



SCHEDULES & MASS INTENTIONS

Week of September 8, 2019

Sat 4:00 PM For the People
Sun 7:30 AM St Agnes + Gil, Ellie & Mike Kupfer by Laura & Pam
Sun 11:00 AM + Deacon Gary Griffin by Jeannine Griffin
Wed 9:00 AM For the People
Thurs 9:00 AM * David Philipsen by Maryann Philipsen
Sat 4:00 PM For the People
Sun 7:30 AM St. Agnes For the People
Sun 11:00 AM For the People

+ indicates deceased
 * indicates living

Parish Support

Offering for the weekend of September 1, 2019
 (Our Goal is \$1,250.00 each week)

Sunday Collection

Loose	\$ 422.00
Envelopes	\$ 1092.00
Total	\$ 1514.00
Bldgs. & Maint.	\$ 621.00

Please Note:
 Please make out all checks to St. Mary Parish .Thank you.

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

Readings for the Week of September 8, 2019

Sunday: Wis 9:13-18b/Phlm 9-10, 12-17/Lk 14:25-33
Monday: Col 1:24—2:3/Lk 6:6-11
Tuesday: Col 2:6-15/Lk 6:12-19
Wednesday: Col 3:1-11/Lk 6:20-26
Thursday: Col 3:12-17/Lk 6:27-38
Friday: 1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14/Lk 6:39-42
Saturday: Nm 21:4b-9/Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17
Next Sunday: Ex 32:7-11, 13-14/1 Tm 1:12-17/Lk 15:1-32

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, Betty Ferraro, Joseph Duprey, Charlotte Swain, Marilyn Morris, Mary Doherty, David Philipsen, Katherine Bryant, Rene Hendricks, Brendan Holbriiter, Rosa Santos, Ann Marie Ford, Laura Begnoche, Bertha Dolan, Jim Lofland, Peter Giancola, Fella Molina, Stanley Delorm, and Elaine Parmelee.

Ministry Schedule



<u>Eucharistic Ministers</u>	<u>Lectors</u>
09/07 Donna Swingleton	Marge Munger
09/08 Jeannine Griffin	Terry Zimmer
09/14 Marge Munger	Pike Mitchell
09/15 Kathie Bryant	Trish Bertino
<u>Gift Bearers</u>	<u>Altar Servers</u>
09/07 T. Howland Family	Jordan Bertrand
09/08 R. Doty Family	Ashlyn & Olivia Depatie
09/14 K. Decker & C. Mitchell	Brooke Bertrand
09/15 T. Depatie Family	B. Stanley & B. Thornton

Collection Counters

 09/08 Helen Williams & Katherine Bryant
 09/15 Glenda Gearwar & Tina Wiles
 09/22 Donna Swingleton & Bob Gearwar

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.

Office is open on Wednesday
10:00 am—3:00 pm
Thursday 10:00 am - 1:00 pm

2nd Collection for weekends in Sept:

09/08 Vermont Catholic Magazine
09/15 Utility Fund (Goal \$500)
09/29 Catholic University

Correction: When thanking all those who helped with the Yard Sale an error was made. Thank you to Tom & Pat Howland for generously donating the sausages for the event.

Please Note: Evening Family Sessions, 5-7 PM, will begin Sunday., September 15th. Religious Education will take place in the evening for Grades 6-9. However, all grades (parents and students) are invited. Classes will take place at Saint Alphonsus Parish Hall, beginning with a Potluck dinner at 5PM.

Office Hours: Next Wednesday I will be available in the office from 10:00 am-12:30 pm as I have to attend a training session in Rutland. Fr. Moe will be here briefly after Mass on Wednesday as he has a deanery meeting. Thursday hours will be the usual 10:00 am - 1:00 pm. Thank you.

FALL CLEANING: Yes, it is that time of year to do a good cleaning in our Church. Looking around and seeing all the spider webs and dirt it reminds me that we need to get our muscles, vacuum cleaners and happy faces together and make it sparkle again. Join me on Monday, September 9th at 9:30 a.m. - the more the merrier and less time it will take! Looking forward to seeing you there. Jeannine Griffin (247-3432)

The VT Christian Rock-toberfest is coming EARLY this year! On September 28, 2019 @ 7PM at the Barre Auditorium the "Love is a Lion Tour" will be rocking out with featured artists CITIZEN WAY ("Wavewalker", "Bulletproof") and JASON GRAY ("With Every Act of Love", "More Like Falling in Love") with special guests THE YOUNG ESCAPE ("Love Me Like You"). More info at <https://www.facebook.com/events/2303083613143328>. Tickets starting at \$20/ea (groups of 10+), you can purchase online at <https://vtchristianmusic.com>. If you saw how CRAZY last year's Rock-toberfest was with CITIZEN WAY crowd surfing – you WON'T want to miss it this year!!!

Diocesan News: Consider St. Therese Digital Academy: St. Therese of Lisieux Digital Academy is an online Burlington diocesan Catholic high school affiliated with Rice Memorial High School in South Burlington. The academy's rigorous program is grounded in the firm foundation of the Catholic faith. It works with parents in their role as the primary educators of their children by providing flexible options to assist with the diverse educational needs of today's students and their families. Our goal is to develop well-grounded disciples of Jesus Christ who possess 21st-century skills, equipping them to fulfill their roles as members of the Body of Christ within society. We have a supportive teaching staff dedicated to helping all students to be successful learners. There are options for part-time students who take a course not available to them otherwise and for full-time students. Online learning allows for flexibility of time and the pace of student learning. For more information about St. Therese Digital Academy and its curriculum, go to stdavt.org or email stdavtorg@gmail.com.

University of Notre Dame Info Night: Sunday, Sept. 29, 6:30 PM • Rice Memorial High School. You and your family are invited to join the University of Notre Dame Undergraduate Admissions Office for an "ND on the Road" information session presented by a member of the University of Notre Dame Admissions staff. The event will take place on Sunday, Sept. 29 at 6:30 pm at Rice Memorial High School. The session will include information on academic, community and spiritual life at the University of Notre Dame, as well as insights into the admissions and financial aid processes.

Bishop's Annual Appeal 2019: So far our parish has pledged \$9,110.00 which is 70.% of our goal of \$12,979.00. Thank you for your generosity and support . For more info or to make a donation please go to: bishopsappealvt.org

Reflections for the Week

Every day we make commitments. Some are new ones, formulated over our morning coffee, and some are existing ones we are trying to honor, even though we may have made them months, years or decades ago. We are challenged each and every day to remain true to our commitments, but they are so easy to break and so tough to keep. Think about all the times we vowed to exercise more or to eat less. We were resolute in your conviction, but within weeks or maybe only days, we were back to our old habits. Or, was our vow to be more Christ-like, maybe to follow the example of St. Ignatius and do our daily Exam of Conscience, come rain or shine? How many times were we able to remain true to this solemn vow, this desire of ours to do something of great importance? Maybe that is what Jesus was intimating when he warned the disciples about the challenges they would face if they agreed to pledge their very lives to his Gospel. The road would be steep and difficult, full of twists and turns that would cause many to lose their way. Had the disciples, like the builders, calculated the true cost of their commitment? Or, were the disciples more like the generals, who realized they might face an insurmountable enemy, and therefore, chose to sue for peace instead of war? Breaking a vow is humiliating. It makes us feel weak and can hurt those who were depending on us to be true to our word. So how do we, in today's world, respond to the challenges of discipleship? Do we measure the builder's costs of being true and faithful to God's message, or do we rush in unaware of how big Satan's army is? Fortunately for us, we have a forgiving God, one who knows our weaknesses and understands that we will stumble and fall repeatedly. Our God extends his hand, to pull us up when our promise of unvarying discipleship falters, helping us to be true to his commandments and his teaching. Let us approach this day and every day recommitted to our goals and aspirations to improve our personal lives and communities, to better the lives of those with whom we interact, and most importantly, to deepen our relationship with Christ. Let us commit – with courage and excitement – to live a faith-filled life we can be proud of. For despite our frequent stumbles, God is continually there to inspire us to persevere. And, if our goal is to be more Christ-like in our personal lives, then maybe we, too, should be more understanding of others for we are not alone in the challenge to remain true to our goals and commitments. When our family, friends or co-workers stumble, we can extend a helping hand and support them in their efforts, just as Christ does for us, each and every day. onlineministries.creighton.edu