

Church Bulletin for Easter Sunday 2021



***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
Monday, Wednesday, Friday
8:00 am—Noon

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**ANNOUNCED MASSES
FOR THE WEEK**

HOLY SATURDAY **April 3**
8:00PM **Pro Populo**

EASTER SUNDAY **April 4**
8:00AM **Howard Barton, Jr.**

10:00AM **Peter Mercier**

MONDAY **April 5**
8:00AM **Clark Johnson**
By Geraldine Johnson

TUESDAY **April 6**
5:30PM **Seamus Armstrong**

WEDNESDAY **April 7**
8:00AM **Winifred Merritt**

THURSDAY **April 8**
NO MASS

FRIDAY **April 9**
8:00AM **Edward Zienowicz**

SATURDAY **April 10**
4:30 PM **Maurice Doucette**
By Annette Doucette

SUNDAY **April 11**
8:00AM **Gabriel Kahn**
By the Dunseith family

10:00AM **Pro Populo**

MONTHLY FOOD COLLECTION

Next weekend we will have our monthly food collection for Black River Good Neighbors Food Shelf. Non-perishable items may be placed in the baskets by the church doors. Our neighbors in need will be most appreciative.

Parish Support—March 21st

Offering	<u>ABVM</u>	<u>HNM</u>
Catholic Relief Services	\$1,794	\$488
	\$364	\$138

**Second Collection for April 11th:
Fuel**

**DUE TO EARLY SUBMISSION OF THE BULLETIN,
PARISH SUPPORT FOR MARCH 28TH WILL BE
PRINTED NEXT WEEK.**



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, Jack Miller, Mike Ahern, Mary Pat Mulholland, Daniel Adler, Bill Rodd, Rita Higgins, Jeannie Findling, Mike Mineo.

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, Emily Chambers, Keith Miile, Colleen Fitzgerald, Maurice Doucette, Tim Reilly, Fran Milo, Clark Johnson

Lectors

Holy Thursday: I. Montgomery

Good Friday: D. Simmons

Holy Saturday: I. Montgomery, D. Simmons, D. Dunseith

Easter Sunday: A. Cherico, B. Martin

Next weekend: J. McLaughlin, A. Cherico, I. Montgomery

Ushers

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

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

Eucharistic Ministers

Holy Saturday: S. Bixby

Easter Sunday: M. Barton, C. Hudgings

Next weekend: TBD



HOW TO PUT OUR PARISH IN YOUR WILL :

After providing for your families and loved ones, parishioners may want to include the Parish in your wills, thus helping to assure the long-term future of the Parish and the work that must continue in generations to come. Bequests are free of estate tax and can substantially reduce the amount of your assets claimed by the government. You can give needed support to either of our Parishes by simply including the following words in your will: "I give, devise and bequeath to Church of the Annunciation Parish Charitable Trust in Ludlow, Vermont... or... Holy Name of Mary Parish Charitable Trust in Proctorsville, Vermont (insert amount being given here) to be used to support the ministry of the Parish".

A bequest can be a specific amount, a specific piece of property, a percentage of an estate, or all or part of the residue of an estate. You can also name the Parish as a contingency beneficiary in the event someone named in your will is no longer living. It is recommended that a lawyer help in drafting or amending a will.

Having been a jogger in my earlier years, I found the narrative of St. John's and St. Peter's sprint to the tomb of interest. John, who in modesty does not name himself here, tells us that he arrived at the tomb before Peter, but waited and did not go in. Some secondary considerations arise here. It is well known that St. John was quite young, perhaps even a teenager at the time of the Lord's Passion and Resurrection, so his youth would have gotten him to the tomb more swiftly. Secondly, Peter, always the impetuous one, does not hesitate to enter the tomb as did John. Seeking verification of Magdalene's claim before anything else, he makes a mad dash inside.



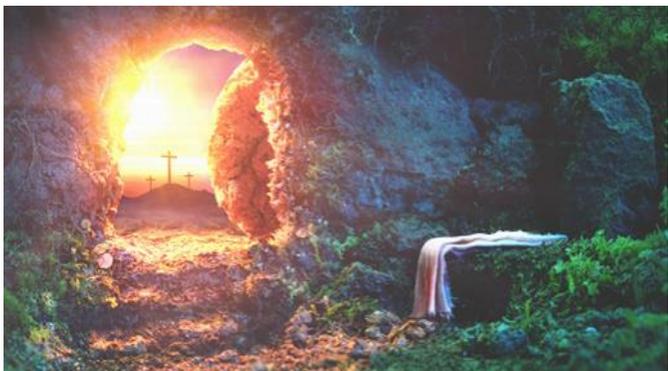
From Father's Desk

But, as I said, these considerations are at most secondary, interesting in themselves, but not the central message unfolding for us in the telling by St. John. There is a symbolic meaning that might miss our perception. It lies in what the two Apostles signify for the nascent Church. St. Peter signifies the structure and authority of the Church; St. John signifies the love for Christ which defines discipleship.

Love defers to authority as John defers to Peter. The Lord had commissioned both of these elements in the formation of the Apostles, as He gave Peter the Keys to the Kingdom and taught us in John's Letters to love one another. Yet the third figure, that of St. Mary Magdalene enters into the configuration. Where she saw the empty tomb and thought that the Lord's body had merely been removed, we are told that John "saw and believed."

Magdalene's love for Christ takes her only so far: she needs to see the Risen Christ to come to an understanding of the Resurrection (not unlike St. Thomas). Yet John, whose love for Christ is pure, chaste and all-encompassing, is able to put love and knowledge of the Lord together to come to an immediate recognition, in faith, of the Resurrection.

We are not told of St. Peter's reaction here; we must wait until later in the story. But while love bows to authority, it is love that is first to recognize the deeper mysteries of faith. No doubt all three characters were breathless, not just from their running, but in their seeing, believing and proclaiming the Resurrection while not yet having met the Risen Christ. If we were to work at deepening our love for Christ, particularly in the Eucharist, laying our head upon His breast as did the young St. John at the Last Supper, in a post-Communion prayer of thanksgiving, our insight into the faith could come to us more quickly and more profoundly. This then might stir our hearts as we hear the Resurrection story each Easter, and leave us breathless.



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.

Prayer to St. Joseph

Oh St. Joseph whose protection is so great, so strong, so prompt before the Throne of God, I place in you all my interests and desires.

Oh St. Joseph do assist me by your powerful intercession and obtain for me from your Divine Son all spiritual blessings through Jesus Christ, Our Lord; so that having engaged here below your Heavenly power I may offer my Thanksgiving and Homage to the most Loving of Fathers.

Oh St. Joseph, I never weary contemplating you and Jesus asleep in your arms. I dare not approach while He reposes near your heart. Press Him in my name and kiss His fine Head for me, and ask Him to return the kiss when I draw my dying breath.



St. Joseph, Patron of departing souls, pray for us. Amen.