Together, we make up the Roman Catholic Diocese of Burlington — 73 parishes, 23 missions, 13 Catholic schools (plus one digital academy) and 118,000 Catholics. We are all called to share the Good News that Jesus Christ is Lord and to serve God in all things. The way we, as the Church, sustain and expand the mission is by actively engaging in parish life and by financially supporting the diocesan ministries and programs that serve the most vulnerable among us, enhance the spiritual lives of our parishes and educate our children and young adults about the faith.

Because of the generosity of many of you, we were able to raise $2.65 million last year during the Bishop’s Annual Appeal to support the ministries and programs that serve our parishes, schools and the community. These include vocations, emergency aid, youth ministry, Catholic schools and religious education and so many more.

For more details and a message from Burlington Bishop Christopher Coyne, please visit: bishopsappealvt.org.

In this Year of Creation, as we launch the 2017 Bishop’s Annual Appeal next week, we are making a greater effort to save valuable resources by reducing our mailings. Over the last two years, we have realized almost $30,000 in savings due to more parishioners pledging during in-pew and online rather than traditional mailing.

It is with gratitude and a humble heart that we ask you to consider making a gift again this year during the upcoming in-pew phases on May 6-7 and 20-21 or online.

Any gift will make a difference and ensure the Catholic faith continues to thrive in Vermont.

Thank you,

Ellen Kane, Executive Director of Development & Communications

“Whatever You Do, Do All to the Glory of God.”
— Corinthians 10:23

5-Day Silent Retreat in the Ignatian Tradition
June 18–23, 2017 • St. Anne’s Shrine, Isle La Motte

The Society of St. Edmund will conduct this retreat using principles from the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius of Loyola. Retreatants will be invited to contemplate scripture passages, celebrate daily Eucharist and meet with a Spiritual Director each day. The retreat begins at 7:00 pm on Sunday and concludes with lunch on Friday. Space limited due to single room accommodations. Cost: $500. Applications and further info: 802-928-3362 or fstanne@pshift.com.
UPCOMING EVENTS

04|29
Burlington Catholic Young Adult Fundraiser Dinner
St. Mark Parish Hall, Burlington • 5 - 7 pm
The funds raised from this pasta dinner will be used to help with expenses like food costs for potlucks and costs for printing posters for advertising. Tickets are $5 per person, or $20 per family.
FOR MORE INFO: burlingtonareayoungadults@gmail.com

05|06
Nonviolence Workshop/Retreat
St. Thomas Parish, Underhill Center
9 am - 3:15 pm
This free event explores Jesus’s teaching on nonviolence. Bring a light lunch and beverage.
FOR MORE INFO: Gary Chicoine (802) 851-5052

05|07
Free Organ Recital
Sacred Heart/St. Francis de Sales, Bennington • 3 pm
Donald McMahon, organist and director of music for Sacred Heart St. Francis de Sales Parish, will perform works such as “Sonata Cromatique” by A.L. Barnes, and “Fantaisie in A Major” by Cesar Frank, as well as works by Camille St.-Saens, Giovanni Morandi, David J. Johnson and others. All facilities are accessible to those with special needs.
FOR MORE INFO: parish office (802) 442-3141 x5

05|17
Mater Christi School Spring Open House
Mater Christi School, Burlington
8:30 - 11 am
Mater Christi combines rigorous, 21st-century academics with a global philosophy in the Mercy tradition. From the first day of preschool through eighth grade graduation, we encourage our students to discover their gifts and talents, and become the best version of themselves.
FOR MORE INFO: (802) 658-3992, mcschool.org/about/contact-us/

05|19
Sing Praise to God All the Earth
St. John Vianney, South Burlington
7 - 8:30 pm

05|20
Sing Praise to God: A Conference for Music Ministers
St. Michael’s College, Colchester
9 am - 4:30 pm
The event is for singers, musicians, choir members, choir directors and people who love to sing. Featuring OCP composers Jaime Cortez, Tom Kendzia and Bob Hurd. The cost is $25 per person (caps at $200 per parish).
FOR MORE INFO: (802) 658-6110 x1460 or register at ocp.org/en-us/sing-praise-to-god

04|30
Pancake Breakfast
St. John the Evangelist, St. Johnsbury
9 - 11 am
The seventh and eighth grade religious education students will host a pancake breakfast at the Father Lively Center. Proceeds will benefit St. Jude’s Hospital and The Corpus Christi Conference of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. Cost is by donation.
FOR MORE INFO: (802) 748-5892, (802) 748-9256, email stjohnsk8ed@gmail.com

05|09
DRE Retreat Day
St. Monica, Barre
This is the annual DRE Retreat Day.

05|11
Christ the King School Open House
Christ the King School, Burlington
8:30 am - 2 pm
Open house for new families, drop-ins are welcome all day. Presentations by the principal and current parents of early education, elementary, and middle school students at 8:45 a.m. and 2 p.m.
FOR MORE INFO: (802) 862-6696 or facebook.com/cksvt/

05|12, 13
New Evangelization Summit
Holy Cross, Colchester
6:30 - 9 pm
The Burlington Diocese will host its first official satellite site for the live-streamed “New Evangelization Summit” out of Ottawa, Ontario Canada. The cost of $35 per person will cover materials, snacks and a meal on Saturday.
FOR MORE INFO: vermontcatholic.org

05|13
Fatima 100th Anniversary
Our Lady of Fatima, Craftsbury
6 pm
100th Anniversary of Apparitions of Our Lady of Fatima Celebration. Rosary at 6 pm (outside, weather permitting). Mass at 6:30 pm with May Crowning. Refreshments to follow.

04|30
Turkey Dinner
Sacred Heart Parish Hall, Troy • 7 - 10 pm
The event is sponsored by the Ladies of Sacred Heart to benefit the parish building maintenance fund. Janet Luzier, Friends and Drifters will provide music. There will be a raffle, and tickets are $20 each and include one dinner; an additional dinner is $10. Children under 12 are free. There will be cash drawings of $500, $250, $100, four $50 and three $25. Only 175 tickets are available. Call and leave a message to reserve tickets.
FOR MORE INFO: (802) 744-6318

04|30, 05|01, 02
Parish Mission
Saint Monica, Barre various times
This parish retreat features Father Dan Cambra of the Marians of the Immaculate Conception, who will give the homily at each weekend Mass and offer confessions with a talk on Spanish Mass & Confessions.
FOR MORE INFO: stmonicalift@gmail.com.

04|30
Health and Wellness Fair
Immaculate Heart of Mary, Williston
11:30 am - 1 pm
FOR MORE INFO: Doris Van Mullen RN (615) 390-9965

05|05, 06, 07
Catholic Scout Retreat
Mt. Norris Scout Camp, Eden
5 pm
Scout Retreat for Catholic Scouts ages 11 - up. All scouts, leaders, and parents are welcome to come pray with us. There will be cabins but, for those who are hearty, tent sites are available. The theme is “God Doesn’t Text, HE Calls.” A vocations-themed retreat; there will be lectures, movies, campfire, prayer and fun activities. $40 per person.
FOR MORE INFO: David Ely (802) 862-5109, Elyfamily6@aol.com, vermontcatholicscouting@gmail.com

05|14
Spanish Mass & Confessions
LaSalette Shrine, Enfield, NH • 2:30 pm
Mass at 2:30 p.m. in Spanish celebrated by Father John Patrick Sullivan, M.S., who served as a missionary in Argentina for many years. Refreshments after Mass.
FOR MORE INFO: (603) 632-7087, lasaletteofenfield.org

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