



## Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

09/11/2021 - 09/19/2021

Welcome to Mater Dei Parish!



### MATER DEI MASS SCHEDULE WEEKDAY MASSES

**ST. MARY'S:** MONDAY – FRIDAY  
AT 9:00 AM IN CHURCH &  
4:00 PM IN THE CHAPEL AND ON  
SATURDAY MORNINGS AT 9:00 AM IN CHURCH

**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 September 5, 2021

Envelopes:	\$ 4,130.00
Loose:	\$ 2,244.00
Online:	\$ 401.00
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$ 6,775.00</b>
Budget:	\$ 10,439.00
Surplus/Deficit:	\$ - 3,664.00



There is a special collection this weekend for  
**Insurance.** Please be as generous as possible.

### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER & LECTOR WORKSHOP

There will be a workshop for  
Eucharistic Ministers & Lectors  
next Saturday, September 18th  
from 9:00 am – 2:00 pm at

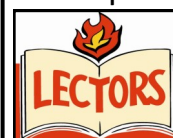
St. Edward's Parish Hall led by Josh Perry,  
Diocesan Director of the Office of Worship.  
Lectors, please try to attend this workshop.  
Eucharistic Ministers must attend this  
training. Eucharistic Ministers include those  
who distribute Communion at Mass and  
those who bring Communion to our nursing  
homes, homebound and family members.

This workshop is important as we try to  
return to "normal" after Covid.

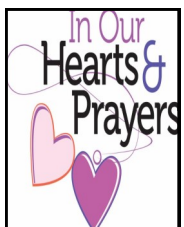
#### Workshop Schedule

- 8:30 am – 9:00 am: Coffee & breakfast  
breads; Confession is available
- 9:00 am – 11:00 am: Eucharistic Ministers  
Spiritual Reflection & Refresher
- 11:00 am – 11:20 am: Midday prayer for both  
Eucharistic Ministers & Lectors
- 11:20 am – 12:00 Noon: Confessions available  
& Lunch will be provided
- 12:00 pm – 2:00 pm: Lector Workshop
- 2:00 pm – 2:30 pm: Q & A

Please call Retha Piette at the  
Parish office at (802) 334-5066 if  
you plan to attend.



Please pray for the repose of  
the souls of † **Raymond  
Patenaude**, † **Eric Laplume**  
and the † **Victims of 9/11**  
and for their grieving families.



### FAMILY FORMATION STARTS THIS WEEKEND!

All Family Formation classes  
for Grades 1 - 7 begin  
**Sunday, September 12th**  
at 10:00 am at St. Edward's  
Parish Hall in Derby Line.



It is not too late to register your child!  
Registration forms are available online, at our  
church entrances or at the parish office.

Completed forms may be returned to the  
parish office in person or sent to us via e-mail.  
Please submit the forms before the next  
**Family Formation classes on September 26th.**

It is recommended that anyone who has not  
been vaccinated wear a mask.

Please call Donna at the parish office at  
(802) 334-5066 if you have any questions.



**Do you shop online?**  
**Make purchases on Amazon?**  
Query [smile.amazon.com](https://www.amazon.com/smile)  
You will be prompted to select a  
charity you wish to support.

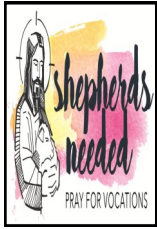
Select **Mater Dei Charitable Trust** and make  
your purchase as usual.

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.

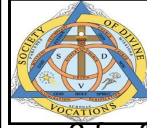
What an easy way to support our parish!



THIS WEEKEND MARKS THE 20TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE 9/11  
TERRORIST ATTACKS. REMEMBER THE 2,977 VICTIMS IN YOUR PRAYERS.



Do you want to follow Jesus? If you lose your life for Jesus' sake, you will find life. It is worth the cost of your life. 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](mailto:vocations@vermontcatholic.org).



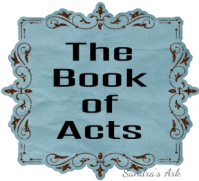
### VOCATIONIST'S CORNER

The Vocationist Fathers' annual 50/50 raffle is in full swing! Tickets are \$5 each or 6 for \$20 and are available after Masses and at the parish office. Fr. Michael Reardon, SDV, Provincial of the U.S. Province and Fr. Thomas Naduviledath, SDV, Treasurer and chairman of the raffle ask you to please support the Vocationist Fathers and their Seminarians.

Thank you for your support! Good luck!!

## HUNGRY TO GROW CLOSER TO GOD?

Others are too. Please join us!



We'll focus on the Bible's exciting **Book of Acts** to help us drink in the Spirit of those who lived closest in time to Jesus.

The course is called "Mystagogy".

The only requirement is a desire to grow closer to God - for yourself and with friends.

**We'll meet once a month in St. Mary's Rectory starting September 30th from 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm.**

For more information and to sign up, please contact Deacon Ward Nolan at (802) 624-4964 or [nekdeacon@gmail.com](mailto:nekdeacon@gmail.com) or the parish office at (802) 334-5066.

### 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time *Losing To Gain*



After Peter answered Jesus, "You are the Christ"..."God's anointed," Jesus called himself "Son of man." Jesus acknowledges the weakness of the human nature he has assumed, and this enables our humanity to proclaim the divinity within. (St. Bede)

Then Jesus extends a difficult invitation to deny oneself to follow Him. It is hard to forget oneself and choose others' interests. Saint Augustine tells us that what is difficult in the command, love makes easy.

We are lost because of love of self. We are found in self-denial. The Cross is the only weapon we are given to follow Jesus. Only slaves were required to carry a cross. A slave belongs to a master. Becoming a slave enables us to humble ourselves to follow the Master.



### SHOES FOR ST. NICHOLAS

THE ST. NICHOLAS PROJECT IS CONDUCTING ITS ANNUAL FALL BACK TO SCHOOL SHOES FUNDRAISER FOR CHILDREN AT THE KURN HATTIN HOME FOR CHILDREN IN WESTMINSTER, VT.

THE BOYS AND GIRLS RANGE IN AGE FROM 5 TO 15 YEARS OLD AND THE MONEY COLLECTED IS USED TO BUY SHOES FOR THE CHILDREN WHO LIVE AND ATTEND SCHOOL AT KURN HATTIN. DONATIONS BETWEEN \$25 AND \$50 WILL HELP BUY SHOES FOR 85 KIDS. CHECKS SHOULD BE MADE OUT TO KURN HATTIN HOMES AND WRITE "SHOES" IN THE MEMO SPACE.

YOU CAN MAIL YOUR DONATION DIRECTLY TO THE HOMES AT: KURN HATTIN HOMES FOR CHILDREN, P.O. BOX 127, WESTMINSTER, VT 05158, OR SEND IT TO FR. LANCE HARLOW, CORPUS CHRISTI PARISH, 49 WINTER ST., ST. JOHNSBURY, VT 05819.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT FR. LANCE HARLOW AT [WWW.THENICHOLASPROJECT.COM](http://WWW.THENICHOLASPROJECT.COM). BE SURE TO VISIT THEIR WEBSITE AT [WWW.KURNHATTIN.ORG](http://WWW.KURNHATTIN.ORG).



Get Your Mater Dei Parish 50/50 Fundraiser Raffle Tickets! Limited number of Tickets sold... 30 prizes...Top prize is 10% of ticket sales up to \$10,000! \$50 per ticket or 3 for \$100. Tickets on sale after Masses or at the parish office.

Winning tickets will be drawn at Mater Dei's 2022 annual picnic on August 14, 2022.

### K of C Diaper & Clothing Drive



Gibbons Council 2285 has been collecting diapers and clothing for all ages. If any family needs diapers or clothing, or if any parishioner would like to donate diapers or gently used clothing, please contact Grand Knight Rick Bruce at (802) 673-0376 to make arrangements to meet at the Newport National Guard Armory at 540 Union Street in Newport.



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