

**SUPER BOWL
Bound**



**Prayer of the
Faithful for
Super Bowl
Sunday**

FEBRUARY 2, 2014

Loving God, as our nation celebrates the annual Super Bowl event, we pray for those men, women and children for whom the Super Bowl means abuse, exploitation, and entrapment.

For all vulnerable victims of human trafficking, and domestic abuse, we pray...



**Human Trafficking
Is Not a Sport**

Super Bowl 2014

Human slavery – also known as human trafficking is still happening today!

An estimated 21 million people, including children as young as age five, are trafficked for commercial sex or forced labor across our world today.

Large sporting events, such as the Super Bowl, are known to provide a lucrative market for human traffickers. During the days leading up to the Super Bowl event, Federal, State, and Local Law Enforcement Authorities will conduct surveillance operations in an attempt to prevent human traffickers from conducting their "business."

Faith communities and many civil society groups have been active educating hotel staff and the wider public about human trafficking. It is our hope and prayer that Super Bowl XLVIII will be a Big Win in our nation's efforts to end Human Trafficking.

**PRAYER FOR THE END TO
HUMAN TRAFFICKING**

- Gen Cassani, SSND

O God, our words cannot express what our minds can barely comprehend and our hearts feel when we hear of children and adults deceived and transported to unknown places for purposes of sexual exploitation and forced labor because of human greed.

Our hearts are saddened and our spirits angry that their dignity and rights are being transgressed through threats, deception and force. We cry out against the degrading practice of trafficking and pray for it to end.

Strengthen the fragile-spirited and broken-hearted. Make real your promises to fill these sisters and brothers with a love that is tender and good and send the exploiters away empty-handed.

Give us the wisdom and courage to stand in solidarity with them, that together we will find ways to the freedom that is your gift to all of us. Amen.



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Edmundite Campus Ministry Events

MASSES

Sunday
11:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.

Mondays
4:30 p.m.

Tuesday-Friday
11:30 a.m.



MORNING PRAYER
Monday-Friday at 7:40 a.m.

ASH WEDNESDAY

Wednesday, March 5
11:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.
Reconciliation after each
Mass

MASS IN SPANISH

Monday, February 3rd;
7:30 p.m.

RECONCILIATION

Sunday, February 23rd
or by appointment any time

Lent 2014 begins on Ash Wednesday, March 5th. A complete list of events and Mass schedules will be available in the March bulletin (available March 2nd). Masses will be held at 11:30 a.m. and at 4:30 p.m.

Eucharistic Adoration: Please join us for some quiet time before the Blessed Sacrament every Tuesday evening beginning with Benediction at 8:00 p.m. in the Back Altar space of the Chapel. Note: this event will not take place on March 18th as students are away on Spring Break.

Grief Support Group for Students: Have you experienced the death of someone you love and would like an opportunity to learn about grieving? Your loss could be recent or one from the past. This six-week support group will offer a time for personal healing and reflection on the many ways loss is experi-

Edmundite Campus Ministry Events *(Continued)*

enced. For more info, visit the Personal Counseling Portal Page. This support group is hosted by the Personal Counseling Office & Edmundite Campus Ministry and will be facilitated by Liz Mahoney. The group will begin on Mon, Feb 10 and meet weekly until Mon, March 24. The group will meet at the Personal Counseling Office in Klein from 4:30 to 6:00. Call or email Kathy Butts if you have questions or are interested in joining this group. 802-654-2310 or kbutts@smcvt.edu.

Taize Prayer Service: is held in the back altar space. Please contact the Edmundite Campus Ministry office for upcoming dates. Everyone is welcome to join us for some peaceful music, silent reflection and Scripture reading.



Worshipping Community Program

A Lenten Mission with Rev. Msgr. Richard G. Lavalley to be held on the evenings of March 10th, 11th, and 12th at **Holy Family Church** in Essex Junction. Mass will be cele-

brated each night (no Mass in the mornings) and Confessions will be heard before and after Mass. Rev. Msgr. Lavalley is presently Pastor of St. Francis Xavier in Winooski. Please call for further information. 654-2333.

Faculty & Staff Programs

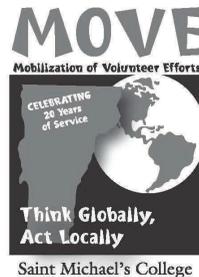
Partners in Ministry is continuing with the 5th Chapter of Dermot Lane's *Stepping Stones to Other Religions* and will begin on **Thursday, February 6th from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m.** in the Vermont Room (2nd Floor, Alliot Hall). Please come for some lively theological discussion. Bring a snack to share if you can. Stephanie Noakes is your contact for information; 871-9322 or at snoakes@smcvt.edu. All are welcome!!

Pontigny Society: We will be reading discuss *The Death of Ivan Ilyich* by Leo Tolstoy. In the story, Tolstoy asks, does an unreflective man confront his one and only moment of truth? We will meet at 12:00 noon on **Monday, February 10th** in the Vermont Rm, 2nd floor of Alliot; a luncheon will be served. **RSVP is required.** All faculty and staff are welcome. Please RSVP to Anna Lester at 654.2897.

Penguin Plunge: A fundraiser for Vermont Special Olympics. February 8th from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. To be held on the waterfront in Burlington.

Serv-a-thon – Serve at various sites in the Chittenden County area. April 5th from 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. (sign up on the MOVE bulletin board).

Red Cross Blood Drive, Tuesday, April 1st, 12:00 Noon until 5:30 p.m. in the Roy Event Room in the Dion Student Center.



Retreat Opportunities

LEAP - April 4-6, 2014: This is a program of spiritual formation and renewal sponsored by the Office of Edmundite Campus Ministry at Saint Michael's College. The retreat begins Friday afternoon and ends by Sunday afternoon. It takes place at various facilities within a short drive of campus. 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 Edmundite Campus Ministry Office (654.2333) for applications.

EMMAUS - February 28-March 2, 2014: This is a weekend retreat which provides an opportunity for participants to deepen their relationship with Jesus Christ and to share their faith with others. Candidates are invited to become aware of God in their everyday lives by recognizing the Lord's presence in others and in daily experience. The retreat uses a combination of guided meditations, private reflection time, and group sharing on Scripture. Applications are being accepted for the weekend. For more information, contact Jason Moore in Edmundite Campus Ministry at 654.2386.



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. **Wednesday, February 12th and 19th, from 8:00 to 9:00 p.m.** in the Upper Room of the Chapel.

Connections: Come join us for weekly small faith-based discussion with an emphasis on Scripture and reflections on your faith life in college. **Thursdays, February 6th, 13th, 20th and 27th from 8:00 to 9:00 p.m.** in Alliot 125 (Anna Lester's office).

Dessert & the Divine: Enjoy food and fellowship with other Christians! We will gather on **Wednesday in February 5th and the 26th** at 8:00 p.m. in the Upper Room of the Chapel.

