

Church Bulletin for February 5th, 2023



***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 4:15pm
Tuesday 6:00 to 7:00pm

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 4:30PM	February 4 Pro Populo
SUNDAY 8:00AM	February 5 Robert Raymond Kirkbride <i>By Martha Chessie</i>
10:00AM	Virginia Gurdak
MONDAY 8:00AM	February 6 Tom Naclerio <i>By Jim Parrish</i>
TUESDAY 5:30PM	February 7 Healing for Plato Stoukas <i>By Paul and Clorinda Noonan</i>
WEDNESDAY 8:00AM	February 8 Healing for Robert Paul
THURSDAY NO MASS	February 9
FRIDAY 8:00AM	February 10 Maureen Ostermann <i>By Lindsay Grattan</i>
SATURDAY 4:30PM	February 11 Pro Populo
SUNDAY 8:00AM	February 12 Howard Barton, Jr. <i>By Howard and Mary Barton</i>
10:00AM	Nancy Joyce <i>Love, Gerri and Dan Schnobrich</i>

Please pray for our Sick Members*

Jack Miller, Mike Ahern, Bill Rodd, Mike Mineo,
Gene Tofferi, John Huffstedler, Mary Riley



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, Connie Choiniere,
Izolina Gyls, Frank Edden, Benjamin Troxell III, Mary Pat
Mulholland, Tom Naclerio, Nancy Joyce

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

Parish Support—January 29th

	<u>ABVM</u>	<u>HNH</u>
Sunday	\$2,106	\$514



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.



You're invited to participate in the 40 Days for Life cam-
paign, 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abor-
tion, February 22 – April 2. You're also invited to stand
and peacefully pray during a 40-day vigil in the public
right-of-way on the sidewalk across from Planned
Parenthood, 11 Burnham Ave, Rutland, and to help
spread the word about this important community out-
reach. Visit 40daysforlife.com/rutland or contact Kerri
Polli at klpolli@comcast.net, (802) 345-8775 for more
information.

Lectors

This weekend: I. Montgomery, D. Dunseith, R. Gyls

Next weekend: T. Kelly, P. Daddona, J. McLaughlin

Ushers

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

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Eucharistic Ministers

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

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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 genera-
tions 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 recom-
mended that a lawyer help in drafting or amending a will.



From Father's Desk

I received a seed catalogue along with a gift certificate for my Birthday last month. The catalogue has 100 pages, and I see at least two or three plants on each page that would look good in our gardens. Hmmm... what to do? I try not to

drool on the catalogue as I page through it, but the plethora of form and color piques my interest, especially when looking out the window, and all I see is white, white, white everywhere. The January seed and plant catalogues, along with my quarterly magazine "Fine Gardening," offer a sense of renewal and reminder that, even as long as Winter is here in these Green Mountains, Spring is sure to follow.

Down in Mexico, February 2nd has a tri-fold character: They know nothing of our Groundhog Day, but the Feast of the Lord's Presentation is united with *Candelaria* (our Candlemas Day) and the official beginning of Spring planting. While *Viejitas*, (little old ladies) sell candles in front of churches in preparation for their blessing on the Feast Day, there are loads of flower vendors displaying their wares in the park in San Miguel de Allende, where I will travel the end of this month. Purchase what you want in the park, and a strong young fellow will follow you home with a wheelbarrow in this hilly town, and will plant your purchase for a modest fee. Certainly worth it to me.

The official First Day of Spring is six weeks away, but that's for more temperate climates. Vermont's First Day of Spring will occur sometime in June or July or thereafter, so, it's good that we have Easter to quench our floral thirst before then. Sometimes, while sitting in the church, I look up from my prayer book to imagine the church décor for Easter: what colors we might use... how many Lilies I might manage to squeeze into the Sanctuary... what bit of whimsy might be added to balance and lighten-up the elegance. I try to do something at least slightly different each year, so I'll keep studying the possibilities.

In the rectory I have a few blooming plants to chase away the gloom of February: a little pot of Orchids in the Living Room... a bright yellow Mum in the Library... and some Pussy Willows in the front hall, which are a little early as a harbinger of Spring, but I found them at the Home Depot while shopping for some needed extension cords, and thought if I left them there for later, they'd be gracing someone else's home when I return. There is still one small, die-hard Poinsettia blooming on Lindsay's desk. Man was created in the Garden of Eden, so it's no wonder that this particular man feels such a strong draw to flowers and gardening. The liturgical season of Lent is nearly upon us, with its prohibition of ecclesial decoration. However, I'm already planning something nice for the twin feasts of Saint Joseph's Day and the Annunciation, when flowers are permitted. Hmmm...



Responsorial Psalm

R. The just man is a light in darkness to the upright.

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.