

# THE MOST HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH



The Faith Community of  
The Most Holy Name of Jesus Parish shares  
the Living Word of Christ with all God's people  
to foster peace, unity, hope and spiritual guidance.



## MASS SCHEDULE:

**Saturday** 4:00 pm  
**Sunday** 8:00 am & 10:30 am  
**Wednes., Thurs., and Fri.** 9:00 am  
Adoration One hour before Daily Mass

## PARISH STAFF:

**Fr. Jon Schnobrich, Pastor**  
**Fr. Joseph Ikegbunam, Parochial Vicar**  
Deacon Thomas Cooney  
Mary Elfer, Parish Ministries Coordinator  
Betty Taylor, Bookkeeper  
Judith St. Aubin, organist  
Parish Council Chair, Richard Brodeur  
Finance Council Chair, Karen Jaquish

## Office Hours:

**Mon—Friday** 8:00am to 1:00 pm

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## **Bishop Marshall School**

Mrs. Carrie Wilson, Head of School  
802-888-4758 [www.bjams.org](http://www.bjams.org)

## Adult RCIA Program

If you are interested in becoming a Catholic or wish to deepen your understanding of the faith, call the Parish Office.

## SACRAMENTS:

### Reconciliation:

Saturdays 3:15 pm to 3:45 pm  
or by appointment, call 888-3318.

### Baptism:

Please call Parish Office to register your child for Baptism.

### Marriage:

Please call Parish Office at least 6 to 8 months ahead of time to allow for the required pre-marriage course.

### Anointing of the Sick:

Please contact the Parish Office.

### Preparation for First Communion

Children, grades one and two. The preparation process for the sacraments of First Reconciliation and Eucharist involves participating in our parish's first and second grade religious education classes. Both sacraments are celebrated during the second grade year. Please contact Mary Elfer at the Parish Office.







### Preparation For Confirmation

This two year program is designed to help candidates learn more about their faith, our Catholic Church and what it means to be a disciple of Jesus Christ. Prepared youth in grade eight and above will be confirmed in 2020.

Please contact Mary Elfer at the Parish Office.

### Visits to the Home Bound:

Please notify the office of anyone unable to attend church because of illness, age or handicap.

		
<b>Saturday, December 14</b> Third Sunday in Advent	<b>4:00AM Mass</b> For the Roswell, Paquette and Reynolds families by Sandy Harris AND For Jane Lefevre by family (10th Anniv)	
<b>Sunday, December 15</b> Third Sunday in Advent 	<b>8:00AM Mass</b> For Frank Philbrook by Jim AND For Earl, Mark & Luke Whipple by Jeanine <b>10:30AM Mass</b> For all parishioners	Coffee Hour Rel Ed 
<b>Monday, December 16</b>	<b>NO Mass</b>	
<b>Tuesday, December 17</b>	<b>NO Mass</b>	RCIA 7:00PM
<b>Wednesday, Dec. 18</b>	<b>8:15AM Mass at BJMS</b>	
<b>Thursday, December 19</b>	<b>8:00AM Adoration</b> <b>9:00AM Mass</b> For all on Parish prayer chain	
<b>Friday, December 20</b>	<b>8:00AM Adoration</b> <b>9:00AM Mass</b> For all Souls in Purgatory	
<b>Saturday, December 21</b> Fourth Sunday In Advent	<b>4:00PM Mass</b> For Michel Thibaut by Tracey and Gary	
<b>Sunday, December 22</b> Fourth Sunday In Advent 	<b>8:00AM Mass</b> For all MHNJ Parishioners Coffee <b>10:30AM Mass</b> For the Foss Family by Judi Womack	Hour No 

**Weekday Mass Schedule in our area:**  
**Blessed Sacrament, Mtn. Rd, Stowe:**  
 Monday: 8:30AM, Tuesday, Noon, Thurs., 5:30PM, Friday, 8:30AM  
**Mary Queen of All Saints, South Main St., Hardwick:**  
 Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday at 8:30AM

<b>Nov 30 and Dec 1</b>		<b>Dec 7 and 8</b>
Weekly Offertory	\$ 2,364.00	\$2,875.00
Special Collections	\$ 467.00	\$ 2,164.00
Quarterly tax on Offertory	\$ 390.06-	\$ 474.38 -
Total	\$2,440.94	\$ 4,564.62
Attendance	270	292
<b>Specials 30 and 1:</b> Energy: \$259 Human Dev: \$42, Christmas flowers: \$166		
<b>Specials: 7 and 8</b> Ret.for Reli: \$236, Energy: \$631 Flowers: \$97. Maintenance: \$1200		



**Dear Parishioners,**  
 Brothers and sisters, a simple glance at our modern culture reveals the glaring truth about morality – culturally speaking, we’ve become more tolerant of evil and watered down the reality of sin. We may ask ourselves, “What effect does this have on my relationship with God and others?”  
 Jesus consistently taught his disciples that to follow Him means to stand against evil wherever we encounter it. At times it will be inconvenient, yet the overall numbness to sin and evil in our society has a negative effect on our own consciences – the voice of God in our soul telling us right from wrong. The modern worldview of moral relativism tolerates anything as long as someone isn’t hurt or offended – that is the ‘greatest sin’ of modernity. In truth, sin separates us from God, from others, and from ourselves.  
 Christ instituted seven sacraments in 3 categories: Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist), Service (Holy Matrimony and Holy Orders), and Healing (Anointing of the Sick and Confession). Unfortunately, we have normalized living with the guilt and shame that comes from sin in our lives and we get more and more creative in distracting ourselves from facing it and allowing Jesus, Lord and lover of our souls, to bring healing to our brokenness.  
 Each and every person is in need of healing from the effects of sin and the reality of living in a fallen world, which is precisely why Jesus gave us the Sacrament of Confession. He knew that we would need forgiveness and mercy to heal. Confession is not about judgement or condemnation, it’s ultimately about growing in the freedom that God has created us for. Sin binds us; mercy frees us. Jesus, through His Church, asks us as disciples to go to confession at least once a year. Personally, I try to go once or twice a month because I know that I need the graces to be healed in my mind, my heart, my emotions, my memories, and even at times, the physical effect that sin can take on our body.  
 I’m inviting each of you to receive the gift of Divine Mercy in Confession as a way to prepare yourselves for the joy of Christmas. Fr. Joseph and I will be hearing confessions at Blessed Sacrament on Sunday, 12/15 from 6-8pm and at Most Holy Name of Jesus on 12/22 from 6-8pm. If it’s been awhile – please don’t let your anxiety or fear keep you away. Fr. Joseph and I will be delighted to help you as you need. This may be helpful: <https://goodconfession.com/examination-of-conscience/>. Come and give the newborn King what he desires most from you this Christmas – a humble heart, cleansed by mercy, where He may rest His head. Have a blessed week!

*With Mary In Christ,*

*Fr. Jon*

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

Classes meet Sundays 9:15AM to 10:15AM. Call Mary at the office 888-3318 if a question.

Class— December 15  
No class Dec. 22 or Dec. 29

**Christmas Mass Schedule**

December 24: 4:00PM Mass  
December 25: 12:00AM Midnight Mass  
December 25 8:00AM Mass  
December 25 10:30AM Mass  
Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors please call the office to schedule the Mass you will be attending.

The **Sanctuary Candle** is being offered for the Cote family this week (12/14-12/21)

Please contact the office to donate a week of remembrance for your loved ones or your intentions.

**GIVING TREE**

Return your wrapped and tagged Giving Tree gift by **December 18** so gifts can be delivered that week.  
Thank you for your generosity from the Social Action Ministry.




**PLEASE PRAY FOR**

Malcolm Putvain	Brian O'Connor
Earline, Chrissy and Dave Monahan	Linda Sweeney
Jan Ryan	Sandy Bushey
Juanita Mander	Cathy Shackett
Eileen Arnold	Reilly Pinard

And everyone on the prayer chain

**Please pray for the repose of the souls of:**

Tom Cosgrove	Leo St. Cyr
Amy Thompson	Lynn Rose Choiniere
Makayla Cookson	Patricia Brosseau
Robert and Lydia Towne	George and Jackie Rondeau
Diana Brosseau Fornier	Robert J. McDermott
David Lawrence	Roland Depot
John Monette	Brian Monahan

	 ALTAR SERVERS	 LECTORS	 Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
12-14-4PM	Samantha	Melissa	Karen, Sheila, Betty
12-15-8AM	Trinity, George	Sue L	Marc, Jean, Mary
12-15-10:30AM	Alan, Gracie	Kathy	Deacon Jeane, Sara
12-21-4PM		Sandy	Tracey, Karen, Eileen
12-22-8AM	Samntha, Sam	Sue C.	Kathy, Richard, Mary
12-22-10:30AM	Alan, Gracie	Connie	Deacon Peg, Roland

**ADVENT**

**Parish Penance Services**

*Fr. Jon and Fr. Joseph invite all parishioners to experience the freedom and healing of God's mercy in the Sacrament of Reconciliation.*

**Blessed Sacrament, Stowe**

December 15, 6-8pm

**Most Holy Name, Morrisville**

December 22, 6-8pm

**THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS**

- 16. Carole Russell
- 17. Margaret Ann Smith, Audrey Marshia
- 20. Meredith Curran, Marielle Demuth
- 21. Noella Tillotson
- 23. Samantha Snow, Judith Womack

