



Palm Sunday

April 9, 2017



MASS INTENTIONS

April 8 - 16

SAT 7:30 pm For the Parishioners

SUN 9:00 am Tracy Madison
-by the family

11:00 am Jason Burluson
-by the family

Daily Mass

MON – WED No Masses

HOLY THURSDAY

7:30 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper
George Parent

-by Henry & Loretta Magnan

GOOD FRIDAY (fast and abstinence)

7:30 pm Good Friday Service
(at St. Patrick Church)

HOLY SATURDAY

7:30 pm Easter Vigil
For the Parishioners

EASTER SUNDAY

9:00 am Robert & Anna Giroux
-by their family

11:00 am Roberta Sheridan
-by her family

Please pray for those who are ill, particularly:
Mary Ann Hranek, Gabriella Laubisch, June Morin, Ruby Minor, Cole Paquette, Jerry Yates, Alex Rocheleau, and Joseph Magnan.

VCYS 2017: Vermont Catholic Youth Serve 2017 will take place on June 23 – 25 in Burlington. Participating teens will travel to multiple locations in the area to show Christ's love to others through fun and effective service projects that express the Christian Works of Mercy. For more information contact the Office of Youth Ministry at 802-658-6110, ext. 1130 or go to www.vermontcatholic.org.

Office Hours: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday – 8:30am – 12:30 pm.

Next Week's Ministers:

	Lectors	Greeters	Eucharistic Ministers
Sat., April 15			
7:30	Susan Magnan Elizabeth Magnan	Real Therrien	Marty Magnan Susan Rainville
Altar Servers: Maggie Tiffany, Anthony Andrews			
Sun., April 16			
9:00	Gail Williams	Gary & Mary Kay Dukas	Sarah Menard Norman Menard
Altar Servers: Ben & Tate Archambault			
Gift Bearers: Bridget Rivet			
11:00	Steve & Margaret Doe	Liz Boylan	Mary Ovitt
Altar Servers: Hunter Harris, Samantha Churchill			
Gift Bearers: Don & Helen Bushey			

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Collection last weekend – April 1 - 2

	St. Patrick	St. Anthony -St. George
Offertory:	\$ 1,156.00	\$ 475.00
40 week average:	\$ 1,297.00	\$ 400.00
Weekly Goal:	\$ 1,275.00	\$ 385.00
Easter Flowers:	\$ 396.00	\$ 213.00

Second Collections:

April 9: Vermont Catholic Magazine

April 14: Holy Land

April 16: Projects & Food Shelf

Thank you for your continuing generosity!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION SCHEDULE

Sunday, April 9 - **Grades 1, 2, 6, 7, 9 and 10**

6- 7 pm at St. Patrick Church

Wednesday, April 12 – **Grades 4 & 8**

3 – 4 pm at Fairfield Center School

Wednesday, April 12 - **Grades 3 & 5**

3 – 4 pm at St. Patrick Church

Rice Bowls: If you used Rice Bowls during Lent, please turn them in next week.

Living Faith: Booklets of readings for April, May, and June are now available at the church entrances. Please take one home.

Holy Thursday Adoration: Sign up sheets for Adoration following Holy Thursday evening Mass may be found at the church entrances. Adoration will follow the Mass until 10:00 pm.



Guidelines for Lent

- All Fridays in Lent are days of abstinence.
- 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 – 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.

April is Child Abuse Prevention Month: April is National Child Abuse Prevention Month, and during this time of the year we pray for healing and peace for those who have experienced abuse and neglect. The Church of the Nativity in Swanton is hosting an Evening Prayer for Healing service to remember victims/survivors of abuse and their families. This will be held on Wednesday, April 19 at 7:00 pm. All are welcome and encouraged to attend as we support our neighbors and loved ones with an evening of prayer, song, and healing.

Chrism Mass: Bishop Christopher J. Coyne will celebrate the annual Chrism Mass on Tuesday, April 11, at 11 a.m. at St. Joseph Co-Cathedral. Priests of the diocese will gather to celebrate with the bishop, and the faithful are invited and encouraged to attend. Bishop Coyne will bless three oils: the Oil of Catechumens (used in the Sacrament of Baptism), the Oil of the Infirm (used in the Sacrament of the Sick) and the Holy Chrism (used in the Sacrament of Confirmation and the Sacrament of Holy Orders and for the dedication of a church).

Father Bill experienced a small heart attack this past Wednesday and underwent a procedure soon after arriving at UVMHC. He is home and, at the recommendation of his doctor, he is resting for a few days until he can resume a normal schedule. We are grateful to have Father Leonidas Laroche, a former pastor, to say the Masses this weekend. Because Father Bill is not available, there will be no daily Masses Monday through Wednesday this week. The Bishop’s office is working to find priests to cover the services for Holy Thursday through Easter Sunday.

New Evangelization Summit: God is calling you and me. On May 12 – 13, Vermont will be hosting our VERY first *Live-Streamed* New Evangelization Summit out of Ontario, Canada joining thousands of others throughout North America. We will be gathering at Holy Cross Church in Colchester from 6:30 – 9:00 pm (May 12) and 8:30 am – 4:30 pm (May 13) to hear speakers like Bishop Robert Baron and Sr. Miriam James Heidland. The cost of \$35 per person will cover materials, snacks and lunch on Saturday. For more information and to register visit <https://www.newevangelization.ca/>. Please contact Deacon Phil Lawson at (502) 658-6110 ext. 1453 or plawson@vermontcatholic.org with questions.

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK: **Sunday:** Megan Branon, Daniel Forand, Jared Robert, Annette Brown **Tuesday:** Shane Garceau, Tim Howrigan, Ryley Mangan, Bailey Williams **Wednesday:** Bradley Callan, Erin Howrigan, Nolan Howrigan, Jade Remillard, Norman Dudley **Thursday:** Sadie Callan, Patrice Hemingway, Harold Howrigan **Friday:** Zebediah Dasaro, Doris St. Pierre

