

**March 12, 2017**

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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—2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent**

"When the disciples heard this, they fell prostrate and were very much afraid." Peter, James, and John already knew Jesus. They had been following him, learning from him, watching him for quite some time. But what took place before their eyes at the Transfiguration was unlike anything they had yet witnessed. This was not just a miracle or a message: this was a supernatural vision. When Jesus' face suddenly "shone like the sun" and two ancient prophets appeared and spoke, and a heavenly voice announced the true identity of their friend and teacher, these three disciples nearly fainted in fear. It must have been too glorious, too strange, too astonishing to handle.

But Jesus "came and touched them" to rouse them from their prostration. He told them, "Rise, and do not be afraid." What a beautiful moment. The Lord realized that his friends were overwhelmed. He had compassion on their meager ability to comprehend what was really going on. He allowed them to participate in this moment of revelation to help them understand who he was, but he still understood who THEY were--imperfect human beings who could not be expected to completely understand the ways of God.

Sometimes we might long to witness a kind of Transfiguration moment. It can be tempting to think that if we had access to such a supernatural revelation, our faith would be strengthened and our lives would change. But Jesus knows us best. He knows what we can handle and he knows the perfect way to reveal himself. For most of us, most of the time, this means coming to know Jesus in the more ordinary ways of prayer, Scripture study, and the sacraments. Let's be sure we are ready to find Jesus there.

Liturgical Publications

### **ANNOUNCED MASS INTENTIONS:**

**Sun. Mar. 12 8:00 a.m.** For Lou Laberge requested by Paul and Diane Laberge.

**Sun. Mar. 12 11:00 a.m.** For Shirley Marshall requested by Sue and Stan Haselton.

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

**Sun. Mar. 19 11:00 a.m.** For Paul Cartularo requested by Rosemarie Cartularo and Larry Poitras.

**Offertory Last Week: \$1,436.00**

**Maintenance: \$619.00 Salvation Army: \$10.00**

**VT Catholic Charities: \$471.00**

**Catholic Relief Services: \$55.00**

**Electronic Giving: \$575.00**

## **Pray for Vocations**

**Schedule of Counters: Monday, March 13, 2017**

Margaret Titus  
Jacqueline Jones  
Marie Cookson

**Schedule of Ministries: March 19, 2017**

8:00 a.m.	Altar Server:	Eliza Merrill Hadley Stockwell
	Lector:	David Duffy
	Extraordinary Min.:	Mark Bisanzo Sheila Duffy
11:00 a.m.	Greeters:	Kyle & Katie Franko
	Altar Server:	
	Lector:	Charlie Tegatz
	Extraordinary Min.:	Susan Zahn Tricia Sulva

### **Calendar of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Events**

-3/12 CCD at CCS at 9:00 a.m.

-3/12 1<sup>st</sup> Year Confirmation at St. Jude's at 10:30 a.m.

-3/16 Parish Council Meeting at 7:00 p.m.

**Question of the Week** How is Christ's call to be "transfigured" calling me to "go forth" this Lent from my present (comfortable) values and lifestyle, priorities, and preferences?

**Soup and Stations:** Soup and Stations will be offered at Our Lady of Mount Carmel on **Friday, March 24** beginning at 6:00 p.m. All are welcome to attend.

**Parish Council Meeting:** There will be a Parish Council Meeting this Thursday, March 16 at 7:00 p.m. in the parish hall. All are welcome.

**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.

**Stations of the Cross:** Stations of the Cross will be held at St. Jude's every Friday at 7:00 p.m. during Lent beginning on March 3. All are welcome.

**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 March 14 and 28 from 12:00 to 2:00 p.m. Serving begins at 12:00 noon.

**The Chrism Mass:** The Chrism Mass will be held Tuesday, April 11 at 11:00 a.m. at St. Joseph's Co-Cathedral in Burlington. At this special Mass celebrated by Bishop Coyne, the Oil of Chrism is consecrated, the Oils of Catechumens and the Sick are blessed, and the priests within the Diocese of Burlington recommit themselves to the Priesthood of Jesus Christ. All are invited to join in celebrating this special Mass.

**Meatless Fridays During Lent:** As part of the Church's Lenten observances, all Catholics aged 14 and older should abstain from eating meat on Fridays in Lent.

**\*\*PLEASE NOTE:** In consideration that St. Patrick is the secondary patron of the Diocese of Burlington, Bishop Coyne is granting a dispensation from the precept of abstaining from meat on Friday, March 17. If you take advantage of this dispensation, you should add some other sacrifice/penance to your Lenten observances.

-- Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fasting. Those between 18 and 59 may have one full meal and two minor meals on these days.

--Throughout Lent all are encouraged to intensify their prayer life, to do penance and to contribute to charities.

**Presentation on Immigration:** The Sisters of Mercy and Mercy Associates invite you to a presentation given by Sr. Kathleen Erickson, RSM, on Immigration and the Detention of Mothers and Children on **Sunday, March 19 from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.** at the Mount St. Mary's Chapel, 100 Mansfield Avenue in Burlington. Sr. Kathleen will lead a presentation/reflection on how our broken immigration system calls us to go deeper as we examine what it means to be human beings in a polarized world. No cost for the event. Parking is available in the Mater Christi School parking lot.

**Best Lent Ever:** We all know the things that make us happy, but we don't always do them. Lent is an opportunity to change that. This year you are invited to do something different. Join Dynamic Catholic for Best Lent Ever, a free, video-based email program featuring Matthew Kelly. From Ash Wednesday to Easter, Matthew will help you identify what stands between you and happiness...and what to do about it. To sign up, visit [BestLentEver.com](http://BestLentEver.com).

**Light of the World Retreat:** Join many St. Mark parishioners on March 24-27 in experiencing a powerful renewal of their faith through a living encounter with Jesus Christ! If you would like to sign up or would like more information, please visit their parish website at [stmarksvt.com](http://stmarksvt.com) or contact the parish at [stmarksvt@gmail.com](mailto:stmarksvt@gmail.com).

**Mary's Circle of Friends:** Mary's Circle of Friends invites you to join them for a special Lenten program of prayer and coloring meditation, focusing on the Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary. The group is offering two different times: Tuesday evenings from 7 to 9 pm, (March 7 - April 4) and Wednesday mornings from 9 to 11 am, (March 8 - April 5) at St. John Vianney Parish. Please RSVP to Cindy at SJV at 864-4166. All are welcome

**VT Christian Rock 'N Worship:** VT Christian Music will be presenting the VT Christian Rock 'N Worship Night 2017 featuring Todd Agnew, Jason O'Brian and Jessie-Lynn on March 25 at 7:00 p.m. hosted by Community Bible Church at 2025 Williston Rd, So. Burlington. A wonderful opportunity to pray, sing and worship together! This event is family-friendly and children 7 and under can attend free. Tickets range from \$15 to \$25 each. Purchase your tickets online at [www.VTChristianMusic.com](http://www.VTChristianMusic.com).



*Then Peter said to Jesus in reply, "Lord, it is good that we are here. If you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." While he was still speaking, behold, a bright cloud cast a shadow over them, then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him." — Mt 17:4-5*

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**The Wizard of Oz:** The Wizard of Oz will be presented by Rice Memorial High School on March 24 (7:00 p.m.), 25 (1:00 and 7:00 p.m.) and 26 (1:00 p.m.). Located at the Black Box Theater at Main Street Landing (60 Lake Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor), Burlington. Tickets are \$7/student and seniors; \$10/adults. Tickets are on sale now. They can be purchased by emailing Brian Lynam at [lynam@rmhsvt.org](mailto:lynam@rmhsvt.org), or in person at Rice Memorial High School on weekdays, from 11:00 to 12:00. Please come and experience this timeless musical with its familiar and heart-felt music and amazing choreography. (P.S. Fr. Lance Harlow will be playing trombone in the pit orchestra.)

**Theology on Tap-Young Adult Group:** Young adults between the ages of 21 and 35 are invited to join in for Theology on Tap at Switchback Brewing Company in Burlington starting at 7:00 p.m. on March 16. This month's speaker will be Jordan Easley. For more info on this and other events that this group hosts, email [burlingtonareayoungadults@gmail.com](mailto:burlingtonareayoungadults@gmail.com) or search Burlington Area Catholic Young Adults on Facebook.

**St. Peter's K of C Lenten Fish Fry:** Come to St. Peter's K of C Lenten Fish Fry at 85 South Maple Street, Vergennes on Fridays, March 17, 31. Serving from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at St. Peter's Parish Hall. Join them for Battered Baked Haddock, fries, macaroni & cheese, green beans, coleslaw, rolls, punch, milk, coffee. Adults/\$12, Children under 12/\$6; Children under 6/free. Immediate family (only)/\$35. Please bring a dessert to share. For more info please call 877-2367.

**Safe Environment-Protecting Our Children and Young People:** The Roman Catholic Diocese of Burlington is committed to achieving healing and reconciliation with victims and survivors of abuse, and to provide safe environments for all of our children and young people.

**To report child abuse or sexual misconduct call:**

--Kevin Scully, Director of Safe Environments or

--Rev. Msgr. John McDermott, Vicar General

at 1-866-485-2488