Saturday, September 6th. New Student Apple Picking for First Year Students. Sign up on the MOVE bulletin board (space is limited).

September 10th: M.O.V.E. and Wilderness Open House, 3:30 to 5:30 pm, Library Lawn.

September 19th and 20th: Silent Auction. As part of Homecoming’s celebration of M.O.V.E.’s 25th anniversary; join us Friday 10:00 am to 5:00 pm and Saturday 10:00 am to 1:00 pm in the Alliot Lobby. Items for donation are appreciated; please call the M.O.V.E. office at 654-2674.

September 24th or 25th: Extended Service Informational Meetings (Domestic & International); 6:00-7:00 pm in the Upper Room of the Chapel. Choose either night to attend.

September 27th: Fall Serv-a-Thon. Volunteer opportunities at various sites. 9:00 am to 2:00 pm with lunch provided. Sign up on the M.O.V.E. Bulletin Board.

October 7th: Mark J. Fizulich ’97 Annual Red Cross Blood Drive (more details coming in October bulletin).

Training for Liturgical Ministers: If you would like to be a Lector, a Eucharistic Minister, or an Altar Server, please contact the Office of Edmundite Campus Ministry at 654.2333 or sign-up on sheets found in the Chapel lobby. Training for new liturgical ministers is mandatory.

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.

Holly Family/St. Lawrence & St. Pius parishes are sponsoring JustFaith, an adult formation program that explores the social justice tradition of the Catholic Church. Beginning in late September (dates TBA), parishioners will meet weekly, and through prayer, readings, videos, conversations, and face-to-face encounters with the poor, discover their personal responsibilities to those living on the margins. One of the greatest gifts that results for those that complete the program is a strong sense of Christian community forged among the participants. Contact John McMahon by September 7th to register: John.McMahon@hfslvt.org (878-778-3694).

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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. Our permanent community members offer 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.

Gifts for the Kingdom, September 20th (8:00 am to 3:00 pm), Hilton Hotel, 60 Battery Street, Burlington. Keynote Speaker is Edward Sri, S.T.I., S.T.D. "Pope Francis and the Joy of the Gospel: Living the New Evangelization as a Lay Minister in the Church". Event fee is $20 (includes lunch). To register, call Marie Antunes at 802-658-6110, ext. 1130 or visit www.vermontcatholic.org.

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 Wed. evening, September 24th, 6:00 pm, at Holy Family Parish Hall, Essex. Contact John McMahon at 878-5331, ext. 202.

WorldWide Marriage Encounter October 24th—26th, 2014 at Saint Anne’s Shrine, Isle La Motte, VT: Married couples, let your Catholic faith strengthen your sacrament. If you have been married for many years, this weekend could help you enhance communication, renew commitment, and rekindle romance. Share a Marriage Encounter Weekend with each other. Contact Dave & Jennie Erkson at 802-434-4218 or erksonmevt@comcast.net. Applications can also be found in the Chapel.

Feast of Saint Michael, Monday, September 29, 2014: Eucharistic celebration at 11:30 am in the Chapel followed by a campus-wide barbeque and live music on the lawn in front of the Chapel.

Bishop’s Fund: On October 5th, a second collection will be taken after Communion to support Diocesan programs through the Bishop’s Fund. Envelopes will be provided.

Faculty & Staff Programs

Partners in Ministry will be reading The Joy of the Gospel: Evangelii Gaudium by Pope Francis. Our first meeting will be on Thursday, September 4th, 5:30 to 7:30 pm in the VT Room, 2nd floor, Alliot Hall. Snacks welcome but optional. Contact Stephanie Noakes at 871-9322 or at snoakes@smcvt.edu.

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SCHOOLS LIKE US - September 19th to 21st: This is an intercollegiate retreat with other Catholic colleges (such as St. Anselm, Stonehill, Merrimack, etc.) and is designed for students who serve in various leadership roles with Campus Ministry programs and activities. This year’s focus is “What do you want me to do for you? - the role of desire in Christian Discipleship”, facilitated by Dan Leahy, Campus Minister at Boston College. The retreat is held at St. Anne’s Shrine in Isle La Motte, VT. A refundable deposit of $50 is requested to hold a spot for you. Sign up at the Campus Ministry office no later than Friday, September 12th.