

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 22, 2009

St. Benedict, St. Edward, St. Mary Star of the Sea, Pray for us.

Saturday (21st) Heb 11:1-7; Mk 9:2-13.

4:00 St. Mary: Arthurine St. Marie (41st) by Lucille & Richard, and for Alain Quintal by Gerald & Jeannette & family.

6:00 St. Edward: Fern Chaput & the intentions of Gerry Chaput & family by family members.

Sunday (22nd)

Is 43:18-19, 21-22, 24b-25; 2 Cor 1:18-22; Mk 2:1-12.

8:30 St. Edward: Winston Bartley by St. Edward's Eucharistic Ministers, and for The Intentions of Fred Murphy by Barbara Bartley.

10:00 St. Mary: Harriet Dean by Lionel & John Sicotte, and for Marilyn Bergeron & her granddaughter by Bob Bergeron.

11:30 St. Benedict: Jean Paul Morin by Andre & Dolores Letourneau.

Monday (23rd)

Sir 1:1-10; Mk 9:14-29.

8:30 St. Edward: The Intentions of Carmen Blais by Bruno & Denise Corriveau.

5:15 St. Mary: Alcide A. Boisvert by Noella Buschbaum, and for Fernand Chaput by Vivien Farrar.

Tuesday (24th)

Sir 2:1-11; Mk 9:30-37.

8:00 St. Mary: Gerard Brochu by the family.

11:00 Meeting Place: Bibianne Lamarche by une amiè.

6:00 St. Edward: Marianna Paquette by a parishioner.

Wednesday (25th) Ash Wednesday

Jl:2:12-18; 2 Cor 5:20-6:2; Mt 6:106, 16-18.

9:00 St. Mary: Cosmo Fedele by Yvette & family.

7:00 St. Edward: For the Morel & Chenette families by Annette Chenette.

Thursday (26th)

Dt 30:15-20; Lk 9:22-25.

8:30 St. Edward: Joe Blais by the Bartley family.

6:00 St. Mary: Special Intention by Joanne Nolin.

6:30 St. Mary: Stations with Msgr. Richard Lavalley.

Friday (27th)

Is 58:1-9a; Mt 9:14-15.

8:00 St. Mary: Beatrice Lussier by the Estate.

6:00 St. Edward: The Intentions of Marielle Morin by Barbara Bartley.

6:30 St. Edward: Stations of the Cross.

Saturday (28th)

Is 58:9b-14; Lk 5:27-32.

4:00 St. Mary: Jean Paul Morin by Emilien Roy.

6:00 St. Edward: All Parishioners.

Sunday (1st)

Gn 9:8-15; 1 Pt 3:18-22; Mk 1:12-15.

8:30 St. Edward: Joe Blais by Bruno & Denise Corriveau, and for Lucille Fortin by her Mom & family.

10:00 St. Mary: Raymond Prive (13th) by his wife, Beryl Prive & children, and for Jeanne Comtois by VT State Circle Daughters of Isabella.

11:30 St. Benedict: Harriet Dean by Simone Durose.

Pray For One Another

The list is a request for prayers for those in need of extra prayers at this time because of some physical difficulty:

Wendy Wooden	Marielle Morin	Bella Brochu
Yvette LeBlanc	Lloyd Barry	Peggy Poulin
Karl Fauteux	Jean Riccio	Jennifer Gaudreau
Yves Brasseur	Virginia Rice	Fr. John Whalen
William Seymour	Mary Wright	Shirley Rivard
Theresa St. Onge	George Daigneault	Rita Giroux
Jeannine Taylor	Nicolas Fauteux	Brian Bartley
Paul Bouffard	Fred Murphy	Oscar Boucher
Aline Guillette	Joe Fontaine	Mario Paul
Cecile Arel Smith	Marcel Bathalon	

“Lord, look upon _____ with eyes of mercy, may Your healing hand rest upon him/her. May Your life-giving powers flow into every cell of their body and into the depths of their soul, cleansing, purifying, restoring them to wholeness and strength for service in your Kingdom.

*We pray for all our parishioners, relatives and friends who have died, especially **Marjorie Tatro** and her grieving family*

St. Mary's Sanctuary Candles

Sacred Heart of Jesus: Clarence & Domina Nolin

St. Joseph:

St. Mary: Special Intention (V.F.)

St. Anne: For a Special Intention (M.T. & S. L.. & Boys)

Chapel: Special Intentions

Thank you for your generosity.

<u>Offertory Needed</u>	<u>St. B</u>	<u>St. E</u>	<u>St. M</u>
To Meet Budget:	\$160	\$1,895	\$3,245
Offertory	300	\$1,393	\$3,062
Rel. Ed.	22	84	127

Calling All Singers

You are invited to join St. Mary's choir in singing in our Centennial Celebration on August 16, 2009, 2:00 p.m. Practice begins Tuesday, Feb 24th, 7:00 p.m., at St Mary's Church.

To all Madrigal Singers: We will be singing two selections during this celebration. FMI 334-2893 or 334-8680.

St. Edward's Eucharistic Adoration:

Would you consider spending an hour a week with the Eucharistic Lord? We are in need of 3 replacements for: Tues 2:00 – 3:00 am, 3:00 – 4:00 am, 12:00 – 1:00 pm.

GUIDELINES FOR LENT

- The time of Lent is to be observed by Catholics as a special season of prayer, penance and works of charity.
- Ash Wednesday and Good Friday in particular, are the most important penitential days of the liturgical year. They are days of both fast and abstinence. All Fridays in Lent are days of abstinence.
- The rule of fasting states that only one full meal a day can be taken. Two small meals, "sufficient to maintain strength" are allowed, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals breaks the fast, but drinking liquids does not. The rule of fasting obliges all Catholics from 18 to 59.
- 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.
- The **substantial** observance of the laws of fast and abstinence is a serious obligation. Those whose work or health would be impaired are excused from fasting and abstaining. The individual conscience can decide if there is proper cause to excuse. A more serious reason should be present to excuse from the Ash Wednesday and Good Friday penance.
- Self-imposed fasting on the other weekdays of Lent is recommended. Abstinence on all Fridays of the year is also highly recommended.
- Parents and teachers should see to it that, even those who are not bound by the laws of fast and abstinence because of age, are brought up in an atmosphere that is conducive to a sense of penance.

Memo from the Chancellor, Msgr. McDermott:

Bishop Matano's Lenten Message and Masses for Peace & Reconciliation will be an opportunity to join Bishop Matano to pray for the healing of those who suffer for any reason, as well as a time to pray for reconciliation of all those estranged from the Church. The Mass at St. Mary Star of the Sea will be Thursday, March 5, at 7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross will take place at 6:00 p.m. that evening.

Thoughts on Fasting & Feasting for Lent

Fast from judging others; feast on the Christ dwelling in them.
Fast from thoughts of illness; feast on the healing power of God.
Fast from words that pollute; feast on phrases that purify.
Fast from discontent; feast on gratitude.
Fast from anger; feast on patience.
Fast from pessimism; feast on optimism.
Fast from worry; feast on divine order.
Fast from complaining; feast on appreciation.
Fast from negatives; feast on affirmatives.
Fast from unrelenting pressures; feast on unceasing prayer.
Fast from bitterness; feast on forgiveness.
Fast from self-concern; feast on compassion for others.
Fast from personal anxiety; feast on eternal truth.
Fast from discouragements; feast on hope.
Fast from lethargy; feast on enthusiasm.
Fast from thoughts that weaken; feast on promises that inspire.
Fast from idle gossip; feast on purposeful silence.

PARISH COUNCIL: If you are interested in running for Parish Council for St. Mary's or St. Edward's, please submit a short autobiography and your parish involvement, along with a small picture, to the parish office by Feb 23rd. If you have any questions, please call Fr. Yvon.

WARM YOUR HEARTS, WARM YOUR HOMES... ENTER TO WIN \$250 OFF HOME HEATING COST at the **American Red Cross blood drawing**, Thurs, Feb 26th, 11:30 am - 5:00 pm, at the Newport Municipal Bldg, sponsored by the American Legion Post 21 and Ladies Auxiliary. Walk-ins and appointments welcome - bring 2 forms of ID or Red Cross donor card. Must be at least 17 years old and weigh 118 lbs. New donors welcome.

Marcel Bathalon Benefit Yard & Bake Sale **KC Hall, Feb 28, 9:00 - 4:00.**

Bake Sale: Baked Goods appreciated. Sue 334-8041.
Yard Sale: Donations needed. Anna 334-6671 or Louise 754-9531.

An Invitation to All Parishioners

One of the newest Monsignors in our diocese, Msgr. Richard Lavalley, pastor of St. Francis Xavier Church in Winooski, will be at St. Mary's on Feb 26th, to pray the Stations of the Cross with us in a very special way. This is a great way to begin our Lenten journey. We hope that everyone will join us. It is a blessing to have Msgr. Lavalley visit our parish. The Stations will follow the 6:00 pm Mass.

UPCOMING PRESENTATIONS BY FR. YVON

The Gifts Of Baptism And Confirmation:
Sunday, Mar. 1, 2009 - St Mary's - 11:00 a.m.

St Benedict's 200 Club: Only a few tickets available at \$10 each for 30 chances to win. Contact John Gratton at 766-2425, Mary Griffin 895-2837, or Howard Schlenker 895-4277.

Crafting for items for the **Daughters of Isabella Fall Bazaar** will be **Wed, Feb 25**, 1:00p.m. - 4:00 p.m. at Pauline Hussey's home. All helpers welcome - bring any supplies and ideas you want to share. The Daughters are in need of material/remnants, felt, embroidery floss, polyester stuffing, costume jewelry, buttons. Leave items at entrance to the rectory.

♪**"Encounter With Jesus" Mark Mallet, Singer, Evangelist.**♪
Thurs., March 12th 7:00-9:00 p.m. at **Sacred Heart of Jesus in Troy**. Free will offering. FMI Theresa 744-6272.

Ongoing monthly meetings:

1st & 3rd Wed. 7:00 pm Ultreya (St. M Sacristy)
1st Thurs. 7:00 pm Daughters of Isabella (St. M)
2nd Tues. 6:30 pm St. Edward Altar Society (St. E)
2nd Thurs. 7:00 pm Knights of Columbus (St. M)
4th Tues. 6:30 pm Knights of Columbus (St. E)