



Mass Intentions

SATURDAY-VIGIL FOR SUNDAY-February 3

4:00 P.M. Joseph J. Maietta

SUNDAY-February 4

8:30 A.M. For the Parishioners of St. Mark's Parish

11:00 A.M. Greg King

MONDAY-February 5

9:00 A.M. Anna Giroux

TUESDAY-February 6

9:00 A.M. Viola Yandow & Violet Navratil

WEDNESDAY-February 7

9:00 A.M. Doris & Wilfred Thabault

THURSDAY-February 8

9:00 A.M. **Collective Mass:** William & Louise Burns
Carmen Ball, Joanne Burbo and
Special Intention

FRIDAY-February 9

No Mass Today

SATURDAY-VIGIL FOR SUNDAY-February 10

4:00 P.M. In honor of St. Jude

SUNDAY-February 11

8:30 A.M. For the Parishioners of St. Mark's Parish

11:00 A.M. In Thanksgiving to St. Jude



Dear Friends,

This coming Tuesday I will be flying to Colorado to visit my brother John and his family. I have been telling John for the past few years that I would come for a visit and now seemed like a good time. John has raved about Colorado since he moved there a few years ago and I wanted to see firsthand what he is raving about. It will be my first trip to the state which has the most sunshine. Sunshine in the winter months is always welcome. I will be away for eight days and in my absence Monsignor Searles and Father Holland will be filling in. Have a good week.
Father Bill

COLLECTIVE MASSES begin this week. As was explained earlier, with the beginning of Collective Masses, we will no longer be listing the names of persons requesting a Mass, only the intention of the Mass or the names for whom the Mass is being offered.

LUND FAMILY CENTER BENEFIT BABY SHOWER: St. Mark's Mom's Ministry will be collecting new baby items throughout the month of February. These items will be donated to the Lund Family Center. The most requested items are "onesies", receiving blankets, towels and diapers. Please do not offer toys, used items or furniture. Thank you.

CALCUTTA NIGHT: Our annual Calcutta Night is scheduled for Saturday, February 10th. We are selling 100 numbers with dinner included for \$50 each. If you come as a couple, the extra meal will cost \$10. Once the 100 numbers are sold, no other reservations will be accepted. To reserve your special number, and to be included in an evening of fun and excitement, call Barb King, 862-8350 or Carole at the rectory, 864-7686.

SUPERBOWL SUBS: will be available for pickup after all the Masses this weekend. If you placed an order, your sub will be ready. If you did not place an order, feel free to go to the Family Center and pick one up for your lunch. There are extras available.

THIS WEEK'S FEATURED CD: "Why Go To Mass?" by Bishop Alexander K. Sample. In this inspiring CD, Most Reverend Alexander Sample, Bishop of Marquette, provides theological and practical reasons why Catholics need to come to a deeper understanding of the nature of the Mass celebrated each week. If you ever feel bored at Mass or think that you don't get much out of the Mass, this talk is for you. Allow Bishop Sample's words to move you beyond the ignorance and indifference that often plague believers from receiving the life-saving graces that come from Christ in the Eucharist. Only by understanding the Mass both as "sacrifice and sacred banquet" can we tap into the transforming power offered whenever we worship. After listening to this informative presentation, you will never attend Mass in the same way again.

PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION CHAPEL

Could you fill one of the following hours?

- 3 to 4 a.m. Thursday
- 8 to 9 a.m. Monday
- Noon to 1 p.m. Sunday

Please call Marge at 658-0228 or Winnie at 862-9598 to commit to spend an hour with our Lord.



Parish Supp

January 28 Attendance at Mass.....	542
January 28 (195 envelopes).....	\$5,615.50
Weekly Average since July 1 st (31 weeks)	\$5,352.00

Second Collection this weekend - Capital Improvements

C.Y.O. BASKETBALL: This Sunday, February 4th, our 7-8 grade team plays at 12 noon at Winooski High School. Come and support our team! Our 5-6 grade team does not play this week.

Religious Education

SUNDAY RELIGION CLASSES: Grades K through 5 meet today, February 4th, 9:30 to 10:45 a.m. **PLEASE NOTE. There will be no Religion Classes this week, February 4th for Sunday EVENING ONLY.**

TUESDAY RELIGION CLASSES, Grades 1 through 5 meet February 6th, from 6:00 to 7:15 p.m.

FAMILY CELEBRATION: A Pot Luck Dinner is scheduled for Tuesday, February 13th at 5:45 p.m. in the Family Center. All families of Religious Education Students in grades K through 5 from both Sunday and Tuesday Classes are invited to participate.



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Coffee Hour this weekend after the Sunday Masses. This Month's Coffee Hour sponsor is The Mom's Ministry. Please stop by the Family Center after Mass and meet some of your fellow parishioners and enjoy refreshments.

GIFT RECEIVED: We are grateful for the gift of ten thousand dollars recently received from the Estate of Elinor Bennett, a longtime parishioner of St. Mark's. Gifts such as these enable us to do unexpected projects within the parish. Let us keep Elinor in our prayers.

THE INSTITUTE FOR CATHOLIC ENRICHMENT AND LAY APOSTOLATE FORMATION, formerly known as the Ministry Training Program, is accepting applications for the "Enrichment Focus". This portion of the program is open to all for adult enrichment and will run from September 2007 to June 2008. Application deadline is **April 1, 2007.** Classes meet on Saturday mornings for 2.5 hours and will center on Scripture, Liturgy and Sacraments.

In order to help those interested in understanding the commitment and requirements, an informational meeting has been scheduled for Wednesday, February 7th at Our Lady of Grace Parish Hall in Colchester. We encourage those interested to come to this meeting, which will be held from 7 to 8 p.m.

NEW ALTAR SERVERS: A first training session for new altar servers will be held on Wednesday, February 28th from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. in the church. Any boy or girl, 4th grade or older, is welcome to come this session. If you have questions, please the parish office, 864-7686.

Readings for the Week of February 4, 2007

Sunday: Is 6:1-2a, 3-8/1 Cor 15:1-11 or 15:3-8, 11/Lk 5:1-11
Monday: Gn 1:1-19/Mk 6:53-56
Tuesday: Gn 1:20-2:4a/Mk 7:1-13
Wednesday: Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17/Mk 7:14-23
Thursday: Gn 2:18-25/Mk 7:24-30
Friday: Gn 3:1-8/Mk 7:31-37
Saturday: Gn 3:9-24/Mk 8:1-10
Next Sunday: Jer 17:5-8/1 Cor 15:12, 16-20/Lk 6:17, 20-26

ENTERING CANAAN DAY OF PRAYER AND HEALING: We ask for your continued prayer and support in reaching out to women who would benefit from our post-abortion ministry for women who are suffering as a result of losing a child to abortion. The day will be held on Saturday, April 18th. For further information and confidential reservations, please call Judy Kanya at Vermont Catholic Charities 802-658-6111, ext 1311 or toll-free at 1-877-250-4099.

MATER CHRISTI SCHOOL, 50 Mansfield Avenue, Burlington, is hosting an Open House on Wednesday, February 7th for parents, guardians, and grandparents of new students who will be going into grades 5-8 next year. Arrive at 9:00 a.m., tour the classrooms, and visit with teachers/administration. If you will be visiting, please respond by phone at 658-3992 or by email at jrock@sover.net.

ST. MARK'S FOOD PANTRY: Items most needed are tuna, bathroom supplies, cereal, and spaghetti sauce. Thank you for your continued support.

YOUR PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED for the safety of our service men and women and support personnel working as peace-keepers throughout the world, and for those who are seriously ill, especially Daniel Ahern, Mae Bostock, Theresa Cameron, Shirley Fuller, Jimmy Giroux, Julia Auer Hamiwka, Lois Jette, Lisa Jodoin, Diane Lehneman, Jonathan Levinsky, Ray and Nancy Riling, Mikaela Sienkiewicz, and for the repose of the soul of Leola Blais.

To have someone from your family enrolled in this list, please call the Rectory Office at 864-7686. Names will be listed for one month unless the office is notified that the condition continues and prayers are still requested.

FEBRUARY 4, 2007



My Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

Each year, the national Collection for the Church in Latin America is held in parishes across the country. Proceeds from the collection are distributed to dioceses, parishes, religious congregations, seminaries, and other Catholic institutions throughout Latin America and the Caribbean, to assist in the formation of priests, religious, lay ministers, missionaries, pastoral workers, catechists, and youth ministers. Thus, fellow Catholics in Latin America and the Caribbean, who are rich in faith but lacking in material resources, are not only able to participate more fully in the life of the Church, but are enabled to share it with others as well.

When we contribute to this national Collection, we are actively living out our call to stewardship and participating in a work of solidarity with our brothers and sisters throughout the American hemisphere.

The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops' Committee on the Church in Latin America uses the collection funds to support its pastoral grants program in 22 countries and to support the work of the Department of Social Development and World Peace on behalf of the Church in Latin America.

I ask you to consider contributing to this collection, and I am grateful for your generosity. Together, let us ask the Lord to continue to bless us in all that we do.

With prayerful cordial regards, I remain,

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+ *Salvatore R. Matano*

The Most Reverend Salvatore R. Matano
Bishop of Burlington