

January 16, 2022, Second Sunday of the Year



Saint Raphael's Parish

Poultney, Vermont

"I am Raphael, One of the Seven Angels who stand and serve before the Glory of the Lord."

Tobit 12:15

Saint Anne's Parish

Middletown Springs, Vermont

Saint Anne,
Teach me to Love
Thy Daughter
Mary



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Week-End Mass and Confession Schedule

Saturday	Confession, St. Raphael	3:00 – 3:30 p.m.
Saturday	Vigil Mass, St. Raphael	4:00 p.m.
Sunday	Mass, St. Anne	8:00 a.m.
Sunday	Mass, St. Raphael	10:00 a.m.

St. Raphael's Weekday Masses...8:30 a.m.,...Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday

Collections have been meeting Projection overall
Many thanks and please keep giving generously
In support of our Parishes

ONLINE GIVING...straphael.vermontcatholic.org

SACRIFICIAL GIVING	
St. Raphael Offertory	January 9
Received	\$ 1,856.00
Projected	\$ 1,347.00
Excess of Projection	\$ 509.00
Deficit of Projection	

St. Anne's Offertory	January 9
Received	\$ 338.00
Projected	\$ 318.00
Excess of Projection	\$ 20.00
Deficit of Projection	

St. Raphael's	
St. Anne's	

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From The Bishop's Appeal office

Please consider a gift to the appeal by visiting:
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Christ Our Hope
Campaign

Please Note that Campaign Materials
 Are available in the vestibule of the Church.
 Please remember that a portion of your gift
 returns to the Church for needs and
 improvements.

Please Note:

We have resumed "Winter Hours"
 For the Saturday Evening Vigil Mass

4:00 p.m.
 Confessions 3:00 – 3:30 p.m.

Call Father Steven at the rectory to arrange a Mass.

MASS INTENTIONS	
Saturday 4:00 p.m.	January 15
The Donaghy Family, by Andy and Joan Donaghy	
Sunday 8:00 a.m.	January 16
Pro Populo	
Sunday 10:00 a.m.	January 16
The Donaghy Family, By Andy and Joan Donaghy	
Monday 8:30 a.m.	January 17
Elizabeth Hurley	
Tuesday	January 18
No Announced Mass Scheduled	
Wednesday 8:30 a.m.	January 19
The Dugandzic Family, by Irene DeMatties	
Thursday 8:30 a.m.	January 20
Ramon Ruby, by Bill Ryan	
Friday 8:30 a.m.	January 21
The Sirens Family, by Irene DeMatties	
Saturday 4:00 p.m.	January 22
The Donaghy Family, by Andy and Joan Donaghy	
Sunday 8:00 a.m.	January 23
Pro Populo	
Sunday 10: a.m.	January 23
Jerry Revett, by Paul Turnley	

Call the Rectory to Arrange a Mass
 The donation can be mailed to the rectory.

IF A MASS NEEDS TO BE CANCELLED FOR ANY
 REASON, THE INTENTION WILL BE TRANSFERRED
 OR FULFILLED PRIVATELY

Dear Friends:

Many thanks to all who participated in last week's celebration for the Blessing of the Altar. I am grateful to our donors who provided their gifts, the musicians and servers for their service at the liturgy, and those who provided hospitality at the parish hall. So many of you expressed your appreciation for the liturgy and remarked on how good it was to be back in our parish center.

All are pleased with our new Altar and the beauty of the Church. Some have noticed that the lighting has changed. Along with the installation of lights over the stained glass in the Apse above the altar, new lighting was installed in the nave of the Church. LED lighting, while expensive to install, will provide both longevity and efficiency going forward. Also, dimmer switches were installed to provide options for evening celebrations. New sconces will need to be installed at the entrance to the Church as there are issues with the fixtures.

I also wish, in time, to upgrade the exterior lights at the entrances to something more reliable. These currently have motion sensors and light up upon proximity to the entrances. The problem with this is that the entrances are otherwise dark in the evening, and one has to walk a significant way in the dark before the sensors detect motion. This in my estimation is problematic. Firstly, it is a hazard. Secondly, if there is an evening event at the Church, a dark exterior is altogether unwelcoming and might even lead one to think the event is cancelled. If something is "going on" at the Church...the lights should be on. Thirdly, I have concerns regarding security. When nothing is going on, the campus is dark. Individuals have spotted parked cars during dark hours and suspicious activity...individuals roaming about without purpose. The authorities have been notified with the assurance of monitoring. All that said, the exterior lighting will be addressed.

I continue that thank you for your generous contributions which have been meeting projection overall. We could use donations for the upgrades we are making...lighting, the parish center, and heating repairs...more to come on these.

Peace, Fr. Steven

*In Gratitude to the Holy Virgin
For Blessings Received*

*We continue with the Alma Redemptoris Mater
Until February 2nd
The Feast of the Presentation*

*Alma Redemptoris Mater,
quæ pèrvia cæli
Porta manes,
et stella maris, succúrre cadénti,
Súrgere qui curat pópulo:
tu quæ genuísti,
Natúra miránte, tuum sanctum Genitórem
Virgo prius ac postérius,
Gabriélis ab ore
Sumens illud Ave, peccatórum miserere.*

*Loving Mother of the Redeemer,
who remains
the accessible Gateway of Heaven,
and Star of the Sea,
Give aid to a falling people
that strives to rise;
O Thou who begot thy holy Creator,
while all nature marveled,
Virgin before and after
receiving that "Ave"
from the mouth of Gabriel,
have mercy on sinners.*

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