



**SUNDAY, MAY 21, 2017** SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER  
**Get into the Spirit**

When Jesus was saying farewell to his disciples in the Gospel of John—praying that farewell, really, because what he had to say to them he said to God in prayer—he promised he would not leave them alone. He would send his Spirit, an Advocate, to be present to them until he returned. And lo and behold, at Pentecost it happened. Christ did not go away; he remained in a different form. So if you want to know what the Holy Spirit is, just think of it as Jesus' ongoing presence, which is always with you.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Acts 8:5-8, 14-17; 1 Peter 3:15-18; John 14:15-21 (55).* "I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you."

**MONDAY, MAY 22** MEMORIAL OF RITA OF CASCIA, RELIGIOUS  
**The holiness code, embodied**

The life of Saint Rita (1386-1457) reads like a soap opera. She wanted to be a nun, but she was married against her will at the age of 12 to a cruel and unfaithful husband until his violent death 18 years later. Her two sons took after him. As a widow she was rejected three times trying to enter an Augustinian convent. She persisted and was finally accepted. It is fitting that she is the patroness of desperate situations. In spite of and because of life's difficulties, we can all achieve some level of holiness. What has happened to you lately that can bring you closer to God?

TODAY'S READINGS: *Acts 16:11-15; John 15:26—16:4a (291).*  
*"When the Advocate comes, the Spirit of truth, he will testify on my behalf."*

**TUESDAY, MAY 23** EASTER WEEKDAY  
**Carry a get-out-of-jail holy card**

It's a jail break! Paul and Silas, in the Acts of the Apostles, were arrested, beaten, and thrown into the clink by the authorities. But God caused an earthquake that sprung the doors of the prison and set the apostles free. Their first act was to comfort the jailer who was so upset by the escape that he was ready to kill himself. The jailer, moved by their kindness, brought them home with him, fed them, and bandaged their wounds. We, like the jailer, misjudge others and put them in prisons of our own self-righteousness. Let's not wait for an earthquake to set them free.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Acts 16:22-34; John 16:5-11 (292).* "When the Advocate comes, he will prove the world wrong about sin, righteousness, and judgment."

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 24** EASTER WEEKDAY  
**Mi Espiritu es su Espiritu**

Very rarely do we give another person complete access to our lives and possessions. "Mi casa es su casa" is something we say only to a spouse, child, or privileged friend. Otherwise, the access people have to our lives is fairly restricted to what we choose to tell them and how long they can stay until we kick them out. Jesus tells us his relationship to the Advocate he is sending is quite intimate. Listening to the Spirit is as good as hearing it from Jesus himself. Live more thoughtfully attuned to the indwelling Spirit.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Acts 17:15, 22—18:1; John 16:12-15 (293).*  
*"The Spirit of truth will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you."*

**THURSDAY, MAY 25** MEMORIAL OF BEDE THE VENERABLE, PRIEST  
**Venerate lifelong learning**

Bede the Venerable was the embodiment of the lifelong learner. In his own words, "I ever took delight in learning and teaching and writing." Apart from his many theological works and scriptural commentaries, he wrote on subjects as varied as history, music, arithmetic, medicine, and science. Living in the Dark Ages, Bede's influence was so great that a century later a Swiss monk would write, "God . . . who raised the Sun from the East on the fourth day of Creation, in the sixth day of the world has made Bede rise from the West as a new Sun to illuminate the whole Earth." Bede's example can inspire each of us to continue our own lifelong learning.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Acts 18:1-8; John 16:16-20 (294).* "A little while and you will not see me, and again a little while and you will see me."

**FRIDAY, MAY 26** MEMORIAL OF PHILIP NERI, PRIEST  
**Smile at your own imperfections**

Can you imagine a cheerful saint? Saint Philip Neri was one. Born in 1515 in Italy, Neri was an itinerant scholar who grew weary of knowledge for its own sake. He sold his books, gave the money to the poor, and spent his years tending to the sick. He enthusiastically invited others to join in this holy pursuit. No gloomy Christian, he said, "Cheerfulness strengthens the heart and makes us persevere in a good life. Therefore the servant of God ought always to be in good spirits." He was also realistic about his own imperfections, praying, "Lord, watch Philip, for he will betray you!" A realist with a positive outlook: What a fine holy role model.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Acts 18:9-18; John 16:20-23 (295).* "I will see you again, and your hearts will rejoice."

**SATURDAY, MAY 27**  
**MEMORIAL OF AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY, BISHOP**  
**A Canterbury tale of respect**

In the sixth century Pope Gregory I sent Saint Augustine and 40 other Benedictine monks on a daunting journey to bring the gospel to England. As a missionary, Augustine was sensitive to cultural differences and sought not to coerce the English with the Good News, telling the king, Ethelbert, "Do not see us as coming to force upon an unknown people benefits against their will. Be assured that only a great love constrains us to do this." In witnessing to what we believe, we should start where people are at, not where we want them to be, and try to show them that the way of faith will enrich their lives.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Acts 18:23-28; John 16:23b-28 (296).* "Whatever you ask the Father in my name he will give you."



**Saint Anthony Church**  
 15 Church Street  
 White River Jct. Vermont

Sixth Sunday of Easter – May 21, 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**

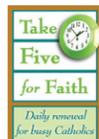
Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament  
 Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 11:00 AM – 4:00 PM

**Religious Education**

Coordinator: Mrs. Julie Hamilton, 295-3989, [juliehamilton130@comcast.net](mailto: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

<b>Saturday, May 20</b>	<b>4:00 P.M.</b>	<b>Pat &amp; Herb Castellini and Denise &amp; Jean-Louis Desrochers</b> 50 <sup>th</sup> anniversaries
<b>Sunday, May 21</b>	<b>8:30 A.M.</b>	<b>The People of Saint Anthony Parish</b>
Monday, May 22	9:00 A.M.	<b>Heith Lashway</b> by Dad, mom, Hillerie, Hope, Daygon, Breckin, & Braylin
<b>Wednesday, May 24</b>	<b>5:30 P.M.</b>	<b>Helen Orizzonto</b> by Winnie, Betty, Jeannie & Tom Stack <i>Ascension of the Lord</i>
Friday, May 26	9:00 A.M.	<b>Helen Orizzonto</b> by Pauline Albanese
<b>Saturday, May 27</b>	<b>4:00 P.M.</b>	<b>The People of Saint Anthony Parish</b>
<b>Sunday, May 28</b>	<b>8:30 A.M.</b>	<b>Lou Simon</b> anniversary by Doc and family



Mary Mayette	Fr. Adrien Pelletier, S.M.
Richard Temple	Rose Temple
Michael Temple	John George
Sean Hamilton	Janice Jordon
Steve Heavisides	Real Fournier
Vicky Chambers	Nancy Parkerson
John Delap	Susan Lashway
James Dubuque	Frank Klymn

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.

Sanctuary Lamps  
will burn for:

Pat & Herb Castellini  
and Denise & Jean  
Louis Desrochers



### Sacrificial Giving Report

To meet our expenses we need:	\$ 3,750.00
Offertory collection May 13-14:	\$ 3,639.10
Church in Eastern Europe:	\$ 784.00

**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.

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

### Message from Fr. Rick

“Another advocate to be with you always ....”

Last weekend Jesus speaks of His union with His Father, a union, a relationship so intimate that “I am in the Father and the Father is in me.”

This weekend Jesus reveals that this astounding unity between Father and Son has still another dimension. “An advocate to be with you always ...”

“The Spirit of Truth”

This Spirit, one with the Father and the Son is for us an advocate, a defender, a consoler and comforter.

He is in fact, God, the Third Person of the Holy Trinity, “Lord and giver of life” who comes to confirm, to guarantee the truth we have received, that we might have confident faith in what we have been taught by Christ’s Church.

**Holy Day:** This Thursday, May 25<sup>th</sup> is the Feast of the Ascension of the Lord, a holy day of obligation. Our Mass will be Wednesday, May 24 at 5:30 p.m. Masses in Windsor are Thursday, May 25 at 9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

**Second Collection This Week:** At their General Assembly in November, 2015, the Bishops of the United States authorized a one-time national collection to support the completion of the mosaic adorning the central Trinity Dome of the Great Upper Church of the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C. They appreciate your generosity. **Please make checks payable to St. Anthony Church.**

**Second Collection Last Week:** Thank you for your generous support of last week’s Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe (CCEE). For more information about the collection and who it supports, visit [www.usccb.org/ccee](http://www.usccb.org/ccee).

**Office Closed:** The parish office will be closed next Monday, May 29<sup>th</sup> for the Memorial Day holiday. We will open Tuesday, May 30 at 11:00 a.m.

**Month of Mary:** *The month of May is dedicated to our Holy Mother the Blessed Virgin Mary. We are all encouraged to pray the rosary daily during May.*

**Bishop’s Fund:** This year’s theme is “Serving God in all Things.” You and your family fulfill a key role in our faith throughout the state of Vermont. The New Evangelization is calling for us to work together to be stewards of time, talent, and treasure, and bring so many Catholics back home, to Mass. [Bishopsfund.org](http://Bishopsfund.org) now has a Frequently Asked Questions section that may assist you with additional information. Or contact 802-658-6110 x 1102 with questions anytime. You may also visit the Bishop’s Annual Appeal website for news about the new diocesan Department of Worship at <https://vermontcatholic.org/annualappeal>. Thank you for helping to make 2017 a successful appeal!

**Wednesday Night Crafters:** The Wednesday Night Crafters meet in the Religious Ed building every Wednesday at our regular time of 6:30 p.m. As always, everyone is welcome (no skill needed) and all materials are provided. Any questions please contact Charlotte Merrill (802) 295-2145 or [dcmerrill@myfairpoint.net](mailto:dcmerrill@myfairpoint.net)

**Baby Bags:** Check out our website which shows pictures of these chock-filled baby bags. The bags were delivered on Mother’s Day to Hartford DCF Family Services. Our crafters made, and you helped fill these bags. Visit [www.stanthonyvt.org](http://www.stanthonyvt.org). Go to Parish Information, then click on ‘Photo Gallery’ to view the bags.

**Haven:** This week’s top five needs are cereal, peanut butter, tuna, rice and pasta sauce. Non-perishable items may be left in the basket at the top of the stairs. Thank you!