

**WEEKEND AND WEEKDAY MASSES**

January 29 Blessing of Throats  
 SAT 4:30 PM - For the repose of the soul of Sally Blake

January 30 Blessing of Throats  
 SUN 8:30 AM - For the repose of the soul of Theresa Fraser by the Potvin Family

MON 8:00 AM - For the repose of the soul of Dale Smith by Janice Groschen & Karen Williams

TUES 6:30 PM - For the intentions of Jim, Barbara, Stephen, Kathrine, James, and John Paul Kelczewski  
 Exposition follows Mass

WED 6:30 PM - Mass at St. Mary's - Exposition follows Mass

THURS 8:00 AM - Mass at St. Mary's

FRI 8:00 AM - For the repose of the soul of Peter Masiello by Tony & Diane Polson

February 5  
 SAT 4:10 PM - Rosary before Mass  
 4:30 PM - For the parishioners of St. Thomas and St. Mary's

February 6  
 SUN 8:30 AM - For the repose of the soul of Louis Fugere by Ed & Louise Mathews  
 11:00 AM - Mass at St. Joseph's Co-Cathedral in Burlington to celebrate World Marriage Day

**Message from Fr. Rick**

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

The beatitudes are some of the strangest words Jesus ever uttered. Not only whole forests but whole continents of forests have been leveled with the reams and reams of paper filled with the writings of theologians, mystics, bishops and scholars, great sinners and great saints alike, all trying to decipher what Jesus' words mean and how is anyone expected to live by them.

For the beatitudes give expression to a radical reversal of values, turning on their heads the values the world holds dear. The beatitudes are a challenge to see and embrace life from God's viewpoint not the world's viewpoint. Every single human being without exception longs for happiness. But happiness lies not in the accumulation of possessions or wealth; happiness is not found in power over others. Happiness is found in the recognition of oneself as a child of God and being content, and more than content with the inexpressible joy of knowing that God is our loving Father, trusting in Him and keeping faithful to Him in whatever circumstance we find ourselves, in poverty, in sickness, in sorrow in prosperity, in health, in happiness always rejoicing in the loving care of our Good Shepherd and always and everywhere seeking His will.

**PRO-LIFE NOTE:** The Vatican condemned the recent decision by U.S. regulators to begin using embryonic stem cells in clinical tests on human patients. The destruction of human embryos involved in such research amounts to "The sacrifice of human beings and is to be condemned."

*The Southern Cross, 8/10*

**SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND:** The Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a matching-fund drive to raise money for clear vinyl covers for our Breaking Bread Missal/Songbooks. The Knights will match parishioner donations up to 50% of the total cost, using proceeds from the spaghetti dinner planned for February 13th. A special collection will be held next weekend, February 5th and 6th. Help us preserve the books by supporting this effort! The total cost of the covers is approximately \$500. Please make checks payable to St. Thomas with "Covers" in the memo or drop your cash donation in the second collection. Thank you for your support.

**"SOUPER" BOWL SUNDAY AT ST. THOMAS:** St. Thomas Church will be celebrating Super Bowl Sunday (February 6<sup>th</sup>) in a SOUPER BOWL way this year. We'll have Souper Bowls at the entrances to the church and are hoping that each family will bring a can or two of soup to put in them that weekend. Any kind of canned soup or dry soup mix will be greatly appreciated. The soup donations will be given to the Jericho Underhill Ecumenical Ministry Food Shelf to benefit families in our area.

**BLESSING OF THROATS:** In honor of St. Blasé, Bishop and martyr, throats will be blessed at the conclusion of all Masses this weekend.

**MINISTRY SCHEDULE - February 5 & 6, 2011**

Mass	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Lector	Altar Servers
4:30 PM Sat.	P Stone Tom Rivers	T Robinson	S Robinson
8:30 AM Sun.	Deacon Peter B MacDonough N Scott	A Bernasconi	E & E Barch

**SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND:** "We are all well aware that our Catholic values are being challenged by the ever-increasing secular society of today. The Catholic formation of our youth, which occurs foremost within the family, is supported by the parish religious education programs and the religious and academic formation of young people in our Catholic schools. Parents must have support and guidance from the Catholic Church if they are to pass on the Catholic faith to their children. Growth in the child's relationship with Jesus Christ is the goal of all of our Catholic Schools and Religious Education Programs. Without these schools and classes, children do not receive enough exposure to the Gospel messages of Jesus Christ that will direct their decisions as they grow in wisdom and knowledge.

This weekend, a special collection for Catholic education will be taken in all parishes of the Diocese. Your gift will help support Catholic education in our 13 Catholic schools and in our parish religious education programs. One-half of the collection will remain in your parish and the remaining half will be distributed to our Catholic schools." (Excerpted from a letter from Bishop Matano.)  
 Please make checks payable to St. Thomas.

**Stewardship - January 22 & 23, 2010**  
 (Weekly Offertory Goal = \$2,850.00)

68 Envelopes = \$2,514.00; Loose Currency = \$264.00  
**TOTAL = \$2,778.00**

YTD Budget = \$85,500.00  
 YTD Actual = 89,330.90  
 YTD Overage = \$ 3,830.90

Please remember to make up your contributions if you are away on vacation. Thanks.

**PARISH EVENTS**

Sunday	1/30	9:50-11:05 AM 10:00-11:15 AM 3:45-5:30 PM	Rel. Ed. Grs. K-6 at UCS Rel. Ed. Grs. 7 & 8 - Sacristy Confirmation Class—Years 1 & 2
Monday	1/31	6:30-8:30 PM	Adult Ed. Class - Topic: Morality
Tuesday	2/1	6:00 PM 7:00 PM	Confessions Exposition
Wednesday	2/2	6:00 PM 7:00 PM 7:00 PM	Confessions at St. Mary's Exposition at St. Mary's Women's Prayer/Discussion Group
Thursday	2/3	7:15 PM	Liturgy Committee Meeting
Saturday	2/5	3:45 PM 4:10 PM	Confessions Rosary before Mass
Sunday	2/6	9:50-11:05 AM 10:00-11:15 AM	Rel. Ed. Grs. 1-6 at UCS (No Kindergarten this week) Rel. Ed. Grs. 7 & 8 - Sacristy <b>NO Confirmation Class Years 1 &amp; 2</b>

**ADULT EDUC. AT ST. THOMAS:** The second half of this year's Adult Education program continues. The topics of the remaining classes are:

January 31 - Morality  
February 7 - Catholic Social Teaching

The last two classes will be given by Dorothy Barewicz, the Director of Catholic Formation for the Diocese of Burlington, and will be held on Monday evenings from 6:30 - 8:30 P.M. in the Parish Hall. Refreshments will be served. Come and bring a friend. Hope to see you there!

**"DOCTOR-PRESCRIBED DEATH: RHETORIC VS. REALITY"** is an hour-long presentation which examines some of the unanswered questions surrounding a bill that would legalize physician-assisted suicide, and is expected to be re-introduced in the Vermont Legislature in 2011. Please consider attending one of these important discussions in order to learn more about how this legislation will put vulnerable Vermonters at risk. The remaining two presentations will be held on:

Jan. 31 at 5:30 P.M. at the Catholic Center at UVM in Burlington;

Feb. 10 at 7 P.M. at St. Catherine in Shelburne by Fr. Jon Schnobrich.

**"How to Contact Your Legislator"**

Information sheets are now available in the back of church. If you are a member of the Diocesan Respect Life Phone Tree or simply wish to be prepared to include your voice on important public policy matters, please take home a copy of this helpful document.

**YOU'RE INVITED:** First Friday Festival, Feb. 4th at Saint Anthony's Parish. 7:00-8:00 Eucharistic Adoration, praise and Confession followed by refreshments and speaker, Fr. Jon Schnobrich, who will be giving a one hour talk on JPII's "Theology of the Body."

**K OF C SCHOLARSHIPS:** Once again, the Knights of Columbus, Bishop Rice Council, will award up to three \$500.00 scholarships to graduating seniors who are pursuing post-secondary studies. To be eligible to compete for one of these Scholarships applicants must graduate from High School during 2011 and attend an accredited post-secondary college or institution commencing in the Fall of 2011 AND must be the son, daughter, grandson or granddaughter of a member of the K of C, Bishop Rice Council or Bishop Rice Assembly (living or deceased). Other requirements may apply and all details are posted on the bulletin board at the main entrance of the church for you to take home. Deadline is March 25, 2011.



**Looking Ahead:** St. Thomas K of C sponsored Spaghetti Dinner on Sun., Feb. 13th and Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner on Sun., Mar. 13th. Both dinners are at 5:00 P.M.; cost at the door is \$10/Adult, \$5/ages 5-12, under 5/free. More info to follow.

**COLCHESTER K OF C** is having a Ham and Roast Beef buffet at 6:00 P.M. on Feb. 5th at Holy Cross Church, Church Rd., Colchester. There will be \$500.00 in door prizes. Tickets are \$15.00 each. Call Nurb Vagl at 862-1756 for tickets.

**PILGRIMAGE HOSTED BY FR. LIVELY,** Oct. 31 through Nov. 10, 2011 to Fatima, Lourdes and Paris. If you are interested in this pilgrimage, please take a look at the brochure on the bulletin board. If you need more information, you may contact Fr. Lively at: Before April 1st: 1205 Kensington St., Port Charlotte, FL 33952, 1-941-255-5690 - or - After April 1st: 257 Peacham Pond Rd., Marshfield, VT 05658, 1-802-426-3847.



**SANCTUARY CANDLE**

Week of January 30th:

*For the repose of the soul of  
Raymond Nadeau, Sr.  
requested by Gail and Family*

Please call the parish office at 899-4632 to schedule a week in memory of a loved one or for a special intention. \$10 suggested donation.

**CHRIST THE KING SCHOOL** in Burlington will hold an Open House during Catholic Schools Week, Mon., Jan. 31st - Fri., Feb. 4th, from 9:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. each day. Call 862-6696 to schedule a tour. Open enrollment begins February 11th! Now is the perfect time to register your child for Pre-School or Pre-Kindergarten!

CKS offers a first class, well rounded education for learners in pre-school through eighth grade including French, art, music, PE, technology, many extra-curricular activities and an after-school program. Schedule a tour or visit us online at <http://www.cksvt.org/> or [facebook.com/cksvt](http://facebook.com/cksvt) to see all that Christ the King School has to offer your child!

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** Come be a part of Birthright. Please join Birthright Volunteers as we host a New Volunteer Coffee on Mon., Feb. 14th at 10:00 A.M. at our office, 289 College St., Burlington. Come meet each of us and learn about becoming part of the Birthright family. All you need is a willingness to listen, a commitment to life, loving the woman and her baby, and a desire to help those in need without judgment. For more information, call 865-0056 or Marge Hennessey at 658-0228.

**FOR YOUR INFORMATION:** Our Lady of Providence Residential Care Facility, 47 West Spring St., Winooski has an opening for a private-pay resident starting February 1st. OLP offers a secure family environment to elders, each having a private room with private 3/4 bathroom, a lovely chapel with daily Mass, a library, multiple living room areas, a sun room, daily recreation activities, shopping trips, rides to your appointments, an on-site salon, delicious home-cooked meals and lovely grounds. We are a Level III residential care home with 24/7 skilled nursing services. To obtain a Residency Application, go to [www.olopr.org](http://www.olopr.org) or call 655-2395 to arrange an on-site visit.

**WE PRAY FOR**

**SICK:** For all our sick: Jay Tisbert, Amy Tomasi, Viola Esterino, Maria & Tom Sweeney, Roland Boisjoli, Gasper Tavormina, Elizabeth Grant, Lorraine Bruns, Stan Koniuto, Jill Akerley, Anthony Minadeo, Nancy Guaman, Fran Morrisseau, Hilde Rivadeneira, Carmela Cardenas, Conlan Shaw, Mark Archambault, Shirley Dorcy, Darlene Klatke, Arvind Benkataraman, Don Beaulieu, Patricia Meagher, Connie Hanover, Frank Livingstone, Cindy Ryan, Kathy Blair, Roger Nadeau, Paul Keeler, Harriette Carson, Ann Kelly, Yvonne Cross, Lawrence Livingstone, Mary Stella, Arthur Frazer, Bret Johnson, Riley McLaughlin, Agnes Ghioni, Dina Remillard, Michael Chandler, Marlene Fitzgibbons, Pam Tierney, Emerson Royer, Cathryn Rotando, Yuriy Bihun, Silvio Desjardins, Madeline Lamb, Rachel McKnight, Mary Sevcik, Zelma Vigneau, John Lynch, Roy Keith, Lynn McLaughlin, Olivia Pierce, Roger Koniuto, Martha Wagner, Abby Wintersteen, Henry Miller, Donald Potvin, Alphonsus Collins, Gary Strait, Scott Smith, Richard Masse, Dorothy McCarthy, Anthony Giammanco, Kathryn Devlin, Erin Barch and Anna Tavormina.

**DECEASED:** For all who have died, especially Jerry Detrick (cousin of Kathy Koniuto), and all deceased members of St. Thomas and St. Mary's parishes.

**Other Intentions:** Julie, Brenda, M.D., Matt C., B.T. Ayer, Forest Glodgett, and Jen G.

Readings  
For the Week



Mon., Jan. 31  
Memorial of Saint John Bosco, priest  
Heb 11:32-40  
Mk 5:1-20

Tues., Feb. 1  
Heb 12:1-4  
Mk 5:21-43

Wed., Feb. 2  
Feast of the Presentation of the Lord  
Mal 3:1-4  
Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10  
Heb 2:14-18  
Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

Thurs., Feb. 3  
Heb 12:18-19, 21-24  
Mk 6:7-13

Friday, Feb. 4  
Heb 13:1-8  
Mk 6:14-29

Sat., Feb. 5  
Memorial of Saint Agatha, virgin and martyr  
Heb 13:15-17, 20-21  
Mk 6:30-34

Sunday, Feb. 6  
Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Is 58:7-10  
Ps 112:4-5, 6-7, 8-9  
1 Cor 2:1-5  
Mt 5:13-16

# FEBRUARY 2011

Please consult the weekly bulletin for revisions to this calendar.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Jan. 30 (2nd Collection: Catholic Education) 8:30 AM - Mass (Blessing of Throats) 9:50-11:05 AM-Rel. Ed. K-6-UCS 10:00-11:15 AM-Rel. Ed. Grs. 7 & 8 in the Sacristy 10:30 AM - Mass at St. Mary's 3:45-5:30 PM-Confirmation Class Years 1 & 2	31 8:00 AM - Mass   6:30-8:30 PM: Adult Education: "Morality" in Parish Hall	1   6:00 PM - Confessions 6:30 PM - Mass followed by Exposition	2   <i>St. Mary's:</i> 6:00 PM - Confessions 6:30 PM - Mass followed by Exposition  7:00 PM-Women's Prayer/Discussion Grp.	3 <i>St. Mary's:</i> 8:00 AM Mass   7:15 PM - Liturgy Commission Meeting	4 8:00 AM - Mass	5   3:45 PM - Confessions 4:10 PM - Rosary 4:30 PM - Mass  <i>6:30 PM - Mass at St. Mary's</i>
6 8:30 AM - Mass 9:50-11:05 AM-Rel. Ed. 1-6-UCS (NO Kindergarten today) 10:00-11:15 AM-Rel. Ed. Grs. 7 & 8 in the Sacristy 10:30 AM - Mass at St. Mary's 11:00 AM-World Marriage Mass at St. Joseph's Co-Cathedral NO Confirmation Class Years 1 & 2	7 8:00 AM - Mass   6:30-8:30 PM: Adult Education: "Catholic Social Teaching" in Parish Hall	8   NO Confessions NO Mass NO Exposition  7:30 PM - K of C Meeting	9   <i>St. Mary's:</i> NO Confessions NO Mass NO Exposition  7:00 PM-Women's Prayer/Discussion Grp.	10 <i>St. Mary's:</i> NO Mass   Fr. Rick on vacation	11 NO Mass	12   3:45 PM - Confessions 4:30 PM - Mass  <i>6:30 PM - Mass at St. Mary's</i>
13 8:30 AM - Mass Grs 3 & 6 participate at Mass 9:50-11:05 AM-Rel. Ed. K-6-UCS 10:00-11:15 AM-Rel. Ed. Grs. 7 & 8 in the Sacristy 10:30 AM - Mass at St. Mary's 3:45-5:30 PM-Confirmation Class Years 1 & 2 5:00 PM-K of C Spaghetti Dinner in Parish Hall	14 NO Mass   7:00 PM - Music Ministry Practice	15   NO Confessions NO Mass NO Exposition  Fr. Rick on vacation	16   <i>St. Mary's:</i> NO Confessions NO Mass NO Exposition  7:00 PM-Women's Prayer/Discussion Grp.	17 <i>St. Mary's:</i> NO Mass   7:00 PM - Maintenance Commission Meeting	18 NO Mass	19   (Fr. Rick back from vacation) 3:45 PM - Confessions 4:30 PM - Mass  <i>6:30 PM - Mass at St. Mary's</i>
20 8:30 AM - Mass NO Rel. Educ. K-8: Winter Vacation 10:30 AM - Mass at St. Mary's  3:45-5:30 PM-Confirmation Class Years 1 & 2	21 8:00 AM - Mass   7:00 PM: Finance Meeting	22   6:00 PM - Confessions 6:30 PM - Mass followed by Exposition	23   <i>St. Mary's:</i> 6:00 PM - Confessions 6:30 PM - Mass followed by Exposition  7:00 PM-Women's Prayer/Discussion Grp.	24 <i>St. Mary's:</i> 8:00 AM Mass   7:00 PM - Parish Council Meeting	25 8:00 AM - Mass	26   3:45 PM - Confessions 4:30 PM - Mass  <i>6:30 PM - Mass at St. Mary's</i>
27 8:30 AM - Mass NO Rel. Educ. K-8 Winter Vacation 10:30 AM - Mass at St. Mary's NO Confirmation Class Years 1 & 2	28 8:00 AM - Mass	Baskets will be placed at the entrances of the church for anyone who would like to dispose of last year's palms beginning Mar. 5 & 6.	<i>St. Mary's Events are in italics.</i>			

Coffee Hour follows the 8:30 AM Mass unless announced otherwise.