

# 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 3:00

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.

**Knight of Columbus** – Meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> 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.

**July 30, 2017**

**Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**STEWARDSHIP IS A WAY OF LIFE**

**TITHING IS GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING**

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

Income for July 23, 2017	\$ 2,793.00
Tithe for July 23, 2017	\$ 279.00
St. Vincent de Paul Society	



**Eucharistic Devotions**

**Celebration of Evening Prayer and Eucharistic Devotions will be held at Saint Jude on Sunday at 5:00pm. Following the service there will be a covered dish meal in the social hall. Sign up sheets are in the social hall for adoration times and also for the meal.**



**Bible Study Fellowship**

**Adult Bible Study will begin Tuesday, Sept. 5<sup>th</sup> 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. 5<sup>th</sup> thru Nov. 14<sup>th</sup>. No classes will be held on Oct. 24<sup>th</sup> (40 Hours) and on Oct. 31<sup>st</sup> (Eve of Holy Day). A \$20 donation is welcomed but not necessary. Stop at the parish office to pick up your study guide materials.**

**MAY SHE REST IN PEACE**

*My sister, Eleanor Angstadt, passed away 9:17 a.m., Saturday, July 22<sup>nd</sup>, from biliary tract cancer, at the Chester County Hospice Center, in the presence of her husband and, I'm sure, the saints and angels. She had a holy death.*

*I wonder who came to get her. She wondered that herself before she died: "I wonder who will come to get me, when the time comes," she said, referring to her celestial escort, taking her to the heavenly realms. Will it be Mom, Dad; maybe Gaga or Momp? (the latter two, our grandparents). Maybe an angel or a favorite saint? A woman friend told her that it would be the soul of the baby that she lost years ago; a nice thought.*

*The morning she died I had stepped out to concelebrate Mass at the nearby Catholic Church, and to spend some time in prayer. I returned a half hour after her passing and said the prayers for the dead with my brother in law, John; my nephew Michael, and a hospice staff chaplain.*

*Tuesday, July 18, her first day in hospice, I had anointed my sister, gave her communion, and the final prayers. While fading in and out, she made about half the responses; which overjoyed me. She was well aware but very weak.*

*During her five days in hospice, I slept on the floor, across the hall, to stay close to her (her room was too small for another bed and sleeping on the floor there would complicate the movement of nurses throughout the night. She vetoed going to another, larger room, since any movement was almost torture for her). The staff was very gracious in providing me blankets and pillow, a bathroom to shower and change in, and even a dinner tray every evening.*

*Eleanor was somewhat able to talk Tuesday and part of Wednesday but very limited; she said her exhaustion defied words. Even while somewhat aware she preferred rest and sleep. Conversation was difficult; eating food, impossible. Her last meal was a little bit of ice cream Wednesday evening. She was weakening by the hour. Thursday and Friday she was unconscious from both the morphine and the progress of the disease. Saturday morning she died.*

*Thanks be to God, we had had all of our meaningful, and very beautiful conversations by then. She promised to intercede for me before the throne of God. I told her that, when my time comes, I want her to come get me, to escort me to Heaven, God permitting.*

*As you read this, her funeral Mass was last Thursday, celebrated and preached by me in her beloved parish church of St. Elizabeth, Chester Springs, Pa.*

*Pray for her husband, John Angstadt, her boys, Michael and Matthew...and me. Requiescat in pacem. May she rest in peace.*

*Fr. Bill*

## LITURGICAL NOTES:

Mass  for the  
Intentions  Week  
And Weekly Reading



### Saturday, July 29: Saint Martha (Memorial)

Exodus 24:3-8; Psalm 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15; John 11:19-27

5:00 PM Maggie Sander

### Sunday, July 30: 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1 Kings 3:5, 7-12; Psalm 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-128, 129-130; Romans 8:28-30; Matthew 13:44-52

9:15 AM People of the Parish

### Monday, July 31: Saint Ignatius of Loyola, Priest (Memorial)

Exodus 32:15-24, 30-34; Psalm 106:19-20, 21-22, 23; Matthew 13:31-35

9:00 AM People of the Parish

### Tuesday, August 1: Saint Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop and Doctor of the Church (Memorial)

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

### Wednesday, August 2: Weekday

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

### Thursday, August 3: Weekday

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

### Friday, August 4: Saint John Vianney, Priest (Memorial)

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

### Saturday, August 5: Weekday

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

5:00 PM Maggie Sander

### Sunday, August 6: The Transfiguration of the Lord

Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14; Psalm 97:1-2, 5-6, 9; 2 Peter 1:16-19; Matthew 17:1-9

9:15 AM Eleanor Angstadt

## Calendar of Events

### Saturday: 7/29

Gospel Reflections/7:30am/ social hall

Mass/ 5:00pm/ Church

### Sunday: 7/30

Mass / 9:15am/ Church

Eucharistic Devotions and Adoration

Closing at 5:00PM followed by Dinner

### Monday: 7/31

Mass/9:00am/ Church

### Tuesday: 8/01

No Event

### Wednesday: 8/02

No Event

### Thursday: 8/03

Healing Mass/6:00pm/ Church

### Friday: 8/04

No Event

### Saturday: 8/05

Gospel Reflections/ 7:30am/ social hall

Mass/ 5:00pm/ Church

### Sunday: 8/06

Mass / 9:15 am / Church

## **Minister Schedule**

### **August 5 & August 6, 2017**

Saturday, August 5, 2017: 5:00pm

EMHC: J. & A. Zarnowski

Lector: T. Kromel

Cantor: M. Kerchusky

Altar Servers: J. & A. Flores

Gift Bearer: People of the Parish

Greeter: G. Curdo

Ushers: T. Kerchusky

Sunday, August 6, 2017: 9:15am

EMHC: T. Ober J. Fitzgerald

Lector: Garry W. Price

Cantor: R. Perez

Servers: M. Fitzgerald D. Treaster D. Best

Gifts: People of the Parish

Greeters: G. Best G. Treaster

Ushers: R. Auken M. Eberts



**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](mailto:mfitzy6@hotmail.com) or Colleen Hazard (527-9914) [chazard@live.com](mailto: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](http://www.rachelsvineyard.com)

### Mass Times for Traveling Catholics



Don't forget to include Mass in your travel plans. Weekend, week day and Holy day Mass times for virtually all U.S. parishes and those in many other countries are listed. When you are planning your travels go to [www.MassTimes.org](http://www.MassTimes.org) and enter a zip code, city, state, country or area code for Catholic Church locations and Mass times.

### Annual Workshop on the Sacred Liturgy



An invitation is extended to all interested parishioners to attend the Annual Diocesan Liturgical Workshop. The workshop, "Unlocking the Power and Influence of the Sacred Liturgy," will be held on **Saturday, August 12 from**

**8:30-12:30 PM.** It will be at the Cardinal Keeler Center, Harrisburg. There is NO registration fee but registration is required to ensure that we have sufficient materials. The registration form is available on the diocesan website events calendar at [www.HbgDiocese.org](http://www.HbgDiocese.org).



## SCHOOL NEWS

**SUMMER OFFICE HOURS**  
Tue., Wed., & Thur. 9AM-

1PM

\*\*If assistance is needed in between office hours, leave a message on the school answering machine or contact the Parish Office at 9 N. Brown St.  
Ph: (717) 242-2781

**Kids ages K thru entering 5<sup>th</sup> Grade please join us!**

Cave Quest – Sacred Heart's Vacation Bible School will be held **Sun., Aug. 6 - Thurs., Aug. 10 from 6-8:15 PM at Sacred Heart Church.** Confirmation Classes/Parents/Parishioners – we are looking for any help you can or want to provide. Please contact Marcie Cirotta at 247-4382 or [mcirotta51@gmail.com](mailto:mcirotta51@gmail.com) for more information.



**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](http://www.hbgdiocese.org/hispanicministry). All are welcome to be part of a day of prayer, worship, catechesis and fellowship!



The 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Diocesan Women's Conference will be October 14, 2017 at Bishop McDevitt High School. This year's conference theme is "Lead All Souls to

**Heaven...": Mary's Message to Us from Fatima.** Susan Brinkmann, award winning journalist and Catholic author and presenter will be the Keynote Speaker. Registration information will be online on the diocesan website by mid-July. More information to follow.

### RCIA Retreat Dates for 2017-2018

The dates for the RCIA Retreats for the 2017-2018 calendar are:

- Fall Retreat – Saturday, November 4, 2017
- Spring Retreat - Saturday, March 24, 2018
- Rite of Election – Sunday, February 18, 2018

Additional Information to follow.



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](http://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](http://www.hbgdiocese.org/youngchurch). Visit [www.ncyc.info](http://www.ncyc.info) to view the NCYC promotion video, hear a sample of the theme song, and get more program information.

### Saint Vincent de Paul Society



**Do you remember a time when things were so bad you had no where to turn?** A time when you could see no way out, no idea how you would make it until the next day or the next month? We have

parishioners and community members who are in this state who come to ask for our help. As stated in **Romans 15:1** "We who are strong ought to bear with the failings of the weak and not to please ourselves". Won't you help those in need?

Please make a monetary donation to the **St. Vincent DePaul Society**. Donations may be placed in the collection basket or dropped off or mailed to the parish office at 9 N. Brown Street, Lewistown, PA 17044. If a monetary donation is not possible, think about personal care items such as shampoo, soap, toothpaste, deodorant, diapers, baby wipes etc. These items may be dropped off in the office or placed in the box in the church vestibule. Our email is

[stvincentdepaullewisstown@gmail.com](mailto:stvincentdepaullewisstown@gmail.com).