



SCHEDULES & MASS INTENTIONS
Week of June 3, 2018

Sat 4:00 PM In
a Ricard by Michael Pfenning
Sun 8:00 AM St. Agnes –Herve Chartrand by Rita Chartrand & children
Sun 10:00AM Ruth Decker by Karen Decker
Mon 9:00 AM No Mass
Wed 9:00 AM No Mass
Thurs 9:00 AM Gisele Depatie by Thomas & Donna Depatie
Fri 9:00 AM Antoinette Grieco by Marietta Sheehan
Sat 4:00 PM Francis Leary by the Family
Sun 8:00 AM St. Agnes—Gil, Ellie & Mike Kupfer by Laura & Pam
Sun 10:00 AM Viola Disorda by Janet Disorda

Parish Support

Offering for the weekend of May 27 2018
(Our Goal is \$1,800.00 each week)
Sunday Collection
Loose \$584.26
Envelopes \$651.00
Total \$1235.26

The Parish of St. Mary /St Agnes depends mainly on each parishioner's contribution of his or her fair share. A suggested minimum contribution for each working adult is one hour's wage per week. Many thanks to those who have contributed to the collection this past week. Your gifts are really essential to our parish. Please, let us continue supporting our parish!

GOD LOVES A CHEERFUL GIVER. - 2 Corinthians 9:7

Readings for the Week of June 3, 2018

Sunday: Ex 24:3-8/Heb 9:11-15/Mk 14:12-16,22-26
Monday: 2 Pt 1:2-7/Mk 12:1-12
Tuesday: 2 Pt 3:12-15a, 17-18/Mk 12:13-17
Wednesday: 2 Tm 1:1-3. 6-12/Mk 12:18-27
Thursday: 2 Tm 2:8-15/Mk 12:28-34
Friday: Hos 11:1, 3-4, 8c-9/Eph 3:8-12, 14-19/Jn 19:31-37



Pray for

The safety of our service men and women working as peacekeepers in today's trying times and for all who are ill, especially Lindsey Layn, Linda Bunn, Richard Barra, Mary McManus, Virginia Wolf, Carlita La Porte, Joel Rivera, Ginger Stearns, Betty Ferraro, Joseph Duprey, Charlotte Swain, Marilyn Morris, Mary Doherty, Ann-Marie Ford, David Philipsen, Katherine Bryant, Gloria Peduto, Rene Hendricks, Brendan Holbritter, Rosa Santos, Jean Pfenning and Arthur Pfenning

Ministry Schedule



<u>Eucharistic Ministers</u>	<u>Lectors</u>
06/02 Joe Flynn	Joe Flynn
06/03 Guy Beck	Wanda Murray
06/09 Donna Swinington	Laurie Bertrand
06/10 Guy Beck	Terry Zimmer
<u>Gift Bearers</u>	<u>Altar Servers</u>
06/02 R. Howland Family	Brooke Bertrand
06/03 Russell Doty Family	N.Depatie&M.Harding
06/09 E. Parmelee & S. Munger	David Bertrand
06/10 Shawn Ouelette Family	A. & O. Depatie

Collection Counters



06/03 Mike Frankiewicz
06/10 D. Swinington & Paula Bizon
06/17 Glenda Gearwar & Tina Wiles



St. Mary's Cemetery

Location: RT 73 E. Forest Dale Rd, Brandon
Contact Information - Please call St. Mary's Rectory.

PARISH WEBSITE

Please visit our parish website: www.saintmaryagnes.org for updates, news, activities, schedules of liturgical ministries and various resources to help you. For suggestions on our website, send your ideas to: gale@ottercreekmedia.com.

Reminders !

St. Mary's Church is officially named Our Lady of Good Help. If you are writing out a check, please write Our Lady of Good Help or O.L.G.H. Thank you!
Office is open on Wednesday
10:00 am—3:00 pm
Thursday 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

2nd Collection for weekends in June:

06/03 Catholic Communication Campaign
06/10 Restoration Fund
06/17 Utility Fund

Saturday Night Dinner: Saturday, June 2, 2018 at 5PM. Pot Roast/ Potatoes/Carrots/Sweet Kale Salad/Rolls/Dessert/Beverage. \$8.00 per person/ 6-12 years \$5.00. Under 5 Free. Tickets available at the back of the church before and after each mass.

Congratulations on the baptism of **Sienna Avery Noonan** this Sunday, June 3, 2018 at the 10 AM Mass to her parents, Andrew and Alyssa Noonan, her grandparents, Patrick and Patricia Noonan and the rest of her family.

FATHER'S DAY: June 17th is Father's Day, the day we remember our fathers living or deceased. For anyone wishing to remember them during the Mass on that day, please take a Father's Day envelope from the front and back of the church, write the names of your father/grandfather to be remembered with your donation and put the envelope in the collection basket or on the altar or drop it off at the parish office before June 17th. The names will be read and prayed for at all Masses during that weekend. One of the best gifts for them is prayers.

Bishop's Annual Appeal 2018: Thank you for supporting the Bishop's Annual Appeal in the past and in this 2018 Campaign! To date, our pledge goal progress is **\$2765.00**, toward a total goal of **\$16,792.00**. For more information and to make your gift, please visit bishopsappealvt.org.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter: Allow God to give you grace in abundance and transform your marriage relationship by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Weekends are Jun 9-10, 2018 in Medway, MA and Jul 6-8, 2018 in Manchester, CT. For more information, call Gary & Lynn Root at 802-456-8114 or visit them at <https://www.wmevt.org>.

Free Community Meal: St. Peter's Church, 85 South Maple St., Vergennes will be held on June 3rd from 5-6:30pm in the parish hall. We will be serving Pulled Pork, Cole Slaw, Baked Bean, Assorted Desserts and Beverages. All are welcome.

Diocesan News: Office of Worship: This has been a busy year for the Office of Worship for the Diocese of Burlington. In November of 2017, Josh Perry, Director of the Office of Worship, completed weekend visits to all of the Catholic churches in the Diocese —119 churches visited over a period of 49 weeks. Josh attended one of the weekend Masses at each church and then often had an opportunity to meet with those involved in liturgy — clergy, liturgical ministers, and musicians — as well as other parishioners to hear about their experiences of liturgy in the Diocese and some of their hopes and dreams for liturgy. The visits served not as evaluations of individual parishes but as a way to get a sense of general practices that were happening in Vermont. It was important for the Director of Liturgy that the information that comes from the Office of Worship be pertinent to the reality of the local Church, and that any future guidelines or directives issued by the Office on behalf of the Bishop of Burlington respond to the actual needs in the local Church. Such work of the Office should grow organically from the celebration of liturgy as it is experienced in the local Church and be shaped by their own vision for liturgy. A report of observations and recommendations based on these visits was shared with the Bishop, the Presbyteral Council, and the Diocesan Pastoral Council. This report serves as an "initial roadmap" for the Office of Worship which helped to formulate some of the initiatives and projects that were undertaken this year. To see more events or to submit your event to the diocesan calendar: vermontcatholic.org/events The visits also were an opportunity for the Director of Worship to meet with those on the "front-lines" so to speak in planning and celebrating the liturgy, and from these connections — the Diocesan Worship Commission was re-established and met for the first time in January, 2018. The Commission consists of clergy and laity from throughout the state who are committed to the on-going renewal of liturgy in the state of Vermont. They provide counsel on liturgical matters pertaining to the Diocese including the construction or renovation of liturgical spaces, the implementation of directives, and other matters in which the Bishop or the Office of Worship seeks their advice. Currently, the Commission is reviewing the report of observations and recommendations and is in the initial stages of updating guidelines for liturgical ministers and musicians. Throughout the year, the Office of Worship has been a resource to parishes to provide faith formation opportunities for parishioners as well as liturgical ministry training. Over 200 people have attended training for lectors and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion from January — March, and more training workshops are being planned in various parts of the state in the coming months. Two regional workshops for musicians — one in Bennington and one in Stowe — took place in May. Featuring local presenters from area parishes — musicians learned more about the role of the cantor at Mass, selecting music for Mass, building and maintaining a music program — and skill-building sessions for keyboardists and guitarists were held. In addition to these, presentations on preparing a wedding liturgy were given for engaged couples at the three Pre-Cana retreat days in the spring. Other topics covered throughout the year include hospitality at liturgy, an overview of the Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, and engaging children (and adults) in liturgy through ritual. All of this would not be possible without the support from those who donate to the Bishop's Annual Appeal. With your continued support, we look forward to continuing the work of supporting parishes in their liturgical celebrations. — *Josh Perry, Director of Liturgy and Worship*

Reflections for the week

Today's solemn feast helps us to celebrate the Holy Communion between us and God as well as God's Holy spirit and the person of Jesus the Christ. This celebration reminds us of perhaps the most basic of the blessings in the relationship between us and our God. The most holy Body and Blood of Christ is our primary entrance into the love that God has for us. Our blessing needs to be a blessing for others, as Jesus' life, death and resurrection is our original blessing. The feast we enjoy today, formerly known as *Corpus Christi*, provides the opportunity to discover at a deeper level the reality of our faith in Jesus. The gospel reading is one of several texts that recount the institution of the eucharist, Christ coming to us under the form of bread and wine. Our belief is that these forms become for us the very Body and the Blood of Christ. Receiving this divine gift becomes a profound entrance into the person of Jesus the Christ, an entrance that continues the profound reality of baptism: we enter into the body of Christ and are challenged to live our lives continually growing even more into that reality. We celebrate each day Jesus' words of consecration "This is. . . my Body. . . my Blood." These words are followed by "do this in memory of me". Formerly, I understood the meaning of doing *this* in memory of Jesus, as an invitation to celebrate Jesus' sacrifice on the cross in daily and Sunday masses. Clearly it does mean that, but it means so much more as well. An article I read some years ago helped me to find a deeper understanding of the biblical "institution" narrative of the eucharist. In an article on the subject, Fr. Eugene Laverdiere, SSS, speaks of these familiar words as he examines the word *this* in the words, "do *this* in remembrance of me." He claims that the *this* here refers to the action of Jesus, that he is engaged in as he speaks to the disciples gathered in the upper room. Jesus refers to his body being "given up" and his blood being "poured out" for his disciples. We are invited to enter into these very actions of Jesus: to *give up* and to *pour out* our love and compassion for others; all in imitation of Jesus' words and actions at the last supper. What an incredible challenge that is. We do the "giving" and the "pouring" of ourselves primarily in response to God's gift in the person of Jesus who accomplishes these actions by his death and resurrection. As we are nourished by Our Lord's actions of giving himself over for the salvation of all, we are challenged to respond similarly to others: that we be nourishment for them as Jesus nourishes us with his life, death and resurrection. *Gracious God, be with us as we give ourselves to those in need. You are the source of our readiness to serve by modeling ourselves Jesus' own service. Help us to attend to your people with joy knowing that your peace and joy comes back to us in the abundance of your love and grace extended so abundantly to us.* onlineministries.creighton.edu