



Mass Schedule & Intentions
7th Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 22nd ~ 28th, 2020

2/22 SATURDAY VIGIL:

7th Sunday in Ordinary Time
4:30pm The Arnold Family

2/23 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00am The People of the Parish
10:30am Donald Manning

2/24 MONDAY

7:30am Adoration
8:30am Intentions of Beverly Bishop

2/25 TUESDAY

11:00am Adoration
12noon Mary Marguerite Schmieders

2/26 ASH WEDNESDAY

8:30am Intentions of Arny & Martha Langbo
5:30pm Ethel Cordaro

2/27 THURSDAY

4:30pm Adoration
5:30pm Intentions of Pat Yoder

2/28 FRIDAY

7:30am Adoration
8:30am Lina & Armando Norio

Most Holy Name of Jesus - Morrisville
Daily Mass Schedule
Monday - No Mass
Tuesday - Mass at Forest Hills - 3:00pm
Ash Wednesday
12:05pm & 5:30pm
Thursday & Friday
Adoration 8:00am - 9:00am
Mass at 9:00am

Dear Parishioners,

This week the Holy Season of Lent begins on Ash Wednesday. The Ashes mark us as a sign both of our desire and need to repent from sin and selfishness, but also as a reminder of our mortality: *For you are dust, and to dust you shall return.* Jesus invites us to be with Him in the desert, as He battled against Satan and temptations for 40 days.

Why does the Church lead us into this time of purification and growth? Quite simply...because we need it! If we take our Lenten disciplines of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving seriously, then their interior effect is a right ordering of our minds, our thoughts, our will, and our actions. By engaging the grace of self-denial throughout this holy season, we become more capable to receive Christ and others and our lives become more focused on God than on ourselves.

Prayer is one focus that our Mother, the Church, asks us to be generous with - giving God more exclusive time in our day. Whether its getting up a little earlier, or making an intentional effort to pray the rosary as a family or add extra prayer intentions during grace before dinner, we are asked to step up our prayer game.

As a community, one way that we'll do this is after each Mass beginning on Ash Wednesday, before the closing hymn, we'll pray the prayer to St. Michael the Archangel, which can be found on the back cover of the Breaking Break Music Issue. This traditional prayer used to be prayed at the conclusion of every Mass, invoking the powerful protection of the Archangel Michael as we are sent out into the world after Mass to bring the grace and light of Christ to all those we meet. I look so forward to our communities growing more deeply in prayer and reliance upon God's grace together this Lenten Season! God bless you.

*With Mary
 In Christ,
 Fr. Jon*

St. Michael, the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, thrust into Hell Satan and all the other spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

Ash Wednesday
Almsgiving Collection

There will be a special collection on Ash Wednesday (February 26th) to support Vermont Catholic Charities. This agency provides financial and emotional support to individuals and families throughout Vermont through the programs offered which include Counseling, Emergency Aid, Prison Ministry, Project Rachel, and Residential Care Homes. A portion of the collection will go to help fund the Bishop deGoesbriand grants which are awarded to Vermont nonprofits who are making a difference in their communities. Envelopes will be available in the churches. Please know that every gift—whatever the size—makes a difference. Thank you for your generosity.

BEST LENT EVER PROGRAM: What can you do in forty days? Start a new prayer habit? Get more active in your daily life? Lent presents the perfect opportunity for you to take the next step toward the-best-version-of-yourself. Don't let it pass you by. (It's simple and free)

This Lent, join Matthew Kelly and the Dynamic Catholic team to discover simple ways to transform your life in forty days. Because it's not about what you give up, it's about who you become. This year "Rediscovering the Saints" is the book the Best Lent Ever is based on. Sign up at:
<https://dynamiccatholic.com/best-lent-ever/>

Join our Easter Choir! We will be starting choir rehearsals for the Triduum and Easter on Sunday, March 1st. We meet between Sunday Masses, starting 9:10am in the church.

SAVE THE DATE!
12TH ANNUAL
ST. JOSEPH'S FEAST
MARCH 19TH - 5:30pm (after the 4:30pm Mass). Details to follow in next week's bulletin.

Stations of the cross will be held at Blessed Sacrament Church on Friday's at 4:30pm.
Confessions will follow after Mass.

Most Holy Name of Jesus
Confessions 5:00pm ~ 6:00pm and Stations to follow at 6:00pm.

After the Tuesday, noon Mass there will be a series of videos for the next 3 weeks on Padre Pio, Miracle Man. Please bring a bag lunch and it will be shown in the Parish Hall.

Religious Education Program No class this Sunday. See you after Winter Break!

Community Outreach for February Donations to the Clarina Howard Nichols Center: https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/X6Y0X8QHDJK4/ref=nav_wishlist_lists_1?encoding=UTF8&type=wishlist&pldnSite=1

Clarina provides advocacy programs, emergency shelter, support, and direct services to survivors of domestic and sexual violence for all of Lamoille county.

Next Sunday will be our First Sunday Coffee Hour after the 8:00am. All are welcome!