

WEEKEND AND WEEKDAY MASSES

January 21
SAT 4:30 PM - For the repose of the soul of Marion Haylette by Bob & Jo Lavigne

January 22
SUN 8:30 AM - For the repose of the soul of Frances Boushie by Kristopher Boushie

MON 8:00 AM - In reparation for the sin of abortion

TUE 6:30 PM - In Thanksgiving by Donna Schaeffler

WED 6:30 PM - Mass at St. Mary's, followed by Exposition

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

FRI 8:00 AM - In memory of Ross Perri by his family

January 28
SAT 4:30 PM - For the repose of the soul of Ruth Bechard by Clara Manor

January 29
SUN 8:30 AM - For the parishioners of St. Thomas and St. Mary's
Gr. 2 participates at Mass

MINISTRY SCHEDULE - January 28 & 29, 2012

Mass	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Lector	Altar Servers
4:30 PM Sat.	S May J Burke	T May	Please help!
8:30 AM Sun.	Deacon Peter S Adams B MacDonough	A Bernasconi L Wells	C Haupt O Gingras

**ST. THOMAS FUNDRAISER:
CHICKEN AND BISCUIT DINNER**

Please mark your calendar for Sun., Jan. 29th for our Chicken & Biscuit Dinner, with continuous serving from 4:00 - 6:30 P.M. in the Parish Hall. The menu consists of chicken, biscuits and gravy, mashed potatoes, carrots, coleslaw, cranberry sauce, apple crisp and beverage. Take-outs are available. Cost is by donation. NO reservations.

This is a major fundraiser event for our parish. If you can help in any way by donations of time, talent or treasure, please call chairs, Lucy Bathalon at 899-1338 or Gloria Blake at 899-2083 for details on how you can help. "Many hands make light work." It's fun, too!!

Please spread the word, bring your family and friends and don't miss this delicious home-cooked meal.

FOOD/Parish Hall PREP SCHEDULE:

Anyone who would like to assist with the food preparation or hall set-up for the Chicken & Biscuit Dinner should come to the Parish Hall, Sat., Jan. 28th at 9:00 A.M. Please bring your potato and apple peelers (if you have them). There's a job for everyone.

NEXT WEEKEND'S SECOND COLLECTION is for Catholic Education. One-half of the collection remains at St. Thomas for our Rel. Ed. program; one-half supports 13 Catholic schools throughout the Diocese. Please make checks payable to St. Thomas; cash gratefully accepted.

Stewardship - Jan 14 & 15, 2012
(Weekly Offertory Goal = \$2,850.00)

54 Envelopes = \$1,569.00; Loose Currency = \$602.66
TOTAL = \$2171.66

YTD Actual = \$78,259.25

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

Message from Fr. Rick
The 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

I don't think it is a coincidence that each year our country observes two solemn anniversaries within a week of each other. On January 15th we celebrate the birthday of the Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and on January 22nd, we observe a sorrowful anniversary, the anniversary of an appalling and, in fact, unjust Supreme Court decision that strips unborn Americans of their humanity and denies them any protection under the laws of this nation. Rev. King, a Baptist minister labored to end unjust discrimination that justified itself by denying the humanity of an entire group of American citizens on the basis of the color of their skin. The United States Supreme Court imposed injustice that it justified by asserting that unborn American citizens have no intrinsic worth and dignity that society was obliged to respect and protect. In both cases Rev. King and thousands and thousands of Americans, Catholic and non-Catholic alike, have fought and prayed, fasted, wept, contributed and witnessed for a great conversion and renewal in our society that will undue the horror and injustice of legalized abortion and restore to our unborn fellow citizens recognition of their full rights and dignity.

CATHOLICISM ADULT STUDY PROGRAM:

Monday, Jan. 23rd, 7:00 P.M. in the Parish Hall: Class #6, "A Body Both Suffering and Glorious: The Mystical Union of Christ and the Church".

(Class #6 repeated Sunday, Jan. 29th, 10 A.M. in the Parish Hall).

Looking ahead to the next class:

Monday, Feb. 13th, Class #7: "Word Made Flesh, True Bread of Heaven. The Mystery of the Church's Sacraments and Worship"

(Class repeated on Sun., Feb. 19, 10:00 A.M.)

COUNTRY BREAKFAST: The K of C Country Breakfast will take place THIS Sun., Jan. 22nd serving from 8:00 until 11:00 A.M. in the Parish Hall. Cost is by donation.

Parish Events

Sunday	1/22	8:00-11:00 AM <u>10:00-11:15 AM</u> 3:45-5:30 PM	K of C Country Breakfast Rel. Ed. Classes, Grs. 1-8—UCS Confirmation Class—Years 1 & 2
Monday	1/23	7:00 PM	<u>Catholicism Adult Study Program</u> Class #6: "A Body both Suffering and Glorious: The Mystical Union of Christ and the Church"
Tuesday	1/24	6:00 PM 7:00 PM	Confessions Exposition o/t Blessed Sacrament
Wednesday	1/25	6:00 PM 7:00 PM 7:00 PM	Confessions at St. Mary's Exposition at St. Mary's Women's Prayer/Discussion Grp.
Thursday	1/26	7:00 PM	Parish Council Meeting
Friday	1/27	7:00 PM	"Stump the Priest" - Parish Hall
Saturday	1/28	9:00 AM 3:45 PM	Food/Parish Hall Prep for the Chicken & Biscuit Dinner—All are welcome Confessions
Sunday	1/29	10:00 AM <u>10:00-11:15 AM</u> 3:45-5:30 PM	Repeat of Catholicism Adult Study Program—Class #6: "A Body both Suffering and Glorious: The Mystical Union of Christ and the Church" Rel. Ed. Classes, Grs. 1-8—UCS Confirmation Class—Years 1 & 2 (held in the sacristy this week)

SOUP COLLECTION: Super Bowl Sunday will soon be here. On that day (February 5th), " **Souper " Bowl Sunday**" will be celebrated here at St. Thomas. 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. About 150 containers of soup were donated last year on " **Souper " Bowl Sunday**". Can we exceed that this year???

GOT QUESTIONS? LIKE ICE CREAM? Do angels have free will? Does God make mistakes because he seemed sad after the Great Flood? These were just a few of the questions that were asked at our last **Stump the Priest** night which was a wonderful evening of great questions and getting to know each other and Father Rick better. Father has agreed to get back into the "hot seat" so the Beatitudes Ministry is hosting another **Stump the Priest** night this month. Families are welcome to attend.

- We will start out with make-your-own Ice Cream Sundaes,
- then settle in for "family friendly" questions in the Parish Hall.
- After that, members of the Beatitudes will entertain the children downstairs while,
- the adults move upstairs to ask additional questions.

Please join us for ice cream sundaes, fun prizes and great information on **Fri., Jan. 27th at 7:00 - 9:00 P.M.** in the Parish Hall. If you have questions about the event, please contact Amy at 899-5080 or at AmvBVT@Gmail.com.

FUNERAL LUNCHEONS: Thank you to all who so wonderfully support the funeral luncheon ministry to grieving families through volunteering time as servers and those who so generously donate food. There are very MANY plates, bowls, and casserole dishes left from these luncheons, and previous dinners, etc. that are on the back counter in the parish hall. Please check to see if you have one there. They are becoming too many to keep. God bless to all.

FOOD SHELF CONTRIBUTIONS: Present needs: canned vegetables, baked beans, cereal and peanut butter. Thank you to all who bring donations to church for our local Food Shelf. It is greatly appreciated.

TRADITIONAL LATIN MASS: The traditional Latin Mass (a/k/a Extraordinary Form or Tridentine Mass), according to the 1962 Roman Missal of Blessed John XXIII, is celebrated at Immaculate Conception (St. Mary's) Church in St. Albans on the third Sunday of the month at 10:30 A.M., as well as most Saturdays at 8:30 A.M. For more information call St. Mary's at 527-7775, or e-mail latinmassvt@live.com.

K of C SCHOLARSHIP - All information is on the bulletin board regarding this yearly Scholarship available to high school seniors who are planning to attend college. Your father or grandfather must be a Knight—see all details and application information. If interested, take home a packet. For more information, contact Matt Hurley at 899-4341.



SANCTUARY CANDLE

If you would like to dedicate the tabernacle vigil candle in memory of a loved one or for a special intention, please call the parish office at 899-4632.

BISHOP MARSHALL SCHOOL: Have you ever considered sending your children to the Bishop Marshall School? This is not only a great, local Catholic school with a warm faculty and very challenging curriculum but also a strong community of individuals who put high emphasis on faith, family, and education. They are currently accepting mid-year enrollment applications and tuition assistance may be available to qualified families. Whether you simply have general questions or would like to schedule a tour, consider giving Maryellen Kohl a call at 888-4758. You may also visit them online at www.bjams.org or www.facebook.com/bjamsvt.

INTERESTED IN RICE H.S.? 8th graders considering their high school options are encouraged to schedule a **Shadow Day at Rice Memorial High School** as soon as possible. Shadow students are paired with a current Rice freshman Student Ambassador based upon mutual academic and extracurricular interests. They follow their Student Ambassador's class schedule for the day, meeting current students and faculty while learning what makes Rice unique. The 2012/13 priority application deadline is February 13th with placement testing scheduled for late March. To schedule a Shadow Day, contact Director of Enrollment, Christy Bahrenburg at 862-6521 ext. 235 or bahrenburg@rmhsvt.org. More information about Rice can be found at www.rmhsvt.org

PROJECT RACHEL
A Healing and Reconciliation Ministry for women and men who have experienced abortion.

Counseling is free.
Call us in confidence at
1-888-456-HOPE

Readings For the Week



Mon., Jan. 23
2 Sm 5:1-7, 10
Mk 3:22-30

Tues., Jan. 24
Memorial of Saint Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19
Mk 3:31-35

Wed., Jan. 25
Feast of the Conversion of Saint Paul, the Apostle
Acts 22:3-16
Ps 117:1bc, 2
Mk 16:15-18

Thurs., Jan. 26
Memorial of Saint Timothy and Saint Titus, bishops
2 Tm 1:1-8
Mk 4:21-25

Fri., Jan. 27
2 Sm 1:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17
Mk 4:26-34

Sat., Jan. 28
Memorial of Saint Thomas Aquinas, priest and doctor of the Church
2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17
Mk 4:35-41

Sunday, Jan. 29
Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Dt 18:15-20
Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9
1 Cor 7:32-35
Mk 1:21-28

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, Carmela Cardenas, Conlan Shaw, Shirley Dorcy, Darlene Klatke, Arvind Benkataraman, Don Beaulieu, Patricia Meagher, Frank Livingstone, Kathy Blair, Roger Nadeau, Paul Keeler, Ann Kelly, Yvonne Cross, Arthur Frazer, Bret Johnson, Riley McLaughlin, Agnes Ghioni, Dina Remillard, Michael Chandler, Marlene Fitzgibbons, Emerson Royer, Cathryn Rotando, Yuriy Bihun, Silvio Desjardins, Madeline Lamb, Mary Sevcik, Lynn McLaughlin, Olivia Pierce, Martha Wagner, Abby Wintersteen, Donald Potvin, Gary Strait, Kathryn Devlin, Erin Barch, Anna Tavormina, Janis Peyser, Ray Mathieu, Jim McGonagle, Janine Mullaly, Frank McCarthy, Sr., Theresa MacDonald, Joe Sprano, Tim Schaeffler, Shirley Daniels, Joan Siekman, Sally Ann Bulger, Donna Smith, Joyce Brush, Dolphy Wells, and all those preparing for or recovering from surgery.

DECEASED: For all who have died, especially all deceased members of St. Thomas and St. Mary's parishes.

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

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>8 (2nd Collection: Fuel) 8:30 AM - Mass Coffee Hour resumes after Mass starting this weekend 10:00-11:15 AM-Rel. Ed. 1-8-UCS Please note new time for RE allowing families time for Coffee Hour <i>10:30 AM - Mass at St. Mary's</i> 3:45-5:30 PM-Confirmation Class Years 1 & 2</p>	<p>9 8:00 AM - Mass 7:00-8:30 PM: Adult Education— “The Indispensable Men – Peter, Paul and the Missionary Adventure” in the Parish Hall All are invited!</p>	<p>10 6:00 PM - Confessions 6:30 PM - Mass 7:00-7:45 PM - Exposition 7:30 PM - K of C Meeting</p>	<p>11 <i>St. Mary's: 6:00 PM - Confessions 6:30 PM - Mass followed by Exposition</i> 7:00 PM-Women's Prayer/Discussion Grp.</p>	<p>12 <i>St. Mary's: 8:00 AM Mass</i></p>	<p>13 8:00 AM - Mass</p>	<p>14 3:45 PM - Confessions 4:30 PM - Mass <i>6:30 PM - Mass at St. Mary's</i></p>
<p>15 8:30 AM - Mass 10:00-11:15 AM-Rel. Ed. 1-8-UCS Please note new time for RE 10:00 AM: Adult Education—Repeat Class “The Indispensable Men -Peter, Paul and the Missionary Adventure” in the Parish Hall <i>10:30 AM - Mass at St. Mary's</i> 3:45-5:30 PM-Confirmation Class Years 1 & 2</p>	<p>16 8:00 AM - Mass 7:00 PM-Music Ministry Practice 7:00 PM-Finance Meeting in Parish Hall</p>	<p>17 6:00 PM - Confessions 6:30 PM - Mass followed by Exposition</p>	<p>18 <i>St. Mary's: 6:00 PM - Confessions 6:30 PM - Mass followed by Exposition</i> 7:00 PM-Women's Prayer/Discussion Grp.</p>	<p>19 <i>St. Mary's: 8:00 AM Mass</i></p>	<p>20 8:00 AM - Mass</p>	<p>21 3:45 PM - Confessions 4:30 PM - Mass <i>6:30 PM - Mass at St. Mary's</i></p>
<p>22 8:00-11:00 AM: K of C Country Breakfast 8:30 AM - Mass 10:00-11:15 AM-Rel. Ed. 1-8-UCS <i>10:30 AM - Mass at St. Mary's</i> 3:45-5:30 PM-Confirmation Class Years 1 & 2</p>	<p>23 8:00 AM - Mass 7:00-8:30 PM: Adult Education— “A Body Both Suffering and Glorious: The Mystical Union of Christ and the Church” in the Parish Hall All are invited!</p>	<p>24 6:00 PM - Confessions 6:30 PM - Mass followed by Exposition</p>	<p>25 <i>St. Mary's: 6:00 PM - Confessions 6:30 PM - Mass followed by Exposition</i> 7:00 PM-Women's Prayer/Discussion Grp.</p>	<p>26 <i>St. Mary's: 8:00 AM Mass</i></p>	<p>27 8:00 AM - Mass 7:00 PM: “Stump the Priest” In the Parish Hall All parishioners/families are invited. (See the bulletin for details)</p>	<p>28 (2nd Collection: Catholic Education) 3:45 PM - Confessions 4:30 PM - Mass <i>6:30 PM - Mass at St. Mary's</i></p>
<p>29 (2nd Collection: Catholic Education) 8:30 AM - Mass Rel. Ed. Gr. 2 participate at Mass 10:00-11:15 AM-Rel. Ed. 1-8-UCS 10:00 AM: Adult Education—Repeat Class “A Body Both Suffering and Glorious: The Mystical Union of Christ and the Church” in the Parish Hall <i>10:30 AM - Mass at St. Mary's</i> 3:45-5:30 PM-Confirmation Class Years 1 & 2 in Sacristy St. Thomas Fundraiser: 4:00-6:30 PM - Chicken & Biscuit Dinner in Parish Hall</p>	<p>30 8:00 AM - Mass</p>	<p>31 6:00 PM - Confessions 6:30 PM - Mass followed by Exposition</p>	<p>Feb. 1 <i>St. Mary's: 6:00 PM - Confessions 6:30 PM - Mass followed by Exposition</i> 7:00 PM-Women's Prayer/Discussion Grp.</p>	<p>Feb. 2 <i>St. Mary's: 8:00 AM Mass</i></p>	<p>Feb. 3 8:00 AM - Mass</p>	<p>Feb. 4 3:45 PM - Confessions 4:30 PM - Mass <i>6:30 PM - Mass at St. Mary's</i></p>

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

St. Mary's events are in italics.

CATHOLICISM ADULT STUDY PROGRAM

Schedule 2012

All presentations are held in the Parish Hall

- **Monday, Jan. 9 - Class #5: "The Indispensable Men: Peter, Paul and the Missionary Adventure"**
Class repeated on Sun., Jan. 15, 10:00 A.M.
- **Monday, Jan. 23 - Class #6: "A Body Both Suffering and Glorious: The Mystical Union of Christ and the Church"**
Class repeated on Sun., Jan 29, 10:00 A.M.
- Monday, Feb. 13 - Class #7: "Word Made Flesh, True Bread of Heaven. The Mystery of the Church's Sacraments and Worship"**
Class repeated on Sun., Feb. 19, 10:00 A.M.
- **Monday, Feb. 27 - Class #8: "A Vast Company of Witnesses: The Communion of Saints"**
Class repeated on Sun., Mar. 4, 10:00 A.M.
- **Monday, Mar. 12 - Class #9: "The Fire of His Love: Prayer and the Life of the Spirit"**
Class repeated on Sun., Mar. 18, 10:00 A.M.
- **Monday, Mar. 26 - Class #10: "World Without End: The Last Things"**

IMPORTANT:

*****Please watch the weekly bulletin for any changes to this schedule*****

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **K OF C COUNTRY BREAKFAST - Sunday, Jan. 22nd, 8:00-11:00 A.M. in the Parish Hall.**
 - **"STUMP THE PRIEST" - Friday, Jan. 27th, 7:00 P.M. in the Parish Hall.**
- **CHICKEN & BISCUIT DINNER - Sunday, Jan. 29th, 4:00-6:30 P.M. in the Parish Hall.**

This is a major fundraising event for St. Thomas.

If you can help in any way, please call Lucy Bathalon at 899-1338.