

# NEWS FROM The Inland See

September 12–18, 2020

FOR THE DIOCESE OF BURLINGTON

## Halpin Family establishes tuition assistance fund

As Rice Memorial High School in South Burlington approaches 80 percent of the goal for the “Rice: Investing in Our Legacy” campaign and the Diocese of Burlington launches its first-ever statewide “Christ Our Hope: Building a Vibrant Parish” campaign, legacy giving is one critical way an individual or family can have a significant impact on the future of Catholic ministries in Vermont, such as a parish, school, cemetery or specific diocesan ministry.



With eight children who attended Rice — Ned '67, Matthew '69, Jim '70, Tom '72, Mike and Pat '74, Cathy '76 and Beth '79 — it's no surprise that Howard and Kay Halpin spent the better part of 16 years attending or working at one Rice event or another. Whether it was Stunt Nite, Rice Boosters, chaperoning a dance or attending sporting events, the center of the Halpins' life for nearly two decades was Rice. “Kay and I thank God for the goodness of our neighborhood school and what it did for our family,” said Halpin in 2018.

A veteran of World War II, he and his wife raised their family on Fairmont Street, surrounded by other large families who made faith and education the focus of their lives. Halpin spent 40 years at GE Aerospace, and upon his retirement, began Turbine Weld, an aircraft engine parts

repair business based in Florida, family-owned until its sale earlier this year.

The Halpins considered it important to show their gratitude to Rice by generously giving to the Rice-Cathedral Fund every year for nearly 30 years. After “his beloved” wife died in 2014, Halpin often made his gifts in her memory. One of his last gifts to Rice was \$8,000 — \$1,000 for each of his eight children. “Rice played a major role in this old geezer’s strong belief that the Halpins have been blessed by God,” he said.

Shortly after he died in December 2019 at the age of 97, Rice Annual Giving Manager Nancy Viner approached his children, many of them donors to the annual fund, to inquire about the possibility of establishing a scholarship fund in their father’s memory in the Vermont Catholic Community Foundation.

With more than 40 percent of Rice students needing financial aid, building Rice’s tuition assistance endowment remains a major goal of Rice’s “Investing in Our Legacy” capital campaign. Making Rice available to future generations of students made sense to Beth and her seven siblings. “Our parents truly appreciated the education and spiritual growth Rice provided us all,” she said. “They would consider it their honor to extend the gift of education and spiritual growth to future generations.”

To learn more about how to make a legacy gift now or in the future contact Ellen Kane at [ekane@vermontcatholic.org](mailto:ekane@vermontcatholic.org) or visit [vtcatholicfoundation.org/ways-to-give](http://vtcatholicfoundation.org/ways-to-give).

— *Christy Babrenburg, Director of Advancement and Communications at Rice Memorial High School*

The "Parent Café" logo features three wavy lines representing steam above a stylized coffee cup. The text "Parent Café" is written in a large, bold, serif font. Below the logo, the text "Virtual Discussion Series for Catholic Parents" is written in a smaller, bold, sans-serif font.

Virtual Discussion Series for Catholic Parents

Join other Catholic parents in Vermont for these virtual discussions about life and faith. Each session includes a brief prayer and presentation, setting the stage for open and honest conversation on that week's topic. Join us for any or all sessions!

**WHAT  
PRAYER  
LIFE?**

TUESDAY, SEPT. 15  
7:30 – 8:15PM

**LIFE IS A  
BALANCING  
ACT!**

TUESDAY, SEPT. 29  
7:30 – 8:15PM

**YOUR HABITS  
— THE GOOD, THE BAD,  
AND THE UGLY!**

TUESDAY, OCT. 13  
7:30 – 8:15PM

[www.vermontcatholic.org/events/parentcafe](http://www.vermontcatholic.org/events/parentcafe)

## Upcoming Events



09|15, 29, 10|13 WEDNESDAYS

### Parent Café

Zoom • 7:30 pm - 8:15 pm

Join other Catholic parents in Vermont for these virtual discussions about life and faith. Learn more at: [vermontcatholic.org/events/parentcafe](http://vermontcatholic.org/events/parentcafe).



09|20 SUNDAY

### Emmaus Retreat: A Hiking Confirmation Retreat

Waterbury • 1 - 6:15 pm

FOR MORE INFO: [vermontcatholic.org/event/emmaus-retreat-a-hiking-confirmation-retreat/](http://vermontcatholic.org/event/emmaus-retreat-a-hiking-confirmation-retreat/)



09|26 SATURDAY

### Ordination to the Permanent Diaconate

Cathedral of St. Joseph, Burlington • 10 am

The Diocese of Burlington celebrates with great joy the Ordination of the Permanent Diaconate of five men to serve the Catholic Church in Vermont.



10|03 SATURDAY

### Our Lady of Fatima Devotions

Holy Family, Essex Junction • 8 am

First Saturday of every month. Rosary and reconciliation at 8 am and Mass at 8:30.



10|21 WEDNESDAY

### VCP Networking Event

Venue TBD • 8 - 9:30 am

Our October guest speaker is John Reuwer,

MD — Retired Emergency Physician and Adjunct Professor, Saint Michael's College.

## DIOCESE OF BURLINGTON CAREERS

*Diocese:* Respect Life Coordinator

*St. Joseph's Residential Care Home,  
Burlington:* Full-Time LPN or Med Tech  
— \$1000 Sign-On Bonus

*St. Joseph's Residential Care Home,  
Burlington:* Part-Time LPN or Med Tech

*St. Joseph's Residential Care Home,  
Burlington:* Full-Time LNA or Caregiver  
— \$500 Sign-On Bonus

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Burlington:* Part-Time LNA or Caregiver

*For More Info:*

[vermontcatholic.org/careers](http://vermontcatholic.org/careers)



ROMAN CATHOLIC  
DIOCESE OF BURLINGTON

[vermontcatholic.org/marriagechallenge](http://vermontcatholic.org/marriagechallenge)

SEPTEMBER 13 – 19, 2020

## CHALLENGES TO GROW YOUR MARRIAGE

**BUILD SOMETHING TOGETHER**

— ice cream sundaes, a pizza with your favorite toppings, a tower of blocks. Perhaps you will find a chuckle over the odd or weird combinations that reflect your different approaches to food, building, and life.

CHRIST OUR

*Hope*

2020 BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL



As we kick-off the Christ Our Hope: Building a Vibrant Church campaign to renew our parishes, strengthen our faith formation programs and increase emergency aid to people in crisis, we ask you to please first consider a gift to the Bishop's Appeal. We understand that these are challenging times and some may not be able to do more. We are grateful for whatever you can offer and ask for your prayers for the success of the campaign.

2020 Bishop's Annual Appeal Goal: **\$2,651,157**

**64%** As of Sept. 1: **\$1,686,681**

## Diocese of Burlington Online Ministry Opportunities Schedule

Daily

Posted at  
9 AM

**Bishop Coyne's Daily Reflections** — [www.facebook.com/DioBurlington](http://www.facebook.com/DioBurlington)  
and [www.vermontcatholic.org/about/office-of-bishop/dailyreflections/](http://www.vermontcatholic.org/about/office-of-bishop/dailyreflections/)

Daily

(Monday – Friday)

10:30 AM

**Rosary** — with Valerie Parzyck — [www.facebook.com/DioBurlington](http://www.facebook.com/DioBurlington)

Daily

(Monday – Thursday)

11:30 AM

**Eucharistic Adoration** — **Livestream** — [www.vermontcatholic.org/tvmas](http://www.vermontcatholic.org/tvmas)

Daily

(Monday – Thursday)

12:05 PM

**Mass** — **Livestream** — [www.vermontcatholic.org/tvmas](http://www.vermontcatholic.org/tvmas)

Sunday

10 AM

**Mass** — **Livestream** — [www.vermontcatholic.org/tvmas](http://www.vermontcatholic.org/tvmas)