Donna McSoley, founder of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Radio, will be the keynote speaker at the next meeting of Vermont Catholic Professionals.

The first Catholic radio station in Vermont, OLPR 105.5 FM was established five years ago by McSoley with the support of Archbishop Christopher Coyne and the Diocese of Burlington.

“Radio was something entirely new to me so each step was a challenge, but I learned to turn to prayer and to have great faith in God to sort it out,” she said. “With faith, we can do anything.”

In prayer and gratitude to God for helping her through a difficult time, McSoley wanted “to return the favor,” she said. She had received a letter from the Catholic Radio Association to spread the word that the Federal Communications Commission had announced an opportunity to apply for space on the FM dial. “As I read the letter, I was 100 percent clear that the Lord wanted me to do this. Radio was brand new territory, but God led me through every detail.”

McSoley will speak to members of Vermont Catholic Professionals on Oct. 18. The group will gather at 8:30 a.m. at diocesan headquarters at 55 Joy Drive in South Burlington; the speaker will begin her presentation at 9 a.m.

The purpose of Vermont Catholic Professionals is to join Catholic men and women and others with shared values from the business and professional communities to encourage intellectual discussions, to foster professional and faith-based relationships, and to inspire service and charity to the community in Vermont. The group hosts quarterly events that offer networking and a professional development speaker that is relevant to the business and professional communities in Vermont.

Past speakers have included doctors, businesspeople, educators, and non-profit directors.

The meetings take place in person and on Zoom.

For more information, go to vermontcatholic.org/vcp.

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Join us for this special Mass with Archbishop Coyne as celebrant. A reception will follow from 12 to 3 pm at the Doubletree Hotel, South Burlington. Please RSVP for the reception at: vermontcatholic.org/farewell.

### Upcoming Events

**09|18 – 10|30 MONDAYS**  
“The Chosen”  
St. John Vianney Parish Hall, S. Burlington  
AM: 9 – 10:30 am · PM: 6:30 – 8 pm  
Join us to view “The Chosen.” This series began on Monday, Sept. 11. Two options, AM or PM, for the eight episodes of season 1, followed by a discussion about that week’s episode, led by parishioners. FOR MORE INFO: Email Connie at sjvgoodnews@gmail.com.

**09|20, 27, 10|04 WEDNESDAYS**  
St. Michael Church Lecture Series  
Saint Michael, Bennington - 5 - 7 pm  
The stained-glass lecture series continues:  
Sept. 20 — Dcn. Christopher Dougherty, Deacon at Saint Michael, Brattleboro will discuss Saint Brigid  
Sept. 27 — Fr. Henry Furman, Pastor of Saint Michael, Brattleboro will discuss Saint Michael  
Oct. 4 — Fr. Beaugard, Pastor of Saint Stanislaus in Winchester, NH will discuss the Holy Spirit

**09|20 - 10|27 WEDNESDAYS or FRIDAYS**  
Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible  
Our Lady of Angels, Randolph  
Wednesday at 6:30 pm · Fridays at 9:45 am  
This eight-session study program includes video presentations that explore all twelve time periods of The Bible Timeline Chart. This series began on Sept. 6.

**09|21 THURSDAY**  
Letter for Artists Zoom Study  
via Zoom - 9 to 10 am  
Fr. Henry Furman will lead this discussion. We will be reading the Pope John Paul’s 1999 Letter to Artists. The letter is addressed to all who are dedicated to the search for new epiphanies of beauty. To join this study, please send your email address to stmichael@vermontcatholic.org. You don’t need to be an artist to take part!

**09|21 THURSDAY**  
Our Lady’s Kitchen & Catholic Movie Night  
Our Lady of the Angels, Randolph - 6 – 8:30 pm  
Free meal and a movie! Come one, come all!

**09|23 SATURDAY**  
Spiritual Retreat: A day of Prayer and Fellowship for Catholic Women  
Our Lady of the Angels, Randolph - 9:30 am - 2 pm  
Led by Fr. Patrick Forman, sponsored by the Vermont Catholic Daughters. All Catholic women 18 and over are invited, because we would love to have you join us there is no registration fee. Lunch will be provided for a free will donation. RSVP to: Rose Pelchuck, brocal@myfairpoint.net.

**09|24 SUNDAY**  
Farewell Mass and Reception for Archbishop Coyne  
Cathedral of St. Joseph, Burlington - 10 am  
Join us for this special Mass with Archbishop Coyne as celebrant. A reception will follow from 12 to 3 pm at the Doubletree Hotel, South Burlington. Please RSVP for the reception at: vermontcatholic.org/farewell.

**09|27 WEDNESDAY**  
Taize Prayer Service  
Sacred Heart St. Francis de Sales, Bennington - 6 pm  
Join us for a Taize prayer service to pray for the work and success of their parish ministries, programs, committees, and catechists, as well as the students, faculty, staff and helpers of The School of Sacred Heart St. Francis de Sales in Bennington.

**09|29 – 10|02 FRI, SAT, SUN, MON**  
Light of the World Retreat  
Holy Family Parish Hall, Essex Junction  
Parishioners from all parishes are welcome. Information and registration available at essercatholic.org/light-of-the-world-retreat or email ecc.engage@gmail.com. There is no registration fee.

**10|01 SUNDAY**  
Eucharistic Healing Service  
St. John the Evangelist, St. Johnsbury - 3 - 4 pm  
Benediction and Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament at 3 pm on the first Sunday of every month with Fr. Lance W. Harlow.

**10|02, 11|06 MONDAYS**  
Spanish Mass at St. Michael’s College Chapel  
St. Michael’s College, Colchester - 7:30 pm  
If you wish to be placed on our mailing list, please email Fr. Marcel Rainville, S.S.R at mainville@smcvt.edu.

**10|08 SUNDAY**  
Harvest Dinner Fundraiser  
St. Anne’s Shrine, Isle La Motte - 11:30-2:30  
In the main building, cafeteria. $20 per plate.

**10|09/10 — FRI, SAT, SUN, MON**  
St. Mary’s Parish Hall, Burlington  
(see website for details)

**10|09 SUNDAY**  
Fourth Annual St. John Henry Newman Night  
Holy Family, Essex Jct. - 4 - 8 pm  
An Evening in Honor of St. John Henry Newman, featuring solemn sung vespers, a first class dinner and dessert catered by Bill Rensch and the Knights of Columbus, and two presentations on the life and works of St. John Henry Newman. RSVP required: vermontnewman@gmail.com.

**10|18 WEDNESDAY**  
Vermont Catholic Professionals Networking Breakfast  
Diocesan Offices, S. Burlington - 8:30 - 10 am  
Donna McAuley, founder of Our Lady of Providence Radio, will be the speaker. Join us for networking and a light breakfast. Presentation begins at 9. Zoom option available. Register here: vermontcatholic.org/vcp

**10|19 THURSDAY**  
Spanish Mass  
St. Peter, Vergennes - 7 pm  
With Fr. Timothy Danaher, O.P.

**10|21 SATURDAY**  
The Chosen — Movie Night and Potluck  
St. John the Baptist, Enosburg Falls - 5 - 6:45 pm  
Come join us for a movie night and potluck dinner every third Saturday of the month.

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**A MESSAGE FROM THE**  
**U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking**  
**Ending Slavery Is Everyone’s Work**

September — Children make up a quarter of people in forced labor. Millions of children around the world will never go to school because they are working to help provide for their families.

U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking is a 501 c (3) organization, 7575 Grand River Rd., Suite 109, Brighton, MI 48114 (sistersagainsttrafficking.org)

Progress: 72% to goal

Raised: $1,635,313

Goal: $2,503,354

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