



Seventh Sunday of Easter

05/15/2021 - 05/23/2021

Welcome to Mater Dei Parish!



MATER DEI MASS SCHEDULE DAILY MASSES

ST. MARY'S: MONDAY THROUGH
FRIDAY AT 9:00 AM IN CHURCH &
4:00 PM IN THE CHAPEL

SATURDAY MORNINGS AT 9:00 AM

ST. JAMES: FRIDAYS AT 11:00 AM

ST. EDWARD'S: WEDNESDAYS AT 5:30 PM



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 May 9, 2021

Envelopes:	\$ 3,340.00
Loose:	\$ 1,211.37
Online:	\$ 357.00
TOTAL:	\$ 4,908.37
Budget:	\$10,439.00
Surplus/Deficit:	\$~5,530.63

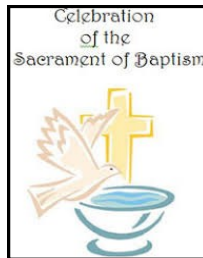
There will be a special collection *next* weekend for Catholic Formation & Religious Education. The money collected remains in our parish to support our youth programs. Please be as generous as possible.

Welcome to the Mater Dei Parish Family

Isla Ashburner

received the Sacrament of Baptism and became the newest member of Mater Dei Parish on May 1, 2021.

Heavenly Father, surround this child with Your love and protect her from evil. Fill her with the Holy Spirit and receive her into the family of Your church, that she may walk with us in the way of Christ and grow in the knowledge of Your love.



Confirmation is May 22nd

Bishop Coyne will preside at Confirmation at St. Mary's on **Saturday, May 22nd at 1:00 pm** for youth from Mater Dei, St. Andre Bessette (Troy) and Holy Trinity (Barton) Parishes.



The service will include the Rite of Confirmation only and Mass will not be celebrated.

Please keep our Confirmation students in your prayers as they prepare to receive the Holy Spirit in a very special way this week.

MORE EASTER FLOWERS

FOR: RAYMOND BEAUREGARD, RICHARD & ALICE BEAUREGARD, GLADYS COMPANION, WALTER BARTON, CECIL BARTON, AND EUGENE & ANNIE BUSHAW

BY: MARILYN BEAUREGARD



St. James Tabernacle Light

burns this week in loving memory of
† Ghislain Fauteux



St. Mary's Tabernacle Light

burns this week in loving memory of
† Pauline Simon



God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord.



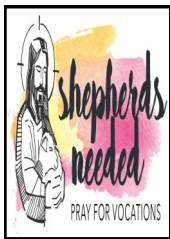
Hospital Visits from Our Priests

Fr. Rijo, Fr. Tom and Fr. Benny would like to visit you when you are sick and wish to receive the sacraments.

Unfortunately, the hospital no longer asks if you have a religious preference when you are admitted to the hospital, so they have no way of knowing that you are in the hospital unless someone notifies us.

If you know in advance that you will be entering the hospital and would like a visit from a priest, please call the parish office at (802) 334-5066 before you go to the hospital to let us know. If you are admitted to the hospital in an emergency, either inform the hospital staff that you would like a visit from a priest, or ask a family member to notify us.

The sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick can be administered whenever any Catholic feels the need for the special graces obtained from receiving this sacrament. Any admission to the hospital or surgery - whether or not it is life threatening - is a perfect time to ask to receive the Anointing of the Sick.



Jesus commanded us to proclaim the Good News to the entire world. What do you need to carry out this mission? Ask for the grace you need to spread His Word. 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**.

Let us show our love as Jesus did.

Today's readings tell us of God's plan after Jesus ascends into Heaven. In Acts, Peter tells the remaining Apostles that it is time to fill the vacant 12th position. Why can't 11 Apostles continue this job? Well, twelve is the number of the Tribes of ancient Israel. They are thinking only of the ancient precepts. So, by drawing lots, the Apostles told the congregation the method they used to choose a candidate, which they saw as letting God make the choice, and Matthias was selected.



The second reading from 1 John explains what love really is. God loves us, so what should we do? Love one another. What happens if we love one another? God remains in us. How do we know God remains in us? God has given us the Spirit. What happens to those who acknowledge Jesus as Son of God? They remain in God and God remains in them. Who is God? God is love. What happens to those who remain in love? God remains in them and they remain in God. What a mouthful, but so true! If we follow the commandments and precepts of the Lord, we know that the greatest commandment is love and our faith grows stronger.

In today's Gospel, Jesus asks the Father to watch over the Apostles as Jesus did while He was on earth. The Apostles will continue Jesus' work on earth, with all the costs and rewards of love. Love may involve loss and letting go as it did for the Apostles and their families, Jesus, and the early disciples. We are not saying farewell to Jesus, but Jesus is handing His work to us also. The Apostles were sent throughout the world to proclaim the Good News, and the clergy, religious and today, even each one of us is called to be His voice, hands, and feet in the world.

Let us show our LOVE as Jesus did.

Prayer: *Lord Jesus Christ, You offer to those who follow You a yoke that is good to bear, a burden that is light. We therefore come to You for rest and comfort so that we may find the strength to continue spreading your Good News to all corners of this world. We pray all this, trusting in Jesus Name. Amen.*



VOCATIONIST'S CORNER

Please pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood.

CALLING ST. JAMES PARISHIONERS

ST. JAMES MONTHLY MEETING WILL BE HELD ON: **MONDAY, MAY 17TH AT 6:00 PM VIA ZOOM**

PLEASE PLAN TO JOIN US TO HEAR ALL THE LATEST NEWS ABOUT ST. JAMES.



PRAISE AND WORSHIP



Join us for an evening of prayer, reconciliation, adoration and praise led by Bill Gavin - the Diocesan Director of Youth & Young Adult Ministry and Deacon Phil Lawson - Executive Director of Evangelization & Catechesis.

Tuesday, May 18th from 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm at St. Mary's
All are welcome! Confirmation candidates are strongly urged to attend in preparation for receiving the Holy Spirit on Saturday.

Walk to Mary

When: May 22, 2021 from 9:00 am - 3:00 pm
Where: Isle La Motte, VT



Celebrate our Blessed Mother on a journey of faith & fellowship! Walk the 2.3 mile trek from St. Joseph's Church in Isle La Motte to St. Anne's Shrine while praying the Holy Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet for the sanctity of life. Spend the day at beautiful St. Anne's Shrine walking the grounds and praying for an end to abortions.

- 9:00 am: Walk begins at St. Joseph's Church 23 St. Joseph Lane in Isle La Motte, VT
- 11:00 am: Celebration of Holy Mass
- 12:00 pm: Lunch - Please bring a light lunch since the dining hall is not yet open.
- 1:00 pm: Stations of the Cross for Life
- 3:00 pm: Closing Prayers

Please follow COVID guidelines with masks and social distancing as appropriate. Contact Janice at (802) 848-3834 or janicegodin@myfairpoint.net or Renee at (802) 370-2231 or jpatterson1962@gmail.com with any questions.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of † **Fr. Roger LaCharité, SSE** and for his grieving family.

