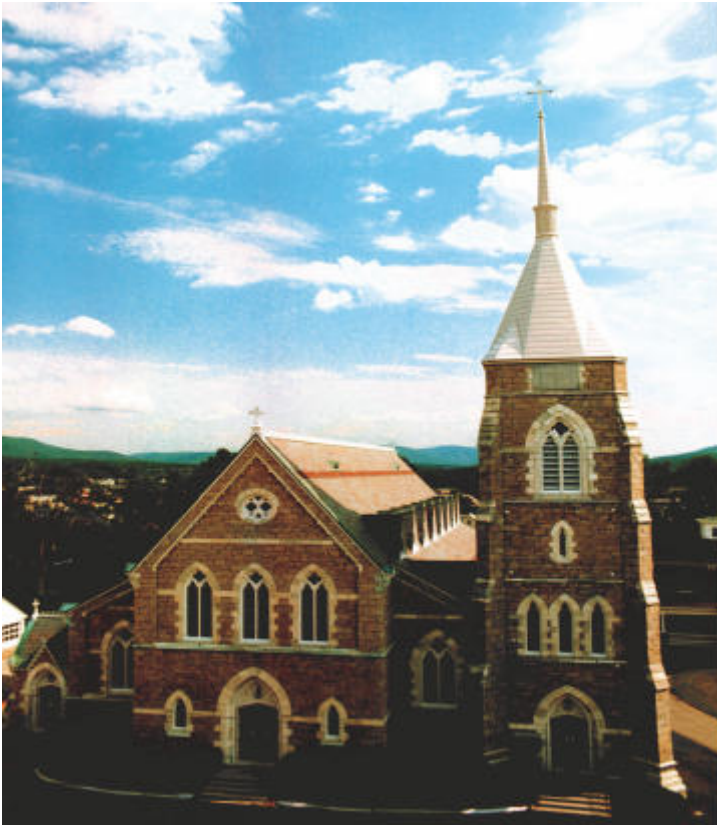


Second Sunday of Lent—March 8, 2020

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Sunday – 11:00 AM

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Weekday Masses

Chapel of our Lady

Monday—4:45 PM—**Except Holidays**

Sacrament of Baptism

Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements.

Sacrament of Matrimony

Please call the Parish Office at least six months in advance to make arrangements.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 3:00 PM—or by appointment

New Parishioners

Please call Parish Office to register.

Religious Education

Parish Website-www.StPeterRutland.org

Or contact Michael Audette:
maudette@msjvermont.org

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ST. PETER MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday, March 7

4:15 Birthday Mem: Janet LaBelle by Carla
and 18th Ann: Clelia Marro by Sarah Valente, Josephine Flory and Luigi Mainolfi

Sunday, March 8

11:00 Mem: Polina Yoo by Serena Kim

Monday, March 9

4:45 Mem: Deceased Members of the Rotella Family by Family
and Mem: Edith Johnson by Mary Ellen Johnson

Saturday, March 14

4:15 Birthday Mem: Jean Franzoni by Chub

Sunday, March 15

11:00 Birthday Mem: James Patrick Fitzsimmons by Family
and Birthday Mem: Jean Stevens by Grace

**CANDLES FOR THIS WEEKEND:**

Mem: Ella Lyons Lefevre by Family

FROM THE BISHOP'S OFFICE

“With the recent spike of cases of Coronavirus around the world and concern expressed by parishioners around the diocese, the Bishop’s Office and The Office of Worship has issued the following guidelines that parishes are asked to implement to address such concerns. **As of February 27th, there are no confirmed cases of the virus in Vermont.**

We ask that people continue to be vigilant in self-monitoring their health. Should you show signs of illness **please refrain from coming to Mass.** The obligation to attend Sunday Mass is lifted when one is ill and risks transmitting infection to others.

At this time, **it is encouraged to restrict, not eliminate, the Sign of Peace by reducing physical contact between persons.** And so, ‘in this cold and flu season we will simply exchange the sign of peace through a smile and nod of the head.’

Communion from the Chalice: At this time, ‘*We are not restricting distribution of communion from the chalice on the diocesan level*’, however the decision to receive from the chalice rests solely with the communicant, and one does receive the fullness of the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Christ in receiving only the consecrated host. Should there be a more widespread outbreak of influenza on the parish level or surrounding community, pastors can and should place restrictions on receiving from the chalice.”

**ST. PETER COLLECTION REPORT
 WEEKEND OF FEBRUARY 29/MARCH 01**

84 Envelopes (242 sent out) plus \$755.00	3,879.00
Need	4,500.00
Difference	- 621.00
Last Year—Same Date	3,637.00
Fuel Collection	709.00

SAVE THE DATE—MARCH 29, 2020—4:30 PM**DINNER AND CELEBRATION TO HONOR FRANK & COLLEEN D'AURIA**

Just two weeks remain for anyone wishing to attend and purchase tickets for this celebration. **Last sale date of tickets will be Friday, March 20th. Tickets for the event must be purchased in advance**, and the cost is \$20/person, **\$10 for children 7-10, and free for children under 6 years of age.** Tickets are available for purchase before and after each weekend Mass, this weekend and next weekend ONLY, as well as from the Office at the Friary, during regular business hours, up to and including Friday, March 20th.

ST. PETER'S MARCH MAINTENANCE & UPKEEP COLLECTION

A gentle reminder that next week we will be taking up the monthly Maintenance and Upkeep Collection; in whatever way that you are able to contribute towards this special collection, it is most appreciated.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

As a Lenten devotion, St. Peter's will be offering the Stations of the Cross every Friday of Lent at 6:00 PM. Won't you consider joining in prayer for this beautiful and traditional Lenten devotion.



Envelopes are available at all the entrances of the Church to be used to remember a loved one by making a donation for the purchase of flowers for Easter. Please place your envelope with the name(s) and your donation in the collection basket, drop it off at the Rectory during the week, or mail it by **March 29. Please print the names clearly.**

LENT AND THE DISMAS HOUSE BACKPACK PROGRAM

Lent is underway and so is the annual **DISMAS HOUSE & BACKPACK PROGRAM.** Baskets have been placed at the church entrances with items written on slips of paper of the needed items. Simply take the slips that you would like and place the items in the boxes that have also been provided. These items will then be placed in the backpacks and given to residents arriving at Dismas House.

FULFILLING YOUR EASTER DUTY

Anytime from the First Sunday of Lent (March 1st) to Trinity Sunday (June 7th) Catholics should receive the sacrament of Reconciliation and receive Holy Communion during this time to fulfill the precept of the church of fulfilling our Easter Duty. Confessions at St. Peter are every Saturday between **3:00 PM—3:45 PM**, or by appointment. There will also be a deanery wide penitential service on Sunday, April 5th, at 3:00 PM at Christ the King.

DEADLINE FOR THE BULLETIN

There is a deadline each week for information to be put into our bulletin. It is Monday by noon. Holiday bulletin deadlines may vary.

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, March 8

NO Faith formation session today.
Next session 3/15/20

Weather conditions permitting, **SLEDDING PARTY** today

Tuesday, March 10

7:00 PM—Parish Council will meet in Friary. Anyone is welcomed

Friday, March 13

**DAY OF ABSTINENCE—14 YEARS AND OLDER
= NO MEAT OR CHICKEN**

6:00 PM—Stations of the Cross

Sunday, March 15

10:00 AM—Faith Formation Session today.
Next session 3/29/20

LENT AND SPIRITUAL DEVOTIONS

Abstinence: Catholics aged **14 and older** must abstain from meat, including chicken, on **all Fridays of Lent**, as well as on **Good Friday**.

Fasting: On Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, Catholics from age **18-59** must fast, limiting themselves to one full meal and two smaller meals each day, and refrain from eating in between meals.

Of course, if due to age or health issues, taking medications, the above cannot be followed you are dispensed from fulfilling these disciplines. If you are in reasonably good health and are able to observe these disciplines, then these disciplines should be observed.

MSJ-CKS ANNUAL AUCTION & DANCE

Saturday, March 21, 2020

Holiday Inn in Rutland—7—11:00 PM

It's time to shake off winter for a good cause! We welcome you to join us for this adult-only, fun-filled evening that kicks off with a Silent and Live Auction, followed by dancing with music provided by MC Sounds! Tickets are \$15 per person and may be purchased from a CKS or MSJ family, either school office or at the door on the night of the event. Light refreshments will be served with a cash bar available. Donations, large or small, are welcomed. If you are interested in donating an item or a service, please contact Mary Lou Tedesco Harvey by phone: 802-236-3485 or mharvey@msjvermont.net. Thank you for supporting Rutland County's Catholic Schools!

LENTEN RETREAT DAY FOR ALL PARISH MINISTERS

A Lenten retreat day for anyone who works for, or ministers in the parish including administrative assistants, bookkeepers, religious education teachers, maintenance personnel, music directors and cantors, parish volunteers, ushers, EEM's, Lectors and other parish staff will be held on **Wednesday, March 18th** from 9:30 AM—3:00 PM at St. Stanislaus Church in West Rutland. This retreat is facilitated by the Diocesan Department of Evangelization & Catechesis. To register or for more information: Valerie Parzyck (802) 845-5813; vermontcatholic.org/retreats. Deadline to register is March 13.

CAUTION PLEASE—FALLING SNOW AND ICE

For those who park behind the church—a word of caution—snow and ice does fall from the roof of the church. Please walk away from the church and friary buildings, and please **DO NOT PARK ALONG SIDE OF THE CHURCH BUILDING** during these winter months due to the danger of falling snow and ice; you could be seriously injured and your car could sustain serious damage with this falling snow and ice. **AND PLEASE DO NOT BLOCK THE GARAGES**. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

3rd ANNUAL CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE

The 3rd Annual Catholic Men's Conference will be held on **Saturday, March 28th, 2020**, from 9:00 AM—3:15 PM, at St. Anthony's Church, White River Junction. The Keynote speaker is retired Air Force Captain, Guy Gruters. Guy is a decorated Vietnam War veteran who spent 5½ years as a POW in Vietnam, and a lifetime Catholic. Other speakers will include Msgr. John McDermott and Paul Kendall. There will also be opportunities for confession, Eucharistic Adoration, lunch, fellowship, and Mass with Bishop Coyne. Registration and more info at: www.vermontcatholic.org/men.

PARKING ON MEADOW STREET

In order to allow easier access to the church from the Meadow Street parking lot, it would be greatly appreciated to refrain from parking directly in front of the steps leading to the friary and church. The elderly or the handicapped can be dropped off at the handicap entrance and parking in the back of the church should be reserved for those vehicles.

ARE YOU AGING WELL? DOES AGING FEEL LIKE A THIEF IN THE NIGHT?

Join us on Mondays (3/2-4/6) from 10 AM-noon, at Engle Hall, Christ the King in Rutland. Cost: \$10 includes materials and light refreshments. Registration: Christ the King Rectory, 66 S. Main Street, Rutland—773-6820 or rwcatholic@gmail.com. For more information or questions, please contact Terri McCormack at 282-8809 or Susan Roland 438-2606.

WEST RUTLAND'S 11TH ANNUAL VARIETY SHOW

The 11th annual West Rutland Variety Show is coming on **Sunday, March 15th, at 3:00 PM** at the West Rutland Town Hall. This year, the event will raise money for the **West Rutland Food Shelf**. A variety of local acts will perform, and the afternoon will include a 50/50 raffle and bake sale. Tickets are \$8 for adults; \$5 for children and seniors; \$20 family cap. Tickets will be on sale before Mass (St. Bridget/St. Stanislaus Kostka) until the show, and at the door. Seating is limited, so don't delay! You may also call the Parish Office for ticket information at 802-438-2490.

ST. ALPHONSUS' 41ST ST. PATRICK'S DAY DINNER SUNDAY, MARCH 15, 2020

The parish of St. Alphonsus in Pittsford, VT will be hosting its 41st St. Patrick's Day Dinner on Sunday, March 15th, from 4:00 PM—6:00 PM. Please check out their flyer posted on the Bulletin Boards of the Church listing their menu. Cost: Adults \$13.00, Children 6-12, \$7.00, under 6, \$3.00. Meals to go are also available.

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