

St. Jude Thaddeus Catholic Church

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Liturgy Schedule

SATURDAY: 5:00 PM

First Saturday 6:30 PM

Hispanic Mass

SUNDAY: 9:15 AM

MONDAY: 9:00AM

HOLY DAYS: AS ANNOUNCED

CONFESSIONS: SATURDAY 4 – 4:45 PM

Parish Office Hours:

Monday: 9:00 to 12:00

Wed. : 9:00 to 12:00

CLOSED HOLIDAYS



Registration – All parishioners should be properly registered in the parish. Please contact the parish office.

Sacrament of Marriage – Contact the parish office as soon as possible, before establishing a date for the wedding. The Diocese requires 12 months advance notice and preparation for Marriage.

Baptism, Sacrament of the Sick, Shut-ins – Please contact the parish office to register for Baptism. One sponsor (Godparent) should be a practicing Catholic (if married, married in the church; attending Mass every weekend; moral life; etc.). One sponsor may be a practicing Protestant (called a Christian witness). We strive to visit parishioners homebound and those in the hospital. Please call the parish office if you would like us to visit, or if you are preparing for surgery.

Mass Cards & Memorial contributions – Mass cards in memory of the deceased and for special intentions are available after masses at the Religious Articles Corner. To make a memorial contribution, please contact the parish office.

CCD – Religious instruction for children meets after the 9:15 Mass until 11:45 from September to May. These classes are necessary before children receive First Holy Communion and Confirmation. Please contact the parish office for more information or registration.

Parish Pastoral Council – Meets the 3rd Monday of each month, from September to May. Please call the parish office for information.

Knight of Columbus – Meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7:00 PM in the social hall.

Women's Guild – Meets the last Tuesday of each month at 6:30 PM in the social hall.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) – These are classes for those desiring to join the Catholic Church. Please contact the Pastor for more information.

NFP (Natural Family Planning) – This is the only Catholic-approved means of regulating birth. Classes are offered frequently and are free to all who want to learn about this spiritual & effective way to plan a family. For information, call Martin & Mary Smith, 717-935-5256.

Prayer Chain – Prayers for all who are in need of prayers for whatever reason. Please contact the parish office for more information.

April 15, 2018

**Third Sunday of Easter
STEWARDSHIP IS A WAY OF LIFE
TITHING IS GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING**

FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON THE SUNDAY READINGS

HIS WORD TODAY by Rev. William J. Reilly
**Third Sunday of Easter
April 15, 2018**

“Now I know brothers that you acted out of ignorance, just as your leaders did. But God has thus brought to fulfillment what He had announced beforehand that through the mouth of all the prophets that His Christ would suffer. Repent, therefore and be converted that your sins may be wiped away... Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures... Thus it is written that the Christ would suffer, and rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance for the forgiveness of sins would be preached in his name to all the nations.”

The wonderful sermon of Saint Peter offers encouragement, not judgment, summoning his hearers to listen more closely. The scriptures they knew, the prophets and psalms, pointed to the events which had taken place in Jerusalem. As they listened, they were able to conclude ‘this makes sense, I’ll follow what he says and begin living as a witness.’

Twenty centuries have passed, the sermon of Peter is repeated for my benefit as he opens our minds and hearts. If these words changed the hearts of his listeners, what is happening in my heart at this moment? Am I, or am I not a witness?

First Reading: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19

Peter reminds the people that they allowed Jesus to be killed, and preferred to allow a murderer to be released. But God raised him from the dead as had been prophesied. Therefore, all people should believe and turn to God, that their sins might be forgiven.

Second Reading: I John 2:1-5a

Jesus was offered up for the sins of the world. The only way to prove true faith in him, is to honor his commandments. Anyone who claims to believe, yet does not keep his word, does not truly believe.

Gospel: Luke 24:35-48

Jesus appeared to two disciples, though at first they feared he was a ghost. Jesus ate with them to prove he was not a ghost. He explained that he had fulfilled the prophet’s words about him. He also explained that in his name they must preach doing penance for the forgiveness of sins.

<u>Tithing is God’s Plan for Giving:</u>	
Income for April 8, 2018	\$ 3,736.48
Capital Improvements	\$ 10.00
Tithe for April 8, 2018	
Juniata County Meals on Wheels	\$ 375.00



Shane and Elizabeth are happy to announce this years VBS 2018. Come “ Get S’MORE of Jesus” at St. Jude’s Camp VBS July 23-26. From 6-8 pm. The week will end with a family bonfire, hotdog roast and fun family games on Friday, July 27. More details to come. Anyone interested/willing to help in anyway, please see Elizabeth or Shane Armstrong searmstrong@pa.net or 717-994-0831.

National Day of Prayer will be celebrated locally at 8 AM Thursday, May 3, 2018 at Bethel AME Church, Juniata Street (near Sheetz). The program begins with a free breakfast and continues with prayers for our nation. Fr. Weary will preside and local clergy will speak and lead prayers, interspersed with sacred music. All are welcome!



LITURGICAL NOTES:

*Mass for the
Intentions of the Week
And Weekly Reading*



Saturday, April 14: Easter Weekday

Acts of the Apostles 6:1-7; Psalm 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; John 6:16-21

5:00 PM Thomas Lusk

Sunday, April 15: Third Sunday of Easter

Acts of the Apostles 3:13-15, 17-19; Psalm 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9; 1 John 2:1-5a; Luke 24:32

9:15 AM Gale & Dave Treaster's 49th wedding anniversary

Monday April 16: Easter Weekday

Acts of the Apostles 6:8-15; Psalm 119: 23-24, 26-27, 29-30; John 6:22-29

9:00 AM Walter Eichenberger

Tuesday, April 17: Easter Weekday

Acts of the Apostles 7:51-8:1a; Psalm 31:3cd-4, 6 & 7b & 8a, 17 & 21ab; John 6:30-35

Wednesday, April 18: Easter Weekday

Acts of the Apostles 8:1b-8; Psalm 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a; John 6:35-40

Thursday April 19: Easter Weekday

Acts of the Apostles 8:26-40; Psalm 66:8-9, 16-17, 20; John 6:44-51

Friday, April 20: Easter Weekday

Acts of the Apostles 9:1-20; Psalm 117:1bc, 2; John 6:52-59

Saturday, April 21: Easter Weekday

Acts of the Apostles 9:31-42; Psalm 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-17; John 6:60-69

5:00 PM Thomas Lusk

Sunday, April 22: Fourth Sunday of Easter

Acts of the Apostles 4:8-12; Psalm 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29; 1 John 3:1-2; John 10:11-18

9:15 AM Matthew Tornambe

Calendar of Events

Saturday: 4/14

Gospel Reflections/7:30am/ social hall

Mass/5:00pm/ Church

Sunday: 4/15

Mass/ 9:15am/ Church

CCD After Mass

Monday: 4/16

Mass/9:00 am/ Church

Finance Committee/6:00pm/ parish house

Parish Council/ 7:00pm/ parish house

Tuesday: 4/17

No Event

Wednesday: 4/18

No Event

Thursday: 4/19

No Event

Friday: 4/20

No Event

Saturday: 4/21

Gospel Reflections/ 7:30am/ social hall

Mass/5:00pm/Church

Sunday: 4/22

Mass/ 9:15am/ Church

CCD After Mass

Minister Schedule

April 21 & April 22, 2018

Saturday, April 21, 2018: 5:00pm

EMHC: J. & A. Zarnowski

Lector: C. Fitzgerald

Cantor: M. Kerchusky

Altar Servers: J. & A. Flores

Gifts: People of the Parish

Greeter: P. Thompson

Usher: T. Kerchusky

Sunday, April 22, 2018: 9:15am

EMHC: D. Treaster J. Fitzgerald

Lector: T. Ober

Cantor: S. Connell

Altar Servers: C. Murphy E. & D. Zeigler

Gifts: People of the Parish

Greeters: Daryl & Ginger Best

Ushers: D. & Z. Ames



Society of St. Vincent de Paul

National Council of the United States

Seeking Charity and Justice

If you are in need of some help or know of someone who is in need of assistance. Please contact St. Vincent de Paul at 242-2781. *Requests for help are kept confidential*



MISSING

The kitchen Committee has discovered that one of their large soup/stock pots is missing. If anyone knows of its whereabouts, please return it to the kitchen or contact Joe Zarnowski.



Saint Michael's Guard

This past Monday, April 9, 2018, three of our men from St. Jude were installed as full members of St. Michael's Guard. They have served for the past year as novices. They are: Daryl Best, Jim Fitzgerald and Mike Fitzgerald. During installation they received their surplices which are embroidered with the St. Michael emblem on each shoulder. This brings to five the number serving at St. Jude. There is also one serving at Sacred Heart, which is a part of our contingent. Congratulations to all of you.

FAITH FESTIVAL 2018!



Come and enjoy food, pony rides, Bounce House, live music and meet and greet with the Lewistown Churches and their congregation members. Booths will be set up at the Mifflin County Library, Lewistown, from **10AM to 3PM on Saturday, May 19th.** Lewistown Community Band performs at 10AM, with other live music acts to follow. All are welcome, especially children

BEGINNING EXPERIENCE WEEK-END

The Beginning Experience Team for the Harrisburg Diocese has booked Camp Hebron in Halifax, Pa, for the week-end of **May 4-6, 2018.**

The ecumenical Beginning Experience week-ends are an approved program designed for those suffering through the loss of a spouse through death, divorce or separation. Hundreds of persons have been helped to move towards successful, productive, happy lives by attending one of these week-ends.

Beginning Experience is your Church at work to provide help, healing and spiritual restoration. Visit the Diocese of Harrisburg's Web site, www.hbgdiocese.org, and go to the marriage and family link. Information can also be obtained by contacting Harrisburg beginning Experience Team members, Julie, at 717-379-0800, or Eva, at 717-495-9586.

Hersheypark Discount Ticket Offer!

Discount tickets to *Hersheypark* are available to the friends and families of the parish at **significant savings.** Gate admission for Regular admission is \$67.80; our price is **\$34.85 (ALL ages 3+).** *ADD-ON discount Hersheypark Meal Tickets at a savings of up to 30% off retail prices - **\$11.99 each** and ADD-ON Snack Vouchers - **\$3.25 each.** Orders must be received at the parish by **Monday, April 30, 2018.** Parishes will receive tickets by Friday, May 25. Order forms are available in the Parish office.



Enroll Now

SHS is currently enrolling for Grades K-5 for the 2018-2019 school year. If you or someone you know has a child ready for Kindergarten or looking to transfer, come and visit or encourage them to take a look at SHS. We are currently offering a tuition transfer grant to any child going into grades 1st through 5th for the 2018-2019 school year. Any public, private, charter or home-school student who transfers to SHS is eligible to receive a Tuition Transfer Grant. Each student will receive \$1,500 in grants over the course of 2 years (\$1,000 in year 1 and \$500 in year 2). Restrictions apply and no financial aid forms are required.

Spaghetti Dinner Tickets Now on Sale!

Mark your Calendars for the Spaghetti Dinner Preview Night! This year's auction will be held on Sunday, April 29th, at the Mifflin County Youth Park, from 11 AM – 4 PM. **Come and preview**



the auction items and have a great meal at the Spaghetti Dinner Preview Night, held at the Youth Park on Saturday, April 28th, from 5 – 7:30 PM. Tickets will be \$5 per adult; \$3 per child ages 3-12. Children 2 and under eat for free. Tickets are now available at the Parish Office or by contacting Ashley Henry at development@sacredheartshcool.com.

The Shroud of Turin

Burial cloth of Jesus or Medieval fake? Proof of the Resurrection, or art hoax? **Tuesday, April 17th at 7-9 PM, in the Sacred Heart School cafeteria, the DVD "CSI: Jerusalem" will be shown.** It's a fascinating look at the history and science of the Shroud. Call the Parish Office at 717-242-2781 to register, admission is free of charge.

Save the Date – November 3, 2018

As part of the events celebrating the 150th anniversary of the diocese of Harrisburg, **Bishop Gainer will lead a diocesan pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC, on Saturday, November 3, 2018.** This will be the first time Bishop Gainer will lead our diocese to Washington since he was installed in 2014. The schedule includes Mass and plenty of time for confessions, private prayer, touring the Shrine, and visiting the spacious book & gift shops or having a bite to eat in the cafeteria. **Sacred Heart has reserved a bus for this special day.** More information will be forthcoming in the bulletin. **For more information about upcoming events for the 150th Anniversary of the Diocese of Harrisburg go to www.hbgdiocese.org/150.**



Auction News

Auction Bake Sale Committee Needs You!

Cake Raffle-This year we will be having a cake raffle at our Spaghetti Dinner. Please consider donating a specialty cake to be included in our raffle! **Cakes should be at the Youth Park by 5 PM Saturday, 4/28/18.** Contact the parish office if you are willing or able to donate a cake.

