

# The Inland See

NEWS FROM

July 13–19, 2024

FOR THE DIOCESE OF BURLINGTON

## What will happen at the Episcopal Ordination?

First John J. McDermott was ordained to the transitional diaconate in preparation for his ordination to the priesthood for the Diocese of Burlington. When ordained to the priesthood, he was called “Father,” and after serving as a parish priest and chaplain, Father McDermott was given the title of monsignor and assumed various diocesan roles including that of diocesan administrator.

On July 15 he will assume a new title: Bishop John J. McDermott, 11th bishop of Burlington.

The new title will be his after a centuries-old set of rites during a special Mass at the Cathedral of St. Joseph in Burlington.

The Church’s ancient practice calls for several bishops to participate in the consecration of a new bishop. Cardinal Seán P. O’Malley, OFM Cap, archbishop of Boston and metropolitan archbishop of the Province of Boston, will be the principal consecrator; co-consecrators will be Hartford Archbishop Christopher J. Coyne and Rochester, New York, Bishop Salvatore R. Matano, both immediate past bishops of Burlington.

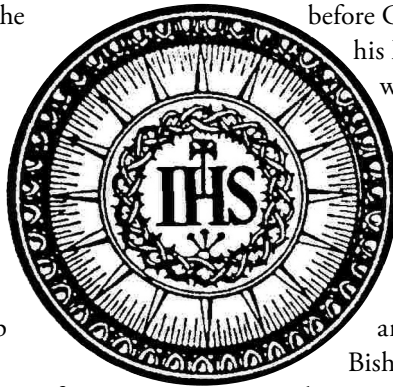
At the beginning of the Mass, Father Patrick Forman — pastor of St. Monica Parish in Barre and St. Augustine Church in Montpelier who was ordained to the priesthood with Bishop-elect McDermott 35 years ago — will represent the Catholic Church in Vermont and request that his classmate be ordained a bishop.

Cardinal O’Malley will ask that the apostolic letter from Pope Francis, appointing Bishop McDermott as the diocese’s next bishop and authorizing his ordination to the episcopacy, be read aloud by Archbishop Christophe Pierre, apostolic nuncio to the United States. The bishop-elect will then show the letter to those gathered.

During the Rite of Ordination, Cardinal O’Malley will question Bishop-Elect McDermott on his resolve to uphold the faith and discharge his duties as bishop.

During the Litany of Supplication (Litany of the Saints), the Church will invoke the intercession of the saints and martyrs in heaven to intercede for Bishop-elect McDermott and the entire pilgrim Church on earth, asking God to pour forth His grace and mercy. As a sign of humility in prayer, Bishop-elect McDermott will prostrate himself while all kneel and chant the litany.

The bishop-elect, during the Laying on of Hands — the principal gesture of the Sacrament of Holy Orders — will kneel



before Cardinal O’Malley who will lay his hands upon his head. Archbishop Coyne and Bishop Matano will do the same. Then, one after another, all the bishops present will lay hands on his head.

Then Cardinal O’Malley, joined by all the bishops present, will pray the Prayer of Ordination over Bishop-Elect McDermott. This prayer of the Church calls down the power of the Holy Spirit on the newly ordained, and it is through this prayer that he will become Bishop McDermott. “During the prayer, two

deacons will hold an open Book of the Gospels over the head of the one to be ordained, a ritual seen only in the ordination of a bishop, reminding him that he is to minister always under the guidance of the Holy Word of God and in the power of the Holy Spirit,” explained Josh Perry, director of the Office of Worship for the Diocese of Burlington.

Cardinal O’Malley then will anoint Bishop McDermott’s head with the Sacred Chrism, which will be followed by the Handing on of the Book of the Gospels that signifies that one of his chief responsibilities is to bring the Good News of the Gospel to the people.

Bishop McDermott will be presented with a ring and then be vested in the miter and given the crozier, symbols of his office as bishop.

Cardinal O’Malley, Archbishop Coyne, and Bishop Matano will bring Bishop McDermott to the cathedra — the bishop’s chair at the cathedral — and seat him. It is at this moment in the liturgy that Bishop McDermott will be installed officially as the 11th bishop of the Diocese of Burlington.

Finally, Bishop McDermott will receive the fraternal embrace from Cardinal O’Malley and the other bishops present, signifying his acceptance into the College of Bishops.

“Bishop McDermott then begins his first official act as our new bishop — celebrating the Liturgy of the Eucharist for the people entrusted to him,” Perry said.

After communion, he will be escorted around the cathedral by Archbishop Coyne and Bishop Matano, imparting his first blessings as bishop. Before giving the final blessing, he will address those present for the first time as the 11th bishop of Burlington.

The Ordination and Installation will take place on Monday, July 15 at 1 pm and is a ticketed event, it will be live-streamed for all to see at: <https://www.vermontcatholic.org/news/communication/tv-mass/>

# Upcoming Events



## 07|14 SUNDAY Solemn Vespers on the Eve of Ordination and Installation

*Cathedral of Saint Joseph, Burlington • 6 pm*

The Roman Catholic Diocese of Burlington will host a Solemn Vespers Service on the eve of the Ordination and Installation of The Most Reverend John Joseph McDermott as the Eleventh Bishop of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Burlington, Vermont. Public reception immediately following in the Parish Hall.



## 07|15 MONDAY Celebratory Reception for Bishop John J. McDermott

*Dion Family Center, Saint Michael's College,  
Colchester • 4 – 6 pm*

Following the Ordination and Installation Mass, there will be a celebratory reception open to the public. **Please RSVP at: [vermontcatholic.org/event/celebratory-reception](http://vermontcatholic.org/event/celebratory-reception)**



## 07|17 WEDNESDAY Vermont Catholic Professionals

*Diocesan Offices, S. Burlington • 8:30 am*

Join us for the next VCP Networking Breakfast.

Our speaker will be Rose Marie Ryea of Amerant Bank Mortgage. The presentation will begin at 9 am. Breakfast foods and beverages will be provided. **Register at: [vermontcatholic.org/vcp](http://vermontcatholic.org/vcp)**



## 07|17, 24, 08|08, 14, 21, 28 St. Anne's Shrine Summer Reflection Series 2024

*St. Anne's Shrine, Isle La Motte • 11:15 am*

The programs begin with 11:15 a.m. Mass followed by a presentation. Lunch is available for purchase in the café beginning with the July 10 reflection. As always, you may bring your own picnic lunch to eat outside. All are welcome!

Wednesday, July 17 • Fr. David Cray, SSE  
*Praying With Our Lady of Mount Carmel*

Wednesday, July 24 • Fr. Michal Carter, SSE  
*James the Apostle: Part of the Inner Circle Trio*

Wednesday, July 31 • Fr. Richard Myhalyk, SSE  
*Spirituality of the 12 Steps: Biblical Principles that Support Them & Prayer Aspects that Nourish Them*

Thursday, August 8 • Fr. David Theroux, SSE  
*The Transfiguration*

Wednesday, August 14 • Fr. David Theroux, SSE  
*Maximilian Kolbe: A Life Lived for Others*

Wednesday, August 21 • Fr. Richard Berube, SSE  
*Who did you say? Lesser-known followers of Jesus in the Gospels*

Wednesday, August 28 • John Kenney, Emeritus Professor, Religious Studies, Saint Michael's College  
*Who was Saint Augustine and What did he confess?*



## 07|18, 08|15 THURSDAYS BINGO

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

Doors open at 4:30 and the first game begins at 6:30. Come join the fun with friends and family. 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.



## 07|18, 19, 20 THURS, FRI, SAT Eucharistic Convocation & Pilgrimage

Geared toward those unable to make the journey to Indianapolis, the Vermont Eucharistic Pilgrimage and Convocation will allow participants to connect "remotely" to portions of the National Congress while also enjoying local fellowship and hearing presentations from our own diocesan community. Schedule and location:

July 18: Our Lady of Fatima, Wilmington (5 to 8 pm)

July 19: Our Lady of the Angels, Randolph (5 to 8 pm)

July 20: St. Anne's Shrine, Isle La Motte (4 to 8 pm)  
*Pasta dinner at 5 pm*

**FOR MORE INFO: visit the Convocation & Pilgrimage site: [vermontcatholic.org/convocation](http://vermontcatholic.org/convocation)**



## 07|20, 08|17 SATURDAYS Men's "Cor" Formation

*St. John Vianney, S. Burlington • 10 am*

Calling all men to fellowship, prayer and a deeper faith! All men welcome. Coffee and donuts provided. COR Formation will be held on third Saturday of the month.



## 07|21, 08|18 SUNDAY Bereavement Ministry

*St. John the Evangelist, St. Johnsbury • 1 pm*

An opportunity to pray with and to share with others who have experienced the loss of a loved one. We meet the third Sunday of each month in the rectory. We invite our own parishioners and those from other parishes to join us. All discussions are confidential. For additional information, please call Deacon Pete Gummere (802) 274-0942.



## 07|21, 08|18 SUNDAY Eileen George Book Study

*Most Holy Name of Jesus, Morrisville • 2 pm*

Meets the third Sunday of the month in the Crosby Center. Fr. Lance Harlow will continue the book study of Eileen Georges' first book, *Beacon of God's Love*. All are invited.



## 07|25 THURSDAY Our Lady's Kitchen: A Meal with a Movie

*Our Lady of Angels, Randolph • 6 - 8 pm*

Dinner is a potluck – followed by popcorn and *The Chosen*, Season 2, episodes 5 and 6.

## 08|04 SUNDAY Eucharistic Healing Service

*St. John the Evangelist, St. Johnsbury • 3 pm*

Adoration along with praying over by Father Harlow.



## 08|09 FRIDAY Essex Community Dinners

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

Meals are free, but donations appreciated.



## 08|20 TUESDAY One-day Pilgrimage to the St. Kateri Shrine

*via coach bus*

Join us for a one-day pilgrimage to the St. Kateri Shrine in Kahnawake, Quebec, outside of Montreal. Pickups and dropoffs in Middlebury and South Burlington. For details and the Registration Form, contact Fr. Schneider at [bschneider@vermontcatholic.org](mailto:bschneider@vermontcatholic.org) or (802) 388-2943.



# BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

## Ways to Give

Scan QR code:



**Website:**

[vermontcatholic.org/  
giveonline](http://vermontcatholic.org/giveonline)

**Call:**

802.658.6110 x 1102

**Mail:**

Bishop's Annual Appeal  
55 Joy Drive  
South Burlington, VT 05403

