



# First Sunday of Lent

02/20/2021 - 02/28/2021

Welcome to Mater Dei Parish!



## DAILY & WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

### DAILY MASSES

ST. MARY'S: MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY AT 9:00 AM IN CHURCH & 4:00 PM IN THE CHAPEL, AT 12:00 NOON ON WEDNESDAYS & SATURDAY MORNINGS AT 9:00 AM.

ST. JAMES: FRIDAYS AT 11:00 AM

ST. EDWARD'S: FRIDAYS AT 5:30 PM DURING LENT



### WEEKEND MASSES

SATURDAY: 4:00 PM @ ST. MARY'S  
5:30 PM @ ST. BENEDICT'S  
SUNDAY: 8:30 AM @ ST. EDWARD'S  
9:30 AM & 11:00 AM @ ST. MARY'S  
10:30 AM @ ST. JAMES



Thank You for Your Generosity to our Mater Dei Parish Churches

Week of February 14, 2021



Envelopes:	\$ 3,800.00
Loose:	\$ 1,533.00
Online:	\$ 451.00
TOTAL:	\$ 5,784.00
Budget:	\$10,439.00
Surplus/Deficit:	\$ -4,655.00

## Christ Our Hope:

### Building A Vibrant Church

From our 700 parish families, Mater Dei has received 110 gifts totaling \$143,239, which is 30% of our parish goal. Thank you to everyone who has so generously donated to the campaign. If you have not yet contributed, please prayerfully consider how you can help. Every gift makes a difference. Your sacrifice will help us build a vibrant parish now and well into the future.

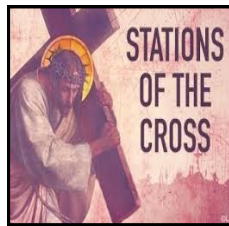


## Lenten Stations of the Cross Schedule

St. Edward's: Fridays at 6:00 pm after 5:30 pm Mass

St. James: Fridays at 10:30 am before 11:00 am Mass

St. Mary's: Fridays at 4:30 pm after 4:00 pm Mass



## Schedule of Confessions During Lent

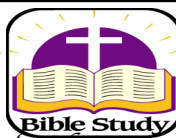


St. Mary's: each Saturday from 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm prior to 4:00 Mass  
Sundays at 9:00 am and 10:30 am prior to the 9:30 and 11:00 Masses  
St. Edward's: each Sunday at 8:00 am prior to the 8:30 Mass  
St. James: each Sunday at 10:00 am prior to the 10:30 Mass

Confessions are also available at the Rectory by appointment. Please call the parish office at (802) 334-5066 to schedule an appointment.

## Weekly Bible Study

*"Blessed are those who read aloud the words of this prophecy and blessed are those who hear it and take to heart what is written in it, for the time is near."* [Revelations 1:3]



Join us every Wednesday from 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm from home on the parish website for Bible Study.

## Pray the Rosary During Lent



Lent is a time for penance, reflection and spiritual growth. One way to increase our holiness is to incorporate the Rosary into our daily prayer life. Each day the

Diocese of Burlington offers a recitation of the Rosary featuring a member of our Vermont diocesan community. If you are looking for ways to grow in holiness this Lenten season, consider visiting the Diocese Rosary page at <https://www.vermontcatholic.org/news/communication/rosary/> to pray with fellow Vermont Catholics, or to sign up to lend your voice for a recording. Saint Padre Pio has been quoted as saying, "The Rosary is a weapon for these times". May we grow together in holiness and protection from all evil. For more information, email Valerie Parzyck at [vparzyck@vermontcatholic.org](mailto:vparzyck@vermontcatholic.org).

Mater Dei also offers the opportunity to pray the Rosary together as a parish family daily at 7:00 pm. To join, query the parish website at [materdeivermont.com](http://materdeivermont.com). Click on Parish Holy Rosary under Pray with us online and follow the prompts. The password is MATERDEI.

*Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth to those who keep your covenant.*

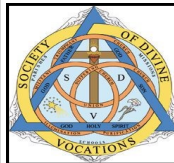


Please pray for the repose of the soul of † **Phyllis Geraghty** and for her grieving family.

### Renew the promise you made with God

As we begin this Lenten season, we are reminded of the everlasting covenant God made with us. Renew the promise you made with God.

Believe in the Good News! If you think God is calling you to be a priest, deacon, brother or sister, contact Fr. James Dodson, Director of Vocations, at **(802) 658-6110, X 2275** or visit **vocations@vermontcatholic.org** for more information.



### VOCATIONIST'S CORNER

The priests and sisters at both the Fathers' and Mothers' Houses in Italy continue to need your prayers.

More than 40 confreres and sisters have contracted the coronavirus in Pianura, Italy, including Father General Rev. Antonio Rafael Do Nascimento, SDV. Three sisters have lost their battle against the virus. † Sr. Rita, † Sr. Rose & † Sr. Angelina  
Heal Your Vocationist Fathers and Sisters, O Lord who desire nothing more than to serve You.



### 4th Degree K of C Meeting

James Cardinal Gibbons Assembly 1157 invites all 4th Degree Knights of Columbus members to join us for our February monthly meeting at St. Andre Bessette Parish Hall on **Wednesday, February 24th at 6:00 pm** at Sacred Heart of Jesus Church in Troy.

A light social will be provided after the meeting. Covid 19 protocols of social distancing and mask wearing remain in place.

Your attendance is important. Please plan to join us.

### Consecration to St. Joseph

Don't forget that Mater Dei Parish's 33-day Consecration to St. Joseph Novena began on



Consecration To Saint Joseph Begins February 15th

Monday, February 15th and continues daily until the Feast of St. Joseph on March 19th. Special Novena prayers to St Joseph are said together daily on Zoom at 12:00 Noon and will be repeated again after the online Rosary at 7:00 pm. Click on Consecration to St. Joseph under Parish Updates on the Mater Dei website to join. Noon Mass will be celebrated each Wednesday during the Novena.

### FAMILY FORMATION FIRST COMMUNION CLASSES RESUME NEXT SUNDAY



**Group 2** will meet next Sunday **February 28th** at St. Edward's Parish Hall following the 8:30 am Mass from 9:45 am – 10:45 am.

Please call Mary Nolin at (802) 766-8829 if you have any questions. We look forward to seeing you again to resume preparations to receive the sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Communion.

We ask that both parents and students follow Covid-19 protocols and wear masks.

### CALLING ALL ST. EDWARD'S & ST. BENEDICT'S PARISH MEMBERS

**St. Edward's** monthly informational meeting will be on **Monday, February 22nd.**

**St. Benedict's** monthly informational meeting will be on **Monday March 1st.**



The meetings will be on ZOOM at 6:00 PM. All parishioners are urged to attend!

### Tabernacle Lights



You are invited to reserve a Tabernacle Vigil Light or Chapel Light in any of our Parish Churches in memory of a loved one or to celebrate a special occasion. Call the parish office at (802) 334-5506 to reserve your light.

### MATER DEI PARISH WEBSITE

[www.materdeivermont.com](http://www.materdeivermont.com)

Log in to our **new & improved Parish Website** to keep up with upcoming parish events & happenings at Mater Dei.



You will find daily Mass streamed online at 9:00 am, opportunities to pray the Rosary and attend Bible study, the Mater Dei YouTube channel, and so much more!!!

You won't believe all the parish news, pictures & videos, along with info from the diocese!



### Do you shop on Amazon?

Query [smile.amazon.com](https://www.amazon.com)

You will be prompted to select a charity you wish to support.

Select **Mater Dei Charitable Trust.**

Make your Amazon purchase as usual and a portion of the amount you pay for your purchase will be automatically donated to Mater Dei Parish.

What an easy way to donate to our parish!

*Repent and believe in the Gospel.*