

Next Sunday's Readings First Sunday of Lent – Deuteronomy 26:4-10 (24C); 91:1-2, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15; Romans 10:8-13; Luke 4:1-13

Mass & Intentions February 26 - March 6							
Sat.	26	3:15	p.m.	St. Norbert	Reconciliation		
Sat.		4:00	p.m.	St. Norbert	Jorge Anwanter (anniversary remembrance) by		
					Lucia Murphy		
Sun.	27	8:30	a.m.	St. Norbert	Parishioners Living & Deceased		
		10:30	a.m.	St. Michael	Mary McKay by Marc & Doris DeLaricheliere		
Mon.	28				NO MASS		
Tue.	1	4:00	p.m.	St. Norbert			
Wed.	2	8:30	a.m.	St. Norbert	Ash Wednesday		
		5:30	p.m.	St. Michael	•		
Thu.	3	8:30	a.m.	St. Norbert			
Fri.	4	5:30	p.m.	St. Norbert	Stations of the Cross & Mass		
Sat.	5	4:00	p.m.	St. Norbert	Elaine Hill by Dan & Robin Gauthier		
Sun.	6	8:30	a.m.	St. Norbert	Parishioners Living & Deceased		
		10:30	a.m.	St. Michael	Souls in Purgatory		

Rice Bowls

Join our parish community and nearly 14,000 Catholic communities across the U.S. in a life changing Lenten journey with CRS Rice Bowl. Pick up your family's Rice Bowl in the church lobby or the back of the church. Remember what you give up for Lent changes lives.

Next week's second collection: Black & Native American Missions

Our goal each week is to collect \$2,756.25 in ordinary income to meet our expenses.

	Feb. 19 & Feb. 20
Offertory	\$1,079.00
All Other Revenue	45.00
Total	\$1,124.00

Donations/offerings can be made online by visiting our website and accessing the DONATION button at the top of our website.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE KICK-OFF RALLY, SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 27[™], 1 PM St. Monica Church, Barre

Learn more, sign up for vigil hours and pick up campaign materials.

Vígíl starts Wednesday, March 2nd, 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM.

Continues 40 days until Sunday, April 10th.

Mass Count Feb. 19 & Feb. 20

SN	4:00 p.m.	[24]
SN	8:30 a.m.	[25]
SM	10:30 a.m.	[30]

Ash Wednesday, March 2nd.

On Ash Wednesday there will be two Masses celebrated that day. 8:30 AM at St. Norbert's and 5:30 PM at St. Michael's.

During the Lenten Season on Fridays instead of having Mass at 8:30 in the morning, it will take place at 5:30 PM, and prior to Mass we will have the Stations of the Cross.

Guidelines for Lent

- The time of Lent is to be observed by Catholics as a special season of prayer, penance and works of charity.
- <u>Ash Wednesday</u> and <u>Good Friday</u>, in particular, are the most important penitential days of the liturgical year. <u>They are days of both fast and abstinence</u>. <u>All</u> Fridays in Lent are days of abstinence.
- The rule of <u>fasting</u> 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 rule of abstinence binds all Catholics 14 years or older.

Ash Wednesday Almsgiving Collection March 2

There will be a special collection on Ash Wednesday to support Vermont Catholic Charities. This agency provides financial and emotional support to individuals and families throughout Vermont through the programs offered which include Counseling, Emergency Aid, Prison Ministry, and Residential Care Homes. Donations can be made through our website https://www.vermontcatholic.org/ministries-programs/catholic-charities/ash-wednesday-apppeal/ or by mailing a check to Vermont Catholic Charities, 55 Joy Drive, South Burlington, VT 05403. Please know that every gift – whatever the size- makes a difference. Thank you for your generosity.

Diocesan Men's Conference

Saturday, March 19th from 9:00 AM to 2:15 PM, at Our Lady of Angels in Randolph. The theme this year is band of brothers. The deadline to register is March 4th. For more information or to register please go to *vermontcatholic.org/men*.

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