



# St. Thomas Church

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Underhill Center, VT 05490

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

Pastor Office Hours:  
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## Parish Staff

Rev. Richard Calapan .....Administrator  
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  
Tim Clark .....735-7341

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

**November 13**

**SAT 4:00 PM** - Mass for the repose of the soul of Doris Ormonde requested by Steven and Corinne Ferreira  
6:30 PM - Mass at St. Mary of the Assumption

**November 14**

**SUN 8:05 AM** - Rosary  
8:30 AM - Mass for the repose of the soul of Patrick McCarthy requested by Sean & Mary Ann Ledwith  
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 James Croote 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 our All Soul's Day intentions

**November 20**

**SAT 4:00 PM** - Mass for the repose of the soul of Thomas Manion requested by Patrick and Jean Burke  
6:30 PM - Mass at St. Mary of the Assumption

**November 21**

**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>November 20 &amp; 21</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	L Wells	NONE

### Second Collection

This weekend we will be taking up a collection for the church maintenance fund. Our maintenance and finance committees are phasing in a proactive maintenance program to ensure that the Parish facilities are maintained properly and are fully funded in case of any emergency repairs. This collection will greatly assist them in implementing this program for the future of the St. Thomas buildings and grounds.

### Country Breakfast November 14



Please join us this Sunday, from 8-10:30 am for a buffet style breakfast being served in the Parish Hall. The breakfast will include juice, fruit, eggs, pancakes, sausage, bacon, home fries, and coffee or tea. The cost is by donation and all proceeds will benefit the Josh Pallotta Fund (<https://joshpallottafund.org/>) ALL ARE WELCOME! Please come and bring the whole family to this delicious Country Breakfast.

### Stewardship - November 6 & 7, 2021

Weekly Budgeted Goal: .....\$ 2,730.77  
Regular Collection: ... (incl. \$683 On-Line Giving) .....\$ 3,404.00

Please give online at [www.stthomasvt.com/donate](http://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 Dedication of the Basilicas of St. Peter and St. Paul Feast Day - November 18

This feast celebrates the dedications of two of the four major basilicas of Rome. St. Peter's Basilica was originally built in 323 by the emperor Constantine. The basilica was constructed over the tomb of Peter the Apostle, the Church's first Pope. After standing for more than a thousand years, Pope Julius II ordered the building to be torn down due to structural concerns. The construction of the new church spanned over 200 years before its completion. It was dedicated on November 18, 1626. It is considered the most famous church in Christendom.

St. Paul's Basilica is located outside the original walls of Rome. It was also originally built by the emperor Constantine though it was destroyed by fire in 1823. Donations from around the world made the reconstruction possible. Before the completion of St. Peter's Basilica, St. Paul's was the largest church in Rome. The Basilica was built over St. Paul's grave. Pope Pius IX consecrated the Basilica in 1854. These two churches continue to draw millions of faithful pilgrims each year as well as many visitors from other faiths.

What is a Basilica? Originally, a basilica was an ancient Roman public building, where courts were held, as well as serving other official and public functions. Basilicas are typically rectangular buildings with a central nave flanked by two or more longitudinal aisles, with the roof at two levels, being higher in the center over the nave to admit an upper level with windows for light and air, and lower level over the side-aisles. An apse at one end, or less frequently at both ends or on the side, usually contained the raised tribunal occupied by the Roman magistrates. The name was applied to Christian churches which adopted the same basic plan. There are four "major" or papal basilicas - all of which are in Rome. All other basilicas are called "minor" basilicas. Today, the term basilica is a special designation given by the pope to certain churches because of their antiquity, dignity, historical importance or significance as a place of worship. To become a basilica, the church must have been consecrated. The liturgical rites (celebration of the Holy Eucharist, sacraments of penance and other sacraments) should also be executed in an exemplary way with fidelity to liturgical norms and the active participation of the people of God. It should also have special significance in the diocese. Because of the relationship between a basilica and the pope, basilicas have the responsibility to promote the study of the documents of the pope and the Holy See, especially those concerning the Sacred Liturgy. Also, certain days in the liturgical year are to be celebrated with added solemnity, among them the Feast of the Chair of St. Peter (Feb. 22), the Solemnity of Sts. Peter and Paul (June 29), and the anniversary of the election or coronation of the supreme pontiff. An outward sign and privilege that comes to a basilica is the honor and opportunity to display the seal of the papacy.

### PARISH EVENTS

Sunday	11/14	<b>8-10:30 AM - K of C Country Breakfast</b> 10-11:15 AM - Religious Ed Grade K-5
Tuesday	11/16	5:30 PM - Confessions 7:00 PM - Finance Council Meeting
Thursday	11/18	9:30 AM - Social Concerns Group 6:30 PM - Food Shelf setup at Good Shephard
Saturday	11/20	NO Confirmation class 3:15 PM - Confessions
Sunday	11/21	NO Religious Ed



### Religious Education 2021-2022:

Religious Education classes grades K-2 move location this Sunday (only) because the K of C Country Breakfast is being held in the parish hall: Grades K+1 are meeting in the Nave of the church; Grade 2 is meeting in the Upper Room in the rectory.

Grades 3-5 meets in the Sacristy as usual.

The next Religious Education classes will meet December 4. Have a happy Thanksgiving break with family and friends.

### In Memorium - Patrick McCarthy

On Sunday, November 14, 2021 @ 7pm, Yong Suk and her family invites us to join them in prayer to remember Pat. For those in the area, there will be a Rosary at St. Thomas followed by some snacks in the hall downstairs. You can also join the rosary remote via the following zoom link -

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85232548458?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85232548458?pwd=djNaVXRkRHZlQVbHE5ZXRXZUGFrQT09)

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Or at <https://zoom.us>

Meeting ID: 852 3254 8458 Passcode: 0Qmx3d.

If you are unable to join the rosary, your personal prayers at home during that time would be greatly appreciated.

### Fried Onions!

We have met our goal of 60 boxes of fried onions to donate to the EJU food shelf's Thanksgiving Distribution. Thank you to all who donated. Many needy families will have a better Thanksgiving dinner thanks to your efforts. There is a need for baked beans and tomato products for the regular distribution. Thank you for your continued support of the Food shelf.

### Christmas stocking

Please take a tag from the Christmas Stocking at the entrance of the church and purchase personal care items for the food shelf. This is an easy and inexpensive way to help our neighbors this time of year. This drive was very successful in past years and we hope to do well again this year! Please place the items in the basket by the giant stocking. Thank you for your generosity and Merry Christmas!

### Word & Eucharist Books

Our new Word and Eucharist Sunday Mass books will be arriving soon, in time for the new liturgical year beginning November 28th. If you ordered a book and have not already done so, please send your check for \$18 to PO Box 3, Underhill Ctr., VT 05490, or drop it in the offertory basket on Sunday. I will be ordering more, so if you would still like to order one, please call the office at 802-899-4632.

### 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.

### November 24th Grab and Go Meal

Our November Age Well Grab and Go meal, free to those 60 and over, will be held on Wednesday, November 24th, with pickup 11-12pm. If you would like a meal, please call Donna at 802-434-3155 to register by November 22. This month's meal includes: Lasagna rollette with meatballs, marinara sauce & mozzarella, broccoli florets, wheat dinner roll, fresh fruit salad, & milk.

### Advent Appeal

Please join Vermont Catholic Charities in supporting the Annual Advent Appeal. The "Season of Giving" has no bounds for people in need. Whatever the season, it is a daily struggle for many Vermonters to maintain housing, stay warm or feed their families. With your help, we can make a difference in lives of those living on the edge. Whether your gift is \$10, \$100, \$1000 or more, your gift will make a difference in the life of a needy family. To donate, please mail a check to Vermont Catholic Charities, 55 Joy Drive, South Burlington, VT 05403. or give online at [www.vermontcatholic.org/adventappeal](http://www.vermontcatholic.org/adventappeal).

### Job Opening at Rice

Rice Memorial High School is seeking a critical, part-time member (20 hours/week) of its fundraising and alumni relations team. The Advancement Coordinator is responsible for all aspects of donation processing, gift acknowledgment and database management. For a complete position description, visit [www.rmhsvt.org/careers-at-rice](http://www.rmhsvt.org/careers-at-rice). To apply, email your resume with a cover letter outlining what you bring to this position to [bahrenburg@rmhsvt.org](mailto:bahrenburg@rmhsvt.org). The chosen hire will receive a \$500 signing bonus!

*"We can't imagine loving a child whom we conceived more than we love Andrew. It is amazing how he fits our personalities so well... Adopting Andrew has made us more aware of God's power and of his love for us. We realize that he always has a perfect plan for our lives."*

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities,  
"An Adoption Love Story" ([respectlife.org/adoption-love-story](http://respectlife.org/adoption-love-story))

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, and all those preparing for or recovering from surgery.

**DECEASED:** For all who have died, especially Benjamin Parisi, Annmarie Dubois, Joan Snell and all deceased members of St. Thomas & St. Mary's Parishes.

Thank you St. Jude  
for favors granted. JC

## **Readings For the Week**



### November 15

1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43,  
54-57, 62-63  
Lk 18:35-43

### November 16

2 Mc 6:18-31  
Lk 19:1-10

### November 17

Memorial of Saint Elizabeth  
of Hungary, Religious  
2 Mc 7:1, 20-31  
Lk 19:11-28

### November 18

1 Mc 2:15-29  
Lk 19:41-44

### November 19

1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59  
Lk 19:45-48

### November 20

1 Mc 6:1-13  
Lk 20:27-40

### November 21

The Solemnity of Our  
Lord Jesus Christ, King  
of the Universe

Dn 7:13-14  
Ps 93:1, 1-2, 5  
Rv 1:5-8  
Jn 18:33b-37

<p><b>Natural Family Planning</b></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><b>Sharon Trani MSN; APRN</b> Nurse Practitioner - NFP teacher 802-326-2015 strani@vermontcatholic.org</p>	<p><b>Repentant Reconciled Renewed</b></p>	 <p><b>St. Thomas Church Knights of Columbus</b> 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><b>PHIL POTVIN 27 MOOSE RUN</b> 899-3305 UNDERHILL</p>	<p><b>CORNERSTONE CONSTRUCTION, INC.</b> P.O. Box 178 Underhill Ctr., VT 05490</p>  <p>RESIDENTIAL &amp; COMMERCIAL BUILDING &amp; REMODELING</p> <p><b>Bill MacDonough</b></p> <p>Phone: 802-343-9605 CornerstoneConstructionVT.com</p>		<p><b>For prayers answered</b></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><b>PRAY FOR VOCATIONS</b></p> 	<p><b>REED'S QUALITY HEATING</b></p> <p>(802) 899-4362 Personalized Efficient Service</p>  <p>John Reed Licensed Service Technicians</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Oil furnace &amp; boiler specialist</li> <li>Install, service and clean</li> <li>Oil Tank Installations</li> <li>Plumbing repairs and water heaters</li> </ul> <p>PO Box 97 Jericho, VT 05465</p> <p>www.reedandbenoitqualityheating.com</p>		<p><b>For prayers answered</b></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><b>Elegant Wood Floors</b></p> <p><b>Robbe "Kibby" Pierce</b> 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><b>RCIA = Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults</b></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><b>Adult Confirmation</b></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><b>Confirming Their Faith</b></p> 	<p><b>RCIA = Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults</b></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><b>Adult Confirmation</b></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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