

BEYOND LENT...

Lent ends as the Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper begins. To complete your observance of this season of renewal, celebrate the Triduum: Holy Thursday night, Good Friday, Holy Saturday, and the Easter Vigil.

Participation in the Easter Vigil will crown your celebration. There you will greet the new fire that shatters the darkness. There you will be the first to hear the Gospel of the Resurrection. There you will rejoice with the newly baptized and renew your own baptismal promises. On Ash Wednesday you received ashes as a sign of your repentance. At the Easter Vigil you receive water as a sign of your renewal. Above all, at the Vigil you will share in the first Eucharist of the Easter season, which will enliven you and your community with the presence of the risen Christ.

Lent has changed you. You are a new person on Easter. Do you feel better? Will you go back to your old ways? Or will some of your new habits stick? It depends. But this much is sure: Lent has made you stronger. You will be more able to resist temptation and more aware of the presence of the risen Jesus in your life.

May God, who has begun this good work in you, bring it to completion.

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passion and experience what it might have been like through the eyes of those who were there such as James, Judas, the Chief Priest, a soldier, Mary, Mary Magdala and others. This presentation of the Stations of the Cross was inspired by the scriptural way of the cross that was celebrated in Rome by Pope John Paul II on Good Friday each year.

Taize Prayer Service: Thursday, March 22nd at 8:30 p.m.; Back Altar space of the Chapel. Please join us for this time of meditative music, Scripture and silent reflection as we pray for peace, Christian unity, and reconciliation.

Easter Baskets: If you are interested in putting together an Easter basket for a child at one of COTS family shelters or if you would like to make a contribution (either monetary or an item such as toys, books, clothing, etc.), see **Jacque Bolster in the front lobby of the Chapel after Mass on both Sundays, March 11th and March 18th to sign up.** You can also call 878.8352. or email jmbolster@gmail.com. This is a wonderful way to share the love at Easter. Thank you for your support.

Faculty & Staff Programs

Pontigny Society: March 5th: We will continue discussion on the text: *Putting on the Heart of Christ: How the Spiritual Exercises Invite Us to a Virtuous Life* by Fr. Gerald Fagin, SJ. In *Putting on the Heart of Christ* takes a fresh look at the Spiritual Exercises through the lens of virtue ethics. **12:00 Noon in the Upper Room of the Chapel.** Concluding session: April 2nd. Please R.S.V.P. if you plan to attend. Contact Anna Lester at 654.2897 or alester@smcvt.edu.

TRIDUUM LITURGIES

Holy Thursday

April 5th, 7:00 p.m.

Chapel of Saint Michael the Archangel

Good Friday

April 6th, 7:00 p.m.

Holy Family Church, Essex Junction

Easter Vigil

April 7th, 7:00 p.m.

St. Lawrence Church, Essex Junction

Easter Sunday

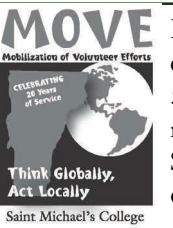
April 8th, 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Chapel of Saint Michael the Archangel
(no 7 p.m. Mass)

Retreat Opportunities

BUSY STUDENT RETREAT

An individualized program that complements your spiritual journey and fits into your "planner." Every day during the week, you schedule a half hour of one-on-one direction with a spiritual companion, and then choose from other spiritual activities including daily Eucharist, Reconciliation and evening reflections with the group. **Sunday, April 29th (following the 7:00 p.m. Mass); Upper Room of Chapel. The retreat ends May 1st. Please register by April 20th.** Applications will be available in the brochure rack outside the Campus Ministry Office. Contact Jason Moore at 654.2386.



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