

MOST HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH



MASS TIMES

Saturday 4 pm
Sunday 8 am & 10:30 am
Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 9 am
Wednesday 12:00PM Noon

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
is held one hour before daily Mass
and before 4:00PM Saturday Mass**

PARISH STAFF

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday 8am to 1pm

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SACRAMENTS

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

BAPTISM: Please call the Parish Office to inquire about Baptism for your child.

MATRIMONY: Please call the Parish Office at least 6-8 months in advance to allow for marriage preparation.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK AND VISITS TO THE HOMEBOUND: Please call the Parish Office if you know of anyone unable to attend Mass because of illness, age, or disability.

FAITH FORMATION / PREPARATION FOR HOLY COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION: Please contact Mary Elfer, the Parish Life Coordinator, to inquire about the faith formation program and the requirements for First Communion and Confirmation.

EVER THOUGHT ABOUT BECOMING CATHOLIC?

If you or someone you know is interested in learning more about the Catholic faith, completing your Sacraments of Initiation, or just desire a deeper understanding of your faith, check out the Adult RCIA Program: contact the Parish Office for more details.

The Knights of Columbus Council #5041

Meetings: Second Wednesday of the Month
Grand Knight Cliff Randall—888-5030
Info: kofc.council5041@gmail.com



Bishop Marshall School

Mrs. Carrie Wilson, Head of School
(802) 888-4758 www.bjams.org

		LECTOR
Saturday, Feb, 13 Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time	3:00PM Adoration 4:00PM Mass For Richard Godin by Barbara	Anne
Sunday, February 14 Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time	8:00AM Mass For All Parishioners	Marc
	10:30AM Mass For Helen Huard and for prayers for Jacob Atkinson's healing by Annette Allaire	Jeff
Monday, February 15	NO Mass	
Tuesday, Feb. 16	8:00AM Adoration 9:00AM Mass For couples struggling with infertility	
Wednes., Feb. 17 Ash Wednesday	11:00AM Adoration 12:05PM Mass For souls of miscarried children 4:30PM Adoration 5:30PM Mass For those battling addiction	
Thurs., February 18	8:00AM Adoration 9:00AM Mass For an increase in vocations in our Diocese and all seminarians	
Friday, February 19	8:00AM Adoration 9:00AM Mass For those healing from trauma	
Saturday, Feb. 20 First Sunday in Lent	3:00PM Adoration 4:00PM Mass For Mitchell Ramsey and Shawn Marcoux by Monique Marcoux	Sandy
Sunday, February 21 First Sunday in Lent	8:00AM Mass For Marie Cote by Richard and Edward	Mary
	10:30AM Mass For all parishioners	Brian

Dear parishioners,

Lent always seems to come at the perfect time! As the hum-drum of winter continues to assault us with snow, ice, and gray skies, the Church draws us into the exciting adventure and transforming grace of the season of Lent.

Lent is a time for realignment with God; an anointed season where the Lord draws us out of ourselves and into a greater intimacy, a more committed faith and relationship with the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Yes – we are meant to be in a personal relationship with God, which if we are honest with ourselves, means being honest and vulnerable with God.

As a confessor, I've noticed that vulnerability and honesty with God and ourselves is something we tend away from. Yet, those who find the courage to go there with God are ones that personally experience His transforming and healing love poured out in the mercy and forgiveness of the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

During this Lent, Fr. Joseph and I will be using each Sunday to preach on one of the 7 deadly sins: Pride, Greed/Envy (same weekend), Lust, Sloth, Gluttony, and Wrath. Each weekend we will preach on the same one so whether you attend Mass in Morrisville or in Stowe, you'll be on the same page as we move through Lent.

In a world that has grown more and more numb to the reality of sin and its serious effects in our lives, our hope and prayer is that reflecting on these topics more deeply, you may make a more thorough examination of your conscience, make a good confession, and grow more in your love for Jesus, who by His cross and resurrection has redeemed the world.

With Mary, In Christ, Fr. Jon

Feb. 6 and 7, 2021	2021	2020
Offertory	\$ 2,298.50	\$ 2,128.77
Specials	313.00	122.00
Quarterly Tax on Offertory	<u>379.25-</u>	<u>351.25-</u>
Total	\$ 2,232.33	\$ 1,899.52
Attendance	103	242

2021 Specials: Energy: \$ 166
Catholic Education: \$16 , SAM: \$75, Priest Bene: \$5
Share your Faith: \$31, DeGrosbriand Appeal: \$40

Thank You

GUIDELINES FOR LENT

- ◆ The time of Lent is to be observed by Catholics as a special season of prayer, penance, and works of charity.
- ◆ **Ash Wednesday and Good Friday**, in particular, are the most important penitential days of the liturgical year. They are days of both fast and abstinence. All Fridays in Lent are days of abstinence.
- ◆ The role of **fasting** states that only one full meal a day can be taken. Two small meals, “sufficient to maintain strength”, are allowed, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals breaks the fast, but drinking liquids does not. The role of fasting obliges all Catholics from 18 to 59.
- ◆ **Abstinence** refers to the eating of meat. The common estimation of the community is used to determine what falls under the category of meat. The rule of abstinence binds all Catholics 14 or older.
- ◆ The substantial observances of the laws of fast and abstinence is a serious obligation.
- ◆ Self-imposed fasting on the other week-days of Lent is recommended. Abstinence on all Fridays of the year is also highly recommended.
- ◆ Parents and teachers should see to it that, even those who are not bound by the laws of fast and abstinence because of age, are brought up in an atmosphere that is conducive to a sense of penance.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**Welcome Back to In person Classes****February 14, 21****ASH WEDNESDAY MASSES**

February 17, 2021
12:05 PM and 5:30 PM

TUESDAYS DURING LENT
ROSARY VIA ZOOM
6:00PM

Feb. 23, March 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30

Please email the office for the Zoom link.

FRIDAYS DURING LENT
VIRTUAL STATIONS OF THE CROSS
WITH DEACON TOM COONEY
VIA ZOOM
7:00PM

Feb 19, 26 and March 5, 12, 19, 26

If you would be interested in joining us, please email the office for the Zoom link. Also, we will be using the Stations of the Cross cards for all the prayers, please pick one up on your next visit to the church, or call the office to have one sent to you. We look forward to praying with you!

FRIDAYS DURING LENT
IN CHURCH STATIONS OF THE CROSS
WITH FR. JON SCHNOBRICH
6:00PM

Feb. 19, 26 and March 5, 12, 19, 26

ROSARY FOR LIFE::

Beginning the first Sunday of Lent during the hour of Eucharist Adoration before the 4:00 PM Vigil Mass on Saturday, parishioners are invited to pray the rosary for the cause of life. The rosary will be led at 3:20PM with meditations/reflections on human dignity and on the sacredness of life.

Please contact Diane Marcoux, the parish Respect Life Coordinator, for more information 888-3092.

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Most Holy Name of Jesus Sanctuary Renovation

The motive behind the sanctuary renovation was to enhance the beauty of our worship space, while expressing the unity of our parish family being comprised of congregants from the former parishes of St. John in Johnson, St. Gabriel in Eden, St. Teresa in Hyde Park and Holy Cross in Morrisville. Within the reconfiguration and new construction are contained different elements from each Church that have been utilized to express the oneness of our new identity as the Most Holy Name of Jesus Parish.

From St. Gabriel, the new cross upon which the beautiful corpus of our Lord that hangs above the tabernacle was made from the wood of the kneelers, and the top of the new altar upon which the tabernacle is mounted was made from the pews.

The new canopy was created and installed by a group of volunteers, as was the beautiful curtain that will be changed to match the color expressing the season of the Liturgical year (Ivory/White for Christmas and Easter; Emerald Green for Ordinary Time; Violet for Advent and Lent; and Red for Pentecost).

The stunning tabernacle with the granite overlay comes from St. John, as do the tall processional candles on either side of the tabernacle. The two new altar candles - found online – were an exact match to the processional candles. They were purchased and sent away to be refurbished - so now there exists a matching set of candles.

Please notice that the crucifix is suspended no longer by chains, but now is gracefully hung by steel interlocking hooks that were hand-crafted by a local parishioner for this specific project.

The granite altar upon which the tabernacle used to rest has found a new home in the Blessed Mother niche. Her statue, as well as St. Joseph, come from St. Teresa Church, as do the votive candle rack that allows our love for and faith in her intercession to be expressed in prayer. She has been repainted with a royal blue mantle, signifying her authority as queen of heaven and earth.

Mounted on the wall on either side of the tabernacle are two adoring angels. These statues were donated, as was a great deal of this renovation project. The angels are bowing in reverence to Christ's true presence in the Eucharist, made possible by His sacrifice on the cross. Notice they are each in a different posture: one has his hands folded in prayer, while the other has his arms crossed over his chest in the posture of humility. Angels are God's creation and serve His will, but continually adore, praise, and worship Him in heaven. Their postures are to remind us of how we are to come into the presence of God, prayerful and humble. (These angels are not statues of the Archangels Michael, Gabriel, or Raphael, but rather angels in adoration here on earth as they are in heaven).

Obviously the space, the altar of sacrifice, the furniture in the sanctuary, and the statue of the Holy Family (recently repaired) honor Holy Cross Church. The windows will be completed this spring when the weather turns warmer, and will have outlined through the frosted window film the shape of a cross, once again tying the Church of the Holy Cross into our new parish identity.

Above the sanctuary hangs a new medallion with the monogram, **I H S**. These are not letters from the English language, but rather are Greek letters, as the New Testament was written in Greek. These three letters – iota, eta, sigma – are the abbreviation for the Most Holy Name of Jesus. Instead of taking the first letter from each name for our initials (SBA for Susan Brownell Anthony), Greeks would abbreviate by taking the first 3 letters of your first name. Jesus – in Greek, Ἰησοῦς, became abbreviated Ἰησ, and then capitalized to become **I H S**.

The Gospels all introduce us to the Most Holy Name of Jesus as one that has the authority of petition (“If you ask the Father anything in my name He will give it to you” John 16:23) and over evil (“Rabbi, we saw one casting out demons in your name...” Mark 9:38). Already in the Acts of the Apostles and in the letters of St. Paul do we find devotion being promoted to the name of Jesus.

The Society of Jesus (Jesuits) made it the official emblem of their order and added the cross and three nails to it. Saints Bernadine of Sienna and John of Capistrano widely promoted devotion to the most Holy Name of Jesus, and many miracles throughout the history of the Church have been wrought through its authority. May the monogram that adorns our Church be as the greatest treasure we hold in our souls – Jesus Christ!