

The Inland See

News from the Roman Catholic Diocese of Burlington



March 21-27, 2026

Young Adult Retreat —April 17–19

Dear Young Adults,

We are excited to invite you to the 2026 Diocese of Burlington Young Adult Retreat.

This retreat is held annually at St. Anne's Shrine in Isle La Motte — a beautiful, prayerful setting that sets the tone to engage in a weekend of spiritual growth, community building, and reflection.

Bishop McDermott has deemed 2026 the Year of Vocations. We wanted to engage this topic in a unique way, exploring Vocations, discernment, and service, while appealing to folks in different parts of their journey.

With that in mind, the theme of this year's retreat is, "God, What is Your Will for Me?"

Whether you are still trying to discern your Vocation or actively trying to live out your Vocation, this weekend will be relevant for you. God is constantly inviting us to trust Him more. He knocks at the door of our hearts and waits for us to answer. So often, we prefer the apparent safety of our own plans, but in closing off our hearts, we risk missing out on the amazing adventures He has in store for us.

Instead of operating in fear, we are called to show up and be present, saying, "Here I am, Lord; I've come to do your will."

Deacon Bob Begley, OFS, who runs Martha's Kitchen (a soup kitchen in St. Albans) and serves with the campus ministry team at the University of Vermont Catholic Center, will offer talks over the weekend. He'll share his stories and perspectives about how he's recognized God's promptings throughout his life and how he, himself, has asked the question, "God, What is Your Will for Me?"

The retreat will feature chances to meet new people and build community, free time to explore and pray around the Shrine grounds, all-night Adoration, the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass on both Saturday and Sunday, fun activities, bonding moments, and much more.

The retreat starts on the evening of Friday, April 17 and concludes on the morning of Sunday, April 19. The cost is \$125 per person, which includes lodging for 2 nights, snacks for the weekend, and 4 meals (breakfast, lunch, and dinner on Saturday, and breakfast on Sunday).

For more information and to register, scan the QR code or visit:



vermontcatholic.org/young-adult-retreat

Yours in Christ,

Isaac Desranleau
Youth and Young Adult Minister
Diocese of Burlington



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APRIL 17-19, 2026
ST. ANNE'S SHRINE,
ISLE LA MOTTE, VT



03|22, 24, 26, 29, 31, 04|02 SUN, TUES, THU
**Rosary for Vocations
and the Diocese of Burlington**
via Zoom

Join us for a live Rosary at 7 pm on Sundays, and noon on Tuesdays, and Thursdays during Lent. These Rosaries will be offered for two special intentions close to all our hearts: an increase in holy vocations and prayers for healing, wisdom, and trust in the Lord amid the bankruptcy facing the Diocese of Burlington. Priests, deacons, and others will be leading the Rosaries. Zoom link: us06web.zoom.us/j/87111038763.



03|25 WEDNESDAY
**Vermont Catholic Professionals
Networking Breakfast**
Chancery Offices, S. Burlington • 8:30 am

Christine Werneke, President & CEO of Home Health & Hospice will present on the topic of long term care. Light breakfast foods and beverages will be provided.



3|27 FRIDAY
Lenten Fish Fry
St. Andrew, Waterbury • 5 - 7 pm
Sponsored by Knights of Columbus Fr. Galligan

Council #2085 Waterbury to benefit our charity fund. Adults \$20, Children 6-12 \$10, 5 and under Free, Family (2 adults and 2 children) \$50. Eat in or takeout. A Serving of Calamari \$10.



03|27 FRIDAY
Bach's 'St John Passion'
presented by Burlington Baroque
Friday: Holy Angels, St. Albans • 7:30 pm
Sunday: Burlington • 4:00 pm

Burlington Baroque, directed by Eric Milnes, presents Johann Sebastian Bach's 'St John Passion' featuring the Burlington Baroque Festival Singers, renowned soloists, and the instrument ensemble L'Harmonie des saisons. For tickets: sevendaytickets.com/e/burlington-baroque-presents-st-john-passion-by-j-s



03|27 FRIDAY
Stations of the Cross
St. Paul, Orwell • 6 - 7 pm

Join us as we pray the Stations of the Cross, every Friday during Lent.



03|28 - 05|16 SATURDAYS
SoulCore
St. Andrew, Waterbury • 9-10 am

Activate your Mind, Body & Soul. Stretch, Strengthen & Pray. SoulCore is a self-paced prayer workout, which helps us to enter more deeply into the mysteries of the Rosary with our whole selves. No experience needed. No cost, freewill suggested donations of \$15. (after expenses, proceeds go to charity) www.soulcore.com



03|31 TUESDAY
Chrism Mass
Cathedral of St. Joseph, Burlington • 11 am
At this special Mass celebrated by Bishop

McDermott, the Oil of Chrism is consecrated, the Oils of Catechumens and the Sick are blessed. All are invited.



04|11 SATURDAY
**Youth Day Retreat 2026
— Bennington**
Sacred Heart St. Francis de Sales, Bennington
10 am - 4 pm

This retreat is meant for students in 7th-12th grade. There will be opportunities for community building, fun, and spiritual growth. We invite you to register the young person in your life for the most convenient retreat near you. Registration is free. Access form at: vermontcatholic.org/youth-day-retreats.



04|17, 18, 19 FRI, SAT, SUN
Young Adult Retreat 2026
St. Anne's Shrine, Isle La Motte
The Diocese of Burlington is excited to

announce that from April 17-19 we will host our fourth annual Young Adult Retreat. It is open to young adults, aged 18-39 years old. This retreat is held annually at St. Anne's Shrine in Isle La Motte — a beautiful, prayerful setting that sets the tone to engage in a weekend of spiritual growth, community building, and reflection. The cost is \$125 per person, which includes lodging for 2 nights, snacks for the weekend, and 4 meals (breakfast, lunch, and dinner on Saturday, and breakfast on Sunday). Learn more or register at: vermontcatholic.org/event/young-adult-retreat-2026.



04|10 FRIDAY
Essex Community Dinner
Holy Family, Essex Junction • 5:30 - 7 pm
Essex Community Dinners are provided in

order to grow and promote our community! They are also 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 are also available, starting at 6 pm, for those who still need to avoid crowds.



04|10 FRIDAY
Community Contra Dance
St. Jude the Apostle, Hinesburg • 6 - 9 pm
Join us for a contra dance to celebrate the

Easter season. No dance experience necessary; all dances are called and taught by a live dance caller, to the music of a live string band. Wear your finest and bring comfortable shoes for dancing. The event is free, with donations welcome. ALL are invited. Bring your friends!



04|18 SATURDAY
**St. Peter's Church Preservation
Committee BINGO**
St. Peter, Vergennes • 5 - 8 pm

Doors open at 5 pm and games start at 6 pm. This is a family friendly event. All cash prizes, 50/50 raffle. Refreshments sold. This event is sponsored by the St. Peter's Historic Preservation Committee to benefit the on-going restoration efforts for the bell tower and the church. Please join us!



04|19 SUNDAY
**Knights of Columbus
Pancake Breakfast**
Cathedral of St. Joseph, Burlington • 9 - 11:30 am

Join us for a hearty breakfast and heartfelt fellowship! The Knights of Columbus invite parishioners, families, and neigh-

bors to gather for a delicious morning of pancakes, community spirit, and outreach. Come hungry. Leave inspired.



05|02 SATURDAY
**2026 VT Catholic Spring
Women's Retreat**

Christ Our Savior, Manchester • 8:30 am - 3 pm

The keynote speaker will be Deacon Bob Begley and the theme is "Living as Instruments of Hope & Loving Kindness." Adults \$40, college students \$15, under 18 are free with a paying adult. Limited space, registration is required. FOR MORE INFO: vermontcatholic.org/womens-retreat.



05|03 SUNDAY
Eucharistic Healing Service
St. John the Evangelist, St. Johnsbury
3 - 4:30 pm

Father Lance W. Harlow will conduct a eucharistic healing service that includes Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament and praying over by Father Harlow.



05|09 SATURDAY
**Youth Day Retreat 2026
— Bellows Falls**

St. Charles, Bellows Falls • 10 am - 4 pm

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CAREER OPPORTUNITY

Hospitality Manager
Saint Anne's Shrine, Isle La Motte

To read the job description, visit:
vermontcatholic.org/careers



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