

April 28, 2024 Fifth Sunday of Easter

Tithing is God's Plan for Giving:

Tithing income for the week of
April 14, 2024

Regular	\$1,476.00
Loose	\$779.00
Catholic Home Missions	\$20.00
Sacred Heart School	\$100.00

The details of the collection will appear in the bulletin one week later than previously published. For example, the collection for Sunday, March 24th will be counted March 29th and published in the bulletin on April 7th. If you have any questions, please contact Adrienne Zannino.

FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON THE SUNDAY READINGS

HIS WORD TODAY by Rev. William J. Reilly
Most Holy Name Catholic Church, Garfield, NJ
Fifth Sunday of Easter
April 28, 2024

“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... ‘If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask for whatever you want and it will be done for you.’”

Am I able to recognize the description of the early church reflected in our life today? We struggle to be a viable presence of the Lord in our world, yet it is the same Holy Spirit calling and motivating us to make the gospel real. The mission and mandate of Jesus is the task of all who claim discipleship. As we draw our life from the vine, God's grace, we ask the power to bring the peace, joy and love of Christ to others. As the warmth of spring allows the buds to sprout, so may we waken ourselves and live our calling.

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: 1 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.



LITURGICAL NOTES

Mass  for the
Intentions  Week

Saturday, April 27: Easter Weekday

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

5:30 PM Juan Vega from the Melisio Family

Sunday, April 28: 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 Don Parson, Sr. from Don & Joyce Parson

1:30 PM People of the Parish

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

Acts of the Apostles 14:5-18; Psalm 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16; John 14:21-26

9:00 AM People of the Parish

Tuesday, April 30: Easter Weekday

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

Wednesday, May 1: Easter Weekday

Acts of the Apostles 15:1-6; Psalm 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5; John 15:1-8

Thursday, May 2: Saint Athanasius, Bishop & Doctor of the Church (Memorial)

Acts of the Apostles 15:7-21; Psalm 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10; John 15:9-11

Friday, May 3: Saints Philip & 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 16:1-10; Psalm 100:1b-2, 3, 5; John 15:18-21

5:30 PM Kelli Cross from Don & Joyce Parson

Sunday, May 5: 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 Juan Vega from the Melisio Family

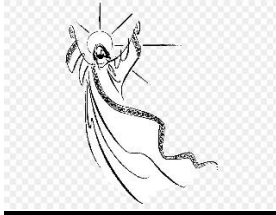
1:30 PM People of the Parish

CCD COORDINATOR!

The Parish would like to thank Shane Armstrong for servicing as our CCD Coordinator for the last several years!

Shane is stepping down and the program is looking for a new CCD Coordinator. If you are interested, please speak with one of the priests or Shane for more information as to what the position entails as far as a time investment!

ASCENSION DAY MASSES



Ascension Day mass Schedule

Vigil Mass Sacred Heart
Wed. May 8th 7:00 p.m.

Ascension Day Mass Sacred Heart
Thurs. May 9th 12:00 (Noon)

Ascension Day Mass St. Jude
Thurs. May 9th 7:00 p.m.

Ascension is a Holy Day of Obligation,
please join us for this celebration.



COFFEE SOCIAL HOSTS:

April 28 th	GARY
May 5 th	CANCELED
May 12 th	KNIGHTS OF
(Mothers' Day)	COLUMBUS
May 19 th	LADIES



Sunday, May 5th at 5:00 p.m.
the Parish will be hosting a
Retirement Dinner in honor of Father Bill.
Meat and Cake will be provided.

MOWING SCHEDULE

Apr 29- May 3	Trevor Miller
May 6-10	Ed Welsh
May 13-17	Paul Ames
May 20-24	Ralph Perez

*****FOR EMERGENCIES FROM 3/31 AT 12:00 PM THROUGH 4/2 AT 8:00 PM, PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE NUMBER 717 242-2781 AND YOUR CALL WILL BE FORWARDED TO BOTH FATHER BILL AND FATHER RICH'S CELL PHONES. ALL CALLS WILL BE RETURNED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.*****

SPONSOR A CHILD FOR BACK TO SCHOOL

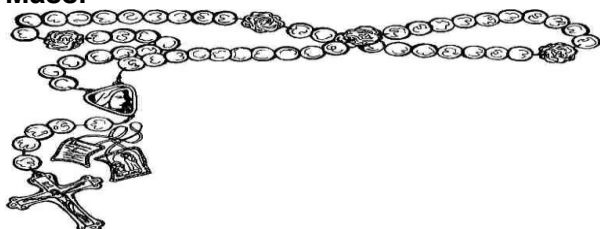
Sponsor a child by providing clothing and shoes for school.
Contact Juniata County Children and Youth Services for more information and to sign up.
Phone: 717-436-7707
Sign up Deadline: July 19, 2024
Item Drop Off: August 13, 2024



First Communion will be held on Sunday,
May 12th (Mothers' Day)
Please pray for our young people who are
about to receive this sacrament:
Cora Leigh Cameron
Alexa J. Manzanares Ortiz
Giovanna Maria Gambino

ROSARY

Please join us as we pray the Rosary each
Sunday at 8:45 a.m. before the 9:15 a.m.
Mass. “



The Rosary is the most excellent form of
prayer and the most efficacious means of
attaining eternal life.
It is the remedy for all our evils, the root of
our blessings. There is no more excellent
way of praying.”

- Pope Leo XIII

SCHEDULE FOR LEADING SUNDAY MORNING ROSARY

APRIL 25	DAN
MAY 5	GINGER
MAY 12	LUCAS
MAY 19	TRUDY

MASS INTENTIONS

Requests for Mass Intentions are welcome
for all Masses celebrated at St. Jude
Thaddeus Parish. In order to make the
request of Mass Intentions more
convenient, we now have Mass Intention
envelopes which can be completed and
placed in the offering box found in the
entrance of the church. To request a Mass,
please fill out the front of the envelope,
indicate if you would like a Mass Card in the
sheet provided and include the customary
offering of \$10.00 for the Mass and place it
in the box in the Narthex. You may also
request a mass via email
rectory@stjudemifflintown.org or by making
arrangements with the Parish Secretary on
Thursdays from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. or
after the Sunday 9:15 a.m. Mass.

FIRST FRIDAY MASS & ADORATION



First Friday Mass and Adoration will
be held Friday, May 3rd at 9:00 a.m.
All are welcome to attend!

UPDATE REQUEST

If you have moved, changed phone
numbers or have any other changes you
would like made to your information at the
parish office, please contact the office at
717-436-6722 on Thursdays between the
hours of 10:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. or email
the office at rectory@stjudemifflintown.org



Sacred Heart School

75TH ANNIVERSARY

STREET

FAIR



Join us to celebrate the
75th Anniversary of SHS

Saturday, May 18

10am till 4pm

Family fun day filled with lots
of food & drinks, games, local entertainment & more
Email development@sacredheartschool.com for more information



SATURDAY, April 27, 2024

Lector: C. Fitzgerald

Cantor:

Altar Servers: J. Zarnowski

SUNDAY, April 28, 2024

Lector: T. Ober

Cantor: I. Armstrong

Altar Servers: St. Michael's Guard

Usher: S. Arnold, R. Aufer

SATURDAY, May 4, 2024

Lector: T. Kromel

Cantor:

Altar Servers: J. Zarnowski

Usher:

SUNDAY, May 5, 2024

Lector: T. Ober

Cantor: A. Arnold

Altar Servers: The Millers

Usher: S. Arnold, J. Boyd

SATURDAY, May 11, 2024

Lector: T. Kromel

Cantor:

Altar Servers: J. Zarnowski

Usher:

SUNDAY, May 12, 2024

Lector: J. Hazard

Cantor: R. Perez

Altar Servers: St. Michael's Guard

Usher: D. Ames, P. Ames

WEIS GROCERY CARDS

Saint Jude's Women's Guild will have Weis Grocery cards for sale in the Social Hall after Mass on Sundays. Please see Karen Thome to purchase your cards and support the Guild's charitable works!



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MEMORIALIZE FLOWERS:

If you wish to place flowers on the altar in memory or in honor of someone, please contact Dave Treaster for information on availability of dates. (717) 436-2968.

Youth Protection Program

Promise to Protect, Pledge to Heal

To report suspected abuse of a minor, call the toll free PA Child Abuse Hotline: 1-800-932-0313. To report suspected abuse of a minor by a church official, employee or volunteer, also please call the Diocese of Harrisburg Youth Protection toll free number: 1-800-626-1608 or email: ReportAbuse@hbgdiocese.org.

EMERGENCY EXITS

Designated emergency exits are found in the front of the church to the left and right of the altar, and in the back of the church through the main entrance and the hallway by the restrooms.

We request in case of emergency you select the closest exit to your seat.

Those sitting in the front half of the church should exit using exits found on their respective side. Those sitting back half of the church should exit through the center doors and the doors to the right of the main entry door of the church.

The St Vincent DePaul Society has published a commemorative, fundraising cookbook, celebrating their 25th Anniversary with the National Chapter. These cookbooks contain delicious recipes from fellow parishioners and friends. **Extra copies are available to buy at \$20 each. Support our local SVDP society with your purchase. St. Vincent dePaul is currently facing a critical financial shortfall. Please consider a monetary donation or a donation of personal care items such as shampoo, deodorant etc. Also needed are hats and gloves. For more info, call us at (717) 363-4812. Thank you.**

Sacred Heart School Angel Fund

You will find nicely decorated apples in the Narthex. These apples were decorated by the students of SHS in hopes that you will make a gift to the SHS Angel Fund. The SHS Angel Fund provides scholarships and financial assistance to children who attend our school. If you would like to make a donation, you can make checks payable to **Sacred Heart School with Angel Fund** in the memo and placing it in the collection basket, mailing it to the school or you can go online to sacredheartschool.com and make an online donation. Donations to the SHS Angel Fund are accepted at any time during the year; however, if you are able, we encourage you to participate at this time. **Consider using your 5% tithe to other charitable organizations to participate, if possible. Thanks for your support of SHS!**

WERE YOU MARRIED IN 1974???



Celebrate your Golden Jubilee with the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass Sunday, July 7th at 2:00 p.m., Good Shepherd Church, Camp Hill.

The Most Reverend Timothy C. Senior will be the Celebrant/Homilist

Please contact the parish office with your name and address if you are celebrating your 50th Wedding Anniversary this year by April 5th!

Hersheypark Discount Ticket Offer!

Discount tickets to Hersheypark are available to the friends and families of the parish for **significant savings**. Gate admission for Regular is \$87.80; our price is **\$43.95** (ALL ages 3+) valid until 1/1/2025.

*ADD-ON discount Hersheypark Single Use Meal Deal Tickets for **\$19.06 each** and

*ADD-ON Parking Pass - **\$25.00 pre-ordered** or pay \$30.00 onsite

Tickets purchased in 2024 are valid for any single day of operation throughout the 2024 calendar year, expiring on our final day of operation, January 1, 2025.

Refunds, extensions or upgrades will not be offered.

Orders must be received at the parish **by Friday, April 26, 2024.**

Parishes will receive tickets on or before the week of **May 20, 2024.**

Register NOW for the 2024-25 Academic Year!



Sacred Heart School is now accepting registrations for grades

K-5 for the 2024-2025 school

year! Kindergarten students need to be age 5 by Sept. 1, 2024. **Scholarships and Financial Aid are available.** To schedule a visit or to learn more please call SHS at 717-248-5351 or

email development@sacredheartschool.com

All faiths are welcome.

Save the Date! SHS Benefit Auction weekend: October 12-13 at the Mifflin County Youth Park!

Stay tuned for more information in future bulletins!

Do you have a unique talent like woodworking, painting, cross stitching, quilting, etc.? If so, we would love to have your handmade donation as part of the 2022SHS Benefit Auction. Each year, these items have proven to be the most sought after and cherished by our generous bidders. If you are willing to share your talent with us, please contact Ashley Henry at the Parish Office 717-242-2781 or by email at development@sacredheartschool.com.

NO COFFE HOUR ON MAY 5TH!

There will not be a coffee hour on Sunday, May 5th to allow extra time to prepare the Social Hall for Father Weary's Retirement Celebration!

Juniata County Food Pantry May Update

In March 2024 the Food Pantry served 241 families - 614 of your neighbors! We thank Lower Tuscarora Presbyterian Church for sending volunteers for the month of March.

The Food Pantry's Summer Backpack Program will begin its 12th year starting in June. This program provides lunches throughout summer vacation to school students who normally receive free and reduced-price lunches at school. These students often face hunger in the summer months as their families struggle to provide the extra meals. See below for the kind of donations we need for the Backpack Program. **Volunteers are also needed to help with the Backpack Program!** Call the Food Pantry, 436-9718, to sign up.

BACKPACK PROGRAM NEEDS:
Single-serve, non-perishable lunch items such as 15 oz cans of pasta meals or ready-to-heat soup, microwaveable meals, fruit cups, and pudding cups. Monetary donations are also appreciated.

**PO Box 44, 114 N. Main St,
Mifflintown, 17059
717-436-9718
Hours: Tue 9-12 & 1-5, Sat 9-12**

Our vestibule is open 24 hours a day to receive donations.



Crossroads Pregnancy Center is holding their Annual Baby Bottle Boomerang Campaign. Beginning on May 12th, Mother's Day, empty baby bottles will be available in the Narthex to fill with coins, cash or checks. These filled bottles will be collected on June 16th, Father's Day.

By filling up a bottle with change, you join a community dedicated to supporting women and the unborn life she carries. We invite you to join us as we build a growing partnership of serving Christ in our community.

Will you partner with us in this easy way to save lives?

Our goal this year is \$105,000.

Will you help us reach this year's goal?

A LITTLE CHANGE MAKES A BIG DIFFERENCE!