

THE BEDFORD CITIZEN

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

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We, the religious leaders of Burlington, deplore the shameful acts of vandalism committed against our friends at St. Margaret's Catholic Church during their holiest season of the year. We stand together against hate and destruction, particularly when it is directed at any of our community's religious institutions. This incident reinforces our resolve to unite in fortifying the values we hold dear. Our thoughts and prayers are with our brothers and sisters of the St. Margaret's community. We stand in solidarity with them and wish them healing from this terrible incident.

Rabbi Susan Abramson, Temple Shalom Emeth

Father John Capuci, St. Malachy's Catholic Church

Jay Dixit, Hindu Priest

Munir Gandevia, President, Islamic Center of Burlington

Rev. John Gibbons, First Parish Unitarian Universalist, Bedford

Chaplain William Houghton, Lahey Clinic

Bishop Jared Koyle, The Church of Jesus Christ of the Latter-day Saints

Rev. Megan Lynes, , First Parish Unitarian Universalist, Bedford

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