

NEWS FROM The Inland See

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FOR THE DIOCESE OF BURLINGTON



1. Edmundite Father Marcel Rainville of St. Michael's College in Colchester poses with a family on a day celebrating a child's baptism. 2. With deepest gratitude to Damaris Neaves, a Middlebury College student, the Catholic Migrant Ministry of Addison County presented its new logo. — Submitted photos



Catholic Migrant Ministry of Addison County

A \$3,000 Vermont Catholic Community Foundation grant will support the primary mission of Catholic Migrant Ministry of Addison County to provide Masses and sacraments in Spanish for the local migrant community.

One Mass per month is currently scheduled with an occasional extra service for sacraments, particularly baptisms, to accommodate family schedules.

The grant funds support the Spanish-speaking priest's travel cost, musicians, and a Mexican communal meal for all who come to the Mass. The ministry also has purchased a Spanish lectionary and Spanish Bibles for families.

A secondary mission of this ministry is to provide material needs — such as food, clothing, or furniture — but grant funds are not used for this

purpose. "We rely on private donations and collaboration with agencies such as The Women's Center in Middlebury, Have-A-Heart Food Shelf in Bristol, and Vermont FoodBank to help meet these needs," explained Patty Lewis, chair migrant ministry.

Spanish Masses had been celebrated intermittently in Addison County for 18 years but were discontinued when the Spanish-speaking priest became ill. In response to Diocesan Synod discussions, the parishes of St. Ambrose in Bristol and St. Peter in Vergennes realized that ministry to the migrant workers was an important need. The Vermont Migrant Outreach Team was organized by then-pastor Father Yvon Royer in 2019 with Spanish Mass for the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe as the first formal event at St. Peter's.

The current administrator of the parishes, Father Steven Marchand, became the ministry's leader following Father Royer's transfer to St. Francis Xavier Parish in Winooski.

For the past year, the Parish of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary in Middlebury has joined St. Ambrose and St. Peter parishes in providing Spanish Masses, most especially for big celebrations of the Day of the Dead in collaboration with Middlebury College, and for the feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

"The Mexican people celebrate the sacraments with such joy. ... Indeed, I am uplifted and renewed with each service," Lewis said. "Who wouldn't want to go to Spanish Mass? We are all humbly grateful for the VCCF grant."

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Upcoming Events



03|25 MONDAY

Chrism Mass

Cathedral of Saint Joseph, Burlington • 11 am

The Chrism Mass will be celebrated by Archbishop Coyne. The Oil of Chrism is consecrated, the Oils of Catechumens and the Sick are blessed, and the priests within the Diocese of Burlington recommit themselves to the Priesthood of Jesus Christ. A reception will follow in the parish hall. **The Chrism Mass is celebrated on Monday this year.**



03|26 TUESDAY

Scripture and Song for Holy Week

Sacred Heart St. Francis de Sales Church, Bennington • 7 pm

Join us for a special service of scripture and song. Everyone is warmly invited to attend.



04|01 MONDAY

Spanish Mass

St. Peter, Vergennes • 7 pm

Fr. Marcel Rainville, SSE will come celebrate

Mass in Spanish.



04|02 TUESDAY

Our Lady's Kitchen Luncheon

St. Anthony, Bethel • 11 am

Free meal! Come one, come all!



04|06 SATURDAY

Annual Spring Vermont Catholic Women's Retreat 2024

Maternity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Springfield • 8:30 am - 3:30 pm

Keynote Speaker is Sr. Paul Mary Dreger, FSE. The Theme of the Retreat is The Eucharistic Life: Bread of Life & Bread for Others. Registration Fee: \$30, lunch included. Register at: vermont-catholic.org/womens-retreat



04|06 SATURDAY

New/Potential Volunteer Social

St. Anne's Shrine, Isle La Motte

10 am - 12 pm

Tour the Shrine and see if you would like to share your time and talents this summer. For more info or to RSVP, email Abbi at astumpf@sse.org.



04|06 SATURDAY

St. Ambrose/St. Peter Youth Ministry Bingo

St. Peter, Vergennes • 5 pm

Doors open at 5 pm, Bingo starts at 6 pm.

This is a family friendly event. All cash prizes, 50/50 raffle. Refreshments sold. This event is sponsored by St. Ambrose & St. Peter's Youth Ministry to benefit the on-going program costs.



04|06 SATURDAY

Free Community Dinner

St. John the Baptist, Enosburg Falls

5 - 6:30 pm

Please join us for a Free Community Dinner open to all who would like a Hot Meal.



04|07 SUNDAY

Divine Mercy Celebration

St. Theresa, Orleans • 3 pm

The Holy Hour will feature Eucharistic Adoration, the Divine Chaplet in song with Confessions available. A reception will follow in the parish hall next door.



04|12 FRIDAY

Essex Community Dinners

Holy Family Parish Hall, Essex Jct. • 5:30 pm

These meals are free to all but donations to cover parish expenses are appreciated. Take out dinners are also available.



04|13 SATURDAY

St. Thomas Calcutta

Mansfield Barn, Jericho • 6 - 9 pm

St. Thomas Church in Underhill Center is

sponsoring a spring Calcutta. "Calcutta" is an elimination jackpot game coupled with dinner and entertainment. Cost is \$130 per ticket which includes 1 Calcutta ball and dinner for 2. **FOR MORE INFO: stthomasvtcalcutta@gmail.com or visit stthomasvt.com**



04|14 SUNDAY

Knights of Columbus Breakfast Buffet

St. Peter, Vergennes • 8 - 10 am

\$12 adults, \$7 children 8-12, \$38 immediate family maximum.



04|14 SUNDAY

Organ Concert

Sacred Heart St. Francis de Sales, Bennington 3 pm

Organist Donald McMahon will perform a special concert to commemorate his 30 years of service to the parish as organist and music director. Everyone is warmly invited to attend.



04|17 WEDNESDAY

Vermont Catholic Professionals Networking Breakfast

Diocesan Offices, S. Burlington • 8:30 am

Our speaker will be Andrew Neddo of Neddo Family Vineyard. Breakfast foods and beverages will be provided. Register at: vermontcatholic.org/vcp.



04|18 THURSDAY

BINGO

St. John Vianney, S. Burlington • 6:30 - 9:30 pm

Doors open at 4:30, first game at 6:30. Bring a non-perishable food item(s) and receive two free game sheets for the "winner take all" game. All food items are donated to the local Food Shelf.



04|20 SATURDAY

Men's "Cor" Formation

St. John Vianney, S. Burlington • 10 - 11:30 am

Calling all men to fellowship, prayer and a deeper faith! You are invited to participate in COR Formation. Cor is Latin for Heart. Through fraternity, prayer, and the study of God's pursuit of souls, we intend to grow closer to

the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary. COR Formation will be held on third Saturdays. All men are welcome. Coffee and donuts provided.



04|26, 27, 28 FRI, SAT, SUN

Young Adult Retreat

St. Anne's Shrine, Isle La Motte

For anyone ages 18 to 39. This year's theme

is: St. Francis and the Eucharist. St. Francis is one of the world's most well-known Saints. He had an intense love for the Eucharist. In this season of Eucharistic Revival, we will look to St. Francis' Eucharistic devotion to inspire a greater devotion within ourselves. Cost is \$75, includes meals and accommodations. Register at: vermontcatholic.org/event/young-adult-retreat.



08|20 TUESDAY

One-day Pilgrimage to the St. Kateri Shrine

Join us for a one-day pilgrimage to the St.

Kateri Shrine in Kahnawake, Quebec, outside of Montreal. Pickup and dropoffs in Middlebury and South Burlington. For further details and the Registration Form, contact Fr. Schneider (bschneider@vermontcatholic.org) or (802) 388-2943.



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30-40 hours per week

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