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PRAYER

Patient Trust

Above all, trust in the slow work of God.
We are quite naturally impatient in everything to reach the end without delay.
We should like to skip the intermediate stages.
We are impatient of being on the way to something unknown, something new.
And yet it is the law of all progress that it is made by passing through some stages of instability—and that it may take a very long time.

And so I think it is with you;
your ideas mature gradually—let them grow, let them shape themselves, without undue haste.
Don't try to force them on, as though you could be today what time (that is to say, grace and circumstances acting on your own good will) will make of you tomorrow.

Only God could say what this new spirit gradually forming within you will be.
Give Our Lord the benefit of believing that his hand is leading you, and accept the anxiety of feeling yourself in suspense and incomplete.

—Pierre Teilhard de Chardin, SJ
excerpted from [Hearts on Fire](#)



Saint Michael's College



February 2019



CHAPEL OF SAINT MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

Edmundite Campus Ministry Events

**MASSES
Sunday**

11:00 am & 7:00 pm

Mondays

*11:30 am & 4:30 pm

Tuesday-Friday

**11:30 am

MASS IN SPANISH

Monday, February 4th
7:30 p.m.

RECONCILIATION

Sunday, February 24th
after each Mass
or by appointment any time

**LENT BEGINS
ASH WEDNESDAY,
MARCH 6**

Eucharistic Adoration: Please join us for some quiet time before the Blessed Sacrament—**Tuesday* afternoons at 4:00 p.m.** at the Back Altar/Chapel. *Note: this event will be cancelled when students are not in session.

Blessing of Throats: In memory of St. Blaise, bishop and martyr, the Blessing of Throats will take place during both Masses on Sunday, February 3rd.



Worshipping Community Program

Marriage Preparation Retreat Day — A one-day retreat for engaged couples. Come take a break from wedding preparation and spend time in prayer, sharing and fellowship with your fiancé/fiancée and other engaged cou-

ples. Lunch and materials will be provided — prior Registration is required. Note: There is no cost for this retreat. **Saturday, March 2, 2019;** Blessed Sacrament Church, Stowe, VT; **10:30 am to 5:00 pm** (Retreat concludes with 4:00 P.M. Vigil Mass). For information, contact Deacon Phil Lawson at 802.658.6110 ext 1453.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter “Let Jesus proclaim the good news to you in your marriage by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. **The next Weekends are Mar 15-17, 2019 at St. Anne’s Shrine, Isle La Motte, VT.** For more information, call John & Diane Forcier at 802-657-3083 or visit them at <https://wwmevtw.org/>.

Cold/Flu Season Announcement: The Sign of Peace has been an integral and valued part of the worship of the church for centuries in the form of a kiss of peace or handshake. At this time each year, we recognize that some people are especially susceptible to the viruses

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that can be spread by contact. Please understand that some people may choose not to shake hands during the Sign of Peace, but might simply greet you with a smile. Please use common sense and good judgment concerning Mass attendance if you are ill.

World Marriage Day, Sunday, February 3rd, 10:00 a.m. at St. Joseph's Cathedral, Allen Street, Burlington. Join us as we celebrate World Marriage Day by honoring in a special way those celebrating 5, 10, 15, etc. years of Marriage! The celebrations will take place in two ways: Sunday, Feb 3: 10 a.m. Mass with Bishop Christopher Coyne; Sat/Sun., Feb 9 & 10: Parish recognitions. Contact Lori Daudelin at Ldaudelin@vermontcatholic.org or call 802.658.6110 ext. 1131 for more information.

Mater Christi Winter Open House: Wednesday, February 6th, 8:30 to 11:00 a.m. Visit Mater Christi School to learn about its tradition of academic excellence within a nurturing, collaborative and accountable environment. Mater Christi School offers students the opportunity to experience authentic learning and prepares them to succeed in a high school and beyond. Located adjacent to the UVM campus in Burlington, VT, Mater Christi School is a private Catholic PS-8 school that welcomes students of all faiths and beliefs. Financial aid available.

Faculty & Staff Programs

Pontigny Society: February 11, 2019 at Noon/Alliot VT Room. We will be reading chapters from *"Why Religion?"* by Elaine Pagels. Please contact Fr. Marcel Rainville, SSE at

654.2848 for further information. To receive notices, please subscribe to the TPS mailing list on the portal page.

Partners in Ministry: Thursday, February 14, 2019 from 5:30 - 7:30 pm, Vermont Rm (upstairs in Alliot Hall). We will be continuing our discussion from the book "Standing in the Midst of Grace: Essays on Living in Christ Consciousness" by Robert Thiefels (Chpt. 5) All are welcome for discussion and prayer with or without snack contribution. Call Stephanie at 881-5131 for more information.

Women's Retreat – March 29-31, 2019: Beloved: Who God Says You Are: Besides the invitation to slow down for a while, we will spend some time reflecting on what it means to be a woman of faith in Christ. This retreat is a time to fully embrace and believe that we are beloved daughters that God cherishes as His own. The retreat will focus on what women in Scriptures tell us about who God says we are; these women from the past help us as women today know more about who God created us to be, even if we each live that out in our own unique way. We will also share our own reflections as women, based on our lived experiences and relationship with God. Applications are due **Monday, March 11th** (found in the brochure racks outside the Edmundite Campus Ministry office). Please contact Anna Lester at x2897 or at alester@smcvt.edu.



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:

- **Connections:** 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! **February 6, 13 and 20.** Meetings are held in the Upper Room of the Chapel. Please contact Anna Lester for more information at 654.2897 or alester@smcvt.edu.
- **Dessert & the Divine:** Enjoy food and fellowship with other Christians! **January 30 and February 27.** Held in the Upper Room of the Chapel. Please contact Anna Lester for more information at 654.2897 or alester@smcvt.edu.

Retreat Opportunities

EMMAUS - February 15-17, 2019: This Retreat is a student-led, weekend retreat based on Ignatian spirituality which emphasizes "seeing God in all things." Emmaus will provide you with the opportunity to meet new people, reflect on your spiritual journey, pray with the Scriptures, share your faith with other students and faculty/staff, and take some time out of your busy life to rest. Best of all, you will become reacquainted with God's unconditional love revealed by Jesus Christ. **Application deadline was January 28, 2019.** Contact Anna Lester if you have questions. 654.2897 or Alester@smcvt.edu

LEAP - March 1st - 3rd, 2019: 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.

Gently-Used Books Sale: MOVE international service trip teams are fundraising for our partners in India and the Dominican Republic. **Monday thru Friday (February 18th—22nd) 10:00 a.m. to 5 p.m.** and **Saturday, February 23rd, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.** Alliot Hall. Also accepting book donations until Feb. 11th. (call Fr. Lino Oropeza 802-654-2344).

Penguin Plunge: Saturday, February 2nd. This fundraiser is for Special Olympics. If you are interested in participating, please sign up on the MOVE bulletin board in the Alliot Lobby or contact Nichole Ciccarelli at nciccarelli@mail.smcvt.edu. Held at the Burlington Waterfront.

