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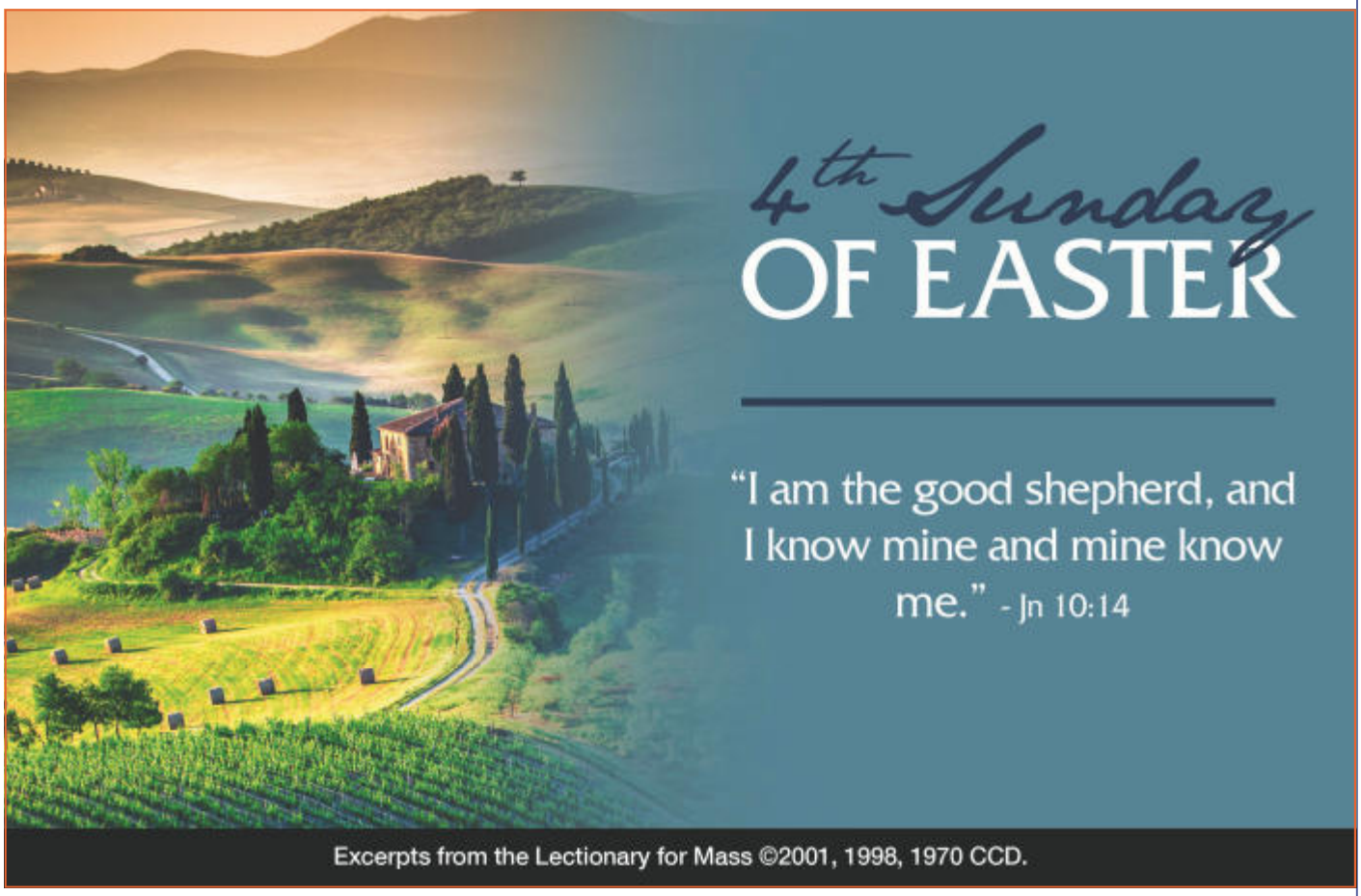

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS
Please call Rectory
For Assistance

Parish Staff:

Father William Beaudin……..…..Pastor
parishoffice@holycrossvt.org *ext. 13*
Dorine Boucher……Parish Catechetical Leader
dorineboucher@holycrossvt.org *ext. 12*

FAITH FORMATION
Online Sessions

BAPTISM
By appointment. Please contact the parish office well in advance to allow time for preparation.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK
& COMMUNION VISITS
Please call the parish office.

NEW PARISHIONERS
Please call the parish office or come in to visit and register.

HOLY CROSS FUNERALS/CEMETERY
Please call the parish office for more information or to set up an appointment.

Marriages:

Those intending to marry are asked to contact the priest at least six months in advance of the proposed wedding date. Pre-Cana conferences are required. No Saturday wedding may be performed here after 1:00 p.m.

Cemetery Sales and Services:

Holy Cross Cemetery 416 Church Road. Contact superintendent of Holy Cross Cemetery at the parish office for any pre-need or immediate need. Our cemetery is closed for burials during the winter months. Please call for an appointment.

Parish Support:

Holy Cross Parish depends on the generosity of its parishioners. A suggested tithing for each working adult is one hour's wage per week. "*Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.*"

2 Corinthians 9:7

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Colchester Community Food Shelf

Holy Cross donations for

MAY

Toothpaste, Shampoo and Deodorant

***Please bring items to the Food Shelf directly until further notice.**

~2021~ Mass Book is available for Mass Intentions

Come prepared for Sunday Mass next weekend:

Acts 9:26-31
1 John 3:18-24
John 15:1-8

TODAY'S READINGS:

Acts 4:8-12
1 John 3:1-2
John 10:11-18

Mass Intentions

For the week of April 28 – May 2, 2021:

Wednesday	9:00 a.m. For the People
Friday	9:00 a.m. For the People
Saturday	5:30 p.m. Robert Maguire
Sunday	8:45 a.m. Jill Piche by Bernie Piche

Please Pray For: the safety of our service men and women, those who are ill, especially Diane Moody, Dorine Davis, Robert Brunelle, Doris Marcelino, Phyllis Riggi, Walter Bergeron, Tracy Martin, Ed and Doris Ploof, Marlene Shappy, William Gabbeitt.

SAINTS OF THE WEEK… Pray for us

Monday: Sts. Philip & James
Tuesday: Bl. Michael Giedroyc
Wednesday: St. Hilary of Arles
Thursday: Sts. Marian and James
Friday: St. Rose Venerini
Saturday: St. Peter of Tarentaise
Sunday: Saint John of Avila

Parish Support

Offertory - April 17 - 18:
$1,922.00 (35 envelopes)
Repairs & Maintenance:
$616.00 (25 envelopes)

Thank you for your generosity!

Holy Cross Online Giving

Offertory, Repairs & Maintenance and Second Collections!
There is also an option to choose "recurring gift."
https://holycross-olog.vermontcatholic.org/holycross
We thank you for your continued support.

SPECIAL FOOD COLLECTION - On May 1, the Feast of St. Joseph the Worker, all parishes in the Diocese of Burlington are asked to collect food for their local food shelf partner. This food collection is part of the recently developed Diocesan "St. Joseph Feed the Hungry Initiative."

Donations of any and all non-perishable items can be brought directly to the Colchester Food Shelf.

VERMONT CATHOLIC PROFESSIONALS virtual event on Wednesday April 28 via Zoom. Guest speaker is Mary Anne Sheahan, Executive Director– Vermont Talent Pipeline Management Program, Vermont Business Roundtable. Learn more: www.vermontcatholic.org/event/vermont-catholic-professionals-virtual-event-2/

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER—To support married couples during this time of social distancing, Marriage Encounter is sponsoring virtual encounter experiences. Some are on weekends and some are seven sessions on weekdays from 7:00 to 9:00 PM. Like in the Gospel today, sometimes our minds need to be opened and to know what God has done for us and what He wants for us in our marriage. Deepen your communication, strengthen your relationship, rekindle your romance and renew your sacrament by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter experience on: Mondays/Thursdays May 3-24 or Monday/Thursdays June 3-24. Registration is limited and a $100 application fee is required.

For more information, call Peter and Sheila at (201)651-9367 or visit: wwmevtw.org.

"WALK TO MARY– Celebrate our Sacred Mother on a Journey in Faith and Fellowship" On Sunday, May 30, walk from St. Joseph's Church in Grand Isle to Saint Anne's Shrine, Isle LaMotte. Sponsored by All Saints Parish in Richford, the walk begins at 9:00 AM from St. Joseph's while praying the rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet; Mass at 11:00 AM at St. Anne's Shrine; lunch on your own at 12:00 PM; Stations of the Cross for Life at 1:00 PM; closing prayer at 3:00 PM. For more information, call Janice at (802)848-3834 or Renee at (802) 370-2231.

JOB OPENING: Holy Cross Parish is looking to fill the position of Administrative Assistant (20-29 hour/week). The position requires the requisite people skills and being proficient in Microsoft Office and Publisher as well as processing general computer and online literacy and managing the parish website. Assistance with Holy Cross Cemetery regarding burials and bookkeeping also required. Please direct all inquiries to Fr. Beaudin at 863- 3002.

Dear Friends,

"*For you make me glad by your deeds, Lord; I sing for joy at what your hands have done. How great are your works,*
Lord, how profound your thoughts!"
[Psalm 92.4-5]

The psalmist proclaims Easter joy when looking at the works of God's hands. Not the least of which is Christ's own resurrection.

The Blessed Mother has a part to play. She is always honored on Saturday, when there is no proper Feastday. Thus, showing her centrality to the life of the Church. As the month of May approaches in which we honor her it is helpful to once again look at her presence in our lives.

This can be done by gazing upon her beauty. Father Eduoard Hugon, O.P., writes the following -

The Blessed Virgin has collected to herself the perfections of the exalted women of the Old Testament: the grace of Rebecca, the charm of Rachel, the beauty of Judith, the majestic sweetness of Esther. Her mere presence is an apparition of immaculate beauty.

She is beautiful in the Temple of Jerusalem where the divine spirit prepares her for her mysterious destiny. She is beautiful in her maiden chambers where she lives in meditation and prayer. She is beautiful when she cradles the Infant-God or when she caresses him on her breast. She is beautiful in the home at Nazareth, next to the gracious youth who is her son and her God. She is beautiful on the roads of Judah and Galilee, accompanying the heavenly preacher and meditating upon his parables. She is beautiful on the mount of Calvary, when she assists the dying divine one and where she becomes the mother of humanity. She is beautiful in the upper room, where she instructs the Apostles and protects the infant Church. Finally, she is beautiful on the throne of glory where she reigns at the side of Jesus, above all the choirs of angles.

Sincerely,
Father Beaudin

HOLY CROSS CEMETERY

Holy Cross Cemetery is hoping to be open for burials in May. If you have placed any Christmas wreaths/mementos please remove them by May 15th. The superintendent will remove and discard what is left around the mementos after the 15th. Thank you for your cooperation.

FORMED

During this Year of St. Joseph, watch:
Saint Joseph, Patron of the Universal Church

The holy and hidden figure of Saint Joseph comes to light in this presentation by Dr. Mark Miravalle.

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WORLDPRIEST ANNUAL GLOBAL "ROSARY RELAY" for the sanctification of priests on Friday, June 11, 2021 at 2:00 PM live-streamed from the Cathedral of St. Joseph, Burlington. This worldwide relay rosary will be led locally by Bishop Christopher Coyne. Beginning at midnight on Friday, June 11 (the Feast of the Sacred Heart) various locations from over 100 countries will start praying the rosary every half hour then pass it along to the next parish until the entire world is encircled in the rosary before midnight the next day. The Diocese of Burlington will receive the relay from St. Dominic Priory at Our Lady of the Rosary in Haverstock Hill, London and, after saying the Sorrowful Mysteries, will pass it on to Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine in Euclid, Ohio. Join in on www.vermontcatholic.org or facebook.com/DioBurlington/. Learn more about the Worldpriest Annual Global Rosary Relay at: worldpriest.com/annual-global-rosary-relay/. Please contact Valerie at: vparzyck@vermontcatholic.org for more information.

COTSWALK 2021 – The COTS Walk is virtual this year. Beginning April 1, online family-friendly and fun activities for all ages will be posted every week day until the COTS Walk Day on May 2. On May 2, there will be a special day of activities, including virtual tours of COTS. Walkers can do any or all of the activities. The COTS Walk is a **critical** fundraiser for helping provide services to people who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless in the local community. The goal this year is $205,000. If you take the COTS Walk Challenge and raise $1,000 or more, a generous Challenge Grant will match your donations. To register, go to: www.cotsonline.org or call 864-7402.

Online/TV Mass Opportunities

Sunday 6AM ~ **Diocesan Mass** on WCAX (Channel 3).
EWTN ~ Live Daily Mass 8 a.m.
Daily (Monday-Thursday) 12:05 PM ~ **Diocesan Online Mass**
www.vermontcatholic.org/tvmass
CATHOLIC TV Network (channel 166 Xfinity/Comcast) ~ Daily Mass at 9:30 a.m. Notre Dame Sunday Mass 10 a.m.

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