

NEWS FROM The Inland See FOR THE DIOCESE OF BURLINGTON

May 22–28, 2020



CATHOLIC CEMETERIES

Peter Beauregard, director of facilities and Catholic cemeteries for the Diocese of Burlington, has direct responsibility for the diocesan cemetery, Resurrection Park in South Burlington, but he also offers support to 74 parish cemeteries throughout Vermont.

“Support of the parish cemeteries includes the sharing of best practices in the areas of services offered, accounting and property maintenance,” he explained, adding that cemeteries are eligible for the annual SafetyFirst grant program that can be used to repair, implement or improve safety concerns.

It is important to place the Catholic cemetery within the Catholic burial tradition. That tradition flows out of fundamental tenets of the Catholic faith that include:

- + the dignity of each individual human person;
- + the importance of Baptism into the faith;
- + the reality of the resurrection of Jesus Christ;
- + the promise of Jesus that His followers will share eternal life;
- + the celebration of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass uniting us to the Cross and our expression of adoration, thanksgiving, petition and supplication.

The operation of a Catholic cemetery ministry should support each of these tenets.

“Our Catholic cemeteries are blessed and consecrated grounds not unlike our churches,” Beauregard said.

“Maintaining them to the best of our ability is an outward sign that we are thankful for what we have been given.”

Mowing the grass controls the pest and weeds from taking over and keeping the grass at a two- to-three-inch height helps control the moisture of the soil. Maintenance of the monuments and their foundations ensures that the stones are stable and unlikely to fall over. Proper tree maintenance includes visual inspections to identify decay that can weaken a tree causing it to fall in high winds, damaging headstones and endangering visitors.

The maintenance of the cemeteries includes lawns, fences, trees, hedges, stone walls, ponds, roadways, pathways, water systems, storage buildings and machinery.

Beauregard estimated that there are 1,200 burials annually in the cemeteries he deals with, but that number could change because of the Covid-19 pandemic.

“Catholic cemetery grounds are consecrated and an extension of the Church,” he said “They are adorned with special Christian symbols, monuments and structures that make visiting them a holy and serene experience.”

For more information on Catholic cemeteries, go to vermontcatholic.org/about/finance/cemeteries.

The Bishop’s Annual Appeal supports the oversight of several Catholic cemeteries and guidance for all Catholic cemeteries in Vermont. To make a donation, go to bishopsappealvt.org.

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Diocese of Burlington *Online Ministry Opportunities*

May 24–30, 2020

Mass, Adoration, Rosary, and the Office of the Dead

Daily (Monday – Friday) 8 AM *Eucharistic Adoration* (30 min) — Livestream — www.vermontcatholic.org/tvmass

Daily (Monday – Friday) 11:15 AM *Live Rosary* — with Valerie Parzyck — www.facebook.com/DioBurlington

Daily (Monday – Friday) 12:05 PM *Mass* — Livestream — www.vermontcatholic.org/tvmass

Sunday 10 AM *Mass* — Livestream — www.vermontcatholic.org/tvmass

Office of the Dead will be livestreamed on www.facebook.com/DioBurlington, and also available on www.vermontcatholic.org/spiritualresources.

	8 AM	Office of the Dead, Morning Prayer
Friday, May 29	4 PM	Office of the Dead, Evening Prayer
	8 PM	Office of the Dead, Night Prayer

Online Ministries

Daily	Posted at 9 AM	Bishop Coyne's Daily Reflections — www.facebook.com/DioBurlington and www.vermontcatholic.org/about/office-of-bishop/dailyreflections/
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For the below offerings, we encourage people to register. Find the event on our diocesan calendar (www.vermontcatholic.org/events) and sign up, or contact mhagan@vermontcatholic.org. All events are FREE. Some of these will also be live-streamed on the diocesan Facebook page (www.facebook.com/DioBurlington).

Monday, May 25 *no online ministry scheduled*

Tuesday, May 26 10:30 AM & 7 PM **Encountering Jesus Bible Study** (30 min) — Deacon Phil Lawson

Wednesday, May 27 4 PM **Forming Young Disciples** — Bill Gavin

Thursday, May 28 1 PM **Overflowing Love: Reflections on the Holy Spirit for Pentecost** — Josh Perry

7 PM **Theology on Tap** (for young adults 21-35) — Bill Gavin & Father Luke Austin

Friday, May 29 3 PM **Parenting with Grace, Part 3** — Bill Gavin & Terri McCormack

DIOCESE OF BURLINGTON CAREERS

Diocese: Respect Life Coordinator

The Loretto Home, Rutland: Director of Nursing — \$7,500 Sign-on Bonus!

Sacred Heart / St. Francis de Sales School, Bennington: Administrator

St. Joseph's Residential Care Home, Burlington: Full-Time LNA or Caregiver — \$500 Sign-On Bonus

St. Joseph's Residential Care Home, Burlington: Full-Time LPN or Med Tech — \$1000 Sign-On Bonus

St. Joseph's Residential Care Home, Burlington: Part-Time LNA or Caregiver

St. Joseph's Residential Care Home, Burlington: Part-Time LPN or Med Tech

St. Joseph's Residential Care Home, Burlington: Sr. Maintenance Technician

St. Joseph's Residential Care Home, Burlington: Night Shift Caregiver

For More Info:

www.vermontcatholic.org/careers