



The Pharisees and some of the teachers of the law who had come from Jerusalem gathered around Jesus and saw some of his disciples eating food with hands that were defiled, that is, unwashed. So the Pharisees and teachers of the law asked Jesus, “Why don’t your disciples

live according to the tradition of the elders instead of eating their food with defiled hands?” He replied, “Isaiah was right when he prophesied about you hypocrites; as it is written: “‘These people honor me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me. They worship me in vain; their teachings are merely human rules.’ You have let go of the commands of God and are holding on to human traditions.” Again Jesus called the crowd to him and said, “Listen to me, everyone, and understand this. Nothing outside a person can defile them by going into them. Rather, it is what comes out of a person that defiles them.” For it is from within, out of a person’s heart, that evil thoughts come—sexual immorality, theft, murder, adultery, greed, malice, deceit, lewdness, envy, slander, arrogance and folly. All these evils come from inside and defile a person.” *Mark 7:1-2, 5-8, 14-15, 21-23*

Mass Intentions

This Weekend

Saturday August 28	RIP 4:00 PM	Mike Nauceder By: Julie & Family
Sunday August 29	RIP 9:00 AM	Kevin Brodeur (bday rem) By: Karen Brodeur

Daily Masses

No Masses Monday /Tuesday

Wednesday September 1	RIP 9:00 AM	John James By: Kevin & Judi Cray
Thursday September 2	RIP 9:00 AM	Mary Grippo By: a friend
Friday September 3	RIP 9:00 AM	Cathy Coyne & Travis Parker By: Betsy & Charlie Bashaw

Next Weekend

Saturday September 4	RIP 4:00 PM	Blicharz & Ponek Families By: Deacon John & Jane Blicharz
Sunday September 5	RIP 9:00 AM	Michael Shaughnessy By: Sean Doyle, James & Ryan Jones

Readings for the Week of August 30, 2021.

Sunday: Dt 4:1-2, 6-8/Ps 15:2-5/Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27/
Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23
Monday: 1 Thes 4:13-18/Ps 96:1, 3-5, 11-13/Lk 4:16-30
Tuesday: 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Lk 4:31-37
Wednesday: Col 1:1-8/Ps 52:10-11/Lk 4:38-44
Thursday: Col 1:9-14/Ps 98:2-6/Lk 5:1-11
Friday: Col 1:15-20/Ps 100:1b-5/Lk 5:33-39
Saturday: Col 1:21-23/Ps 54:3-4, 6, 8/Lk 6:1-5
Sunday: Is 35:4-7a/Ps 146:7-10/Jas 2:1-5/Mk 7:31-37

Parish Support

Weekend of August 21, 2021 & August 22, 2021

Weekly Offertory:	\$ 1166.00
<i>Envelopes</i>	\$ 823.00
<i>Loose Donations</i>	\$ 343.00
Cemetery Care	\$ 537.00
Votive Candles	\$ 22.50
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Last Year's Offertory Collection
August 23, 2020 \$ 1682.00



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St. Joseph the Provider, Feed the Hungry

On Dec. 8, 2020 Pope Francis declared a “Year of St. Joseph” to commemorate the 150th anniversary of St. Joseph being named patron of the Universal Church. The year began that day and will end this year on Dec. 8, 2021. Love and devotion to St. Joseph are particularly close to us here in the Diocese of Burlington as our cathedral is named for him and places us under his protection. There is much to consider and ponder concerning St. Joseph and his importance to the Church. Much will be offered for our devotion to him during this patronal year St. Joseph, patron of the Church, pray for us.” – Bishop Christopher Coyne For more information please go to: <https://www.vermontcatholic.org/about/year-of-st-joseph/feed-the-hungry/>

St Nicholas Project to benefit Kurn Hattin Homes for Children

The St. Nicholas Project is conducting its fall fundraiser, "Shoes for St. Nicholas." They are inviting Catholics throughout the diocese to make a donation to the Kurn Hattin Homes for Children to help the staff purchase new shoes and winter boots for the boys and girls. Kurn Hattin is a non-profit residential care facility for boys and girls ages 5-15 located in Westminster, VT. Fr. Lance W. Harlow founded The St. Nicholas Project as an association of Catholics who help support the children's home with material and financial donations. You can make an on-line donation by visiting: www.thestnicholasproject.com and go to the Donate icon. Or, mail a check directly to: Kurn Hattin Homes for Children P.O. Box 127 Westminster, VT 05158. If you have any questions, please contact Fr. Harlow at: lwharlow@sover.net. Thank you for remembering the boys and girls at the children's home and for being their special guardian angels. God bless you!

Pray for Healing and Comfort Especially for: Dan Green, Deb Etheridge, Ron Etheridge, Lori Miller, Frances Vaine, Barbara Stickney, Mary H. Smith, Constance Burns, Deacon John Blicharz, Doreen Aldrich, Warren Peschl, Theresa Naudeder, Verda Raymond, 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, Lorraine Reynolds, Bob Hanold, Marilyn Lemoine, Patrick Barry, Robert Fogg, Bernie Hindes, 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 Elysse Garrett, Ed Atkins. **Please contact the rectory (463-3128) if you wish Father Agnel Samy to make a sick call or bring Holy Communion to someone who is unable to attend Mass.**

Bishop's Annual Appeal

Please consider a gift to the Bishop's Appeal. To learn more visit: bishopsappealvt.org. **Please choose St. Charles Parish.** As of August 10th St. Charles is at 25% of our goal which is \$20,199.85

The Social Center is Moving



Calling ALL Volunteers!!! We still need some strong people to help us move the remaining items from the social center to the old school building. We are about 65% done with the

move. If you have a truck, or a van that can haul these items we will be moving everything that is left throughout the month of August. **PLEASE, ANY And ALL** Help is greatly appreciated!

Our Lady of Fatima Devotions

September 4 at 8:00 am - 9:00 am
Holy Family Church
30 Lincoln Street
Essex Junction, VT 05452
Beginning with Rosary at 8 am and
Confessions and followed by Mass at 8:30
am



Come celebrate the life and teachings Saint John Newman. October 10, 2021 Essex Junction VT

You are cordially invited to celebrate the life and teachings of Saint John Henry Cardinal Newman on Sunday, October 10th, at Holy Family Church Hall in Essex Junction, from 4 - 8:00 pm. The evening will include Solemn Vespers, dinner and dessert, and two presentations on the life and thought of Cardinal Newman, featuring a guest speaker from St. Thomas Aquinas College, as well as Fr. Kevin Chalifoux. \$10 per person/\$15 for two/\$5 for each additional guest. For more information or to RSVP by October 3rd: VermontNewman@gmail.com

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

In today's Gospel, Mark provides a significant amount of information about the Jewish observance of ritual-purity laws. Most scholars believe that Mark includes this information because his audience includes Gentile Christians who have no knowledge or experience of these laws. In this Gospel, Mark addresses the question of which Jewish practices would also be observed in the newly emerging Christian community. This was a significant question for the early Christian Church, especially in communities that included both Jewish and Gentile converts to Christianity. We also hear this question addressed in the letters of Paul with regard to table fellowship. Jesus first criticizes the Pharisees for putting human tradition above God's Law. Here, Jesus is referring to the tradition of the elders, the teachings of the Pharisees, which extended the ritual-purity laws of Temple worship to everyday Jewish life. Jesus criticizes the Pharisees for making this tradition equal to and as binding as the Law of Moses. Next, Jesus comments on the meaning behind the Pharisees' language of holiness—clean and unclean. Jesus teaches that a person is not defiled by the food that enters his or her body, but rather by sin that emerges from his or her words and actions. In this teaching, Jesus unmasks a deeper question behind the one posed to him by the Pharisees. The real issue is holiness, which is not found in external acts alone. Holiness comes from within and is evidenced in the actions and attitudes that emerge from a person's life. Jesus' first teaching is directed to the Pharisees who questioned him. Jesus' words are then directed to the crowd, teaching that a person is defiled by his or her words and actions, not by the food that he or she eats. As we see in this reading, the words to the Pharisees are often words of challenge. The teaching to the crowds is often a general, sometimes cryptic, message. With the disciples, who often misunderstand Jesus' words, further explanation is offered about his message and its meaning. Jesus' words challenge us as well. In our desire to show that we are holy, we might also give too much credence to externals, following rules without thinking about the intention behind them. Jesus reminds us that we do not make ourselves holy by our actions. Rather, we become holy when we allow God's Spirit to transform us. Our actions should be an expression of the conversion of our heart to God and to God's ways. (Copyright 2021 Loyola Press. All Rights Reserved. Used with permission. www.loyolapress.com)



Heal me, Lord, and I will be healed; save me and I will be saved, for you are the one I praise. *Jeremiah 17:14*