



When it was almost time for the Jewish Passover, Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple courts he found people selling cattle, sheep and doves, and others sitting at tables exchanging money. So he made a whip out of cords, and drove all from the temple courts, both sheep and cattle; he scattered the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. To those who sold doves he said, "Get these out of here! Stop turning my Father's

house into a market!" His disciples remembered that it is written: "Zeal for your house will consume me." The Jews then responded to him, "What sign can you show us to prove your authority to do all this?" Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and I will raise it again in three days." They replied, "It has taken forty-six years to build this temple, and you are going to raise it in three days?" But the temple he had spoken of was his body. After he was raised from the dead, his disciples recalled what he had said. Then they believed the scripture and the words that Jesus had spoken. Now while he was in Jerusalem at the Passover Festival, many people saw the signs he was performing and believed in his name. But Jesus would not entrust himself to them, for he knew all people. He did not need any testimony about mankind, for he knew what was in each person.

John 2:13-25

Mass Intentions

This Weekend

Saturday	RIP	Marylou Palmariello
March 6	4.00 PM	By: Karen Brodeur
Sunday	RIP	Dennis Nauceder
March 7	10.00 AM	By: Theresa Nauceder

Daily Masses

Monday	RIP	Judy Condon
March 8	9:00 AM	By: friends of St. Charles
Tuesday	RIP	Norm Harty
March 9	9:00 AM	By: friends of St. Charles
Wednesday	RIP	Wally Sileski
March 10	9:00 AM	By: friends of St. Charles
Thursday	RIP	Pitou Archambault
March 11	9:00 AM	By: friends of St. Charles
Friday		
March 12	5:00 PM	Stations of the Cross

Next Weekend

Saturday	RIP	Thomas F. O'Connor
March 13	4.00 PM	By: Bill & Marlene O'Connor
Sunday	RIP	Michael Shaughnessy
March 14	10.00 AM	By: Sean Doyle, James & Ryan Jones

.Readings for the Week of March 8, 2021.

- Sunday:** Ex 20:1-17 or 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17/Ps 19:8-11/1 Cor 1:22-25/Jn 2:13-25
- Monday:** 2 Kgs 5:1-15b/Pss 42:2-3; 43:3-4/Lk 4:24-30
- Tuesday:** Dn 3:25, 34-43/Ps 25:4-5b, 6, 7bc, 8-9/Mt 18:21-35
- Wednesday:** Dt 4:1, 5-9/Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20/Mt 5:17-19
- Thursday:** Jer 7:23-28/Ps 95:1-2, 6-9/Lk 11:14-23
- Friday:** Hos 14:2-10/Ps 81:6c-11b, 14, 17/Mk 12:28-34
- Saturday:** Hos 6:1-6/Ps 51:3-4, 18-21b/Lk 18:9-14
- Sunday:** 2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23/Ps 137:1-6/Eph 2:4-10/Jn 3:14-21

Parish Support

Weekend of February 27, 2021 & February 28, 2021

Weekly Offertory:	\$ 1072.00
<i>Envelopes</i>	\$ 654.00
<i>Loose Donations</i>	\$ 418.00
<i>Online Donation</i>	\$ 100.00
<i>Votive Candles</i>	\$ 33.00
	\$ 1205.00

Last Year's Offertory Collection
March 1, 2020 \$ 1409.00

GUIDELINES FOR LENT

- The time of Lent is to be observed by Catholics as a special season of prayer, penance and works of charity.
- Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, in particular, are the most important penitential days of the liturgical year. They are days of both fast and abstinence. All Fridays in Lent are days of abstinence.
- The rule of fasting states that only one full meal a day can be taken. Two small meals, "sufficient to maintain strength", are allowed, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals breaks the fast, but drinking liquids does not. The rule of fasting obliges all Catholics from 18 to 59.
- Abstinence refers to the eating of meat. The common estimation of the community is used to determine what falls under the category of meat. The rule of abstinence binds all Catholics 14 years or older.
- The substantial observance of the laws of fast and abstinence is a serious obligation.
- Self-imposed fasting on the other weekdays of Lent is recommended. Abstinence on all Fridays of the year is also highly recommended.
- Parents and teachers should see to it that, even those who are not bound by the laws of fast and abstinence because of age, are brought up in an atmosphere that is conducive to a sense of penance.

Please be aware that due to the Covid-19 pandemic there may be changes to the manner in which Holy Week and the Triduum are celebrated.

Chrism Mass

The Chrism Mass will be celebrated on Tuesday, March 30, 2021, in St. Joseph Co-Cathedral, Burlington. The Mass will begin at 11:00 A.M.



Pray for Healing and Comfort Especially for: Dan Green, Deb Etheridge, Ron Etheridge, Margaret Nowers, Frances Vaine, Richard Whitcomb, Barbara Stickney, Mary H. Smith, Constance Burns, Deacon John Blicharz, Doreen Aldrich, 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 Hindes, Maria Coyne, 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

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 to make a gift. As of 1/8/21 we are at \$8389.00 which is 8% of our goal.

Bishop’s Annual Appeal

Our Goal for this year’s appeal is \$21,263.00 as of 1/8/21 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**



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 properly wearing masks, hand washing/sanitizing, and social distancing are our best defense against the virus.

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. **Bishop Coyne**

St. Charles is open for daily and weekend mass.

Monday – Thursday 9:00 AM

Saturdays 4:00 PM / Sundays 10:00 AM

Third Sunday of Lent

In today’s Gospel we read about how Jesus overturned the tables of the merchants and the moneychangers in the Temple at Jerusalem. In order to understand the relevance of Jesus’ action, we must learn more about the activities that were going on in the temple area. Worship at the Temple in Jerusalem included animal sacrifice, and merchants sold animals to worshipers. Moneychangers exchanged Roman coins, which bore the image of the Roman emperor, for the temple coins that were needed to pay the temple tax. In John’s Gospel this event occurs at the very beginning of Jesus’ ministry, after his first miracle at the wedding feast at Cana. We must read the Gospel of John carefully, especially in its presentation of Jesus’ relationship to Judaism. The Gospel of John tends to reflect greater tension and animosity between Jesus and the Jewish authorities than the Synoptic Gospels. The Gospel of John was the last of the four Gospels to be written, and its narrative reflects the growing divide between the Jewish community and the early Christian community. Thus, greater emphasis on the distinction between Christianity and Judaism is found in John’s Gospel. Reflecting upon the destruction of the Temple of Jerusalem (A.D. 70), John recalls Jesus’ cleansing of the Temple and uses that story to interpret this later event. John explains to his audience, an early Christian community, that temple worship would no longer be necessary because it was surpassed in the passion, death, and Resurrection of Jesus. After clearing the Temple of the merchants and the moneychangers, John’s Gospel tells us that the people asked for a sign of Jesus’ authority to do such an audacious act. In response, Jesus predicted his death and Resurrection. During Lent we reflect upon the meaning of this sign for us and for our world. We might take this opportunity to consider the quality of our prayer and worship. In our prayers we seek to deepen our relationship with the person of Christ. In our worship with the community, we gather to experience anew the passion, death, and Resurrection of Jesus and its significance in our lives. Christ promises to be present with us when we gather for prayer. (Copyright 2021 Loyola Press. All Rights Reserved. Used with permission. www.loyolapress.com)



Encountering Jesus Bible Study Every Tuesday starting on February 23rd.

Each week will focus on a different encounter with Jesus

as described in the Gospels which in the words of Pope Francis, “changes our lives...and fills us with joy.”

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82819809537>

Hosted by Deacon Phil Lawson