad dressing (8 oz-plastic bottles), ketchup (20-32 oz), skillet meals (to be used with ground meat or tuna), jam/jelly (16-20 oz - not homemade) cake mix, brownie mix, canned frosting, quick bread mixes, canned pineapple and pears, juice (32-64 oz - plastic bottle or carton), plain pasta, toothbrushes, toothpaste, shampoo & conditioner (12-16 oz), deodorant, body wash, bar soap, laundry soap, wipes, Lysol, soft scrub, toilet bowl cleaner, dog and cat food, dry and wet food—intended for "all life stages". Monetary donations are always welcome. Thank you.

Pancake Breakfast: Thank you to everyone who attended the Pancake Breakfast last Sunday. It was a huge success. A special thank you to the Knights of Columbus and the St. Jude Hospitality Committee including Ray Bouchard, Kathy and Ted Barrett, Dan Smith, Mike Bullock, Michelle Bessette, Dave Bean, Jay Benson, Dave Martin, Paulette and Mark Noyes, Laurie and Chris Meyer and the Donegan Family.



He told them, "Let us go on to the nearby villages that I may preach there also. For this purpose have I come." So he went into their synagogues, preaching and driving out demons throughout the whole of Galilee.

— M k I:38-39

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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 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of every month, 10:00 to 11:30 a.m.\_ The next bingo is Tuesday, February 13 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.

Vocation Night At Rice: Dinner and Great Stories about every Catholic Vocation on February 7 from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Rice Memorial High School. Open to ALL High School students, and no charge. Dinner provided, and engaging presentations about the differ calls God gives, out of love for us, that we might love others. People in every vocation – married, consecrated, holy orders – will share their stories, and answer questions. RSVP to Mrs. Pam King at king@rmhsvt.org by February 5.

## **FORMED**

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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.

Ash Wednesday Almsgiving Collection: There will be a special Collection on Ash Wednesday to support VT Catholic Charities. This agency provides financial and emotional support to individuals and families throughout VT through the programs offered which include Counseling, Emergency Aid, Prison Ministry, and Residential Care Homes. Donations can be made through their website:

https://www.vermontcatholic.org/ministries-programs/catholic-charities/ash-wednesday-appeal/, or by mailing a check to VT Catholic Charities, 55 Joy Drive, So. Burlington, VT 05403. A collection will also be taken at the Ash Wednesday Masses for this appeal. As a Catholic community, let us be the hands and feet of Christ to our neighbors in need. Please know that every gift-whatever the size-makes a difference.

**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

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. This is a paid position. 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.

**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: **5:00 to 7:00 p.m. on Friday, February 16**: 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.

**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 <a href="tedbarrett79@gmail.com">tedbarrett79@gmail.com</a> if you are interested. Equipment will be provided.



"A society is all the more human to the degree that it cares effectively for its most frail and suffering members, in a spirit of fraternal love. Let us strive to achieve this goal, so that no one will feel alone, excluded or abandoned."



# **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.

## 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.