

SAINT AUGUSTINE PARISH

16 Barre Street • Montpelier, Vermont 05602



PASTORAL STAFF

Pastor: Rev. Fr. Patrick J. Forman
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MASS INTENTIONS

Requests for Mass Intentions should be made in person at the Rectory office, or by phone.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Weddings: Contact Pastor before setting a date; minimum six months notice.
Baptisms: By appointment; please call the rectory.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Please notify us of people who are ill and/or hospitalized. We will respond as soon as possible.

WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS & GUESTS

We are delighted that you have joined our parish family. As we worship together, we hope you will feel at home here. We invite you to participate in the many parish ministries that provide opportunities for prayer, service and outreach.

Being inspired by the Gospel to live with faith, hope and love, we aspire to build God's Kingdom.

By registering as a parish member, we can get to know and serve you better.

Please register by calling the rectory at 802-223-5285, or email staugustineoffice@comcast.net

MASS SCHEDULE

ST. AUGUSTINE - Montpelier

Saturday: 5:15 pm
Sunday: 9:15 am
Mon, Tues, Fri: 8:15 am
Wednesday: 12:10 pm
Thursday: No Mass

Please see inside bulletin for exceptions/changes

Holy Days and Holidays

Please see Mass schedule inside bulletin.

CONFESSIONS

Friday: 8:45-9:45 am (during Holy Hour)

Saturday: 4:30-5:00 pm
(or by appointment)

ST. AUGUSTINE OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Wednesday: 8:00am - 5:00pm
Thursday: 8:00am - 4:00pm
Friday: 8:00am - 12:00pm

(Monday - Thursday: Closed Noon-1:00)

Saturday-Sunday

RECTORY OFFICE CLOSED

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

DRE/PCL: CJ Flynn

Grades K-6: Sunday 10:30-11:30am

R.C.I.A.

A program for those interested in becoming Catholic and Catholics who would like to learn more about their faith.

With Fr. Robert Murphy

Wednesdays 7:00pm-8:30pm † September - April
Alternating weekly between St. Augustine and St. Monica

EMMAUS JOURNEY

Exploring the Christian Faith Vision
Adult Continuing Education

With Dcn Regis Cummings and Joseph Gainza
Thursdays 6:30-8PM on Zoom † September-April

February 18, 2024 First Sunday in Ordinary Time

READING 1 Genesis 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18
RESPONSORIAL PSALM Psalms 116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19
READING 2 Romans 8:31b-34
GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Cf. Matthew 17:5
GOSPEL Mark 9:2-10

LITURGY

Feb 25
2nd Sunday
of
Lent

ANNOUNCED MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, Feb 17 The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order

5:15 PM Joseph & Nellie Ziter
by Wayne & Maryann Breer

Sunday, Feb 18 - 1st Sunday of Lent

9:15 AM Anthony Low by Denise & Wayne King

Monday, Feb 19

8:15 AM Edna & Lou Moro by Dcn Ges & Loretta

Tuesday, Feb 20

8:15 AM Elizabeth & Conrad Blouin by Family

Wednesday, Feb 21 Saint Peter Damian, Bishop

12:10 PM All Parishioners of St. Augustine

Thursday, Feb 22 The Chair of Saint Peter, the Apostle

NO MASS

Friday, Feb 23 Saint Polycarp, Bishop

8:15 AM Alice Smith by Denise & Wayne King

Saturday, Feb 24

5:15 PM Matthew Netti

Sunday, Feb 25- 2nd Sunday of Lent

9:15 AM Merle Wayne Young, Sr.

IMPORTANT DATES

Mon, Feb 19 - Finance Committee Meeting 5:30pm

Wed, Feb 21- LOTW Group 5:00-7:00pm

Fri, Feb 23 - **Stations of the Cross 7:00pm**

Next Week

Wed, Feb 28 - RCIA 7:00pm St. Augustine Rectory

Fri, Mar 1 - **Stations of the Cross 7:00pm**

Birthday Blessings

February 17 William Callnan
February 17 Thomas Vivian
February 17 Fr. Richard Calapan
February 17 Mary Cain
February 18 Casey Flynn
February 21 Ella Burnham
February 22 Dorothy Canas
February 22 Mary Bashara
February 22 Clara Luna Wilder
February 23 Rose Doyle
February 24 Simone Fitzgerald
February 24 John Weaver
February 24 Patrick White
February 25 Douglas Burnham
February 25 Grace Acosta
February 26 Charlie Pelletier
February 27 Brian Cain
February 29 Dale Stafford

March 1 Stephen Pembroke
March 1 Colin Joseph Schneider
March 2 Bill Basa

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Stations of the Cross started Friday, February 16 and will continue on Fridays at 7:00pm through Lent.



Support for

	Feb 11
Online Giving:	\$ 682.00
Saint A. Offertory:	\$ 1,777.00
Building & Grounds:	\$ 1,025.00
Cemetery:	\$
Fuel:	\$ 11.00
Religious Ed:	\$ 45.00
School:	\$ 7.00
Soup Kitchen:	\$ 75.00
Vigil Candles:	\$ 20.00
Non-Off. Misc. Donations:	\$ 90.00
Latin America:	\$ 265.00

2nd Collection Feb 25: EASTERN EUROPE



**KNIGHTS
OF COLUMBUS®**

BISHOP BRADY COUNCIL #399 Presents Men of the Word Bible Study

As Catholic men, we know that the world is pulling us in directions contrary to God's plan for our lives. This Bible study will offer an opportunity for us to become Men of the Word by taking a step back to see the big picture of the Gospel-the Good News that Jesus Christ brought to all of humanity-and allow that good news to speak into our lives. Join Knights of Columbus Council 399 as we present Men of the Word.

A 12-part Bible study aimed at drawing men closer to God. Our first session will be February 20, 2024, at 6:00pm in the St Monica Parish Hall, and will meet weekly for the next 12 weeks.

Contact Mike Kuban at (802)-685-4680 or mkreescue1@gmail.com for more details or to sign up.

GRANDLY PROGRAM

St. Monica and St. Augustine parishioners are being invited to participate in a pilot program designed for Catholic Grandparents. The Diocesan Religious Education Office is coordinating the Grandly Program. Locally, we will meet for 5 sessions during Lent (Wednesdays beginning at 9:15AM) in the St. Monica parish hall.

The series is a blend of on-line information and face-to-face sharing. The goal is to encourage and equip grandparents to pass on the Catholic Faith to their grandchildren. There is a sign up sheet in the Vestibule. The cost is \$30.00 per participant, and scholarship money is available. In our un-churched State, we need every tool possible to raise up Catholic children.

CHRISM MASS

The Chrism Mass will be held **Monday, March 25, at 11:00 am** at the **Cathedral of Saint Joseph** in Burlington. At this special Mass celebrated by Archbishop Coyne, the Oil of Chrism is consecrated, the Oils of Catechumens and the Sick are blessed, and the priests within the Diocese of Burlington recommit themselves to the Priesthood of Jesus Christ.

Free parking is available along Elmwood Avenue and pay lots/garages are near the Cathedral (*first two hours are free in city-owned parking garages*). Carpooling is highly encouraged.

All are invited to join in celebrating this special Mass. A reception will follow in the parish hall.

Lenten Mission in Morrisville & Stowe

Franciscan Friars of the Renewal will be offering a retreat titled "Eucharistic Mercy," at Most Holy Name of Jesus Parish in Morrisville, Monday, March 4 & Tuesday, March 5; also, to be offered at Blessed Sacrament Church in Stowe on Wednesday, March 6 & Thursday, March 7. All start times 6:00PM.

When Writing a Check to the Parish . . .

Those who handle our internal finances remind parishioners that when writing a check to the parish, please make a note on the memo line as to what the check is for, for example, a mass stipend, candles, food shelf, fuel, etc.

Thank you very much.

Vermont Catholic Community Foundation Partners with FreeWill

In late August, the Vermont Catholic Community Foundation announced their partnership with FreeWill to offer confidential will software to Catholics throughout the Diocese. Thus far, 10 individuals have included their parish or a Catholic charity in their will. We encourage parishes to announce this free, confidential software to their parishioners in their bulletin. Below please find some suggested text.

The Vermont Catholic Community Foundation has partnered with FreeWill to offer the Catholic community access to online software to complete your legal will. This is a free, easy, confidential way parishioners to create a will and include their Catholic burial wishes. Seventy percent (70%) of people do not complete a will and often our parishioners' wishes for a Catholic burial are not fulfilled because of this.

To complete a will, visit: <https://www.freewill.com/vccf>

LET US PRAY...*for our church, our parishes in Vermont and all over the world, for our Catholic Schools, for our communities, for our families, for those who are sick and infirm, for those who are lonely, for those who suffer from mental illness and addiction. Let us pray.* **HOLY FAMILY PRAYER CIRCLE:** If you would like to have prayers said for a love one, neighbor, or friend, please call Cathy Asbell (802.279.7957). **VISITATION OF THE SICK:** Anyone who cannot celebrate Mass with us in church, who wishes to receive the Sacraments (Confession, Communion, Anointing of the Sick), please call the Rectory: 223.5285



PLEASE PRAY

For all the men and women from our Parish, State, and Country who serve in the military, and for the sick of our Parish,

Especially for:

Larry Austin
Barbara Barranco
Richard Connery III
Raylene Hedges
David Jerome
Jennifer Khouri
Jan Koval
Shirley Lanza
Lydia Lewis
Tom McCormick
Matthew Percy
Nancy Preis
Jeannette Quinn
Joel Rivera
Quentin Sabiano
Robert C. Stevens
Stella Thomas
Thomas Vivian

PRAYERS PRAYERS PRAYERS

Call 223-5285 (Rectory)
To add someone to this list

Please Pray for the Repose of the Soul
of those who have died in Jan/Feb

*Anthony Low
Deane Hedges
Donald Cote*



Montpelier Food Pantry

New Location: 89 Main St. (Alleyway off E. State to right of Parking Garage)
Not accessible through the City Center Main Entrance.
Open: Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday, 10am-12pm
Park on street at meters or at Trinity and walk over.
Questions: dylan@justbasicsvt.org

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED GENEROSITY!

Worldwide Marriage Encounter: First Sunday of Lent

1 Peter 3:18: "Beloved: Christ suffered for sins once, the righteous, that he might lead you to God. Put to death in the flesh, he was brought to life in the spirit."

Let your marriage be filled with life in the Holy Spirit. Learn the five tools for a more fulfilling marriage by signing up and attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience. You will be glad you did! You can find one by looking up WWME.org.

Some of the dates to sign up are:

March 15-17, 2024 in Upton, MA

April 26-28, 2024 (non-residential weekend) in Connecticut

June 21-23, 2024 in Huntington, NY

Worldwide Marriage Encounter sponsors a variety of in-person and virtual marriage experiences, some on weekends and some on seven weekdays. Couples explore their relationship with each other, God, and the Church.

Registration is limited; there is a \$100 application fee. For more information or to apply: call **Gary & Lynn Root** at **802-456-8114** or <https://wwmewt.org/>.

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Join facilitators Dcn Regis Cummings and Joseph Gainza
for Conversation Exploring the Christian Faith Journey

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September - April



For details please Contact:

Dcn Regis Cummings - 802.223.6043

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION

Following the teachings of Dom John Main OSB,
founder of the Benedictine Priory, Montreal, Quebec

For details please Contact: Dcn Regis Cummings - 802.223.6043

BISHOP'S APPEAL UPDATE AS OF 1.24.2024

GOAL: \$42,739.00 ACTUAL: \$ 29,612.00 % OF GOAL: 73%

Pope's Monthly Prayer Intention

February

For the Terminally Ill

We pray that those with a terminal illness, and their families, receive the necessary physical and spiritual care and accompaniment.

[Download Small Group Reflection \(PDF\)](https://popesprayerusa.net/popess-intentions/) at <https://popesprayerusa.net/popess-intentions/>



A Window into Our Stained Glass Windows

This week we examine the crown found in the back right of St. Augustine, just below the image of the Presentation. The St. Augustine Window Rhyme verse for these windows is "Golden crown nine stars that shine, Temple Presentation Time."

The Greek word for crown is "stéphanos," which is the origin of the name Stephen and carries the connotation of honor or fame. The crown is used in the New Testament as an image for perseverance in holiness, such as the first reading from the Letter of James on Tuesday February 13, which refers to the "the crown of life" (Jas 1:12). The most famous passage is from Paul: "Do you not know that the runners in the stadium all run in the race, but only one wins the prize? Run so as to win. Every athlete exercises discipline in every way. They do it to win a perishable crown, but we an imperishable one." (1 Cor 9:24-5).



Another important crown image is found in the Book of Revelation, where 24 elders fall down and worship God by casting their crowns before him (Rv 4:10). The Burnhams evoke this in The Adoration of the Magi window, where the kneeling Magi has placed his crown on the ground before the child Jesus.

Quiz: How many crowns are found in the windows? Jesus and Mary are often depicted wearing crowns. Crowns are also incorporated in many of the symbols, such as the Maria Regina monogram examined on 12/31.

See next week's bulletin for the answer.

MUSIC FESTIVAL

Music Festival: of a cappella liturgical music, Sunday, February 25th at Holy Family Church in Essex, organized by Father Rensch and Sharon Trani, in collaboration with Holy Family parish and Matthew Santos and a schola group from Thomas Aquinas College. We hope to gather small choral groups to share their favorite pieces (let us know if you want to contribute), and then practice together (music to be handed out ahead of time) and sing at the 7:30 pm Mass. Please feel free to share the word to anyone who might be interested. Appreciative listeners are also welcome. Our goal is to warm our hearts and souls with some great music.

Schedule for the evening:

4:30—small group sharing

5:30—dinner

6:30—whole group together

7:30 pm—sing at Mass, for those willing and able.

RSVP and questions: Sharon Trani, sltrani@verizon.net

Please RSVP by Feb 20th if attending dinner or wanting to sing.



NEW PARISH DIRECTORY



Saint Augustine's Hospitality Committee has started a project to create a new Parish On-line Directory. The Directory will include the names of family members, addresses, phone numbers, email addresses and a photo.

If you would like to be included in the Directory, please send your family last name and your email address to Joanne Zorzi (decawells@yahoo.com) or Anoop Antony (anoopantony@gmail.com) as soon as possible. They will send a link to your email address to use to enter your information.

If you do not have an email address or would prefer to enter your info in person or have any questions/problems entering your info – there will be an in-person sign-up and photos taken on Sat. March 9 and Sun. March 10 after both masses.