



Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

07/17/2021 - 07/25/2021

Welcome to Mater Dei Parish!



MATER DEI MASS SCHEDULE WEEKDAY MASSES

ST. MARY'S: MONDAY THROUGH
FRIDAY AT 9:00 AM & 4:00 PM AND
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
4:00 PM @ TROY

MASS IS NO LONGER CELEBRATED
ON SATURDAYS AT 5:30 PM AT
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 July 11, 2021

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| Envelopes: | \$ 5,173.00 |
| Loose: | \$ 2,795.10 |
| Online: | \$ 301.00 |
| TOTAL: | \$ 8,269.10 |
| Fuel: | \$ 2,006.72 |
| Budget: | \$ 10,439.00 |
| Surplus/Deficit: | \$ ~2,169.90 |



There is a special collection next weekend for
Catholic Formation / Religious Education. All donations
will stay at Mater Dei to support our youth programs.
Please be as generous as possible.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2021 GRADUATES

Congratulations to the 2021
recipients of the Virginia
Holbrook Scholarship.



Julia Baker

David Gratton

Abigail Marie Gonyaw

Bryce Gunn

Daniel Lanoue

Ernest Lillicrap

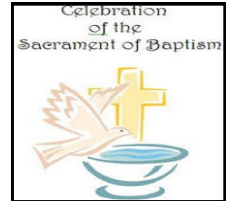
Molly Patenaude

Ruth Petzoldt

*Heavenly Father, surround those who are
graduating with Your grace. Bless them with
hope so they can move into the future with
eager and open hearts. Help them to put the
knowledge, skills, and insights gained through
their education to use for the good of all
humankind. Inspire them to believe in the
goodness of life even when they are faced with
challenges and difficulties. As they commence
with their lives, help them to grow evermore
grateful and wise. All of this we ask in the
name of Jesus, Your beloved Son. Amen.*

ROSE MARIE TURCOTTE

received the Sacrament of
Baptism at St. Mary's on
July 10, 2021
and became the newest member
of Mater Dei Parish.



*Heavenly Father, surround this child with
Your love and protect her from evil. Fill
Rose 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.*

If you have a child you would like to have
baptized, please call Sherry or Adriana at the
parish office at (802) 334-5066 to begin
making preparations.

CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR MARRIAGE



NICK GIROUX & ABBY CHENEY
WERE MARRIED ON JULY 10TH AT
ST. MARY STAR OF THE SEA

KEVIN DUNN & THERESA PETZOLDT
WERE MARRIED ON JULY 17TH AT
ST. MARY STAR OF THE SEA

*Therefore a man shall leave his father and his
mother and hold fast to his wife, and they shall
become one flesh." [Genesis 2:24]*



ST. JAMES IS CELEBRATING AN ANNIVERSARY!

St. James the Greater Church
is celebrating their 150th
Anniversary on July 25th.

10:30 am: Holy Rosary

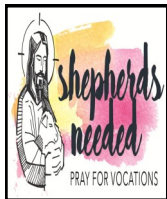
11:00 am: Celebration of Mass

Join us in Island Pond and learn some of the
history of this beautiful church.

Celebrate Mass with Bishop Coyne and
First Communion with three of St. James'
young parishioners.

Fun activities for the kids!

Brunch, sponsored by the K of C,
will follow Mass.



So many people with needs; so little time. If you make time for prayer, God will help you with the rest. 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**.



VOCATIONIST'S CORNER

Loving God, You call all who believe in You, to grow perfect in love by following in the footsteps of Christ Your Son. Call from among us more men and women who will serve you as religious. By their way of life, may they provide a convincing sign of Your Kingdom for the Church and the whole world. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen

The Lord is My Shepherd

Today's readings discuss the Lord's promise to shepherd all his people, to shepherd and minister to them by preaching the Good News, healing them, or by removing their demons.



Jesus appointed twelve Apostles to go out and preach that the Kingdom of God is near, to believe and repent. Did you know that the word "apostle" in Greek means "the one who is sent"? Jesus chose these twelve men to go in groups of twos and preach to all the people about God and His goodness.

The Apostles returned a few weeks later, excited to tell Jesus what they had done. As Jesus listened intently to their adventures, He knew that He must tend to His sheep, the Apostles, and allow them to rest. So Jesus and the Apostles crossed the Sea of Galilee in a boat so they could be alone and be rejuvenated - like going on a retreat. But the crowd did not want them to leave, so they rushed to the other side on foot and arrived before Jesus and the Apostles. Five thousand people! Wow, that is a lot of people!

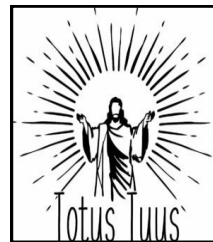
There was going to be **no** rest for any of them. All those people, more lost sheep, in need of Jesus' love and teaching. Although the Gospel describes Jesus' reaction as "pity", He did not really feel sorry for them, but knew that they were lost sheep in need of His care, just as He had promised.

So Jesus and the Apostles thought they were going to rest, but their lives came with distractions, just as we have interruptions and distractions in our daily lives: the plumbing needs to be fixed, your children need to be cared for, you need to take time to listen to that person who wants just one more minute of your time. No matter what our plans and goals are, we all get sidetracked and may sometimes lose our way.

When Jesus sat down with the crowd, He taught them a new way of loving: *love me, be with me, walk with me, and I will always be with you, not only now but forever.* Lord Jesus, teach us to be like you, to listen to those in pain, and to be moved to compassion for them. Make us more like You, so we can help you to bring the Kingdom of God to fruition..

Totus Tuus is Coming to Mater Dei Parish this Month

Totus Tuus is a one week long program with a session for grades 1-8 during the day and a session for high school students each evening.



The activities combine catechesis, evangelization, Christian witness and worship with games, talks and loads of fun to lead young people to a deeper relationship with Christ.

Mater Dei's Totus Tuus program for grades 1 -8 will be at St. Edward's Parish Hall from July 26th to July 30th from 9 am - 3 pm. The cost is \$60 per student. Snacks will be provided, but each child should bring a lunch.

Mater Dei's Totus Tuus high school program will be at St. Mary's from July 25th - July 29th from 7 pm - 9 pm and will include games, prayer, talks, snacks and an evening of Adoration.

The cost is \$25 per family.

There is a maximum cost of \$150 per family and scholarships are available through the parish.

If you would like to sponsor a child or a family, please make out your checks to Mater Dei Parish with Totus Tuus in the memo line and put them in the collection basket or bring them to the parish office. Thank you for supporting our youth!

Please contact the parish office at (802) 334-5066 or Lorie Markush at slwadnmag@gmail.com

SAVE THE DATE!

JOIN US FOR MATER DEI'S
7TH ANNUAL PARISH PICNIC
AUGUST 15, 2021



AT ST. MARY'S AFTER THE
11:00 AM MASS AS WE CELEBRATE FR. ROGER
CHARBONNEAU'S 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF HIS
ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD.



Please pray for the repose of the souls of † Norman Turgeon and † Clarence Lantagne and for their grieving families.