

The Rutland-Wallingford Catholic Community

The Holy Family

December 29, 2019

Christ the King

Located at 66 S. Main St., Rutland, Vt.

Immaculate Heart of Mary

Located at 18 Lincoln Ave., Rutland, Vt.

St. Patrick

Located at 218 N. Main St., Wallingford, Vt.



Confessions

Friday 3:30 PM Christ the King

Saturday 3:00 PM Immaculate Heart of Mary

You may also make an appointment by calling the office.

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday 4:00 PM Immaculate Heart of Mary

5:30 PM Christ the King

Sunday 7:30 AM Christ the King

9:00 AM St. Patrick

10:30 AM Christ the King

5:30 PM Christ the King

For our complete Mass schedule, please see inside.

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"Rise, take the child and his mother and go to the land of Israel, for those who sought the child's life are dead." - Mt 2:20

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*We are one community with three worship sites: **Christ the King** and **Immaculate Heart of Mary** in Rutland, and **St. Patrick** in Wallingford. As one, we **pray** the Eucharist and other sacraments together, and we **explore** the meaning of our Catholic faith. As a community, we **reach out in love**, following the call of Jesus to serve those in need. As one community, we grow together in faith and love for Jesus Christ.*

**MASS SCHEDULE
December 28 – January 5, 2019**

Sat. 12/28	4:00 PM	IHM	Lawrence Mayo by family
	5:30 PM	CTK	Angelo and Eugenia Valente by the family
Sun. 12/29	7:30 AM	CTK	Intentions of the parishioners
	9:00 AM	SP	Kathy Barry (3 rd Anniversary) by Jerry and Ellen Whooley
	10:30 AM	CTK	Christina Ponton by the Townsend family
	5:30 PM	CTK	Muriel Meiss by Kathy and Ray Lopes
Mon. 12/30	6:45 AM	CTK	Antonio Napolitano by the Bourgeois family
	4:45 PM	CTK	Robert A. Massino by Noreen Carson
Tue. 12/31	4:00 PM	IHM	Intentions of the parishioners
	5:00 PM	SP	Sally S. Gobrecht by Travel Buddies
Wed. 1/1	7:30 AM	CTK	Ruth Letorney by Training and Education at RRMC
	10:30 AM	CTK	Richard Thornton by Cynthia Thornton and family
Thu. 1/2	6:45 AM	CTK	RJ and Rose by Grace
	4:45 PM	CTK	Albert Paul (birthday memorial) by the family
Fri. 1/3	6:45 AM	CTK	Tom Gage by Anne and Rob Carpenter and family
	4:45 PM	CTK	John Creed by his wife, Maryann
Sat. 1/4	4:00 PM	IHM	Intentions of the parishioners
	5:30 PM	CTK	Ray McCarthy by June and family
Sun. 1/5	7:30 AM	CTK	Michael Fredette by David Salerni
	9:00 AM	SP	Nancy Seward by Kevin, Joanne, Linda, and Kerry
	10:30 AM	CTK	Pauline Austin by the Gower-Johnson family
	5:30 PM	CTK	James Lynch by the family

Observances for the Week

Sunday:	The Holy Family
Tuesday:	Saint Sylvester I, pope
Wednesday:	Mary, the Holy Mother of God (holy day of obligation); New Year's Day; World Day of Peace
Thursday:	Sts. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen, bishops & DOTC
Friday:	The Most Holy Name of Jesus
Saturday:	St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, religious; National Migration Week
Next Sunday:	The Epiphany of the Lord

Bulletin Notice Deadline

**Please have your bulletin notices into the office by noon on
Thursday, 10 days before the bulletin date. Thank you!**

**SOLEMNITY OF MARY
THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD
New Year's Mass Times**

New Year's Eve	
4 PM	IHM
5 PM	St. Patrick
New Year's Day	
7:30 AM	Christ the King
10:30 AM	Christ the King

Readings for the Week

Sunday:	Sir 3:2-6, 12-14/ Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [cf. 1]/Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17/Mt 2:13-15, 19-23
Monday:	1 Jn 2:12-17/Ps 96:7-8a, 8b-9, 10 [11a]/Lk 2:36-40
Tuesday:	1 Jn 2:18-21/Ps 96:1-2, 11-12, 13 [11a]/Jn 1:1-18
Wednesday:	Nm 6:22-27/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 [2a]/Gal 4:4-7/ Lk 2:16-21
Thursday:	1 Jn 2:22-28/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [3cd]/Jn 1:19-28
Friday:	1 Jn 2:29—3:6/Ps 98:1, 3cd-4, 5-6 [3cd]/Jn 1:29-34
Saturday:	1 Jn 3:7-10/Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9 [3cd]/Jn 1:35-42
Next Sunday:	Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 [cf. 11]/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

Financial News

Because of the calendar, last year's offertory year to date numbers reflect one extra week. This applies to all parishes.

Christ the King		This Year (\$)	Last Year (\$)
Offertory	Week of 12/15	6,579	7,725
	Year to Date	166,904	171,483
Immaculate Heart of Mary		This Year (\$)	Last Year (\$)
Offertory	Week of 12/15	2,144	2,429
	Year to Date	45,167	56,150
Energy	Week of 12/15	647	826
	Year to Date	4,753	5,293
St. Patrick		This Year (\$)	Last Year (\$)
Offertory	Week of 12/15	1,031	1,082
	Year to Date	27,731	27,519

All Are Welcome

*No matter your present status in the Catholic Church;
no matter your family or marital status;
no matter where you are in the practice of faith;
no matter your self image;
you are welcome and loved in the parishes of the
Rutland-Wallingford Catholic Community.*

Gospel Meditation

The Holy Family

by Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS (LPi)



“Rise, take the child and his mother, flee to Egypt, and stay there until I tell you.” 725 kilometers. That’s the distance on modern roads from Bethlehem to Cairo. Assuming one covered 40km a day on foot — ambitious for two young parents and their infant son — the journey would take

well over two weeks. Of course, the Holy Family didn’t have modern roads. They would travel through wilderness, fear bandits, run low on water, and cross the vast Sinai Peninsula in a reverse of their forefathers in Exodus. Here, in struggle and sacrifice, are the beginnings of the forging of the Holy Family.

“Joseph rose and took the child and his mother by night and departed for Egypt. He stayed there until the death of Herod.” Large Jewish communities existed in most major cities of the ancient Mediterranean world, after the collapse of their kingdoms chronicled in the Old Testament, and Joseph could likely find work as a carpenter. All the same, today’s Gospel reminds us that the first formational years of Jesus as a babe-in-arms were spent in a strange land. The members of the Holy Family were foreigners, outsiders, immigrants.

The Word became flesh and dwelt among us. God took on our humanity. He is in solidarity with our own trials and difficulties. On the feast of the Holy Family, we honor the special place of the family within society. We are invited, too, to recall those families who share in the struggles of the Holy Family in a particular way. We pray for immigrants, asylum seekers, and refugees. We pray for all parents who sacrifice their own well-being and comfort so their children may have a better life.

2020 Contribution Envelopes

If you did not pick up your box of 2020 offertory envelopes while they were in the church, please call the rectory to make arrangements to get them, or let us know you no longer want them. The number is 773-6820, Ext. 8 for Jerry, or Ext. 9 for Gary. Also, let us know if you would like to start receiving offertory envelopes. Thank you very much for your generosity to your parish.

Calvary Cemetery Envelopes

Since many of the white envelopes have been used, the pews have been replenished with more. Sincere thanks to all who have been so kind in using these envelopes for the perpetual care of the cemetery.



Visit our website at www.rwcatholic.org.
Information and bulletins are uploaded weekly.

Christ the King News

Flower Bulletin Addendum

Grandpa Legayada by Jacob Legayada

Sandra Place by Vincent Cavalieri

Grandpa B by Quincy

Lucy Gallipo by Ryan Gallipo

The Rizk and Trainor families deceased by Arthur

Great Grandma by Gavin Cannolly

The Cerreta family deceased by Ally Cerreta

The Bruten family and Colletta Young
by Wayne, Danny, Mickey, and Anne Marie

Richard Seeley by Ann Marie, Chris, Peter, and Brian

The Brown, Gratton, Dubeau, and Donahue families deceased
by Charles and Alice Brown and family

IHM News

IHM 200 Club: Time to Buy!

The IHM 200 Club is open to all families and friends of the Rutland-Wallingford Catholic Community. It is a monthly raffle of five cash prizes that helps defray the cost of heating the IHM church building. The cost is \$120 for the year, which can be paid up front or in installments throughout the year. For the next several weeks, registration forms can be found at the back of each church, or you may contact the IHM office at 773-6820, Ext. 109.

You can mail in your payments or drop them in the offertory basket in a plain white envelope marked “IHM 200 Club” on the outside. Thank you, and God bless you for your support.

Giving Tree Project

On behalf of both BROCC and the Community Cupboard, thank you for your support of the IHM Giving Tree Project. Your generosity has enabled us to give each organization a check for \$1,149. An arrangement with the Vermont Bank gives them each the buying power of about \$2,500 or more, depending on the item. In conjunction with your recent generosity with MSJ’s Project Help, this will be of great service to the area’s needy during the cold months ahead. God bless.

EXODUS 90

January 13 to April 12

Find freedom from everything that enslaves you.

Strengthen all aspects of your spiritual life.

Find a few friends to journey with.

Exodus 90 is a 90-day spiritual exercise for Catholic men to become better Christians via a path to freedom through prayer, asceticism, and fraternity. The upcoming Lent Exodus starts on January 13 and ends on Easter Sunday. Join over 20,000 men who have experienced the Exodus. The app is free to download. The cost is \$9.99 per month for 3 months. Visit <https://exodus90.com> for more information.

Sunday Coffee Hour at Christ the King

Join us for coffee and donuts after the 10:30 AM Mass.





Christmas Tree Pickup

Rutland Boy Scout Troops 105 and 120

**Saturdays, December 28,
January 4 and 11**

To schedule your tree pickup, please call **802-342-5770** or
email **RutlandBSTreeCollection@gmail.com**

Donations greatly appreciated and are accepted at pickup.
This is our MAJOR fundraiser!

Recent Eagle Scout Projects Benefiting the Local Rutland Community



Badge Hunt Scavenger Game
at Pine Hill Park

Garden at
Northeast School

Disc Golf Course at
Northwood Park



Upcoming Events

Statewide events are on the second page of The Inland See.



Knights of Columbus Meeting

Thursday, January 2, in Engle Hall

The Fourth Degree starts at 6 PM, followed at 7 PM with the council meeting. All members are encouraged to attend. If you are a man who would like to become more involved in our Catholic community by becoming a Knight of Columbus, please call the rectory at (802) 773-6820.

❖ Knight of Columbus Free Community Dinner at IHM

Sunday January 5, at 1 PM in St. Ann's Hall

All are invited to a free community dinner hosted by K of C Rutland Council 232. Turkey and ham will be served with all of the sides; mashed potatoes, gravy, vegetables and desert.

❖ Worldwide Marriage Encounter

January 31 – February 2, Huntington, NY

March 13–15, Duxbury, MA

"Put on, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, heartfelt compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience, bearing with one another and forgiving one another." Work to live in your marriage as God desires by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. For more information, call John and Diane Forcier at 657-3083 or visit wwmevtw.org.

And from Our Pastor...

Dear friends and parishioners:

2019 has been a great year for our parishes and who we are as a Catholic community. I sit back sometimes and just wonder how we pull it all together. What we do here is truly the Lord's work, and there is no doubt he is among us.

From the viewpoint of giving, this year we gave thousands of dollars worth of baby items in our Pampers to PreSchool drive. Later in the year, we donated over 4,000 lbs of food and about \$3,000 to the Stuff-A-Bus food collection. The BROC boxes and Community Cupboard collections are fired up and we have given thousands of individual items of food to both organizations. You've been very generous in giving a great deal of money to other organizations such as our parishes themselves, schools, and Catholic Charities.

You attend programs like my Wednesday night classes and Fr. Matthew's RCIA program. You attend daily Masses in great numbers. Roughly 75 people a day come to daily Mass. I am always inspired by your devotion to daily Mass and all that it means for you. Our morning Mass at 6:45 AM is the earliest Mass in the diocese. Just think, the day begins for the Diocese of Burlington here, among us!

Other initiatives this year include the midweek reflections I have been sending through our automated call system. That's an initiative that has really taken off. Many of you have commented on receiving them and how they help you focus a bit on prayer in the middle of the week. One unexpected benefit of those calls and emails is that we are reaching those who can't make it to church anymore. For many of those folks, it is their way of staying connected with the parish.

We have a lot of students enrolled in Christ the King School, MSJ, and our Religious Education program. The outreach to our youth and young families shows how the reception of the Sacraments and a relationship with Jesus and the Church are important to you as a parish and as families.

Mostly, the nearly 1,000 people who come through our doors each weekend really inspires me. You feel the call of God to come to Mass and to make the Church a part of your and your family's life. You come as you are - young, old, children, families, widows and widowers, rich and poor - you come. You are here for Jesus under the form of bread and wine. You are here to present your lives to Christ. You are here to bring your sin, suffering, and death to the foot of the cross in order that you might find the empty tomb of hope. The enormous responsibility on Fr. Matthew and me to provide a rich experience both in Liturgy and preaching is not lost on either one of us. It is the Lord who works through us.

Indeed, 2019 has been a great year. As we continue to grow and evolve as a parish community, we seek to live the Gospel of Jesus Christ. It is now the time to turn the page to 2020. Let's see what God has in store for us this year! I'm sure at the end of 2020 I will write how great that year has been, filled with the love of God.

Peace,
Fr. Bernie