National Catholic Schools Week has been celebrated every year since 1974, recognizing Catholic education in the United States. This year, it takes place from January 29th to February 4th.

The theme chosen for this National Catholic Schools Week is “Catholic Schools: Communities of Faith, Knowledge and Service.” The theme encompasses several concepts that are at the heart of a Catholic education. First, schools are communities — small families in their own right, but also members of the larger community of home, church, city and nation.

Schools typically observe the annual celebration week with Masses, open houses and other activities for students, families, parishioners and community members. Through these events, Catholic schools share with their communities the good things that Catholic schools offer young people and highlight contributions to the Church, communities and the nation through academic excellence, faith-filled education and values.

Bishop Christopher Coyne will celebrate Mass with Catholic School students from throughout Vermont on Wednesday, Feb. 1 at 10:00 a.m. at St. Joseph’s Co-Cathedral in Burlington. Please join us for this special Mass.

Learn more about Vermont Catholic schools, including the latest online high school, at vermontcatholic.org/schools.

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The National Catholic Education Association, NCEA.org/catholicschoolsweek
UPCOMING EVENTS

01|29 Catholic Schools Week Mass
Sacred Heart St. Francis de Sales, Bennington - 9:30 am
Kick off Catholic Schools Week at The School of Sacred Heart. St. Francis de Sales will Mass on Sunday, January 29.

01|29 Winter Worship
All Saints Church, Richford 4 pm
Come join us for an evening of Praise and Worship with our host, Bill Gavin, Director of Youth Ministry of the Diocese of Burlington. We will begin with the Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament by Father Karl Hahr where we will lift our hearts to Jesus in thanksgiving and adoration through silent prayer and singing worship songs from musicians such as Matt Maher and Chris Tomlin. There will be opportunity for Confession. Following the worship service, there will be a potluck meal at the Dorian Hall. Please bring a dish to share. FOR MORE INFO: Kelly Lagasse lagassekelly@yahoo.com or (802) 848-7741

01|29 St. Peter’s Free Community Dinner
St. Peter, Vergennes - 5–6:30 pm
Bring your family and friends and enjoy a home cooked meal with your neighbors, in our Parish Hall free of charge. Note the date change due to the Super Bowl being played on Feb. 5th.

01|29 Italian Buffet Dinner
St. Thomas, Underhill Center 5–7 pm
Italian Buffet Dinner to benefit the St. Thomas Painting and Renovation Fund. All are welcome and cost is by donation. Hope to see you there! FOR MORE INFO: Theresa Gingras (802) 899-4632 Not handicap accessible

02|03 Catholicism Series
10 DVD Series
St. Jude, Hinesburg - 7 pm
St. Jude the Apostle Church is hosting a movie series about Catholicism. The series began Nov. 15 and ran on Nov. 22, 29, Dec. 6, Jan. 3, 10, 17, 24. The final date is Feb. 3. All are welcome. FOR MORE INFO: (802) 482-2290

02|04 Discovery of and Training in “Come Follow Me” Catechetical Series - Quebec City, Canada - 10 am
“Come Follow Me” is a catechetical program designed by members of Notre Dame de Vie to lead children to experience God’s Love in the intimacy of silent prayer. It is Scripture-based. This day will be in French with English translation available on a limited basis. FOR MORE INFO: email@ourladyoflifeinstitute.org

02|04 Mass in Spanish
Montreal, Canada - 10 am
Spanish Mass in Thanksgiving for Blessed Fr. Marie-Eugene
St. Peter, Vergennes - 8-10 am
Parish Breakfast hosted by the Knights of Columbus: bring your family and friends! FOR MORE INFO: (802) 877-2367

02|04 French Canadian Supper
Our Lady of the Holy Rosary, Richmond 5–6 pm
Supper features French Canadian style pea soup and tortiere (meat pie), $10 suggested donation to benefit the charities of Rosary Council of the Knights of Columbus 4684
FOR MORE INFO: Doug St Amour (802) 777-5302 (evenings) or (802) 434-2521 (day)

02|05 World Marriage Day Mass
St. Joseph Co-Cathedral, Burlington 10 am
Join us for this special Mass to celebrate World Marriage Day here in the Diocese of Burlington.

02|06 Mass in Spanish
St. Michael’s College, Colchester 7:30–8:15 pm
Saint Michael’s College offers Mass in Spanish once monthly during the academic year. FOR MORE INFO: Campus Ministry (802) 654-2333

02|12 K of C Parish Breakfast
St. Peter, Vergennes - 8-10 am
Parish Breakfast hosted by the Knights of Columbus: bring your family and friends! FOR MORE INFO: (802) 877-2367

02|12 Spanish Mass
La Salette Shrine, Enfield, NH 2:30–6 pm
Confessions in Spanish will be available before and after Mass, and there will be refreshments served after Mass. FOR MORE INFO: lasaletteofenfield.org or (603) 632-7087

Submit your event to the diocesan calendar!
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