

St. Jude Thaddeus Catholic Church

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Liturgy Schedule

SATURDAY: 5:30 PM

First Saturday 6:45 PM

Hispanic Mass

SUNDAY: 9:15 AM

MONDAY: 9:00AM

HOLY DAYS: AS ANNOUNCED

CONFESSIONS: SATURDAY 4:30-5:15 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.

Knights of Columbus – Meets the 1st 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.

July 28, 2019

Seventeenth 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

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 28, 2019

“Jesus was praying in a certain place, and when he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, ‘Lord, teach us to pray just as John taught his disciples.’ He said to them, ‘When you pray, say, Father, hallowed be your name...”

Jesus directed His prayer to the Father. Paul tells us we can pray only through the inspiration of the Spirit. The Trinity is found in every prayer, ‘How much more will the Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him?’

We, like the disciple, ask the Lord to help us to pray and to pray better. We pray in response to the Spirit’s urging. We pray in many ways, with words, in silent meditation and reflection, we pray with our hands in serving others. Jesus is ever present to lead us, strengthening our prayer life.

Let’s use an example. In teaching people how to swim we can tell them to close their mouths, kick their feet, move their arms and hold their breath. That’s teaching technique, but is not swimming. One must enter the water and try.

Prayer is no different. We learn to pray better by praying. Like swimming we are refreshed and renewed by our experience.

First Reading: Genesis 18:20-32

Abraham pleads with the Lord, who planned to destroy Sodom and Gomorrah because of the evil and sin in those cities. Abraham asks him if he would spare the city if fifty, forty, thirty, twenty or even only ten innocent people were found there. God says that he would spare the cities even for the sake of only ten.

Second Reading: Colossians 2:12-14

Paul explains to the Colossians that through baptism, they are raised to life with Christ because they believed in the power of the God who raised him from the dead. Even though they once lived in sin, their sins have been pardoned through Jesus.

Gospel: Luke 11:1-13

Jesus’ disciples asked him how they should pray. He gave them some phrases similar to those now used in the Lord’s prayer. Jesus also reminds the disciples how even men with sins are able to give good things to their children, and explains how much more the heavenly Father wants to give to us.

Tithing is God’s Plan for Giving:

Income for July 21, 2019	\$2,017.50
Capital Improvements	\$ 25.00
Tithe for July 21, 2019	\$ 204.00
Shelter Services	



DIOCESAN ANNUAL CAMPAIGN

An anonymous parishioner has agreed to match up to \$2,000.00 outstanding on the Diocesan Annual Campaign that are yet to come in from our parish. That means if Saint Jude Parish pays \$2,000.00 more, the donor will pay \$2,000.00 toward our goal.

Our goal for 2019 is \$13,600.00 with only \$8,728.00 paid so far.

Let’s all step up to the plate and honor this donor’s generosity by our stewardship.



LITURGICAL NOTES:

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



Saturday, July 27: Weekday

Exodus 24:3-8; Psalm 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15; Matthew 13:24-30

5:30 PM Margaret Fitzgerald

Sunday, July 28: 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Genesis 18:20-32; Psalm 138:1-2, 2-3, 6-7, 7-8; Colossians 2:12-14; Luke 11:1-13

9:15 AM Earl Ober, Jr.

Monday, July 29: St Martha (Memorial)

Exodus 32:15-24, 30-34; Psalm 106:19-20, 21-22, 23; John 11:19-27

9:00 AM People of the Parish

Tuesday, July 30: Weekday

Exodus 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28; Psalm 103:6-7, 8-9, 10-11, 12-13; Matthew 13:36-43

Wednesday, July 31: St Ignatius of Loyola, Priest (Memorial)

Exodus 34:29-35; Psalm 99:5, 6, 7, 9; Matthew 13:44-46

Thursday, August 1: St Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop & Doctor of the Church (Memorial)

Exodus 40:16-21, 34-38; Psalm 84:3, 4, 5-6a & 8a, 11; Matthew 13:47-53

Friday, August 2: Weekday

Leviticus 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37; Psalm 81:3-4, 5-6, 10-11ab; Matthew 13:54-58

9:00 AM People of the Parish

Saturday, August 3: Weekday

Leviticus 25:1, 8-17; Psalm 67:2-3, 5, 7-8; Matthew 14:1-12

5:30 PM Fr. William Weary

Sunday, August 4: 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ecclesiastes 1:2, 2:21-23; Psalm 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 & 17; Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11; Luke 12:13-21

9:15 AM People of the Parish

Calendar of Events

Saturday: 7/27

Mass/9:00am with all day Eucharistic Adoration

Mass/5:30pm/ Church

Sunday: 7/28

Mass/ 9:15am/ Church

All Day Eucharistic Adoration

5:00pm/Holy Hour & Benediction followed by

Fellowship Meal

Monday: 7/29

Mass/9:00am/Church

Tuesday: 7/30

No Event

Wednesday: 7/31

No Event

Thursday: 8/01

Healing Mass/6:00pm/Church

Friday: 8/02

First Friday Mass/9:00am followed by Adoration and Benediction.

Saturday: 8/03

Gospel Reflections/7:30am/social hall

Mass/5:30pm/ Church

Spanish Mass/6:45pm/ Church

Sunday: 8/04

Mass/9:15am/Church

Minister Schedule

August 3 & August 4, 2019

Saturday, August 3, 2019: 5:30 pm

EMHC: A. Zarnowski

Lector: M. Tonge

Cantor: M. Kerchusky

Altar Servers: J. Zarnowski

Gifts: People of the Parish

Greeters: People of the Parish

Usher: T. Kerchusky

Sunday, August 4, 2019: 9:15am

EMHC: J. Price G. Best D. Parson

Lector: T. Kromel

Cantor; M. Miller

Altar Servers: Saint Michael's Guard

Gifts: People of the Parish

Greeters: People of the Parish

Ushers: T. Newcamp A. Thawley



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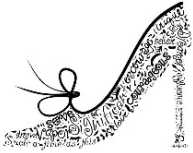
If you are in need of some help or know of someone who is in need of assistance. Please contact St. Vincent de Paul at 242-2781. Requests for help are kept confidential

Mark Your Calendars

Diocesan Women's Conference - Oct. 12, 2019

Please mark your calendars for the 5th Annual Diocesan Women's Conference at Bishop McDevitt High School, **October 12, 2019**. Keynoter is Helen Alvare---popular speaker, author, and Catholic personality. There will be 30+ workshops, Confession available, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with Benediction, beautiful music, many vendors, good food, Mass celebrated by Bishop Gainer, and fellowship with up to 1,000 women.

Registration information coming soon.



Eucharistic Devotions

Annual Eucharistic Devotions at St. Jude Thaddeus, Mifflintown, Adoration resumes this morning, Sunday, July 28th, after the 9:15 AM Mass and continues through the 5-6 PM closing Holy Hour and Benediction with **Father Bernard Oniwe, O.P., as guest preacher**, all concluding with a covered dish supper in the Parish Hall. All are invited. Sign-up sheets are in the social hall for the covered dish meal.

CEMETERY OF INNOCENTS

During the months of July and August we will be working to expand our pro-life project, the Cemetery of Innocents.

Parishioners are welcome to purchase a cross or crosses for \$2.00 per cross. Checks may be made payable to the Women's Guild The Cemetery of Innocents will be put up for display during October, Respect Life Month. If you have any questions, please contact Megan Miller or Colleen Hazard.

A Hispanic Healing of Families Recollection Day will be held on Sunday, September 8th at St. Jude Thaddeus Church in Mifflintown. The day will begin at 1:00 PM, concluding with a Mass at 5:00 PM. This will be followed by a covered dish meal. All are welcome!

RESCUE COMPLETE

Thank you to all who supported the 2019 "Lost at Sea" VBS at St. Jude. Your time, talents, monetary contributions, etc. were all necessary to make it the success it was. We had an average of 28 children each evening. We took a collection each night for "Food for the Poor" and raised just over \$213.00. The end of week celebration at Central Juniata Pool was a perfect ending to a fabulous week. Also a shout out to Central Juniata Pool and Mexico Market for their donations to our prizes, be sure to thank these ever supportive businesses.



CCD NEWS

We will be registering the students for two week-ends starting July 28 and August 4. Please register your child on one of these week-ends. Thank you for all your help. If you have any questions call Ginger Best at 717-734-3048. Please leave a message if I don't answer and I will call you back.

Charismatic Day of Renewal

This year's theme is *The Beginning and the End: The Healing of Past Soul Wounds* with the Keynote Address by Fr. Paul C.B. Schenck, EdD. **The Day of Renewal will be held on Saturday September 21 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.** at the Diocesan Center 4800 Union Deposit Road, Harrisburg, PA 17111. A breakout session is also planned: "Unleashing the Gifts of the Holy Spirit". Registration includes lunch and is \$20 per adult and \$10 per student (age 16 through college). Register online at www.hbgdiocese.org/renewal. Questions, contact Joyce at (717) 308-7245.

National Catholic Youth Conference 2019

We are very excited to inform you that we will once again travel by motor coach to **NCYC 2019 in Indianapolis, IN. Our departure will be Wednesday, November 20, 2019 after school and our expected return will be early Sunday morning, November 24, 2019.** As we work out the details for our pilgrimage of faith, we invite you and others from your parish to prayerfully consider participating. This conference will be a dynamic and high energy encounter with our loving God and over 25,000 teens, plus chaperones, priests and bishops from all over the country. A past teen participant from the Diocese of Harrisburg has said, ***"I have reconnected with God in a new way. I would definitely come back to the next one!"*** We are extending this invitation to the youth of your parish or Catholic high school, who will be entering 9th through 12th grade in the fall. We are looking forward to all that God has in store for us in and through this conference. Please check the bulletin for further details.

Register NOW for the 2019/20 School Year!

SHS is currently enrolling for Grades K-5 for the 2019-2020 school year. ****New for next year is a half day Kindergarten option**** If you or someone you know has a child ready for Kindergarten or looking to transfer, come and visit or encourage them to take a look at SHS. We are currently offering a tuition transfer grant to any child going into grades 1 through 5 for the 2019-2020 school year. Any public, private, charter or home-school student who transfers to SHS is eligible to receive a Tuition Transfer Grant. Each student will receive \$1,500 in grants over the course of 2 years. Restrictions apply and no financial aid forms are required. Visit our website at www.sacredheartschool.com for more information about the school, application process, and financial aid assistance. **All faiths are welcome!**



Update From Principal Maginnis

Despite the heat, the school cleaning is coming along nicely and we are well ahead of schedule with many maintenance items being addressed. Interior cameras will be installed in the next week or two and new windows installed for the 1st and 2nd grade classrooms before the start of school. We also are improving technology at the school! We are increasing our bandwidth so all computers will run quicker. We are also working on a new website that can be easily updated! Soon we should be able to quickly refresh information, add photos, and the like. We should have it up and running well before the start of school. **Christina Roman, our 1st grade teacher is moving out of the area, which leaves us with an opening. She's done a great job here and we will miss her. Amy Whitesel, 5th grade teacher, will move into the 1st grade position, so we are now looking for a 5th grade teacher.** Luckily we have 40 days before the start of school which gives us ample time to find a good replacement. While we are currently getting the advertising bases covered, it is more often than not, "word of mouth" that attracts teachers to come to Sacred Heart. We all can attest it's a lovely school with some great qualities that other schools simply cannot offer. **If you happen to know of some prospective teachers who might be interested, please steer them our way.**



Annual Pilgrimage for World Peace – Aug. 1

The 32nd Annual Pilgrimage to the National Shrine, Grotto of our Lady of Lourdes, Mount St. Mary's in Emmitsburg, MD, is Thursday, August 1, 2019. All are welcome this day to join together to pray for peace through the conversion of hearts, and to receive God's blessings through Mary, Mother of God, and Mother of the Church. No registration is required. No transportation will be provided. Pilgrims are encouraged to car pool and **must bring their own lunch and drinks.** Lunch is not available on site. The day's schedule begins at 10:00 AM with a welcome at St. Mary's Chapel on the Hill and concludes at 3:00 PM with Holy Hour with the Chaplet of



Divine Mercy.