

The Inland See



News from the Roman Catholic Diocese of Burlington

October 18–24, 2025

HOPE *in Action*



My dear family in Christ,

This past year, I have witnessed the strength of our Catholic community in every parish, school, and residential care home I've visited. Your prayers and support have sustained me as I navigate the challenges our diocese faces. Together, with the help of the Bishop's Annual Appeal, we carry forward Christ's mission in Vermont.

Your support of the Bishop's Annual Appeal provides critical resources for the good works of the Diocese of Burlington including: Chancery and diocesan ministries and services; faith formation programs such as retreats, youth and young adult ministry, and the lay formation leadership program; assistance for the twelve Catholic schools in Vermont; and support of Vermont Catholic Charities' emergency aid, counseling, residential care homes, and prison ministry.

I prayerfully ask on behalf of all those we serve that you join the more than 5,000 families and individuals who have already donated to the 2025 Bishop's Annual Appeal and consider an increase from your last gift. Every gift, large or small, strengthens the Church's mission and touches countless lives. If you have already made a gift, thank you!

We understand that some may be concerned with the announcement that the Diocese of Burlington is seeking Chapter 11 reorganization; however, I will strive to ensure that all monies raised in the Bishop's Annual Appeal are only used for the programs, services, and ministries for which they are designated.

With gratitude for your faith and generosity, and trusting always that God alone suffices, I remain faithfully yours in Christ,

The Most Reverend John J. McDermott
Bishop of Burlington

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10|19, 11|02, 16 SUNDAYS

Life Teen Life Night

Fr. Lively Center, St. Johnsbury • 5 - 7 pm

The Life Teen program leads teens into a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ and His Church. All teens in grades 6-12 are invited to gather for dinner, games, teachings, and prayer.



10|20, 27 MONDAYS

The Chosen – Season 5 Screening

St. John Vianney, S. Burlington • 6 pm

From September 8 through October 27, we will watch sessions of Season 5 every Monday evening at 6 pm in the church hall, followed by a discussion about that week's episode led by parishioners.



10|21 – 01|10|04 TUESDAYS & FRIDAYS

Mary: A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother by Edward Sri

Tuesdays • St. Anthony, Bethel • 3 pm

Fridays • Our Lady of the Angels, Randolph • 9:45 am

Filmed on location in the Holy Land, this study will place you in the midst of the powerful drama of Mary's earthly life, taking you through her joys and her sorrows. You will learn how she works in our lives today, drawing us ever closer to her Divine Son. Seeing Mary in this way will change you forever.



10|21, 28 TUESDAYS

The Chosen, Season 5

St. Pius X, Essex • 6 - 8 pm

Similar to past season discussion groups,

we will show each week's episode at approximately 6 pm (depending on the length of each week's episode) followed by our group discussion at 7 pm. Come for both or just the discussion group!



10|22, 29 WEDNESDAYS

Alpha Film Series

St. John Vianney, S. Burlington • 6:15 pm

Alpha is a series of interactive sessions to discuss life and faith in an informal, fun, and friendly environment. All are invited, no matter their background or beliefs. Each of the sessions begins with a meal, followed by a brief video on a broad question of the Christian faith. It's a place to connect with people and a place where you can say anything you like or nothing at all.



10|25 – 12|20 SATURDAYS

SoulCore

St. Andrew parish hall, Waterbury • 9 am

Activate your mind, body, and soul: stretch, strengthen, and pray. SoulCore is an integrated faith and fitness class to the prayers of the rosary with a self-paced workout. Everyone is welcome, no experience needed. No class on Nov. 1. Please bring a mat and water bottle. The cost is by freewill donation, suggested \$10.



10|25 SATURDAY

Echoes of Grace

St. John Vianney, S. Burlington • 5:45 - 8:45 pm

Step into Resurrection Park and sacred silence

for a one-of-a-kind evening of grace and reflection. As you walk quietly through the cemetery, you'll hear firsthand from beloved saints as they impart their words of wisdom to guide you in your life today. After the walk, Eucharistic Adoration and the Sacrament of Confession are available in the church, and light refreshments are available in the parish hall.



10|26 SUNDAY

French Canadian Dinner

St. Norbert, Hardwick • 12:30 pm

Join us for meat pies, pea soup (green and yellow), baked beans, cole slaw, pickled beets, sugar pies, fruit pies and more! Adults \$15, children 12 and under \$10, under 5 are free. There will also be a sing along with Bernie Lussier and Friends. Sponsored by MQAS Parish Council and co-sponsored by Catholic Financial Life Chapter N443 St. Jean.



10|27, 11|24 MONDAYS

Cor Formation

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

Spiritual Development for men (Cor Formation)

is held every fourth Monday in the church basement at 6:30 pm. This is an opportunity for men to grow closer to Jesus' through prayer, formation, and fraternity. Light snacks provided.



11|01 SATURDAY

VT Catholic Fall Women's Retreat

Holy Cross, Colchester • 8:30 am - 3 pm

Keynote speaker Deacon Bob Begley will

present "Living as Instruments of Hope & Loving Kindness." Adults \$40, college students \$15, under 18 free with a paying adult. Register at: vermontcatholic.org/womens-retreat/.



11|01 SATURDAY

Penny Fair

St. Peter, Vergennes • 10 am - 7:30 pm

Doors open at 10 am, drawings begin at 6:30 pm. Come for a fun-filled day! Chances to win a variety of great prizes for pennies a chance. Great fun for all ages!



11|01 SATURDAY

Free Community Dinner

St. John the Baptist, Enosburg Falls • 5 pm

Come enjoy a hot meal and fellowship!



11|02 SUNDAY

Eucharistic Healing Service

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

Father Lance Harlow will conduct a

Eucharistic Healing Service, with Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament and praying over by Father Harlow.



11|08, 12|13 SATURDAYS

Bingo at All Saints

All Saints, Richford • 11:30 am - 3 pm

Doors will open at 11:30 am and the games

will begin at 1 pm. Homemade lunch, desserts & beverages will be offered. Pull tickets will be available! Proudly sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, Council #2610.



11|08 SATURDAY

St. Peter's Cemetery Association Bingo

St. Peter, Vergennes • 5 - 8 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. Peter's Cemetery Committee to benefit the on-going efforts for cemetery improvements.



11|14 FRIDAY

Essex Community Dinner

Holy Family, Essex Junction • 5:30 - 7 pm

Intended to feed the lonely and needy among

us, these meals are free to all but donations are appreciated to cover parish expenses. Take-out dinners available at 6 pm.



11|15 SATURDAY

Christmas Crafts and Bake Sale

St. Anthony, White River Jct. • 9 am - 1:30 pm

Enjoy Holiday shopping at our 38th annual

Christmas & Crafts Sale in the parish hall.



11|15 SATURDAY

Pilgrimage to Our Lady of Ephesus House of Prayer

Our Lady of Ephesus House, Jamaica

10:30 am - 3 pm

Sponsored by Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parish, Charlotte. There will be Mass, a presentation, Adoration, and opportunities to do a walking rosary or Stations of the Cross. Please bring your own lunch. Light refreshments provided. Registration required as space is limited: www.signupgenius.com/go/70A094DA4A62FA7FC1-58918202-pilgrimage. Donations accepted that day. For more info contact Tricia Sulva at psmajac@gmail.com.



Goal: \$2,200,000

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