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

St. Thomas Church

6 Green Street
 PO Box 3
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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

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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

September 18

SAT 4:00 PM - Mass for the repose of the soul of Michael Pollak requested by Bob and Martha Pollak
6:30 PM - Mass at St. Mary of the Assumption

September 19

SUN 8:05 AM - Rosary
8:30 AM- Mass for the repose of the soul of Patrick McCarthy requested by Brad and Betsy Soutiere
10:30 AM - Mass at St. Mary of the Assumption

MON 6:30 PM - Mass at St. Mary of the Assumption

TUES 6:30 PM - Mass for the repose of the soul of Sandy Lynch requested by Laura Lynch Wells

WED 8:00 AM - Mass at St. Mary of the Assumption

THU NO Mass

FRI 8:00 AM - Mass for the spiritual and physical health and wellbeing of Rene & Barbara Desany

September 25

SAT 4:00 PM - Mass for the Parishioners of St. Thomas and St. Mary's Parishes
6:30 PM - Mass at St. Mary of the Assumption

September 26

SUN 8:05 AM - Rosary
8:30 AM- Mass in thanksgiving for Donna McDermid on their 25th wedding anniversary requested by Mark Girouard
10:30 AM - Mass at St. Mary of the Assumption

Ministry Schedule September 25 & 26

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Lectors

Altar Servers

4:00 PM SATURDAY

NONE

D Dufresne

NONE

8:30 AM SUNDAY

NONE

L Wells

NONE

Visit the ministry page on our website for full schedule -

www.stthomasvt.com/liturgy-member-schedule

Please contact the office if you would like to begin serving as a Lector, Eucharistic Minister, or Altar Server

Second Collection—Fuel & Heat

This weekend we will take up our quarterly collection for the fuel and heat fund. Our chimneys have been repaired and furnaces cleaned in anticipation of fuel efficient winter heating. As always, thank you for your generosity.

September Breakfast



The St. Thomas Knights of Columbus will be serving breakfast this Sunday morning from 8-10:30am and tickets will be \$7 each. The menu will be the same as before—pancakes, scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, fruit, and coffee. Parish hall seating as well as breakfast to go will be available. Hope to see you there!

Stewardship - September 11 & 12, 2021

Weekly Budgeted Goal:\$ 2,730.77

Regular Collection:(incl. \$541 On-Line Giving)....\$ 1,731.00

Please give online at www.stthomasvt.com/donate or mail your contributions directly to the parish t PO Box 3, Underhill, VT 05490. Thank you for your generosity.

The Feast of Saints Andrew Kim Tae-gŏn, Paul Chŏng Ha-sang, and Companions, September 20

Patron saint of Korea, St. Andrew Kim Tae-gon was the first native-born Korean priest. He was martyred with nearly 10,000 other Koreans, mostly lay people, before Christianity was tolerated in Korea in 1884. Today, we venerate nearly 100 of these Koreans who have been declared saints, including Andrew and a layman, Paul Chong Ha-sang. The first Christians in Korea were baptized by invading Japanese soldiers in the late 1500s. The faith slowly grew, and then in 1777, several Christian texts made their way to Korea and converted some scholars. When a missionary priest visited the country more than a decade later, he found 4,000 Christians living without the sacraments—they had never seen a priest before. The Korean monarchy feared Christianity as a colonizing force and repressed it with several violent persecutions between 1791 and 1866. Andrew's parents were converts to the faith, and his father, grandfather, and several uncles were executed for it. Andrew's mother was left destitute and had to rely on begging for survival. Andrew was baptized at the age of 15, and soon after left for Macao, China—1,200 miles away—to enter a seminary there. After further missionary work, he was ordained a priest and returned to Korea to minister and evangelize. Two years later, at the age of 25, he was captured as he made his way along the Korean shoreline to find safe and secret passages for other missionaries. He was tortured and beheaded on September 26, 1846. Before he was killed, Andrew wrote his fellow Christians: "We have received baptism, entrance into the Church, and the honor of being called Christians. Yet what good will this do us if we are Christians in name only and not in fact?" Paul Chong Ha-sang was also the son of converts to Christianity—he was born in 1795 and though several members of his family were also martyred, he also sought the faith. He took a job serving a government interpreter, which allowed him to travel to Peking. There, he asked the bishop to establish a diocese in Korea and send priests, which happened in 1825. As a lay leader and married man, Paul was a unifying figure for Christians and advocated for them to the Korean government. When another persecution broke out, he was arrested and tried. He gave a written statement to the judge, who read it and said, "You are right in what you have written; but the king forbids this religion, it is your duty to renounce it." Paul replied, "I have told you that I am a Christian, and will be one until my death." He was tortured, then placed on a cross until he died. His mother, Cecelia Yu Sosa, was also martyred that same year from injuries following repeated whippings. When he visited Korea in 1984, Pope St. John Paul II canonized Andrew and Paul, along with 98 other Koreans and three French missionary priests. Of the group, 47 were lay women and 45 were lay men.

St. Andrew Kim Taegon, Paul Chong Hasang, and the martyrs who died for the faith in Korea, pray for us!

PARISH EVENTS

Monday	9/20	5:30 PM - Confessions and Adoration at St. Mary's
Tuesday	9/21	5:30 PM - Confessions 7:30 PM - Finance Council Meeting
Thursday	9/23	9:30 AM - Social Concerns Group
Saturday	9/25	**Harvest Market Weekend** 3:15 PM - Confessions

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES BEGIN SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

Religious Education 2021-2022:



Religious Education begins this Sunday, September 19—Registrations are open for the new religious education year. In Person classes will begin on September 19th The link can be found on our website: stthomasvt.com/religious-education

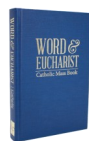
Food Booth at Harvest Market

Next weekend St. Thomas will be participating in Harvest Market (September 25th & 26th). We will be selling meatball subs, cinnamon rolls and sauce. We would love to see you there to support our fundraising efforts.

Vocation Night Invitation

St. Mary's Parish in St. Albans will be hosting a Vocation Night event on Wednesday, November 10th from 5:00-7:30. This FREE event is open to all students 6th - 12th grade. It is asked that one parent accompany the student. This event will include representatives of each vocation (priesthood, religious sisters, permanent diaconate, holy matrimony) to share their discernment story and give the youth some advice regarding vocations. Dinner is included. Please RSVP by October 31st and direct any questions to Pam King at pkings@vermontcatholic.org or (802)393-3438.

Word & Eucharist Mass Books



We will be ordering the Word & Eucharist Catholic Mass Book, Sunday edition, soon and are making a list of those interested in purchasing one. The missal is a complete hardcover ritual and lectionary book for use on Sundays, Feasts and Solemnities. It contains everything parishioners need to follow along, understand, and consciously participate in all of the Rites and Orders that take place within Mass. Parishioners can purchase these books for \$18 each and keep them as their own. Unlike the previous Breaking Bread missals, these never need replacing. Please contact the rectory office by email office@stthomasvt.com, call 899-4632, or sign up on the list in church.

September 29th Grab N Go

It's not too late to register for our September Age Well Grab and Go meal, free to those 60 and over. This month's meal includes: Beef burgundy with sauce, rotini noodles, glazed beets, dinner roll with butter, apple cake with icing, & milk. Register by calling Donna Lewis at 802-434-3155 or email bellyacr@gmavt.net. The meals are delicious and there is no income requirement. Call today!

From The Office of the Bishop

The obligation to attend Sunday Mass is reinstated as of July 4, 2021. However, as has always been the case, there are times and circumstances when one cannot be present for Sunday Mass: injury, ill-health, mobility issues, age, and now personal safety issues that are still present due to Covid 19. Children who have not been vaccinated, people whose health is compromised so that they have to avoid any risk of contagion as well as their caregivers, may in freedom choose not to attend Sunday Mass.

Middle School Rally

On Saturday, October 30th, from 9:30am - 5:30pm at St. John Vianney Parish in South Burlington, the diocese will hold a state-wide Middle School Rally for youth and catechists who work with them. Nationally known speaker and musician Chris Padgett will lead the day. Assuming that most middle schoolers have been confirmed, the focus of the day will be living joyfully as we become Saints. There will be two meetings for the adults to share their hopes and plans. Lunch will be provided. The cost is \$15 per person. The Rally will end with the 4:30pm Mass. For more information or to register, please contact Fr. Pat Forman at patforman@charter.net

Racism and Life Issues

In their November 2018 Pastoral Letter Against Racism, *Open Wide Our Hearts: The Enduring Call to Love*, the U.S. Catholic bishops wrote, "racism occurs because a person ignores the fundamental truth that ... all [humans are] equally made in the image of God." Racism fails to acknowledge the dignity with which God creates each person, and it contributes to a culture of death. The Church in the United States has spoken out consistently against abortion, assisted suicide, euthanasia, the death penalty, and other threats to human life; it is not a secret that these attacks have severely affected people of color. These brothers and sisters are targeted for abortion, disproportionately affected by poverty, have the greatest numbers on death row, and are most likely to feel pressure to end their lives through assisted suicide when facing serious illness. The feast of St. Peter Claver is an opportunity to highlight the connection between racism and various attacks against human life. As St. John Paul II reminded us, "Where life is involved, the service of charity must be profoundly consistent. It cannot tolerate bias and discrimination, for human life is sacred and inviolable at every stage and in every situation; it is an indivisible good".

"Throughout salvation history, God has welcomed repentant sinners with special joy. Jesus concludes the parable of the lost sheep with these words: 'there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous people who have no need of repentance' (Lk 15:7)*."

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USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities

"Life Matters: Forgiveness and Healing After Abortion"

Readings For the Week



September 20

Memorial of Saints Andrew Kim Tae-gŏn, Priest, and Paul Chŏng Ha-sang, and Companions, Martyrs
Ezr 1:1-6
Lk 8:16-18

September 21

Feast of Saint Matthew, Apostle and evangelist
Eph 4:1-7, 11-13
Mt 9:9-13

September 22

Ezr 9:5-9
Lk 9:1-6

September 23

Memorial of Saint Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio), Priest
Hg 1:1-8
Lk 9:7-9

September 24

Hg 2:1-9
Lk 9:18-22

September 25

Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a
Lk 9:43b-45

September 26

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Nm 11:25-29
Ps 19:8, 10, 12-13, 14
Jas 5:1-6
Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

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: 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, Patricia Stone, Amy Gratton, Lisa Abair, Gene Wells, Diane Dufresne, Audra Goss, Alicia Alesandrimi, Peggy Lynch, Alex Wintersteen, Dorothy Reny, Evangeline McSoley, Les Lashway and all those preparing for or recovering from surgery.

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

<p>Natural Family Planning</p> <p>"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".</p> <p>Sharon Trani MSN; APRN Nurse Practitioner - NFP teacher 802-326-2015 strani@vermontcatholic.org</p>	<p>Repentant Reconciled Renewed</p>	 <p>St. Thomas Church Knights of Columbus Council No. 7810 G.K.: Steve Haupt Chancellor: Ed Matthews Recorder: Andrew Rowe Treasurer: Mark Girouard Warden: Bob Kennedy Advocate: Craig Benson Meets 2nd Tuesday each month</p>	 <p>Catholic Family Confectioners Established 1986</p> <p>81 A VT Rte 15 PO Box 303, Jericho, VT 05465 802-899-3373 SnowflakeChocolate.com The Pollak Family</p>
 <p>PHIL POTVIN 27 MOOSE RUN 899-3305 UNDERHILL</p>	<p>CORNERSTONE CONSTRUCTION, INC. P.O. Box 178 Underhill Ctr., VT 05490</p>  <p>RESIDENTIAL & COMMERCIAL BUILDING & REMODELING</p> <p>Bill MacDonough</p> <p>Phone: 802-343-9605 CornerstoneConstructionVT.com</p>		<p>For prayers answered</p> <p>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.</p> <p>To be prayed 8 consecutive days</p>
<p>PRAY FOR VOCATIONS</p> 	<p>REED'S QUALITY HEATING</p> <p>(802) 899-4362 Personalized Efficient Service</p>  <p>John Reed Licensed Service Technicians</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Oil furnace & boiler specialist Install, service and clean Oil Tank Installations Plumbing repairs and water heaters <p>PO Box 97 Jericho, VT 05465</p> <p>www.reedandbenoitqualityheating.com</p>		<p>For prayers answered</p> <p>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.</p> <p>To be prayed 8 consecutive days</p>
<p>Elegant Wood Floors</p> <p>Robbe "Kibby" Pierce owner 802-522-3710 WWW.ElegantWoodFloors.com</p> <p>61 Lazy Brook Lane Jeffersonville, Vermont 05464 DESIGN - INSTALLATION - SANDING - FINISHING</p> 	<p>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.</p>		<p>RCIA = Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Adult Confirmation</p> <p>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</p> 
 <p>1907 Williston Road So. Burlington, VT 05403 BarrysAutomotiveVT.com Bruce Barry</p> <p>Sales: (802) 881-0511 Service: (802) 863-4343 Fax: (802) 660-4393 David Warren</p>	<p>In loving memory of Millicent Dixon</p>  <p>Benefactor of the St. Thomas Cemeteries</p>	<p>Confirming Their Faith</p> 	<p>RCIA = Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Adult Confirmation</p> <p>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</p> 
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<p>Pierre Donzé Inc.</p> <p>Plaster Trowel Coatings Construction Services</p>  <p>P.O. Box 264 Cambridge, VT 05444 Phone/Fax: 802-644-5426 Email: donzeboy@yahoo.com</p>	<p>First Step PRINT SHOP</p> <p>LIKE us on facebook</p> <p>Orders@FirstStepPrintShop.com Phone: 899-2708 Fax: 899-2021 22 Park St. • Underhill, VT 05489</p>	<p>Lamoureux & Dickinson</p> <p>14 Morse Drive Essex, VT 05452 878-4450 LDengineering.com</p> <p>Land surveys Septic Design Subdivisions Site Plans Wetland Delineation Permitting</p>	<p>Would you like to place an ad in our bulletin?</p> <p>Call the parish office at 899-4632 for details.</p>