



**Mass Intentions  
Eighteenth Sunday in  
Ordinary Time  
August 1<sup>st</sup> ~ 8<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

**8/1 SATURDAY VIGIL:**

*18<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time*

*4:30pm Skelton & Curtis Families*

**8/2 SUNDAY**

*18<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time*

*8:00am The People of the Parish*

*10:30am Frances Routhier*

**8/3 MONDAY**

*7:30am Adoration*

*8:30am Donald Manning*

**8/4 TUESDAY**

*11:00am Adoration*

*12noon Pat Yoder*

**8/5 WEDNESDAY**

*7:30am Adoration*

*8:30am Karen Bishop Balog*

**8/6 THURSDAY**

*4:30pm Adoration*

*5:30pm Lintermann Family*

**8/8 FRIDAY**

*7:30am Adoration*

*8:30am Rosella Ann Patten*

**MOST HOLY NAME PARISH**

**MORRISVILLE**

**MASS SCHEDULE**

**TUESDAY ~ FRIDAY**

**8:00AM ADORATION**

**9:00AM MASS**

Dear Parishioners,

As we live through this difficult time of our history, when we are faced by challenges of coronavirus that has claimed many lives across the globe, especially in our dear country, we pray for God's protection on us. Presently we are living in an unprecedented period of crises that have affected a lot of people: health, political, religious, economic, social and moral crises. In the midst of these myriads of trials, we ask this basic question: Can anything come in between us and God? Do we still love God amidst the crisis we face? Do we still see any meaning in life to go on? For some people there is no need to go on living because everything is collapsing, but there is some hope; Jesus is our hope!

While in the seminary, I have this friend, a classmate. One day three tragic events took place in his family. He received a call that his younger sister was involved in a fatal accident, and had major fractures. We were heading to see her at the hospital, then came another call - his sister in law just died while delivering a baby. When we reached the hospital still trying to console his sister who was in pains, there another call, his immediate elder brother just lost his baby! These were taking place when we were at the peak of our examinations. He survived all these pains!

As we face our challenges now, some are afraid so much so that fear has separated them from trusting in God anymore. Some have allowed the present riots to separate them from hearing the call of God to turn back. Have we been separated by these things? St. Paul says that in all these things we are more than conquerors. For us to conquer the present situations now, Jesus is calling us who are thirsty for peace to come to Him to be satisfied. Our thirst and hunger cannot be filled by the world around us. As people of faith may we find time to pray more fervently for peace. May we also be wary of those who do not have love for America at heart; Those who are against what we believe as Americans and people of faith. Before you support any group ask for what they stand for. If we do not ask this basic question, they will separate us from the love of God. Fr. Jon and I will always do our best to make sure that the love of God is strengthened in our faith communities. May God bless you and keep you safe!

Yours in Christ,  
Fr. Joseph

# Cemetery Pre-planning Q&A

*with Peter Beauregard, Director of Facilities and Catholic Cemeteries*

What is pre-planning? Pre-planning is making your cemetery and funeral arrangements prior to your death. This allows your wishes to be known, thus eliminating an incredible burden on your loved ones during the very stressful and painful hours after your death. Pre-planning is a concrete sign of your love for surviving family members. Catholic Cemeteries family services counselors are trained to assist you in this important task. What are the benefits of pre-planning? The most obvious benefit is that you will relieve your loved ones of the burden of making your cemetery and funeral arrangements at a time of tremendous grief. Your advance planning will give your family the guidance they need to feel comfortable that they are carrying out the decisions you made. Cemetery Pre-planning Q&A with Peter Beauregard, Director of Facilities and Catholic Cemeteries Pre-planning may prevent disagreement among survivors at an emotionally charged time and can assure that emotional over-spending does not occur. By preplanning and prefunding cemetery and funeral arrangements, you may be creating exempt assets should you ever have to go on public assistance. The costs of cemetery property have been escalating at the rate of 100 percent every 10 years. By purchasing in advance, you are locking in a today's pricing. At what age should I consider preplanning cemetery and funeral arrangements? Adults of any age who make their own decisions should have a plan. Like your will, it can be revised throughout your life as needs change. In general, the earlier you preplan, the more options you have. Your cemetery and funeral options will probably never cost less than they do today. Statistics show that 43 percent of all deaths are unexpected; we are not guaranteed any tomorrows. Why should I choose to be buried in a Catholic cemetery? First and foremost, Catholic cemeteries are a vital part of our Church's heritage of caring for and burying the bodies of the dead in blessed ground — one of the corporal works of mercy. Since our cemeteries are an extension of the ministry provided in your parish community, our Catholic cemeteries are gathering places of remembrance, consolation and communal support. The Eucharist is celebrated in the cemeteries at some times during the year. Religious symbols, which are

expressive of our heritage of faith, are seen throughout our cemeteries. A caring staff dedicated to the mission of serving God's people tends the grounds and offices. Choosing a Catholic cemetery as a final resting place is a statement of your belief that, even in death, the people of God await the resurrection of the body and everlasting life. Your Catholic cemetery gives you a place where your loved ones can come to remember you and all generations past and future. The Bishop's Annual Appeal supports the oversight of several Catholic cemeteries and guidance for all Catholic cemeteries in Vermont. To make a donation, go to [bishopsappealvt.org](http://bishopsappealvt.org)

Confessions continue to be by appointments, however beginning the weekend of 8/1-2, Confessions will also be heard in the Confessional at the normal times on Saturday afternoon. When you come into the confessional, we are asking you to please stay behind the screen. Thank you.

**The Sanctuary Lamp at  
Blessed Sacrament Church will  
burn this week  
In Loving Memory of  
Michael George Mahan**

**We have many available dates throughout  
2020 for the Sanctuary Lamp for one week at  
Blessed Sacrament Church to pray for  
someone, living or deceased is \$20. Please  
contact Phyllis at  
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