

# 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 24, 2019

Seventh 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

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 24, 2019

**But love your enemies and do good to them, and lend expecting nothing back; then your reward will be great and you will be children of the Most High, for he himself is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful...Stop judging...stop condemning, forgive and you will be forgiven."**

If we wished to choose one word to describe the ministry of Pope Francis, it would be 'mercy.' His writings reflect this teaching of Jesus in the beatitudes. He proclaimed a holy year of mercy. He constantly is extending the compassionate hand of Jesus to the poor and marginalized.

Luke's teaching asks us to consider what seems so difficult. Love enemies, give without expecting a return, be concerned for ungrateful and those so distant from the gospel.

When driving and someone cuts you off, pray for him. If you are offended by someone's remark, chalk it up to a bad day and don't brood over it. Don't live the expression 'I don't get mad; I just get even.' Spend a moment discerning who might be an 'enemy' and seek a way to open the door to friendship, by prayer, a smile, or another sign of peace.

Didn't Jesus tell us to forgive so we may be forgiven?

### First Reading: 1 Samuel 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23

Saul wanted to harm David and went into the desert to locate him. David and his companion Abishai visited Saul and his troops while they slept. Abishai wanted to kill Saul, but David would not allow it, as he refused to kill the Lord's anointed.

### Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:45-49

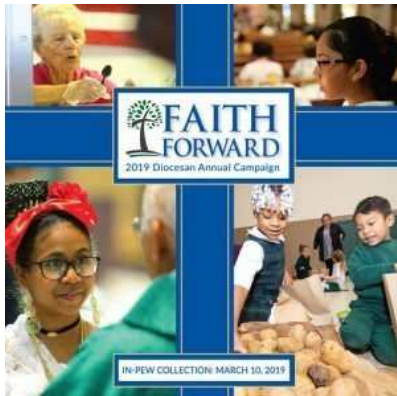
Paul portrays Adam as the first physical man and Jesus as the first man to give us our spirituality. One man was formed from dust, the other sent down from heaven. Just as we resemble the first being physically, we should model ourselves after Jesus spiritually.

### Gospel: Luke 6:27-38

Jesus explains that loving only people who love us is no great achievement. He also reminds us that doing a favor for someone while expecting something in return is not what he asks of us. Instead, we should emulate God by being compassionate and non-judgmental, even towards individuals who hate and mistreat us.

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

Income for February 17, 2019	\$ 2,107.23
Tithe for February 17, 2019	\$ 211.00
Juniata County Food Pantry	



*Next week we will kick off the 2019 Diocesan Annual Campaign, formerly known as the Bishop's Annual Lenten Appeal, with the in-pew solicitation. Bishop Gainer has prepared a video message for us which you can view on the Diocesan home page as well as our Parish website. **Faith Forward is the theme for the 2019 Diocesan Annual Campaign.** We have been asked by Bishop Gainer to prayerfully consider a pledge to this effort. As a parish we benefit in a number of ways: from shared administrative services, like payroll and accounts payable, to human resources, to outreach ministries that are led by the Diocese and implemented at the parish level. By our collective efforts from parishioners and parishes throughout the Diocese, a multitude of programs and ministries are offered to those in need. We are relying on your generous support to insure that these programs and ministries continue. We thank you in advance for your loyal and steadfast support. The assessment for St. Jude Church for this current year is \$13,600.00.*



## LITURGICAL NOTES:

*Mass for the  
Intentions for the  
Week*

*And Weekly Readings*



### Saturday, February 23: St Polycarp, Bishop & Martyr (Memorial)

Hebrews 11:1-7; Psalm 145:2-3, 4-5, 10-11; Mark 9:2-13  
5:30 PM Bert Williams

### Sunday, February 24: Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

1 Samuel 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23; Psalm 103:1-2, 3-4, 8, 10, 12-13; 1 Corinthians 15:45-49; Luke 6:27-38

9:15 AM Donald Thome

### Monday, February 25: Weekday

Sirach 1:1-10; Psalm 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5; Mark 9:14-29

9:00 AM Julia Kivlin

### Tuesday, February 26: Weekday

Sirach 2:1-11; Psalm 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40; Mark 9:30-37

### Wednesday, February 27: Weekday

Sirach 4:11-19; Psalm 119:165, 168, 171, 172, 174, 175; Mark 9:38-40

### Thursday, February 28: Weekday

Sirach 5:1-8; Psalm 1:1-2, 3, 4 & 6; Mark 9:41-50

### Friday, March 1: Weekday

Sirach 6:5-17; Psalm 119:12, 16, 18, 27, 34, 35; Mark 10:1-12

9:00 AM People of the Parish

### Saturday, March 2: Weekday

Sirach 17:1-15; Psalm 103:13-14, 15-16, 17-18; Mark 10:13-16

5:00 PM Stella Sander

### Sunday, March 3: Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sirach 27:4-7; Psalm 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16; 1 Corinthians 15:54-58; Luke 6:39-45

9:15 AM Leo Fitzgerald

## Calendar of Events

### Saturday: 2/23

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

### Sunday: 2/24

Mass/ 9:15am/ Church  
CCD after Mass/10:30 am

### Monday: 2/25

Mass/9:00 am/ Church

### Tuesday: 2/26

No Event

### Wednesday: 2/27

No Event

### Thursday: 2/28

No Event

### Friday: 3/01

First Friday Mass with Benediction/9:00am/Church  
Lenten Fish Dinner/4-7pm/ Social Hall

### Saturday: 3/02

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

Spanish Mass/6:30pm/ Church

### Sunday: 3/03

Mass/ 9:15am/ Church

CCD after Mass/10:30am

## **Minister Schedule**

### **March 2 & March 3, 2019**

Saturday, March 2, 2019: 5:00 pm

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, March 3, 2019: 9:15am

EMHC: J. Price T. Ober D. Parson

Lector: J. Kelly

Cantor; M. Miller

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

Gifts: People of the Parish

Greeters: People of the Parish

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**



We will be saying the St. Michael the Archangel Prayer during every Mass, at the order of the Bishop. This is to invoke God's protection over our parish and diocese against the devil's attacks in these difficult times. The prayer can be found on page 894 or on the back cover of the hymnal.



### 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>.

Mifflin-Juniata Cursillo Group's February Ultreya will be held on **Thurs., Feb. 28<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 PM** in the Sacred Heart Parish Office.



### 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 Penance Service

Lenten Penance Service will be held on Sunday, **March 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM** at Saint Jude. Sacred Heart's service will be at 3:00 PM. **What a wonderful way to begin your Lenten journey than by receiving the special graces only forgiveness can bring!**



SHS will be holding a prospective family open house on Tuesday, **February 26<sup>th</sup> from 5:30-7:30**. Everyone is welcome to attend! Enrollment is now open to all children going into K-5<sup>th</sup> grade for the 2019-2020 school year. Come and see what SHS is all about!



**Stations of the Cross** will be held each **Wednesday during Lent, beginning March 13<sup>th</sup>**, in the church at 7:00 PM.

Journey with Jesus and Mary as they follow the Way of the Cross.



### LENTEN FISH DINNERS



A Lenten Retreat will be held all day **Saturday, March 30<sup>th</sup>, 9 AM to the 5 PM** parish Mass, at **St. Jude, Mifflintown, PA**. Videos on the life of St. Francis of Assisi will be shown, lunch will be served, prayers and devotions held. Please sign up on the sheet in the vestibule to help to obtain an accurate count for supplies.

**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!

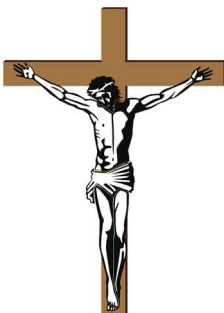


**ADULT HELP NEEDED FOR LENTEN  
FISH DINNERS!**

**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.**

**St. Vincent dePaul Raffle Calendars**

**The St Vincent DePaul Society is holding a fundraising Calendar Raffle for the month of March.** We will be selling the calendars for **\$10** each which will give you 31 days in March for a chance to win! For your \$10 purchase, you will be eligible to win a prize equal to or greater than **\$25**. Special Sunday drawings will have prizes totaling **\$50** or more. **Starting Feb. 12<sup>th</sup>, calendars will be available at the Sacred Heart Parish Office, from any St. Vincent board member and after all Masses at Sacred Heart & St. Jude on Feb. 23<sup>rd</sup>-24<sup>th</sup>.** Winners will be announced in the bulletin, on the St. Vincent Facebook page and the St. Vincent link on the parish website. Thank you in advance for your support of St. Vincent dePaul. Contact us: [stvincentdepaullewistown@gmail.com](mailto:stvincentdepaullewistown@gmail.com).



**40 Days for Life**

From **March 6 through April 14**, you're invited to join other Christians for 40 Days for Life – 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. You're also invited to stand and peacefully pray during a 40-day vigil in the public right-of-way outside Planned Parenthood 151 N 2<sup>nd</sup> Street Harrisburg, and also to help spread the word about this important community outreach. If you'd like more information-and especially if you'd like to volunteer to help, please contact: Paul Dadowski at 412-849-1592 or email him at [dadowski@yahoo.com](mailto:dadowski@yahoo.com), or the local website [40daysforlife.com/HARRISBURG](http://40daysforlife.com/HARRISBURG).



**Holy Family Radio Benefit Dinner-March 1**

Support the New Evangelization, enjoy a great meal and listen to a very special speaker. That is what is planned for Friday, March 1 when Holy Family Radio, AM 720 WHYF present Bill Donaghy as the Keynote for their Spring Benefit Dinner. Tom Russell of CBS 21 will emcee the evening, prayers will be offered by Bishop Ronald Gainer. Donaghy is a popular Catholic speaker and author and is with the Theology of the Body Institute.

**50<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.hbgdiocese.org/150](http://www.hbgdiocese.org/150).



**Scout Recognition Mass**

The Bishop's Annual Scout Recognition Mass will be held on **June 16, 2019**, at 2:00 p.m., Good Shepherd Church, Camp Hill. All Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, American Heritage Girls, and Trail Life USA Members are invited to attend. Scouts who have completed any of the Catholic religious emblems in the past year will be recognized at Mass. All scouting families are encouraged to attend. Register online at [www.hbgdiocese.org](http://www.hbgdiocese.org) until June 1, 2019. For more information, contact: Office for Youth and Young Adult Ministry, 717-657-4804 ext 327.

