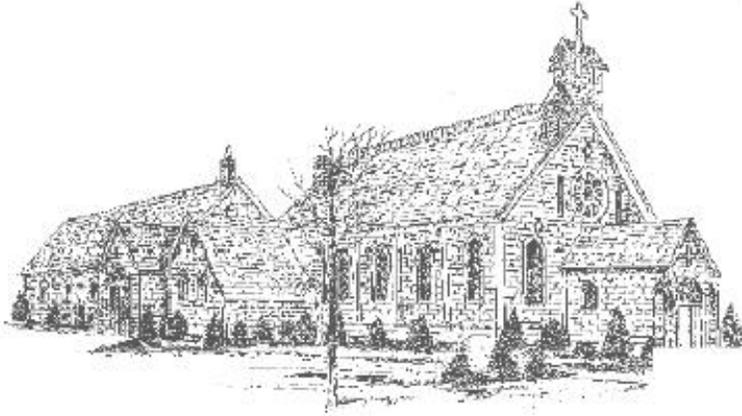


Church Bulletin for October 25th, 2020



Church of the Annunciation

Ludlow, VT

Holy Name Of Mary

Proctorsville, VT



Father Thomas Mosher, Pastor

Lord's Day Mass Schedule

Saturday 4:30 P.M.

Sunday 8:00 A.M. & 10:00 A.M.

Holy Days and Daily Masses: As scheduled in the bulletin

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 3:45 to 4:15 P.M.

Tuesday 6:00 to 7:00 P.M.

Sacraments of Baptism and Marriage: By appointment

Sacrament of the Sick: Please call the Parish Priest at 802-228-3451

New Parishioners: Welcome! *Please pick up the registration forms
at the Church entry ways, fill in your information and mail to the Parish office.*

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday 8:00 AM - 3:00 PM; Friday 8 AM - 12:00 PM

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ANNOUNCED MASSES
FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY 4:30 PM	October 24 Jan and Janina Sliwinski <i>By Family and Friends</i>	ABVM
SUNDAY 8:00 AM	October 25 Theresa and William Garrow, III <i>By the Mike Tuomisto Family</i>	ABVM
10:00 AM	Wanda Wierzbicki <i>By Kamelia Wierzbicki</i>	
MONDAY 8:00 AM	October 26 Pro Populo	ABVM
TUESDAY 5:30 PM	October 27 Jose Alvarez-Olvera <i>By his Daughter Monica</i>	ABVM
WEDNESDAY 8:00 AM	October 28 Mass of Thanksgiving 65th Wedding Anniversary Bernard and Sue Bragg	ABVM
THURSDAY NO MASS	October 29	
FRIDAY 8:00 AM	October 30 Margaret Capone <i>Clorinda Noonan</i>	ABVM
SATURDAY 4:30 PM	October 31 Seamus Armstrong <i>By the Armstrong Family</i>	ABVM
SUNDAY 8:00 AM	November 1 For Deceased Knights <i>By Knights of Columbus</i>	ABVM
10:00 AM	Special Intention for Healing <i>By a Parishioner</i>	

Parish Support

	<u>ABVM</u>	<u>HNM</u>
October 11, 2020 (Offering)	\$1,068	\$422

Monthly Food Collection

Next weekend we will have our monthly Food Collection for our local Food Shelf. Non-perishable items may be left in the baskets at the church doors. Our needy neighbors will be most grateful.



Please pray for our Sick Members (Note: If you are wanting a name added or removed from the sick list, please let the Parish Office know via email or phone).

Robert Martin, Maurice Doucette, Jack Miller, Mike Ahern, Mary Pat Mulholland, Daniel Adler, Bill Roddy, Lou Ann Leary, Mary Ellen Ahern, Rita Higgins, Jeannie Findling.

Please remember our Faithful Departed

Charlene Kolenda, Patricia Kirkbride, Michael Pember, Frank Romano, John Montgomery, Patricia O'Connell, Robert Kirkbride, Ellen Parrish, Seamus Armstrong, John O'Neil, Daniel Sullivan, Elizabeth McPartland.

Lectors at Annunciation Church

This weekend: J. McLaughlin, D. Simmons, A. Cherico

Next weekend: I. Montgomery, K of C, TBA

Ushers at Annunciation

This weekend: D. Sheehan, J. Nicoll, T. Gurdak-Carter

Next weekend: D. Sheehan, J. Nicoll, T. Gurdak-Carter

Eucharistic Ministers

This weekend: C. Hudgings, M. Barton, S. Bixby

Next Weekend: S. Bixby, D. Simmons, C. Hudgings

NEW PARISH COMMUNICATION INITIATIVE

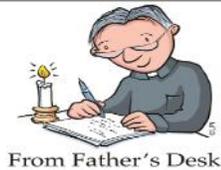
Last weekend and this weekend we are introducing our new communication program called "Flocknote." Many have already signed up, and we thank you! If you have not had the opportunity to sign up, you can visit online at Flocknote.com/ABVMLudlow or on your mobile phone by texting ABVMLudlow to 84576.

The platform will be used for parish communication, updates and information on special events, inclement weather announcements and other items of interest to all parishioners. Additionally, beginning this Monday, October 26th, using the Flocknote program we will be sharing a five-episode video series entitled "The Last Things" by Bishop Robert Barron and the popular *Word on Fire Ministries*. This series will be sent to you via e-mail over the next five Monday mornings. We hope you enjoy this series and we look forward to following this up with additional offerings over time.

ALL SOULS' DAY COMMEMORATION

It is the ancient tradition of the Church to offer prayers for the deceased, especially on All Souls' Day, November the 2nd. The positioning of this day is providential in that it immediately follows All Saints' Day. This gives us an opportunity to honor and pray for those who, as we pray in the Eucharistic Prayer, "have gone before us, marked with the sign of faith," but who have not been canonized, that is, named saints by the Church. Envelopes are at each church entrance. Fill out the envelope with the names of the persons you would like us to remember, and then either drop it in the Collection or mail it to the Rectory. Names given to us will be inscribed in the Book of the Dead, which will remain in the Church throughout the month of November. Mass on all Souls Day and on varying days in November will be offered for these intentions.

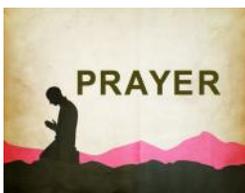
Much of parish life seems to be lived remotely in Covid-tide: Religious Ed programs mostly by e-mail... Parish Council meetings attended via ZOOM... the Parish Office reached catch-as-catch-can. We no longer meet for Coffee Hour or our monthly Potluck Suppers. Holy Name of Mary Church remains closed altogether, waiting for a word from our Bishop. Fortunately, I never feel lonely; having a dog disallows this sort of thing. Rectory life has taken on a certain monastic feel, but I've always enjoyed a bit of solitude. I wonder, though, about our younger, newly-ordained priests: hopefully they won't think of this peculiar experience as normative for their priestly future.



I also think about those parishioners who are self-quarantined by choice rather than by illness: being sensible about venturing out, yet needing some human interaction nonetheless. We're mailing more Bulletins than previously, I've put in a few phone calls here and there, and I take Holy Communion to some. But I'd like to expand this ministry, and I will need your help. If you are aware of a neighbor who would like to receive Communion, please let me know. I know that some are anxious even about a pastoral visit, but with your assistance, we can reach out to those whose lives have become the essence of Covid-remoteness.

We're entering into Stick Season, a time of year that brings a certain melancholy to many: the letting-go of Summer's floral landscape and the elongated, late-in-the-day sunsets, the angst about the coming Winter with its cold and darkness, making it all the more necessary for some to stay home, expanding the sense of remoteness that the pandemic introduced. Our personal Faith has become all the more important to develop since our presence at Church and cheerful interaction has become so limited. The introduction of our new Adult Education program via e-mail will help some to remain connected, even though there are some who would benefit from this connection who don't use much in the way of social media. An old-fashioned phone call might have to suffice for Christian fellowship over the Winter, especially for those who are in the "vulnerable" category. Perhaps we could add a few names to our Christmas Card list as well.

Thanksgiving is still a month away, but it would be good to begin making a mental list of blessings great and small for which to be grateful to God. Everyday life has become, as Alice in Wonderland might describe it, "curiouser and curiouser." Yet in the midst of all the unfamiliarity of this odd time in our personal histories, there will remain some constants, the greatest of which is the Providence of God, listening lovingly to our prayers and admonitions. Hold nothing back from Him; let Him know exactly what is in your heart. He will send the Holy Spirit with tranquility and grace. We might be at this for a long time to come, but because we're part of the Communion of Saints, we never pray alone. Be at peace. Remain in quiet joy. God is here.



BISHOP'S FUND UPDATE

Congratulations! Annunciation Parish is the first in the Diocese to reach our goal for the Bishop's Fund. In fact, we have surpassed the goal at 121%. Thank you for your participation and your generosity. Holy Name of Mary is at 32%. We will have information on our progress in the Capital Campaign as it reaches us.



Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;
through Him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation
He came down from heaven,

(Here we bow for the next line.)

... And by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,
and became man.

For our sake, He was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
He suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead
and His kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son
is adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the Prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church,
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen

Prayer to Saint Michael

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle,
be our protection against the wickedness and snares
of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray;
and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host,
by the power of God, thrust into Hell
Satan and the other evil spirits who prowl about
the world for the ruin of souls. Amen.