

NEWS FROM The Inland See

August 30 – September 6, 2024

FOR THE DIOCESE OF BURLINGTON



3rd Liturgical Music Festival to be held on September 15 at Holy Family in Essex Junction

The *a capella* Liturgical Music Festival is an initiative dedicated to Liturgical Music in Vermont. Organized by Sharon Trani and Fr. Matthew Rensch, with about 20-30 musicians from around the Diocese participating at each event, the recurring event shares various choral music and provides music for an evening Mass, highlights include music by Mozart, Palestrina, and John Stainer.

Beautiful sacred music is integral to the Church's liturgical worship, drawing our hearts to God and calling the faithful to holiness. It helps "to draw out the beauty of the Christian mysteries" (Catholic Hymnody at the Service of the Church, USCCB). "Music has long played an important role in the life of the Church...the Church's musical tradition is a treasure of inestimable value" (*Sacrosanctum Concilium*), No. 112.

Father George William Rutler in his book "The Stories of Hymns" states that "the Mass itself is its own gigantic hymn". He laments that our Church music today is often lacking in beauty or deep meaning. Father Rutler calls for a return to beautiful, well done, and well-chosen liturgical music that elevates our hearts and minds to Almighty God.

The music festivals aim to accomplish precisely that, not only at the events themselves, but with reverberating effects and more and more people encountering and contributing to the gloriously rich musical tradition of the Church.

The 3rd Liturgical Music Festival will be held Sunday,

September 15th at 4:30 pm, at Holy Family Church in Essex Junction. The hour between 4:30 and 5:30 pm consists of small choirs sharing their favorite pieces. Dinner is at 5:30 pm. Everyone, choir members as well as individual singers, practice together at 6 pm for the 7:30 pm Mass. Matthew Santos, who studied voice at the Oberlin Conservatory, directed a parish choir for a several years and is now a student at Thomas Aquinas College in Northfield, Massachusetts, will direct the full choir.

Everyone who loves to sing is welcome, along with appreciative listeners. The Mass music typically includes four or five hymns sung in parts, and a more advanced piece as well. Past examples have been John Stainer's "God so Loved the World" and Mozart's "Ave Verum." The group is working on parts of Palestrina's "Missa Brevis" at the September event. Musicians are expected to practice ahead of time. If you're interested in participating, music and practice videos are provided on the website below.

Intro to the event: www.rccwwm.org/liturgical-music-festival-1

Music: www.rccwwm.org/liturgical-music-festival-3

Choir groups who want to present and everyone who plans to attend should RSVP to Sharon Trani by September 7 at sltrani@verizon.net.

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Upcoming Events



09|02 MONDAY
Spanish Mass

St. Michael's College, Colchester • 7:30 pm
Mass in Spanish will be offered in the Chapel of Saint Michael the Archangel at 7:30 pm.



09|04 WEDNESDAY
Brother Dutton — from Stowe to Molokai to the world

Stowe Cinema • 1 pm

If you have ever wondered about the artwork at Blessed Sacrament Church in Stowe, here's your chance to learn about it! Presented by Lynn Altadonna. Regsiter at: learn.uvm.edu/osher-lifelong-learning/statewide/lamoille-valley/



09|06, 07 FRIDAY & SATURDAY
Guiding Star Cycle Show

Colchester Meeting House, Colchester

Parent Presentation: Friday 7-8:30 pm

Workshop for Girls: Saturday 9 am - 2 pm

For Girls Ages 9-12. The Cycle Show helps to reduce the fear and anxiety surrounding getting their period for the first time. It promotes body positivity and self-confidence during what can be an awkward phase in a girl's life. To learn more email Valerie Parzyck at vparzyck@vermontcatholic.org.



09|07 SATURDAY
First Saturday Mass

Our Lady of Seven Dolours, Fair Haven • 7:30 am
Rosary at 7:30 am and Mass at 8 am.



09|07 SATURDAY
First Saturday Mass

Holy Family, Essex Junction • 8 am

Every first Saturday starting with Confessions and the Rosary at 8 am followed by Mass at 8:30 am.



09|07, 10|05 SATURDAYS
Free Community Dinner

St. John the Baptist, Enosburg Falls • 5 - 6:30 pm
Please join us for a Free Meal. Open to anyone who would like a Hot Meal.



09|09, 12 MONDAYS & THURSDAYS
Catechism in a Year(ish)

Our Lady of the Angels, Randolph • Mondays
St. John the Evangelist, Northfield • Thursdays

We will listen together to one or two of the Catechism in A Year podcasts by Fr. Mike Schmitz, and then take time to discuss the material together! The Monday group meets 6-7 pm and the Thursday group meets 9:45-10:45 am.



09|12 THURSDAY
Chicken Curry Takeout Fundraiser

St. John Vianney, S. Burlington • 5 - 5:45 pm

Authentic Indian Chicken Curry, prepared

by Fr. Paul Sahaya Fundraiser for St. Paul's School in Singamparai, India. Dinner \$15 each: chicken curry (spicy and flavorful, but not hot), potatoes, paratha (Indian bread), tomato rice, and a brownie. Reserve your meal(s) at: stjohnvianneyvt.org/chicken-curry-fundraiser by Thursday, September 5.



09|12, 19, 26, 10|03 THURSDAYS
Multi-Parish Bible Study

St. John Vianney, S. Burlington • 5:30 - 8:00 pm

Come participate in our 4-week Multi-Parish

Bible Study! We'll use the text, *Bible Basics for Catholics* by John Bergsma, with a light and playful yet sound and thorough writing style. Books \$3 each. Online registration are at stjohnvianneyvt.org/biblebasics.



09|13 FRIDAY
Essex Community Dinners

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

Come Join Us for Dinner! Essex Community

Dinners are provided in order to grow/promote our community! These meals are free to all but donations to cover parish expenses are appreciated.



09|14 SATURDAY
St. Padre Pio Prayer Group

Holy Family, Essex Junction • 8 am

Meets the second Saturday of each month.

Rosary at 8 am, Mass at 8:30 am.



09|15 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.



09|15 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*.



09|19 THURSDAY
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.



09|21 SATURDAY
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.



09|29 SUNDAY
French-Canadian Dinner

St. Norbert, Hardwick • 12 - 1:30 pm

Menu includes meat pies, pea soup (green & yellow), baked beans, coleslaw, pickled beets, sugar pies, fruit pies and more! Adults \$12, children 12 & under \$8. Proceeds benefit Mary Queen of All Saints Parish. Sponsored by MQAS Parish Council and Catholic Financial Life Chapter 443 St. Jean.



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