



*Next Sunday's Readings* **The Baptism of the Lord** -- Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7 (21ABC); Psalm 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10; Acts of the Apostles 10:34-38 ; Matthew 3:13-17 (21A)

### Mass & Intentions January 4 – January 12

Sat.	4	3:15 p.m.	St. Norbert	<b>Reconciliation</b>
		4:00 p.m.	St. Norbert	
Sun.	5	8:30 a.m.	St. Norbert	Parishioners Living & Deceased
		10:30 a.m.	St. Michael	
Mon.	6			
Tue.	7			
Wed.	8			
Thu.	9			
Fri.	10			
Sat.	11	3:15 p.m.	St. Norbert	<b>Reconciliation</b>
		4:00 p.m.	St. Norbert	
Sun.	12	8:30 a.m.	St. Norbert	Parishioners Living & Deceased
		10:30 a.m.	St. Michael	

#### SOCK DRIVE

**Court St. Veronica #1273 of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas is conducting a NEW sock drive for the needy. Boxes are placed in the entry ways of St. Norbert's and St. Michael's for donations. The socks collected at MQAS will be distributed locally to area schools and charities. Please help us in this worthy endeavor by donating NEW socks. All types and sizes are needed. If you have any questions call Annette at 472-6731.**

#### Annual Parish Staff/Volunteer Retreats

**3 Free Lenten retreat days for parish staff members and volunteers. These are one day retreats offered by the Diocese through the Office of Evangelization & Catechesis. Retreats run from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. To register and for more info and locations go to [vparzyck@vermontcatholic.org](mailto:vparzyck@vermontcatholic.org)**

#### Next week's second collection: Special Needs

**Our goal each week is to collect \$2,756.25 in ordinary income to meet our expenses.**

	<u>Dec. 21 &amp; 22</u>	<u>Dec. 24 &amp; 25</u>	<u>Dec. 28 &amp; 29</u>
Offertory	\$1,265.77	\$ 110.00	\$1,222.02
Donations	25.00	0.00	0.00
Christmas	<u>12.00</u>	<u>2,417.31</u>	<u>50.00</u>
Total Funds	\$1,302.77	\$2,527.31	\$1,272.02

*Thank you for your generosity*

#### Mass Count

**Dec. 21-22 & 24-25 - Dec. 28 & 29**

SN	4:00 p.m.	[43]	[180]	[48]
OLF	6:30 p.m.		[ 60]	
SN	8:30 a.m.	[54]	[ 31]	[60]
SM	10:30 a.m.	[38]	[ 64]	[48]

**Bishop's Annual Appeal Update:** As of December 23<sup>rd</sup>, it is 86% to goal and continue to receive new gifts.

**Father Thomas will be away January 6 through January 10. There will be no weekday Masses during that time.**

**Thank you to all who helped and participated in the first annual parish Christmas party. There was fun, games, music and food. Special thanks to Bernie and Linda Lussier, Gabby Hopkins and the Faith Formation students, the St. Michael's Choir, Catholic Daughters Court St. Veronica #1273 and to Catholic Financial Life for the popcorn and pizza.**

#### Upcoming Events for 2020

- January 18: Diocesan Mass, VT Rally for Life at St. Augustine, Montpelier, 9:30 AM to 12:00 PM. Following Mass the Vermont Right to Life will sponsor a prayerful walk to the Statehouse with a program to follow inside.

January 21: Nicholas Black Elk: Oglala of the Lakota Sioux, Servant of God. In 2017 the Vatican authorized his cause for canonization. This presentation explores Black Elk's life and teachings, St. Augustine Parish, Montpelier, 7-9:00 PM.

- January 23-26: Life is Precious Washington D.C. Trip. Trip will include Rally for Life with thousands of other teens. More info to follow.

- February 2: World Marriage Day Anniversary Mass at St. Joseph Cathedral, Burlington, 10 – 11 AM, to honor in a special way those celebrating a milestone wedding anniversary. Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Coyne.

March 21: Pre-Cana Retreat Day, Blessed Sacrament Parish, Stowe.

March 28: 2020 Vermont Catholic Men's Conference at St. Anthony, White River Junction.

**Parish Council Members:** Jeannine Young (Chair), Tod Delaricheliere, Adrienne Olney, Denise Picard, David Shepard, Gertrude Barnes, Paul Frederick

**Finance Council Members:** Mike Brochu (Chair), Paul Frederick, Mary Jane Fradette, Mike Morin, Cathy Menard, Robyn Molleur