

# Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

# August 25, 2019

## LITURGY SCHEDULE

### Saturday, August 24<sup>th</sup> St. Bartholomew

8:30 am - St. John's – No Intention  
 9-9:30am Confessions at St. John's  
 3:00pm Confessions at St. John's  
 3:30pm Confessions at St. Elizabeth  
 4:00pm - St. John – Deceased members of the G.S. Handy family by Marion & Isabelle  
 4:30pm - St. Elizabeth – Irena Boudreau by M/M Ernie Begin

### Sunday, August 25<sup>th</sup> Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 am - Confessions at St. John's  
 8:00 am - Confessions at Queen of Peace  
 8:00 am - St. John – Natalie Elliot by M/M William Young  
 8:30 am - Queen of Peace – Albert V. Scaturro by the family  
 10:30 am - St. Elizabeth – Jacqui Clark by the family  
 11:00 am - St. John – Ned W. Handy by Marianne Handy Hraibi, Saher, Ramzi & Nadim

### Monday, August 26<sup>th</sup>

8:30am - St. Elizabeth – James & Gloria Carlton by the family  
 5:15pm - St. John – 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Joseph Fortin by his parents and family

### Tuesday, August 27<sup>th</sup> St. Monica

8:30am - St. John – Mass for the parishioners  
 5:15pm - St. John – Sarah K. Handy by Marianne Handy Hraibi, Saher, Ramzi & Namim

### Wednesday, August 28<sup>th</sup> St. Augustine

8:30am - St. John – Virginia Fortin by Claire Voyer  
 5:15pm - St. John – Raoul Houde by Sue

### Thursday, August 29<sup>th</sup> The Passion of St. John the Baptist

8:30 am - St. John – Mary Letourneau by the family  
 5:15 pm - St. John – Melanie Jaffee by Amy Marcinko

### Friday, August 30<sup>th</sup>

8:30am - St. Elizabeth – Janice Maynard by the family  
 4:30pm - St. John – Sacrament of Reconciliation  
 5:15 pm - St. John – Evelyn Bilodeau by her children

### Saturday, August 31<sup>st</sup>

8:30 am - St. John's – No Intention  
 9-9:30am Confessions at St. John's  
 3:00pm Confessions at St. John's  
 3:30pm Confessions at St. Elizabeth  
 4:00pm - St. John –Roland & Marie Laperle by Van-George & Jayne Belanger  
 4:30pm - St. Elizabeth – Mass for the parishioners

### Sunday, September 1<sup>st</sup> Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 am - Confessions at St. John's  
 8:00 am - Confessions at Queen of Peace  
 8:00 am - St. John – Daniel Cronin by the Cronin family  
 8:30 am - Queen of Peace – Mary Jo Dunleavy by the Bouchard & Rubalcaba families  
 10:30 am - St. Elizabeth – Lorraine Beach by the family  
 11:00 am - St. John – Pat Douglas by M/M Bill Young

*Please keep our parishioners who are ill & in need of your prayers, especially: Charlotte Farrow, George Thurston, Charlie Weis, Randy Thomas, Hugette Authier, Jerry Prevost & Camilla Dente*

We are compiling a list of all homebound parishioners, with the goal that each would be visited by a priest at least once a month. If you know of anyone who would like to be added to this list, please call Fr. Robert at the rectory or email him at [fr.robert.little@gmail.com](mailto:fr.robert.little@gmail.com).

**The Rectory Office will be closed all day each Friday, as a day dedicated to bookkeeping and other secretarial projects.**

*We will be cleaning out and organizing the basement lumber room, where the decorations are stored. If anyone would like to help sort through things, or if anyone is concerned about what might be tossed, please contact Sue at the Rectory Office. Thank you for your help.*

*If you would like to have a memorial Mass said for someone please call the rectory. There are currently several openings available.*

## PARISH EVENTS

Sat. Aug. 31<sup>st</sup>- 6:00pm K of C Bingo

## FINANCIAL REPORT

Fiscal Year: 7/1/19-6/30/20 Budget: \$282,000 (\$6,000 needed per week)  
 Reg. Collection Year-to-date: \$32,418.98 On-Line: YTD: \$6,244.00

## Collections and Receipts: August 18, 2019

Regular Offertory: \$6,836.00  
 Insurance: \$2,104.00  
 Holy Day Offertory: \$1077.31

## Second Collections

September 1<sup>st</sup>: Stewardship September 8<sup>th</sup>: VT Catholic Magazine

**Please consider using the Online Giving tool for your weekly offertory donations. Visit our website at: [nekatholic.com](http://nekatholic.com) and click "Give Online" to sign up! Leave your checkbook at home, and save the parish the expense of envelopes!**

## \*\*\*BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL\*\*\*

Goal	Pledged to Date	% of Goal	# of Gifts
\$72,573.00	\$44,260.00	60.99%	226

**Please consider giving if you have not done so. Thank you!**

The **FORMED** program is available to everyone in our parish. To start enjoying this free gift, please visit the FORMED website:

- Go to: [nekatholic.formed.org](http://nekatholic.formed.org)
- Click on REGISTER to create a personal account

## Bulletin Sponsors

Each week we want to highlight a business that supports our bulletin. Please be sure to tell them that you saw their ad and patronize their business!

## PASSUMPSIC SAVINGS BANK

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## Light of the World Retreat 2: -

Experience the Retreat for yourself! September 27-29. Information and registration sheets are at the back of the Church.

## Confirmation Classes

As the age for the reception of the Sacrament of Confirmation continues to transition, students in grades 8 & 9, as well as any older students who have not yet received the Sacrament, are scheduled to be Confirmed this year. The program will run most weekends on Sunday evening. There is a parent/student meeting on September 8th at 6pm in the Fr. Lively Center. Please call the rectory with any questions.

## St. John's Religious Education

Registration and Parent meeting will occur during the first class on September 15<sup>th</sup> (class time: 9:15 A.M. to 10:45 A.M.). You may pre-register by mailing the form to the Parish Office or place it in the collection basket in an envelope marked: "Att.: Eydie Aremburg". For more information contact Eydie at 748-5892 (home), or 748-9256 (Fr. Lively Center), or email: [stjohnsk8edu@gmail.com](mailto:stjohnsk8edu@gmail.com). Registrations will be mailed the week of August 19<sup>th</sup>. They'll also be on St. John church bulletin board starting 8/19

## Welcome NVU-Lyndon Students!

*We welcome new students and their parents who might be joining us on this move-in weekend. Know that you are always welcome in this, your new parish. Feel free to reach out if there is anything we can do for you!*

The **St. Elizabeth Women's Group** is having our first meeting of the year September 4. It will be a pot luck dinner at 6:30pm in the parish hall. All ladies of the church are very welcome to join us. We would love to see some new faces. Hope to see you there!

**SHOES FOR ST. NICHOLAS:** Fr. Lance Harlow, founder of the St. Nicholas Project, which connects Catholics in Vermont with the Kurn Hattin Homes for Children is collecting money to buy shoes for 85 boys and girls at the Kurn Hattin Homes for Children, ages 5-15. Would you please give a \$25 donation to Kurn Hattin and turn a child's embarrassment into a smile? The fundraiser will run from 8/24-9/8. Please make checks out to Corpus Christi with the "St. Nicholas Project" in the memo.

#### **Kingdom Community Food Shelf needs our help!**

The KCS Food Shelf is actively supporting our community with some additional food and personal items. We can use tuna, baked beans, pasta sauce, pasta, canned and individual fruit, snacks (toaster pastries, crackers, cookies). Fresh produce is most welcome. Currently, we can use bread as we are not getting much from our previous source. White, wheat, English muffins, hamburger/hotdog rolls. We have freezer space to handle any leftovers. For personal items we can use toilet paper, toothpaste, toothbrushes, and feminine products.

Thank you for your continued support. Ellie Dole, KCS Food Shelf Manager, 802-751-8581, open Tues and Thurs noon to 3:45pm.

#### **SUPPER WITH NEIGHBORS \*\*FREE\*\***

Thursday, August 29, 5-6 PM FAMILIES...NEIGHBORS... EVERYONE!!!  
United Community Church 1325 Main Street, St. J.

**Altar Servers:** Father Hahr will be conducting a new Altar Server training at St. John's Church on Saturday August 31<sup>st</sup>, for all altar servers currently serving at any of the three churches, as well as anyone who would like to serve the Mass at any of the three churches. It is a great honor to serve our Lord at His altar. A good server candidate is anyone who has received First Holy Communion and is committed to attending Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of obligation. Please consider helping out by serving God and His Church in this capacity!

Following the training we will gather for a pizza party in the Church Hall. If you will be attending the training please contact the Rectory Office so we can plan for the luncheon.

#### **MARY THEOTOKOS RETREAT CENTER**

*Retreat from the World and Listen to the voice of God*  
Near Willoughby Lake  
Now booking Fall & Winter Retreats  
Call 802-467-3009 for availability

#### **Future Pregnancy Care Support Group Meeting**

Monday, September 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm @ the Fr. Lively Center  
Please invite a friend.

#### **St. Anselm's Prayer for a Good Homily**

Give Your priest, O Lord, a mild and judicious eloquence which shall keep him from being puffed up and exalted above his brethren by reason of Thy gifts. Put into his mouth, I beseech Thee, words of consolation and edification and exhortation through Thy Holy Spirit, that he may be enabled to exhort the good to better things, and, by word and example, to recall to the straight way of Thy righteousness those who walk perversely. Let the words which Thou shalt give Thy servant, be like to sharp javelins and burning arrows that shall pierce and enkindle unto Thy fear and holy love the minds of all them that hear him. Amen.

*domine volumus Iesum videre* (Sir, we want to see Jesus Jn 12:21)

#### **Aug. 27<sup>th</sup>: Feast of St. Monica; Aug. 28<sup>th</sup>: Feast of St. Augustine**

**SAINT AGUSTINE** was brought up in the Christian faith by his mother, Monica, but in his early adult years chose to go his own way and lived a dissipated and wild life-style. From about age 30, he was influenced by St Ambrose but it took him years of struggle to come to a point of baptism. He was ordained priest a few years after his baptism, became bishop of Hippo in 395.

*God makes two Saints.*

"**And** You sent forth Your hand from on high, and from this deep mist delivered my soul, when my mother wept to You for me, Your faithful one, more than mothers weep for bodily death. For she saw my death to faith and the spirit, which she had from You, and You heard her, Lord. You heard her, and did not despise her tears, when they flowed forth and watered the earth beneath her eyes everywhere she prayed, and You heard her. For where else did that dream come from in which You consoled her, so that she would consent to live in the same house with me and to share the table with me—a thing she had begun to refuse, turning aside and detesting the blasphemies of my wandering? For she was (in the dream) herself standing on a certain wooden rule, and a splendid, joyful, smiling youth coming to her, when she was grieving, and worn with grief. And he, when he had asked the reason for her grief and daily tears—to teach her as is usual, not to learn—and when she had answered that she was weeping over my loss, he told her, so that she might be secure, and said she should look and see: where she was, I was also. When she looked, she saw me standing on the same rule beside her ... when she had told me the vision, and I tried to twist it so that she should rather not despair of being what I was, at once, without any hesitation, she said: "It was not said to me that where he is, you will be, but: Where you are, there he will be." ... almost nine years followed, in which I wallowed in that mud of the deep and darkness of falsehood, in which I often tried to rise, and was thrust down more heavily; while that chaste, pious, sober widow—the kind You love—now, to be sure, more eager because of hope, but not slower in weeping and groaning, did not cease, at all hours of her prayers, to wail to You for me. And there entered into Your sight her prayers ... These tears of hers, by which she asked of You not gold or silver, not anything changeable, no transitory good, but the salvation of the soul of her son—could You, by whose gift she was such, have scorned and repelled them without giving help? By no means, Lord. In fact, rather, You were present, and You did hear, and You did act. Far be it from You that You could have deceived her in those visions and responses of Yours, which I have already mentioned, and those I have not mentioned, which she held in a faithful heart, and ever praying, presented them to You as written promises of Yours. For You see fit, "since Your mercy is forever" to even become a debtor by Your promises to those to whom You forgive their debts. ...

"Late have I loved You, O Beauty ever ancient, ever new, late have I loved You! You were within me, but I was outside, and it was there that I searched for You. In my unloveliness I plunged into the lovely things which You created. You were with me, but I was not with You. ... You flashed, You shone, and You dispelled my blindness. You breathed your fragrance on me; I drew in breath and now I pant for You. I have tasted You, now I hunger and thirst for more. You touched me, and I burned for Your peace." ~ *Confessions of St. Augustine*