

St. John the Evangelist

SATURDAY (2/13):	5:30PM — <i>Margaret Tanner</i> (by the Holy Family Prayer Circle) & <i>Clark Leonard</i> (by Joe & Diane Byrne).
SUNDAY (2/14):	8:30AM — <i>For the Parishioners of St. Edward and St. John the Evangelist.</i>
MONDAY (2/15):	12:00PM — <i>Healing Intentions of Mary Millay</i> (by Kathy Ducharme).
TUESDAY (2/16):	12:00PM — <i>In Thanksgiving to the Venerable Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen for Prayers Answered.</i>
WEDNESDAY (2/17):	8:00AM — <i>Albert Messier</i> (by Laura Gervais).
THURSDAY (2/18):	5:00PM — <i>Jimmy Flynn & Family</i> (by dear friends).
FRIDAY (2/19):	<i>No Mass</i>
SATURDAY (2/20):	5:30PM — <i>Arthur & Helen Sheehan</i> (by Bill & Cathy Asbell).
SUNDAY (2/21):	8:30AM — <i>Clark Leonard</i> (by St. John Parish Council).

Calendar of Events**2/14: Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:10AM — Rosary (St. John)

8:30AM — Mass (St. John)

10:00AM – Family of Faith (Zoom Call)

2/15: Monday of the 6th Week in Ordinary Time

12:00PM — Mass (St. John)

2/16: Tuesday of the 6th Week in Ordinary Time

12:00PM — Mass (St. John)

2/17: Ash Wednesday

8:00AM — Mass (St. John)

2/18: Thursday after Ash Wednesday

5:00PM — Mass followed by Exposition (St. John)

5:30PM — Confession (St. John)

2/19: Friday after Ash Wednesday*No Scheduled Events***2/20: Saturday after Ash Wednesday**

5:30PM — Mass (St. John)

6:30PM — Confession (St. John)

2/21: First Sunday in Lent

8:10AM — Rosary (St. John)

8:30AM — Mass (St. John)

Parish Prayer List

Theresa Ahern, Bill Asbell, Helen Babonis, John Benoit, Courtney Bernhardt, Maggie Byrne, Michael Carey, Eleanor Clements, Louise D, Terri D, Tess Donahue, Rebackah Duprey-Jones, Gary Elzerman, Kay Erff, Terry Gray, John Holland, Dan Jodoin, JoAnn Keenan, Michael Knight, Francis Lampart, Fred List, Tim Longchamp, Normande Messier, Mary Millay, Michelle Mondor, Norma Ryan, Norma Smith, The White Family, Lesley Werner & Parishioners in Homes & Hospitals.

Requiescat in paceFor all the Unborn

“Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.”

“If anyone wishes to come after Me, he must deny himself, and take up his cross daily and follow Me.”

~ Luke 9:23~

Sunday Scripture Verses

Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46; Psalm 32:1-2, 5, 11; 1

Corinthians 10:31-11, 1 & Mark 1:40-45

A leper came to Jesus and kneeling down begged him and said, “If you wish, you can make me clean.” Moved with pity, he stretched out his hand, touched him, and said to him, “I do will it. Be made clean.” The leprosy left him immediately, and he was made clean. Then, warning him sternly, he dismissed him at once. He said to him, “See that you tell no one anything, but go, show yourself to the priest and offer for your cleansing what Moses prescribed; that will be proof for them.” The man went away and began to publicize the whole matter. He spread the report abroad so that it was impossible for Jesus to enter a town openly. He remained outside in deserted places, and people kept coming to him from everywhere.

GUIDELINES FOR LENT

The time of Lent is to be observed by Catholics as a special season of prayer, penance and works of charity. Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, in particular, are the most important penitential days of the liturgical year. They are days of both fast and abstinence. All Fridays in Lent are days of abstinence. The rule of fasting states that only one full meal a day can be taken. Two small meals, “sufficient to maintain strength”, are allowed, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals breaks the fast, but drinking liquids does not. The rule of fasting obliges all Catholics from 18 to 59. Abstinence refers to the eating of meat. The common estimation of the community is used to determine what falls under the category of meat. The rule of abstinence binds all Catholics 14 years or older. The substantial observance of the laws of fast and abstinence is a serious obligation. Self-imposed fasting on the other weekdays of Lent is recommended. Abstinence on all Fridays of the year is also highly recommended. Parents and teachers should see to it that, even those who are not bound by the laws of fast and abstinence because of age, are brought up in an atmosphere that is conducive to a sense of penance.

2020 Bishop's Annual Appeal**St. John:****Goal:** \$24,623**Pledged:** \$18,690**Percent to Goal:** (76%)**Numbers reflect amounts as of February 9th, 2021***Christ Our Hope Campaign****St. John:****Goal:** \$133,558**Actual:** \$61,124**Percent to Goal:** (46%)**Numbers reflect amounts as of February 9th, 2021***40 Days for Life Vigil**

Help save lives by praying for an end to abortion in your community February 17th - March 28th. Our Central Vermont community will once again unite through fasting, prayer and peaceful vigil with many others from coast to coast for a major simultaneous pro-life mobilization – the 40 Days for Life Campaign.

Save the Date: Campaign Kick-off – Sunday, February 14th, 2021, 3:00PM, Sidewalk right of way, 90 Washington St., Barre.

PLEASE REMEMBER that if you do a vigil during this campaign, that it is important that you sign up for your chosen day and time! This information is very important for our VT campaign. Thank you and, for more information or questions, please contact Diane Byrne (802) 498-5638
Visit www.40daysforlife.com/barre.

Best Lent Ever

Feed Your Soul with Prayer this Lent! Nothing will transform your life so completely, absolutely, and forever like really learning how to pray. That's why this year's BEST LENT EVER journeys through Matthew Kelly's latest book, *I Heard God Laugh: A Practical Guide to Life's Essential Daily Habit*. Beginning on Ash Wednesday and continuing through all forty days of Lent, you will receive a daily email with a short video to help you reconnect with yourself and your God.

If you choose to throw yourself into this experience, we promise you that you will be surprised by what God can do in your life with just an email, a short video and an open heart. So this year, don't just sign up for BEST LENT EVER, have your best lent ever! **The Best Lent Ever Journal is available to parishioners in the entrance of our church.** The journal is an important accompaniment for your daily video reflections. If you have not yet signed up for the daily reflections, please do so at BestLentEver.com/2021

Sanctuary Candle (St. John) ~ For all the People in the World Suffering with the Corona Virus and for a Cure Sacred Heart ~ In Loving Memory of Clark Leonard.

Blessed Mother (St. John) ~ Healing Intentions of Eleanor Clements.

St. Joseph ~ Special Intention

St. Thérèse of Lisieux ~ Special Intention

St. Patrick ~ For the Protection of the Unborn, Vulnerable Adults and the Elderly

Stewardship Report**St. John:****Sunday Offertory (2/6/21 & 2/7/21):** \$ 2,119**Month Ending:** \$**Building Fund:** \$ 475**Month Ending:** \$**Liturgical Ministers*****St. John the Evangelist:*****Saturday February 20, 2021****Ushers** — Ann Colgan, Karlene Langley**Lector** — Jack Hall**EM** —**Sunday, February 21, 2021****Usher(s)** — Anne Donahue**Lector** — Anne Donahue**EM** — Deacon Ges**Ash Wednesday**

Ash Wednesday, February 17th starts the penitential season of Lent. **Mass will be offered at 8AM** Ashes will be distributed during the Mass as well as right after the Mass for those who wish to receive ashes without attending the Mass.

Ash Wednesday Almsgiving Collection

There will be a special collection on Ash Wednesday to support Vermont Catholic Charities. This agency provides financial and emotional support to individuals and families throughout Vermont through the programs offered which include Counseling, Emergency Aid, Prison Ministry, and Residential Care Homes.

Donations can be made through your parish or through our website

<https://www.vermontcatholic.org/ministries-programs/catholic-charities/ash-wednesday-appeal/> or by mailing a check to Vermont Catholic Charities, 55 Joy Drive, South Burlington, VT 05403. Please know that every gift—whatever the size—makes a difference. Thank you for your generosity.

Religious Education & Confirmation for 2020/21
February Zoom Class ScheduleFamily of Faith Sunday February 14th @ 10amConfirmation Virtual Retreat February 28th 1-4 pm