

**March 27, 2016**

**Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord**

**Offertory:** March 1, 2015 OLM \$838, OLV \$681, COS \$1,414 Total \$2,933  
February 28, 2016 OLM \$490, OLV \$717, COS \$1,156 Total \$2,363 (incl. online giving)

**MASS INTENTIONS**

Saturday, Mar 26, OLM 4:00 PM For All Our Parishioners  
Saturday, Mar 26, COS 4:30 PM For All Our Parishioners  
Sunday, Mar 27, OLM 8:30 AM For All Our Parishioners  
Sunday, Mar 27, OLV 10:30 AM For All Our Parishioners  
Sunday, Mar 27, COS 12:30 PM For All Our Parishioners  
Saturday, April 2, OLM 4:00 PM For Linda Mariano, requested by Marie Lee  
Sunday, April 3, OLM 8:30 AM For the Souls in Purgatory, requested by John Nappi, Jr.  
Sunday, April 3, OLV 10:30 AM For the Sorrentino and Shipman families, requested by Ray and Claire Sorrentino  
Sunday, April 3, COS 12:30 PM For a Special Intention, requested by John Nappi, Jr.



**MARK YOUR CALENDARS**

**March 26: Holy Saturday**

**March 27: Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of The Lord**

April 1: First Friday Mass, 5:30 PM, St. Edmund's, Saxtons River

April 6: Pastoral Council Meeting, 7PM OLV

**April 9 & 10: Special Collection, Fuel #1**

April 20: Cursillo Ultreya, 7 PM

April 15: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, 3-4PM OLV

April 21: Finance Council Meeting, 4:30 PM at the Rectory

April 21: Book Club, 7-8 PM OLV *The Chronicles of Narnia* by C. S. Lewis- Books 1-3

**~APRIL 17<sup>th</sup> Jubilee for Youth and Young Adults: 3 PM at St. Joseph Co-Cathedral**

We are excited and blessed to announce that the Diocese of Burlington will be hosting the Koinonia Academy Choir from Plainsfield, New Jersey, this April 17<sup>th</sup>. Come hear their amazing voices, but also their amazing stories and personal witness. [vermontcatholic.org/yearofmercy/](http://vermontcatholic.org/yearofmercy/), [www.koinoniaacademy.org/](http://www.koinoniaacademy.org/)

**~Summer Program at Northeast Catholic College**

Once again, Northeast Catholic College in Warner, NH is pleased to announce the dates for its Summer Program for high school students. The Collegiate Summer Program offers participants the opportunity to study theology, philosophy, literature and political science. During the summer program, students also attend daily Mass and enjoy sports, socials and day trips including hiking and canoeing. The program is for students who will be entering their sophomore, junior or senior year of high school in the fall of 2016. It is also open to students who have just graduated high school. The Collegiate Summer Program is a two-week session that runs from Sunday, July 24 – Saturday, August 6, 2016. Register today at [www.NortheastCatholic.edu](http://www.NortheastCatholic.edu)! For more information, contact the admissions office at [admissions@northeastcatholic.edu](mailto:admissions@northeastcatholic.edu) or 603.456.2656.

**~Married Couples-** Plants need fertilizer to grow healthy and strong and so too does your marriage. Without some nurturing and care it will remain weak and unfulfilling. Spread a little fertilizer on your relationship. Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend on 5/13 – 5/15 at St. Anne's Shrine in Isle La Motte. For info or to apply, contact Gary & Lynn Root @ [vtroot@together.net](mailto:vtroot@together.net) or call 802-456-8114 or go on-line @ [www.wmvevt.org](http://www.wmvevt.org).



**Weekly Intention:**

For the grace this week to be faithful in living our Catholic Faith, especially through fidelity to Sunday Mass and the sacraments.



**“God Loves each of us as if there were only one of us.”**

**~ St. Augustine**



**From Fr. Fred:**  
**Bl. Teresa of Calcutta**

## ***Reach out to all who Hunger!***

*Mother Teresa (1910-1997) was born Agnes Gonxha Bojaxhiu in today's Republic of Macedonia. She joined the Sisters of Loreto but in 1946 felt called to help and live among the poor of the Calcutta slums. She founded the Missionaries of Charity and never hesitated to do the most menial tasks in her humility and dedication to serving God. She was beautified in 2003 by Pope John Paul II and will be canonized later this year.*



When I pick up hungry people from the streets, I give them rice and bread, and I have satisfied that hunger. But a person who is shut out, who feels unwanted by society, unloved and terrified—how much more difficult is it to remove that hunger?

### ***Different kinds of poverty***

The Spiritual poverty of the Western world is much greater than the physical poverty of our people. You, in the West, have millions of people who suffer such terrible loneliness and emptiness. They feel unloved and unwanted. These people are not hungry in the physical sense, but they are in another way. Often among the rich are very spiritually poor people. They know they need something more than money, yet they don't know what it is.

I find it easy to give a plate of rice to a hungry person, to furnish a bed to a person who has no bed, but to console or to remove the bitterness, anger, and loneliness that comes from being spiritually deprived—that takes a long time. What they are missing, really, is a living relationship with God.

### ***Start in your own community!***

It is too easy simply to talk about or concern ourselves with the poor who are far away. It is much harder and more challenging to turn our attention and concern toward the poor who live right next door to us. Be the good news to your own people. Strive to be the demonstration of God in the midst of your community. And find out about your next-door neighbors—do you know who they are?

### ***Love is the answer!***

I want you to find the poor here, right in your own home first. And begin loving there. Maybe in your own family you have somebody who is feeling lonely, who is feeling sick, who is feeling worried—these are difficult days for everybody. Are we there to receive them?

Let us love one another as God loves each one of us. And where does this love begin? In our own home. How does it begin? By praying together. Just get together, love one another, and we will be able to overcome all the evil that is in the world.

#### **Just for Fun:**

It was a beautiful spring evening and an elderly couple were sitting on the porch.

She: "Do you remember, dear, when we were first married and you used to take my hand and kiss me on the cheek and then you'd kind of nibble on my ear?"

He: "You bet I do. Let me go get my teeth."



#### **Quote of the week:**

"Jesus is risen; there is hope for you; you are no longer in the power of sin, of evil! Love has triumphed, mercy has been victorious! The mercy of God always triumphs!"

~Pope Francis

