

Offertory: Aug. 13, 2017 OLM \$748, OLV \$823, COS \$651, Total \$2,222
Aug. 14, 2016 OLM \$544, OLV \$919, COS \$766, Total \$2,229

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, Nov. 11, OLM 4:00 PM For Frank Sanders, for his continued good health and thanksgiving for his military service, requested by Marianne Sanders
Sunday, Nov. 12, OLM 8:30 AM For a Special Intention, requested by John Nappi, Jr.
Sunday, Nov. 12, OLV 10:30 AM For Sr. Marguerite Schaefer, SND, requested by Eleanor C. Crombie
Sunday, Nov. 12, COS 12:30 PM For the Souls in Purgatory, requested by John Nappi, Jr.
Saturday, Nov. 18, OLM 4:00 PM For the Kopins family, requested by Karen Shaw
Sunday, Nov. 19, OLM 8:30 AM For Mr. and Mrs. Michael Adrian, requested by Mike Adrian
Sunday, Nov. 19, OLV 10:30 AM For George, E. Crombie, requested by Eleanor C. Crombie
Sunday, Nov. 19, COS 12:30 PM For Chuck McMahon, requested by Nancy McMahon

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Nov. 11 & 12: Special Collection: Christmas Flowers
Nov. 15: Cursillo Ultreya, 6:30 PM, St. Michael's, Brattleboro
Nov. 16: Finance Council Meeting, 6:30 PM, OLV
Nov. 17: Adoration, 3 PM, OLV
Nov. 18 & 19: Special Collection: Catholic Campaign for Human Development



Weekly Intention:
For the grace this week to live our lives in faithful devotion to the Bridegroom.



It's that time of year for the 2018 Offertory Envelopes. Please pick up your boxes in the back of the church. If you do not already have Offertory Envelopes and wish to start, please fill out the sign up sheet and we will send you a box.



Next week, the second collection will be for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. Over 46 million people in the United States live in poverty. This collection supports programs to empower people to identify and address the obstacles they face as they work to lift themselves out of poverty. By supporting this collection you give people a hand up, not a hand out. Learn more about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development at www.usccb.org/cchd/collection.

Annual Appeal 2017-2018
Annual Appeal Goal \$30,000.00.
Contributions to Date: \$16,950.00. Balance Remaining \$13,050.00. Thank you to all who have made a contribution. There are envelopes in the back of the church if you did not receive one in the mail. Donations can be sent to: Our Lady of Mercy Rectory, PO Box 246, Putney, Vt. 05346

Do you work or volunteer with youth in the Church? Please read the following: As part of the Diocese of Burlington's continuing commitment to protect children and young people, all adults who work with children and youth are required to participate in child abuse prevention training, submit background check paperwork, read the Diocesan Policies on Ethics and Integrity in Ministry, and sign a Code of Conduct. The training program for adults currently used within the Diocese of Burlington is Safe and Sacred by Proud to Protect, Inc. To learn more, or to participate in the program, visit the "Child Safety" section of www.vermontcatholic.org.

Northeast Parish Revitalization Sessions

On December 4, 2017, Dick Kiernan will be in Vermont offering an afternoon session (1-2:30PM) at Christ the King-Rutland), and an evening session (6:30-8PM) at the Diocesan Offices to share the Northeast Parish Revitalization Conference. The goal is to implement Pope Francis' "The Joy of the Gospel" and revitalize parishes throughout New England. Please RSVP to Lori Daudelin at ldaudelin@vermontcatholic.org

Rally for Life Mass:

Where: St. Augustine Church in Montpelier **When:** Saturday, January 13th at 9:30AM
Bishop Coyne will be the main celebrant. After Mass, participants will gather behind City Hall to line up for the march to the steps of the State House where opening remarks will be followed by speakers indoors.

From Fr. Fred:

Heaven's Very Special Child by Edna Massimilla

A meeting was held, quite far from earth
"It's time again for another birth"
Said the Angels to the Lord above,
"This special child will need much
love."

Her progress may seem very slow,
Accomplishments she may not show
And she'll require extra care
From all the folks she meets down
there.

She may not run or laugh or play
Her thoughts may seem quite far away
In many ways she won't adapt,
And she'll be known as handicapped.
So let's be careful where she's sent
We want her life to be content
Please, Lord, find the right parents who
Will do this special job for You.

They will not realize right away
The leading role they're asked to play
But with this child sent from above
Comes stronger faith and richer love.
And soon they'll know the privilege
given
In caring for this gift from Heaven.
Their precious charge, so meek and
mild.

Is heaven's very special child.



Just for Fun:

Jesus' Report Card

ORATORY AND PUBLIC SPEAKING: Has trouble expressing himself clearly. Always talks in parables.

MATHEMATICS: Seems to have trouble with it, except for multiplying bread and fish. As far as addition is concerned, he says that the Father and he are one.

WRITING: Always forgets to bring his note books. Ends up having to write in the dust.

CHEMISTRY: Doesn't do the required experiments. When no one is looking he changes water into wine.

SPORTS: Never learned to swim like the others. Walks on the water instead.

SUMMARY: Because of this he's going to have to miss the Easter vacation.



Quote of the week:

"We need to implore Jesus' grace daily, asking him to open our cold hearts and shake up our lukewarm and superficial existence."
Pope Francis