



# Fourth Sunday of Lent

## March 26, 2017



### MASS INTENTIONS

March 25 – April 2

#### This Weekend

**SAT 7:30 pm** For the Parishioners

**SUN 9:00 am** Furman Menard, Sr.

*-by the family*

**11:00 am** Marge Maynard

*-by John Maynard*

#### Daily Mass

**MON 8:30 am** Patty Cross

*-by Margaret Ryan*

**TUE 8:30 am** Betty Lemont

*-by Richard, Jim & Kathy Howrigan*

**WED 8:30 am** Deceased members of the Rigos & Covi Families *-by John & Louise Covi*

**THU 8:30 am** Robert & Anna Giroux

*-by the family*



**FRI** No Mass

#### Next Weekend

**SAT 7:30 pm** Patty Cross

*-by Pete & Family*

**SUN 9:00 am** Raymond Flanders

*-by Gynethe & Roy Fortin*

**11:00 am** For the Parishioners

### Next Week's Ministers:

**Lectors**

**Greeters**

**Eucharistic Ministers**

**Sat., April 1**

**7:30** Candi Branon

Linda Callan

Susan Rainville  
Andrew Rainville

**Altar Servers:** Margaret Tiffany, Isaiah Magnan

**Sun., April 2**

**9:00** Wilson Capone

Libby Norris

Patti Reynolds

Cecile Callan

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**Altar Servers:** Anthony Andrews, Nicolas Farinaccio

**Gift Bearers:** Renee & Anthony Andrews

**11:00** Mike Morse

Helen Bushey

Mary Ovitt

**Altar Servers:** Hunter Harris, Samantha Churchill

**Gift Bearers:** John & Carleen Musick

### WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Collection last weekend – March 18 - 19

St. Patrick

St. Anthony

-St. George

**Offertory:**

\$ 1,441.00

\$ 321.00

38 week average: \$ 1,282.00

\$ 394.00

Weekly Goal: \$ 1,275.00

\$ 385.00

Projects:

\$ 143.00

\$ 142.00

*Second Collections:*

*March 25: Catholic Relief Services*

*April 2: Easter Flowers*

**Thank you for your continuing generosity!**

**Please pray for those who are ill,** particularly:

Mary Ann Hranek, Gabriella Laubisch, June Morin, Ruby Minor, Cole Paquette, Jerry Yates, Alex Rocheleau, and Joseph Magnan.

**Thank You:** Many thanks

to all who helped to make the St. Patrick's Dinner a great success. Whether you donated, worked, or enjoyed the dinner and entertainment, your support is greatly appreciated. A total of \$737.00 was realized from this effort.



### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION SCHEDULE

Sunday, March 26 **Grades 1, 2, 6, 7, 9 and 10**

6- 7 pm at St. Patrick Church

Wednesday, March 29 – **Grades 4 & 8**

3 – 4 pm at Fairfield Center School

Wednesday, March 29 - **Grades 3 & 5**

3 – 4 pm at St. Patrick Church

**Breakfast at St. Mary's:** Sunday, April 2 from 8:00 – 11:00 am at the Parish Center on Fairfield Street in St. Albans. Menu includes ham, eggs, fried potatoes, pancakes, fruit, juice and coffee. Cost is \$7 per person or \$25 per family.



**Reconciliation During Lent:** Confessions will be heard during Lent every Saturday before the evening Mass from 6:55 – 7:15, every Sunday morning before the 9:00 Mass from 8:25 – 8:45, and following the 11:00 Sunday Mass when requested. Lent is a proper time to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

**“How To Go To Confession”:** Handouts from the U. S. Catholic Bishops explaining the steps to follow when going to Confession may be found on the tables at the church entrance. If it has been a while since your last Confession, feel free to pick up this how-to guide. Also, when you come to Confession, remember that the priest is there to guide and help you.

**The Creed During Lent:** During Lent we will be using the Apostles’ Creed at Mass. This is a shorter version of our Creed which is recommended for use during Lent and Easter Time. At Easter we will be renewing our Baptismal promises and the questions posed at every Baptism and at the Renewal of Baptism are based on this creed.

**Stations of the Cross:** This popular Lenten devotion will be prayed on the following dates during Lent at St. Patrick’s: Sunday, March 26<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm (Franciscan Way of the Cross), and Friday, April 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm (followed by soup and sandwiches). All are welcome to join us for these celebrations of the Stations.

**Rice Bowls** are available in the back of the church for those who wish to use them during Lent.

**Guidelines for Lent**



- The time of Lent is to be observed by Catholics as a special season of prayer, penance and works of charity.
- All Fridays in Lent are days of abstinence.
- **Abstinence** refers to the eating of meat. The common estimation of the community is used to determine what falls under the category of meat. The rule of abstinence binds all Catholics 14 years or older.

**Franciscan Way of the Cross:** On Sunday, March 26<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm, we will be praying the *Franciscan Way of the Cross: The Peace Prayer*, which is framed not only by the Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ but by the Peace Prayer of St. Francis. This will be held during the time our children attend religious education classes, and geared to their understanding. The reflection at each Station will bring together Jesus’ ultimate sacrifice with the Franciscan reminder for peace and harmony in our daily lives, and especially during the Lenten season. **All are invited and encouraged to attend, but we especially encourage parents and other family members of the students attending Sunday night religion classes to join us for this special celebration of the Stations of the Cross.**

**Chrism Mass:** Bishop Christopher J. Coyne will celebrate the annual Chrism Mass on Tuesday, April 11, at 11 a.m. at St. Joseph Co-Cathedral. Priests of the diocese will gather to celebrate with the bishop, and the faithful are invited and encouraged to attend. Bishop Coyne will bless three oils: the Oil of Catechumens (used in the Sacrament of Baptism), the Oil of the Infirm (used in the Sacrament of the Sick) and the Holy Chrism (used in the Sacrament of Confirmation and the Sacrament of Holy Orders and for the dedication of a church).

**VCYS 2017:** Vermont Catholic Youth Serve 2017 will take place on June 23 – 25 in Burlington. Participating teens will travel to multiple locations in the area to show Christ’s love to others through fun and effective service projects that express the Christian Works of Mercy. For more information contact the Office of Youth Ministry at 802-658-6110, ext. 1130 or go to [www.vermontcatholic.org](http://www.vermontcatholic.org).

**Office Hours:** Monday, Wednesday and Thursday: 8:30 am – 12:30 pm.

**BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK:**

<b>Saturday:</b> Pauline Lawyer	<b>Sunday:</b> William Nesbitt	
<b>Monday:</b> Tate Archambault,	<b>Tuesday:</b> Justin Branon, Don Watson,	
<b>Wednesday:</b> Nathaniel Hemingway,	<b>Thursday:</b> Jamie Stone, Diane Trombley,	
<b>Friday:</b> Piper Howrigan-Fehr,	<b>Saturday:</b> Wilma Forand, Liam Howrigan,	
	Dale Ovitt	