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WORLD MARRIAGE DAY 2023



SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2023

Imagine what it must have been like to attend the Wedding Feast at Cana — the dancing, the days of celebration, the foods and the wine. Jesus, His mother Mary and the disciples are in attendance. And then through Mary’s intercession and to everyone’s amazement, Jesus chooses to perform His first miracle of turning water into wine.

This particular banquet, divine miracle and “act of love” prompt us to ponder and reflect upon the importance of marriage and family.

We can divine the significance of water, the choicest wine served last and the love to be matured over time through the newly married couple.

The Sacrament of Marriage between a husband and wife takes courage, commitment, sacrifice and vulnerability. Each of us can be encouraged by witnessing the sacramental love through a committed relationship which is cause for celebration.

The 2023 World Marriage Day will be celebrated in February. In Vermont, married couples who will be celebrating a milestone anniversary this year and were married in the Catholic Church are invited to the 10 a.m. Mass at The Cathedral of St. Joseph on Feb. 5. Recognition of couples married 5, 10, 15, 20 ... 50-plus years will follow the Mass. There will be a reception in the parish hall after Mass.

Please contact Nicole Hamilton at 802-658-6110, ext. 1131 or nhamilton@vermontcatholic.org by Jan. 27 to register. Include the couple’s names, anniversary year (5, 10, 15, 20 ... 50, 51 or more), Catholic parish married in and name of priest/deacon who officiated. Requests will be accepted through Jan. 27.

Congratulations to all married couples. Let their love bear witness to God’s faithful love and a little bit of heaven on Earth through their marriage covenant.

— *Terri McCormack, Diocesan Coordinator of Marriage & Family Life*

Marriage for Life Prayer

God of Blessing, God of Love, in this lifelong covenant of marriage, may we always be aware of your presence.

May our home be filled with the light and goodness that come from You.

May our marriage become the gift to the world you intend it to be.

May our joy in each other be abundant as your joy is abundant in us.

May our family reflect the image of Your absolute and unfailing love.

Through all trials and blessings of family life, may we turn and surrender to you in every moment, growing stronger in the faith, hope and love that binds us ever closer to you.

Grant that we may nurture in each other grace and wisdom, rooted in you while daily growing toward your heavenly kingdom.

We ask this through Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

Upcoming Events



01|18 WEDNESDAY
**Vermont Catholic Professionals
Networking Breakfast**

In-Person and via Zoom • 8:30 - 9:30 am

Dr. Jessica Whalen will address the Vermont Catholic Professionals group at the first networking breakfast of 2023. This networking breakfast event will be held at the Roman Catholic Diocese of Burlington Brady Center, 55 Joy Drive, S. Burlington. Light breakfast foods and beverages will be available. The presentation will begin at 9 am. If you are unable to attend in person the speaker's presentation will be live-streamed via Zoom.



01|18 WEDNESDAY
Franklin Deanery Holy Hour

St. Rose of Lima, S. Hero • 6 pm

The Franklin Deanery will host a Holy Hour, priests will be available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation.



01|18, 25, 02|01, 08, 15 WEDNESDAYS
Good News Bootcamp

St. John Vianney, S. Burlington • 6:45 - 8:30 pm

Has the Holy Spirit been nudging you lately to reignite your joy and dig a little deeper into our Catholic faith? Please join us in discussing how we as Catholics can bring healing, transformation, virtue, and enthusiasm to our world. Check out our website at stjohnvianneyvt.org/good-news-bootcamp to discover what each week's topics will be. Join us for the sessions that interest you or join us for all of them! Questions? Contact Connie at SJVGoodNews@gmail.com.



01|19, 26, 02|02, 09, 16, 23
THURSDAYS
"Surviving Divorce" Group

St. John Vianney, S. Burlington • 6 - 7 pm

For the newly separated and divorced, as well as for those still struggling with issues many years later, we invite you to join us for Surviving Divorce. Together we will help each other answer questions, restore hope, and begin authentic healing from the pain and loneliness of a broken marriage. The twelve-week program will begin Thursday, January 12. A \$25 materials fee is requested to help with the cost. Accommodations are possible if the fee is a hardship at the time of registration. **FOR MORE INFO:** Dcn. Josh McDonald at jmcdonald@vermontcatholic.org.



01|19, 26 THURSDAYS
Weekly Bible Study

Immaculate Heart of Mary, Williston • 7 pm

Every Thursday at 7 pm we will gather in the parish hall library to read and discuss the Gospel for the coming Sunday. All are welcome!



01|19 THURSDAY
Married Life – The First 10 Years

via Zoom • 7 pm

Navigating the first ten years of marriage can be a challenge — no matter how long you've known each other. Join with other couples to build healthy relationships that foster the plan God has for your marriage. Enhance your relationship, meet other couples, and grow your marital relationship. You only need to register once to join. We meet virtually, once a month. Registration link can be found at: vermontcatholic.org/event/married-life-the-first-5-years



01|28 SATURDAY
Rosary, Mass, Rally for Life

St. Augustine, Montpelier • 9 am

Bishop Christopher Coyne will celebrate the Mass for Life at St. Augustine Church in Montpelier. Before Mass a Rosary for Life will be led by Deacons of the Diocese, at 9 am. The Rally for Life at the Vermont Statehouse will follow the Mass for Life (time TDB.)



02|05 SUNDAY
World Marriage Day Mass

Cathedral of St. Joseph, Burlington • 10 am

Married Catholic couples who are celebrating milestone anniversaries (5, 10, 15, 20, 50, 51, or more) during 2023, and who wish to be recognized are invited to attend the Diocese of Burlington Anniversary Mass. Pre-Registration is required by contacting Nicole Hamilton, nhamilton@vermontcatholic.org or (802) 6110, ext. 1131. Info needed: Catholic parish married, parish presently attending, and anniversary being celebrated. Parishes who wish to recognize significant anniversaries locally, can request certificates signed by Bishop Coyne, and mailed to the parish by contacting Nicole Hamilton (see above.) Please include the couple's names, anniversary year, Catholic parish married, and priest/deacon. Deadline: January 27, 2023.



02|07, 09 TUES & THURS
Walking With Families

via Zoom • 7 - 8 pm

This series of discussions will share the beauty of the Catholic Church's teachings on Theology of the Body as well as offer practical tips and suggestions from local professionals, clergy, religious and lay persons about how to talk about the gift of our sexuality, respond to gender identity issues, and more with our youth, our parents, our family, and friends.

Presenters for February 7 & 9 are Daniel Lacourge, Diocesan Catechetical Leader; Sister Paul Mary Dreger, FSE, Campus Ministry; and Marie Antunes, Administrative Secretary Waterbury, Moretown, Waitsfield
FOR MORE INFO: <https://www.vermontcatholic.org/event/walking-with-families-3/>



02|15 WEDNESDAY
Franklin Deanery Holy Hour

St. John the Baptist, Enosburg Falls • 6 pm

The Franklin Deanery will host a Holy Hour, priests will be available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation.



02|22 WEDNESDAY
Ash Wednesday

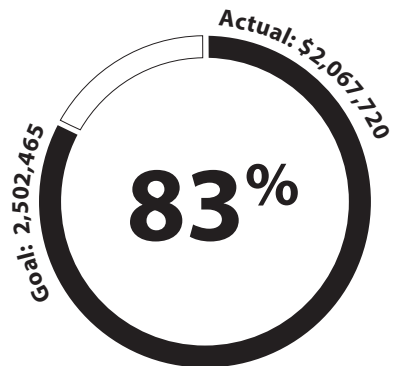
First day of Lent

While not a Holy Day of Obligation, attending Mass and receiving ashes is an excellent way to start off Lent!

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First Saturday Devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary — February 4, 2023

In these times, let us seriously consider one of the important messages from Our Lady of Fatima — the First Saturday devotion for Reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. This includes attending five consecutive first Saturday masses, going to confession within eight days, receiving Holy Communion, and meditating on the mysteries of the Rosary for fifteen minutes.

All Saints, Richford	Confession 7:30 am, followed by First Saturday Mass at 8 am, then devotional prayers.
Essex Catholic Community	The Saturday Vigil Mass may be used for the First Saturday Devotion: St. Lawrence at 4 pm and St. Pius X at 4:30 pm.
St. John Vianney, S. Burlington	Confession at 3 pm, Rosary at 4 pm and Vigil Mass 4:30 pm.
St. Mark, Burlington	First Saturday Mass at 9 am.

Does your parish offer special Marian devotion? Post it to the diocesan calendar and we will list it in *The Inland See*: vermontcatholic.org/events/community/add