

## LITURGY SCHEDULE

### Saturday, September 7<sup>th</sup>

8:30 am - St. John's – Spiritual Welfare of all our children by M/M Scott Schoppe  
 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 – Conrad Doyon by Jane & Larry Gates  
 4:30pm - St. Elizabeth – Mark Hughes (10<sup>th</sup> Anni.) by Judy Hughes

### Sunday, September 8<sup>th</sup> Twenty-Third 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 – Bill Tromblay by Linda & Tom  
 8:30 am - Queen of Peace – Mass for the parishioners  
 10:30 am - St. Elizabeth – James & Edith Foran by the family  
 11:00 am - St. John – Ralph & Gratia Roy by Michael

### Monday, September 9<sup>th</sup> St. Peter Clever, Priest

8:30am - St. Elizabeth – Living & Deceased members of St. E. Women's Group  
 5:15pm - St. John – In reparation to the Sacred Heart of Jesus & the Immaculate Heart of Mary by Amy Marcinko

### Tuesday, September 10<sup>th</sup>

8:30am - St. John – James & Gloria Carlton by the family  
 2:15pm – St. J. House - Mass  
 5:15pm - St. John – Consuelo Lucido Gilliego by M/M Ed Zuccaro

### Wednesday, September 11<sup>th</sup>

8:30am - St. John – Barbara Bessette by M/M Ed Zuccaro  
 5:15pm - St. John – Rita Coyne by Amy Marcinko

### Thursday, September 12<sup>th</sup> The Most Holy Name of Mary

8:30 am - St. John – Monica Karl by Amy Marcinko  
 5:15 pm – St. John – Mass for the unborn

### Friday, September 13<sup>th</sup>

8:30am - St. Elizabeth – Joanne Koolis by the family  
 4:30pm - St. John – *Sacrament of Reconciliation*  
 5:15 pm - St. John – Ricky Tatro by Amy Marcinko

### Saturday, September 14<sup>th</sup> St. John Chrystom, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

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 – Germain & Claire Maurice by M/M Chris Maistros  
 4:30pm - St. Elizabeth – Merrill Stegen by Terri Binney

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 8:00 am - St. John – Virginia Fortin by M/M Bill Young  
 8:30 am - Queen of Peace – Mass for the parishioners  
 10:30 am - St. Elizabeth – Jacqui Clark by the family  
 11:00 am - St. John – Gary Lepine 34<sup>th</sup> Anni.) by Bruce & Denise Whitehead  
 12:00 pm - St. John's – *Holy Hour for Life*  
 6:00 pm - St. John's – *Mass for Confirmandi*

*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*

**Holy Hour This Sunday 9/8 at Noon – St. John's.**

### St. Elizabeth Coffee Hour

Next Sunday, September 15<sup>th</sup> after the 10:30am Mass  
 Join us for coffee, donuts and a cup of 'jo!

## PARISH EVENTS

Tues. Sept. 10<sup>th</sup> 6:00pm Social Action/St. E.  
 6:30pm Vocation Ministry Mtg/St. J. Ch. Hall  
 Sat. Sept. 15<sup>th</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: \$41,725.97 On-Line: YTD: \$7,583.00

### Collections and Receipts: September 5, 2019

Regular Offertory: \$4,595.80

## Second Collections

September 8<sup>th</sup>: VT Catholic Magazine September 15<sup>th</sup>: No Collection

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

Goal	Total Actual	% of Goal
\$72,573.00	\$52,164	72%

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2. Click on REGISTER to create a personal account

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**Annual Diocesan Pastoral Ministries Conference** will take place Saturday, September 28, 2019, at the Lake Morey Resort in Fairlee, VT. Cost of the conference is \$30.00 and includes lunch, and materials. Pre-registration is required. Learn more and register at: [www.vermontcatholic.org/ministryconference2019](http://www.vermontcatholic.org/ministryconference2019) or contact Valerie Parzyck [vparzyck@vermontcatholic.org](mailto:vparzyck@vermontcatholic.org) 658-6110 x 1131

**Light of the World Retreat 2: September 27-29** The deadline for the April 27-29 Retreat is Sept. 18. Registration forms are at the back of the Church or call Mary Anne Gummere at 748-3978 to register.

**Retreat information and sign up sheets are at the back of the Church.**

**The Rectory Office will be closed Friday this week.**

## Opening Mass

Our opening Mass for the Confirmation and post-Confirmation programs is next Sunday evening at 6pm. This Mass counts for your Sunday obligation, and will feature some more contemporary music. This Mass is required for our Confirmation students, and all are welcome to join our teens as we thank God for his many blessings in our lives. Hope to see you there!

## St. John's Christmas Angel Bazaar Information

Sept. 18<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm all the Chairs of the Bazaar are asked to attend a planning meeting for this year's Christmas Bazaar. The WHITE ELEPHANT is now accepting items for the sale. Contact Marie Hagan 751-5174 if you have any used, good, clean things to donate. Thank you.

## Corpus Christi Parish Religious Education News

### Queen of Peace

For grades 1 – 7, registration and first classes will begin September 15. Class time is 9:30 to 10:45. Registration forms have been mailed to existing students. You may bring on September 15 or give to Donna Melendy prior to that date. There is a sign-up sheet and blank registration forms in the entrance way for new students. Please see Donna Melendy if you have questions. There will also be a sign-up sheet available to provide snacks. Thank you.

### St. Elizabeth

Education Registration forms have been mailed out. There are registration packets at the back of the church. After the 4:30 Mass on September 7 and the 10:30 Mass September 8. There will be someone at the back of church to assist with filling out forms or answering any questions you may have. If you or know of anyone who would like to assist in helping our youths grow in their faith Please call: Jo-Ann Charron 626-5180 or email [tcharron@live.com](mailto:tcharron@live.com)

### St. John's

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). Forms are

### 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 8<sup>th</sup> at 6pm in the Fr. Lively Center. Please call the rectory with any questions.

### RCIA

If you, or someone you know would like to become Catholic, please call the rectory. We are planning to have adult education classes at the same time as the Sunday evening Confirmation classes. If this time doesn't work, we can make other arrangements.

### St. Elizabeth Steeple Clock

Many of you may have noticed that the clock on the steeple of St. Elizabeth Church is working again! Thanks to Vinnie Matteis who worked in conjunction with the Town of Lyndon and Corpus Christi Parish to effect the needed repairs. The clockworks are actually owned by the Town of Lyndon, and are housed in St. Elizabeth steeple through a unique arrangement between the town and the parish.

### September 14<sup>th</sup>: Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

The feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross celebrates two historical events: the discovery of the True Cross by Saint Helena, the mother of the Emperor Constantine, in 320 under the temple of Venus in Jerusalem, and the dedication in 335 of the basilica and shrine built on Calvary by Constantine, which mark the site of the Crucifixion. The basilica, named the Martyrium, and the shrine, named the Calvarium, were destroyed by the Persians in 614. The Church of the Holy sepulcher which now stands on the site was built by the crusaders in 1149. However the feast, more than anything else, is a celebration and commemoration of God's greatest work: his salvific death on the Cross and His Resurrection, through which death was defeated and the doors to Heaven opened. The entrance antiphon for the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross is: *"We should glory in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, for he is our salvation, our life and our resurrection: through him we are saved and made free."*

### Sept. 8<sup>th</sup>: Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

The Nativity gives Mary to earth, the Assumption gives her to Heaven. With what joy Mary was welcomed by the Angels and the Saints! *"At whose Assumption the Angels rejoice"* (Introit for the Mass of the Assumption). And should not men greet with similar joy the coming of Mary to earth? *"Thy birth has announced joy to the whole world"* (Office of the Nativity). The holy parents of the Blessed Virgin knew only imperfectly the reasons for their joy; the world was wholly ignorant of its own happiness. While the world celebrated by boisterous rejoicings, and too often by cruel sports, the birth of princes and great personages, the birth of the Queen of all the earth was allowed to pass unnoticed. Poor world, deceived and deceiving! Why do we pay so much regard to its judgments, which are so often unsound? So much depends on personal popularity, or on unforeseen circumstances, that often the same fact, the same action, may be at one time made the subject of extravagant praise, and at another time passed by without remark. Our pride is hurt by these little slights, these little disappointments. Let us have sufficient independence, sufficient strength of character, not to strive after the good opinion of the world, nor to be distressed if we fail to obtain it. ~ A. Vermeersch, S.J.

### September 12<sup>th</sup>: The Feast of the Most Holy Name of Mary

*And the Virgin's name was Mary (Lk 1:27)*

The name is the sign that best brings to our minds the owner of the name. When we hear a person's name mentioned, we immediately think of the owner, his appearance, his nature, all his characteristics. If a person is mentioned who has finished his earthly career, his name does not represent him only at one moment of his existence; it recalls and summarizes all his history: hence the different impressions which are produced by the mention of persons whom we have known, respected, feared, admired, or loved. The name of a conqueror strikes terror into the minds of the people vanquished; the name of a cruel tyrant recalls the horror with which he was regarded; soldiers are inspired by the mention of a great General; the name of a benefactor or a mother will soothe a wounded heart, assuage anger, and bring back feelings of gentleness, goodness, confidence, and piety ... [the virtue of the Holy Name of Mary may be considered] in regard to God, to ourselves, and to our enemy, the devil. In regard to God, Mary, being the Mother of Christ and our Mother, has her power of intercession, with the right of interposing in all human affairs. In relation to us, the Mother of God is entitled to our deepest veneration. The Mother of men should inspire us with unbounded confidence. The two dignities united in one person demand our eternal devotion. As to Satan, the purity of Mary reminds him of his complete defeat in the past; the dignity of the Mother of God reveals to him a power against which it is vain for him to fight; the quality of the Mother of men shows him a willingness to succor which compels him to fly from the Christian who invokes the name of Mary. Consequently, at the name of Mary Hell trembles, Heaven rejoices, and humanity recovers its hope. ~ A. Vermeersch, S.J.

*"In difficult moments, I will fix my gaze upon the silent Heart of Jesus stretched on the Cross, and from the exploding flames of His merciful Heart, will flow down upon me power and strength to keep fighting."* – Saint Faustina