



An Hour of Adoration

"God is the friend of silence. We need to find God and He cannot be found in noise and restlessness. See how nature, the trees, the flowers, the grasses grow in perfect silence . . . See the stars, the moon and the sun, how they move in silence. The more we receive in silent prayer, the more we can give in our active life." Mother Teresa of Calcutta. You have a special hour of silence waiting for you in the Adoration Chapel. Make a plan to come and humbly kneel before Him in an hour of adoration.

Sunday Donuts

We are asking if you can make a donation when you come to Sunday morning coffee hour. If everyone drops a dollar in the bowl we are hoping to get close enough to the total price of the donuts every week. Thank you.

Library Information

Please if you take something out of the St. Mary's Nolin Murray Center Library, sign it out. There is a book there so you can do so. Also please always, and I do mean always, return what you take. There are a few things that have left without getting signed out, or things have not returned in months, please return what you have borrowed. Thank you.

Church Locked

We now have keys to St. Mary's Church and St. Joseph Church. If you would like a key for either church please call or email Beth in the rectory.

Mass Intentions 2022

I now have the 2022 calendar for Mass intentions ready to go. So please call or stop in the rectory to get your masses said for 2022. These do fill up fast, so if you have specific dates you want, don't wait to call or stop in. I also have the chapel candle for 2022 ready if you would like a week.

Bulletin Announcements

Any announcements which need to go into the Sunday bulletin need to get to Beth by Tuesday.

St. Joseph's Will Be Closed For Work

Starting on July 31st we will be having work done at St. Joseph's in Chester, so Masses on Wednesday and Saturday will be held at St. Mary's in Springfield. This will continue for a bit, we will let you know when St. Joseph's is back open for Masses. So the last Mass at St. Joseph's will take place on Saturday July 24th.. Thank you for your understanding and patience.

Mass Times and Intentions

Tues., Sept. 21 - 7:00pm - No Mass
Wed., Sept. 22 - 9:00am - No Mass
Thurs., Sept. 23 - 9:00am - No Mass
Fri., Sept. 24 - 9:00am - No Mass; will be Rosary & coffee hour
Sat., Sept. 25 - 4:00pm - Sandy MacGillivray
By the Hughes Family
Sun., Sept. 26 - 9:00am - Florence Bingham
By Margaret Bingham

Birthdays This Week

Wednesday 22: Pat Graves
Friday 24: Nicole Lewis & Dan Pisarczyk

Adoration Chapel Candle

If you would like to dedicate the Sanctuary Candle to a loved one for one week, we have MANY weeks available. Please call Beth at 802-885-3400.

Religious Education Registration has begun ...

Catechesis of The Good Shepherd is the way we at Holy Family Parish, foster a child's relationship with God based on the Montessori Method. In our Atrium spaces, we introduce hands on materials thoughtfully created for a child's specific plane of development that invite the children to know God better.. It is what is most needed in the world today, an education to HOPE. (To learn more go to CGSUSA.org). Our Atrium meets on Wednesdays from 4-5:30. We invite children ages 3-12 to experience "God" in this very unique way. Level 1, ages 3-6; Level 2, ages 6-9 and Level 3, ages 9-12, are offered here at Holy Family Parish. (this is rare in Vermont!) Sacramental preparation happens in the Atrium and is a two year course for all sacraments; First Reconciliation/ First Holy Communion and Confirmation. Our diocese has lowered the age of Confirmation to grade 6. Classes begin October 6th Please call the Religious Education Office to register your child for class. We can arrange to have children transported by school bus to the Nolin-Murray Center from the Springfield Public School if that works for your family. Contact: Eileen, 885-4123.

High School Catholic Youth Group

All are Welcome! A place to stop by and hang out, laugh, and share similar beliefs. Dinner is included. Come and check it out! We meet the 2nd and 4th Sundays from 6pm-8pm, starting September 12th. St. Mary's Church Nolin Murray Center Youth Room, 10 Pleasant Street, Springfield, VT. Contact Deacon Paul Kendall at 802-885-2445 or Terry Sheehan at 802-263-5621.

Fall Bible Study: Panorama of The Old Testament

Meeting every other Thursday from 7:00PM to 8:30PM in the Nolin Murray Center Begins Thursday, October 7th, ending Thursday, December 2nd. There are 5 sessions. Explore the sweeping saga of God's people and their sacred journey. *Panorama of the Old Testament* surveys the variety of books found in the Old Testament. Uncover interwoven themes, the background of familiar characters and God's overall plan of salvation. This Bible Study will give us background, and information to help us get more out the *Old Testament* readings at Mass. This study is an overview, rather than an exhaustive study of the books of the *Old Testament*. No Bible reading experience is necessary! Everyone is welcome! For more information, please call John Morin 885-3946, Please sign up by calling the parish office, or John Morin

It's Autumn: Pie Baking Time

Holy Family Parish is a beautiful combination of history, community, and pride all rolled into one blessed group of people that continue to want to be there for each other. We've decided that it's important to our parish that we continue this event and are going to be peeling/baking on Saturday, Oct 16th in the Nolin Murray Center. This year more than ever we will require pickers, peelers, rollers, mixers, bakers, coordinators, cleaners, etc. We will be sure to social distance as required. Information will be placed in the bulletin for ingredients needed for those of you that are willing and able to donate. If you have an interest in helping out in any way, please either email or speak in person to Carol Hitchcock. She can best be reached at 802-885-5128 or chitchcock@vermontel.net.

RCIA Classes

If you or someone you know is interested in becoming Catholic or wants to know more about the Catholic Faith. please contact the office and we can help you.

Catholic's in Recovery

Holy Family Parish has a group for Catholics in Recovery. Whether you have long term recovery from any addiction, seeking recovery, or you are a family member please join us Friday evenings here at St. Mary's upstairs in the Apple Suite at 6pm at the Nolin-Murray Center.

Things to Know

If you know someone who needs to be anointed or given communion please have them call the rectory. We ask that you do not take it upon yourself to call, unless you're the caregiver. Receiving a call 3rd party gets to confusing. If you are just calling to let us know of the status on someone, that's fine, and we appreciate that. But to set up a time for either father or the Eucharistic minister, it would be best to talk directly to the person in charge.

Bereavement Group for Men

This group is for any man who has lost a spouse, a child, or a loved one. Informal group to share our sadness and our joys. 7pm-8:15pm. St. Mary's Nolin Murray Center. We meet on the 2nd & 4th Wednesdays of each month. Contact is Deacon Paul Kendall, 802-885-2445.

Vacation

Welcome back Father Bill for the next few weekends with us. Father Peter will be on vacation for a couple weeks, so there will be no daily Masses.

Thank You

Thank you to everyone who came out and made the parish picnic a great success. The community building that was had, was very much needed. Congratulations to Terry and Sadie Sheehan for winning the Corn hole tournament. If you missed it this year, don't worry you always have next year.

Need Help Hearing In Church

If you wish you could hear Mass more clearly, we have a solution. Our new sound system includes assisted listening capabilities. We have devices that work on their own with the included earpiece, or you can use your earbuds and iPhone. Contact the rectory if you want to be trained. It only takes a few minutes, and you will be able to hear every word of the Mass.

Oils, Salt & Water

In the rectory we now have some special things for you. We have exorcised blessed water and salt for your house and property. We also have three different oils for healings and protection. They are up for grabs now, I am starting with parishioners first. So please come and grab them. Once all parishioners have got theirs we can start to extend out to the rest of the people. There is enough in the bottles that you can share with whom ever you like. We are also accepting donations for all the materials. We are not charging for anything, but if you would like to leave a donation for the oils or bottles we will take it!

Secretary Tip: The Gospel of Beth

Animals and Jesus do speak, but only to those who know how to listen.