

SAT: 4PM Ralph Winter (by the Family)
SUN: 8AM St. Michael Parishioners and Their Intentions
10:30AM Louise Martin (by the School Board)
MON: NO MASS
TUES: 5:15PM Fr. John Gibbons & Family (by Family)
WED: 8:45AM Kelly Flaherty & Her Intentions
 (by Edward Flaherty)
THURS: 5:15PM Ralph Winter (by the Family)
FRI: 7:30AM Souls in Purgatory
SAT: 4PM Donald Damian, Sr. & St. Michael
 Parishioners and Their Intentions
SUN: 8AM Shirley Nokes (by the Nokes Family)
10:30AM Kathy Burda (by Tom Burda)



Blessed Virgin Mary Candle is lit this week for the Severance Family and Their Intentions

Events This Week

Sat. (11/30): St. Andrew, Apostle
 11:30AM — Hot Meal Served (SBK)
 2:30PM — Adult Choir Rehearsal (church)
 2:45-3:30PM — Confessions (church)
Sun. (12/1): First Sunday of Advent
 7AM — Confessions (church)
Mon. (12/2):
 11:30AM — Hot Meal Served (SBK)
Tues. (12/3): St. Francis Xavier, Priest
 8AM-5PM — Eucharistic Adoration (chapel)
 4:15PM — Rosary at Planned Parenthood (Pliny Park)
 4:45PM — Rosary (church)
 4:45PM — Confessions (church)
 5:15PM — Mass (church)
 6PM — Bible Study (YC)
 6:30PM — K of C Business (PC)
Wed. (12/4): St. John Damascene, Priest & Doctor
 8:05AM — Rosary (church)
 8:45AM — Mass (church)
 9:30AM-6PM — Eucharistic Adoration (chapel)
 10AM — Rosary at Pine Heights
 11:30AM — Hot Meal served (SBK)
 6:30PM — RCIA (PC)
Thurs. (12/5):
 8AM-5PM — Eucharistic Adoration (chapel)
 10AM — Mass at Gathering Place
 3:30PM — Mass at Vernon Hall
 4:45PM — Rosary (church)
 5:15PM — Mass (church)
 6PM — Women’s Group (Reading from
 St. Pope John Paul II) (YC)
Fri. (12/6): St. Nicholas, Bishop
 7AM — Rosary (church)
 7:30AM — Mass
 8AM-3PM — Eucharistic Adoration (church)
 11:30AM — Hot Meal served (SBK)
 2:45PM — Benediction (church)
Sat. (12/7): St. Ambrose, Bishop & Doctor
 11:30AM — Hot Meal Served (SBK)
 2:30PM — Adult Choir Rehearsal (church)
 2:45-3:30PM — Confessions (church)

Sun. (12/8): Second Sunday of Advent

7AM — Confessions (church)
 9:10AM -10:10AM — Religious Education (SMS)

Weekly Stewardship Report:

<u>Offertory</u>	
This Week	\$3,781.25

2019 Bishop’s Annual Appeal Parish Update

Our parish is now at **80%** of our pledge goal. We are grateful to all of those who have been able to participate and encourage others to learn more about your gift at work: bishopsappeal.vt.org.

Parish Prayer List

Baby Ellis Reed Kasper, Blake, Thomas Bartis, Sean Bloch, Philip Bloch, Peter Brown, Michael Carey, Anthony Church, Carol Condon, Mike Lavender, Matt & Heather R., Hilda Cleary, Mary Jane Giroux, Patricia Hicks, Rodney Howe, Tony Iannarone, Logan, Mildred Maloskie, Michael, Carol (Honey) Malloy-Seymour, David Partridge, Keagan Puffer, Carson Rhodes, Joan Richardson, Jenna Ross, Lawrence “Larry” Rouleau, Chip Runge, Bill S., Peter Smyth, Mike Stankiewicz, Lisa Vose, Martha and Renny W., and Parishioners & Their Families in Homes & Hospitals

Christmas Baskets

St. Brigid’s Kitchen & Pantry will be providing food baskets to help our neighbors celebrate. If you know of a family that would benefit from receiving a basket, please call the rectory.

Advent Giving Tree

We are reaching out to those in need with the tradition of Advent. When returning wrapped gifts, with the original tag firmly attached, please place them in or around the Giving Box by **Friday, December 13th**. Thank you so much for your generosity.

Do You Know a Family in Need?

If your family, or a family you know, is in need of help with Christmas gifts this year, please call the rectory. Wednesday, December 4th will be the last day to sign-up.

Adoration Chapel

“Private time spent in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament is one of the most effective ways of drawing closer to Jesus. The world is filled with noise. We all need quiet time to gather our thoughts, to speak to God and to listen to Him.....Jesus is present in the Most Blessed Sacrament to complete the work which His Father entrusts to Him. He is there to fill our soul with the love that led Him to die on the Cross for us. He is there to take over our hearts and to lead us to the love of God and neighbor. He is there to make us stronger and more resolute in loving Him” (Bishop Thomas Daily) Our Adoration Chapel is open every Tuesday through Friday. Please consider coming in to pray. We still are looking to fill the hours of **11AM-12PM on Thursdays** and **4-5PM and 5-6PM on Fridays**. If interested, please contact Pete Nero at 254-4818.

In the Footsteps of Jesus Holy Land Pilgrimage

We will walk where Jesus, our Blessed Mother, and the Apostles lived, and where Jesus was crucified. Join Msgr. Ronald Yargeau and Deacon George Nolan on this trip, visiting Nazareth, Cana, Galilee, Mt. Tabor, Bethlehem, the Dead Sea, and Jerusalem, among other sites. Daily Mass is offered. The cost \$4199 from Boston with a \$200 early bird discount if you register with \$400 by January 31, 2020. A bus to Logan Airport will be arranged. For more information, please contact Helen Shea Murphy 413-824-8733 or helensheamurphy@verizon.net or visit www.pilgirmages.com/helensheamurphy to view the flyer and registration form.

Children’s Choir

The Children’s Choir will be singing at the 4PM Christmas Vigil Mass on **December 24th**. Even if your child is not able to commit to children’s choir on a regular basis, we would love to have him/her for Christmas Eve. Rehearsals will be every Sunday starting *December 1st*, right after the **10:30AM Mass (around 11:30AM)**. Please contact Breton, the Music Director, at Breton@stmichaelvt.com or at 802-257-5101 if your child can join us.

Advent Appeal 2019

Please join Vermont Catholic Charities in supporting the Annual Advent Appeal. Whatever the season, it is a daily struggle for many Vermonters to maintain housing, stay warm or feed their families. Help people like Grace and John keep the electricity and heat on. Grace, John and their three children were struggling to keep the utilities on as John's hours at work had been reduced and they faced unexpected medical bills. We helped them avoid the disconnection of their utilities and provided food cards for the family. Whether your gift is \$10, \$100, \$1000 or more, your gift will make a difference in the life of a needy family. To donate, please mail a check to Vermont Catholic Charities, 55 Joy Drive, South Burlington, VT 05403 or give online at www.vermontcatholic.org <<http://www.Vermontcatholic.org>>/adventappeal.

Scripture Readings

Isaiah 2:1-5; Psalm 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Romans 13:11-14; Matthew 24:37-44

Jesus said to his disciples: "As it was in the days of Noah, so it will be at the coming of the Son of Man. In those days before the flood, they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, up to the day that Noah entered the ark. They did not know until the flood came and carried them all away. So will it be also at the coming of the Son of Man. Two men will be out in the field; one will be taken, and one will be left. Two women will be grinding at the mill; one will be taken, and one will be left. Therefore, stay awake! For you do not know on which day your Lord will come. Be sure of this: if the master of the house had known the hour of night when the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and not let his house be broken into. So too, you also must be prepared, for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come.

Confession During Advent

During Advent there will be additional weekly opportunities for the Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Sundays from 7:30-7:50AM

Tuesdays from 4:45-5:15PM

Saturdays from 2:45-3PM

St. Nicholas Christmas Bazaar

Our Lady of Częstochowa Church, 84 K Street, Turners Falls, Mass. will hold its annual **St. Nicholas Christmas Bazaar** on **Saturday, December 7th** from 9:00AM to 2:00PM. Come for Christmas crafts and gifts, religious goods, bake sale, Polish food sale, pierogi, Polish items, tag sale, giant raffles, and more! Anyone who would like to rent a table for this popular holiday event may call Shirley Webb at 413-773-7202 for information and to reserve a space.

Foster Care and Adoption

Thousands of teenagers and young adults in foster care still need a permanent family and a place to call home. Visit www.childwelfare.gov for more information.

“In Advent we rediscover the beauty of all being on a journey ... across the paths of time.” ~Pope Francis

Parish Registration & Parish Group Email List

To register with the parish, update your address, or to be added to the parish group email list, please fill out this form and place it in the collection basket.

Registration

Change of address

PLEASE PRINT

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Telephone: _____ Please send envelopes: ____

Email: _____