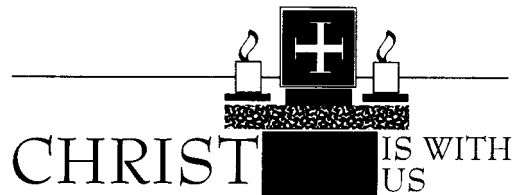


# Sixteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

July 18, 2010

Keep us alive in Christ Jesus!



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## MASS SCHEDULE

DATE	TIME	SAINT	INTENTION	REQUESTED BY
Mon. July 19	8:30		Marjorie Rush	Family
Tues. July 20	8:30	St. Apollinaris	Ginny Merchant	Her Husband
Wed. July 21	8:30	St. Lawrence	Carol Thompson	Family
Thur. July 22	8:30	St. Mary Magdalene	Maurice Delabruere	
Fri. July 23	8:30	St. Bridget of Sweden	Douglas L. Maston	The Rainville Family
<b>SUNDAY MASSES</b>				
Sat. July 24	4:30	St. Sharbel Makhluif	Edward and Helen McGuinness	Children
Sun. July 25	8:00		Parishioners and Benefactors	
	9:30		Florette Mongeon	Family
	11:00		Florence Smith	Baxter and Hubbard Family

## PARISH PICNIC – AUGUST 2<sup>ND</sup>

Our annual Feast Day Picnic will take place on Monday, August, 2, 2010. We will begin with Mass at 5:00 pm; the picnic will take place on the lawn behind the Parish Center beginning at 5:45. The menu will consist of hamburgers, hot dogs, pulled pork, veggie burgers, corn-on-the-cob, salads and desserts.

*We are asking participants to bring a salad or a dessert. You can sign-up for this after the Masses this weekend on the forms that are found at the doors of the church. Please make enough for twelve (12) persons.*

**REGISTRATION FOR THE PICNIC WILL TAKE PLACE ON THE WEEKENDS OF JULY 24-25 & JULY 31-AUGUST 1.** The cost will be \$2 per person or \$6 per family and bring a salad or dessert.

## FR. BERNIE WILL BE AWAY

Fr. Bernie Gaudreau will take a week of vacation in Maine from July 21 to 28. Fr. Sullivan will be celebrating Mass during his absence. In case of emergencies you may contact him or a priest in one of the area parishes.

## BAZAAR PLANNING MEETING ON MONDAY

We are hoping to sponsor a Parish Bazaar on Saturday, November 6<sup>th</sup> in the Parish Center Hall. Those interested planning it or in selling crafts or other items are invited to a meeting this Monday, July 19, at 7:00pm in the church basement hall. Bob and Doris Gaulin will be coordinating this effort.

## PHOTOS OF MILITARY IN DIRECTORY

Parishioners currently serving in the military are invited to have their pictures in our new Pictorial Directory. Olan Mills will include a uniformed picture in our directory, free of charge. To take advantage of this offer, please send a hard copy picture, full uniform, with the following information: branch of service, name, rank, title and where you are stationed. To be included in the Directory, pictures must be received by Wed., Sept. 22, 2010.

## BISHOP'S FUND REPORT

The 2010 Bishop's Fund is nearing completion. Thus far our parish has raised a total of \$69,530.50 towards its goal of \$115,880.00. This outstanding response is the result of pledge commitments from 272 families. This is 60.0% of our parish goal with an average pledge of \$255.63. We thank everyone who has already made a gift to this year's effort. If you have not yet made your gift, envelopes are available at the church exits.

### **PREPARING FOR MARRIAGE**

Matrimony has been established by our Lord Jesus Christ as one of the seven sacraments. Through this sacrament God offers the graces that a man and a woman need to fulfill the duties of the married life. The Church through the sacrament of matrimony acts in the name of God who binds the couple as one in this sacred bond. Catholics, therefore, are required to be married in the Church. We do not recognize the validity of the marriage of a Catholic that takes place outside the Church.

While the grace of the sacrament is powerful, the Church also recognizes that good preparation is essential to good marriages. In the Diocese of Burlington there are three components to marriage preparation.

1. The "Fully Engaged" inventory is not a compatibility test but a tool which assists and encourages couple communication. (It replaces the FOCCUS inventory.) Fully Engaged is taken at the parish with the priest or deacon.

2. The marriage preparation program normally consists of the Pre-Cana Program which usually involves a series of four sessions of 2 to 3 hours each. Programs such as Engaged Encounter or Mentor Couple meeting are other forms of preparation for marriage.

3. The last component consists of a few meetings with the priest or deacon to prepare the wedding liturgy and complete the required documents.

Couples are asked to call the Church at least six months in advance of the wedding date to ensure that the preparation can be done properly. Contacting the Church should be the first step in setting a date for a marriage.

### **WELCOME**

We welcome into our parish community newly baptized William Patrick Tierney.

### **BLUE ARMY GATHERS AT ST. MONICA, BARRE**

The area division of the World Apostolate of Fatima will gather on Wednesday, July 28, at St. Monica Church, Barre. Rosary at 4:30pm. Mass at 5:00 followed by light refreshments and a short meeting. All are welcome, Call Jerry (482-2057) or Clairette (878-3214) for information and carpool help.

### **REPORT ON SECOND COLLECTIONS Fiscal Year - 2009-2010**

Soon we will publish the complete financial report for the fiscal year that began on July 1, 2009 and ended June 30, 2010. This week we are providing a report on the second collections that we take up for parish needs. These collections help us with some of the largest items in our budget: fuel, snow removal and insurance. In addition there is the Development Fund which is used to pay for special projects. This past fiscal year those projects included a new roof and painting of the rectory and repairs to the concrete walks around the church.

	<b>IN</b>	<b>OUT</b>	<b>DIFF</b>
<b>FUEL</b>	\$ 6,755.50	\$11,313.58	-\$4,558.08
<b>INSURANCE</b>	\$ 7,787.75	\$16,092.75	-\$8,505.00
<b>SNOW</b>	\$ 5,650.50	\$ 6,135.00	-\$ 484.50
<b>DEV. FUND</b>	\$13,522.00	\$16,710.00	-\$3,188.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$33,515.75</b>	<b>\$50,251.33</b>	<b>-\$16,735.58</b>

From this report we hope that you can appreciate how important these second collections are to the parish. Because of your generosity we will have a good report to make in a few weeks. We thank you very much.

### **DAILY READINGS**

July 19	Mi 6: 1-8	Mt 12: 38-42
July 20	Mi 7: 14-20	Mt 12: 46-50
July 21	Jer 1: 1-10	Mt 13: 1-9
July 22	Jer 2: 1-13	Jn 20: 1-18
July 23	Jer 3: 14-17	Mt 13: 18-23
July 24	Jer 7: 1-11	Mt 13: 24-30
July 25	Gn 18: 20-32	
	Col 2: 12-14	Lk 11: 1-13

### **LAST WEEK**

Collection - \$4,707.00  
Development Fund - \$550.50  
Attendance Last Week - 639

The second collection next week is for  
Property Insurance.

### **LIVING STEWARDSHIP**

I have held many things in my hands, and I have lost them all. But whatever I have placed in God's hands; that I still possess.

*Martin Luther*