

# NEWS FROM The Inland See

May 25–31, 2019

FOR THE DIOCESE OF BURLINGTON



## Calling all Healthcare Professionals



I sit down for the third time today in a meeting room to tell yet another family their loved one is dying and will probably not make it back home.

The patient I have been taking care of for years is getting to walk his daughter down the aisle; praise God the treatment worked!

A patient's husband embraces me and thanks me as we say the final goodbye and watch her being laid to eternal rest.

I see the sunlight shine on a patient as he walks out of the hospital; having defied all odds, he is reunited with his family once again.

As physicians, we rejoice, mourn, pray and sit in silence with our patients on a daily basis. We are therapists, sisters/brothers, mothers/fathers, sons/daughters, neighbors, mediators, healers, pastors and friends all rolled into one. We enter this professional journey for the love of working and helping other people, curiosity in pursuit of knowledge, research and love of teaching. Most of the time this profession gives us much more than we can ever repay it.

For Catholic physicians, however, medicine is more than a profession. It is a vocation — a divine call to manifest God's sacrificial love for others and the Church by fulfilling one's own commitment and obligations in medicine. It is our duty to bring faith and medicine together in order to uphold the dignity and truth of the wholeness of the person we seek to heal.

Physicians — the persons writing your scripts, ordering your tests, always seemingly running behind — are the same people who have been late to family dinners, missed out on holidays, fallen asleep agonizing over their daily decisions, trying to uphold their faith in a profession with ever-growing demands on them.

How can we help physicians recapture the true nature and joy of their vocation in Christ in a world trying to dismantle the union of the body and soul?

One answer is fellowship.

As the Catholic dictionary describes, fellowship is the body of the faithful bound together by a common faith in Christ,

common worship, and common allegiance to the Church's divinely established authority. In fellowship, physicians and other healthcare professionals can find a place to be grounded, a place to recharge, learn, vent, pray, mourn, be heard and themselves be healed. The Catholic Medical Association provides such opportunities for anyone working in the medical profession, and forming a local guild brings these opportunities to the local level. As the CMA describes, guilds not only provide fellowship but also education, the ability to serve the local Church and public and a base for medical students and residents to find guidance, mutual support and witness.

There has been growing interest in forming a guild of the CMA in Vermont in support of those working in the medical profession. In pursuit of this endeavor, a group of physicians and clergy have come together to embark on this journey. To better understand the needs and interest here, we invite anyone working in any aspect of healthcare to come to a night of evening prayer with a reception to follow at the rectory with Burlington Bishop Christopher Coyne. Family members also are welcome to join us in prayer, fellowship and discussion.

— *Dr. Marta Kokoszynska, is an instructor, pulmonary and critical care medicine, at the University of Vermont Larner College of Medicine.*

### Evening prayer and reception for healthcare professionals

Saturday, June 1 • 5:30 to 7 p.m.

#### Evening prayer

St. Joseph Cathedral, Burlington

#### Reception

Cathedral rectory

**Register:** [vermontcatholic.org/CMAeveningprayer](http://vermontcatholic.org/CMAeveningprayer)

# UPCOMING EVENTS



05|27 MONDAY  
**Memorial Day Mass**  
*Holy Family Cemetery, Essex Junction*  
 8:30 - 9:30 am

Bring a lawn chair. If the weather is inclement, Mass will be celebrated in the church.



05|27 MONDAY  
**Memorial Day Mass**  
*Saint Sylvester Cemetery, Websterville*  
 9 am - 10 am

Bring a lawn chair to the Mass at the Cemetery. In case of inclement weather, the Mass will be at 9 am at Saint Sylvester Church, Graniteville.



06|01 SATURDAY  
**Our Lady of Fatima Devotions**  
*Holy Family, Essex Junction • 8 - 9:30 am*  
 First Saturday of every month. Rosary and reconciliation begin at 8 am and Mass at 8:30.



06|01 SATURDAY  
**Blood Drive**  
*St. Isidore, Montgomery • 9 am - 2 pm*  
 Hosted by St. Isidore Parish and sponsored by Montgomery Emergency Services. Local raffles with prizes.

New donors are needed. Please consider giving the gift of life. Walk-ins are welcome!



06|01 SATURDAY  
**Evening Prayer and Reception for Healthcare Professionals**  
*The Cathedral of St. Joseph, Burlington*  
 5:30 - 7:00



06|05 WEDNESDAY  
**VCC's 2nd Annual Vermonters Helping Vermonters Event**  
*St. Michael's College • 6:30 pm*

Tickets \$50 per person: [www.vermontcatholic.org/event/2nd-annual-vermonters-helping-vermonters/](http://www.vermontcatholic.org/event/2nd-annual-vermonters-helping-vermonters/)



06|07, 08, 09 FRI, SAT, SUN  
**Spring into Summer Yard and Rummage Sale**  
*St. Thomas, Underhill Center • 9 am - 5 pm*

The yard sale will feature house wares, dishes, toys, miscellaneous items. The rummage sale will feature spring and summer clothing for children and adults. There will be a food bargain – meatball subs, cinnamon buns and pasta sauce.  
**FOR MORE INFO: call the rectory at (802) 899-4632.**



06|08 SATURDAY  
**Padre Pio Devotions**  
*Holy Family, Essex Junction*  
 8 - 10 am

Second Saturday of each month. Rosary starts at 8 am followed by Mass, Special Intentions for the intercession of Saint Padre Pio and then learning about Padre Pio's life, ministry and spiritual gifts will follow in the Holy Family Parish Hall after Mass.



06|08 SATURDAY  
**K of C Bingo**  
*All Saints, Richford • 11:30 am - 5 pm*  
 Doors open at 11:30 am, games start at 1 pm. Refreshments and pull tickets will be available.



06|08 SATURDAY  
**Blessed Parish Vocation Workshop**  
*Our Lady of the Angels, Randolph*  
 9 am - 2:30 pm

Cultivating a culture of vocations in our parishes and in our Diocese. The day will include witness talks, sharing ideas with each other, prayer, Mass and fellowship.  
**FOR MORE INFO: [susan@vermontcatholic.org](mailto:susan@vermontcatholic.org).**



06|09 SUNDAY  
**50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Closing of Central Catholic**  
*St. Mary, St. Albans • 9:15 am - 12 pm*

Please join us after the 9:15 Mass to remember our catholic school that closed in 1969. Cake, coffee and reminiscing afterwards in the Parish Center. All alumni are welcomed!



Each year, an average of 2,000 people in financial crisis receive emergency aid from Vermont Catholic Charities, and those that cannot afford Catholic School tuition receive \$340,000 in subsidies.

**As of May 15, we are 16% to the \$2.7 Million goal!**

Consider supporting these initiatives with a gift at [bishopsappealvt.org](http://bishopsappealvt.org).



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To see more events or to submit your event to the diocesan calendar: [vermontcatholic.org/events](http://vermontcatholic.org/events)

Diocese of Burlington's  
**TOTUS TUUS**  
 CATHOLIC CATECHETICAL  
 SUMMER CAMP

12 Locations  
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*Diocese: Accountant*

*Diocese: Development Specialist*

*Diocese: Respect Life Coordinator*

*Diocese: Seasonal Groundskeeper*

*Diocese: Superintendent of Schools*

*The Loretto Home, Rutland:  
 Residential Care Positions*

*St. Joseph Kervick Home, Rutland: Billing  
 and Administrative Support Assistant*

*St. Joseph Residential Care Home,  
 Burlington: LPN*

*For More Info:*

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