Each year Burlington Bishop Christopher Coyne appeals to members of the Catholic community to share their love and their gifts to help support the ministries and programs that serve our statewide Diocese. That includes services for 73 parishes, 14 schools, 87 cemeteries and four residential care facilities plus financial aid and counseling to thousands of the most vulnerable Vermonters through Vermont Catholic Charities Inc.

We are one community, one Church, with 118,000 Catholics, more than 1,000 employees and 4,000 volunteers. We are also a generous community. One hundred percent of our parishes participate in ministries that feed the hungry, and 90 percent support people in financial crisis. Our religious education programs and youth ministry events engage more than 3,000 young people annually.

For these successful endeavors we are thankful, because with your help, we are building up the Kingdom of God here in Vermont. And we, as Church, must create new ways to reach out to struggling families, to engage our young people and revitalize our liturgy in order to pass down the beauty and hope of our faith to the next generation.

That is why the Bishop’s Annual Appeal is so important.

On the weekend of May 19-20, we will launch the in-pew collection segment of the appeal, and we respectfully ask that you consider making a gift at that time.

If you would like to give online or learn more about what the Bishop’s Annual Appeal supports, please visit bishopsappealvt.org.

Your generosity is a gift from God, and we are grateful.

Thank you,

Ellen Kane, Executive Director of Development
05|13 SUNDAY  
**K of C Mother’s Day Breakfast**  
St. Monica – St. Michael School, Barre  
9 am – 12:30 pm

The Council 399 Knights will serve breakfast after all three of the Sunday morning Masses (7:45, 9:30 and 11:15). A donation to offset food costs will be gladly accepted.

05|16 WEDNESDAY  
**Mater Christi Open House**  
Mater Christi School, Burlington  
8:30 – 11 am

Mater Christi is a private Catholic school sponsored by the Sisters of Mercy of the Mercy Education System of the Americas. From the first day of preschool through eighth grade graduation, we encourage our students to discover their gifts and talents. A Mater Christi education prepares them to help transform the world.  
FOR MORE INFO: (802) 658-3992 or mc school.org.

05|18 FRIDAY  
**Christ The King ‘Fore’ The Crusader Kids Golf Tournament**  
Proctor/Pittsford Country Club, Pittsford  
1 pm

4 Person Scramble. $400 per team includes 2 carts, participant gifts and post play dinner.  
FOR MORE INFO: marybethlennox@yahoo.com

05|19, 20 SATURDAY & SUNDAY  
**Annual Scout Retreat**  
Holy Family Parish Center, Essex  
Scout Retreat for Boy Scouts, Venture, Girl Scouts and Youth Groups ages 11-21. Must have chaperones or scout leaders per group. $60 per person. It will start at Holy Family Parish Center go to Metro Climbing facility in Essex for an overnight climb. The weekend will include Mass as well as fun, games and religious activities.  
FOR MORE INFO: VermontCatholicScouting. weebly.com

06|02, 03 SATURDAY & SUNDAY  
**Our Lady of Fatima Devotions**  
Holy Family, Essex Junction • 8 am  
Rosary and Reconciliation, followed by Mass.

06|09 SATURDAY  
**Padre Pio Mass**  
Holy Family, Essex Junction  
8 - 10 am

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**PRESENTATION: Vermont Catholic Advance Directives — How and Why**

Bioethicist Deacon Pete Gummere will lead a discussion on the Vermont Catholic Advance Directive (VCAD) and distribute VCAD preparation packets at this presentation.  
FOR MORE INFO: respectlife@vermontcatholic.org

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**THE DIocese of Burlington**

**CAREERS**

- Counselor/Psychotherapist Position with Vermont Catholic Charities, full/part time
- Interim Superintendent of Catholic Schools
- Intern: Development Systems Specialist
- Manager of Safe Environment Programs position, part time

FOR MORE INFO: vermontcatholic.org/careers

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**THE Diocese of Burlington’s Totus Tuus Summer Youth Program**

12 Locations!  
For More Info: vermontcatholic.org