

Diocese of Burlington earns nine Catholic Media Awards

n June 27 the Catholic Media Association announced the winners of the 2025 Catholic Media Awards at their annual conference, held in Pheonix this year. The Diocese of Burlington earned nine awards with recognition given to past and present Vermont Catholic staff, development staff, and Bishop John McDermott.

Bishop John McDermott received two honors. Third place for "Best Diocesan Pastoral Message — Audio or Video" for his Christmas Message posted to Facebook (facebook.com/share/v/1G-FzH3ihEW/), for which the judges stated "Bishop McDermott's singing was great! I appreciate the length, the simplicity and warmth of the message." He also received second place for "Best Diocesan Pastoral Message — Letter"

for an article published in the Inland See in which Bishop McDermott recounts how he received the news of being named bishop (vermontcatholic.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/05/2024.05.18-24.pdf).

Longtime Vermont Catholic editor and writer Cori Fugere Urban earned an honorable mention in the category of "Best Reporting on Vocations to Priesthood, Religious Life or Diaconate" for her article "Love in a Loaf: Sister Paul Mary Dreger Finds Peace Baking Bread, Receiving the Bread of Life." Additionally, Alice Urban Lothers received an honorable mention in the category "Best Personality Profiles — Laity" for her article "Cori Fugere Urban reflects on 45 years as Diocese of Burlington Writer and Editor."

The Fall 2024 Vermont Catholic issue

which covered the ordination and installation of Bishop John McDermott received second place for "Best Special Issue," the judges stated "This is an excellent special issue with all parts outstanding." Communications staff Mary-Margaret Mulligan and Alayna Fox received third place for "Best Social Media Campaign — Liturgical Seasons." The campaign titled "Advent in Vermont" featured Vermont churches illuminated at night. Judges stated "This entry is simple but evocative of where hope and light can be found in a world that can seem dark and cold."

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Second Place awards

Best Special Issue

Bishop John J. McDermott Ordination and Installation Vermont Catholic Vermont Catholic Staff Judges' comments: "This is an excellent special issue with all parts outstanding."

Best Photo Story — Feature

"God Alone Suffices": The Ordination of Bishop John J. McDermott Vermont Catholic, Evan Wing Judges' comments: "The lighting is excellent and the photographer captured wonderful expressions."

Best Diocesan Pastoral Message — Letter

A message from our Bishop-elect Roman Catholic Diocese of Burlington, Bishop John J. McDermott Judges' comments: "It is a succinct, thoughtful and personal message that resonates with its audience."

Third Place awards

Best Social Media Campaign — Liturgical Seasons

Advent in Vermont

Roman Catholic Diocese of Burlington, Alayna Fox and Mary-Margaret Mulligan

Judges' comments: "This entry is simple but evocative of where hope and light can be found in a world that can seem dark and cold."

Best Diocesan Printed Fundraising Appeal — Produced by Communication Department Staff

Bishop's Annual Appeal 2024: Year of Peace
Roman Catholic Diocese of Burlington, Diocese of
Burlington Communications and Development Staff
Judges' comments: "The materials present a clear,
consistent theme throughout, with compelling
information about who benefits and a strong use
of a QR code to drive engagement."

Best Diocesan Pastoral Message — Audio or Video

Bishop's Christmas Message
Roman Catholic Diocese of Burlington,
Bishop John J. McDermott
Judges' comments: "Bishop McDermott's singing
was great! I appreciate the length, the simplicity and
warmth of the message."

Honorable Mention awards

Best Personality Profiles — Laity

Cori Fugere Urban reflects on 45 years as Diocese of Burlington Writer and Editor Roman Catholic Diocese of Burlington, Alice Urban Lothers

Best Reporting on Vocations to Priesthood, Religious Life or Diaconate

Love in a Loaf: Sister Paul Mary Dreger Finds Peace Baking Bread, Receiving the Bread of Life Vermont Catholic, Cori Fugere Urban

Best Photograph — **Sacramental** *Episcopal Ring*

Vermont Catholic, Russell Fox



Upcoming Events



07|24, 08|24 THURSDAYS

Our Lady's Kitchen: Meal and Movie

Our Lady of Angels, Randolph • 6 - 8 pm

A free, hot meal for anyone in the community — followed by movie night. Supper at 6 pm and a movie with popcorn at 6:30 pm.



07|27 SUNDAY

Chicken BBQ

St. John the Baptist, Enosburg Falls • 11 am 11 am 'til all are gone. Price is \$13, includes:

1/2 chicken, coleslaw, pasta salad, cookie, roll, and milk.



07|28, 08|25 MONDAYS

Cor Formation

St. John Vianney, S. Burlington • 6:30 pm
Cor Formation for men is held on every third

Saturday in the church basement. This is an opportunity for men to grow closer to Jesus' through prayer, formation, and fraternity. Coffee and donuts are provided.



08|02, 09|06 SATURDAYS

First Saturday Mass

Our Lady of Seven Dolors, Fair Haven • 7:30 am Rosary at 7:30 am, Mass at 8 am.



08|02, 09|06 SATURDAYS

First Saturday Mass

Holy Family, Essex Junction • 8 am
Every first Saturday starting with Confessions

and the Rosary at 8 am followed by Mass at 8:30 am.



08l03 SUNDAY

Eucharistic Healing Service

St. Pius X, Essex Center • 3 - 4 pm
Father Lance W. Harlow will conduct this Eu-

charistic Healing Service. There will be Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament along with praying over by Father Harlow.



08l09 SATURDAY

St. Padre Pio Prayer Group

Holy Family, Essex Junction • 8 am
The Padre Pio group meets the second

Saturday of each month. We begin with the Rosary at 8 am, followed by Mass at 8:30 am. Special Intentions for the intercession of Saint Padre Pio and then learning about Padre Pio's life, ministry, and spiritual gifts.



08|09 SATURDAY

Feast of St. Lawrence Celebration

Holy Family Parish Hall, Essex Junction • 5:30 Come join us as we celebrate our patron

saint. Mass at 4 pm celebrated by Bishop McDermott to take place at St. Lawrence followed by a dinner at Holy Family at 5:30 pm. The menu will be salad, barbeque chicken and salmon, corn on the cob, Fr. Charlie's homemade baked beans, and birthday cake (it is the pastor's 80th birthday). The "steward of the year" award will be announced at the dinner. Everyone is invited. Please RSVP by calling the parish office at (802) 878-5331.



08|13, 09|10 WEDNESDAYS

Grief Ministry and Support

All Saints, Richford • 6 pm
Coordinated by Deacon Armand Auclair.



08|13 WEDNESDAY

St. John Henry Newman Series of Sermon Seminars

via Zoom • 6:30 pm

Fr. Matthew Rensch will read and present on St. John Henry Newman's sermon, Parochial and Plain Sermons, Volume III, Sermon 13 "Submission to Church Authority." For the Zoom link, go to: vermontcatholic.org/event/st-john-henry-newman-series-of-sermon-seminars/



08|14 THURSDAY

Chicken Pie Supper

St. Michael, Greensboro Bend • 5 - 6:30 pm Seatings at 5 pm and 6:30 pm. Chicken pie,

baked beans, casseroles, goulash, cranberry sauce, cole slaw, veggies, rolls, and choice of homemade pie for dessert. Gluten free available. Take outs available. Sponsored by Catholic Daughters Court St. Veronica #1273 and co-sponsored by Catholic Financial Life Chapter St. Jean. Catholic Financial Life will match a portion of the net proceeds to benefit the parish.



08|28 THURSDAY

Our Lady's Kitchen: A Meal with a Movie

Our Lady of Angels, Randolph • 6 - 8 pm

Potluck dinner followed by popcorn and a movie. The movie is

The Chosen, season 3, episodes 7 & 8.



08|30-09|02 SAT-TUES

Marriage Encounter Family Camp-Out and Picnic

Would you like to share good times and the outdoors with friends and families that share the same values of faith, marriage, and a love of nature? This annual event invites FAMILIES and friends to gather in the great outdoors for FUN around a FIRE, sharing FOOD, FAITH, and FELLOWSHIP. The Family camp-out is both for the Encountered and not yet Encountered, so bring friends, family, and other couples to make some great memories. Location to be determined. Contact Aaron and Andrea for more information, (802) 223-6561 or email abrassvt@gmail.com.



09|03 - 11|19 WEDNESDAYS

Surviving Divorce Support Ministry

Holy Rosary, Richmond • 7 - 8:30 pm

Our Lady of the Holy Rosary parish is pleased to announce an exciting new ministry that will bring hope and healing to those who have experienced the pain and loneliness of a broken marriage. Surviving Divorce features twelve video presentations that cover topics such as shock and grief, anger and forgiveness, money issues, dealing with children and a former spouse, and annulment and remarriage. This program is for the newly separated and divorced and those still struggling with issues many years later. Contact Deacon Josh McDonald at jmcdonald@vermontcatholic.org.



09|06, 10|04 SATURDAYS

Knights of Columbus Bingo

All Saints, Richford • 11:30 am - 3 pm
Parish Hall. Doors open at 11:30 am and the

games will begin at 1 p.m. Homemade lunch, desserts & beverages will be offered. Pull tickets will be available! Proudly sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, Council #2610.



09 12 FRIDAY

Essex Community Dinner

Holy Family, Essex Junction • 5:30 - 7 pm Intended to feed the lonely and needy among

us, these meals are free to all but donations are appreciated to cover parish expenses. Take-out dinners available at 6 pm.



09l24 WEDNESDAY

Chris Stefanick & Reboot!

St. Francis Xavier, Winooski • 7 - 9 pm
This high-energy, 2-hour event with inter-

nationally acclaimed speaker Chris Stefanick will awaken your faith, reignite your joy, and equip you with tools to live the life God created you for: A life of JOY. It will help you rediscover the JOY you were created for, and is perfect for everyone — even friends, family and children (12+) who may not be actively practicing their faith. buytickets.at/reallifecatholic/1663037

To add your parish event to the online calendar and The Inland See, fill out the form at: vermontcatholic.org/events/community/add.





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