

Catholic Communities of Waterbury, Waitsfield, and Moretown

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St. Andrew's Church
109 S. Main Street, Waterbury



Our Lady of the Snows
6305 Main Street, Waitsfield



St. Patrick's Church
1000 VT-100B, Moretown

Saturday Masses

4:00 pm, St. Andrew's Church, Waterbury

6:00 pm, Our Lady of the Snows Church, Waitsfield

Sunday Masses

9:00 am, St. Andrew's Church, Waterbury • 11:00 am, St. Patrick's Church, Moretown

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays from 3:00 to 3:45 pm at St. Andrew's or by appointment.

Last Saturday of the month from 7:00 to 7:30 pm at Our Lady of the Snows

Weekday Masses

Consult the Liturgy Schedule inside this bulletin for this week's daily Masses.

Sacrament of Baptism

Please contact the rectory to schedule baptisms.

Sacrament of Marriage

Those intending to marry are asked to contact the Pastor at least six months in advance.

February 27, 2022 - Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Liturgy Schedule

Saturday, February 26, 4:00 pm, St. A: Living and Deceased of the George Liffbrig Family
Saturday, February 26, 6:00 pm, OLS: Cesar Rafael and Rosa Ileana Dapena de Molina
Sunday, February 27, 9:00 am, St. A: Rosalie Palermo by Marie Antunes
Sunday, February 27, 11:00 am, St. P: David Roman and Cindy Gladue by Gio Susini
Monday, February 28, 8:00 am, St. A: Conversion of Sinners to the Sacred Heart of Jesus
Tuesday, March 1: NO MASS
Wednesday, March 2, 8:00 am, St. A: Noah McConnell by Gio Susini
Wednesday, March 2, 4:00 pm, St. A: Religious Education Families and Catechists
Wednesday, March 2, 6:00 pm, OLS: Living and Deceased of the Greg Rensch Family
Thursday, March 3, 8:00 am, St. A: Frankie and Minnie McGinnis Family
Friday, March 4, 8:00 am, St. A: Eastman and Putvain Family by Patty Gardner
Saturday, March 5, 4:00 pm, St. A: All Parishioners and Visitors
Saturday, March 5, 6:00 pm, OLS: Debbie Turco and John Doherty by Brigid Doherty
Sunday, March 6, 9:00 am, St. A: Jessica Berg-Wilson by Gio Susini
Sunday, March 6, 11:00 am, St. P: Michelle Carter by Bob and Audry Mays

Weekly Offertory Donations: February 14-20, 2022

St. Andrew's: Offertory \$1,118; Insurance \$20; Church in Central and Eastern Europe \$20; Online Giving \$160. *OLS/St. Patrick's*: Offertory \$937; Insurance \$30; Online Giving \$400.
Thank you for your generosity!

Prayer for Ukraine

God of infinite mercy and goodness, you offer us your peace continually, and constantly remind us that peacemakers are blessed, "for they shall be called children of God" (Mt. 5:9). May your voice resound in the hearts of all, as you call us to follow the path of reconciliation and peace, and to be merciful as you are merciful.

We pray for the people of the Ukraine: bless their leaders with wisdom and perseverance. To you we entrust all families, and pray that they may never yield to discouragement and despair, but become heralds of new hope to one another in this challenging time. May you strengthen those caring for the wounded and displaced, and grant eternal rest to those who have died.

May you inspire all of us to work generously for the common good, and to respect the dignity of every person made in your image and likeness. We ask this through Christ our Lord, Amen.

Lenten Rosary at OLS

During the Saturdays of Lent, Sue Archer will be leading a recitation of the Rosary before the Saturday evening Mass, starting at 5:40 or so.

Ash Wednesday Masses

St. Andrew's: 8:00 am and 4:00 pm (Catechism Mass); Our Lady of the Snows: 6:00 pm

Prayers for the Sick

We pray for Migdalia Torres Bernal, Isaiah Callan, Daniel Caplinger, Janet Chadwick, Heidi Cervantes, Suzie Clark, Janet DiBlasi, Bob and Sue Ellsasser, Jason Fowler, Raven Fowler, Patricia Gardner, Jan Gendreau, Priscilla Grout, Alison Henry, Brian Kellett, Wayne Lacaillade, Ann Lamarch, Grace Lee, John Lynch, Patrick McNamara, Frank Miller, Scott Miller, Gene Napoliello, Michelle Nolin, Sidnia Orton, Fran Raymond, Rob Scharges, Annette Schultz, Robert Shortridge, Bernard Sweet, Justina Torres, Jim Vachris and Quinn Viola. If you know of anyone who would like a Communion visit, please let us know.

Lenten Devotions

On the Fridays during Lent we will have Adoration at 5:30 pm, and Stations of the Cross at 6:00 pm, alternating between St. Andrew's and Our Lady of the Snows (except for March 19th). There will also be additional times for Confession and Adoration at St. Andrew's on Sundays. The dates are below:

Adoration and Stations of the Cross

Friday, March 4 – St. Andrew's
Friday, March 11 – Our Lady of the Snows
Friday, March 19 – None this week
Friday, March 25 – St. Andrew's
Friday, April 1 – Our Lady of the Snows
Friday, April 8 – St. Andrew's
Friday, April 15 – Our Lady of the Snows

Sundays at St. Andrew's

(With the exception of March 20th)
8:00 - 8:45 am Confessions
5:15 - 6:15 pm Adoration

Totus Tuus Summer Camp: June 19th to June 24th

Save the Date! This summer, St. Andrew's is hosting a Catholic youth camp called Totus Tuus (Latin for "Totally Yours"). The camp has two sections, one for those entering 1st - 8th grade, and one for those entering 9th - 12th grade. The diocese organizes the program, and they send a teaching team of some seminarians and college-aged students, who do a great job combining enrichment in the faith with a ton of energy and fun. The day includes catechetical instruction, daily Mass, songs, games, and recess. I've worked with the **Totus Tuus** programs in the past and have always found them to be engaging and fun, as well as a great way for the students to grow in their love for God.

The dates for the program are as follows: The grade school camp runs 9:00 am - 3:00 pm from **Monday, June 20th - Friday, June 24th**. The high school camp runs 7:30 - 9:30 pm from **Sunday, June 19th - Thursday, June 23rd**. The price is \$60.00 for a grade student, \$25 for a high schooler. For families with multiple students, the maximum cost is \$150. Please make checks out to: St. Andrew's Parish. **Registration:** Registration forms will be available soon. For more info, please contact Kathleen Cosentino at kcosentino@madriver.com or 802-233-3009.

Dear Parishioners,

Let it snow! Hope you survived the winter storm on Friday. If it's going to snow, let it snow, you know? But I hope it didn't interrupt life.

First off, please see inside the bulletin for a special prayer for all the people of Ukraine. This world is always the stage for much suffering and wickedness, but war brings it to a head in a tragic, unmistakable way. Our Lady of Peace, pray for us!

This Wednesday is Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent. "Lent is a 40-day season of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving that begins on Ash Wednesday and ends at sundown on Holy Thursday. It's a period of preparation to celebrate the Lord's Resurrection at Easter. During Lent, we seek the Lord in prayer by reading Sacred Scripture; we serve by giving alms, and we practice self-control through fasting. We are called not only to abstain from luxuries during Lent but to a true inner conversion of heart as we seek to follow Christ's will more faithfully. We recall the waters of baptism in which we were also baptized into Christ's death, received a cleansing from sin and evil, and began new life in Christ." (USCCB) The disciplines of Lent lift us from our absorption in this world and incline our hearts to the next! Please look inside the bulletin for the **schedule of Lenten practices** at our three churches.

What are the rules on fasting, people always ask? Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting for Catholics. In addition, Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstaining from eating meat. For members of the Latin Catholic Church, the norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. Concerning abstaining from meat, this is binding upon members of the Latin Catholic Church age 14 and older.

Also, a quick tip from St. Francis de Sales. He notes that our penances and Lenten practices are ways of disciplining not just our tastes but also our choice and whims. In other words, a *plan* of Lent is necessary to reap the full benefit. So I encourage you to set a plan. Tell it to someone; or, at least, write it down. And reap the benefits by sticking to the plan when it gets tough!

Finally, a note to save the date! This summer, St. Andrew's is hosting a Catholic youth camp called **TOTUS TUUS** (Latin for "Totally Yours"). The camp runs for grade schoolers from 9:00 – 3:00 pm and for high schoolers from 7:30 – 9:30 pm. I had the chance to assist with the camp at Christ the King in Rutland, and it's a blast: everything a summer camp should be. Yard games, water fights (including a fire truck!), basketball, all while weaving in the even deeper realities of the spiritual life. So save the date and spread the word for **June 19th – June 24th**. More details inside the bulletin.

God bless, Fr. Matthew