# January 16, 2022

Saturday, January 15th BVM

8:30 am - St. John - Intentions of Mae Brooks by Fr. Harlow

9:00 am - 9:30 am - Confessions at St. John

3:15 pm – Confessions at St. John

**4:00 pm – St. John –** Eugene Hale (RIP) by his wife Diane

Sunday, January 16th Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am - St. John - Anita & Dick Bedor (RIP) by the Lovett Family

9:35 am - St. Elizabeth - Benjamin Parisi (RIP) by Shirley Green

11:30am - Queen of Peace - For the Parishioners

Confessions at QP before Mass (time permitting) or following Mass as needed

Monday, January 17th St. Anthony, Abbot

8:30 am – St. Elizabeth – Clara Ryan (RIP) by Paul & Mary Weaver

Tuesday, January 18th

8:30 am - St. John - Connie March (RIP) by Marylou Sales

Wednesday, January 19th

No Mass

Thursday, January 20th St. Fabian, Pope & Martyr, St. Sebastian

4:00 pm Adoration & Confession

5:15 pm – St. John – Anita Bedor (RIP) by Tracie Robillard

Friday, January 21st St. Agnes, Virgin & Martyr

**8:30 am - St. Elizabeth** – Living & Deceased members of St. Elizabeth Women's Group by St. Elizabeth Women's Group

Saturday, January 22<sup>nd</sup> Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn

<u>Children</u>

8:30 am - St. John – Joseph & Yvonne Cormier (RIP) by their children

9:00 am - 9:30 am - Confessions at St. John

3:15 pm – Confessions at St. John

**4:00 pm – St. John –** Edna Goyette (RIP) by Marie, Keith, Rita & Jess

Sunday, January 23rd Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am - St. John -Dick & Anita Bedor (RIP) by John Nutbrown & Janet

9:35 am - St. Elizabeth - Benjamin Parisi (RIP) by Stephen Donna

11:30am - Queen of Peace - For the Parishioners

Confessions at QP before Mass (time permitting) or following Mass as needed.

Please pray for parishioners who are ill or in need of prayers, especially: Charlene Chase, Connie Lapage, Martin Fortin, Charlie Weis, Karson St. Marie

# Adoration Chapel

The Chapel is open daily 9:30am -9:00pm. Tuesdays it is open 9:30am - 6:00pm.

"Teach me to listen, O Lord, to your

voice; in busyness and in boredom; in certainty and in doubt; in noise and in silence; Teach me O Lord to listen." Amen. John Veltri, SJ

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#### **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

Sunday, Jan. 16 – 9:30 – Religious Education Classes @ FLC Sunday, Jan 16<sup>th</sup> – Noon – Secular Franciscans @FLC Saturday, Jan 22<sup>nd</sup> – 9:30 – Mass for Life, St. Augustine in Montpelier

### **FINANCIAL REPORT**

Fiscal Year: 7/1/21-6/30/22 Budgeted Regular Collection: \$230,000

Weekly Collection Year-to-date Jan 9th: \$134,727.26 Collections & On-line giving Jan 9th: \$3,850.18

**Second Collections:** 

**Jan. 16**<sup>th</sup> – Catholic Education **Jan 23**<sup>rd</sup> – Latin America

Bishop's Annual Appeal 2021

Our Goal: \$68,944.35 – Received to Date: \$46,221.00 or 67%

Christ Our Hope Campaign 2021

Our Goal: \$361,693.00 Pledges & Contrib. to Date: \$86,534.17 or 24%

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul, Corpus Christi

**Conference** offers assistance in the name of Jesus to the needy in our community. To contact us call: Patrick McWilliams: 274-3542; Ann Lovett: 751-8187; the Parish Office: 748-8129. We will arrange a visit to see if we are able to serve you!

"Let us do our duty well; let us go straight to God; let us work to become very humble, very patient, very mortified, and very charitable."

- Vincent de Paul

## Prayer for Healing

Jan. 16 - 8:00 Mass - St. John

Jan. 23 - 9:35 Mass - St. Elizabeth

Jan. 30 - 11:30 Mass - Queen of Peace

Walk with me My Jesus, walk with me today.



Hand in hand, guide me to learn and know what is good. Arm in arm, help me to grow in my faith and in love for others.

Side by side, stay by me to protect me and show me your ways.

Heart to heart, help me to pray and to be all that You want me to be. Thank you Jesus for the special love You have for me, Amen.

The St. Johnsbury Knights of Columbus continued to pay Corpus Christi Parish the rental fee for the Council room and hall used for bingo during the pandemic shut down at a cost of \$500.00 per month for period from March 2020 to August 2020. Bingo is the Council's main source of income and due to the shut down, members voted to meet our rental obligations so the Parish could meet theirs.

VT Proposal 5: The shock of losing lives is lessened when whole groups of people are dehumanized like the Vermont Eugenics Project, the Jews in Germany, Blacks in colonial times, the Tutsis in Rwanda, and the unborn in the modern world.

# St. Nicholas Project

The St. Nicholas Project is an association of Catholics who support the Kurn Hattin Homes for Children in Westminster, VT with material and financial donations. Founded by Fr. Harlow in 2015, we promote the good works of the children's home.

### No More Procrastination!

I was talking today with my 7th and 8th graders at Good Shepherd Catholic School where I teach part-time. At the very end of class, I brought up the topic of New Year's resolutions and they all took turns telling me the areas in their lives where they wanted to improve. I was quite surprised by the answers. The majority of them wanted to stop putting off doing their homework and assignments until the last minute. In other words, they wanted this year to be better than last year by not procrastinating as much!

I know the feeling. We all do. It's part of human nature to avoid unpleasant things in order to pursue more pleasurable things first. With age and experience, one learns not to procrastinate because the "price" of feeling stressed and under pressure (and most likely, doing a poor job in the end) teaches us to do things promptly. The other sad reality I find as I get older, is that if I don't do it immediately (or at least write it down), I am likely to forget about it until the last minute. Then the panic sets end.

Giving a donation to charity can also involve procrastination. We receive an invitation from an organization, we read a blog, or somebody tells us of a donation he or she made and we tell ourselves that we're going to do it, too...later.

Please join my 7th and 8th grade students and make the same New Year's resolution. No more procrastination! Make a donation to the Kurn Hattin Homes for Children to support their care-today. Not tomorrow. Not next week. Because you'll forget! We're all human with many demands on our attention, but when you give today, you will feel the joy today of doing something important and meaningful for the new year! God bless you!



A non-profit organization to help women in crisis. Futures educational arm is as follows: We offer education to teach about healthy relationships as well as over 200 other classes. These include life skill education, birthing, parenting, fatherhood and many others. Futures also offers practical support to people in need.

Please refer us to anyone who may need our services to call anytime of the day or evening. 802-427-4199 or go online to "futurespregnancycare.org" Thank you

# Carpooling to the Right to Life Mass, March and Luncheon Talks in Montpelier on January 22<sup>nd</sup>

To leave from St. John, contact: Carolyn Haggett @ 802-751-5075, haggettskitchen@yahoo.com

**To leave from St. Elizabeth**, contact: Lynn Welch @ 802-467-3019, jerryandlynn74@yahoo.com

**To leave from Queen of Peace**, contact Mary Anne Gummere@ 802-748-3978, masgummere@ charter.net

## Dear Father,

(The following question is from the Corpus Christi Religious Education students):

Q: Why does God allow people to make other religions? A: It is not God's intention to create other religions. He revealed Himself to humanity through a three-fold process: The first was through the natural world, that by creation His children could see the reflection of His beauty, truth and goodness. The second process was through the Jews, the Chosen People, whom He chose to reveal the Messiah (the savior of the world). The third and final process was through Jesus, the Son of God, who entered into the world to speak definitively to the world about God. That is the basis for the Catholic Faith.

Other religions are man's attempts at understanding reality. They are the result of various mythologies attempting to understand the universe and man's place in it. Those religions are ancient and extinct. Other religions are geared more at man's attempt to attain inner peace, e.g, Buddhism, which is a man-made religion. Various breakdowns of Catholicism have occurred since the 16th Century, called Protestantism, which is the result of humans deviating from the tradition of the Catholic Church. Jesus's ultimate prayer, however, is that humanity "may all be one just as He and the Father (and the Holy Spirit) are one" (Jn 17:21)--without these divisions.

### **FOCUS** (Fellowship of Catholic University Students)

I have been supporting Liam Coulter whom I knew from the Cathedral in Burlington, originally from Essex Jct. He is a FOCUS missionary at Columbia University in NYC. He and one of our parishioners, Ethan Roberts, spent Christmas break in Mexico doing missionary work. Ethan wrote:

"Thank you all for your prayers and intentions for me this past week. I just returned from a mission trip and pilgrimage in Mexico City with the Fellowship of Catholic University Students, or "FOCUS".

The trip lasted a total of five days, three of which were not spent traveling. We spent two days with a group called "Hope of the Poor", serving children and families that work and live in the Mexico City dump. It was an amazing opportunity for all of us to encounter Christ in the poor, just as it is stated in the scriptures: "And the King will answer them, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brethren, you did it to me." (Matthew 25:40). The third day was spent on a pilgrimage to see the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe. The entire trip was a life changing experience for me, and I would like to thank you all again for your prayers and intentions in helping it be so impactful. Trust that I will be praying for you all. I am also very grateful to FOCUS for being so generous as to give me the opportunity to participate in this trip. The organization continues to impact the lives of young college students just like my own on a daily basis. In Christ, Ethan"

Milestone Marriage Anniversaries will be celebrated on February 6, 2022, at the Cathedral of St. Joseph in Burlington, with Bishop Coyne. Catholic married couples celebrating milestone anniversaries (e.g. 5, 10, 15, 20...55, 57) in 2022, who wish to be recognized at this Mass should contact Nicole Hamilton t <a href="mailton@vermontcatholic.org">nhamilton@vermontcatholic.org</a> or (802)658-6110, ext. 1131, by January 31, 2022.