

October 9 ~ 10, 2021

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday Evening:

4:00 St. Rose of Lima: **Amelia Poquette** (b-day remembrance) by her Family

Sanctuary Lamp: the recovery of all those who have COVID here in Vermont

6:00 St. Joseph (ILM): **there will be no Sat. evening Masses at this location until late Fall**

Sunday Morning:

8:00 St. Joseph (Gr.I): **Jeanette Mann** by Bette Grenon & Family

Sanctuary Lamp: children in Vermont hospitals and recovery units

10:30 St. Amadeus: **Betty Bohannon** (32nd anniv.) by her daughter Bonnie Paquette and husband Richard
Sanctuary Lamp: **Kathryn Paquette** (15th anniv.) by her children Sharon Paquette Bockus and Richard & Bonnie Paquette

Special prayers are requested at our Masses for the safety of **Father Bill and Dan on their vacation**

Please pray for our sick: Michael Antonioli – Howard Atherton – Shawn Beaudoin – Adele Beck – Margaret Brosseau – David Brownell – *Damie Bruley* – *Ramona Bruley* – *Brenda Bryce* – Peg Clark – *Billy Duchaine* – *Sharon Dulude* – *Karen Fitzgerald* – John Gagnon – *Antoinette Howard* – Jean Labombard – *Norma Lafayette* – *Vicky Lawrence* – *Pat McCann* – *Trudy McEnany* – *Bernadette Milani* – Ronald Morin – Michael Parenteau – Dustin Parizo – *Maggie Patnode* – Jordan Pidgeon – *Teresa Poquette* – Lloyd Rollins – *Stanley Rollo* – *Larry (Baggy) Santore* – Dan Smith – *Daniel Therrien* – *Ashley Tilson* – *Diane Tilson* – *Kevin Turtle* – *Yorini Undyantara* – those with Alzheimer's and their caregivers – those in nursing homes, rehab centers, hospitals and the home-bound – hospital and clinic workers everywhere



Receiving the Eucharist...



GLUTEN FREE

Gluten-free hosts are available. Father Bill always has some consecrated. When you approach him for Holy Communion, tell him you need the gluten-free version.

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Living as a disciple is a daunting task. Jesus challenges us and the way we live our lives. In today's Gospel, Jesus explains that keeping the commandments is not enough to inherit eternal life; a disciple must give what they have to the poor and follow Him. The man who asked the question walked



away sad. Even His disciples couldn't believe how difficult it was to get to heaven. Only then did Jesus comfort them. Though we cannot save ourselves, with God all things are possible. Let us give thanks to God today for enabling us to achieve what we cannot do ourselves.

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Parish Fundraisers...

Pies from the Parish Pie Ladies! Purchase at the **Farmers Market** at St. Joseph Church in Grand Isle **any Saturday from 10 am – 2 pm.** Featuring a dozen different varieties—all fresh and all delicious! **Pre-order your favorites at: (802) 372-4092 x12 ORDER YOUR MEAT PIES NOW!**



The Clothes Closet and Flea Market: St. Amadeus Parish Ctr. (98 N Main Street, Alburgh)
Hours:
Mon. & Wed.: 10-2
Thurs.: 12:30-4:30
If you see the "OPEN" flag flying other days, we're there!



Parish Miscellany...

Parish Council Meeting ~ Open to All—Join Us!
Tuesday, October 12 at 6:30 pm (St. Amadeus Rectory)

EMPLOYMENT POSITION WITH OLL PARISH:

Parish Secretary: this is currently a year-round 24+ hours per week position, split between the southern office at St. Rose of Lima in S. Hero and the northern office at St. Amadeus in Alburgh. Laura Limoge is vacating this position as of October 31st. We are hoping to have someone in place well before that so Laura can train them before she leaves. Please contact her at either office, or Deacon Armand Auclair (contact info. on front of the bulletin), or Joe Farnham, Parish Council Chair (info. on front of bulletin). **If you need different days, times, etc. please inquire, as some flexibility may be possible.**

Needed! Singers for all 3 of our choirs! We've got great music and singers---we just need more voices! Join in this ministry whenever you can. For more information, contact Alice Toth in the South or Maurice Gauthier in the North.

Hannaford Stores Food Distribution: St. Amadeus Parish Center Hours: **Wed.s beginning around 9 am** (sometimes they arrive earlier) **This is NOT for the NEEDY ONLY**, but items go quickly so get there early!

St. Amadeus Food Shelf: St. Amadeus Rectory; open **Tuesdays from 9:30 – 4:30** (or whenever Laura is working) Household supplies also available (laundry detergent, soap, toothbrushes/ paste, shampoo, etc.) **Donations accepted at our offices.**



Diocesan Miscellany...

Middle School Rally: Sat., Oct. 30: St. John Vianney Parish (S. Burlington); Registration: 9:45 am ending with 4 pm Mass. Chris Padgett will be returning to VT to lead our middle school Catholics in a day of fun, song, prayer and storytelling. He will challenge those who have been confirmed to live like Saints! **Adult Catechists and Parents are also invited and will have separate times to gather and share ideas. COST: \$15/person (lunch provided). For info. or to register reach out to Father Pat Forman: (802) 479-3253 or patforman@charter.net**

Annual VT Women's Retreat: The Heart of Prayer: Our living relationship with God: St. Catherine of Sienna Church (Shelburne, VT) from **9 am – 2:15 pm.** Check-in begins at 8:30 am. **How is your prayer life?** Sister Barbara Cline, of the Franciscan Sisters of the Eucharist, will share how prayer brings us into closer relationship with God and the different forms of prayer. **Deadline for registration is Nov. 6, with a \$30 payment.** Limited space but a waitlist will be kept in the event of cancellations made prior to retreat.

"Christ Our Hope Campaign" re-launches with an eye toward Our Lady of the Lake's big-ticket projects! We've got **only 17% of our goal to go** before we keep all of the donations given in our name. Please help put us over the top! You can find donation forms at our church entrances or go online to: christourhopevt.org/ (omit the https:// and www.)

Area Miscellany...

The Champlain Islands Food Shelf (a.k.a. Grand Isle Food Shelf) always needs donations of non-perishable food. We accept donations at both of our southern churches. Please find the donation boxes near the entrances. Thank you!
Food Shelf (12 Hyde Road, Gr. Isle) open **Wed.s from 1-4**

Parish Support - Thank you!

Sunday Collections: *

St. Amadeus/St. Joseph (ILM): \$ 538
St. Rose of Lima/St. Joseph (Gr. Isle): \$ 848

Second Collections:

St. Amadeus/St. Joseph (ILM): \$ 92
St. Rose of Lima/St. Joseph (Gr. Isle): \$ 504

* **These figures do not include gifts to the parish**

This Weekend's 2nd Collection: Maintenance Fund
Next Weekend: World Missions

When making contributions to our churches please make checks out to: **Our Lady of the Lake Parish** and indicate in the memo area which church should receive your donations

Please stay home if ...

- **You are not feeling well and don't know the reason**
- **You are awaiting the results of a COVID test**
- **Someone in your close circle has recently been diagnosed with COVID and you have not yet been tested (even if you are not presenting with symptoms)**

Our Parish encourages people to

- **return to wearing masks for Masses**
- **continue to social distance by skipping pews**
- **refrain from hugging or shaking hands with those not in your family or those you came to Mass with**

These are not mandates from the Diocese, but suggestions for keeping those in our parish safe and **feeling safe** when they are here at Mass.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE RESOURCES

Domestic Violence
800-228-7395

Sexual Violence
800-489-7273

Teen Dating Abuse
866-331-9474

VT Network: <https://vtnetwork.org>

Domestic Violence Resources:

<http://dcf.vermont.gov/resources/domestic-violence>



The Deacon's Bench

In celebration of teachers everywhere, I'll direct you to the 11th century saint, **Bruno of Cologne** (Feast: Oct. 6), a teacher of Pope Urban II and founder of the Carthusians Order. In his own words:
"While the world changes, the Cross stands firm."
"By your work, you show what you love and what you know."
"In the solitude and silence of the wilderness, for their labor in the contest, God gives his athletes the reward they desire: a peace that the world does not know, and joy in the Holy Spirit."

The Inland See

NEWS FROM

October 9–15, 2021

FOR THE DIOCESE OF BURLINGTON

Catholic school superintendent's prayer: *'hope-filled joy that flows from authentic peace'*

Jeanne Gearon, superintendent of schools for the Diocese of Burlington, was recently interviewed about the past and current school years by Vermont Catholic Managing Editor Cori Fugere Urban. Here is their Q and A:

Q: For the 2020-21 school year, how did Vermont Catholic schools adjust for the pandemic safety protocols?

A: The principals worked collaboratively with the Office of Catholic Schools to draft a guiding document titled: "United in Faith, Returning with CARE: Communities and Academics Reimagined Effectively." This document provided a framework for responding to the pandemic that each school in turn used to craft its local protocols and procedures.

I cannot say enough how the efforts at the local level from the principals, teachers and school staffs made it possible for our students to experience in-person learning on a full-time basis. The support they received from the pastors/priests who minister to our schools as well as from the students' families and all members of each school community was phenomenal. The work they undertook and the sacrifices they endured were not easy, and it only happened because everyone worked together to place the needs of the students at the forefront.

Q: How did the pandemic affect enrollment?

A: Preschool through grade 12 enrollment for the 2019-2020 school year in Vermont was 1,908. For the 2020-2021 it was 1,835, and the projected enrollment for 2021-2022 was 1,990.

Q: To what do you attribute this change in enrollment?

A: As a Diocese, last year we experienced an overall enrollment decline of around 4 percent. I believe that this was largely due to families opting to home school due to concerns regarding the pandemic.

For the upcoming school year, diocesan-wide, we are projecting around an 8 percent enrollment increase. There are many reasons for this, one of which may have been our ability to

provide consistent in-person learning last year. Our schools welcoming students back full-time and remaining full-time throughout the year may have sparked interest within the community to explore more deeply what we have to offer.

Q: According to "Data Brief: Catholic School Enrollment and School Closures, Post-Covid-19" from the National Catholic Educational Association, a report released in February, the Covid-19 pandemic can be seen as one of the most transformative catalysts for educational change in the United States. Schools of all types — public, charter, private, parochial, online or homeschool — have been significantly impacted as a result of the pandemic's disruptions to communities and society. What is your comment?

A: While the pandemic is certainly not something anyone wanted to have occur, nor, I suspect, do any of us want it to reoccur, there is the reality that it forced us to think outside the box. We discovered things about ourselves that we did not know before both as individuals and as a community. Schools are made up of people, and as each of us learns more about ourselves, our schools are changed. We have to look for the positives from this pandemic, and if one of those positives is that we have learned how to provide education in more meaningful ways for students, then this is indeed a blessing.

Q: Why are Catholic schools needed in Vermont today?

A: Catholic schools are one of the options Vermonters have who are seeking a faith-based education for their children. Many parents value this, and they sincerely want their children to be educated within a spiritually rich environment. If the Catholic schools were not in Vermont, then the Vermonters seeking this for their families would have far fewer options.

Q: What is your hope for Vermont Catholic school students, teachers, staff and families for this school year?

A: I pray daily for our school communities, and just as this past year was a year like no other, I pray that the upcoming school year is also a year like no other. During this year of St. Joseph, we have no one better to turn to who can teach us how to journey through hardship with grace and come out of it with a renewed sense of hope-filled joy that flows from authentic peace. That is my prayer for each school community, each principal, each teacher, each staff member, each student, each family — hope-filled joy that flows from authentic peace.

Catholic schools in the Diocese of Burlington are supported by the Bishop's Annual Appeal.

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Upcoming Events



10|13, 27, 11|10 WED
Living Joy Discussion Group
Online • 7 pm

Join us for Chris Stefanick's Living Joy: 9 Rules to Help You Rediscover and Live Joy Every Day. This virtual event explores one rule every other week. Offered by members of the Diocesan Evangelization Committee. Contact pturnley@aol.com for more information.



10|16 SATURDAY
Roast Pork Supper
Our Lady of the Angels Church • 5 - 6 pm
Drive-thru take-out. Limited seating at 5pm.
Adults \$15, Kids \$7. Reservations: 802-728-5251



10|17 SUNDAY
White Coat Mass
Blessed Sacrament Church, Stowe • 10:30 pm

Mass for healthcare professionals and their families. Bring your white coats! Bishop Christopher Coyne and Fr. Jon Schnobrich. Talk and refreshments to follow.



10|26 TUESDAY
Saints & Sinners
Online • 7 pm

Join us each month to learn how a particular saint has influenced the life of our guest speaker. October: Fr. Curtis Miller presenting on Ven. Br. William Gagnon. For more info: vermontcatholic.org/saints-and-sinners.



10|28 THURSDAY
"Not just heartbreaks and honky-tonk: Country Music and Sacred Space"
Holy Family Parish Hall, Essex Jct.
7 - 8:30 pm

Join us for an engaging event presented by Fr. Richard Berube, SSE, retired St. Michael's College Religious Education Professor and Jeff Firlik, music minister. Please wear a mask so that we have a safe environment for all to participate.

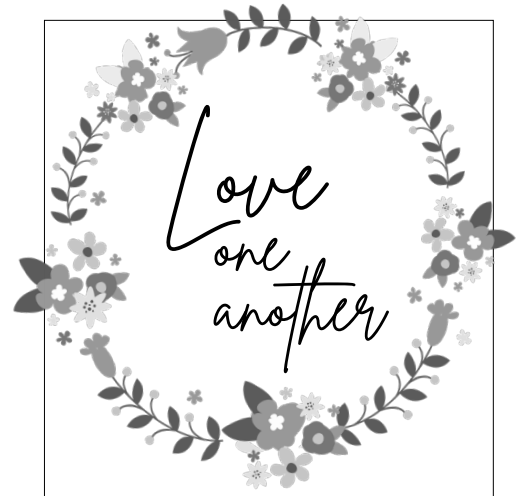


11|06 SATURDAY
Our Lady of Fatima Devotions
Holy Family, Essex Junction • 8 am
Beginning with Rosary at 8 am,
Confessions, and followed by Mass at 8:30 am.



11|13 SATURDAY
Annual Women's Retreat
St. Catherine of Sienna, Shelburne
8:30 am - 2:15 pm

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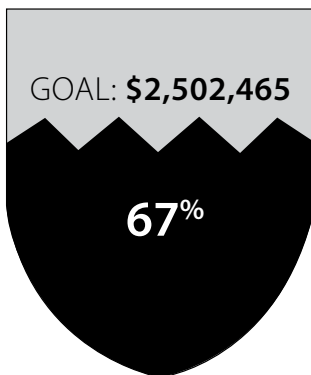


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CHALLENGES TO GROW YOUR MARRIAGE

Consider the Rich Man in the scripture reading this week. Reflect on the non-material wealth you have in your relationship and how you can share this with others. Pray together with the Litany of Trust.

vermontcatholic.org/marriagechallenge



As of Sept. 29, 2021: **\$1,687,620**

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*The Heart
of Prayer*
*Our Living
Relationship
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*Annual Vermont Catholic
Women's Retreat*

Saturday, November 13 • St. Catherine of Siena, Shelburne

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