

# 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



[www.stjudemifflintown.org](http://www.stjudemifflintown.org)

**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.

**February 10, 2019**

**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 10, 2019**

**“Woe is me, I am doomed! For I am a man of unclean lips, living among people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts! He touched my mouth...and said ‘See now, that this has touched your lips, your wickedness is removed, your sin purged.’ Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, ‘Whom shall I send? Who will go for me?’ ‘Here I am, I said, send me.’”**

The call of the prophet and the new vocation of the fishermen can be the image of the call that Jesus makes for us today. We need to respond to the invitation He graciously gives us, to be sent to announce His message. It is easy for us to make excuses, to hesitate, or even flee.

The ‘unclean lips’ of Isaiah were purified to prepare him for his role. Our own lips are unclean when we use them to criticize, speak ill of others, or complain, or even use bad language. We can use the same tongue to pray, praise and show others His presence in our lives

Peter speaks for us all as he says: ‘but at your command I will lower the nets.’ What a surprise, leading him to the humble confession ‘depart from me Lord for I am a sinful man.’ Jesus responds with the familiar phrase ‘Do not be afraid...from now on...they followed Him.’

May we identify with Isaiah, seeking what the Lord asks of us. May we leave our tangled nets, acknowledge the Lord’s call and forgiveness, and follow Him.

**First Reading: Isaiah 6:1-2a, 3-8**

Isaiah recounts the awe he felt the first time he saw the Lord, who was surrounded by angels. He began to feel despair because he was a man of unclean lips, until an angel touched an ember to his lips and pronounced them clean. The Lord asked who he should send forth, to which Isaiah replied, "Here I am, send me!"

**Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11**

Paul reminds the Corinthians that Christ died for us to free us from our sins. He encourages them to remember the importance of Jesus' death and resurrection. He admits that he initially failed to believe, and therefore was very grateful to be called an apostle and preach in the name of Christ.

**Gospel: Luke 5:1-11**

Luke tells of Jesus preaching to a crowd, then joining Peter who was about to end a fruitless day of fishing. He told Peter to lower his net back in, and a great number of fish were caught. Upon seeing this, Peter and his companions, James and John, immediately abandoned their nets to follow Jesus.



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

Income for February 3, 2019	\$ 4,020.98
Propagation of the Faith	\$ 160.00
Capital Improvements	\$ 330.00
Tithe for February 3, 2019	\$ 402.00
Saint Vincent de Paul Society	



God Blesses those who give!

Many thanks to the members of St. Judes' Parish for your continued support to St. Vincent de Paul thru your generous tithes and for your gracious other donations. We very much appreciate each and every one of you.

Joey Heroux  
Board Secretary

**Adult Bible Study**



Sacred Heart of Jesus Church will begin **Adult Bible Study on Tuesday, February 26th at 7:00 PM** in the parish office on N. Brown St. We will be studying "The After Life". You may pick up your books at the parish office or get them at the first lesson on February 26<sup>th</sup>. **A donation of \$20 is appreciated. All are welcome to attend.**



*This week Gale will be in the office on Monday and Friday. I will not be in on Wednesday. The office will be closed on Monday, February 18 for Presidents Day.*

## LITURGICAL NOTES:

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



### Saturday, February 9: Weekday

Hebrews 13:15-17, 20-21; Psalm 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Mark 6:30-34

5:00 PM William Tonge

### Sunday, February 10: Fifth Sunday in Ordinary

#### Time

Isaiah 6:1-2a, 3-8; Psalm 138:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 7-8; 1  
Corinthians 15:1-11; Luke 5:1-11

9:15 AM Alicia Bray

### Monday, February 11: Weekday

Genesis 1:1-19; Psalm 104:1-2a, 5-6, 10 & 12, 24 & 35c;  
Mark 6:53-56

9:00 AM Michael R. Palumbo

### Tuesday, February 12: Weekday

Genesis 1:20-2:4; Psalm 8:4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Mark 7:1-13

### Wednesday, February 13: Weekday

Genesis 2:4b-9, 15-17; Psalm 104:1-2a, 27-28, 29bc-30;  
Mark 7:14-23

### Thursday, February 14: Sts. Cyril, Monk, and Methodius, Bishop (Memorial)

Genesis 2:18-25; Psalm 128:1-2, 3, 4-5; Mark 7:24-30

### Friday, February 15: Weekday

Genesis 3:1-8; Psalm 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7; Mark 7:31-37

### Saturday, February 16: Weekday

Genesis 3:9-24; Psalm 90:2, 3-4abc, 5-6, 12-13; Mark 8:1-10  
5:00 PM Bob Fitzgerald

### Sunday, February 17: Sixth Sunday in Ordinary

#### Time

Jeremiah 17:5-8; Psalm 1:1-2, 3, 4 & 6; 1 Corinthians 15:12,  
16-20; Luke 6:17, 20-26

9:15 AM Ben Davis

## Calendar of Events

### Saturday: 2/09

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

### Sunday: 2/10

Mass/ 9:15am/ Church  
CCD after Mass/10:30 am  
Wild Goose Series/4:00pm/ Social Hall

### Monday: 2/11

Mass/9:00 am/ Church

### Tuesday: 2/12

No Event

### Wednesday: 2/13

No Event

### Thursday: 2/14

No Event

### Friday: 2/15

No Event

### Saturday: 2/16

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## **Minister Schedule**

### **February 16 & February 17, 2019**

Saturday, Feb. 16, 2019: 5:00pm

EMHC: A. Zarnowski  
Lector: C. Fitzgerald  
Cantor: M. Kerchusky  
Altar Servers: J. Zarnowski D. Treaster  
Gifts: People of the Parish  
Greeters: People of the Parish  
Usher: T. Kerchusky

Sunday, Feb. 17, 2019: 9:15am

EMHC: J. Fitzgerald T. Ober D. Parson  
Lector: J. Kelly  
Cantor; M. Miller  
Altar Servers: T. & S. Kelly Dayton Miller  
Gifts: People of the Parish  
Greeters: D. & G. Best  
Ushers: T. Newcamp A. Thawley



**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**

## Wild Goose Series-Part 2

The Wild Goose Series-study of the Holy Spirit. The sessions for this week will begin earlier in the afternoon. The sessions for Sunday, February 10 will run from 4:00pm to 7:30pm and are entitled "The Spirit Convicts" and "The Spirit's Freedom". Join us for this wonderful series even if you have not attended the prior sessions. At each session we share a potluck dinner and watch a video, reflection and discussion. There is no cost for the sessions, we ask that you let us know if you plan to attend the next session so we have sufficient materials and we know what you will be bringing for the potluck. To register or if you have any questions, please contact Ralph Perez 717-543-1905.



"Women of the Diocese are warmly invited to the 8th Prayer Shawl Retreat, hosted by The Harrisburg Diocesan Council of Catholic Women. It is Saturday, February 23, 2019, at Good Shepherd Parish, 3435 Trindle Road, Camp Hill, PA. The day begins with Mass at 9:30 a.m., followed by knitting / crocheting, praying the Rosary, fellowship and lunch. The Retreat will conclude at 2:30 p.m. Beginners are welcome to this day of sharing and fellowship in this special ministry. The cost of \$10 includes lunch, advance registration is required. Please call Kathy Kokoski at 717-448-8899 or Debbie Black 717-514-8815.



## Items Needed

The auction committee is looking for handmade, new, or gently used items to be auctioned off at our **Benefit Auction on April 28, 2019**. If you would like to donate an item, please contact Ashley Henry at the Parish Office at 717-242-2781.



## LENTEN FISH DINNERS

St. Jude Knights' of Columbus Lenten fish dinners will be March 1, 2019 through April 12, 2019, from 4-7 PM 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!



## ADULT HELP NEEDED FOR LENTEN FISH DINNERS!

The Knights of Columbus are in need of adult volunteers to help out with their fish dinners on Fridays from March 1, 2019 through April 12, 2019. Proceeds from the dinners pay for improvements and maintenance of our parish buildings, so that when you give your time, you are helping our parish. If you can help for any amount of time, for one or two Fridays or on a regular basis, please contact Joe Zarnowski at 908-892-0271 or 717-436-9627. We appreciate any time you can give.



## Join Us

It is time to start planning the 21<sup>st</sup> Annual SHS Benefit Auction. This year's auction will be held on **Sunday, April 28, 2019** at the Mifflin County Youth Park. A Spaghetti Dinner will be held the night before on Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup>.

As we look to February, we think of love and of giving to those we care about. Our hearts and our heads are full of kind, loving thoughts. We see it everywhere from the stores full of hearts and candy, to the floral ads in the newspaper and on TV, to our favorite artistry websites on how to craft your love! As we think of ways to show our love to others, let us also give our love to God. Paul said, ***“Each one must do just as he has purposed in his heart, not grudgingly or under***



***compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.”*** In these days of such hatred and despair in our country, let us start off the month of February with sharing our love to those who need it most; those who lack basic necessities. James 2:15-16 tells us ***If a brother or sister is without clothing and in need of daily food, and one of you says to them, “Go in peace, be warmed and be filled,” and yet you do not give them what is necessary for their body, what use is that?*** We see and hear from those in our parish and those in our community who do not have the basic needs to survive. Things like food, shampoo, soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes, blankets, sheets, towels, and clothing; a warm coat, hats, gloves and socks are not available. Look around your home and think how we take for granted items like these. For many in our area, those are much needed items. Please think about helping others and show your love by making a donation to St. Vincent dePaul. Items may be brought to the Parish Office or placed in the box in the Narthex. Contact us: [stvincentdepaullewistown@gmail.com](mailto:stvincentdepaullewistown@gmail.com).



### Fundraiser Items Needed

The St Vincent DePaul Society is holding a fundraising Calendar Raffle for the month of March. Anyone who is willing to donate to this cause; we are looking for gift cards and new items such as candles, Avon, car wash tokens, etc. with an approximate value of \$25. Please call the office by Friday, February 15<sup>th</sup> if you can help. We will be selling the calendars for \$10 each which will give you 31 days in March for a chance to win. **Calendars will be available at the Parish Office starting Feb. 20<sup>th</sup> and after all Masses at Sacred Heart & St. Jude on Feb. 23<sup>rd</sup>-24<sup>th</sup>.** Many of you have seen these calendar fundraisers with area sports teams. Thank you in advance for your help and support.



### SHS Needs Your Help!

Our Catholic Schools Week service project this year is the Jared Box Project where organizations fill boxes of children’s activities for those who are in the hospital, ER, chemo treatments, etc. **We are looking for donors to sponsor a caddy** so we can brighten the day of children that are seen at the Geisinger-Lewistown Hospital. **Caddies cost \$6** and checks can be made payable to Kim Miriello. If you would like to sponsor a caddy, please drop checks or cash off to the Sacred Heart Parish Office Attn: SHS Catholic Schools Week Service Project by **Wednesday, February 13<sup>th</sup>.**



### 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Closing Mass

Please join Bishop Ronald W. Gainer as Celebrant and Homilist to conclude the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration of the founding of the Diocese of Harrisburg. A reception, featuring a sampling of ethnic foods from various ethnic and cultural groups that comprise the faithful of the Diocese, will be held immediately following the Mass. The Closing Mass will be held at Good Shepherd Church at 3:00 PM on March 3, 2019. For additional information, visit [www.hbdgiocese.org/150](http://www.hbdgiocese.org/150).



### Don’t Get Scammed

Scammers are now posing as priests and other clergy. In this latest scam, you might receive an email or a text message that appears to be from your Pastor or another priest that you may know. The scammer asks you to help someone in need by purchasing gift cards and to provide the codes on that card. Here’s how to protect yourself from being scammed. **–Know that scammers are out there. Be suspicious of any request for funds of any type via an email message or a text message. –Verify any request with a call to the person who supposedly sent it or a call to the phone number or the text that you received. –Know that any email from a priest should be from a diocesan or parish email account. Messages sent from free services, such as Gmail or Yahoo, are more likely to be scammers. –Many clergy do not share their cell phone numbers publicly. If you receive a text message from someone not on your phone’s contact list, be suspicious. –Know that priests will NEVER ask for financial transactions via email or text messages.**

