THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Fr. Daniel Jordan – Parochial Vicar – 848-7741
George Flower ~ Chair of St. John's Parish Council

This Week's Mass Schedule

January 25 to February 2, 2020

Saturday, January 25 – Conversion of St. Paul
4:00 pm – St. John's – Kelley Ryan — by Corinne Ryan

Sunday, January 26 – Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 am – St. Anthony – A.J. Holzscheiter — by Andrew & Agnes Masson
10:00 am – St. John's – Soul of Rita Reed — by Eric & Amy Beauregard

Monday, January 27 – St. Angela Merici
9:00 am – St. John's – Pauline Weber — by Roger & Helen Parent
10:10 am – Carriage House – Debra Jusick — by Theresa Larivee

Tuesday, January 28 – St. Thomas Aquinas
9:00 am – St. Anthony – Guy Lussier — by Mark Lussier & Family

Wed., Jan. 29
9:00 am – St. John's – Theda Larose — by the Larose Family

Thursday, January 30
NO MASS

Friday, January 31 – St. John Bosco
9:00 AM - St. John's – Alex Mancini — by Bob & June Flaherty

Saturday, February 1
4:00 pm – St. John's – David Roddy — by Andrew & Imogene Rainville

Sunday, February 2 – The Presentation of the Lord
8:00 am – St. Anthony – For the Parishioners
10:00 am – St. John's – David Reed Sr. — by Eric & Amy Beauregard

Please Pray For: Joseph Adams III, Lorraine Bergeron, David Bielicki, John Bielicki, Todd Booker, Sylvia Brouillette, Yvonne Brown, Louise Celentano, Dianna Choquette, Stephen Comeau, Ralph Demers, Zachary Dulude, Daniel Durenleau, Caroline Elkins, John Erno, Elisabeth Erno, Brett Gervais, Khloe Goff, Silas Goodro, Mary Hatch, Josh Hemingway, Jailyn Hoben, Terri Hyden, George Kane, Sharyn Kane, Diane Theresa Laroche, Bernadette Larose, Raymond Larose, Asher Lawrence, William LeClair, Sr., Dennis Loiselle, John Loiselle, James Longe, Phyllis Lumbra, Patricia Mann, Jake Martin, Tina Martin, Brian Mayotte, Daniel Menard, Kim Messier, Corey Miner, Pauline Myott, Ryan Noel, Norman Ovitt, Jared Paquette, James & Jan Parcell, Scott Patterson, Virginia Patterson, Francine Perkins, Adele Petersohn, David Petersohn, Lily Polczynski, Joel Rasco, Adam Reed, Donald Reed, Georgette Roddy, Rosemary Rogers, Chris Rondeau, Francine Roy, Jennifer Smart, Christine Snider, Therese Snider, Alene Spiekermann, Kimberly Stevens, Kenny Tessier, Amanda Testa, Tim Tillinghast, Suzanne LaBelle Tracy, Leo West Jr., Gideon Whitehead, Susan Whitney, Patricia Young, for a parishioner, for Expectant Mothers, and for all those who are homebound, in nursing homes, suffering from cancer and other diseases and for those serving in our Military Services.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of recently deceasedPenny L'Esperance and for all the souls of the faithful departed. May they rest in peace.

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS FOR JANUARY 19th:

ST. JOHN'S: *($1,810.00 needed weekly)*

Sunday Collection:	$1,155.00	Catholic Education:	$343.00
Capital Savings:	4.00	Holy Day:	20.00

ST. ANTHONY: *($753.00 needed weekly)*

Sunday Offering:	$299.00	Catholic Education:	$296.00
Energy & Improve.:	5.00	Initial Offering:	5.00
Votive Candles:	57.00		

ST. MARY: *($335.00 needed weekly)*
Sunday Offering: $55.00

SECOND COLLECTIONS
This Weekend: Church in Latin America
Next Weekend: Capital Savings & Energy & Improvements

Liturgical Ministers Schedules

Altar Servers	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Offertory
Saturday, January 25, 4:00pm (St. John's):			
Michael K Gwendalynn V	Rachael Keyser	George F Karoline F Robert T	Ryans
Sunday, January 26, 8:00am (St. Anthony):			
Abi D Noah D	Marie Brouillette	George F Sarah R	Massons
Sunday, January 26, 10:00am (St. John's):			
Megan G Ella L	Michaella Vidal	George F Richard H Pat H	Beauregards
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Saturday, February 1, 4:00pm (St. John's):			
Chloe H Mya R	Melissa Hurtubise	George F Jeremy H Robert T	Roddys
Sunday, February 2, 8:00am (St. Anthony):			
Noah D Abi D	Agnes Masson	George F Norman G	Chosen
Sunday, February 2, 10:00am (St. John's):			
Lewis H Kaylee H	Shawna Lovelette	George F Barb P Lise C	Beauregards

Readings for next weekend (February 2 #1031 Year A in Missal):

Malachi 3:1-4 — **Psalm 24:7, 8, 9, 10**
Hebrews 2:14-18 — **Luke 2:22-40**

PARISH EVENTS THIS WEEK:

-Sun, January 26 – Religion Classes
-Tues, January 28 – Rosary following Mass at St. Anthony
-Thurs, January 30 – St. John's Choir Practice @ 7:30 pm.
-Fri, January 31 – Adoration following the 9AM Mass at St. John's until noon.

Coming Events:
-Sun, February 2 – Coffee Hour at St. Anthony following 8am Mass
-Thurs, February 6 – RCIA @ All Saints @ 7:00 PM

World Marriage Day Mass with Bishop Coyne

Married couples celebrating milestone anniversaries (e.g. 5, 10, 15, 20…55, 57) who wish to be recognized at the Diocese Anniversary Mass at the Cathedral of St. Joseph in Burlington on February 2, 2020, at the 10:00am mass. Please contact Valerie Parzyck at (802)658-6110 Ext. 1131 or vparzyck@vermontcatholic.org to register. (include couples names, anniversary year being celebrated, date married, and where married -church w/ location) by Monday, January 27. Senior couples who are unable to attend can be recognized with a certificate. Requests need be submitted by parish staff, with the same information listed above and sent to Valerie Parzyck. The certificate will be mailed to the parish, to honor this couple locally.

Bequests in Support of Your Church

Remember your Church in your final plans, in your Last Will and Testament. A bequest is a wonderful way to express gratitude to God for a lifetime of blessings! The gift you give established a lasting legacy of love for others by helping the Church to continue our Catholic heritage through its good works. Leaving money to your parish in your will is not taxable and 100 percent goes to the parish. Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Fr. Stan,sse

SLIDING PARTY
At the Home of
Cedric & Theresa Snider
Sunday, February 16th
at 1:00 pm
Hot dogs and refreshments provided
Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus
All are Welcome!!!

Bingo to be held Saturday, February 1 at All Saints Parish Hall in Richford. Doors open at11:00AM, games start at 1:00PM. Refreshments and pull tickets will be available. All proceeds benefit "Coats for Kids".

St. Valentine's Day Italian Dinner Fundraiser
Sunday, February 9, 2020 @ Noon
Sacred Heart Parish Hall in Troy
Celebrate St. Valentine's Day
with Great Music, Food, & Friends.
Adults $10, Children age 6-12 $5, Age 5 and under eat Free
Live Music Provided by: Janet Lussier, Friends & Drifters
50/50 Raffle ~ Silent Auction Items
Sponsored by the Ladies of the Sacred Heart
Benefit the Parish Buildings Maintenance Fund

3rd Annual Diocesan Men's Conference

Saturday, March 28th, 2020 at St. Anthony's Church - White River Junction. The Keynote speaker is retired Air Force Captain, Guy Gruters. Guy is a decorated Vietnam War veteran who spend 5 ½ years as a POW in Vietnam, and a lifetime Catholic. Other speakers will include Msgr. John McDermott and Paul Kendall. There will also be opportunities for confession, Eucharistic Adoration, lunch, fellowship, and Mass with Bishop Coyne. Register at: www.vermontcatholic.org/men

Faith. Academics. Service.
Catholic Schools

This week is Catholic Schools Week. Please remember to pray for the Catholic Schools of our Diocese and the teachers who give ofthemselves to teach our children.

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RELIGIOUS Education

Sundays 8:30 – 9:45 am ~ All Grades
January 26 – Class
February 2 – Class
Like us on Facebook at St. John the Baptist Religious Ed.
Please contact Laurie Oliver with questions: 524-9606, quiltermom106@gmail.com

JAN. 31ST: ST. JOHN BOSCO

St. John Bosco's theory of education could well be used in today's schools. It was a preventive system, rejecting corporal punishment and placing students in surroundings removed from the likelihood of committing sin. He advocated frequent reception of the sacraments of Penance and Holy Communion. He combined catechetical training and fatherly guidance, seeking to unite the spiritual life with one's work, study and play.

Encouraged during his youth to become a priest so he could work with young boys, he was ordained in 1841. His service to young people started when he met a poor orphan and instructed him in preparation for receiving Holy Communion. He then gathered young apprentices and taught them catechism.

After serving as chaplain in a hospice for working girls, he opened the Oratory of St. Francis de Sales for boys. Several wealthy and powerful patrons contributed money, enabling him to provide two workshops for the boys, shoemaking and tailoring.

By 1856, the institution had grown to 150 boys and had added a printing press for publication of religious and catechetical pamphlets. Due to his interest in vocational education and publishing he is patron of young apprentices and Catholic publishers.

St. John's preaching fame spread and by 1850 he had trained his own helpers because of difficulties in retaining young priests. In 1854 he and his followers informally banded together, inspired by St. Francis de Sales [January 24].

With Pope Pius IX's encouragement, he gathered 17 men and founded the Salesians in 1859. Their activity concentrated on education and mission work. Later, he organized a group of Salesian Sisters to assist girls.

The following prayer is by St. Thomas Aquinas, for after Communion. In it we feel his ardent desire for the soul-cleansing power of the Eucharist. He once said that "in this Sacrament venial sins are purged away, strength renewed, and the mind fortified with generous spiritual gifts." This great 13th Century "Angelic Doctor" also expresses here his deep desire that Holy Communion may aid him on his journey towards Eternal Life and help him to experience joy that "no one shall take from you" (John 16:22), as our Lord called it when speaking to His disciples at the Last Supper.

I thank You, Lord, Almighty Father, Everlasting God, for having been pleased, through no merit of mine, but of Your great mercy alone, to feed me, a sinner, and Your unworthy servant, with the precious Body and Blood of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. I pray that this Holy Communion may not be for my judgment and condemnation, but for my pardon and salvation. Let this Holy Communion be to me an armor of faith and a shield of good will, a cleansing of all vices, and a rooting out of all evil desires. May it increase love and patience, humility and obedience, and all virtues. May it be a firm defense against the evil designs of all my visible and invisible enemies, a perfect quieting of all the desires of soul and body. May this Holy Communion bring about a perfect union with You, the one true God, and at last enable me to reach eternal bliss when You will call me. I pray that You bring me, a sinner, to the indescribable Feast where You, with Your Son and the Holy Spirit, are to Your saints true light, full blessedness, everlasting joy, and perfect happiness. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Catholic Schools Week

Nearly 1.8 million students are currently educated in 6,352 Catholic schools in cities, suburbs, small towns and rural communities around the country. Students receive an education that helps them become critical thinkers, strong communicators and active members of society, thus equipping them for higher education, a competitive work environment, and most importantly, living a Christian life of virtue in a challenging society.

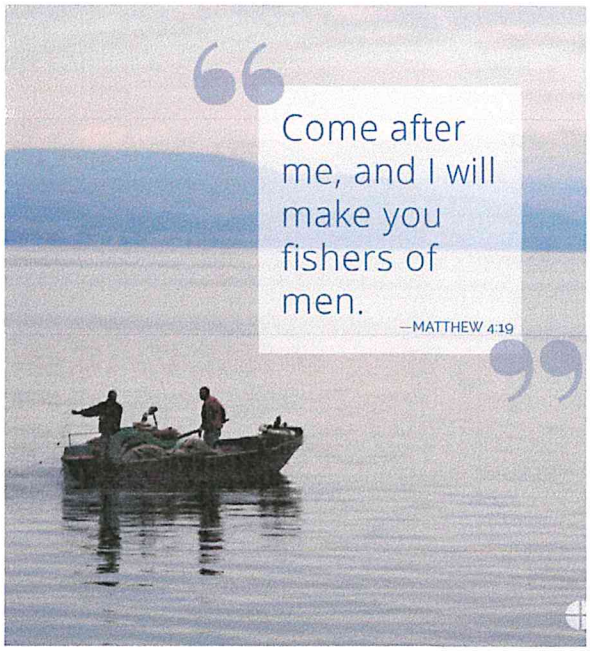
In honor of Catholic Schools Week, we offer this *Prayer for Teachers.*

Lord God,
your spirit of wisdom fills the earth
and teaches us your ways.

Look upon these teachers.
Let them strive to share their knowledge with
gentle patience
and endeavor always to bring the truth to
eager minds.

Grant that they may follow Jesus Christ,
the way, the truth, and the life,
forever and ever.
R/. Amen.

—from *Catholic Household Blessings and Prayers*



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Saint Thomas Aquinas

DATES: 1225-1274
FEAST DAY–JANUARY 28

Thomas so shocked his noble Italian family when he entered the Dominicans about 1244 that his brothers imprisoned him for a year. But he would not yield, and studied under St. Albert the Great, becoming a master of theology in 1256. For the rest of his brief life, the "dumb ox," as he was dubbed, taught, preached and wrote, producing the monumental "Summa Theologica." His thinking became enormously influential in later centuries and he was named a Doctor of the Church in 1567.

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NEWS FROM
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January 25–31, 2020
FOR THE DIOCESE OF BURLINGTON

'Stories from the Domestic Church'

Celebrate Marriage – The Domestic Church

World Marriage Day, part of National Marriage Week, is one opportunity to support and promote marriage and the family (the domestic Church). The focus on building a culture of life and love begins with supporting marriage and the family. The Diocese of Burlington will celebrate World Marriage Day 2020 with Bishop Christopher Coyne on Sunday, Feb. 2, at the 10 a.m. Mass at St. Joseph Cathedral in Burlington.

In Vermont, those celebrating milestone anniversaries each year (for example: 5, 10, 15…55 or more years) are invited to this special Mass with their families. A reception will follow in the parish hall.

Catholic married couples are invited to register through the Office of Evangelization and Catechesis, Marriage and Family Life at tmccormack@vermontcatholic.org or: **vermontcatholic.org/event/world-marriage-day-anniversary-mass/** by Jan. 28.

In addition, parishes are encouraged to honor and celebrate marriage anniversaries on the following Sunday, Feb. 9, with their parish priest.

These marriages are inspirational examples for our Vermont communities and reflect the commitment of God's divine love, demonstrating the beauty of their faithfulness, sacrifice and joy in daily married life.

"It's not love that keeps your marriage alive.
It's marriage that keeps your love alive."

— Dietrich Bonhoeffer, writing to a young bride and groom from his prison cell in Nazi Germany 1943

The marriages honored are a response to God's call to grow together, where couples bring love to maturity and celebrate this earthly grace. We can be encouraged by witnessing the common joys of their love, their patience, kindness and forgiveness they ask and share with each other in their daily lives.

Congratulations to these couples celebrating milestone anniversaries; let their love bear witness to God's faithful love and a little bit of heaven on Earth through their marriage covenant.

— ***Terri McCormack, diocesan coordinator of marriage and family life tmccormack@vermontcatholic.org***

Prayer for Married Couples

Almighty and eternal God,

You blessed the union of married couples so that they might reflect the union of Christ with His Church: Look with kindness on them.

Renew their marriage covenant, increase your love in them and strengthen their bond of peace so that, with their children, they may always rejoice in the gift of your blessing.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

01|27 MONDAY
Series on the Saints: St. Teresa, The Little Flower
Holy Family, Essex Junction • 7 - 8:30 pm
In the second of our Series on the Saints, Monsignor Richard Lavalley will give a presentation on St. Teresa of Lisieux, the "Little Flower."

01|29 WEDNESDAY
St. Francis Xavier Open House
St. Francis Xavier School, Winooski
8:30 am - 1:30 pm
St. Francis Xavier offers strong academics, a vibrant community and a supportive, faith-filled environment for students. Walk-ins are welcome, but RSVPs are encouraged by calling (802) 655-2600 or emailing info@sfxvt.org. For more information: sfxvt.org.

01|30 THURSDAY
Christ the King Open House
Christ the King School, Burlington • 5:30 - 7:30 pm
Teachers will be present and classrooms will be open with student work displayed. Guests will have the opportunity to explore the school, ask questions and get a feel for some of the great activities and learning opportunities that make CKS such a special place. RSVP by contacting admissions@cksvt.org or calling (802) 862-6696.

01|31 FRIDAY
Rice Prospective Parent Coffee
Rice Memorial High School, Burlington
8 am - 9:30 am
It's never too soon to start thinking about high school. Find out more about Rice by having breakfast and chatting with the Rice Admissions team. Then drop in to live classrooms and watch our teachers in action! Space is limited. To reserve your spot, please RSVP at https://rmhsvt.schooladminonline.com/portal/public_calendars/parent_coffee

01|31, 02|01, 02 FRI, SAT, SUN
Discernment in Daily Life
Our Lady of Life Spiritual Center, St-Paul-d'Abbotsford, QC
Retreat for students and young professionals, 18-35 years old, with teaching given in French/English *(simultaneous translation as needed)* by a team of Our Lady of Life members.

02|01 SATURDAY
Our Lady of Fatima Devotions
Holy Family, Essex Junction • 8 - 9:30 am
First Saturday of every month, come to Our Lady of Fatima Devotions.

02|01 SATURDAY
French Canadian Dinner
Our Lady of the Holy Rosary, Richmond • 5 - 7 pm
Delicious homemade cuisine: pea soup, tourtiere (meat) pie, mashed potatoes, rolls, desserts, beverages.

02|02 SUNDAY
World Marriage Day Anniversary Mass
St. Joseph Cathedral, Burlington • 10 - 11 am
Join us as we celebrate World Marriage Day by honoring in a special way those celebrating a milestone wedding anniversary. Mass with Bishop Christopher Coyne.

02|02 SUNDAY
Eucharistic Healing Service
Cathedral of St Joseph, Burlington • 3 - 4 pm
Eucharistic Holy Hour Healing Service with individual prayers, and the Divine Mercy Chaplet with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Everybody is invited for the Holy Hour or to be prayed over if sick.

02|03 MONDAY
Series on the Saints: Brother Dutton of Stowe
Holy Family, Essex Junction • 7 - 8:30 pm
In the third of our Series on the Saints, Msgr Peter Routhier will give a presentation on Brother Dutton of Stowe, Vermont, whose cause for canonization is now being considered.

02|08 SATURDAY
K of C Fundraising Dinner
Holy Cross, Colchester • 6:30 pm
Roast beef and ham dinner, door prizes and 50/50 raffle. For tickets call: (802) 862-7383.

02|11 TUESDAY
Winter Rosary
UVM Catholic Center, Burlington • 5 - 7 pm
Adoration, Holy Mass and Rosary, with the special prayer intention for students and young adults who are the victims of suicide and the family members who grieve their loss. Hosted by the World Apostolate of Fatima.

02|26 WEDNESDAY
Ash Wednesday
Come to Mass and receive your ashes!

02|22 & 03|21 SATURDAYS
Marriage Preparation Retreats
10 am - 5:30 pm
Spend time in prayer, sharing and fellowship with your fiance and other engaged couples. February 22 at Sacred Heart St. Francis de Sales Parish Hall, Bennington, and March 21 is at Blessed Sacrament in Stowe.

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