

July 9, 2017

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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—14<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

"Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest." Who wouldn't appreciate some real rest? Most of us fall into the category of those "who labor." We have our jobs to do, our families to tend to, our responsibilities to take care of. Often, the tasks seem endless and our time seems so limited. How can we justify "rest" with so many things on our to-do lists? Even recreation can be labor intensive when it involves planning, preparing, traveling, or hosting. And our default modes of "resting"--whether it be watching television, taking a nap, or chatting with a friend--rarely refresh us for more than a few hours. But the rest Jesus is describing is different than this. He isn't talking about an occasional "time-out" from the duties of life. Jesus is offering us a deeper kind of relief, a liberation from the exhaustion of life.

This freedom comes when we take his yoke on our shoulders. Jesus tells us, in essence, to align ourselves with him--to do our work with him. All of our duties and responsibilities can be done with Jesus at our side. He does not promise that our obligations will magically disappear. The "rest" he offers is a kind of peace even amidst our daily lives. The refreshment Jesus brings is the comfort of his presence as we engage in the everyday tasks that we are called to do. It is not that there are no longer burdens to bear; rather, the burden is "light" when we share it with the Lord. But just how do we share the load? Perhaps by starting the morning in prayer asking Jesus to assist us, or by seeking his guidance in daily decisions, or by offering our actions to him. However we do it, when we come to him as he asked, he promises, "you will find rest."

Liturgical Publications

### **ANNOUNCED MASS INTENTIONS:**

**Sun. July 9 8:00 a.m.** For Julia, John and Virginia Irish and Lou Laberge requested by Judy Laberge.

**Sun. July 9 11:00 a.m.** For Deacon Al Toborg requested by Kyle and Katie Franko.

**Sun. July 16 8:00 a.m.** For Barbara Colby requested by her family.

**Sun. July 16 11:00 a.m.** For Linda ten Hope requested by Rosemarie Cartularo and Larry Poitras.

**Offertory Last Week: \$1,660.25**

**Maintenance: \$54050**

**Electronic Giving: \$575.00**

## **Pray for Vocations**

### **Schedule of Counters: Monday, July 10, 2017**

Janet Landrigan  
Gail Blasius  
Marie Cookson

### **Schedule of Ministries: July 16, 2017**

8:00 a.m. Altar Server:  
Lector: Gail Blasius  
Extraordinary Min.: Rose Bernier  
Wanda Bean

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

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

-7/09 Knights of Columbus Tootsie Roll Drive after Masses

-7/13 Choir Practice for 8:00 a.m. Mass Choir at 7:00 p.m.

**Question of the Week:** What constitutes Jesus' "yoke" in my life? How can I lighten the burden carried by someone I know?

**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.

**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 **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.

**New Parishioners: All Are Welcome!** We are happy to have you join us at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish. If you are new to our church and would like to join our parish, please fill out a parish registration form available in the back of the church. Thank you.

**Lectors Needed:** We are in need of more lectors for the 8:00 and 11:00 a.m. Sunday Masses. If you are interested in becoming a lector, please contact Marie at 425-2637 or email at [marietcookson@aol.com](mailto:marietcookson@aol.com). Thank you.

**Bishop's Fund:** Thank you to everyone who has donated to the Bishop's Fund thus far. **To date, we are 99.41% (\$21,949) of our annual goal of \$22,079.** If you haven't yet made a donation, won't you please do so this week and help us to reach our parish goal? Thank you.

**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](mailto:carmel@gmavt.net) and we will add you to our list and will notify you as we get closer to the start date.

**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.

**Red Cross Blood Drive:** There will be a Red Cross Blood Drive on Thursday, March 23 at St. Jude Parish from 12:30 to 6:00 p.m. Walk in or for an appointment please call 1-800-RED-CROSS or visit [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.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, swimming and fun on Lake Champlain. BBQ Lunch is \$10.95/adults and \$6.95/children 12 and under. New this year, the Shrine will offer a discounted price for families of 4 or more - \$35/family. To RSVP for BBQ Lunch please contact Lori Daudelin at [ldaudelin@vermontcatholic.org](mailto:ldaudelin@vermontcatholic.org) or call 846-5813. Last summer's Mass of 400 people was the largest Mass celebrated at the Shrine during the season. 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](mailto:srctr@gmavt.net). Thank you very much.

**St. Joseph's Level III Residential Care Home:** St. Joseph's Level III Residential Care Home in Burlington has rooms and suites available. St. Joseph's is operated by VT Catholic Charities and is a small home-like community that provides personal care, medication management, home cooked meals, nursing overview, and a wide array of activities. Their dedicated staff supports the needs of the whole person - physical, emotional, social and spiritual. For more info or to schedule a tour of the home, please call 864-0264.



*"Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart; and you will find rest for yourselves. For my yoke is easy, and my burden light."*

— Mt 11:28-30

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**St. Jude Raffle:** St. Jude's is having a raffle for a Jay Peak Water Park Family Fun Package valued at \$725.00. The drawing will be Labor Day Weekend. Tickets are \$1 each or a book of 6 for \$5. If anyone would like tickets, please contact Marie at 482-2290, 425-2637 or at [marietcookson@aol.com](mailto:marietcookson@aol.com). Thank you.

**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:

**--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](http://www.vermontcatholic.org).

**Vatican Online Questionnaire for Young People:** To involve young people in preparations of the Synod of Bishops on youth in 2018, the Vatican has released an online questionnaire to better understand the lives, attitudes and concerns of 16 to 29 year olds around the world. The questionnaire can be found on the synod's official site: [youth.synod2018.va/content/synod2018/it.html](http://youth.synod2018.va/content/synod2018/it.html) and is open to any young person, regardless of faith or religious belief.

**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.

**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.

**Young Life:** 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 online giving, please go to: [vt22.younglife.org](http://vt22.younglife.org).