

June 18, 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—The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

"Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him." With these words, Jesus distinguished himself from other spiritual leaders. He was doing more than offering advice. He was offering himself: "The bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world." Through the Eucharist, Jesus provided a way for his followers to be intimately connected with him, not just with his ideas. When we receive this sacrament, we are able to be close to the Lord not only in our hearts, but in our bodies as well. In other words, we are able to unite our entire being--body and soul--to Christ.

Unlike other prophets, Jesus did not just describe a "path" to follow. He told people that he was "the way" (Jn 14:6). He made very bold claims about reaching spiritual fulfillment, and one of them involved receiving him in the Eucharist: "I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever." We thus have a choice to make. Will we eat this living bread? Will we really allow Jesus to become part of us? If we answer yes then we partake of true Communion--we enter into a profound union with the Lord. But if we choose not to eat this bread from heaven (or if we eat it without faith or reverence) then we miss out on Christ's invitation to unity with him. Instead we would be like those in the crowd who "quarreled among themselves, saying, 'How can this man give us his flesh to eat?'" They thought Jesus couldn't have been serious about this. But he was. He insisted, "My flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink." Today on the solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, may God grant us the faith to recognize the true presence of Jesus in the Eucharist.

Liturgical Publications

ANNOUNCED MASS INTENTIONS:

Sun. June 18 8:00 a.m. For the Parishioners of Our Lady of Mount Carmel and St. Jude Parishes.

Sun. June 18 11:00 a.m. For Deacon Al Toborg requested by Kyle and Katie Franko.

Tues. June 20 5:15 p.m. For Laurie Clark requested by her sister, Helen Cote.

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

Sun. June 25 11:00 a.m. For Clarence Wagner requested by the Landler Family.

Offertory Last Week: \$1,893.00 Maintenance: \$774.00

Catholic Communications: \$15.00

Peter's Pence: 20.00

Electronic Giving: \$50.00

Second Collection Next Week for Peter's Pence

Pray for Vocations

Schedule of Counters: Monday, June 19, 2017

Gail Blasius
Sue Haselton
Marie Cookson

Schedule of Ministries: June 25, 2017

8:00 a.m. Altar Server: Hadley Stockwell
Lector: Jim Richards
Extraordinary Min.: Mark Bisanzo
Judy Laberge

11:00 a.m. Greeters: Rosemarie Cartularo
Altar Server: David Tsounis
Lector: Colleen Armstrong
Extraordinary Min.: Bill Geiger
Winnie Geiger

Calendar of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Events

-6/22 Choir Practice for 8:00 a.m. Mass Choir at 7:00 p.m.

Question of the Week: How will I set aside time both to adore Christ present in the Eucharist and to serve the poor in a hands-on way?

8:00 a.m. Choir: The OLMC 8:00 a.m. Choir will be rehearsing on **Thursday evenings, from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m.** at the OLMC church and would love to have anyone wanting to sing to join them. Joining for rehearsal doesn't mean you are committed for every Sunday, but you could sing with them when the "spirit moves"! They would love to welcome new voices into their "choir family".

Food Shelf: The Charlotte Food Shelf is in need of **children's snacks** such as puddings, granola bars, string cheese, pretzels, crackers, etc. Also the Food Shelf will be beneficiary of the produce from a garden at the Congregational Church again this summer and **salad dressings** would be so helpful to use on the produce from that. Please drop off at the food shelf or in the vestibule of the church. Thank you.

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.

Senior Meals: St. Jude Parish offers lunches to area seniors on the 2nd and 4th **Tuesday** of each month. The next senior meals are scheduled for **June 27 and July 11 and 25 from 12:00 to 2:00 p.m.** Serving begins at 12:00 noon.

Knights of Columbus Tootsie Roll Drive: The annual Knights of Columbus Tootsie Roll Drive will take place at OLMC on **Sunday, July 9** following the masses. This drive is to benefit mentally challenged people. Please consider donating.

Bishop's Fund: In "Serving God in all Things," we can use our stewardship to inspire holiness, because we are self-giving. In this Year of Creation for the Diocese of Burlington, please consider being a part of this great effort to keep our diocese moving forward in discipleship, best described as many hands guided by Christ. Many are familiar with ministries supported by the Annual Appeal in past years, but you are invited to see the progress made by Bishop Coyne's 2016 initiatives, including a look at the work of the department of Catholic Schools, and the department of Youth and Young Adult Ministry at bishopsappealvt.org. Remember, our parish receives direct assistance, so each and every one of us should feel inspired to give. **To date, we are 93.57% (\$20,659) of our annual goal of \$22,079.**



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Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

Vermont Catholic Magazine: Please support the Bishop's Fund. By making a donation of \$24 or more, you will receive the quarterly VT Catholic Magazine. Thank you for supporting both the Bishop's Fund and VT Catholic.

Adult Confirmation: Are you an adult who has been baptized and received your First Communion in the Catholic Church but were never confirmed? We will be holding a 7 session preparation class in the fall for all those interested in being confirmed. If you are interested or would like more info, please contact the office at 425-2637 or carmel@gmavt.net and we will add you to our list and will notify you as we get closer to the start date.

SCHIP: SCHIP (Shelburne, Charlotte, Hinesburg Interfaith Project) located on Rte. 7 in Shelburne, is in need of earrings, both pierced and clip ons. These items can be left in the vestibule of the church or dropped off at SCHIP retail store. Thank you.

Peter's Pence Collection: The second collection next week, June 25, is for Peter's Pence. Our participation in this collection supports the charitable work of Pope Francis as he reaches out to those who are marginalized and suffering around the globe. By supporting this collection, you join the Holy Father in bringing a little more mercy into the world. Please be generous. Thank you.

Project Rachel Consecration Mass: A relic of St. Therese of Lisieux is now being housed with Project Rachel staff, and will be included at all retreats and events of Project Rachel. A Consecration Mass to place the Project Rachel Ministry under the patronage of St. Therese will take place at the Diocesan Chapel at 55 Joy Drive on **Friday, June 23**, the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, beginning at **9:30 a.m.** The Mass will be celebrated by Msgr. Richard Lavalley. A light reception will follow.

Bereavement Group: The Bereavement Group begins meeting on **Wednesday, June 21 from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. in the St. Catherine Parish Hall in Shelburne.** If you are interested in joining or would like more information, please contact Lucille Malaney at 343-8812. All are welcome.

Charlotte Senior Center: The Charlotte Senior Center sponsors a Blood Drive at the Senior Center six times a year. It is a community event and is very well received. Volunteers are essential to the success of the drive. They are hoping to have more community volunteers involved in this very important cause. The time commitment and volunteer responsibilities vary and it is not necessary to volunteer for every Blood Drive. If you are interested in helping out, please call or email Peggy Sharpe at 425-6345 or srctr@gmavt.net. Thank you very much.

Totus Tuus Program: Totus Tuus is a fun and energetic parish-based summer catechetical program dedicated to sharing the Gospel and promoting the Catholic faith through catechesis, evangelization, Sacraments and Eucharistic worship. Programs will be held around the state. In our area they will be held at the following parishes:

—**Holy Cross Parish in Colchester**

June 18—22 for High School Students

June 19—23 for Grade School Students

—**St. John Vianney in South Burlington**

June 25—29 for High School Students

June 26—30 for Grade School Students

--**St. Ambrose in Bristol**

July 16 - 20 for High School Students

July 17 - 21 for Grade School Students

For an application or more information, please visit

www.vermontcatholic.org.

Mass For Families: There will be a Mass for Families at St. Anne's Shrine in Isle LaMotte on **Sunday, July 9 at 12:15 p.m.** with Bishop Coyne followed by a BBQ. All are welcome.

Travelling This Summer?: Our expenses don't take a holiday! Please support Our Lady of Mount Carmel during the summer months. Consider enrolling in our Parish automatic monthly offering program. Contact Marie for details.

Young Life: A huge-shout out THANK YOU to ALL Parishioners from both of our Parishes for all your donated items to the recent tag sale, for the use of St. Jude's Parish Hall to have the sale, and for all of your prayers for our precious youth. The tag sale garnered over \$1,400, all of which goes toward sending our teens to camp for a week at Saranac Lake this summer. The funds are available for the teens to earn their way to camp by donating their time to service. There are already 15 teens signed up to go and another 20 possibles from CVU!
~The golf tournament is **Saturday, June 24th** at Cedar Knoll. Please consider playing, you may sign up individually or as a team. It is such a fun time, lunch is included and the prizes and raffle gifts are awesome.
~**MATCHING DONATION!** A generous donor has agreed to match giving up to \$10,000 this year! If you have considered giving, now is a great time. Your prayers are working!! For more information on the golf tournament and online giving, please go to: vt22.younglife.org