

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.

November 6, 2022 - Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Liturgy Schedule

Saturday, November 5, 4:00 pm, St. Andrew's: Grace King, by Pat and Diane Murray

Saturday, November 5, 6:00 pm, Our Lady of the Snows: Conversion of Sinners

Sunday, November 6, 9:00 am, St. Andrew's: All Parishioners and Visitors

Sunday, November 6, 11:00 am, St. Patrick's: Living and Deceased of the Lin Family

Monday, November 7, 8:00 am, St. Andrew's: Mike and Marsha Wood

Tuesday, November 8: No Public Mass

Wednesday, November 9, 8:00 am, St. Andrew's: Anna and Bruno Tassone by Gio Susini

Thursday, November 10, 8:00 am, St. Andrew's: Families of Uvalde School by Gio Susini

Friday, November 11: No Public Mass

Saturday, November 12, 4:00 pm, St. Andrew's: Marion Germana by Jon and Agnes Milne

Saturday, November 12, 6:00 pm, Our Lady of the Snows: All Parishioners and Visitors

Sunday, November 13, 9:00 am, St. Andrew's: All Souls in Purgatory by Gio Susini

Sunday, November 13, 11:00 am, St. Patrick's: Giocondo and Orsolina Susini by Gio Susini

Readings for the Week

Sunday: 2 Maccabees 7:1-14 / Psalm 17 / 2 Thessalonians 2:16-3:5 / Luke 20:27-38

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: Titus 1:1-9 / Psalm 24 / Luke 17:1-6

*Saint Herculanus of Perugia**

Tuesday: Titus 2:1-14 / Psalm 37 / Luke 17:7-10

*Saint Elizabeth of the Trinity**

Wednesday: Ezekiel 47:1-12 / Psalm 46 / 1 Corinthians 3:9-17 / John 2:13-22

Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

Thursday: Philemon 7-20 / Psalm 146 / Luke 17:20-25

Saint Leo the Great

Friday: 2 John 2-9 / Psalm 119 / Luke 17:26-37

Saint Martin of Tours

Saturday: 3 John 5-8 / Psalm 112 / Luke 18:1-8

Saint Josaphat

Next Sunday: Malachi 3:19-20 / Psalm 98 / 2 Thessalonians 3:7-12 / Luke 21:5-19

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Feast day as listed in former calendars*

Weekly Offertory Donations: October 24-30, 2022

St. Andrew's: Offertory \$1,033; World Mission Sunday \$51; Insurance \$10; Priest Benefit Fund \$236; Online Giving \$105. OLS/St. Patrick's: Offertory \$895; World Mission Sunday \$8; Online Giving \$370. Thank you for your generosity!

October - November: 40 Days for Life

The prayer vigil continues in Barre on behalf of the unborn and their families. See the link for details: <https://www.40daysforlife.com/en/barre>

Prayers for the Sick

We pray for Migdalia Torres Bernal, Isaiah Callan, Daniel Caplinger, Janet Chadwick, Suzie Clark, Janet DiBlasi, Joe Elia, Bob and Sue Ellsasser, Jason Fowler, Raven Fowler, Patricia Gardner, Jan Gendreau, Priscilla Grout, Alison Henry, Brian Kellett, Wayne Lacaillade, Flavia Langan, Noah Langan, Ann Lamarch, Grace Lee, John Lynch, Ryan Manning, Patrick McNamara, Frank Miller, Scott Miller, Michelle Nolin, Sidnia Orton, Fran Raymond, Rob Scharges, Annette Schultz, Robert Shortridge, Justina Torres, Jim Vachris, Brenda Voyer, and Charlotte Mae Voyer. If you would like a Communion visit, please let us know.

CareNet Diaper Drive: Thank you!

A heartfelt thank you goes out to everyone who donated to our October Respect Life diaper drive. We delivered over 1,000 diapers to Carenet in Barre. Cindy, their director, was very pleased to receive our help and support. Keep listening for more Walking with Moms in Need projects and outreach in the future and pick up a prayer card in the back of church as we continue to pray for Life.

Unlocking (and cleaning) the Church

The front door of St. Andrew's, facing main street, is now unlocked during the day until about sundown. If you'd like to come by and say a prayer, please do! As an FYI, the church is cleaned on Thursday mornings; you are welcome to be there at the same time, just know a vacuum will be running!

Annual Report

Jim Tabor has put together an annual report highlighting some of the events at the three churches from this past year; you can find a copy on our website under the "Events & News" tab. Please contact him with any thoughts or pictures for the 2022-2023 Annual Report at jamesmtabor@gmail.com

Thanksgiving Baskets

If you are a family in need, or know of a family in need, please visit our parish website to sign up for a free Thanksgiving Basket under the "Events & News" tab. Each basket contains all the ingredients needed for a Thanksgiving meal! Recipients can pick up their Turkey Baskets on Tuesday, November 22nd at the Waitsfield United Church, or the basket can be delivered to a house/apartment. If you would like to make a monetary donation, or sign up as a volunteer, visit our parish website under the "Giving" tab (at <http://rccwwm.org>).

Wisdom of the Saints

"We must pray without ceasing, in every occurrence and employment of our lives – that prayer which is rather a habit of lifting up the heart to God as in a constant communication with Him."
~ St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

Remember to check out the parish website (rccwwm.org) for additional items of interest.

Dear Parishioners,

I keep expecting every day to be dismal and cold, and the warm sunshine comes as a glorious reprieve. Hope you're getting a chance to soak it in!

We all recognize, I assume, the famous line "Out, out, brief candle!" from Shakespeare's *Macbeth*, and probably the lines following it. You may not recognize (I didn't) the preceding lines:

Tomorrow and tomorrow and tomorrow / Creeps in this petty pace from day to day
To the last syllable of recorded time / And all our yesterdays have lighted fools
The way to dusty death. Out, out, brief candle! Life's but a walking shadow, a poor player
That struts and frets his hour upon the stage / And then is heard no more. It is a tale
Told by an idiot, full of sound and fury, / Signifying nothing.

These lines were quoted in a book by Peter Kreeft about death and resurrection. The readings this weekend focus on the resurrection, so I picked up his book review his comments on the topic. One point he emphasizes, using the above lines, is the way that death carries with it a sinister specter of *meaninglessness* on our lives. It seemed to me that the first line of MacBeth hits the right note: tomorrow and tomorrow and tomorrow ... but the same petty pace, all the way to the end of recorded time. If death is the *end*, it's hard to see how any success or accomplishment, good as they might be, would succeed in being truly meaningful.

But why bring up this line of thinking when the readings are about resurrection? Well, Kreeft says that "the good news of Christianity claims to answer the bad news of death. Without the bad news, the good news sounds like a charming but superfluous fairy tale." That's a great point. We can't appreciate the *what is* of Christianity without considering from time to time the *what if* without Christianity. We can't appreciate the surprise of the Gospel without considering the bleak backdrop of a godless world. We can't appreciate the gift of the Resurrection without considering, from time to time, the horror of death. Thank God for the King of Glory, the King of Resurrection!

One last point before signing off: this Tuesday, as you all know, is election day. The Catechism points out that voting is civic duty, so see you at the polls! And, of course, a last encouragement to resist the extreme and evil proposal of article 22, which would prevent any limits on abortion at any stage or for any reason. In addition, the unqualified language seems likely to prevent any conscience protection for doctors unwilling to perform abortion – forcing them to choose between their job and violating their conscience – a chilling proposition. If you need any more convincing, check out Pope's Francis thoughts: <https://aleteia.org/2020/12/28/12-things-pope-francis-has-said-about-abortion/>. May Mary, our Mother, intercede for us and our state.

God bless,
Fr. Matthew