

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.

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.

June 2, 2019

Seventh Sunday of Easter

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

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June 2, 2019

Tithing is God's Plan for Giving:

Income for May 26, 2019	\$ 1,752.61
Tithe for May 19, 2019	\$ 279.00
Juniata Meals On Wheels	
Tithe for May 26, 2019	\$ 173.00
Shelter Services, Inc.	

"The witnesses laid down their cloaks at the feet of a young man named Saul. As they were stoning Stephen, he called out, 'Lord Jesus receive my spirit. Then he fell to his knees and cried out in a loud voice, 'Lord do not hold this sin against them,' and when he said this he fell asleep."

On many occasions we are touched by an event.

Someone does something heroic, or shows great kindness. We might not remember their name or the circumstance. The two individuals singled out by St. Luke, we remember one for his heroism and one for his eventual conversion.

The deacon Stephen suffered martyrdom. Saul, eventually met the Lord and became the great St. Paul. Like Jesus at Calvary, Stephen entrusted his life to the Lord and offered forgiveness for his murderers. The persecutor became the great preacher and apostle.

As we reflect upon the life of the early church, may we see that Christians are persecuted in countless places today. Martyrdom continues in Syria, Iraq. St. Oscar Romero in El Salvador, and the Oklahoma priest Blessed Stephen Rother, in our own time tell us the blood of Christians is still being shed. As members of the body of Christ, we pray for all who suffer as victims of religious oppression, and offer our own forgiveness to those who offend us.

Jesus promised the apostles and promises us: 'stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high.'

First Reading: Acts 7:55-60

Stephen was filled with the Holy Spirit, and described seeing Jesus standing at God's right hand. Then he was dragged away and stoned to death before many witnesses who did not believe his words. Before dying he cried, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them."

Second Reading: Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20

John hears a voice saying, "Remember I am coming soon!" This messenger for Jesus says that he will come to reward those who are deserving. Those who hear the call of the Spirit are encouraged to answer by accepting Jesus.

Gospel: John 17:20-26

Jesus prays for all the people who will believe in him through the words of his disciples. His prayer is that the world will live in unity, with Jesus living in us as he lives in God. Although we have not known God, we know Jesus was sent by God because of his love for us. He prays that this love will live on in all people.



Zeb Ames

Lawson Fitzgerald

Zachary Hemond

Jeremiah Parson



LITURGICAL NOTES:

Mass  for the
Intentions *for the Week*

And Weekly Readings



Saturday, June 1: St. Justin, Martyr (Memorial)

Acts of the Apostles 18:23-28; Psalm 47:2-3, 8-9, 10; John 16:23b-28

5:00 PM In Honor of Fr. William Weary

Sunday, June 2: Seventh Sunday of Easter

Acts of the Apostles 7:55-60; Psalm 97:1-2, 7-6, 9;
Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20; John 17:20-26

9:15 AM Judith Perez

Monday, June 3: St Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs (Memorial)

Acts of the Apostles 19:1-8; Psalm 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab;
John 16:29-33

9:00 AM People of the Parish

Tuesday, June 4: Easter Weekday

Acts of the Apostles 20:17-27; Psalm 68:10-11, 20-21; John 17:1-11a

Wednesday, June 5: St Boniface, Bishop and Martyr (Memorial)

Acts of the Apostles 20:28-38; Psalm 68:29-30, 33-35a,
35bc-36ab; John 17:11b-19

Thursday, June 6: Easter Weekday

Acts of the Apostles 22:30, 23:6-11; Psalm 16:1-2a & 5, 7-8,
9-10, 11

Friday, June 7: Easter Weekday

Acts of the Apostles 25:13b-21; Psalm 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-
20ab; John 21:15-19

9:00 AM People of the Parish

Saturday, June 8: Easter Weekday

Acts of the Apostles 28:16-20, 30-31; Psalm 11:4, 5 & 7;
John 21:20-25

5:00 PM In Honor of Fr. Jayaseelan

Sunday, June 9: Pentecost Sunday

Acts of the Apostles 2:1-11; Psalm 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34;
1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13; John 20:19-23

9:15 AM Betty Ehrenzeller

Calendar of Events

Saturday: 6/01

Gospel Reflections/7:30am/ social hall

Mass/5:00pm/ Church

Spanish Mass/6:30pm/Church

Sunday: 6/02

Mass/ 9:15am/ Church

Senior Recognition Sunday

Monday: 6/03

Mass/9:00am/Church

Tuesday: 6/04

No Event

Wednesday: 6/05

Knights of Columbus Meeting/7:00pm/Social Hall

Thursday: 6/06

No Event

Friday: 6/07

No Event

Saturday: 6/08

Gospel Reflections/ 7:30am/ social hall

Mass/5:00pm/Church

Sunday: 6/09

Mass/9:15am/Church

Minister Schedule

June 8 & June 9, 2019

Saturday, June 8, 2019: 5:00 pm

EMHC: A. Zarnowski

Lector: M. Tonge

Cantor: M. Kerchusky

Altar Servers: J. Zarnowski

Gifts: People of the Parish

Greeters: P. Thompson

Usher: T. Kerchusky

Sunday, June 9, 2019: 9:15am

EMHC: J. Price D. Treaster J. Fitzgerald

Lector: J. Kelly

Cantor; R. Perez

Altar Servers: T. & S. Kelly D. Miller

Gifts: People of the Parish

Greeters: People of the Parish

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*

Quo Vadis and Fiat Days 2019

Attention all Catholic young men and women ages 15-25. Our Lord Jesus Christ has a great plan and mission for you! You are invited to attend the Diocese of Harrisburg's Annual **Quo Vadis** and **Fiat Days**, vocation discernment retreats, to spend time with other young men and women your age as you listen to the Lord's call in your life while having fun. Activities include – Holy Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, sports, games, great food, talks and more. **Quo Vadis Days for young men will be held from June 23-27, 2019** at Mount St. Mary's Seminary. **Fiat Days for young women will be held June 30-July 3, 2019.** There is a \$50 registration fee for each retreat; all other expenses are funded by the Diocese of Harrisburg. Registration forms can be found at www.hbgdiocese.org. You may also contact the Office of Vocations at 717-657-4804, ext. 282 or email vocations@hbgdiocese.org with questions or for a registration packet. **Deadline for registration for Quo Vadis Days is June 14th and June 21st for Fiat Days.**



Save the Date-2019 VBS



"Lost at Sea" VBS will be held at St. Jude Thaddeus, **July 15-18th**, with an end of week celebration at the Mifflin Pool on Friday July 19th from 7-9 PM for all participants and their entire family. Keep checking the bulletin for additional information.

Youth Event

St. Jude's will be having a Youth Kayak outing at Little Buffalo State Park on **Tuesday, June 11.** We will meet at St. Jude's at 8:00 AM for Mass with Fr. Bill and then carpool to the park. After a paddle around the lake we will have a picnic lunch. **Cost is \$15/person.**



You must be at least **10 years old** to participate. Adult volunteers and at least one female adult volunteer is also needed. **For details, contact Mike Buono at 717-320-2305.**



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.sacredheartsschool.com for more information about the school, application process, and financial aid assistance. All faiths are welcome!



Baby Bottle Boomerang Begins

What can your spare change, bills, or checks accomplish? As we hand out baby bottles today you have the opportunity to help Crossroad's ministry grow and help young and unexpected families bloom where they are planted. **On Father's Day, June 16th return your bottle to church.** Any amount you can give will help. Will you partner with us in this simple way to save lives? All funds collected for Baby Bottle Boomerang benefit Crossroads Pregnancy Center, serving Huntingdon, Mifflin and Juniata Counties.



Father Jay and I are deeply appreciative of the outpouring of love and generosity that was displayed Sunday, May 19th for the celebration of my 35th Anniversary of Ordination and Father Jay's 30th Anniversary of Ordination. We pray God's blessing upon all who organized the event and we beseech our Divine Savior to call more young men to priesthood and religious life and young women to religious life as well. Once again, many thanks and God's graces upon you all.

– **Father Bill**