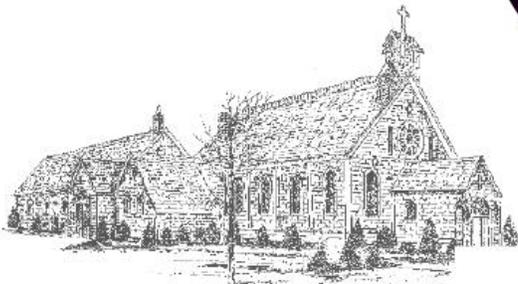


Church Bulletin for March 6th, 2022



***Church of the
Annunciation***
Ludlow, VT



Holy Name Of Mary
Proctorsville, VT

Father Thomas Mosher, Pastor

Lord's Day Mass Schedule

Saturday.....4:30 P.M.
Sunday..... 8:00 A.M. & 10:00 A.M.

Holy Days and Daily Masses: As scheduled in the bulletin

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 3:45 to 4:15 P.M.
Tuesday 6:00 to 7:00 P.M.

Sacraments of Baptism and Marriage: By appointment
Sacrament of the Sick: Please call Father Mosher at 802-228-3451

New Parishioners: Welcome! *Please pick up the registration forms at the Church entry ways, fill in your information and mail to the Parish office.*

PARISH OFFICE HOURS
Monday, Wednesday, Friday
8:30am—12:30pm

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ANNOUNCED MASSES FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY	March 5
4:30PM	Pro Populo
SUNDAY	March 6
8:00AM	Daniel O'Rourke <i>By Bill and Anne Cherico</i>
10:00AM	Alan Stretton <i>By Martha Stretton</i>
MONDAY	March 7
8:00AM	Special Intention for the McHugh family
TUESDAY	March 8
5:30PM	Harriet LaTulippe
WEDNESDAY	March 9
8:00AM	B.J. Stewart <i>By the family</i>
THURSDAY	March 10
NO MASS	
FRIDAY	March 11
8:00AM	For the conversion of sinners
SATURDAY	March 12
4:30PM	B.J. Stewart <i>By Annette Doucette</i>
SUNDAY	March 13
8:00AM	Maurice Doucette and B.J. Stewart <i>By Diane and Paul Deegan</i>
10:00AM	Pro Populo

Please pray for our Sick Members*

Jack Miller, Mike Ahern, Mary Pat Mulholland, Bill Rodd, Mike Mineo, Gene Tofferi, John Huffstedler, Mary Margaret Hyland, Ron Bixby, Bob Higgins



Please remember our Faithful Departed

Mildred Cutrufello, Lawrence Noonan, Jim Hasson, Rita Higgins, B.J. Stewart, Jeannie Findling, Jennie Kolenda, Daniel Adler, Robert Martin, Jack Collins

*If you would like a name added or removed from the above lists, please let the Parish Office know via email or phone.

Lectors

This weekend: T. Kelly, D. Simmons, J. McLaughlin

Next Weekend: I. Montgomery, R. Gylys, D. Dunseith

Ushers

This weekend: B. Brzoza, D. Sheehan, J. Nicoll, T. Gurdak-Carter

Next weekend: B. Brzoza, D. Sheehan, J. Nicoll, T. Gurdak-Carter

Eucharistic Ministers

This weekend: S. Bixby, D. Simmons, C. Hudgings

Next weekend: C. Hudgings, M. Barton, S. Bixby

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

We will have Stations of the Cross on Friday afternoons at 3:00 this Lent. Our last observance will be Friday, April 8th.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY DINNER

CANCELLED

ANNUAL VERMONT CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE

Saturday, March 19th 9:00AM- 2:00PM

Our Lady of Angels, Randolph, VT

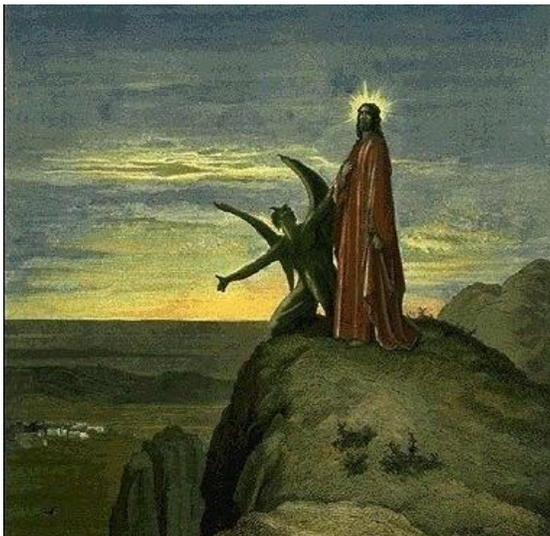
Keynote speaker: Father Scott Gratton, Pastor, Captain, Vermont Army National Guard recently back from deployment in middle east

Mass with Bishop Christopher Coyne

For information/registration: vermontcatholic.org/men

Parish Support—February 27th

	ABVM	HNM
Sunday	\$1,770	\$739
Church in Central and Eastern Europe	\$575	\$294
Second Collection for Next Week:		
Fuel		



HOW TO PUT OUR PARISH IN YOUR WILL

After providing for your families and loved ones, parishioners may want to include the Parish in your wills, thus helping to assure the long-term future of the Parish and the work that must continue in generations to come. Bequests are free of estate tax and can substantially reduce the amount of your assets claimed by the government. You can give needed support to either of our Parishes by simply including the following words in your will: "I give, devise and bequeath to Church of the Annunciation Parish Charitable Trust in Ludlow, Vermont... or... Holy Name of Mary Parish Charitable Trust in Proctorsville, Vermont (insert amount being given here) to be used to support the ministry of the Parish". A bequest can be a specific amount, a specific piece of property, a percentage of an estate, or all or part of the residue of an estate. You can also name the Parish as a contingency beneficiary in the event someone named in your will is no longer living. It is recommended that a lawyer help in drafting or amending a will.



From Father's Desk

In the Rule he composed for monastic life, Saint Benedict wrote: "The life of a monk ought to be a continuous Lent. Since few, however, have the strength for this, we urge the entire community during these days of Lent to keep its manner of life most pure, and to wash away in this holy season the negligence of other times."

I would fear that attempting a perpetual Lent would make a person dour in the expression of Faith. Forty days seems plenty of time to assess and address "the negligence of other times." But Saint Benedict's Rule has value for individual Christians, whatever their status, and for the entire Church: for a way of life practiced not only in Lent, but as an ongoing conversion toward deeper love of God by addressing sin seriously in the present moment... and in the moments of life to come. Going it alone, with an overblown expectation of attaining sainthood in six weeks, however, will never get us there. But, supporting one another visibly by attending an extra weekday Mass, or Stations of the Cross, or the Lenten Reconciliation Service, can give witness to the struggle that growth in holiness requires, and can become a source of encouragement for those who dread the Season, or fear they will fail its spirit. There is, indeed, strength in numbers.

Lent provides a preparation for Easter: for the liturgical Feast with the beautiful music and decoration, yes, but more so for an interior preparation necessary to perhaps hear the stories of the Lord's Passion, Death and Resurrection with a new attentiveness, born of some ascetical practices in which we clear out some of the clutter of contemporary life. Asceticism is not an end in itself. We engage in various spiritual-over-physical practices in order to begin a path to renewal within the Faith that can become as dormant as the winter flora around us, re-awakening, or bringing to the fore, a faith we know is there, but has perhaps diminished in priority in our daily living.

In the Confessional we speak of a firm purpose of amendment, which defines the penitential spirit of Lent. With the help of God's grace, we hope to rectify what can and must be corrected for growth in faith and in charity. Examining attitudes, speech and behavior that might seem inconsequential could have considerable importance for ourselves and for others. Growth in our love for God is the ultimate goal here, yet this love can spill over into love for others, which could address those sins most frequently heard in the Confessional: judgmentalism, impatience, uncharitable speech/gossip. I would suggest two spiritual exercises that could act as bookends for the beginning and ending of our days in Lent. In your morning prayer, ask God, "Lord, how do you want me to love you today?" And then at night, ask, "Lord, how did you attempt to break into my consciousness today?"

Consider going to Confession this Lent, especially if it's been a long while since you've been. We have Confession scheduled twice a week, on Tuesday evenings and Saturday afternoons. Or plan to attend the Deanery-wide Reconciliation Service, scheduled for Sunday, March 27th, at 3:00 in the afternoon at St. Mary's in Springfield. There will be extra priests present for hearing Confessions. Finally, a sincere Examination of Conscience can serve to encourage you to partake of the Sacrament. And consider this bit of advice given by my Mother to her sons: "You should probably get to Confession more frequently than you do... because you're probably not as holy as you think you are."

Monthly Food Collection

This weekend is our monthly collection of food for our local Foodshelf. Non-perishable items may be left in the basket at the church doors. Our neighbors in need will be most appreciative.



Responsorial Psalm

R. Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble.

Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through Him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation He came down from heaven,

(Here we bow for the next line.)

... And by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake, He was crucified under Pontius Pilate, He suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and His kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the Prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church, I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayer to Saint Michael



Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, thrust into Hell Satan and the other evil spirits who prowl about the world for the ruin of souls. Amen.