

Catholic Communities of Waterbury, Waitsfield, and Moretown

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St. Andrew's Church, Waterbury



Our Lady of the Snows, Waitsfield



St. Patrick's Church, Moretown

Saturday Masses

4:00 pm, St. Andrew's Church, Waterbury

6:00 pm, Our Lady of the Snows Church, Waitsfield

Sunday Masses

9:00 am, St. Andrew's Church, Waterbury • 11:00 am, St. Patrick's Church, Moretown

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays from 3:00 to 3:45 pm at St. Andrew's or by appointment.

Last Saturday of the month from 7:00 to 7:30 pm at Our Lady of the Snows

Weekday Masses

Consult the Liturgy Schedule inside this bulletin for this week's daily Masses.

Sacrament of Baptism

Please contact the rectory to schedule baptisms.

Sacrament of Marriage

Those intending to marry are asked to contact the Pastor at least six months in advance.

June 13, 2021 – Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Liturgy Schedule

Saturday, June 12, 4:00 pm, St. Andrew's: Reverend Paul A. Citti
Saturday, June 12, 6:00 pm, Our Lady of the Snows: Donato D'Orazio by Gio Susini
Sunday, June 13, 9:00 am, St. A: Charles & Blanche Podhajski by Ken & Blanche Kreiling
Sunday, June 13, 11:00 am, St. Patrick's: Fowler Family
Monday, June 14, 8:00 am, St. Andrew's: Lawrence & Noella Godin by Pat & Diane Murray
Tuesday, June 15: NO MASS
Wednesday, June 16, 8:00 am, St. Andrew's: Gardner and Gelineau Family by Patty Gardner
Thursday, June 17, 8:00 am, St. Andrew's: Living and Deceased of the Gene Rensch Family
Friday, June 18, 8:00 am, St. Andrew's: Mary Lemery by the Family
Saturday, June 19, 4:00 pm, St. Andrew's: All Souls in Purgatory
Saturday, June 19, 6:00 pm, Our Lady of the Snows: All Parishioners and Visitors
Sunday, June 20, 9:00 am, St. Andrew's: Mike Wood by Marsha Wood
Sunday, June 20, 11:00 am, St. Patrick's: Conversion of Sinners to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

Readings for the Week

Sunday: Ezra 17:22-24 / Psalm 92 / 2 Corinthians 5:6-10 / Mark 4:26-34
11th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: 2 Corinthians 6:1-10 / Psalm 98 / Matthew 5:38-42
Saint Albert Chmielowski
Tuesday: 2 Corinthians 8:1-9 / Psalm 146 / Matthew 5:43-48
Saint Marguerite d'Youville
Wednesday: 2 Corinthians 9:6-11 / Psalm 112 / Matthew 6:1-18
Saint John Francis Regis
Thursday: 2 Corinthians 11:1-11 / Psalm 111 / Matthew 6:7-15
Saint Joseph Cafasso
Friday: 2 Corinthians 11:18-30 / Psalm 34 / Matthew 6:19-23
Venerable Matt Talbot
Saturday: 2 Corinthians 12:1-10 / Psalm 34 / Matthew 6:24-34
Saint Romuald
Next Sunday: Job 38:1-11 / Psalm 107 / 2 Corinthians 5:14-17 / Mark 4:35-41
12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Weekly Offertory Donations: May 31-June 6, 2021

St. Andrew's: Offertory \$1,189; Insurance \$127; Online Giving \$385.
Our Lady of the Snows/St. Patrick's: Offertory \$403; Online Giving \$655.
Thank you for your support through online giving, the mail, or at Mass!

Remember to check out the parish website (rccwwm.org) for additional items of interest.

Prayers for the Sick

We pray for Isaiah Callan, Daniel Caplinger, Heidi Cervantes, Suzie Clark, Janet DiBlasi, Bob and Sue Ellsasser, Jason Fowler, Raven Fowler, Patricia Gardner, Jan Gendreau, Alison Henry, John Hofmann, Brian Kellett, Wayne Lacaillade, Ann Lamarch, Holly LeClair, Grace Lee, Bernard Mahan, Patrick McNamara, Frank Miller, Scott Miller, Sidnia Orton, Joan Potter, Jim Pratt, Rob Scharges, Annette Schultz, Robert Shortridge, Bernard Sweet and Jim Vachris. If you know of anyone who would like a Communion visit, please let us know.

2021 Bishop's Appeal

The Diocese was a tremendous support to our Catholic schools and parishes during this very challenging year. They provided advice and training on how to use electronic platforms to connect with you, helped our Catholic schools quickly transition to online learning and then safely open to full-time education in the fall, and provided resources for our religious education teachers. This weekend we are asking you to make a gift or pledge to help us reach our goal of \$19,867 for St. Andrew's, and towards the goal of \$15,436 for Our Lady of the Snows/St. Patrick's. You will find brochures and information packets in your pews and in the back of the Church. To make a gift online, please visit: www.bishopsappealvt.org

Mass Protocols

Because of the recent changes in COVID protocols issued by the State of Vermont, the Diocese has loosened the COVID-19 protocols for our parishes: masks are no longer mandatory, holy water fonts may return, and sanitizing after each Mass no longer needs to take place.

Fr. Matthew's 5th Anniversary Celebration

This Friday (June 18th) from 5:00 – 7:30 pm we will be celebrating Fr. Matthew Rensch's 5th Anniversary of Priestly Ordination. Weather permitting, we will celebrate outside St. Leo's Hall. The Knights of Columbus will be providing a BBQ dinner, and of course, there will be ice cream! For food and beverage tallies, please let Marie know by Monday if you plan to attend by calling (802) 244-7734 or by emailing rcc.office@vermontcatholic.org. Thank you!

Wisdom of the Saints

“Recent decades have seen the advance of a spiritual ‘desertification.’ In the Council’s time it was already possible from a few tragic pages of history to know what a life or a world without God looked like, but now we see it every day around us. This void has spread. But it is in starting from the experience of this desert, from this void, that we can again discover the joy of believing, its vital importance for us, men and women. In the desert we rediscover the value of what is essential for living; thus in today’s world there are innumerable signs, often expressed implicitly or negatively, of the thirst for God, for the ultimate meaning of life. And in the desert people of faith are needed who, with their own lives, point out the way to the Promised Land and keep hope alive.” ~ Pope Benedict XVI

Dear Parishioners,

I'm back! It's good to be back home after all the traveling and excitement of the last month. As I mentioned before, this past weekend's occasion was the ordination to the priesthood of a friend from college, Joseph Townsend. His slower path to the priesthood – which many of my friends and I thought of as a delay – ended up aligning his ordination with the year of St. Joseph! God's providence is always at work. The ordination itself was overpoweringly splendid. In my estimation, it's the most glorious celebration that the Church observes. The bishop and most of the priests of the diocese are there, the music is exuberant, and the rites overflow with beauty.

The next day my friend celebrated two Masses of thanksgiving, one at his parish church growing up and the second at the chapel of Christendom College, our alma mater. Years ago, the college received a chalice and paten from Pope St. John Paul II. The college president allowed Fr. Joseph to celebrate his Mass with that very set! After the Masses he offered individual blessings to the friends and family in attendance. (Not for the faint of heart – the line was quite long!) I snuck out with some friends of mine to get a tropical smoothie. In all, it was great trip, filled with many blessings and reconnections with old friends.

Today, the Church celebrates the solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, recognizing the divinity of Christ's human heart, and the mystery of His love that it contains. The Catechism includes an excellent commentary on the Sacred Heart as the origin of the Church and its life.

Although we have been in ordinary time for three weeks now, the feasts of Corpus Christi and the Holy Trinity have kept us in festive mode, wearing white. We now return to the regular Masses in ordinary time, going back to the color green, marking ordinary time.

Also, note the details inside the bulletin for the Bishop's Annual Appeal, which kicks off now. Details and such will inundate you in the coming weeks, I'm sure.

God bless,
Fr. Matthew

Catechism of the Catholic Church

The Church is born primarily of Christ's total self-giving for our salvation, anticipated in the institution of the Eucharist and fulfilled on the cross. "The origin and growth of the Church are symbolized by the blood and water which flowed from the open side of the crucified Jesus." "For it was from the side of Christ as he slept the sleep of death upon the cross that there came forth the 'wondrous sacrament of the whole Church.'" As Eve was formed from the sleeping Adam's side, so the Church was born from the pierced heart of Christ hanging dead on the cross.