

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 3:00

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.

August 13, 2017

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 13, 2017

“Then the Lord said to him. ‘Go outside and stand on the mountain before the Lord, the Lord will be passing by.’ A strong heavy wind was rending the mountains and crushing rocks before the Lord – but the Lord was not in the wind. After the wind there was an earthquake – but the Lord was not in the earthquake. After the earthquake there was fire – but the Lord was not in the fire. After the fire there was a tiny whispering sound. When he heard this, Elijah hid his face in his cloak...’ ‘Lord, if it is you command me to come to you on the water’. He said ‘Come.’”

Last week we were Peter, James and John for the Transfiguration. We return to the mountain today with Elijah. The Lord wishes to reveal himself to us again. Where shall we find Him. The natural disasters of hurricane's, earthquakes and wild fires show power and cause great devastation. Perhaps such events force us to call out to the Lord in desperation.

God's presence was revealed in the tiny whispering sound, teaching us to listen closely, sense His presence and like Peter ask – if it is you bid me to come. The call of the Lord is constant and consistent. We need to seek a quiet silence to hear him. The noises of blasting car radios, or construction equipment become a hindrance for us to hear Him speak. The psalmist urges us ‘Be still and know that I am God.’ Do you hear Him speaking?

First Reading: 1 Kings 19:9a, 11-13a

After fleeing from the revenge of the King of Israel, Elijah hid in a cave, but at the command of God, he went outside and stood on a mountain. There the Lord came to him, not in the wind nor in the earthquake, but in a “tiny whispering sound.”

Second Reading: Romans 9:1-5

Paul is deeply pained because the Jews - in spite of everything that has been given to them - have rejected Christ.

Gospel: Matthew 14:22-33

Matthew vividly recounts the event of Jesus walking on the water. When the disciples see this, they are terrified, and Jesus chastises them for their fear. Peter begs Christ to let him walk on the water; he is at first brave but begins to sink and loses faith, crying out, “Lord save me!” Christ rescues him for his faltering faith.

Tithing is God's Plan for Giving:

Income for August 6, 2017	\$ 3,072.75
Capital Improvements	\$ 320.00
Feast of the Assumption	\$ 5.00
Tithe for August 6, 2017	\$ 307.00
Paul W. DeLauter Youth Center	

To our friends at Saint Jude's,

Thank you for your generous donation to the Juniata County Food Pantry. Your gift greatly blesses the lives of your neighbors in need by providing them not only with the necessary nourishment for their bodies, but also the hope and encouragement to nourish their spirits.

**The Lord bless you and keep you,
Your Friends at the Juniata Co. Food Pantry**

God Is Good ! We very much appreciate you answering our call for help. Your generous donation to Saint Vincent de Paul will go a long way to meet the needs of those we serve. Thank you so very much.

Board Secretary

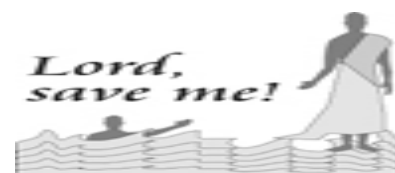
Joey Heroux



Bible Study Fellowship

Adult Bible Study will begin Tuesday, Sept. 5th from 7-8:30 PM at the Sacred Heart parish

office on N. Brown St. Join us as we study the book of Revelation every Tuesday from Sept. 5th thru Nov. 14th. No classes will be held on Oct. 24th (40 Hours) and on Oct. 31st (Eve of Holy Day). A \$20 donation is welcomed but not necessary. Stop at the parish office to pick up your study guide materials.



LITURGICAL NOTES:

Mass  for the
Intentions  Week
And Weekly Reading



Saturday, August 12: Weekday

Deuteronomy 6:4-13; Psalm 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 47 & 51;
Matthew 17:14-20

5:00 PM Maggie Sander

Sunday, August 13: 19th Sunday in Ordinary

Time

1 Kings 19:9a, 11-13a; Psalm 85:9, 10, 11-12, 13-14;
Romans 9:1-5; Matthew 14:22-33

9:15 AM Walter Eichenberger

Monday, August 14: St. Maximilian Kolbe, Priest and Martyr (Memorial); The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary: Vigil

1 Chronicles 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2; Psalm 132:6-7, 9-10, 13-
14; 1 Corinthians 15:54b-57; Luke 11:27-28

9:00 AM People of the Parish

Tuesday, August 15: The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Revelation 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Psalm 45:10, 11, 12, 16; 1
Corinthians 15:20-27; Luke 1:39-56

7:00PM Eleanor Angstadt

Wednesday, August 16: Weekday

Deuteronomy 34:1-12; Psalm 66:1-3a, 5 & 8, 16-17;
Matthew 18:15-20

Thursday, August 17: Weekday

Joshua 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17; Psalm 114:1-2, 3-4, 5-6; Matthew
18:21-19:1

Friday, August 18: Weekday

Joshua 24:1-13; Psalm 136:1-3, 16-18, 21-22 & 24; Matthew
19:3-12

Saturday, August 19: Weekday

Joshua 24:14-29; Psalm 16:1-2a & 5, 7-8, 11; Matthew
19:13-15

5:00 PM Maggie Sander

Sunday, August 20: 20th Sunday in Ordinary

Time

Isaiah 56:1, 6-7; Psalm 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Romans 11:13-15,
29-32; Matthew 4:23

9:15 AM Mike and Karen Johnson

Calendar of Events

Saturday: 8/12

Gospel Reflections/7:30am/ social hall

Mass/ 5:00pm/ Church

Sunday: 8/13

Mass / 9:15am/ Church

Monday: 8/14

Mass/9:00am/ Church

Tuesday: 8/15

Feast of the Assumption/Mass 7:00PM/ Church

Wednesday: 8/16

No Event

Thursday: 8/17

No Event

Friday: 8/18

No Event

Saturday: 8/19

Gospel Reflections/ 7:30am/ social hall

Mass/ 5:00pm/ Church

Sunday: 8/20

Mass / 9:15 am / Church

Minister Schedule

August 19 & August 20, 2017

Saturday, August 19, 2017: 5:00pm

EMHC: A. Zarnowski

Lector: G. Treaster

Cantor: M. Kerchusky

Altar Servers: Joe, Dave, and Daryl

Gift Bearer: People of the Parish

Greeter: G. Treaster

Ushers: T. Kerchusky

Sunday, August 20, 2017: 9:15am

EMHC: T. Ober D. Treaster J. Fitzgerald

Lector: T. Kromel

Cantor: A. Arnold/ C. Ames

Altar Servers: M. Imes C. Murphy

Gifts: People of the Parish

Greeters: People of the Parish

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*

BLOOD DRIVE

Saint Jude Knights of Columbus will be sponsoring a Blood Drive on Saturday September 2, from 9am-2pm.



Cemetery of Innocents

This display will be erected in October, Respect Life Month, in the church yard. Parishioners now have the opportunity to purchase a cross or crosses for \$2 each. This display will represent the number of lives lost to abortion each month in Pennsylvania. If you have any questions, please contact Megan Miller (527-4426) mfitzy6@hotmail.com or Colleen Hazard (527-9914) chazard@live.com. Crosses will be for sale after 9:15 masses. Checks may be made payable to Women's Guild. In addition, a portion of each cross purchase will be donated to Rachel's Vineyard. www.rachelsvineyard.com

Diocesan Women's Conference-Oct. 14, 2017

Women of the Diocese of Harrisburg, please mark your calendar for the 3rd Annual Diocesan Women's Conference, Saturday, October 14, 2017, at Bishop McDevitt High School. Theme: "Lead all Souls to Heaven": Mary's Message to Us from Fatima. Keynote Speaker: Award winning Catholic author and noted speaker, Susan Brinkmann. The Women's Conference includes 36 workshops from a blue-ribbon list of speakers, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with the Rosary and Benediction, opportunity for Confession available, beautiful music, good food, a wide variety of exhibitors, and celebration of Mass by Bishop Ronald W. Gainer. Conference information including Online Registration, is currently available at www.hbgdiocese.org/women. Registration brochures for paper registration are also available in the church vestibule and online. Last year we had more than 800 women attend this conference. This year we are hoping for 1,000+ women!



SCHOOL NEWS



Back to School Night will be held on **Thursday, August 24th from 6-7 PM.** Back to School Night for grades 1-5 is a great opportunity for the parents to meet the teachers and learn all about the school year that lies ahead.

Kindergarten Orientation will be held on **Thursday, August 24th at 9 AM.** This is for Kindergarten students and parents to attend. Come learn what happens during a typical day in Kindergarten, take a short school bus ride and learn about bus safety.



First Diocesan Encuentro of Hispanic Ministry Please save the date of **September 23, 2017** for the Diocesan Encuentro at Cardinal Keeler Center, Harrisburg. Keynote Speaker: Auxiliary Bishop of Newark and Regional Lead for V Encuentro, **Bishop Manuel Cruz.** Day begins with the Diocesan Hispanic Heritage Mass with **Bishop Ronald W. Gainer** as the Principal Celebrant and Homilist. The **free** event (offered in Spanish) includes: 3 workshops, worship music, Priests available for Confession, and lunch. **Due to limited spaces available, please contact the parish office to request tickets!** For more information visit www.hbgdiocese.org/hispanicministry. All are welcome to be part of a day of prayer, worship, catechesis and fellowship!



FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION

This Tuesday, August 15 is the Feast of the Assumption. Mass will be at Saint Jude at 7:00pm on Tuesday evening. A vigil Mass will be at Sacred Heart in Lewistown on Monday August 14 at 7:00pm and also at 12:00 Noon on Tuesday August 15.

Ministry Schedule for August 15

EMHC: J. & A. Zarnowski

Lector: C. Fitzgerald

Cantor: M. Miller

Altar Servers: St. Michael's Guard

Gifts: People of the Parish

Ushers: R. Aufer A. Thawley

*Thank
you*

"God is Out of this World" was the theme for VBS which took place on July 17th-20th at St. Jude. Approximately 28 children attended each evening and had a wonderful time learning about creation, forgiveness, love and guidance. The program wrapped up with a fun, but wet, celebration on July 23rd at Buttonwood campground with moon bouncing, laser tag, mini golf, peddle carts and hot dogs. A special thanks goes out to the many people who volunteered their time, talents, and donations to make this possible. We also want to thank the children and families who donated towards the cemetery of innocents, we raised enough money to add 33 crosses to the display this fall.

Thanks, Shane and Elizabeth Armstrong

Dannah Gresh's Secret Keeper Girl 'Purple Party Tour' invites 7-12 year old girls and their moms to think and act differently. Today's little girls face pressure their moms didn't know until they were in high school. Secret Keeper Girl offer moms proven tools to teach their girl to embrace true beauty and biblical modesty. Join us on **Thursday, August 17 at 6:30 PM - 9 PM at the Lewistown Middle School** for the Secret Keeper Girl Purple Party Tour. There will be time to laugh, time to pray, and time to talk about the issues your daughters are dealing with. Through live worship, fun bible teaching and memorable stories, tween girls will be told unequivocally that they are each a masterpiece created by God. Go to purefreedom.brushfireapp.com for ticket information.

National Catholic Youth Conference (NCYC)
Any high school
age Catholics in
grades 9-12 as of
the Fall 2017 are
invited to attend



NCYC in Indianapolis on November 15-19, 2017 Every other year, Catholic young people and their chaperones come together to pray, learn, and grow in their faith. In addition to opportunities to receive the sacrament of the Eucharist and penance, NCYC participants attend general and breakout sessions on a wide variety of topics as well as opportunities for reconciliation, daily liturgy, and special activities such as concerts, a dance, and comedy club. All parish groups must register through the Diocese of Harrisburg Office for Youth and Young Adult Ministry at www.hbgdiocese.org/youngchurch. Visit www.ncyc.info to view the NCYC promotion video, hear a sample of the theme song, and get more program information.