



SUNDAY, APRIL 23, 2017

SOLEMNITY OF THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER; DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY
Live in the mystery

Musing about the ideal frame of mind for artists and writers, the English romantic poet John Keats wrote that they must be “capable of being in uncertainties, mysteries, doubts without any irritable reaching after fact and reason.” He called this state “negative capability.” The prospect of abiding in uncertainty might feel uncomfortable for us ordinary folks, but Keats understood that where uncertainty, mystery, and doubt exist, anything can happen. It’s the place where miracles are possible; in fact it’s where the risen Christ resides. As the church continues the celebration of the Resurrection of Jesus, today might be a good day to ponder Keats’ idea.

TODAY’S READINGS: *Acts 4:42-47; 1 Peter 1:3-9; Victimae Paschali Laudes; John 20:19-31 (43).* “Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed.”

MONDAY, APRIL 24

MEMORIAL OF FIDELIS OF SIGMARINGEN, PRIEST, MARTYR
Support a bono cause

Fidelis of Sigmaringen (1577-1622) was martyred during a time of great strife between Calvinists and Catholics in Switzerland. Fidelis had a special love of the poor, often giving away his warm clothing in winter. He studied law and was known as “advocate for the poor” because he took on the cases of people who had no one else to represent them. The “pro bono” tradition of free legal aid continues to this day. Legal aid societies in many communities help needy clients find lawyers who will represent them without charge. Consider supporting such a worthy cause in the name of Fidelis. Visit www.findlegalhelp.org, a website of the American Bar Association, for more information.

TODAY’S READINGS: *Acts 4:23-31; John 3:1-8 (267).* “Unless one is born from above, he cannot see the kingdom of God.”

TUESDAY, APRIL 25 FEAST OF MARK, EVANGELIST **An early and enduring giant**

Saint Mark the evangelist was one of the first 70 disciples. He is believed to have written the Gospel of Mark, our earliest gospel. But he didn’t stop there. He also founded the Church of Alexandria in Egypt back in the year 42, a few years after Jesus’ death. Alexandria became one of the great centers of early Christianity. Today three churches claim to be the direct heirs of the original Church of Alexandria: Coptic Orthodox, Eastern Orthodox, and Coptic Catholic. Saint Mark looms large behind them all, a giant

of our tradition. Take him as your inspiration as you write your own “gospel” by living your faith in the world.

TODAY’S READINGS: *1 Peter 5:5b-14; Mark 16:15-20 (555).* “They went forth and preached everywhere.”

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26 EASTER WEEKDAY

Look it up

John 3:16 (“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son . . .”) is perhaps the best-known scripture verse. A group in Alabama made a video of a bunch of guys noticing a sign with that Bible verse on it and looking it up on a smartphone to find out what it means. The video was rejected as a Super Bowl commercial because it promoted a particular religion, which may be true. But it would have been a good reminder. Sometimes we have to hold up a sign, make a phone call, visit a sick friend, or forgive a loved one in order to help one another see who is already among us.

TODAY’S READINGS: *Acts 5:17-26; John 3:16-21 (269).* “God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world.”

THURSDAY, APRIL 27 EASTER WEEKDAY

Take it to the next level

The gospel can be pretty tough on our tendency to dwell on earthly distractions and frivolous pursuits. Does that mean that indulging in celebrity gossip, office chatter, and daily political intrigues is not as harmless as we might hope? What about video games, shopping networks, and endless texting? They’re all fascinating and fun, but they can distract us from the more important work of care and compassion: A problem goes unsolved, a loved one is neglected, a friend gets snubbed. Allot a block of time each day to go above and beyond earthly things.

TODAY’S READINGS: *Acts 5:27-33; John 3:31-36 (270).* “The one who is of the earth belongs to the earth and speaks about earthly things.”

FRIDAY, APRIL 28 MEMORIAL OF PETER CHANEL, PRIEST, MARTYR **Hear the gentle rhythm**

Peter Chanel, who was martyred in 1841 at the tender age of 33, was one of the original members of the Society of Mary, commonly known as Marists. Today the society consists of “men and women who strive to live the gospel the way Mary lived . . . we too can hear the gentle rhythms of the grace of God in our lives by making our own her manner of thinking, judging, feeling, and acting.” Listen to Mary and you, too, can be guided by her gentleness and grace. The world needs more of this kind of strength!

TODAY’S READINGS: *Acts 5:34-42; John 6:1-15 (271).* “God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world.”

SATURDAY, APRIL 29

MEMORIAL OF CATHERINE OF SIENA, VIRGIN, DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH
Hatred cuts both ways

Here’s a new definition of crazy-busy: the saint who dies of exhaustion at age 33. Catherine started having visions at 7 and joined the Tertiary Dominicans at 13, not wasting any time. By 29 she served as the pope’s mediator, with reconciliation of conflict her mission in life. “Hatred deprives us of divine charity,” she declared. “How stupidly blind not to see that with the sword of hatred for our neighbors we are killing ourselves!” In every conflict, seek reconciliation and peace.

TODAY’S READINGS: *Acts 6:1-7; John 6:16-21 (272).* “It is I. Do not be afraid.”



Saint Anthony Church

15 Church Street
White River Jct. Vermont

Second Sunday of Easter – April 23, 2017

Father Charles R. Danielson, Pastor
Deacon John P. Guarino

Bishop of Burlington: Most Rev. Christopher J. Coyne

Parish Office

Hours

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday
11:00 AM – 4:30 PM
Closed on Wednesday

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Mass Schedule

Weekend: Saturday 4:00 PM
Sunday 8:30 AM
Weekday: Monday & Friday 9:00 AM
Holy Days: Consult the parish bulletin

Rectory Chapel

Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 11:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Religious Education

Coordinator: Mrs. Julie Hamilton, 295-3989, juliehamilton130@comcast.net

Sacraments

Reconciliation: Saturday from 3:15 – 3:45 PM
Baptism: Parents must come to the rectory to get the necessary forms at least a month in advance.
Marriage: Couples must contact the parish at least 6 months in advance.



Invest just five minutes a day, and your faith will deepen and grow—a day at a time.

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Mass Intentions

Saturday, April 22	4:00 P.M.	Arthur LaRose by Fleury, Kramer & LaRose family
Sunday, April 23	8:30 A.M.	The People of Saint Anthony Parish
Monday, April 24	NO MASS	
Friday, April 28	9:00 A.M.	Thanksgiving to Saint Anthony by JLD
Saturday, April 29	4:00 P.M.	Dick Philbin by John & Sheila Aubin
Sunday, April 30	8:30 A.M.	The People of Saint Anthony Parish



John George	Vicky Chambers
Nancy Parkerson	John Delap
Frank Klymn	Linda West
Christian Thompson	James Dubuque
Mary Mayette	Betty Leonard
Michael Fleming	Richard Temple
Rose Temple	Michael Temple
Fr. Adrien Pelletier, S.M.	Sean Hamilton
Janice Jordan	Steve Heavisides
Real Fournier	

Please also remember others who are in need of our prayers.

Names will be published in our bulletin for one month. If you would like to renew your prayer request after one month, please contact the parish office.

Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday)

“My Lord and My God”

Once again this weekend we hear the Gospel account of “doubting Thomas”. St. Thomas is an interesting character: forthright, honest and open both in his doubting and in his believing. He asked, he searched he found and when he found he believed!

This weekend please welcome to St. Francis and St. Anthony parishes Father Jon Daniel Schnobrich. Father Schnobrich serves as the Director of Vocations for the Diocese of Burlington. I thank him for covering for me this weekend.

Fr. Rick

Sanctuary Lamps
will burn for:

Elnora Smith



Sacrificial Giving Report

To meet our expenses we need:	\$ 3,750.00
Offertory collection April 15-16:	\$ 2,290.00
Good Friday/Holy Land:	\$ 570.00
Easter:	\$ 3,241.50

**Thank You for Your Support
of Saint Anthony Church!**

Low Gluten Altar Bread: If you require a low gluten host for communion, come to the altar with the Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. The celebrant will give you the consecrated low gluten host from a separate paten.

Last Chance: Our parish *Spring Campaign* ends this weekend! ***This is your last chance to contribute before the drawing.*** All donors will be eligible to win a beautiful granite garden bench (donated by Mt. Ascutney Memorials/Knight Funeral Homes) or a \$100. cash prize. Winners will be announced in the bulletin next week. We appreciate your generosity, and thank you for your continued support of our parish!

Easter Flowers: Easter flower donations were also made in memory of Clarence Smith and Elnora Smith.

Confirmation: Next Sunday four of our young people will be confirmed in the faith. Please keep them in your prayers as they conclude their final preparation to receive the Sacrament. Confirmation will be held here next Sunday, April 30 at 2:00 p.m. All are welcome to attend.

Meeting: Since the Knights of Columbus regular monthly meeting night, the third Sunday of the month, was Easter, the April Meeting will be on the fourth Sunday, April 23 in the rectory basement at 7 PM for the 3rd Degree. We will discuss the Officers for next year and the State Convention.”

Wednesday Night Crafters: The Wednesday Night Crafters meet in the Religious Ed building starting this week. We will be working on *baby bags* to contain all your wonderful donations for newborns in the foster care system. (Please place your donated baby items at the entrance of the church, or bring to the rectory during working hours.) We meet every Wednesday starting April 26 at our regular time of 6:30 p.m. As always, no experience or materials needed, just willing hands and a joyful heart! All materials are provided. Any questions please contact Charlotte Merrill (802) 295-2145 or dcmerrill@myfairpoint.net

Second Collection: Support the Catholic Home Missions Appeal today. Right now, over 40% of dioceses in the US are considered home missions because they are unable to fund essential pastoral work needed in their communities. Your support funds programs such as religious education, seminary formation, and lay ministry training to build vibrant faith communities right here in the United States. Please be generous. More information can be found at www.usccb.org/home-missions. ***Please make checks payable to St. Anthony Church.***

National Child Abuse Prevention Month: April is recognized as National Child Abuse Prevention Month in the United States. There is no better time than the Easter season to celebrate the protection of our most valuable gift from God – our children. During this month, and throughout the entire year, we remember those who are victims of abuse and neglect. Please remember them in your prayers. For information on how you can become more informed and involved in keeping our children safe, visit the Child Safety section of www.vermontcatholic.org. *The Diocese of Burlington has made available pamphlets & prayer cards for the protection and healing of young people. They may be found on the table at the entrance of the church.*

“Miracle Hunter”: Our Lady of Ephesus House of Prayer is proud to announce the new date for the showing of “Miracle Hunter” on EWTN April 27 at 6:30 p.m. or April 28 at 2:30 a.m. “Miracle Hunter” is the program EWTN filmed at Our Lady of Ephesus House of Prayer in Jamaica, VT last August 13, 14 and 15. It is the story of Sr. Marie de Madat-Grancey who inspired the Lazarist Priests to find Mary’s house in Ephesus in 1891. (Direct TV channel is 370.)

Haven: This week’s top five needs are pasta sauce, peanut butter, tuna, beans and rice. Any non-perishable items may be left in the basket at the top of the stairs. ***Wish List*** items include 6’x8’ waterproof tarps, shampoo, bar soap and laundry soap. Non-perishable items may be left in the basket at the top of the stairs. Thank you!

St. Anthony Parish would like to welcome all those who are visiting with us this weekend.