

# June 19, 2016

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*We are a Welcoming Community of Believers, Hopers 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 –12<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Once when Jesus was praying in solitude, and the disciples were with him..." The first line of today's Gospel presents a strange image. Jesus was both by himself and with others. He was somehow experiencing the solitude of personal prayer, but was also close enough to his followers to engage in conversation with them.

Although we don't know exactly what the details were of this situation, it does suggest for us an example of what we might call spiritual "balance." Here we see Jesus taking time to be alone in prayer, but also taking time to engage in spiritual reflection with the other members of his community. He didn't sacrifice one for the other. He found a way to have both.

We are called to do the same. Developing the habit of personal prayer is an essential part of our spiritual lives. Like Jesus, we too need to set aside time and space to pray by ourselves, connecting as individuals with our Father in heaven. Whether it be a few quiet moments in the morning, or time to pray at night, this kind of prayer keeps us connected to God. It enables us to give our own answer the poignant question Jesus poses today, "But who do you say that I am?" Personal prayer alone, however, is not enough to fulfill us spiritually. We are also meant to participate in the larger community of believers, joining together with others in communal prayer and reflection.

This, of course, happens every time we attend Mass as we gather together at church and join in the liturgy. For some, "sacrificing" our Sunday mornings week after week may seem like too much to ask. But this is one way we can carry out the challenging command of Christ to take up our cross and follow him.

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## Readings for the Week of June 19, 2016

Sunday: Zec 12:10-11; 13:1/Gal 3:26-29/Lk 9:18-24  
Monday: 2 Kgs 17:5-8, 13-15a, 18/Mt 7:1-5  
Tuesday: 2 Kgs 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36/Mt 7:6, 12-14  
Wednesday: 2 Kgs 22:8-13; 23:1-3/Mt 7:15-20  
Thursday: 2 Kgs 24:8-17/Mt 7:21-29  
Friday: Is 49:1-6/Acts 13:22-26/Lk 1:57-66, 80  
Saturday: Lam 2:2, 10-14, 18-19/Mt 8:5-17  
Next Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:16b, 19-21/Gal 5:1, 13-18/Lk 9:51-62

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**Offertory Last Week: \$1,377.80**  
**Maintenance: \$518.00**  
**Electronic Giving: \$72.00**

**Second Collection Next Week for Peter's Pence**

## ANNOUNCED MASS INTENTIONS:

**Sun. June 19 8:00 a.m.** For the Parishioners of Our Lady of Mount Carmel and St. Jude Parishes.

**Sun. June 19 11:00 a.m.** For the Dwyer Family requested by the Family.

**Sun. June 26 8:00 a.m.** For the Parishioners of Our Lady of Mount Carmel and St. Jude Parishes.

**Sun. June 26 11:00 a.m.** For Matthew Geiger requested by Margaret Titus.

## Pray for Vocations

### Schedule of Counters: Monday, June 20, 2016

Linda Stowe  
Margaret Titus  
Andrew Driver

### Schedule of Ministries: June 26, 2016

8:00 a.m.	Altar Server:	Mitch Tierney Mattison Tierney
	Lector:	Gail Blasius
	Extraordinary Min.:	Bob Danyow Mary Tierney
11:00 a.m.	Greeters:	Kyle & Katie Franko
	Altar Server:	Allison Croke Leah Croke
	Lector:	Deena Miller
	Extraordinary Min.:	Susan Zahn Tricia Sulva

## Calendar of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Events

**Question of the Week:** As today's Gospel confronts me with the question of who Jesus is for me, the Jubilee Year challenges me to ask, to whom will I become an instrument of Jesus' mercy?

**Holy Door Pilgrimage:** There will be a Pilgrimage to the Holy Door at St. Joseph's Co-Cathedral in Burlington on Saturday, July 16. We will have a bus taking folks to and from St. Joseph's. The bus will leave St. Jude's at 9:00 a.m., OLMC at 9:15 a.m. and arriving at St. Joseph's for 10:00 a.m. More info and sign up opportunities in the upcoming weeks.

**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.

**Candle Light Prayer Service for the Victims of the Orlando Shooting:** There will be a Candle Light Healing Prayer Service for the victims of the Orlando shooting on Monday, June 20 at 7:00 p.m. on the Green in Vergennes. All are welcome.

**Knights of Columbus Collection:** Next weekend, June 26, members of the Knights of Columbus, who are also members of our parish, will be collecting money for intellectually challenged people. They will be wearing red and yellow vests. This collection will be added to the money already collected for the same cause at St. John Vianney in South Burlington. This money will go to Onion River Day Care and Camp O'Hagan. Please be generous.

**Jubilee Of Mercy Celebration For Families:** All are invited to attend the Jubilee Year of Mercy Celebration for Families at **St. Anne's Shrine in Isle La Motte on Sunday, July 17.** Bishop Coyne will celebrate Mass at 12:15 p.m. A procession to the statue of St. Anne will follow, and there will be free time for lunch and recreation. *Please fill out the registration form if you plan to attend, especially if you would like to purchase the BBQ meal the Shrine is preparing.* Forms are in the back of the church. This will be an extraordinary day of grace at the oldest religious site in Vermont. **Please join us!** For more information go to the Diocesan website: [www.vermontcatholic.org/yearofmercy](http://www.vermontcatholic.org/yearofmercy).

**Peter's Pence Collection:** Next week, our diocese will take up the Peter's Pence collection, which provides Pope Francis with the funds he needs to carry out his charitable works around the world. The proceeds benefit our brothers and sisters on the margins of society, including victims of war, oppression, and disasters. Join our Holy Father as a witness of charity to those who are suffering. Please be generous. Thank you.

**TOTUS TUUS:** Totus Tuus is a parish based summer catechetical program dedicated to sharing the Gospel and promoting the Catholic faith with our youth. This affordably priced program has tracts designed for both grade school (1-8) and high school students. Please go to [www.vermontcatholic.org](http://www.vermontcatholic.org) to learn more or to register.  
*Programs in our area:*  
July 10—July 15: St. Ambrose, Bristol  
July 24—July 29: St. John Vianney, So. Burlington

**Summer Reflection Series:** In July and August, the members of the Society of St. Edmund and Diocesan Priests will present the Summer Reflection Series at St. Anne's Shrine in Isle LaMotte. The programs begin with the 11:15 a.m. Mass, followed by lunch and a presentation. All are welcome! Reservations are appreciated though not necessary and can be made by calling (802) 928-3362.

-6/29	Br. Frank Hagerty, SSE	Solitude and Silence
-7/06	Rev. Brian Cummings, SSE	Jesus After the Resurrection (bring your bibles)
-7/13	Msgr. Richard Lavalley	Mercy in the Gospels
-7/20	Rev. David Cray, SSE	The Adventure of Following Jesus
-7/27	Br. Michael Carter, SSE	Praying with Joan of Arc

(More dates and topics in the upcoming weeks)

**Rosary Workshop:** There will be a Rosary Workshop on Saturday, June 25 at St. John Vianney church hall in South Burlington from 10:00 a.m. to Noon. Learn how to make a handmade rosary - with the traditional knot or the simple string-style Rosary. Materials will be provided or you can bring your own (you will need 60 beads to make a 5 decade rosary, or 11 beads for a decade bracelet or key chain). Sponsored by the WAF-Our Lady's Blue Army. Refreshments will be served. For more info please contact Yorini at 864-0561 or email at [yoandmic@yahoo.com](mailto:yoandmic@yahoo.com).



**“Who do the crowds say that I am?” They said in reply, “John the Baptist; others, Elijah; still others, ‘One of the ancient prophets has arisen.’” Then he said to them, “But who do you say that I am?” Peter said in reply, “The Christ of God.” — Lk 9:18b-20**  
Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

**Senior Meals:** St. Jude Parish offers lunches to area seniors on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> **Tuesday** of each month. The next senior meals are scheduled for June 28 and July 12 and 26 from 12:00 to 2:00 p.m. Serving begins at 12:00 noon. All Seniors and Caretakers welcome.

**5-Day Silent Retreat:** The Society of St. Edmund will be conducting a 5-Day Silent Retreat in the Ignatian tradition from June 26 to July 1 at St. Anne's Shrine in Isle LaMotte. Using principles from the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius of Loyola, retreatants will be invited to contemplate scripture passages, celebrate daily Eucharist and meet with a Spiritual Director each day. Applicants should be comfortable maintaining an atmosphere of silence and be able to share their prayer experience with a Spiritual Director in a daily meeting of about 45 minutes. The retreat begins at 7:00 p.m. on Sunday, June 26 and concludes with lunch on Friday, July 1. The cost is \$500. Applications and further information can be obtained by calling the Shrine at (802) 928-3362 or via email at [fstanne@pshift.com](mailto:fstanne@pshift.com). Space is limited due to single room accommodations.

**St. Joseph's Residential Care Home:** St. Joseph's Home, operated by VT Catholic Charities, is a home-like community providing personal care, medication management, home cooked meals, nursing overview, and social activities. Dedicated staff support the needs of the whole person—physical, emotional, social and spiritual. For information or to arrange a tour, call 864-0263.

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