



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

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Parish Staff

Rev. Richard CalapanAdministrator
Rev. Mr. Peter Brooks..... Deacon
Theresa Gingras..... Secretary
Laura Lynch WellsRel. Ed. Coordinator
Patrice Rogers - 399-6226.....Music Ministry

St. Thomas Cemeteries

Range Rd., Irish Settlement Rd., Pleasant Valley Rd.
Nate Sullivan899-4732
Tim Clark735-7341

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

October 16	
SAT	4:00 PM - Mass for the repose of the soul of James Belton requested by Bob and Martha Pollak 6:30 PM - Mass at St. Mary of the Assumption
October 17	
SUN	8:05 AM - Rosary 8:30 AM- Mass for the repose of the souls of Leona and Arsene Potvin requested by the Tim Potvin family 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 50th Anniversary of Rene and Barbara Desany
WED	8:00 AM - Mass at St. Mary of the Assumption followed by Confessions and Adoration
THU	NO Mass
FRI	8:00 AM - Mass for the repose of the soul of Susan Pollock requested by Don & Teri Gingras
October 23	
SAT	4:00 PM - Mass for the repose of the soul of Frank Babicz requested by Ed and Louise Mathews 6:30 PM - Mass at St. Mary of the Assumption
October 24	
SUN	8:05 AM - Rosary 8:30 AM- Mass for the Parishioners of St. Thomas and St. Mary's Parishes 10:30 AM - Mass at St. Mary of the Assumption

<u>Ministry Schedule</u> <u>October 23 & 24</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	L Berard	NONE
8:30 AM SUNDAY	NONE	M Ledwith	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

Successful Fundraisers!

Our booth at the **Harvest Market** on 9/25 and 9/26 was a huge success. Our gross for the weekend was \$4800. That represents sales of over 430 meatball subs, 170 cinnamon rolls, 17 cases of sauce, and lots of drinks. Thank you to everyone who helped with the event or dealt with packed freezers and refrigerators in the weeks before. We wouldn't be able to do an event of this size without a lot of support.

Ham Dinner - A heartfelt THANK YOU goes out to all those who donated food, prepared food, served food, and ate food at this year's Ham Dinner take-out event. After expenses, we made over \$1,700 toward our fundraising goal! We can always count on our volunteers to make these events run smoothly!

Stewardship - October 9 & 10, 2021

Weekly Budgeted Goal:\$ 2,730.77
 Regular Collection: ... (incl. \$463 On-Line Giving)\$ 2,812.00
 Second Collection - Fuel & Heat:\$ 918.00

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.

What is a Novena?

The word "novena" is derived from the Latin word for nine, or "novem." Typically, a novena refers to nine days of prayer, asking God for a specific intention, often through a Saint's intercession. How to pray the novena? Simply pray the novena prayer each day. Don't expect the intention to magically happen on the last day. For the practical aspect of remembering and praying the novena, set yourself up for success by choosing a time and stick with it. Don't sweat the details too much. If you miss a day, it's okay. Say two prayers the next day, or just call it a wash and keep going. God is merciful. A sincere heart and our best effort is what He asks of us! Don't fall into thoughts of, "Oh no! I missed a day! Now this won't count and God won't grant my intention!" It's important to remember that God is absolutely not a genie in a bottle. We don't get prayers granted like wishes as long as we click our heels together three times or say certain prayers the right way. While a novena is a beautiful way to bring our specific intentions before God, it's not a guarantee that He will answer our prayers in the way that we hope. Often, His answers are always better than anything we could have imagined or hoped for, anyway. Let's grow more consistent and persistent in prayer. Let's embrace the beauty and challenge of novenas, knowing there's no way to "mess up" when God's will is our highest aim.

9 Day Novena to St. Jude

O Holy Saint Jude, apostle and martyr, great in virtue and rich in miracles, near kinsman of Jesus Christ, faithful intercessor of all who invoke your special patronage in time of need. To you I have recourse from the depth of my heart and humbly beg to whom God has given so great to come to my assistance. Help me in my present and urgent petition, in return I promise to make your name known and cause you to be invoked. Saint Jude pray for us all who invoked. Saint Jude pray for us all who invoke your aid. Amen. Mention your intention and say 3 Our Fathers, 3 Hail Marys and 3 Gloria. (Publication must be promised.)

PARISH EVENTS

Sunday	10/17	10-11:15 AM - Religious Ed Grade K-5
Tuesday	10/19	5:30 PM - Confessions 7:30 PM - Finance Council Meeting
Thursday	10/21	9:30 AM - Social Concerns Group
Saturday	10/23	9-10:15 AM - Confirmation - Grades 6-7 3:15 PM - Confessions
Sunday	10/24	10-11:15 AM - Religious Ed Grade K-5

Religious Education 2021-2022:



Saturdays, Confirmation Class: Grades 6&7 in the parish hall.

Sundays, Rel Ed K-5: Openings upstairs in the church. Classes: Grades K-2 classes in the parish hall; Grades 3-5 in the Sacristy.

RCIA

Are you interested in exploring the Catholic faith or becoming a Catholic? Join us for RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults). It is the process by which non-Catholics enter the Catholic Faith. To become a Catholic, one must understand the teachings of the Church, believe in those teachings, and be a baptized Catholic. Those who are not baptized will study the teachings of the Catholic Church through RCIA and conclude their journey with the reception of the Sacrament of Baptism into the Church. Those who were baptized as a Protestant, will study the teachings of the Catholic Faith in RCIA and conclude their journey with their reception into the Church by a priest, which may include a conditional Baptism and a profession of the Catholic Faith. Interested persons may contact Laura Wells at St. Thomas Parish. Email: stthomasvt.com@gmail.com or call 899-4770

Adult Confirmation:

Adult Catholics who have been baptized, received First Communion and are practicing their Catholic faith but have not celebrated the Sacrament of Confirmation are invited to participate in a formation program for the sacrament. Interested persons may contact Laura Wells at St. Thomas Parish in Underhill Center to prepare for the sacrament. Email: stthomasvt.com@gmail.com or call 802-899-4770

Attention High Schoolers

Are you in the 8th Grade or High School and have not made your Confirmation but would like to? Contact Laura Wells at the parish office stthomasvt.com@gmail.com or 802-899-4770

Diocesan Women's Retreat

The Heart of Prayer: Our living relationship with God Saturday, Nov. 13, 9am-2:15pm St. Catherine of Sienna, Shelburne, Vermont. Key Note: Sister Barbara Cline, Franciscan Sisters of the Eucharist. Limited number of attendees, deadline registration November 6 with \$30 payment. There will be a waitlist in event of cancellations made prior to retreat. Contact Terri McCormack (802) 658-6110 x1451 or email tmccormack@vermontcatholic.org

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.

Country Music

"Not just heartbreaks and honky-tonk: Country Music and Sacred Space"- join us for an engaging event presented by Fr. Richard Berube, SSE, retired St. Michael's College Religious Education Professor and Jeff Firlik, music minister, to take place at Holy Family Parish Hall at 36 Lincoln Street, Essex Junction, VT on Thursday, October 28th from 7:00pm to 8:30pm. Due to the pandemic, we ask that you please wear a mask so that we have a safe environment for all to participate.

COH Capitol Campaign

The Christ Our Hope: Building a Vibrant Church campaign is underway! Teamed with the rest of the parishes throughout the state, we will be joined together in our effort to strengthen our Catholic Church in Vermont and renew our own parishes. This week every registered parish household will receive a mailing with a gift request letter signed by Bishop Coyne with instructions on how you can invest in the future of St. Thomas Parish and strengthen the Catholic Church in Vermont. The request letter is an invitation not an expectation. We understand these are difficult times, but, as a Church, our needs have not diminished and for many they have increased. We first ask you to make the gift of prayer for the success of the campaign. We then ask you to consider our shared responsibility for the needs of our spiritual home, our parish, and the future of our Catholic Church in Vermont. Finally, we invite those who can give to prayerfully consider a sacrificial gift beyond their usual offertory and bishop's appeal contribution. To learn more about the campaign visit: www.christourhopevt.org.

Natural Family Planning

NFP Outreach Program for Catholic couples married in the Church (one spouse must be Catholic); couples married civilly or are cohabitating but have a date to marry in the Church can participate as well. This is a free virtual NFP class sponsored by the St. Augustine Foundation. Please contact Terri McCormack at tmccormack@vermontcatholic.org for more info.



project rachel
Peace starts here

If you experience regret, guilt, or grief after abortion, be assured that God's healing love and mercy are always available to the repentant heart.

For confidential, non-judgmental help, call (802) 658-4118, or visit www.HopeAfterAbortion.com

Thank you St. Jude
for favors granted. JC

Readings For the Week

October 18

Feast of Saint Luke,
evangelist
2 Tm 4:10-17b
Lk 10:1-9

October 19

Memorial of Saints John de
Brébeuf and Isaac Jogues,
Priests, and Companions,
Martyrs
Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19,
20b-21
Lk 12:35-38

October 20

Rom 6:12-18
Lk 12:39-48

October 21

Rom 6:19-23
Lk 12:49-53

October 22

Rom 7:18-25a
Lk 12:54-59

October 23

Rom 8:1-11
Lk 13:1-9

October 24

Thirtieth Sunday in
Ordinary Time
Jer 31:7-9
Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6
Heb 5:1-6
Mk 10:46-52



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, Gene Wells, Diane Dufresne, Audra Goss, Alicia Alesandrini, 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>