



St. Thomas Church

6 Green Street
PO Box 3
Underhill Center, VT 05490

Office Hours:
M-TH 9:30 AM - 4:00 PM

Pastor Office Hours:
Tue. 2:00 PM-5:00 PM, Thur. 9:00 AM-2:00 PM

Phone: 899-4632
Fax: 899-5120

E-Mail: office@stthomasvt.com
Parish Website: www.stthomasvt.com

Religious Education: 899-4770
E-Mail: rel.ed@stthomasvt.com

Parish Staff

Rev. Christopher Micale Pastor
Rev. Mr. Peter Brooks Deacon
Theresa Gingras Secretary
Laura Lynch Wells Rel. Ed. Coordinator
Patrice Rogers - 399-6226 Music Ministry

St. Thomas Cemeteries

Range Rd., Irish Settlement Rd., Pleasant Valley Rd.
Nate Sullivan 899-4732

Please call the parish office if you are a new parishioner and would like to register.

Weekend Masses

Saturday 4:00 PM Sunday 8:30 AM

Daily Masses

Tuesday, 6:30 PM, Thursday, 8:00 AM

This schedule is subject to change. Please consult the weekly bulletin for current schedule.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Please consult weekly bulletin.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Tuesday 5:30-6:15 PM Saturday 3:15-3:45 PM

Please consult weekly bulletin.

Baptisms

Please call the parish office to set up Baptism preparation and Baptism date.

Marriages

Call the Pastor nine (9) months in advance of the wedding for preparation meetings.

Sacrament of the Sick & Home Visits

Please call the office if you are unable to attend Mass due to illness.

Thomas said to him, "Master, we do not know where you are going; how can we know the way?"
Jesus said, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me."

John 14:5-6

WEEKEND AND WEEKDAY MASSES

April 3 SAT	Easter Vigil NO 4:00 PM Mass at St. Thomas NO 6:30 PM Mass at St. Mary's 8:00 PM - Mass for the Parishioners of St. Thomas and St. Mary's Parishes
April 4 SUN	Easter Sunday 8:05 AM - Rosary 8:30 AM- Mass for the repose of the soul of Fumiko Russ requested by Ed & Louise Mathews 10:30 AM - Mass at St. Mary of the Assumption
MON	NO Mass
TUES	NO Mass
WED	NO Mass at St. Marys
THU	8:00 AM - Mass for the repose of the soul of JoAnn Konczal requested by her family
FRI	8:00 AM - Mass at St. Mary of the Assumption
April 10 SAT	4:00 PM - Mass for the health and wellbeing of Irene Currie requested by John and Genie O'Neil 6:30 PM - Mass at St. Mary of the Assumption
April 11 SUN	8:05 AM - Rosary 8:30 AM- Mass for the repose of the soul of Patrick McCarthy requested by Ed & Louise Mathews 10:30 AM - Mass at St. Mary of the Assumption

} Fr. Chris is away

Message from Fr. Christopher Micale

"Now on the first day of the week Mary of Magdalene came to the tomb early, while it was still dark, and saw the stone removed had been taken away from the tomb. So she ran, and went to Simon Peter and to the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.' Peter then came out with the other disciple, and they went toward the tomb... Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; For they did not know the Scripture, that he must rise from the dead..." (John 20: 1-3,8-9)

Every year in Northern New England I pant for the spring; which really never comes. Oh we have four seasons all right but one of them is mud season, which replaces spring. No sooner have we rid ourselves of snow and the forecast for the next day is snow up to 6 or so inches! Yet as depressing that might be we do realize that warm weather will arrive and the end of frost, snow and ice will eventually happen. Despite the delay there is always a renewal of the earth, a regeneration of things in a definite order. Crocuses appear first followed by daffodils and tulips then the glory of lilacs later on in June. We hope and are assured of the re-growth of the natural world. The earth is quite regular with its cycle of seasons and growth. Do we realize or ponder that in the spiritual life Christ expects us to cycle also? Being both of the earth (our physical bodies) and of God, made in His image and likeness (spirit/soul) we must pass through different seasons or cycles of death and life ending in life everlasting as we follow Christ on earth now. Do we really believe in the resurrection of the dead? It is our faith and our hope. We have been given a great gift in the Church by her instruction and Gospel truth handed down for two thousand years. The Church clearly teaches the resurrection of the body. At the resurrection of Christ on Easter Sunday the disciples were confused on this profound truth. Mary Magdalene is frantic when she reaches the tomb. When St. Peter arrives it seems he is left scratching his head. It appears St. John was the one who at first glance in the empty tomb believed that Jesus had risen from the dead. Three and a half years side by side with Jesus speaking of His death and resurrection and it looks like only John (and undoubtedly Our Lady) understood. St. Paul tells us, "Now if Christ is preached as raised from the dead, how can some of you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? But if there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised; if Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is in vain and your faith is in vain...If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all men most to be pitied." (I Corinthians 15:12-14,19) In other words if we do not believe we will rise at the resurrection than what's the point of all of this? If this life is all we have then we should please our natural bodies in every way and become focused on its protection. The world has become so focused on the saving of the physical body the spirit or soul is neglected. Many are becoming convinced that there is no spirit in mankind and no afterlife. As Christians we must never fall prey to the worldly over focus on the physical body and this physical life. We are to care for our bodies as well as the earth as best we can but we will never conquer death outside the sacrifice of Christ on the cross and our full acceptance of Him into our lives. Sin entered the world and so did sickness and death. We will never live forever on this earth no matter how much humans attempt to create a "super human" and extend our lifespan. Christ entered the world and brings us life eternal if we maintain the proper order of existence: the spiritual life first and foremost and then the respect and care of the physical, putting God first in all we do everyday and submitting to the Father's will.

~Fr. Chris

<u>Ministry Schedule</u> <u>April 10 & 11</u>	<u>Extraordinary</u> <u>Ministers of</u> <u>Holy Communion</u>	<u>Lectors</u>	<u>Altar</u> <u>Servers</u>
4:00 PM SATURDAY	NONE	T May	NONE
8:30 AM SUNDAY	NONE	M Girouard	NONE

Polish Dinner Take Out

The Thomas Church Knights of Columbus will hold their Annual Polish Dinner (Take-out) on Sunday, April 18, 2021 with pick up from 4:30 to 6:00 PM from the parish hall at 6 Green Street in Underhill Center. The menu will include homemade smoked kielbasa, pierogi (dough filled with cheese or filled with mushrooms and sauerkraut), cabbage, potatoes, homemade sauerkraut, and dessert. The cost will be \$12.00 per meal. Reserve your traditional Polish meal by calling the parish office at 899-4632, or purchase tickets at Wells Corner Market in Underhill Center, or Snowflake Chocolates in Jericho.

Diocesan Online Ministry Opportunities:

Weekly and daily Devotional opportunities such as live-streamed Mass, Rosary, and Divine Mercy Chaplet are currently being offered by the Diocese. These can be found on the diocesan website www.vermontcatholic.org under "Spiritual Resources for Covid-19".

Stewardship - March 27 & 28, 2021

Weekly Budgeted Goal:\$ 2,618.62
Regular Collection: ... (incl. \$458 On-Line Giving).....\$ 2,206.00
Please give online at www.stthomasvt.com/donate or mail your contributions directly to the parish at PO Box 3, Underhill, VT 05490. Thank you for your generosity.

PARISH EVENTS

Tuesday	4/6	NO Confessions or Adoration
Thursday	4/8	9:30 AM - Social Concerns Group
Saturday	4/10	3:15 PM - Confessions



Parents have the mission of teaching their children to pray and to discover their vocation as children of God.

Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC) #2226

Make faith formation a lifelong effort.

Faith formation should not end at Confirmation.

VISION 2020

We did it!!! This week we received enough donations to completely fund the last phase of the stained glass window restoration. In addition, we surpassed our \$400,000 fundraising goal. Over 170 folks contributed to the Vision 2020 campaign and a big thanks goes out to all the contributors and all the folks that donated their time, skills and expertise. Over the last 4 years the Vision 2020 campaign has funded 10 projects to improve the accessibility, safety and address key maintenance needs of the Church. Work is continuing and over the next couple of months the stained glass windows will be reinstalled and painting on the exterior of the Church will be completed and work continues on additional project planning. We will continue to accept donations to the Vision 2020 campaign as there are more projects planned. Donations can be done online, drop an envelope marked Vision 2020 in the offertory basket, or send a check to the St. Thomas rectory at PO Box 3, Underhill Center, VT 05490. We plan to have a full Vision 2020 summary presentation in the June timeframe for anyone interested. Thanks again for all your continued support. We will keep you updated on the progress and we hope you have a Blessed Easter!!!

Yard Sale News

Please keep us in mind while you are spring cleaning, and hold aside your treasures for the Annual Yard Sale!! We plan to hold our yard sale in August this year and will be collecting items to sell over the summer. We do not plan to sell clothing this year but we will begin accepting any clean, sellable items soon. Watch the bulletin for more info and notification of when the garage will be open. Thank you!

Walk To Mary

Celebrate our Sacred Mother on a journey in faith and fellowship on May 22, 2021 from St. Joseph's Church to St. Anne's Shrine, Isle LaMotte. They will begin the walk at 9AM from St. Joseph's as they pray the Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet. Mass will be celebrated at St. Anne's Shrine at 11 AM. The celebration continues with lunch (bring your own), Stations of the Cross at 1PM, and closing prayers at 3PM. For details, contact Janice at 802-848-3834 or janicegodin@myfairpoint.net, or Renee at 802-370-2231 or rjpatterson1962@gmail.com



Changes at Mass Due to COVID-19 Restrictions

- Hymnal and other reading material has been cleared from the pews.
- Printed material is available to use during Mass but must be taken home to be disposed of
- Bulletins will be available after Mass.
- Please wear a mask and use hand sanitizer upon entry and exit from the church.
- The sacristy, balcony, and "cry room" will be closed until further notice.
- Please wear your mask during your approach to communion. When it is your turn, please pull your mask down below your chin, receive in your hand, consume the host, and then replace mask before returning to your pew.



.....in loving memory of the following:

Henry, Patrice, & Steve Manion
The Wrigley Family
The Brock Family
Fugere Family
Mathews Family
Zelma Vigneau Family
Roland Morel, Jr.
Roland Morel, Sr.
Rusty Bickford
Betty Atkinson
Judy Bernasconi
Celine Leblanc
Rolande Bathalon
Roger Bathalon
Anna Grace Kowalczyk
Ann & Irv Wejroch
Esther & Art Klick
Roger Nadeau
Emmanuel & Celinda Nadeau
William & Ada Dufresne
Baker Family
Moodie Family
Raymond Nadeau, Sr.
Tyler Family
Nadeau Family
Bob Leblanc
Madeline LeCours
Anselme & Violette LeCours
Lysle & Natalie Boulrisse

Roy Monta
Stacy Monta
Raymond Nadeau, Sr.
Elizabeth Lacasse
Wilma Tyler
Frances Dolen
Richard Haupt
Wilder Family
Soutiere Family
Adams Family
Jacobs Family
Deceased members of the Pollak Family
Deceased Members of the Schaeffler Family
Deceased Members of the Collins Family
Mary & Maurice Eustace
Kathleen Foley
Ruth & William Claghorn
Genevieve Blakey
Joyce Harrison
Floyd Scott
Isabelle & Lawrence Day
Richard LeCours
Mignonne LeBlanc
Gail LeCours
Pat LeCours
Roger LeCours
The Barton Family

Readings For the Week

April 5

Acts 2:14, 22-33
Mt 28:8-15

April 6

Is 49:1-6
Jn 20:11-18

April 7

Acts 3:1-10
Lk 24:13-35

April 8

Acts 3:11-16
Lk 24:35-48

April 9

Acts 4:1-12
Jn 21:1-14

April 10

Acts 4:13-21
Mk 16:9-15

April 11

Divine Mercy Sunday

Acts 4:32-35
Ps 118:2-4,13-15,22-24
1 Jn 5:1-6
Jn 20:19-31



"Like us, Christ entered the world through the womb of a woman. He willingly experienced the fullness of human suffering. He breathed his last on the Cross at Calvary in order that He might save us. Therefore, 'God is the foundation of hope: not any god, but the God who has a human face and who has loved us to the end' (Spe salvi 31)."

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities

Stop your tax dollars from going to abortion.

NoTaxpayerAbortion.com



If you would like to add or remove someone from this list, please call the office at 899-4632

WE PRAY FOR

SICK: For all our sick: Yvonne Cross, Riley McLaughlin, Lynn McLaughlin, Joyce Brush, Jen DiNardo, David Claghorn, Ed Keeler, Sr. Elaine Lattanzi, Fred Kreps, Robert LeGrand, Kathryn Clark, Joann Bibb, Tonia Barbin, Kyle Brooks, Mary Parisi, Abby Wintersteen, Jack Russ, Jay Tisbert, Lawrence Lecours, Don Gingras, Deacon Gerry Scilla, Rosemary Breen, Barb Juell, Patricia Stone, Diane Dufresne, Amy Gratton, Tim Clark, Lisa Abair, Gene Wells and all those preparing for or recovering from surgery.

DECEASED: For all who have died, especially Jean Navitskis, and all deceased members of St. Thomas & St. Mary's Parishes.

PLEASE SUPPORT THE ADVERTISERS OF THIS BULLETIN.....THEY SUPPORT US!!

Natural Family Planning

"NFP opened up a whole world of awareness about my body. I love that it's based on science and I love even more that it coincides with my faith. It is true whole health".

Sharon Trani MSN; APRN
Nurse Practitioner - NFP teacher
802-326-2015
strani@vermontcatholic.org



CORNERSTONE CONSTRUCTION, INC.
P.O. Box 178 Underhill Ctr, VT 05490



RESIDENTIAL & COMMERCIAL
BUILDING & REMODELING

Bill MacDonough

Phone: 802-343-9605
CornerstoneConstructionVT.com



St. Thomas Church
Knights of Columbus
Council No. 7810

G.K.: Steve Haupt
D.G.K.: Pat McCarthy
Chancellor: Ed Matthews
Recorder: Andrew Rowe
Treasurer: Mark Girouard
Warden: Bob Kennedy
Advocate: Craig Benson
Chaplin: Fr. Christopher Micale
Meets 2nd Tuesday each month

Free Estimates

Fully Insured

WILL ESMAY PAINTING
Painting · Drywall · General Carpentry

WillEsmay@comcast.net
11 Covey Road, Underhill, VT 05489

(802) 858-9171
(802) 363-9671



PHIL POTVIN 27 MOOSE RUN
899-3305 UNDERHILL



REED'S QUALITY HEATING

(802) 899-4362

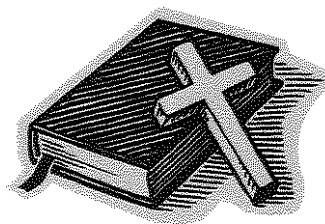
Personalized Efficient Service



John Reed
Licensed Service Technicians
PO Box 97
Jericho, VT 05465

• Oil furnace & boiler specialist
Install, service and clean
• Oil Tank Installations
• Plumbing repairs and water heaters

www.reedandbenoitqualityheating.com



For prayers answered
Most holy Apostle St. Jude, faithful servant and friend of Jesus, the name of the traitor who delivered the beloved Master into the hands of His enemies has caused you to be forgotten by many, but the Church honors and invokes you universally as the patron of hopeless cases, of things despaired of. Pray for me who am so miserable; make use, I implore you, of this particular privilege accorded to you, to bring visible and speedy help, where help is almost despaired of. Come to my assistance in this great need, that I may receive the consolations and succor of Heaven in all my necessities, tribulations and sufferings, particularly (here make your request), and that I may bless God with you and all the elect forever. I promise you, O blessed St. Jude, to be ever mindful of this great favor, and I will never cease to honor you as my special and powerful patron and to do all in my power to encourage devotion to you. Amen.
To be prayed 8 consecutive days

Elegant Wood Floors



Robbe "Kibby" Pierce
owner

802-522-3710

WWW.ElegantWoodFloors.com

61 Lazy Brook Lane Jeffersonville, Vermont 05464

DESIGN • INSTALLATION • SANDING • FINISHING

Do you have friends and family members who
no longer practice our Catholic Faith?

Why not invite them to "come home".

Invite them to come to Holy Mass with you and
never stop praying for them.

RCIA = Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

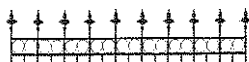
Are you interested in becoming a Catholic or interested in learning more about Jesus Christ and the Catholic Church? RCIA is the process by which adults are received into the church and receive the sacraments.

Adult Confirmation

Are you an adult who has not yet received the sacrament of Confirmation or First Holy Communion? Did you know that to be a god-parent for baptism, you are required to have received the sacrament of Confirmation? Please contact Laura Lynch Wells 802-899-4770 or rel.ed@stthomasvt.com



In loving memory of
Millicent Dixon



Benefactor of the
St. Thomas Cemeteries

Confirming



Their Faith



Chenette
REAL ESTATE

Dave Chenette Realtor/Broker
Business 802-264-1991 • Fax 802-318-4662

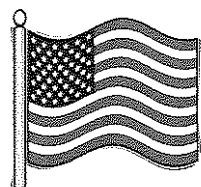
e-mail: Dave@DaveChenette.com
website: www.DaveChenette.com



PATTERSON
Fuels

Heating Oil • Propane • Service

P.O. Box 253 • Richmond, VT 05477
tel 800-427-9276 • fax 802-434-3518 • info@pattersonfuels.com



God
Bless
America

GIFFORD FUNERAL HOME & CREMATION SERVICE

Privately Owned

Eric J. Hanley • Roger St. Hilaire, Jr.
Serving All Denominations

(802) 434-2231 Fax (802) 434-7348
22 DEPOT ST., RICHMOND, VT 05477



Would you like to
place an ad in our bulletin?

Call the parish office
at 899-4632 for details.

Pierre Donzé Inc.

Plaster
Trowel Coatings
Construction Services



P.O. Box 264 Phone/Fax: 802-644-5425
Cambridge, VT 05444 Email: donzedonze@yahoo.com

First Step
PRINT SHOP

LIKE us on facebook

Orders@FirstStepPrintShop.com
Phone: 899-2708 Fax: 899-2021
22 Park St. • Underhill, VT 05489



Lamoureux & Dickinson

14 Morse Drive
Essex, VT 05452
878-4450 LDengineering.com

Land surveys Septic Design Subdivisions
Site Plans Wetland Delineation Permitting



Bob & Martha Pollak
Owners
802.899.3373

PO Box 303
81 VT Route 15
Jericho, VT 05465

www.snowflakechocolate.com