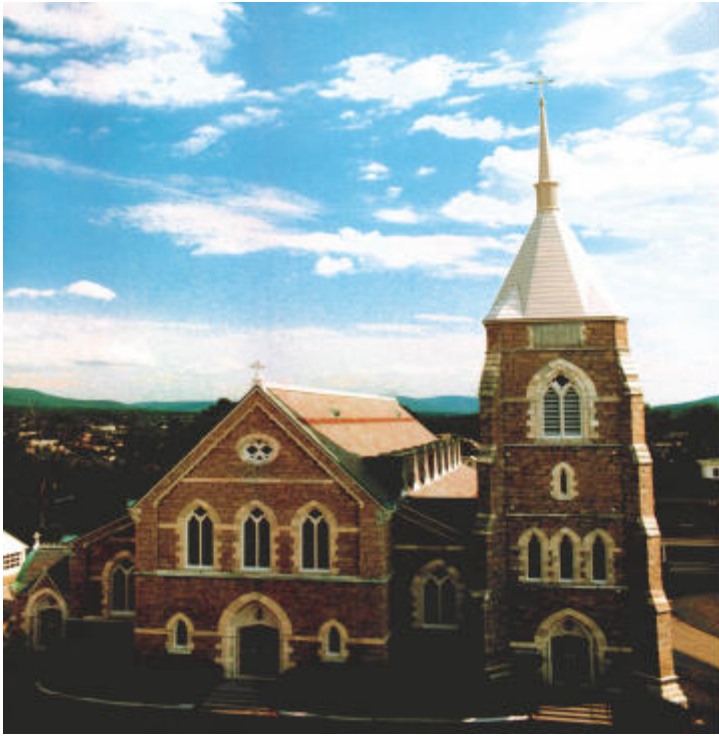


**Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time—August 30, 2020**

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### **Sunday Masses:**

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Sunday—11:00 AM

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### **Weekday Masses**

Chapel of our Lady

**Monday**—4:45 PM—**Except Holidays**

**Suspended until further notice**

### **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**

DRE, Michael Audette

Email: [maudette@msjvermont.org](mailto:maudette@msjvermont.org)

Please visit parish website or Facebook  
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### **Parish Council Members**

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**ST. PETER MASS SCHEDULE:**

**Saturday, August 29**

4:15 Birthday Mem: Bob Liscinsky by Family  
*and* Birthday Mem: Louis DiBlasio by Wife & Children

**Sunday, August 30**

11:00 Mem: Perley & Teresa McPhee by Family

**Monday, August 31**

**No Monday Masses at this time**

**Saturday, September 5**

4:15 Mem: Charles (Birthday) & Doris Cannon by Daughters

**Sunday, September 6**

11:00 Birthday Mem: Gaetano Tedesco & Dorothy Fabian by Family  
*and* Ann: Jeannette Earle by Family



**CANDLES FOR THE WEEKEND OF AUGUST 29/30**

Mem: Carl Ackley by Carol

**CAPITAL CAMPAIGN**

Volunteers are still needed to make follow-up phone calls to our parishioners concerning the campaign. These phone calls will be made over a period of 8-9 weeks. There is a simple script for these calls which will be provided. Please consider volunteering. We need about twenty—twenty five volunteers. Please call the Rectory if you wish to volunteer.

**NO KNEELING**

We are asking that the kneelers in the church **NOT** be used; the reason for that is if they are used, it means more work and time to sanitize them; if they are left in their upright position than a simple spraying will take care of it and our volunteer “sanitizers” will be able to finish much more quickly. Thank you for your understanding and observance of this.

**ST. PETER OFFERTORY REPORT WEEKEND OF AUGUST 22/23**

69 Envelopes (242 sent out) plus \$468.00	3,061.00
Need	4,500.00
Difference	- 1,439.00
Last Year—Same Date	4,390.00

**“Patience is an Attitude”**

During the past several months, almost six to be exact, we have all been under much stress, accompanied by low-level or high-level anxiety. This is all due to the spread and presence of the Covid 19 virus. Our lives, work structures and environments and family relationships have been altered. These conditions most certainly can try one’s patience and we might wonder how much longer we can hold out.

Thankfully, for people of Faith, patience is available to us on a daily basis if we are willing to do the spiritual and religious work which being genuinely patient requires. For patience just doesn’t happen. Patience is fostered, nurtured and acquired. Also like other virtues Patience takes effort and above all practice.

The very word patience comes from the Latin word “patior” which means to suffer. Patience and the need and blessing of Patience develops in the midst of a difficult or painful environment in which there is some kind of suffering. Patience is that virtue which enables us to go through a difficult or painful situation without being over-whelmed or crushed by it. Patience is a sense of Peace in the midst of turmoil.

How do we create Patience within us? First with Faith believing that the human race, our friends and family, our world, as broken as it is, are all in God’s hands. God has a plan for us and in God’s plan nothing happens by chance. Despite the difficulty, pain and sadness God is with us if we allow God to be. As long as we allow God room to work and do not attempt to “take over” or solve the unsolvable ourselves God will do for us what we can’t do for ourselves. We are cared for by God and are able to accept that care if we wish. We are all in God’s hands. We can be patient.

Secondly, we can stay in the present. Today is all we have and if today is manageable it is manageable. If negativity surrounds us in the present and we think about the future we can tend to project that negativity into the future. Everything can become doom and gloom. Living in the present and focusing on what is in front of us and around us can save us from unrealistic fear. We can be patient.

Lastly, accepting those things which are beyond our control can nourish Patience. If we spend our time wishing things were different we can become resentful, angry and full of self-pity. We are robbed of Peace. When we accept those things in our lives over which we are powerless we can have the freedom and time to care for ourselves and appreciate others in new ways. We can be patient.

Patience is composed of Faith, Living in the Present and Acceptance of what is beyond us to alter. Practicing these spiritual things, little by little, helps us to live gracefully and calmly and patiently. Living patiently helps us to know God in new ways and knowing God in new ways makes us patient.

Fr. John

## TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



This Sunday, August 30 the Rosary will be prayed in front of the Holy Family Shrine after the 11:00 AM Mass. Please wear masks and practice social distancing. Everyone is welcome.

### 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.

### CALVARY CEMETERY NEWS

**PLEASE NOTE:** We do not allow any dumping of any kind in Calvary Cemetery. If anyone sees this happening, please call the Rectory.

Also, please do not leave empty flower pots near the vault for us to dispose of. Please take them home for disposal. Thank you.



### USHERS AND OTHER VOLUNTEERS

Thank you to everyone who has volunteered to be ushers and sanitizers for our weekend Masses. It is greatly appreciated and very helpful.

### 2020 CENSUS

People who live in Vermont could miss out on a lot if everyone is not counted in the Census. Vermont could lose out on the political representation it deserves and people and communities could be denied money that they need for schools, community health care, jobs, and transportation.

In 2016, Vermont received more than \$2 billion from federal spending programs guided by data derived from the 2010 Census. Vermont can't afford to miss out!

A complete and accurate count in the 2020 Census could mean more funding for vital services in your community—and this chance comes along once every 10 years.

Currently, Vermont ranks close to last (46<sup>th</sup> out of 50 States) in the percentage of people who have completed their Census forms. If you have not yet filled out the form, please go to **Census.gov** to file and be counted. It's quick, it's easy and it's important.



*"Perhaps You Were Born for Such a Time as This."*  
Esther 4:14

The situation and circumstances we face today, in the culture and the Church, call for us to move from maintenance to mission. At every Catholic parish in Vermont, we are called to respond in faith—in new ways, with a new vigor.

Many of you received the *Christ Our Hope: Building a Vibrant Church* campaign packets in the mail that included a campaign case statement with an insert that describes how our parish plans to use the 60% of funds raised. Please prayerfully consider a sacrificial gift that will renew our parishes and move our church from maintenance to mission.

Bishop Coyne is hosting coffee hours to answer questions. To register go to: <https://www.christourhopevt.org/events>.

August 31 @ 7:00 PM

September 1 @ 7:00 PM

September 9 @ 3:00 PM

To learn more about the campaign visit:  
[www.christourhopevt.org](http://www.christourhopevt.org)

### CAMPAIGN PRAYER

Almighty and eternal God,  
we place our hope in You  
to guide the Catholic Church in Vermont  
to renew our parishes,  
and engage our youth;  
to form lay leaders,  
and serve the most vulnerable among us.  
In the power of the Holy Spirit,  
help us build a vibrant church  
in this time and place  
and for generations to come.  
Seeking the intercession of our  
first bishop, Louis deGoesbriand.  
We pray this through Christ our Lord,  
Amen.  
Mary, Mother of the Church, pray for us.

### BISHOP'S FUND UPDATE

Thank you for supporting the Bishop's Annual Appeal for 2020. To date we have raised \$9,705.00 towards our goal of \$30,089.00. For information and to make your gift, please visit [vermontcatholic.org/giveonline](http://vermontcatholic.org/giveonline).



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