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### **Weekly Masses for St. Peter's & St. Ambrose**

Saturday	4:30pm	Birthday remembrance of Eddie Smith by his wife Earlene
Saturday	6:30pm	at St. Ambrose
Sunday	8:00 am	at St. Ambrose
Sunday	10:30 am	Mary Wrona by Freida Wrona & family
Monday	8:30am	at St. Ambrose
	6:00pm	for all those unable to attend Mass
Tuesday	9:00 am	for All Souls
	6:30pm	at St. Ambrose
Wednesday	8:30 am	at St. Ambrose
	7:00pm	<b>Ascension Vigil/ Holy Day of Obligation</b>
Thursday	12:05pm	<b>Ascension Thursday/ 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of William Plankey Sr. by his wife Rose</b>
	7:00pm	<b>Ascension Mass at St. Ambrose</b>
Friday		<b>No Mass</b>
Saturday	4:30pm	Annemarie Gebo by Zeb & Jamie
Saturday	6:30pm	at St. Ambrose
Sunday	8:00 am	at St. Ambrose
Sunday	10:30 am	James & Jamie McNulla by the McNulla family



**PRAY FOR THE SICK:** John Conte, Pat Brooks, Mark Aubin, Robert Lattrell, Ilona Dunn, Lucille Lebeau, Larry Trapasso & family, Andre` Cousineau, Ann Sullivan, Bishop Gelineau, Chris Perron, Jerry & Joel Senesac, Cohen Martin, Sandra Guyette, Terry Flynn, Michael Thomas,

Theresa Clark, Theresa Daigle, Shirley Garon, Dee Papagni, Maya Mullen, Shanniah Addis. And we pray for all who are listed in our Book of Prayers.

### **Prayers & Sympathy for the Families of:**

Robert Kellogg Jr., Douglas Therrien & Fr. Gerry Leclerc

### **THIS WEEK AT ST. PETER'S:**

Sunday 5:00-6:30 Free Community Meal  
Monday 6:30pm K of C Meeting

## **Fr. Yvon's Weekly Reflection** **Why Bother?**

*Dear Friends,*

I think that we have all heard the saying April showers bring May flowers. Well as we transition into the month of May I began to think about the fact that May is the month that many people will be putting time, energy, and money into planting and tending to their flower gardens and planters. Why is this time, energy, and money worth it, why do we bother? Each one of you may have your own answer to this question but for me the answer is that without all of us doing our part our world would become barren and dull. Our individual effort adds vibrancy to our world. This is "why we bother". And do you know what, what is true of our efforts to planting flowers is true of our relationship with God. Things that are worth it takes time, energy, and money. May all of our efforts bring vibrancy to our lives.

*God's continued Peace, Fr. Yvon Royer*

### **Offertory Collection for April 24, 2016**

# Envelopes used – 61

Offertory Collection

4:30pm	\$ 890.00
10:30am	\$ 861.01
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 1,751.01</b>

*Catholic Home Missions*

**\$ 452.00**

The *Eastern Europe* will be taken up this weekend. Next weekend will be the collection for *Monthly Collection*

*Thank you for your generosity!!!*

## ***40 Years Ago in our Bulletin***

**Auction** – will be held on Sunday, June 27<sup>th</sup>, commencing at 2:00pm in the parking lot adjacent to the Parish Hall. Donations are urgently requested. Bring them to the rectory garage commencing June 1st. If transportation is required for these items, please contact Ann or Bill Baldwin at 877-3373.

## **Mass Assignments**

**April 30, 2016**

**4:30pm Mass**

**Lector:** Henry Broughton

**Lay Minister:** Paul LaVallee, Cathy Desjadon, Kathy Spahn

**Altar Servers:** Nicole Stearns

**May 1, 2016**

**10:30am Mass**

**Lector:** Bernie Perron

**Lay Minister:** Vina Norton, Dorothy Perron, Linda Panella

**Altar Servers:** Pearl, Jade & Opal Sutton

**May 7, 2016**

**4:30pm Mass**

**Lector:** Henry Broughton

**Lay Minister:** Mary Palmatier, Kathy English, Richard English

**Altar Servers:** Nicole Stearns

**May 8, 2016**

**10:30am Mass**

**Lector:** Ruth Fearon

**Eucharistic Min.:** Vina Norton, Theresa Phillips, Donna Scott

**Altar Servers:** Lea Krause



**Chapter 11 – Admonish the Sinner** – Pages 130-144  
**“Humble Mercy”** – Jennifer’s story reminds me of a time when you meet someone who is so full of gratitude and shows you the fire in his heart for the Lord. Not pushy but makes you feel there is

hope for all. **Have you experienced this? Can you share how it made you feel?**

**“Faithful Mercy”** – The key is to recover what it means to be merciful in our communication of truth. The passages on pages 141 to 144 and the questions are good reflections to see if we feel we can do that as God wants.

Admonishing the sinner in mercy is the all-important task of helping people understand they are off the path to God and lighting the way back to that path through love and truth. “Love builds a bridge over which truth can pass.” If you build a bridge of love in the way you give yourself to others and the way you communicate the truth, you will find profound and consistent success in leading hearts to God.

**How do we feel about this mercy? Are there things we could do differently to be more effective?**



**Start your Mother’s Day Celebration at St. Peter’s Parish Breakfast hosted by the Knights of Columbus:** Mark your calendars for

Sunday, May 8th. Come join us for a delicious breakfast from 8-10am. We will be serving eggs, omelets (to order), hot cakes, french toast, sausage, bacon and more. Bring your family and friends!! Adults - \$8.50; Seniors over 60 - \$7.50 and kids 6-12yrs. \$6.00, children under 6 years old are free and immediate families of five or more \$28.00. For more information please call the rectory at 877-2367. Please don’t forget to bring in your refundable cans and bottles for our Youth Ministry Program.



**John Michael Talbot** is coming to Saint Michael’s College for 2 special evenings of Healing and Hope, May 9th & 10th at 7:00 in the Saint Michael’s Chapel. No tickets are required. This event is co-sponsored by the **Roman Catholic Diocese of Burlington** and **Saint Michael’s College**. For more information please call 802-654-2333.



**Religious Store:** Mother’s Day and Father’s Day are right around the corner. Please stop by the Religious Store and check out our supply of gifts & cards.



**National Day of Prayer:** Will take place on Thursday, May 5<sup>th</sup> 2016 from 6:30- 8:30pm. We will meet at the Middlebury Town Green for ½ hour and then we will move across the street to Grace Baptist Church for the remainder of the event. For more information please call: Anne Wheeler 802-377-9571 or email her at ednannwheeler@aol.com.



**COMMUNITY DINNER**

**Our 3<sup>rd</sup> Free Community Dinner** will be held on May 1<sup>st</sup> from 5:00 – 6:30pm at St. Peter’s parish hall.

Bring your family and friends and enjoy a home cooked meal with your neighbors, in our Parish Hall free of charge.

**On May 1<sup>st</sup>.** we will be serving turkey –n- biscuits, cole slaw, raisin rum bread pudding, ginger bread, & beverages.



**The ADDISON COUNTY GOSPEL CHOIR** will begin

rehearsals for our Summer Season on May 10. Join us each Tuesday evening from 7 to 9 pm at the Champlain Valley Christian Reformed Church in Vergennes. Teens through senior

adults are welcome to sing! We will be performing at Field Days and other venues in early August. For more information, please contact the director, Suzanne Rood at 877-3008.



**Fortune 500 Winners for February are:**

\$250 to # 51 Henry & Lucille Broughton  
 \$100 to # 26 Lynda & Andre Bolduc  
 \$100 to # 85 Ann Russett  
 \$ 50 to # 65 Cathy Desjadon

**Congratulations**

**Ride for Life fundraiser for Right to Life:** We are in the process of planning our eighth annual Ride for Life to be held on Saturday, July 9th. **Do you Ride? Are you an antique car enthusiast?** Would you be willing to ask motorcycle and antique car enthusiasts if they would be interested in supporting this fund raiser? For more information please contact Pastor Bob Purvee by email [ripurvee1@yahoo.com](mailto:ripurvee1@yahoo.com) or text at 802-922-4283

**Ascension Thursday Day** is one of the earliest Christian festivals dating back to the year 68 CE. According to the New Testament in the Bible, Jesus Christ met several times with his disciples during the 40 days after his resurrection to instruct them on how to carry out his teachings. On the 40th day he took them to the Mount of Olives, where they watched as he ascended to heaven. Ascension Day occurs ten days before Pentecost and it always falls on a Thursday. **This is a Holy Day of Obligation.**



**Prayer for the Ascension**

Grant, we beseech Thee, almighty God, that we will believe Your only-begotten Son our Redeemer to have ascended this day into heaven, may we dwell in spirit amid heavenly things.

