



And this was his message: “After me comes the one more powerful than I, the straps of whose sandals I am not worthy to stoop down and untie. I baptize you with water, but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.” At that time Jesus came from Nazareth in Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. Just as Jesus was coming up out of the water, he saw heaven being torn open and the Spirit descending on him like a dove. And a voice came from heaven: “You are my Son, whom I love; with you I am well pleased.” *Mark 1:7-11*

**Mass Intentions**

**This Weekend**

**Saturday January 9** RIP Stanley Syzdek  
4.00 PM By: Paul Sackevich

**Sunday January 10** RIP Michael Shaughnessy  
10.00 AM By Sean Doyle, James & Ryan Jones

**Daily Masses**

Monday January 11 RIP Linda Zayas  
9:00 AM By: JoAnn

Tuesday January 12 RIP Elaine Barnes  
9:00 AM By: Mary Folsom

Wednesday January 13 RIP Ann Desruisseaux  
9:00 AM By: Helliwell Family

Thursday January 14 RIP John E. Lynch Jr.  
9:00 AM By: Brenda Lynch

Friday January 15 No Mass

**Next Weekend**

**Saturday January 16** RIP Mike Nauceder (bday)  
4.00 PM By: Julie & Friends

**Sunday January 17** RIP Judy Ruggiero  
10.00 AM By: Friends of St. Charles

**Readings for the Week of January 11, 2021.**

**Sunday:** Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 9-10/Acts 10:34-38/  
Mk 1:7-11

**Monday:** Heb 1:1-6/Ps 97:1, 2b, 6, 7c, 9/Mk 1:14-20

**Tuesday:** Heb 2:5-12/Ps 8:2ab, 59/Mk 1:21-28

**Wednesday:** Heb 2:14-18/Ps 105:1-4, 6-9/Mk 1:29-39

**Thursday:** Heb 3:7-14/Ps 95:6-7c, 8-11/Mk 1:40-45

**Friday:** Heb 4:1-5, 11/Ps 78:3, 4bc, 6c-8/Mk 2:1-12

**Saturday:** Heb 4:12-16/Ps 19:8-10, 15/Mk 2:13-17

**Sunday:** 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19/Ps 40:2, 4, 7-10/1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20/Jn 1:35-42

***Parish Support***

**Weekend of January 2, 2021 & January 3, 2021**

Weekly Offertory:	\$ 1097.00
<i>Envelopes</i>	<i>\$ 894.00</i>
<i>Loose Donations</i>	<i>\$ 203.00</i>
Solemnity of Mary	\$ 347.00
Votive Candles	\$ 34.50
	\$ 1478.50

**Last Year's Offertory Collection  
January 5, 2020 \$ 2105.00**

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, must cover your nose and mouth.**
- **Sanitize your hands upon entry.**
- 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.

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 10:00 AM**

**Confessions are at 3:00 on Saturday**



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

**Knights of Columbus #753**

With the colder weather upon us, the Knights of Columbus have become aware of children in need of coats, gloves, and hats. If you are interested in making a donation to help this worthy cause, donations are being accepted. Please help us "Leave No Neighbor Behind" by sending a donation to: The Knights of Columbus, P.O. Box 335, Bellows Falls, Vermont 05101. Thank you

Please pray for the soul of Judy Ruggiero who has passed. Funeral services will be private. May she rest in the peace of Christ's love

*Pray for Healing and Comfort* Especially for: Dan Green, Deb Etheridge, Frances Vaine, Richard Whitcomb, Barbara Stickney, Mary H. Smith, Constance Burns, Deacon John Blicharz, Doreen Aldrich, Nick Hudson, Mary Frances Branch, Warren Peschl, Theresa Nauceder, Monica Luedtke, Lois Woodard, Joseph Marion, Jr., Paul Desruisseaux, Betsy Bashaw, Betsy & Bob Anderson, Frances Gallagher, Mary Damon, Grace Shelc, Tom Shelc, Ed Hinds, Maria Coyne, Madison Bills, Robert Brown, Mary Folsom, Peggy Lafave, Lorraine Reynolds, Bob Hanold, Marilyn Lemoine, Patrick Barry, Robert Fogg, Bernie Hinds, 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.**

**The Baptism of the Lord**

Today we celebrate the feast of the Baptism of the Lord. In today's Gospel we hear John the Baptist contrast his baptism of repentance with the baptism that Jesus will inaugurate. John the Baptist says that he has baptized with water, but that the one who is to come will baptize with the Holy Spirit. John's baptism was not yet a Christian baptism; it was a preparation for the Christian Baptism we celebrate today, and through which sins are forgiven and the gift of the Holy Spirit is received. In accepting John's baptism, Jesus, though sinless, united himself with all sinners. Jesus' baptism was an event of great significance for Jesus and for the early Christian community. The descent of the Holy Spirit on Jesus at his baptism shows that something new is beginning through the baptism and ministry of Jesus. The baptism of Jesus is considered an important manifestation of God in the person of Jesus, another epiphany. Jesus' baptism inaugurates his mission. The end of the ministry of John the Baptist is the beginning of Jesus' ministry. In an analogous way, our Baptism inaugurates our mission as Christians. Surprisingly, on this the last day of the Christmas season the Gospel does not tell a story from Jesus' childhood, instead the Gospel reveals Jesus' relationship to God: the Son of Mary and Joseph is also God's own Son. We believe that through Baptism we are also made children of God. (Copyright © 2021 Loyola Press. All Rights Reserved. Used with permission. [www.loyolapress.com](http://www.loyolapress.com))



**Christ our Hope Campaign**

Have you been thinking about a gift or pledge to the *Christ Our Hope* campaign? There is still time to join thousands across the Diocese who already have made donations. The *Christ Our Hope* campaign is focused on building vibrant parishes, and we pray that our projects will strengthen us for the future. You can return your completed pledge form or go online to [christourhopevt.org/donate](http://christourhopevt.org/donate) to make a gift. As of 12/18/20 we are at \$5664.00 which is 5% of our goal.

**Bishop's Annual Appeal**

Our Goal for this year's appeal is \$21,263.00 as of 12/11/20 we are at **\$8875.00** which is **42%** 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**

**Family & Faith in the Home January 13, 20, 27<sup>th</sup> Online webinars**

Parents are invited to attend an interactive webinar sponsored by the Diocese of Manchester with guest speakers Mike and Alicia Hernon of the Messy Family Project. Mike and Alicia have 10 children and have much to share with parenting while living the Catholic faith. The webinars are as follows: January 13, 8-9:30 p.m.- Communication in Marriage January 20, 8-9:30 p.m.- Messy Parenting 101 January 27, 8-9:30 p.m.- Evangelizing Your Children. To register please go to <https://www.vermontcatholic.org/event/family-faith-in-the-home/>

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**FREE!**  
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January 27, 8-9:30 p.m. - Evangelizing Your Children

Register for these virtual sessions:  
[www.messyfamilyeventsthe.com](http://www.messyfamilyeventsthe.com)  
Learn more about The Messy Family Project  
[www.messyfamilyproject.org/about](http://www.messyfamilyproject.org/about)

DIOCESE OF BURLINGTON'S  
*Mass for Life 2021*

with Bishop Christopher J. Coyne  
Live-Streamed from St. Augustine, Montpelier, Vermont  
Saturday, January 23, 2021  
9:30 AM EST  
[vermontcatholic.org/event/mass-for-life-2021](http://vermontcatholic.org/event/mass-for-life-2021)

The Mass for Life with Bishop Coyne will take place January 23 at 9:30 am at St. Augustine Church in Montpelier Join us in-person or online via a livestream. Following the Mass is the Rally for Life. See <https://www.vrlc.net/> for updates and information.

**Notice:** St Charles cares about our Parishioners safety, we continue our stringent cleaning after every Mass. We would like to re-assure our parishioners that we are taking every measure possible in continuing to keep our Church clean and disinfected. Please remember that masks, hand washing/sanitizing, and social distancing is our best defense.

*'For I know the plans I have for you,' declares the LORD, 'plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.' - Jeremiah 29:11*

