

# Catholic Communities of Waterbury, Waitsfield, and Moretown

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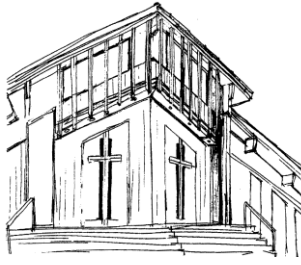
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St. Andrew's Church, Waterbury



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.

**July 25, 2021 – Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

### ***Liturgy Schedule***

Saturday, July 24, 4:00 pm, St. Andrew's: Isabel Nelson by Agnes Milne  
Saturday, July 24, 6:00 pm, OLS: Jack Buchanan Tabor by Jim Tabor  
Sunday, July 25, 9:00 am, St. Andrew's: Teresa Woodard  
Sunday, July 25, 11:00 am, St. Patrick's: All Parishioners and Visitors  
Monday, July 26, 8:00 am, St. Andrew's: Tralona Bartkowiak & Suzanne Fountain  
Tuesday, July 27: NO MASS  
Wednesday, July 28, 8:00 am, St. Andrew's: Intentions of the Holmes Family by Gio Susini  
Thursday, July 29, 8:00 am, St. Andrew's: Jane Lefebvre by Pat and Diane Murray  
Friday, July 30, 8:00 am, St. Andrew's: Francis Miller by the Miller/McVeigh Family  
Saturday, July 31, 4:00 pm, St. Andrew's: All Souls in Purgatory  
Saturday, July 31, 6:00 pm, OLS: Living & Deceased of the Frank & Minnie McGinnis Family  
Sunday, August 1, 9:00 am, St. Andrew's: Mary Breen  
Sunday, August 1, 11:00 am, St. Patrick's: All Parishioners and Visitors

### ***Readings for the Week***

Sunday: 2 Kings 4:42-44 / Psalm 145 / Ephesians 4:1-6 / John 6:1-15  
*17<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Monday: Exodus 32:15-34 / Psalm 106 / Matthew 13:31-35  
*Saints Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

Tuesday: Exodus 33:7-5:28 / Psalm 103 / Matthew 13:36-43  
*Blessed Antonio Lucci*

Wednesday: Exodus 34:29-35 / Psalm 99 / Matthew 13:44-46  
*Blessed Stanley Rother*

Thursday: Exodus 40:16-38 / Psalm 84 / John 11:19-27  
*Saints Martha, Mary and Lazarus*

Friday: Leviticus 23:1-37 / Psalm 81 / Matthew 13:54-58  
*Blessed Solanus Casey*

Saturday: Leviticus 25:1-17 / Psalm 67 / Matthew 14:1-12  
*Saint Ignatius of Loyola*

Next Sunday: Exodus 16:2-15 / Psalm 78 / Ephesians 4:17-24 / John 6:24-35  
*18<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time*

### ***Weekly Offertory Donations: July 12-18, 2021***

*St. Andrew's: Offertory \$1,199; Insurance \$40; Online Giving \$350. Our Lady of the Snows/St. Patrick's: Offertory \$1,274; Insurance \$10; Online Giving \$275. Thank you for your support through online giving, the mail, or at Mass!*

***Remember to check out the parish website ([rccwwm.org](http://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.

### ***Funeral for Pauline Hodgdon***

For those who would like to attend, the funeral for Pauline Hodgdon will be at 11:00 am on Saturday, July 31<sup>st</sup>, here at St. Andrew's Church.

### ***Faith Series***

This Thursday we'll continue *The Chosen* faith series, watching episode 6. If you'd like to catch up before coming, episodes 1 through 5 are available online at Chosen.tv. Dinner is provided at 6:00 pm, and the episodes run from 6:30 - 7:30 or so at St. Leo's Hall here in Waterbury.

### ***July 29 - Aug 1 / Aug 5 - 8: CGS Training***

The CGS program has found places for most participants; thank you so much for your willingness to host the catechists. There are still a slot or two in the shuffle; if you are able, please reach out to Amy Miller for details: [amymillernp@yahoo.com](mailto:amymillernp@yahoo.com) or 802-249-8888

### ***2021 Bishop's Appeal***

On July 29, we will celebrate Founder's Day of Giving in memory of our first bishop, Bishop de Goesbriand, and raise money to support the mission of our Diocese. We have received a matching grant that will match any gift made online on this day up to \$20,000. If you have not yet made a gift to the appeal or would like to make an additional gift online, visit [vermontcatholic.org/giveonline](http://vermontcatholic.org/giveonline)

### ***Wisdom of the Saints***

“Saint Andrew gave Jesus all there was available, and Jesus miraculously fed those five thousand people and still had something left over. It is exactly the same with your lives. Left alone to face the difficult challenges of life today, you feel conscious of your inadequacy and afraid of what the future may hold for you. But what I say to you is this: place your lives in the hands of Jesus. He will accept you, and bless you, and He will make such use of your lives as will be beyond your greatest expectations! In other words: surrender yourselves, like so many loaves and fishes, into the all-powerful, sustaining hands of God and you will find yourselves transformed with ‘newness of life,’ with fullness of life. ‘Unload your burden on the Lord, and he will support you.’” ~ *St. John Paul II*

Dear Parishioners,

God's grace be with you all! I hope you've been enjoying this beautiful weather in the past few days.

As you know, the Sunday readings follow a three-year cycle. This year, year B, follows the Gospel of Mark as its main source. As we learned this past weekend from Deacon Phil, though, Mark's Gospel has only sixteen chapters, making it the shortest of all the four Gospels. Mark's brevity thus provides some extra airtime, into which the Church has elected to insert a chunk from the Gospel of John; specifically, the famous sixth chapter of John, which relates the feeding of the five thousand and the Bread of Life discourse. For the next five weeks, beginning today, we'll read the entirety of John chapter six.

John's Gospel provides a unique perspective on the life of Jesus. The other three Gospels are very similar to one another, and so are called the "synoptic" Gospels, meaning "same – optic" or "from the same perspective." The Gospel of John, on the contrary, is not synoptic. He analyses aspects left implicit in the other Gospels. For example, the third chapter of John recounts the conversation Jesus has with Nicodemus, focused largely on Baptism and its necessity. The other Gospels mention baptism and the Christ's mandate to perform it, but they do not investigate it terms of a new birth and the role of the Holy Spirit. The synoptic Gospels recognize Jesus as the bridegroom of Israel, but John focuses us on it at the Wedding feast of Cana. The synoptic Gospels assert the priestly heart of Jesus, but only John records the priestly prayer from the Last Supper. Overall, John reveals an intense interest in the sacramental side of Jesus' mission.

The same is true for the Eucharist. All the synoptic Gospels record the institution of the Eucharist at the Last Supper. John alone, however, includes Jesus' own commentary on the Eucharist. That commentary comprises the bulk of chapter six, which we begin today. So that's how we should approach it: as the very commentary of Jesus Himself on the greatest of sacraments, the Eucharist, the very gift of Himself. This is the mysterious gift that centuries have longed for, the mystery of faith. Its effects are unseen, yet not the less real for that. St. Padre Pio said, "Every holy Mass, heard with devotion, produces in our souls marvelous effects, abundant spiritual and material graces which we, ourselves, do not know." Let us walk by faith, not by sight, and come with open hearts to meet the Lord in the Eucharist. Again, as Padre Pio said, "If people knew the value of the Mass, there would be policemen at the door, to regulate access to the Church, every time Mass was celebrated."

May Jesus Christ our Lord, here with us in the Blessed Sacrament, find our hearts full of devotion and love and we come to encounter Him.

God bless,  
Fr. Matthew