

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.

February 4, 2018

Fifth 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

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 4, 2018

“Rising very early before dawn, he left and went to a deserted place, where he prayed. Simon and those who were with him pursued him and on finding him said: ‘Everyone is looking for you.’ He said to them, ‘Let us go on to the nearby villages that I may preach there also. For this purpose, have I come’. So he went into their synagogues preaching and driving out demons throughout the whole of Galilee.”

Jesus the healer, Jesus the pray-er, Jesus the preacher and teacher. A few verses capture His ministry and message that He offers. Fast forward and the need is the same: ‘everyone is looking for you.’

Many are looking for fame, comfort, riches, but not for what Jesus has brought. We are called to help them find the Lord who means so much to us. Who is it that has fallen away from the church? They are still loved by the Lord. Who do I know caught in a bad habit, a vice, or depression? They are still loved by the Lord.

What they need is someone who looked for the Lord, has found Him and wishes to share that same positive experience with them. As I live my conviction and faith, I bring Him to them, and they to Him.

First Reading: Job 7:1-4, 6-7

In this passage, Job laments the drudgery and pain all people sometimes experience in life. He talks of troubled days and restless nights. But he does mention that the days move along swiftly, which can remind us that our time here on earth is quite limited and should be well spent.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-23

Paul explains to the Corinthians that he has no choice, but must preach the gospel. He tells of making himself all things to all people, in order to save some of them. He reminds them that he does this willingly, in the hope of sharing in the blessings of the gospel.

Gospel: Mark 1:29-39

Jesus cured Simon and Andrew’s mother of a fever, then others with illnesses or demons came to see him. He cured those who were ill, and cast out the demons of the others. Then he went off and prayed alone until his followers sought him out. Jesus and his disciples then moved on to other villages to proclaim the good news.

Tithing is God’s Plan for Giving:

Income for January 28, 2018	\$ 1,705.98
Rental Income	\$ 1,200.00
Tithe for January 28, 2018	
Saint Vincent de Paul Society	\$ 291.00

“WE ARE AMBASSADORS FOR CHRIST”

By our baptism, we are ambassadors for Christ, called to share our faith with our family and friends, with our neighbors, indeed, with the whole world. Next Sunday, we are invited to make a special commitment as missionaries. We are invited to join in the worldwide mission of Jesus by joining the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, reaching out to the people of the world in more than 1,150 mission dioceses worldwide. In making this commitment, we pledge to... **PRAY** daily for the missionary work of the Church, offering our personal crosses for missionaries and those they serve. **OFFER REGULAR FINANCIAL HELP** in support of those who bring the “Good News” of Jesus to our brothers and sisters throughout the Missions. Please say “yes” to this special missionary call next weekend.



Upcoming Events

On March 3, 2018 the Diocese of Harrisburg will celebrate the 150th anniversary of its founding in 1868. Keep checking the bulletin for events commemorating the anniversary.



Please remember to keep reverential silence in Church before and after Mass. Speak softly so that others can pray in preparation and in thanksgiving, adoring the Real Presence in the Most Blessed Sacrament. Thank You.

LITURGICAL NOTES:

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



Saturday, February 3: Weekday

1 Kings 3:4-13; Psalm 119:9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14; Mark 6:30-34

5:00 PM Michael Swartz

6:30 PM People of the Parish

Sunday, February 4: Fifth Sunday in Ordinary

Time

Job 7:1-4, 6-7; Psalm 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6; 1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-23; Matthew 8:17

9:15 AM Alicia Bray

Monday, February 5: St. Agatha, Virgin and Martyr (Memorial)

1 Kings 8:1-7, 9-13; Psalm 132:6-7, 8-10; Mark 6:53-56

9:00 AM The Palumbo Family

Tuesday, February 6: St. Paul Miki and

Companions, Martyrs (Memorial)

1 Kings 8:22-23, 27-30; Psalm 84:3, 4, 5 & 10, 11; Mark 7:1-13

Wednesday, February 7: Weekday

1 Kings 10:1-10; Psalm 37:5-6, 30-31, 39-40; Mark 7:14-23

Thursday, February 8: Weekday

1 Kings 11:4-13; Psalm 106:3-4, 35-36, 37 & 40; Mark 7:24-30

Friday, February 9: Weekday

1 Kings 11:29-32; 12:19; Psalm 81:10-11ab, 12-13, 14-15; Mark 7:31-37

Saturday, February 10: St. Scholastica, Virgin (Memorial)

1 Kings 12:26-32; 13:33-34; Psalm 148:1bc-2, 11-13a, 13c-14; Mark 8:1-10

5:00 PM Edwin A. Sander

Sunday, February 11: Sixth Sunday in Ordinary

Time

Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46; Psalm 32:1-2, 5, 11; 1 Corinthians 10:31-11:1; Mark 1:40-45

9:15 AM Mary Zangrilli

Calendar of Events

Saturday: 2/03

Gospel Reflections/7:30am/ social hall

Mass/5:00pm/ Church

Spanish Mass/ 6:30pm/ Church

Sunday: 2/04

Mass/ 9:15am/ Church

CCD After Mass

Christ Life/5:00pm/ Social Hall

Monday: 2/05

Mass/9:00 am/ Church

Tuesday: 2/06

No Event

Wednesday: 2/07

No Event

Thursday: 2/08

No Event

Friday: 2/09

Fish Dinners/ 4:00pm/ Social Hall

Saturday: 2/10

Gospel Reflections/ 7:30am/ social hall

Mass/ 5:00pm/ Church

Sunday: 2/11

Mass / 9:15 am / Church

CCD after Mass

Christ Life /5:00pm/ Social Hall

Minister Schedule

February 10 & February 11, 2018

Saturday, February 10, 2018: 5:00pm

EMHC: J. & A. Zarnowski

Lector: Y. Melara

Cantor: M. Kerchusky

Altar Servers: K. & Y. Melara

Gifts: People of the Parish

Greeter: P. Thompson

Usher: T. Kerchusky

Sunday, February 11, 2018: 9:15am

EMHC: D. Parson K. Graham

Lector: Z. Ames

Cantor: R. Perez

Altar Servers: Dave, Daryl, and Jim

Gifts: People of the Parish

Greeters: People of the Parish

Ushers: R. Auker M. Eberts



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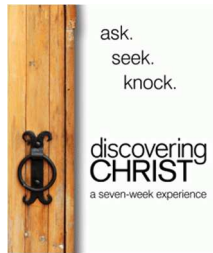
Seeking Charity and Justice

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*

ASK, SEEK and KNOCK –
Looking for answers? Why are we here? What is the meaning of life? Is God real? Who is Jesus?

Starting **Sunday, February 4 2018 at 5:00 PM**, and continuing until March 25, St. Jude's parish will be

hosting in their social hall, a seven week course titled **Discovering Christ**. The course will include a day retreat to be held on March 10. At each of the sessions dinner will be served beginning at 5:00 PM, continuing with a video and small group discussion. For registration, please see Ralph Perez after Mass, or hand in registration form in the office. **It is important to register, so that materials will be available for each participant.**



LENTEN FISH DINNERS

St. Jude Knights' Friday evening Lenten fish dinners will begin on February 9, 2018 and end March 23, 2018, from 4-7PM. In the church social hall. Please join us for a delicious, all-you-can-eat meal that includes fried and baked fish, popcorn shrimp, fried clams, French fries, macaroni and cheese, stewed tomatoes, corn, green beans, coleslaw, applesauce, rolls, puddings, and a selection of homemade desserts.

Pay at the door: Adults- \$12.00: Ages 6-12- \$6.00:
Under 6-free **Please come often and enjoy a great meal !**



Items Needed

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 our growing list of items to be auctioned off at this year's Benefit Auction event, scheduled for **Sunday, April 29th**. 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 Sacred Heart Parish Office.

Auction Time

If you would like to be involved with this year's 20th Annual Benefit Auction, please contact Ashley Henry at the Sacred Heart Parish Office for the next meeting date and time. **This year's auction will be held on Sunday, April 29th at the Mifflin County Youth Park.**



The Knights of Columbus are in need of adult volunteers to help out with their fish dinners on Fridays from February 9, 2018 through March 23, 2018. Proceeds from the dinners pay for improvements and maintenance of our parish buildings. When you give your time to help with the dinners, you are helping our parish. If you can help for only one night or on a regular basis, contact **Joe Zarnowski at 908-892-0271**. Please give us a hand.

The Harrisburg Diocesan Guild of the Catholic Medical Association and the St. Thomas More Society of Central PA invites all physicians, health care workers, medical students, and members of the legal profession to the Annual Lenten Reflection on Saturday, February 17, 2018 from 8:30am-12:00pm at the Diocesan Center(4800 Union Deposit Road). Penance Service, Reflection and Mass by the Most Reverend Ronald W.Gainer,D.D.,J.C.L. Please RSVP for planning purposes to Kate Neri at KNeri@hbgiocese.org.

Diocesan Men's Conference – March 10, 2018



Men of the Diocese of Harrisburg may now register online at www.hbgdiocese.org/men, for the 7th Annual

Diocesan Men's Conference, Saturday, March 10, 2018, at Bishop McDevitt High. Theme: *Men of Mary, Mercy, and the Eucharist*. Keynote Speaker: Father Chris Alar, MIC, noted speaker and expert on Divine Mercy. The title of his keynote address is *Mary, Mercy, and the Eucharist*. Besides the keynote, the conference includes 34 workshops from a blue-ribbon panel of speakers, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with the Divine Mercy Chaplet & Benediction, many Priests available for Confession, beautiful music, good food, Catholic vendors, Mass with Bishop Gainer as Principal Celebrant and Homilist, and fellowship with up to a thousand men from around the diocese. Last year we had 1,100 men attend. We expect another large crowd this year. We'd love to see you there! Register now!

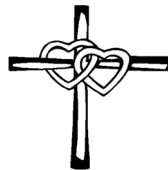
Catholic Charities Counseling

Catholic Charities Counseling Service – Outpatient Behavioral Health Care is dedicated to providing access to high quality outpatient counseling for Inchildren, adolescents, and adults in a small, friendly, confidential office. Services include individual and family therapy, marital counseling, and parent-child counseling. Services are provided regardless of religious affiliation. Visit www.cchbg.org for more information. Brochures are available in the vestibule.



Married Couples Weekend Get-Away: The Mission of Marriage will be held at St. Joseph Convent, 1872 Munster Rd., Portage, PA from **Fri., Feb. 9 at 5:30 PM to Sun., Feb. 11 at noon.**

The presenter for the weekend will be Dr. John R. Wood, the author of, "Ordinary Lives, Extraordinary Mission: 5 Steps to Winning the War Within." A suggested donation of \$75 weekend/\$35 day is being requested to cover meals and cost. Please register by Wed., Feb. 7 by contacting Sr. Jacina at sisterjacinta@gmail.com or 814-886-4459. Organized by the Sister Servants of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus.



HOSPITAL PASTORAL VISITS

If you or someone you know will be entering the hospital, please let the priest know in advance or call the Church office or call Sacred Heart office at 242-2781. Due to the privacy act, it is not possible for the priest to access information as to whom has been admitted.



In a few weeks, we will begin the season of Lent. Ash Wednesday is February 14 and Mass will be celebrated at Saint Jude at 7:00pm.

Also, a Lenten Penance Service will be held on Sunday, February 25 at 3:00pm. One will be held at Sacred Heart at 7:00pm.



LENTEN TEAS

The annual Women's Lenten Teas will begin on Wednesday, February 14 and continue throughout Lent. Each week, fellowship begins at 9:30am with Bible study at 10:00am.

February 14	Messiah Lutheran Church
February 21	Westminster Presbyterian
February 28	Trinity United Methodist
March 7	St. Stephen's Lutheran
March 14	Aldersgate United Methodist
March 21	St. Jude Catholic Church

All women are invited to attend. If you have any questions, please see Kathy Graham.