

Christmas

Christmas is the Feast of the Incarnation and Christ takes on a human body precisely so as to offer the sacrifice of the body that saves the world.

“A Savior is born for you.” He is a savior precisely because He bears our human nature, and has a human body like we do – a body offered on the cross and in the Eucharist.

As we see in readings and the Gospels, the details of His birth are carefully planned by God and foretold by His prophets. His birth is all about hope fulfilled and hope inspired. That hope outlasts His birth, and extends to us today as we work to build a world in harmony with the vision of peace, life and love that Christmas inspires.

Abortion is diametrically opposed to this vision of peace, life and love. May all believers and their clergy, take renewed strength and courage to speak out against abortion, consistent with the vision of Christmas and the proclamation of the Gospel.

“Jesus calls each of us to ‘care for the other as a person for whom God has made us responsible’ (EV 87). The encyclical The Gospel of Life recognizes the full range of threats against human life, from poverty and malnutrition to murder and war. Particular emphasis, however, is placed on threats to life at its beginning and end, precisely when it is most in need of protection. In modern times, children in their mothers’ wombs and those approaching the end of their lives are certainly among the ‘least of these’ in our world’s estimation.”

.....USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities

Pray With Us. Please join the Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court St Veronica #1273 as we continue our Daily Spiritual Adoption Prayer which is:

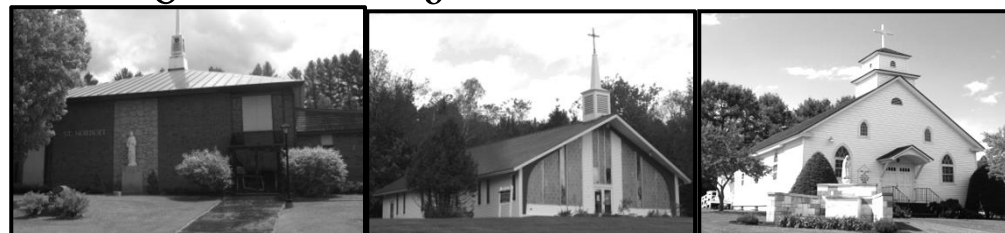
Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, I love you very much. I beg you to spare the life of Veronica the unborn child that I have spiritually adopted, who is in danger of abortion.

Please pray for our sick, parishioners, family, and friends:

- ◆ Roy McNeil ◆ Helen George ◆ Jerry Mason ◆ Nicole Starbird ◆ Ronald Rich ◆
- ◆ Florence Martin ◆ Judi Menard ◆ Elmer Sayers ◆ Alan DeLaricheliere ◆ Marie Sholan ◆
- ◆ Jane Bachert ◆ Marilyn Murphy ◆ Philip Murphy ◆ Eva Church ◆ Clara Massey ◆
- ◆ Paul Brochu ◆ Daryl Rich ◆ Mary Smith ◆ Carmeline Williams ◆ Marcel LeBlanc ◆ Elaine Brochu ◆
- ◆ Joe Clark ◆ Henriette Garven ◆ Kim Winslow ◆ Henry Richard ◆ Marsha Kallahan ◆ Betty LeBlanc ◆
- ◆ Marc DeLaricheliere ◆ Jimmy Sholan ◆ Mary Ainsworth ◆ Marcie Brochu ◆ Laurette Perron ◆
- ◆ Bob Belajonas ◆ Alice Menard ◆ Linda Lussier ◆ Georgia Meagher ◆ Lorraine Hill ◆

Fourth Sunday of Advent December 20, 2020

Mary Queen of All Saints Parish



St. Norbert
(Hardwick)

St. Michael
(Greensboro Bend)

Our Lady of Fatima
(Craftsbury)

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(Due on or before Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m.)

Our Parish Staff:

- ◆ Fr. Thomas Aquinas, Administrator
- ◆ Candy Parchment, Secretary
- ◆ Gabby Hopkins, Parish Catechetical Leader
- ◆ Susan Earle, Custodian
- ◆ Lynn Brochu, Bookkeeper

Baptisms: Registered parishioners, please contact the Parish Office for a preparation interview.

Marriages: Registered parishioners, please schedule at least six months in advance of the proposed date.

Cemeteries: Fairview in Hardwick and St. Michael's in Greensboro Bend

Mass Schedule:

Saturday 4:00 p.m. (St. N)

Sunday 8:30 a.m. (St. N)
10:30 a.m. (St. M)

Confessions:

Saturday 3:15 p.m. (St. N)
By appointment only.