

# NEWS FROM The Inland See

October 13–19, 2018

FOR THE DIOCESE OF BURLINGTON

## Dear Sisters and Brothers,

It has been an especially challenging time for the Catholic Church with new national and international scandals coming to light and the revisiting of past abuse that has happened within the Church in Vermont. These acts are immoral and evil. Please know that the Diocese of Burlington remains committed to supporting and caring for all survivors of abuse and to making sure this never happens again. As has been the case for the past 16 years, I, along with the clergy, staff and volunteers of the Diocese, will continue to work to ensure safe environments for all God's people — especially children, youth and vulnerable populations — in which no form of harassment, sexual or otherwise, is tolerated.

Since 2002, the Diocese of Burlington has taken many proactive steps to protect children and all members of our Church family:

- ✦ Respond promptly allegations by individuals who experienced sexual abuse by a cleric or other Church personnel;
- ✦ Immediately report the allegations to civil authorities;
- ✦ Remove any offending cleric from active ministry;
- ✦ Promote healing and reconciliation and;
- ✦ Ensure accountability and transparency in all these matters.

As your bishop, I want to assure you that if any new allegations of abuse come forward, I pledge to continue to be absolutely transparent and cooperative in our response: no cover-up ever. My fervent prayer is that we may continue the good work we have been doing so well since 2002 in the Diocese of Burlington.

The greater family of the Church is in much need of healing. We need to purify, transform and change our Church. For the upcoming synod, I have collected input from thousands of Catholics throughout Vermont. This is the first step in making necessary changes and engaging more lay men and women in decision-making roles.

May I conclude by asking for the continuing intercession of Our Blessed Mother, Mary the Queen of the Church, to help us all to persevere in hope and in spreading the Good News of salvation in her Son Jesus Christ.



Yours in Christ,

*Christopher J. Coyne*

The Most Reverend Christopher J. Coyne  
Bishop of Burlington

## Hope, Healing & Outreach Workshop

for Catholics Who Are Separated or Divorced

Tuesday, November 6, 2018 • 10 am – 3 pm  
Saint John Vianney, South Burlington



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# UPCOMING EVENTS



10|14 SUNDAY  
**Saint Albans Youth Night**  
*Saint Mary Parish Center, Saint Albans*  
 6 - 9 pm

All teens in 7th – 12th grade are welcome to join us! A night of fun, fellowship and faith. Most nights begin with a good amount of fun, large group games/activities, reflection/talk, small group discussion and prayer. Join a great group of teens from the Franklin County area! All are welcome!



10|17 WEDNESDAY  
**Mater Christi School Fall Open House**

*Mater Christi School, Burlington • 8:30 - 11 am*

We are a close-knit community and value-centered school where all are welcome! Our school combines rigorous, 21st-century academics with a global philosophy in the Mercy tradition. A Mater Christi education transforms our students' futures and prepares them to transform our world. Please register to attend our Open House and learn more about our school. You may also call 802-658-3992 to schedule a personal tour or "shadow day" for your child(ren).



10|17, 24 WEDNESDAYS  
**'Priest, Prophet, King' Series**  
*Nativity Parish, Swanton • 9:30 - 10:30 am*

We will begin a new 2-part series called

"Priest, Prophet, King", a *Word on Fire* Study Program produced by Bishop Robert Barron. We will begin following the 8:30 morning Mass, meeting in room #10 at the Nativity Parish school building. There is no cost and light refreshments will be available. Everyone is welcome. Hope to see you there!



10|17 WEDNESDAY  
**Youth Ministry Training — Interactive Youth Ministry**  
*Our Lady of Seven Dolours, Fair Haven*  
 6:30 - 8:30 pm

Interactive Youth Ministry will be a workshop on practical and fun ideas to engage today's young people. Open to anyone seeking to develop practical skills for reaching youth. Come ready to have some fun! This workshop is part of ongoing youth ministry trainings happening all over Vermont this year. Presented by Bill Gavin, Diocesan Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministry. Please RSVP to wgavin@vermontcatholic.org



10|20 SATURDAY  
**Mount St. Joseph Academy Homecoming**

*MSJ Academy, Rutland • 8 am - 5 pm*

MSJ invites you to come home to MSJ to enjoy a variety of your favorite local foods at the Homecoming and Alumni Weekend reception. Cost is \$10 at the door.

FOR MORE INFO: Kathy Bove, kbove@msjvermont.org.



10|20 SATURDAY  
**Catechist Formation Day**

*Holy Cross, Colchester • 8:30 - 1:30 pm*

Join us for a day of Enrichment, Fellowship, and Prayer! Open to all Catechists, Classroom/Program Aides, DRE/PCL's, and other interested individuals. Please note: Preregistration is requested. [www.vermontcatholic.org/event/catechist-formation-day-colchester/](http://www.vermontcatholic.org/event/catechist-formation-day-colchester/)



10|20 SATURDAY  
**Youth Ministry Training — YM 101**

*Holy Cross Parish Hall, Colchester*  
 1:30 - 3:30 pm

This foundation in Youth Ministry workshop will include an overview of the USCCB document "Renewing the Vision", as well as basic concepts in Youth Ministry. Presented by Bill Gavin, Diocesan Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministry. Open to anyone seeking to improve their skills and understanding of Youth Ministry and reaching today's youth with the Gospel. Please RSVP to wgavin@vermontcatholic.org.



10|20 SATURDAY  
**St. Sylvester Fall Picnic**  
*St. Sylvester Church Hall, Graniteville*  
 4:30 - 6:00 pm

BBQ chicken, baked beans, cole slaw, potato salad, beverage and make-your-own sundae. Take-outs available by reservation. For Reservations and Take-outs, call by Oct. 15: (802) 479-7706



10|21 SUNDAY  
**St. Isidore Turkey Dinner**  
*St. Isidore Parish Hall, Montgomery Center*  
 12 pm

Serving from noon until all are served: turkey, mashed potatoes, gravy, dressing, rolls, squash, peas and cranberry sauce. Pie and beverage included.



10|22, 29, 11|5, 12 MONDAYS  
**Reflections on the Gospel according to St. Luke**

*Holy Family Parish Hall, Essex Junction*  
 7 - 8 pm

This short course will introduce the Gospel that will be read on the Sundays of the liturgical year 2019 (beginning with the First Sunday of Advent, December 2, 2018). The title for the series is taken from St. Luke's own prologue to his Gospel (Lk1:3). It expresses both his purpose in writing and our own interest in studying his work.

## DIOCESE OF BURLINGTON CAREERS

*Diocese: Marriage & Family Life Coordinator*

*Diocese: Respect Life Coordinator*

*Diocese: Youth and Young Adult Ministry Administrative Assistant*

*Vermont Catholic Charities: Accountant*

*Vermont Catholic Charities: Loretto Home Director of Nursing*

*Vermont Catholic Charities: Residential Care Home Administrator*

*St. Luke / Ascension Parish, Fairfax: Coordinator of Evangelization & Catechesis*

*St. Peter / St. Ambrose, Vergennes/Bristol: Youth Ministry*

*Sacred Heart / St. Francis de Sales, Bennington: Part-time Coordinator of Catholic Youth Ministry and Evangelization*

For More Info:

[vermontcatholic.org/careers](http://vermontcatholic.org/careers)

## 2018 BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

Thank you to all who have generously given to the Bishop's Annual Appeal in support of the Vermont Catholic community and the many ministries that it provides throughout the state. There is still time to make your gift at [bishopsappealvt.org](http://bishopsappealvt.org)

