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Saint Isaac Jogues, Jean de Brebeuf, and their companions

Feast Day: October 19th

Isaac Jogues, SJ and his companions were the first martyrs of the North American continent officially recognized by the Church. As a young Jesuit, Isaac Jogues, a man of learning and culture, taught literature in France. He gave up that career to work among the Huron Indians in the New World, and in 1636 he and his companions, under the leadership of Jean de Brébeuf, arrived in Quebec. The Hurons were constantly warred upon by the Iroquois, and in a few years Father Jogues was captured by the Iroquois and imprisoned for 13 months. His letters and journals tell how he and his companions were led from village to village, how they were beaten, tortured, and forced to watch as their Huron converts were mangled and killed.

An unexpected chance for escape came to Isaac Jogues through the Dutch, and he returned to France, bearing the marks of his sufferings. Several fingers had been cut, chewed, or burnt off. Pope Urban VIII gave him permission to offer Mass with his mutilated hands: "It would be shameful that a martyr of Christ not be allowed to drink the Blood of Christ."

Welcomed home as a hero, Father Jogues might have sat back, thanked God for his safe return, and died peacefully in his homeland. But his zeal led him back once more to the fulfillment of his dreams. In a few months he sailed for his missions among the Hurons.

In 1646, he and Jean de Lalande, who had offered his services to the missionaries, set out for Iroquois country in the belief that a recently signed peace treaty would be observed. They were captured by a Mohawk war party, and on October 18 Father Jogues was tomahawked and beheaded. Jean de Lalande was killed the next day at Ossernenon, a village near Albany, New York.

The first of the Jesuit missionaries to be martyred was René Goupil who, with Lalande, had offered his services as an oblate. He was tortured along with Isaac Jogues in 1642, and was tomahawked for having made the sign of the cross on the brow of some children.

Jean de Brébeuf was a French Jesuit who came to Canada at the age of 32 and labored there for 24 years. He went back to France when the English captured Quebec in 1629 and expelled the Jesuits, but returned to his missions four years later. Although medicine men blamed the Jesuits for a smallpox epidemic among the Hurons, Jean remained with them.

He composed catechisms and a dictionary in Huron, and saw 7,000 converted before his death. He was captured by the Iroquois and died after four hours of extreme torture at Sainte Marie, near Georgian Bay, Canada.

Father Anthony Daniel, working among Hurons who were gradually becoming Christian, was killed by Iroquois on July 4, 1648. His body was thrown into his chapel, which was set on fire.

Gabriel Lalemant had taken a fourth vow—to sacrifice his life for the Native Americans. He was horribly tortured to death along with Father Brébeuf.

Father Charles Garnier was shot to death as he baptized children and catechumens during an Iroquois attack.

Father Noel Chabanel was killed before he could answer his recall to France. He had found it exceedingly hard to adapt to mission life. He could not learn the language, and the food and life of the Indians revolted him, plus he suffered spiritual dryness during his whole stay in Canada. Yet he made a vow to remain until death in his mission. *Copied from Franciscanmedia.com*

Find out more about these martyrs by visiting <http://martyrs-shrine.com/>



Saint Michael's College



October 2016



CHAPEL OF SAINT MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

Edmundite Campus Ministry Events

**MASSES
Sunday**

11:00 a.m. & 7:00 pm
* no 7 pm Mass on October 16th due to student recess

Mondays

11:30 am & 4:30 pm
Tuesday-Friday
11:30 am



MORNING PRAYER

Monday-Friday
7:40 am

MASS IN SPANISH

Monday, October 10th;
7:30 pm

RECONCILIATION

Sunday, October 16th
After 11:00 am Mass
or by appointment any time

LOW (Liturgy of the Word)

Lunch: An opportunity to reflect and discuss the Scripture readings for each Sunday. We meet in the Campus Ministry office at 12:00 noon on Fridays. Contact Jerome Monachino at 654.2254 for more information.

The Liturgical Choir includes students and adult members of the Worshipping Community. We rehearse on Wednesdays at 6:30 pm in the Chapel. To join, call Jerome Monachino at 654.2254.

Friends and Families of Faith Program:

This program provides a chance for students and permanent community members to get to know one another, share a meal or activity, and build relationships. Offering students the opportunity to enjoy a home environment while they are away from their families. Please pick up an application at the entrances of the

Chapel or contact Anna Lester at 654.2897.

Worshipping Community Program

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) is the Church's program to welcome new members into the Catholic Church (via the sacrament of Baptism) or to complete other Sacraments of Initiation for those adult Catholics who have not received them. Weekly sessions begin **Wednesday, September 28th, 6:00—7:30 p.m.** at Holy Family/St. Lawrence Parish Hall, Essex. Contact John McMahon at 878-5331, ext. 202.

Saint Anne's Shrine Annual Harvest Dinner: Sunday, October 9th, 12:00 to 3:00 pm. Serving turkey and all the trimmings! \$11 adults; \$6 12 and under (*Canadian funds \$14 adults; \$9 12 and under.*) For more infor-

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mation, call 802.928.3362 or 802.928.3385. Mass will be celebrated at 10:30 a.m.

Afternoon of Prayer for Healing and Hope: Sunday, October 9, 2016, 1:00 to 3:00 pm at the Chapel of the Catholic Center at UVM. Come join in praying for all who have been affected by abortion, and hear about the healing, mercy and forgiveness our God longs to offer! A short presentation will be given on the aftermath of abortion, and God's peace and healing offered through the Catholic Church's Project Rachel Ministry. There will be opportunities for reflection and confession, along with Adoration in the Chapel. This is a wonderful occasion, as brothers and sisters in Christ, to pray for and walk with others in this important ministry. For more info, contact the Office of Respect Life at 802.658.6110, ext. 1131.

VT Christian Music presents the 6th Annual **VT Christian Rock-toberfest** on **October 15th, 2016**, 7 pm at the North Avenue Alliance Church, Burlington. Featuring **Chris August with Jonny Diaz**. This high energy line-up will Rock you good! Perfect for the whole family. Tickets are \$25/each for general admission. See website below:
www.VTChristianMusic.com/rocktoberfest.

WorldWide Marriage Encounter: November 18th—20th at Saint Anne's Shrine, Isle La Motte, VT: "Take courage, it is I; do not be afraid." No matter how strong the winds, Jesus is there to take our hands and guide our marriage. Restore, renew and rekindle your marriage on the upcoming weekend. To register, contact Gary & Lynn Root at vtroot@together.net or 802-456-8114.

One in Christ Weekend for engaged couples. Couples are invited to deepen their faith and to better understand the Christ-centered nature of Sacramental marriage. **October 21-23, 2016 at St. Anne's Shrine, Isle La Motte.** Contact the Office of Catholic Formation for more information; (802) 658-6110.

Faculty & Staff Programs

Pontigny Society: This semester, we will be reading *The Story of a Soul: The Autobiography of Saint Therese of Lisieux*. Sessions begin at **12:00 pm, Monday, October 10th**, in the VT Room, Alliot Hall; lunch served. **RSVP is required.** All faculty and staff are welcome. Please RSVP to Fr. Marcel Rainville, SSE at 654.2848. To receive notices, please subscribe to the TPS mailing list on the portal page.

Partners in Ministry: Thursday, October 13th, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. (Eddie's lounge, 2nd Floor Alliot Hall). We will be continuing the reading *Do You Love Me?: Jesus Questions the Church* by Michael Crosby. Light pot luck/snacks are welcome. Contact Stephanie Noakes, snoakes@smcvt.edu or 881-5131 All are welcome!



A Mass for the Remembrance of All Souls will be held at 11:30 a.m., **Wednesday, November 2nd.** (Back Altar Space).



VITA is a group of students who are committed to ministering to other students through practicing our faith and leading many of the liturgical, retreat, and service programs. Student-led programs include:

- **Link:** A large group that meets weekly and combines discussion, meditation, music and more to help bridge the gap between our college and faith lives. Everyone is welcome to join us! **Wednesdays, October 5th, 12th, and 19th; 8:00 to 9:00 pm** in the Upper Room of the Chapel.
- **Dessert & the Divine:** Enjoy food and fellowship with other Christians! **Wednesday, October 26th; 8:00 pm** in the Upper Room, Chapel. Please contact Anna Lester for more information at 654.2897 or alester@smcvt.edu.
- **Connections:** Come join us for weekly small faith-based discussion with an emphasis on Scripture and reflections on your faith life in college. Dates/time TBA. Alliot 125 (Anna Lester's office).

Retreat Opportunities

LEAP - November 4th - 6th, 2016: LEAP is a unique, communal and deeply personal experience which builds upon talks, activities and group dynamics. The weekend includes a series of presentations that explores the meaning of commitment, peace, prayer and faith in one's life. It is an opportunity to deepen one's understanding of self and others within the context of a believing Christian Community centered around the Eucharist. Contact Rev. Marcel Rainville at 654.2848.



M.O.V.E. Activities



Mark J. Fizulich '97 Annual Red Cross Blood Drive: October 4th; 11:00 am to 5:00 pm in the Roy Room of the Dion Family Center. We need volunteers to donate blood and to help staff the event. Sign up on the MOVE bulletin board and look out for tabling in Alliot.

Fall Serve-a-Thon: October 8th: Spend the morning doing community service with your peers in local organizations. Sign up on the MOVE bulletin board and meet in Alliot the morning of.

Senior Citizen Prom: October 29th; 4:00 to 7:00 pm. Location TBA. Sign up to volunteer on the MOVE bulletin board. We need volunteers to come socialize with the seniors, dance, and have