

NEWS FROM The Inland See

July 26 – August 1, 2025

FOR THE DIOCESE OF BURLINGTON

Founder's Day of Giving — July 29



Bishop deGoësbrand and his diocesan priests sit for a photograph on the lawn of the cathedral, 1878. — Archives of the Diocese of Burlington photo

On July 29, 1853, the Diocese of Burlington was founded with Bishop Louis de Goësbrand as its first bishop. Each year on this date, the Bishop's Annual Appeal celebrates Founder's Day of Giving — honoring the legacy of the clergy and laity who helped build the Church in Vermont.

We have not been without difficulties over these last 172 years, and today we continue to face many challenges in our diocese, including Chapter 11 reorganization. Yet we hope through prayer and steadfast faith in God, we will overcome all obstacles.

This hope is alive in so many ways across our diocese. At Easter, 114 individuals were welcomed into the Church through the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults. More than 2,000 students are receiving a Catholic education in Vermont, and 1,301 households received vital support through Vermont Catholic Charities' emergency aid program in 2024. Hundreds of Catholics of all ages are deepening their faith through retreats, Totus Tuus, marriage preparation, and the Steubenville East Conference, offered by the Office of Pastoral Ministries. Most importantly, thousands of faithful Catholics in Vermont gather each weekend to celebrate the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass.

These are real signs of hope — and they are made possible by you. It is only with your support of the Bishop's Annual Appeal that the Diocese of Burlington can continue to provide these essential ministries and services and ensure that we will be able to spread the Good News of Jesus Christ.

On Tuesday, July 29, please prayerfully consider making a gift in gratitude for our diocese's 172 years of ministry and in honor of our 11th shepherd, Bishop John McDermott. To learn more or donate, visit: bishopsappealvt.org.

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Ways to Give

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DONATE BY MAIL

Bishop's Annual Appeal
Diocese of Burlington
55 Joy Drive
South Burlington, VT 05403

STOCK GIFTS AND QUESTIONS

802-658-6110 x 1102
bishopsappeal@vermontcatholic.org

Upcoming Events



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.



07|30, 08|06, 13, 20, 27 WEDNESDAYS

Saint Anne's Shrine

Summer Reflection Series 2025

St. Anne's Shrine, Isle La Motte • 11:15 am - 2 pm

The Society of Saint Edmund invites you to the Summer Reflection Series, held every Wednesday in July and August. Each program begins with Mass at 11:15 a.m., followed by a presentation. Lunch will be available for purchase in the café, or feel free to bring your own picnic to enjoy outdoors.

Wednesday, July 30 — Father Michael Carter, SSE
Friends of Jesus: Martha, Mary and Lazarus

Wednesday, August 6 — Father Richard Berube, SSE
Are We There Yet? A Path Through the Book of Revelation

Wednesday, August 13 — Father David Theroux, SSE
What's in a Name? Pope Leo XIV and the Spiritual Underpinnings of Rerum Novarum

Wednesday, August 20 — Monsignor Peter Routhier
Jubilee Year of Hope: Why We Celebrate

Wednesday, August 27 — John Kenney, Professor Emeritus, Religious Studies, Saint Michael's College
Saint Monica: A Life of Grace



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.



08|02 SATURDAY

Spare Ribs Dinner

Nativity Parish, Swanton • 4 - 6:30 pm

Adults \$15, kids ages 6-12 \$7, family \$40. Take out or dine in, reservations welcome, (802) 363-1452.



08|03 SUNDAY

Eucharistic Healing Service

St. Pius X, Essex Center • 3 - 4 pm

Father Lance W. Harlow will conduct this

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



08|09 SATURDAY

St. Padre Pio Prayer Group

Holy Family, Essex Junction • 8 am

Rosary at 8 am, followed by Mass at 8:30 am.



08|09 SATURDAY

Feast of St. Lawrence Celebration

Holy Family Parish Hall, Essex Junction

4:30 Mass, 5:30 dinner

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.



09|24 WEDNESDAY

Chris Stefanick & Reboot!

St. Francis Xavier, Winooski • 7 - 9 pm

This high-energy, 2-hour event with internationally 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

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