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We are a Welcoming Community of Believers, Hoppers and Lovers. We are One Family in Baptism and the Holy Spirit, nourished with the Word of God and the Body and Blood of Christ. All are Welcome in this place.

Cycles of Faith -30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"And many rebuked him, telling him to be silent. But he kept calling out all the more." The blind Bartimaeus was a courageous fellow. Not only was he bold enough to call out to Jesus who was passing by, but he also had the guts to keep on calling, even when people were telling him to be quiet. Clearly, this man knew that he needed Jesus--and he wasn't about to let popular opinion convince him otherwise. What were those people thinking who tried to silence the poor beggar? Perhaps they thought that Jesus was too busy for a stop along the way. Maybe they bought into the prevalent idea that Bartimaeus' blindness was a punishment for sin and that he was therefore a lost cause. Or it could be that they were just annoyed by his persistence. Whatever the case, these folks tried to pressure Bartimaeus into giving up. But he didn't. And the reward for his steadfastness was priceless: "Immediately he received his sight."

Immediately, that is, after he encountered Christ. But let's not forget that he had to invest all that time and energy earlier in order to arrive at that precious encounter. And we may have to do the same. Our persistence in prayer is often a necessary first step to the gift of God's intervention in our lives. We, like Bartimaeus, may have to call out time and time again, making our requests known to Jesus even when it may seem he isn't looking our way. We too may need to be faithful in the face of doubters and detractors who tell us that our prayers are pointless, that God doesn't really care, or that we deserve to be stuck in our own misery. Let us seek to be like this man who heard Jesus say, "Your faith has saved you."

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Readings for the Week of October 25, 2015

Sunday: Jer 31:7-9/Heb 5:1-6/Mk 10:46-52
Monday: Rom 8:12-17/Lk 13:10-17
Tuesday: Rom 8:18-25/Lk 13:18-21
Wednesday: Eph 2:19-22/Lk 6:12-16
Thursday: Rom 8:31b-39/Lk 13:31-35
Friday: Rom 9:1-5/Lk 14:1-6
Saturday: Rom 11:1-2a, 11-12, 25-29/Lk 14:1, 7-11
Next Sunday: Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/1 Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a

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Offertory Last Week: \$1,542.00 Fuel: \$346.00
Maintenance: \$1.00 World Mission: \$15.00
Salvation Army: \$5.00
Electronic Giving: \$280.00

Second Collection This Week for Priest Benefit Fund
Second Collection Next Week for Maintenance

ANNOUNCED MASS INTENTIONS:

Sun. Oct. 25 8:00 a.m. For the Parishioners of Our Lady of Mount Carmel and St. Jude Parishes.

Sun. Oct. 25 11:00 a.m. For Cela Marrero requested by Joan and Andy Jamieson.

Sun. Nov. 1 8:00 a.m. For All Souls

Sun. Nov. 1 11:00 a.m. For the Parishioners of Our Lady of Mount Carmel and St. Jude Parishioners.

Pray for Vocations

Schedule of Counters: Monday, October 26, 2015

Nancy Calcagni
Joan Jamieson
Gail Blasius

Schedule of Ministries: Sunday, November 1, 2015

8:00 a.m. Altar Server: All CCD Servers
Lector: Tricia Sulva
Extraordinary Min: Tricia Sulva
Deena Miller
David Croke

11:00 a.m. Greeters:
Altar Server:
Lector: Ray Curtis
Extraordinary Min: Eileen Curtis
Ray Curtis

Calendar of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Events

-10/25 1st Year Confirmation Class at 10:30 a.m.
-11/01 CCD Classes at CCS at 9:00 a.m.
-11/01 Food Shelf Sunday
-11/01 Remembrance Weekend
-11/08 Recognition Sunday
-11/08 Civil War Remembrance at 2:00 p.m.

Question of the Week: What cloaks that weigh us down do we need to cast aside if we are to spring up and hasten to answer Jesus' call?

Religious Ed Classes: PLEASE NOTE: We are still looking for a teacher for the music program. If you are interested in helping out, please contact Marie at marietcookson@aol.com.

Rosary: The Rosary is being said each Saturday at St. Jude's before the 4:30 p.m. Mass beginning at 4:10 p.m.

SCHIP: SCHIP (Shelburne Charlotte Hinesburg Interfaith Projects) Resale shop in Shelburne invites you to come in soon and see their fall selections. The shop is also in need of jewelry, in particular earrings, bracelets and necklaces.

Calling All CCD Students: Sunday, November 1 is the CCD Food Shelf Sunday. We are asking all participants to bring one food item to help stock the Charlotte Food Shelf. Please bring an item that you would like to have on your own shelf at home. The Food Shelf has recently experienced a drop in monetary donations and with the approaching holiday season they need your help! The Food Shelf is a joint project between Our Lady of Mount Carmel and the Charlotte Congregational Church and serves many families in our community. Thank you for your generous donations.

Civil War Veterans Remembrance: A ceremony will be held in Our Lady of Mount Carmel Cemetery in Charlotte on Sunday, November 8 at 2:00 p.m. to honor the eleven Civil War veterans buried or commemorated there, to rededicate their monuments—some recently restored and one brand new—and to pray at their graves. It is amazing that eleven members of this brand new parish (founded in 1858) were among the record number of Vermonters who went off to defend the Union, two brothers never coming home and being buried in Virginia. In case of bad weather, the rain date will be November 15 at 2:00 p.m.

Remembering our Deceased: We have a permanent book to record the names of our deceased faith members and friends to be remembered at Mass during the month of November. This book will be available next week in the back of the church.

Taize Prayer Service: There will be a Taize Prayer Service at St. Paul's Cathedral on Cherry Street in Burlington on Sunday, November 1 at 7:30 p.m. All are welcome.

Tai Chi for Seniors: CVAA is sponsoring Tai Chi for Seniors at St. Jude's Parish Hall. There is no cost to attend this eight week program. Open to anyone age 50 and over. Classes are every Monday and Wednesday from 11:00 to 11:45 a.m. beginning October 19. To register, call CVAA at 1-800-642-5119.

All Souls Day Mass at Resurrection Park Catholic Cemetery: Most Reverend Christopher J. Coyne, S.L.D., Bishop of Burlington, cordially invites you and your family to attend a Mass he will be celebrating on All Souls Day, November 2 at 10:00 a.m. at Resurrection Park Catholic Cemetery. Parking will be available in the cemetery and St. John Vianney Church adjacent to Resurrection Park and please bring a chair to sit on. Mass will be celebrated in St. John Vianney Church if the weather does not cooperate. Following the Mass, there will be a procession around the cemetery reciting the Holy Rosary led by Bishop Coyne.

Counseling Services: Vermont Catholic Charities offers affordable counseling services to individuals, couples and families. Guided by the teachings and principles of the Catholic faith, they seek to offer hope, support, compassion and the opportunity for healing and personal growth. Office hours on an appointment basis. Locations include South Burlington, Middlebury, Rutland and St. Albans. Payment is by private insurance, Medicaid, and they offer a sliding scale fee based on income. If you or someone you know needs support, please call 658-6111, ext. 1318.

VT Catholic Women's Retreat: The women of the Diocese of Burlington are cordially invited to the 4th Annual Vermont Catholic Women's Retreat on Saturday, November 21, 2015 from 8:30 am to 4:00 pm at Holy Family Church and Parish Center, Essex Junction. Registration will open soon. For more information please contact the Office Catechesis and Evangelization at <http://catholicformation@vermontcatholic.org>.



Jesus said to him in reply, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man replied to him, "Master, I want to see." Jesus told him, "Go your way; your faith has saved you." Immediately he received his sight and followed him on the way. — Mk 10:51-52

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Senior Meals: St. Jude Parish offers lunches to area seniors on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month. The next senior meal is scheduled for October 27 from 12:00 to 2:00 p.m. Serving begins at 12:00 noon. All Seniors and Caretakers welcome.

World Youth Day 2016: Plans are underway for a group of young adults (ages 16-28) from our Diocese to attend World Youth Day 2016 in Krakow, Poland. The group will travel from July 19-August 2, 2016. For more information and to reserve a spot, please contact without delay Chris Dawson at vtwyd@savevermont.org or Bill Gavin, Diocesan Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministry, at wgavin@vermontcatholic.org.

Volunteers Needed at University of VT Medical Center: Do you find yourself with a few hours a week you would like to use to help others? The Spiritual Care Dept. is looking for volunteers interested in bringing communion to the sick to be trained as Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. Training will begin in early November. These persons would be approved by the Diocese of Burlington and commissioned for service at the University of Vermont Medical Center following the training. They welcome those already serving as Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion in the parish. Those interested in helping others through the Spiritual Care Department please call Sr. Karen Pozniak at University of Vermont Medical Center at 847-6537. If you feel this particular opportunity is not of interest to you, the University of Vermont Medical Center Volunteer Office has many other areas available. Again, training would be provided. For other volunteer opportunities please call the Volunteer Office at 847-3536.

RMHS WIN-A-BOAT RAFFLE: Rice Athletic Boosters are hosting a Win-A-Boat Raffle to raise \$35,000 for the general athletic budget of Rice High School. Tickets are \$100 each and the winner has the choice of a 2015 Bayliner Element boat OR \$10,000 cash. Only 400 tickets will be sold. The winner will be drawn on December 22, just in time for Christmas! Call 862-6521 or visit www.rmhsvt.org for details and to purchase tickets.