

# 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.

**Knights of Columbus** – Meets the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday 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 28, 2019**  
**Divine Mercy Sunday**  
**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  
 Sunday of Divine Mercy  
 April 28, 2019

**“Many signs and wonders were done among the people at the hands of the apostles. They were all together in Solomon’s portico. None of the others dared to join them, but the people esteemed them. Yet more than ever, believers in the Lord, great numbers of men and women, were added to them.”**

The story of the early church, as related in the Acts of the Apostles, not only records what happened, but motivates us today, to continue the apostolic work. We sometimes fail to see that our hands are the hands of the apostles, or even the hands of Christ working in our world today. Do you remember the story of the reconstructed chapel destroyed by bombs in Europe? American GIs restored almost everything, but a shattered statue of the Sacred Heart lacked fingers and hands. They wisely placed a sign in front of the icon reading ‘I have no hands but yours.’

We are the hands of the Lord, because we are baptized, missionary disciples. A kind word, a gracious invitation, a gentle reminder of the love of Jesus to one who is hurting or lonely, can restore the church in the heart of someone. Reach out! Today, the Spirit of God asks us to hit the streets and find those seeking, waiting and yearning for God’s gift.

**First Reading: Acts 5:12-16**

The people held the apostles in great esteem and brought sick people to them to be healed. Although some were afraid to be known, the number of Jesus’ followers continued to grow steadily.

**Second Reading: Revelation 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19**

John depicts a vision of lamp-stands of gold and one like the Son of Man in a robe with a sash of gold. This apparition told John he had nothing to fear and then described himself as one who was dead but now lived again. He then instructed John to record any other visions he might have.

**Gospel: John 20:19-31**

Jesus appeared to the disciples and breathed on them saying, "Receive the Holy Spirit." He gives them the power to forgive people's sins or hold them accountable. Thomas, who was not present, refused to believe Jesus had appeared until he came to them once more. Jesus told Thomas to believe and added, "Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed."

<b>Tithing is God’s Plan for Giving:</b>	
Income for April 21, 2019	\$ 1,925.45
Easter	\$ 1,430.00
Good Friday	\$ 330.00
Tithe for April 21, 2019	\$ 336.00
Paul W. DeLauter Youth Center	



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Fr. Jay is celebrating 30 years of priesthood this year and Fr. Bill 35 years. **A celebration will be held Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup>**, beginning with the 11:00 AM Mass, followed by a 1:30 PM luncheon/reception at St.

Jude Parish Hall in Mifflintown. A sign-up sheet for the reception, so we have an accurate food count, is in the vestibule and social hall. **All are welcome.**



## LITURGICAL NOTES:

Mass  for the  
Intentions *for the Week*

*And Weekly Readings*



### Saturday, April 27: Saturday within the Octave of Easter (Solemnity)

Acts of the Apostles 4:13-21; Psalm 118:1 & 14-15ab, 16-18, 19-21; Mark 16:9-15

5:30 PM Walter Fitzgerald

### Sunday, April 28: Sunday of Divine Mercy

Acts of the Apostles 5:12-16; Psalm 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24; Revelation 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19; John 20:29

9:15 AM Donald Thome

### Monday, April 29: St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Doctor of the Church (Memorial)

Acts of the Apostles 4:23-31; Psalm 2:1-3, 4-71, 7b-9; John 3:1-8

9:00 AM Terry Bravo

### Tuesday, April 30: Easter Weekday

Acts of the Apostles 4:32-37; Psalm 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5; John 3:7b-15

### Wednesday, May 1: Easter Weekday

Acts of the Apostles 5:17-26; Psalm 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9; John 3:16-21

### Thursday, May 2: St. Athanasius, Bishop and Doctor of the Church (Memorial)

Acts of the Apostles 5:27-33; Psalm 34:2 & 9, 17-18, 19-20; John 3:31-36

### Friday, May 3: Sts. Philip and James, Apostles (Feast)

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

9:00 AM People of the Parish

### Saturday, May 4: Easter Weekday

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

5:00 PM Jane Ratkaj

### Sunday, May 5: Third Sunday of Easter

Acts of the Apostles 5:27-32, 40b-41; Psalm 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13; Revelation 5:11-14; John 21:1-19

9:15 AM Charles Armstrong

## Calendar of Events

### Saturday: 4/27

Gospel Reflections/7:30am/ social hall

Mass/5:30pm/ Church

### Sunday: 4/28

Mass/ 9:15am/ Church

CCD/10:30AM

### Monday: 4/29

Mass/9:00am/Church

### Tuesday: 4/30

Women's Guild/6:30pm/social hall

### Wednesday: 5/01

Knights of Columbus/7:00pm/social hall

### Thursday: 5/02

Healing Mass/6:00pm/Church

### Friday: 5/03

First Friday Mass/9:00am/Church

### Saturday: 5/04

Gospel Reflections/ 7:30am/ social hall

Mass/5:00pm/Church

### Sunday: 5/05

Mass/9:15am/Church

## **Minister Schedule**

### **May 4 & May 5, 2019**

Saturday, May 4, 2019: 5:00 pm

EMHC: A. Zarnowski

Lector: T. Kromel

Cantor: M. Kerchusky

Altar Servers: D. Treaster J. Zarnowski

Gifts: People of the Parish

Greeters: People of the Parish

Usher: T. Kerchusky

Sunday, May 5, 2019: 9:15am

EMHC: J. Price T. Ober D. Parson

Lector: J. Fitzgerald

Cantor; A. Arnold

Altar Servers: D. Treaster D. Best M. Fitzgerald

Gifts: People of the Parish

Greeters: People of the Parish

Ushers: T. Newcamp A. Thawley



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### 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 \$69.80; our price is **\$35.50 (ALL ages 3+)**. \*ADD-ON discount Hersheypark Meal Tickets, at a savings of up to 30% off retail prices, allow you to enjoy the flexibility of purchasing a meal at multiple locations with a variety of menus are **\$11.99 each** and \*ADD-ON Snack Vouchers are **\$3.50 each**. Prepaid Parking Passes are 50% off and only **\$7.50 each**. Orders **must** be received at the parish by **Monday, April 29, 2019**. Make checks payable to Saint Jude Church. Parishes will receive tickets by Friday, May 24th. Please contact the Parish Office or see Gale.

### 94<sup>th</sup> Annual Women’s Convention

The Harrisburg Diocesan Council of Catholic Women cordially invites all women of the Diocese to attend the **94<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention, Saturday, May 11, 2019** from 9 AM – 4 PM at the Diocesan Center, Harrisburg, PA. Mass will be concelebrated by the Vicar General, Very Reverend David Danneker along with many Priests and Deacons of the diocese. Megan Murphy will be the Keynote Speaker.



I find it hard to express my thanks to everyone that made the fish dinners a big success. It takes a lot of people to be able to do the dinners. The bakers, kids, and all the people who give of themselves and their time. This is truly God at work in our parish.

Thank You,  
Joe Zarnowski



### “ LOST AT SEA”

VBS will be held at St. Jude July 8<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> with an end of week celebration at the Mifflin Pool Friday July 12<sup>th</sup> from 7-9pm for all participants and their entire family.

We are in the planning stages of 2019 VBS and couldn't be more excited. This year's theme will be a 4 day focus on two of our favorite things. 1. Finding our way to Jesus. 2. The Ocean. As always, to have a successful VBS we need YOU. If you have children (ages 4 and up are welcome !!!), save the date now and plan to bring them to VBS. If you can volunteer (you don't need to have school age children to volunteer ,you do need clearances), please talk to us, we cannot do it alone. If, you would like to help plan, let us know. Thanks for your continued support! Shane and Elizabeth Armstrong

### Divine Mercy Sunday

The Sunday after Easter is Divine Mercy Sunday, April 28th, commemorating Our Lord's Appearances to Sister Faustina in the 1930's, where He emphasized God's great mercy over all hankind. We will honor His Divine Mercy on that Sunday with a Holy Hour at **Sacred Heart Church**, 3-4 PM, with Exposition and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.



## Register **NOW** for the 2019-20 Academic Year!

Registrations are now being taken for any student interested in attending Sacred Heart School next academic year. Kindergarten students need to be age 5 by Sept. 1, 2019. We also have openings in grades 1 – 5. Scholarships and Financial Aid are available, and applications are currently being accepted until April 15, 2019. Call the school to schedule a tour. Additionally, there is plenty of information about the school, the application process, and financial aid on our website at [www.sacredheartschool.com](http://www.sacredheartschool.com). All faiths are welcome!



## It's Post Time! (Note Time Changes)

The annual **Knight at the Races**, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, is **Saturday, May 4, 2019** at the Reedsville Fire Company beside Super Shoes on Rt. 655. **Pre-Race Social time will be 5:00 – 7:00 PM.** **Post Time is 7:00 PM.** Single social tickets are \$25. Buy a Horse for \$50 and receive 2 tickets. Sponsor a race for \$100 and receive 4 admission tickets plus a horse. Price of all tickets include all you can eat and drink. Race Sponsor forms are available from any Knight, at the Parish Office or by contacting Larry Sutusky at 717-667-3104. Tickets will also be available at the door. Since this year's Knight at the Races coincides with the Kentucky Derby a **Best Bonnet Contest** will also be held. Originality and those who exemplify the tradition of the Kentucky Derby will determine the winners. First, second and third place prizes will be awarded. **Best Bonnet contestants should arrive beginning at 4:00 PM.** Bonnets will be judged from 4:00-5:30 PM. Hope to see you there!



## Sharing St. Vincent dePaul's Vision

Happy Birthday to our founder, St. Vincent dePaul, born April 24, 1581. We recognize and celebrate all of his accomplishments and praise his vision for helping those in the community who are in



need. With that celebration we would like to recognize the many that share his vision. First and foremost, our Board of Directors, who work

tirelessly to gain funding, to provide services, give of their time and talents to prepare and serve our community meals, and develop rules and guidelines to allow our chapter to run smoothly! Next, we thank the Sacred Heart and St. Jude parishioners who support us by your tithes and individual donations and through our fundraisers. We also are so thankful

for our CCD students for their donations and to those who volunteer for our meals and Christmas and Lenten projects. Next we send many kudos for our friends who met our Lenten Challenge! Thanks to the Sacred Heart School children, The amazing Companions of Pauline and Red Hat Ladies, Ruth Hower, Tom Storm, Dottie Peiffer, Rich and Carol Reardon, Sally Bramakulam, Ashley Henry, Kathie Tice, Annemarie Showers, Father Jay and Father Bill, as well as those who fill our donation boxes each week! Lastly we thank, Jodi Peters, who goes far and above taking our appointments; she is part of our team and helps in every way we ask, as well as jumping in to help with or organize our many projects. We are blessed by all of these wonderful people! If you want to be a part of our team, contact the parish or email  
Joey



at [stvincentdepaullewistown@gmail.com](mailto:stvincentdepaullewistown@gmail.com).

St Vincent de Paul's members and volunteers reach out to the most vulnerable in our community through our society!