

# St. Jude Thaddeus Catholic Church

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## Parish Staff

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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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 29, 2018**  
**Fifth 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  
Fifth Sunday of Easter  
April 29, 2018

**“When Saul arrived in Jerusalem he tried to join the disciples, but they were all afraid of him, not believing he was a disciple. Then Barnabas took charge of him and brought him to the apostles, and he reported to them how he had seen the Lord, and that he had spoken to him, and how in Damascus he had spoken out boldly in the name of Jesus... The church throughout all Judea, Galilee and Samaria was at peace. It was being built up and walked in the fear of the Lord, and with the consolation of the Holy Spirit it grew in numbers.”**

We are familiar with the encounter and conversion of Saul on the road to Damascus. This passage tells us something of the struggle for acceptance by the Christian community in Jerusalem. Barnabas spoke in his behalf to the disciples, and then to the apostles. Paul presented his credentials. The Holy Spirit was at work.

What a great lesson for us today, to be sure that we are welcoming communities. Most likely on a weekly basis people visit our parish church for the first time. Some have recently moved into the community; some perhaps have been away from the church for some time. Others say now is the time for me and my family to become active. How ready are we to reach out, to invite and support those who come to our community? Pope Francis is constantly teaching us to go out to the streets, take a risk, feel the bruises as did Paul. Not sure what to do?

Look what happened to the great apostle.

**First Reading: Acts 9:26-31**

Paul the Apostle came to Jerusalem, where the other disciples were afraid of him. Then they learned that the Lord had spoken to Paul and he had preached openly in Damascus. When they learned that someone wanted to kill him, they protected him because they fully believed he had converted.

**Second Reading: I John 3:18-24**

John clearly states that we must love one another. All people who believe in Jesus Christ can show their faith only through their actions. If people believe in Jesus and love one another as he commanded us, they prove that they are true believers in Christ.

**Gospel: John 15:1-8**

Jesus compares himself to a vine, and compares his father to the vine-grower. He explains how God prunes the barren branches so that the rest might yield more fruit. He reminds them that apart from himself, his followers could not bear fruit.

**Tithing is God's Plan for Giving:**

Income for April 22, 2018	\$ 2,907.48
Catholic Home Missions	\$ 115.00
Tithe for April 22, 2018	
Juniata County Food Pantry	\$ 291.00

**To our friends at St. Jude Thaddeus Church,**

**Thank you for your loving support of the Food Pantry's ministry to our neighbors in need. Your generous donation will help provide new hope and a new beginning to the more than 350 families, including over 400 children, who come to us for help every month.**

**May the Lord bless you in this season of renewal as you have blessed others!**

**Your friends at the Juniata County Food Pantry**

Dear Saint Jude Church,

On behalf of the Paul W. Delauter Youth Center, Inc., I would like to thank you for your recent donation of \$293.00 on April 2, 2018, that will be used to support the youth of our community. Thank you again for sharing in our commitment to our community youth.

Brent M. Miller

Treasurer. Paul W. Delauter Youth Center, Inc.



## LITURGICAL NOTES:

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



### Saturday, April 28: Easter Weekday

Acts of the Apostles 13:44-52; Psalm 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4;  
John 14:7-14

5:00 PM Thomas Lusk

### Sunday, April 29: Fifth Sunday of Easter

Acts of the Apostles 9:26-31; Psalm 22:26-27, 28, 30, 31-32; 1 John 3:18-24; John 15:1-8

9:15 AM Matthew Tornambe

### Monday April 30: Easter Weekday

Acts of the Apostles 14:21-26; Psalm 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16;  
John 14:21-26

9:00 AM People of the Parish

### Tuesday, May 1: Easter Weekday

Acts of the Apostles 14:19-28; Psalm 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21; John 14:27-31a

### Wednesday, May 2: St. Athanasius, Bishop and

### Doctor of the Church (Memorial)

Acts of the Apostles 15:1-6; Psalm 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5;  
Mark 16:15-20

### Thursday May 3: Sts. Philip and James,

### Apostles (Feast)

1 Corinthians 15:1-8; Psalm 19:2-3, 4-5; John 14:6-14

### Friday, May 4: Easter Weekday

Acts of the Apostles 15:22-31; Psalm 57:8-9, 10 & 12; John 15:12-17

9:00 AM People of the Parish

### Saturday, May 5: Easter Weekday

Acts of the Apostles 16:1-10; Psalm 100:1b-2, 3, 5 John 15:18-21

5:00 PM Thomas Lusk

### Sunday, May 6: Sixth Sunday of Easter

Acts of the Apostles 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48; Psalm 98:1, 2-3, 3-4; 1 John 4:7-10; John 15:9-17

9:15 AM Charles Armstrong

## Calendar of Events

### Saturday: 4/28

Gospel Reflections/7:30am/ social hall  
Mass/5:00pm/ Church

### Sunday: 4/29

Mass/ 9:15am/ Church

CCD After Mass

### Monday: 4/30

Mass/9:00 am/ Church

### Tuesday: 5/01

No Event

### Wednesday: 5/02

No Event

### Thursday: 5/03

No Event

### Friday: 5/04

First Friday Mass/ 9:00am/ Church

### Saturday: 5/05

Gospel Reflections/ 7:30am/ social hall

Mass/5:00pm/Church

### Sunday: 5/06

Mass/ 9:15am/ Church

## **Minister Schedule**

### **May 5 & May 6, 2018**

Saturday, May 5, 2018: 5:00pm

EMHC: J. & A. Zarnowski

Lector: M. Tonge

Cantor: M. Kerchusky

Altar Servers: J. & A. Flores

Gifts: People of the Parish

Greeter: P. Thompson

Usher: T. Kerchusky

Sunday, May 6, 2018: 9:15am

EMHC: D. Treaster J. Price J. Fitzgerald

Lector: Garry W. Price

Cantor: M. Miller

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

Gifts: People of the Parish

Greeters: Ginger Best

Ushers: A. Thawley T. Newcamp



**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***

## 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

**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!



### 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 1<sup>st</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> 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.

### FESTIVAL IN THE PARK

**Festival in the Park** will be held on **May 19** at the park near the library from **11:00am-7:00pm.** Rain date is **May 20.** Bring the entire family and enjoy various food and item vendors. There will be many activities throughout the day for everyone.



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](mailto:searmstrong@pa.net) or 717-994-0831.



**Women's 96<sup>th</sup> Cursillo weekend will be held July 19-22, 2018** at St. Pius X Parish in Selinsgrove, PA. **The Men's 100<sup>th</sup> Cursillo weekend will be held on July 26-29, 2018,** also at St. Pius X Parish, Selinsgrove.

### Upcoming Retreat

The Harrisburg Diocesan Council of Catholic Women is hosting the 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Weekend Retreat, **June 8-10, 2018** (Friday evening until Sunday Noon), at Mount St. Mary's University Emmitsburg, MD. **The Retreat Master is Very Reverend Neil Sullivan, Pastor of St. Catherine Laboure Parish, Harrisburg, PA.** More details will be coming soon!



**Sacred Heart Auction**  
**Remember today is Sacred Heart School's Auction. It runs from 11:00am until 4:00pm. Stop by and sample some of the good food available and be a part of the fun.**