



Leaving that place, Jesus withdrew to the region of Tyre and Sidon. A Canaanite woman from that vicinity came to him, crying out, "Lord, Son of David, have mercy on me! My daughter is demon-possessed and suffering terribly." Jesus did

not answer a word. So his disciples came to him and urged him, "Send her away, for she keeps crying out after us." He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of Israel." The woman came and knelt before him. "Lord, help me!" she said. He replied, "It is not right to take the children's bread and toss it to the dogs." "Yes it is, Lord," she said. "Even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their master's table." Then Jesus said to her, "Woman, you have great faith! Your request is granted." And her daughter was healed at that moment. *Matthew 15:21-28*

**Mass Intentions This Weekend**

<b>Saturday</b>	RIP	Blicharz & Ponck Families
<b>August 15</b>	4.00 PM	By: Deacon John & Jane Blicharz
<b>Sunday</b>	RIP	Vincenzo Ruggiero
<b>August 16</b>	9.00 AM	By: his family

**Daily Masses**

Monday	RIP	Guy Sico
August 17	9.00 AM	By: Dan Green
Tuesday	RIP	Carole Zinter
August 18	9:00 AM	By: St Charles Choir
Wednesday	RIP	Michael Shaughnessy
August 19	9.00 AM	By: Barb Sileski
Thursday	RIP	Francis Coyne
August 20	9.00 AM	By: Parishioners of St. Charles
Friday	No Mass	
August 21		

**Next Weekend**

<b>Saturday</b>	RIP	Michael Nauceder
<b>August 22</b>	4.00 PM	By: his family & friends
<b>Sunday</b>	RIP	Carol James
<b>August 23</b>	9.00 AM	By: Julie Torres

**2019-2020 Financial Reports**

Copies of the 2019-2020 Financial reports are now available. If you would like a copy, please pick one up in the sacristy or vestibule. Thank you.

**Readings for the Week of August 17, 2020**

- Sunday:** Is 56:1, 6-7/Ps 67:2-3, 5-6, 8/Rom 11:13-15, 29-32/Mt 15:21-28
- Monday:** Ez 24:15-24/(Ps)Dt 32:18-21/Mt 19:16-22
- Tuesday:** Ez 28:1-10/(Ps)Dt 32:26-28, 30, 35c-36b/Mt 19:23-30
- Wednesday:** Ez 34:1-11/Ps 23:1-6/Mt 20:1-16
- Thursday:** Ez 36:23-28/Ps 51:12-15, 18-19/Mt 22:1-14
- Friday:** Ez 37:1-14/Ps 107:2-9/Mt 22:34-40
- Saturday:** Ez 43:1-7ab/Ps 85:9ab, 10-14/Mt 23:1-12
- Sunday:** Is 22:19-23/Ps 138:1-3, 6, 8/Rom 11:33-36/Mt 16:13-20

**Parish Support**

**Weekend of August 8, 2020 & August 9, 2020**

Weekly Offertory:	\$ 1321.00
<i>Envelopes</i>	\$ 757.00
<i>Loose Donations</i>	\$ 564.00
Votive Candles	\$ 36.50
	\$ 1357.50

**Last Year's Offertory Collection**  
**August 11, 2019 \$ 1456.37**

The obligation to attend Sunday Mass remains lifted until further notice, especially if you are part of a vulnerable population and/or have an underlying health condition. Please approach the celebration of Mass with charity and love for our clergy and faith community by following the protocols:

- Stay home if you are sick or not feeling well.
- **Wear a mask in Mass.**
- **Sanitize your hands upon entry. Due to shortages of sanitizer, please bring your own if possible.**
- Sit in designated pews and respect social distance between others of 6 feet or more unless you are one family unit.
- Refrain from congregating in tight areas or entering cordoned off areas.
- Follow the protocols to receive Holy Communion as directed at Mass.
- Follow your church protocols regarding registration if necessary due to the 25% capacity limit.

For more details about church protocols visit: [vermontcatholic.org/covid-19](http://vermontcatholic.org/covid-19). **Bishop Coyne**

**St. Charles is open for daily and weekend mass.**

**Mass schedule is as follows during this time:**

**Monday – Thursday 9.00 AM**

**Saturdays 4.00 PM**

**Sundays 9.00 AM**

**Confessions by only appointments.**

**Adopt a Garden**

Please help us by adopting one of our gardens!

1. Front of Chapel
2. Left side of Church
3. Right Side of Church



If you are interested please call the Rectory at 463-3128. Thank you! **We will be offering a prize for the best kept garden!**

**Thank you to those who have already adopted a garden!**

*Pray for Healing and Comfort* Especially for: Barbara Stickney, Mary H. Smith, Constance Burns, Deacon John Blicharz, Doreen Aldrich, Mary Frances Branch, Warren Peschl, Daniel Bryant, Monica Luedtke, Lois Woodard, Joseph Marion, Jr., Paul Desruisseaux, Betsy Bashaw, Betsy & Bob Anderson, Frances Gallagher, Mary Damon, Grace Shelc, Tom Shelc, Ed Hindes, Maria Coyne, Mary Grippo, Madison Bills, Robert Brown, Mary Folsom, Peggy Lafave, Lorraine Reynolds, Bob Hanold, Marilyn Lemoine, Patrick Barry, Robert Fogg, Bernie Hindes, Nick Deistler, Ted Waryas, Peter Bodner, Ellah Williams, Fred Waryas, Maybelle Long, Joseph Mitchell, Heather Rodger, Patricia Jones, Frances Hackett, Colleen Paquet, David Robarge, Kathy Mcarthy, Tom Burns, Mary Lou Fogg, Jim Nyberg, Cheryl Elyse Garrett, Ed Atkins, Conner Glover. **Please contact the rectory (463-3128) if you wish Father Maria Lazar to make a sick call or bring Holy Communion to someone who is unable to attend Mass.**



### **Christ our Hope Campaign**

Preparation for the *Christ Our*

*Hope: Building a Vibrant Church* campaign is in the final stages. As you know, St Charles Parish will enjoy campaign benefits too by receiving **60%** of the funds we raise. Parish leadership will use those funds to do various improvements to the Church and Rectory. The other **40%** of campaign funding will strengthen our faith formation programs (evangelization, education and youth ministry), as well as outreach through emergency assistance delivered by Vermont Catholic Charities. To watch the campaign video and learn more about the goals visit: [www.christourhopevt.org](http://www.christourhopevt.org). We understand this is a difficult time for many who may not be able to financially contribute above their annual Bishop's Appeal gift. We ask that you first consider an annual appeal gift and, if you are not able contribute to the campaign at this time, please pray for its success and support our volunteers and leadership. With Christ at the center of this campaign, we know whatever we raise will be used for His glory.

### **Pope Francis' Prayer for a special Mass and act of prayer asking Mary to protect Italy and the world during of the coronavirus pandemic.**

O Mary, you always shine on our path as a sign of salvation and of hope.

We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who at the cross took part in Jesus' pain, keeping your faith firm.

You, Salvation of the Roman People, know what we need, and we are sure you will provide so that, as in Cana of Galilee, we may return to joy and to feasting after this time of trial.

Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform to the will of the Father and to do as we are told by Jesus, who has taken upon himself our sufferings and carried our sorrows to lead us, through the cross, to the joy of the resurrection. Amen.

Under your protection, we seek refuge, Holy Mother of God. Do not disdain the entreaties of we who are in trial, but deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin.

*Pope Francis ~ Vatican City, March 11, 2020*

### **20<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Today we move ahead in our reading of Matthew's Gospel. If we were reading Matthew's entire Gospel, we would have read about Jesus' debate with the Pharisees about Jewish purity laws. Jesus argues that it is not what goes into us that makes us unclean; he is referring to the strict Jewish dietary rules. Instead our words and our actions—what comes out of us—make us unclean because they emerge from a heart that is unclean. Knowing about Jesus' debate with the Pharisees helps us to understand today's Gospel. In fact the story heightens the surprise and shock we feel as we hear Jesus' exchange with the Canaanite woman. The woman, who is not Jewish, approaches Jesus, requesting that he heal her demon-possessed daughter. At first Jesus ignores her; he says nothing. The disciples ask Jesus to send her away, and Jesus agrees, remarking that he was sent to minister to the Jews alone. The woman persists, paying homage to Jesus, and yet Jesus denies her request again. He even insults her, using a Jewish word of derision for Gentiles, "dog." But the woman cleverly turns Jesus' insult into an affirmation of faith. Only then does Jesus grant her request and heal her daughter. Jesus' unresponsiveness to this woman may strike us as uncharacteristic or shocking. Yet in Matthew's Gospel, Jesus' ministry is directed primarily to the people of Israel. At only a very few points, such as the one found in today's Gospel, do we find Jesus anticipating the later Christian ministry to the rest of the world. The faith that the Canaanite woman expresses is an affirmation of and confidence in God's abundant mercy. Yes, salvation comes through Israel, but it overflows for the benefit of all. (Copyright © 2020 Loyola Press. All Rights Reserved. Used with permission. [www.loyolapress.com](http://www.loyolapress.com))

### **Bishop's Annual Appeal**

Our Goal for this year's appeal is **\$21,263.00** as of 8/11/20 we are at \$5400.00 which is 25% of our goal. If you would like to make a pledge please go to

<https://www.vermontcatholic.org/donate/bishops-annual-appeal/give-online/annual-appeal-pledge-2/>  
**please select St. Charles Parish.**



**KNIGHTS  
OF COLUMBUS**

### **Knight of Columbus #753**

We would like to help ensure our community gets through our global pandemic with what they need. If you are in need of assistance, please let us know.

St Charles Website now has a Donate tab! For one time gift giving or recurring gift to the Church. Please go to [stcharles.vermontcatholic.org](http://stcharles.vermontcatholic.org)

