

WEEKEND AND WEEKDAY MASSES

September 3 SAT	4:30 PM - In loving memory of Paul Nadeau by his family
September 4 SUN	8:30 AM - For the parishioners of St. Thomas and St. Mary's
MON	8:00 AM - For our Bishops and our Diocese
TUE	<u>NO</u> Mass Fr. Rick is attending
WED	<u>NO</u> Mass at St. Mary's
THURS	<u>NO</u> Mass at St. Mary's Presbyteral Days
FRI	8:00 AM - For our Nation
September 10 SAT	4:30 PM - For the repose of the soul of Ruthie Sullivan
September 11 SUN	8:30 AM - For the parishioners of St. Thomas and St. Mary's Commissioning of Catechists

MINISTRY SCHEDULE - September 10 & 11, 2011

Mass	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Lector	Altar Servers
4:30 PM Sat.	T Potvin J Burke	F Babicz	Please help!
8:30 AM Sun.	Deacon Peter D Novembrino N Scott	D Nitchie M Frederick	K Groff O Gingras

VERMONT CATHOLIC CONFERENCE:

Are you looking for an opportunity to enrich your Catholic faith?

You are invited to attend the *Vermont Catholic Conference 2011*.

Inspired by the Bishop's call for growth in our unity of faith, this fifth annual conference will include keynote speaker Deacon Alex Jones as well as other inspirational speakers, prayer, fellowship, and worship. The day ends on a high note with the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass.

Date/Time: Saturday, November 12, 2011, 8:00 A.M.-6:00 P.M.
Place: St. Monica Catholic Church, Barre, VT

Registration forms are on the bulletin board at the main entrance of the church; or check out www.VTChallengers.org for more info.

MEN'S RETREAT: Our annual retreat at St. Benoit du Lac Monastery in Canada is scheduled for the weekend of Oct. 21st and 22nd and is open to all men in the parish. Only six rooms have been reserved and is available on a first-come, first-served basis. The cost is \$50 per night.

Please call Frank Babicz, 899-4650, for more information.

NEXT WEEKEND'S SECOND COLLECTION will be for our parish's Fuel and Heat collection. Please make checks payable to St. Thomas; cash also gratefully accepted. Thank you.

Stewardship - August 27 & 28, 2011
(Weekly Offertory Goal = \$2,850.00)

55 Envelopes = \$1,752.00; Loose Currency = \$445.00
TOTAL = \$2,197.00
YTD Actual = \$21,417.16

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

Message from Fr. Rick

This 'n That.....

- In 12-week's time, the new translation of The Roman Missal approved by Blessed Pope John Paul II in 2002 will go into effect on the First Sunday of Advent (November 27, 2011). In the next week or so I will be putting out Pew Cards that will highlight what the new wordings of the Penitential Rite, the Gloria and The Creed, as well as the responses of the people. These laminated cards will help all of us to familiarize ourselves with the changes by November 27th.
- It's time again for our annual diocesan Presbyteral assembly (Presbyteral Days) at Lake Morey in Fairlee, Vermont. I will be away attending Presbyteral Days from Tuesday, September 6th through Thursday, September 8th. In case of emergency, please contact the Parish Office; Donna will know how to contact me.
- Next weekend will mark the 10th anniversary of the September 11th terrorist attacks on our nation. Bishop Salvatore Matano will celebrate a "Blue Mass" on Sunday, September 11 at 3:00 P.M. at St. Augustine Parish in Montpelier. A "Blue Mass" is a Mass that honors and prays for police, firefighters, and other first responders. I am planning on attending to concelebrate that Mass and join with Bishop Matano in extending invitation to all of you to attend this special diocesan commemoration of that terrible day. Please remember in particular our Bishop Emeritus Kenneth Angell and the repose of the souls of his brother, David, and his sister-in-law, Lynn, who died that day aboard Flight 11, the first plane to hit the World Trade Center that morning.

BISHOP'S FUND 2011:

As the Bishop's Fund draws closer to its final goal, we want to thank all of those who have pledged gifts so far. Our parish *has reached, and actually exceeded* our 2011 Bishop's Fund Appeal goal of \$22,400. Thanks to the generosity and goodness of our parishioners who are willing, even in these tough times, to support the work of Christ and His Church here in Vermont. Thank you for your support for the many programs made possible by the Bishop's Fund Appeal.

If you have not yet made your gift, envelopes are available at the church exits. Please keep in mind that every gift counts, no matter how small or large. Thank you.

Fr. Rick

RECTORY ROOF: The installation of the new rectory roof will begin on Saturday/Sunday, Sept. 10th and 11th and we are looking for volunteers both skilled and unskilled. Many of the jobs are on the ground with debris removal and material handling, so don't be afraid to volunteer because you are not a roofer or afraid of heights. Please contact Sean Ledwith at 899-3511 or Fr. Rick at 899-4632. Thank you.

Rain date: Sept. 17th/18th until the job is done.

WEEKLY PARISH EVENTS

Sunday	9/4	Have a blessed day!
Tuesday	9/6	<u>NO</u> Confessions <u>NO</u> Exposition o/t Blessed Sacrament
Wednesday	9/7	<u>NO</u> Confessions at St. Mary's <u>NO</u> Exposition at St. Mary's
Thursday	9/8	7:15 PM Sacred Worship Committee Meeting in the Sacristy
Saturday	9/10	3:45 PM Confessions
Sunday	9/11	9:50-11:05 AM Religious Education Classes K-8 Underhill Central School (First Class of the new school year)

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS:

We are looking for a teacher for **GRADE 1 AND GRADE 3** in the Religious Education Program. We invite you to come and share the grace of your Baptism and exercise the mission Christ has given to pass on our wonderful Catholic faith to our dear children. If you hear God's call on your heart, respond to this call by contacting Laura Lynch Wells at (W) 899-4770, (H) 899-1120 or by email: rel.ed@stthomas.com.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION K - 8 and CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION INFO:

If you did not receive the parent letter explaining the procedures for registering your student/s in Religious Education classes, please call the RE office at 899-4770. Registration forms will not be mailed out—we now have available for your convenience registration forms and class schedules posted on our website, www.stthomasvt.com—for all grades, Kindergarten through grade 10. Please note: Grades 7 & 8 will meet at Underhill Central School Sunday mornings at 9:50. Grades K-8 have a separate registration form and fee, as does Confirmation Years 1 & 2. Extra forms are in the back of the church if needed. If you are new to the parish and/or need further information, please call Laura Lynch Wells, Rel. Ed. Coordinator, at 899-4770.

THE WOMEN'S PRAYER/DISCUSSION GROUP would like to invite all women of the parish to join them in prayer and lively discussion on Wednesday evenings at 7:00 P.M. in the rectory meeting room beginning Sept. 7th. Discussions follow the church year with reflections for each week taken from *Quest—A Reflection Booklet for Small Christian Communities* from the Archdiocese of Hartford in Bloomfield, CT. Please come any or all weeks. The group meets during the school year, taking the summers off.

CUB SCOUTS REGISTERING FOR 2011-2012:

Cub Scout Pack 620 of Jericho/Underhill is holding their annual Fall kickoff and registration at Browns River Middle School on Fri., Sept. 9, 2011 from 6:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M.

Cub Scout Pack 620 offers a family oriented program for boys in grades 1-5 that combines fun with educational activities and lifelong values. In Cub Scouting, boys learn ideals like honesty, bravery, and respect. These values help boys make constructive decisions throughout their lifetimes and give them the confidence they need to grow and develop. In addition to traditional scouting advancement, there are also opportunities for Scouts to earn recognition awards for studies in their respective faith plus extra-curricular interests in sports and academics such as baseball, soccer, skiing, astronomy, computers, math and music.

If you are unable to join us on September 9th but would like more information about Cub Scouting, please call 899-1891, email us at Cubpack620@aol.com, or visit us at www.Pack620.com.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS NEED CARD TABLES:

Does anyone have a card table that they could donate to the Catholic Daughters of Court Fanny Allen? The CDA lost their card tables in the fire that destroyed the Holy Family Parish Hall in Essex Junction. Call Fran Wager at 879-0349 if you can help. Thanking you in advance.

LET A MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND HELP YOU

renew the romance in your marriage. The next weekend in Vermont is scheduled for Oct. 21-23, 2011. Early application is recommended. Call Dave & Jennie Erkson @ 1-800-434-4218 or via e-mail aterksonmevt@comcast.net to apply or for more info.

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS will be offered for sale beginning this weekend after all Masses. The cost is \$30. Books for various other states are available by calling Ed Mathews at 899-4793. Great gift idea and a wonderful way to support St. Thomas' Knights of Columbus.



SANCTUARY CANDLE DEDICATION

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.

56TH ANNUAL CHICKEN BARBECUE: The Underhill-Jericho Fire Department's annual barbecue will be held on Labor Day, Sept. 5th, 11:30 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. at Brown's River Middle School. Ticket prices in advance: Adult-\$11.00; Seniors-\$10.50; Children-\$8.50; or at the door: Adult-\$11.75; Seniors-\$11.25; Children-\$9.00. Call Tom at 598-1235 with any questions.

ALO KICKOFF: The mission of Alo is to serve local mothers by fostering community, spiritual growth and a deeper understanding of our shared Catholic Faith. This groups meets at 6:45 P.M. (until 9:00 P.M.) one Thursday a month from Sept. to May at St. Lawrence Rectory in Essex Junction. The cost is \$5 each time or \$35 for the season. Childcare is provided at no additional cost. Planned topics include prayer, children, marriage, finances, social teaching, self, and enjoyment. Meetings include a featured speaker, small group discussions, refreshments and activities. You are invited to the kickoff meeting on Sept. 8th. Please pick up a brochure on the bulletin board to register or for more information.

BLUE MASS IN MEMORY OF THE 10TH ANNIVERSARY OF SEPTEMBER 11th:

Bishop Matano will celebrate Holy Mass at St. Augustine Church in Montpelier, on Sun., Sept 11th at 3:00 P.M. A Blue Mass is celebrated to pray for police officers, fire fighters, and first responders. All are invited and encourage to attend.

BLOOD DRIVE: The next American Red Cross community blood drive for area residents will take place on **Wed., Sept. 14th**. Eligible donors can give blood from **1:00 P.M. to 6:00 P.M.** at the **Covenant Community Church** in Essex. Giving blood through the Red Cross is safe, simple, and virtually painless. Share the "gift of life" as supplies of blood and blood products are critically low at this time. Donors will enjoy yummy pie and ice cream after donating!

This event is sponsored by the Jericho-Underhill Lions Club.

RIGHT TO LIFE ANNUAL DINNER/AUCTION: Chittenden County Right to Life 15th Annual Dinner and Auction fundraiser will be held on Sat., Sept. 24th at St. John Vianney Community Hall from 5:30 to 9:00 P.M. The cost is \$13.00 per person which includes a roast beef dinner with vegetables, salad, rolls, dessert and beverages. Reservations are required. Reserve now as seating is limited! Table seating assigned. For questions or donation, please call Judy Sekerak at 893-4514. New auction items or cash contributions always appreciated. Dinner provided by the South Burlington K of C. Sign-up forms are on the bulletin board at the entrance of the church.

WE PRAY FOR

SICK: For all our sick: Jay Tisbert, 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, Frank Livingstone, Cindy Ryan, Kathy Blair, Roger Nadeau, Paul Keeler, Harriette Carson, Ann Kelly, Yvonne Cross, 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, Lynn McLaughlin, Olivia Pierce, Martha Wagner, Abby Wintersteen, Donald Potvin, Gary Strait, Richard Masse, Kathryn Devlin, Erin Barch, Anna Tavormina, Janis Peyser, Maureen Reynolds, Mathaniel Reed, Ray Mathieu, Jim Magonagle, July Couillard, Janine Mullaly, and all those preparing for or recovering from surgery.

DECEASED: For all who have died, especially Robert Barningham (father-in-law of Ruth Barningham), and all deceased members of St. Thomas and St. Mary's parishes.

Other Intentions: Matt C., Jen G., Mike A., and Matt A.



Readings
For the Week

Mon., Sept. 5
Col 1:24-2:3
Lk 6:6-11

Tues., Sept. 6
Col 2:6-15
Lk 6:12-19

Wed., Sept. 7
Col 3:1-11
Lk 6:20-26

Thurs., Sept. 8
Feast of the Nativity
of the Blessed Virgin
Mary
Mi 5:1-4a
Is 13:6ab, 6c
Mt 1:1-16, 18-23

Fri., Sept. 9
1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14
Lk 6:39-42

Sat., Sept. 10
1 Tm 1:15-17
Lk 6:43-49

Sunday, Sept. 11
Twenty-Fourth
Sunday in Ordinary
Time
Sir 27:30-28:7
Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12
Rom 14:7-9
Mt 18:21-35

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SEPTEMBER 2011

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Please consult the weekly
bulletin for revisions to
this calendar.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Sept. 4 8:30 AM Mass No Coffee Hour today <i>10:30 AM Mass at St. Mary</i>	5 8:00 AM - Mass Labor Day Office Closed	6 NO Confessions NO Mass NO Exposition ← Fr. Rick at	7 <i>St. Mary's:</i> NO Confessions, NO Mass, NO Exposition 7:00 PM-Women's Prayer/Discussion Grp. (All women are invited!) Presbyteral Assembly	8 <i>St. Mary's:</i> NO Mass 7:15 - Sacred Worship Meeting - in Sacristy	9 8:00 AM - Mass	10 2nd Collection this w/e: St. Thomas Heat/Fuel 3:45 PM - Confessions 4:30 PM - Mass <i>6:30 PM - Mass at St. Mary's</i>
11 8:30 AM - Mass Commissioning of Catechists at Mass 9:50-11:05 AM: First Day of Rel. Educ. Classes, Grs. K-8 at Underhill Central School <i>10:30 AM - Mass at St. Mary's</i>	12 8:00 AM - Mass	13 6:00 PM - Confessions 6:30 PM - Mass 7:00-7:45 PM - Exposition 7:30 PM - K of C Meeting	14 <i>St. Mary's:</i> 6:00 PM - Confessions 6:30 PM - Mass 7:00 PM - Exposition 7:00 PM-Women's Prayer/Discussion Grp.	15 <i>St. Mary's:</i> 8:00 AM Mass 6:30 PM - Food Shelf Set-Up at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Rte. 15 7:00 PM - Maintenance Committee Meeting	16 8:00 AM - Mass 7:00 PM - Fundraising Committee Meeting (check with Laura Wells)	17 9:30 AM - Food Shelf Distribution at Good Shepherd Luth. Ch. 3:45 PM - Confessions 4:30 PM - Mass <i>6:30 PM - Mass at St. Mary's</i>
18 8:30 AM - Mass 9:50-11:05 AM: Rel. Educ. Classes, Grs. K-8 at Underhill Central School <i>10:30 AM - Mass at St. Mary's</i> 3:45 PM: Parent Meeting for Confirmation Years 1 & 2 3:45-5:30 PM: 1st Class Confirmation Years 1 & 2	19 8:00 AM - Mass 7:00 PM: Finance Committee Meeting	20 6:00 PM - Confessions 6:30 PM - Mass 7:00 PM - Exposition	21 <i>St. Mary's:</i> 6:00 PM - Confessions 6:30 PM - Mass 7:00 PM - Exposition 7:00 PM-Women's Prayer/Discussion Grp.	22 <i>St. Mary's:</i> 8:00 AM Mass 7:00 PM: Parish Council Meeting	23 8:00 AM - Mass	24 Catholic University Collection this w/e 3:45 PM - Confessions 4:30 PM - Mass <i>6:30 PM - Mass at St. Mary's</i>
25 8:30 AM - Mass Rite of Entrance-Gr. 10 at this Mass 9:50-11:05 AM: Rel. Educ. Classes, Grs. K-8 at Underhill Central School <i>10:30 AM - Mass at St. Mary's</i> 3:45-5:30 PM: Confirmation Class Years 1 & 2	26 8:00 AM - Mass 7:00 PM-Music Ministry Practice in church	27 6:00 PM - Confessions 6:30 PM - Mass 7:00 PM - Exposition	28 <i>St. Mary's:</i> 6:00 PM - Confessions 6:30 PM - Mass 7:00 PM - Exposition 7:00 PM-Women's Prayer/Discussion Grp.	29 <i>St. Mary's:</i> 8:00 AM Mass	30 8:00 AM - Mass	October 1 3:45 PM - Confessions 4:10 PM - Rosary 4:30 PM - Mass <i>6:30 PM - Mass at St. Mary's</i>
October 2 8:30 AM - Mass 9:50-11:05 AM: Rel. Educ. Classes, Grs. K-8 at Underhill Central School <i>10:30 AM - Mass at St. Mary's</i> 3:45-5:30 PM: Confirmation Class Years 1 & 2		 LOOKING AHEAD: October 9th: HAM DINNER More info soon.	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> Coffee Hour follows 8:30 A.M. Mass unless otherwise announced. <i>St. Mary's events are in italics.</i> </div>			