



FEBRUARY 9, 2020

5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



"You are the light of
the world. A city set
on a mountain
cannot be hidden."
- Mt 5:14

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MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday	9:00 AM
Monday & Tuesday	9:00 AM
Holy Days	9:00 AM

CONFESSIONS - upon request

BAPTISMS - Contact Parish Office well in advance.

WEDDINGS - Contact Parish Office at least six months in advance to make arrangements for marriage.

ADORATION AND BENEDICTION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Our Lady of Good Help Rectory Chapel
First Friday 1-3 PM

OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday
9:00 AM to 4:00 PM
Mary Kay Wilczynski,
Administrative Assistant

PARISH COUNCIL

Second Wed of the month

FINANCE COUNCIL

Last Tue of the month

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

(Grades K-9)
Sarah Carrara (247-6313)
sarahlynnecarrara@gmail.com

BINGO Saturdays,
7:00 PM - Parish Hall

Facebook:

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SAINT ALPHONSUS CEMETERY ASSOCIATION

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<http://www.stalphonsusvt.org>

LITURGICAL CALENDAR & MASS INTENTIONS

9 SUN Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 58:7-10/1 Cor 2:1-5/Mt 5:13-16

✠ 9:00 AM **Alex and Sophie Shutek** by the Estate

10 Mon Saint Scholastica, Virgin

1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13/Mk 6:53-56

✠ 9:00 AM **Peter Senatore** by Steve and Sharon Benoit

11 Tue Our Lady of Lourdes

1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30/Mk 7:1-13

9:00 AM **Parishioners**

12 Wed 1 Kgs 10:1-10/Mk 7:14-23

13 Thu 1 Kgs 11:4-13/Mk 7:24-30

14 Fri Saints Cyril, Monk, and Methodius, Bishop

1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19/Mk 7:31-37

15 Sat 1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34/Mk 8:1-10

16 SUN Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sir 15:15-20/1 Cor 2:6-10/Mt 5:17-37

✠ 9:00 AM **Ferdinando and Rosa Falco** by
Tom and Isabelle Kingsley

BULLETIN DEADLINE IS MONDAY. Please submit all announcements, in writing, well in advance, in order for us to meet our publication deadline.

Last Sunday's Offertory \$ **1,699.00**

Online Giving \$ 15.00

Total \$ **1,714.00**

Last Year this Date \$ 1,657.00

Building \$ 689.00

Thank you for making up your envelopes.
Next Sunday, the second collection is for **Fuel**.
Please be generous. Thank you.

FEBRUARY

Sun	8:30 AM	Cantor Rehearsal
Mon	8:30 AM	Rosary, followed by Mass
Tue	8:30 AM	Rosary, followed by Mass
12	6:00 PM	Parish Council, Rectory
13	6:30 PM	Folk Group Rehearsal
25	6:00 PM	Finance Council, Rectory

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Grades K-9 9:50-11:00 AM Parish Hall

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - LPI

A Thought from Tracy Earl Welliver

What's the Buzz?

When a new store or restaurant opens in the area, there can be quite a buzz. People want to see what the place is like. If the establishment is lucky, a positive word of mouth can spread all over the area. The challenge then becomes keeping that buzz alive. If people start to think that the new place is not as good as advertised or they had hoped, the crowds will dwindle and soon the new place will simply become an old place. Even worse, it could become a closed place.

If you were a store owner, what would you do to attract people? Would you always put your best foot forward? How hard would you work to show everybody that your place is worth repeated visits and patronage?

You may not be an entrepreneur with your own business, but you do have your parish community. This is your community and what you do and how you act in the world around you will either add to a buzz or a lack of interest. How you use the gifts you and your community have been given will do a lot to attract people and cause them to talk. You will be like a city on top of a mountain that no one can miss. Can your light shine so bright that it can be seen from miles around? You may be only one person, but you are a part of something greater than yourself. Your stewardship can easily become contagious. At a time when too many are choosing to disregard the Church, it is time to create a positive buzz.



TODAY IS SCOUT SUNDAY. You may see boys and girls wearing their uniforms as part of this tradition. Those involved as their leaders are Bill Bushbaum, Jeff and Sarah Carrara, Becky Chapin, Sylvia Eugair, Alisha Krans, Sonia Kulhowick, Tanya LaRouche, David Mills Sr, Michelle Smith, and Joe and Heather Williams. We express our gratitude to these adults for taking their time helping to engage our young in the scouting world.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE, Spring Campaign, will begin Ash Wednesday and go through Palm Sunday. Vigil will take place outside Planned Parenthood, 11 Burnham Ave, Rutland, from 6am-6pm. For more information on this national and international campaign for life, go to 40daysforlife.com, or your local leader, Delia Warnecke, at 802-287-0354, or havefaith180103@yahoo.com.

LENTEN RETREAT DAY for anyone who works for or ministers in the parish including administrative assistants, bookkeepers, religious education leaders, maintenance personnel, music directors, parish volunteers, ushers and other parish staff. Retreat facilitated by the Diocesan Department of Evangelization & Catechesis. The retreat closest to us is being held at Saint Stanislaus in West Rutland, on Wednesday, March 18, from 9:30am-3:00pm. To register or for more information, contact Valerie Parzyck at 802-846-5813, or vermontcatholic.org/retreats.

SAVE THE DATE for the MSJ-CKS Annual Auction & Dance at the Holiday Inn on Saturday, March 21, from 7-11 pm. This is an adult-only, fun-filled evening that kicks off with a Silent and Live Auction, followed by dancing with music provided by MC Sounds! Donations, large or small, are also welcomed. If you are interested in donating an item; vacation rental or a service, please contact Mary Lou Tedesco Harvey at mharvey@msjvermont.net or 236-3485.

3RD ANNUAL CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE Saturday March 28th, at Saint Anthony's Church, White River Junction. There will be opportunities for confession, Eucharistic Adoration, lunch, fellowship, and Mass with Bishop Coyne. Registration and more info at: www.vermontcatholic.org/men.

UNPLANNED - the movie. True-life journey of Abby Johnson, one of the youngest Planned Parenthood clinical directors, who became one of the most ardent pro-life speakers. unplannedfilm.com Saint Alphonsus Parish Hall, Sunday, March 1, 2PM

THE FIRST BIG CHRISTIAN CONCERT of the year is just weeks away. Unspoken, with songs like "Reason", "Higher", and "Start a Fire", will be here with Apollo LTD and Dave Pettigrew in Burlington at North Avenue Alliance Church on **Friday February 21, 7PM**. Tickets ranging from \$25-\$40/ea. More information online at www.VTChristianMusic.com

Otter Valley Roman Catholic Community Events

Mon Feb 10: **RCIA Program**, Our Lady of Good Help Rectory, 7PM.

Wed Feb 12: **Scripture Study and Reflection**, 7 PM, Saint Alphonsus Rectory.

Sun Feb 16: **Family Catechesis**, Saint Alphonsus Parish Hall, 5-7 PM. This week's topic is *The Holy Spirit*.

Mon Feb 17: **RCIA Program**, Our Lady of Good Help Rectory, 7PM.

Wed Feb 19: **Scripture Study and Reflection**, 7 PM, Our Lady of Good Help Rectory

RETROUVAILLE - A Lifeline for Married Couples, February 21-23. Retrouvaille means rediscovery in French. The program helps couples put their broken pieces back together and rediscover their love for each other!

This program is for couples with marital problems, including those who are considering marriage separation and those who are already separated or divorced. Couples who need and want help in getting their marriages on track often find the program very useful. It is also for couples who may be cold and distant, and believe that there is no hope for their marriage. It is for couples of ALL ages, regardless of how long they have been married, or have been in trouble.

For more information and to register: call 508-271-7155, or email RetrouvailleNE@gmail.com.

MEMORIAL OPPORTUNITIES There are envelopes available on the table at the back of the church for those who would like to donate the wine and hosts used at Mass for the week in memory of a loved one. The suggested offering is \$15.00. The envelope can be placed in the collection basket.

*Wine and hosts this week in memory of
Sally Gabert given by her daughter, Dee Daly*

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