

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



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 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.

March 3, 2019

Eighth 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

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

March 3, 2019

“As the test of what the potter molds is in the furnace, so in tribulation is the test of the just. The fruit of the tree shows the care it has had, so too does one’s speech disclose the bent of one’s mind. Praise no one before he speaks for it then that people are tested...a good person out of the store of goodness in his heart produces good.”

The scriptures use so many images to teach us, form us, and lead us. Consider for a moment... the potter shapes an object, maybe your coffee mug, a vase to hold a spring flower, or even ourselves. (Abba, Father). Soon trees will begin to bud, and the care we give them now, pruning, trimming, fertilizing, will produce long awaited fruit. The words we use, reflect how we feel, what we know and what we desire.

We need not limit ourselves to the image of a tree, but apply the teaching to our own way of life. How we walk the path of holiness according to the teaching of Pope Francis is found in the beatitudes. Our words, our thoughts, our good works are the steps we take on that path, accompanied by God’s grace and the support of one another.

First Reading: Sirach 27:4-7

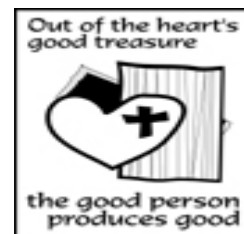
This reading explains that quality and truth in conversation is a test for humankind. Only after listening to a person’s reasoning can we know the mind of another.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:54-58

Paul speaks of the mystery of transformation that is victory over death when our mortality puts on immortality. We are encouraged by Paul to be steadfast and immovable, filling our lives with the work of the Lord.

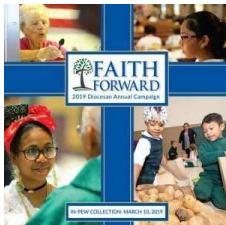
Gospel: Luke 6:39-45

Today, Jesus teaches through the use of parables, first encouraging us to be like the teacher, understand that the blind cannot lead the blind. Jesus also reminds us that only the heart’s good treasure produces good. In order to remain steadfast, we must heed what Jesus tells us. If we hear God’s word, our foundation will be strong, unshaken, steadfast, built upon rock.



Tithing is God’s Plan for Giving:

Income for February 24, 2019	\$ 2,430.98
Tithe for February 24, 2019	\$ 243.00
DeLauter Youth Center	



*As we begin Lent on Wednesday, we ask that we be mindful of the many gifts and blessings which have been bestowed on us by our loving Father. We are reminded that in giving to others, our lives are greatly enriched. May our Lent be one of reflection and inspiration, service and generosity to others, going beyond rather than doing without. As we are asked to support the 2019 Diocesan Annual Campaign **Faith Forward** during our in-pew weekend, may God guide us toward a successful Campaign. Bishop Gainer has prepared a video message for us which you can view on the Diocesan home page or go to <https://youtu.be/hN90zfF6Hz4> on YouTube to view it.*



ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICES

ST. JUDE- Wednesday, March 6 7:00 pm

Sacred Heart, Lewistown, Wednesday, March 6 Noon and 7:00 pm

Women’s Lenten Tea at St. Jude-9:00 am in the social hall. All women are welcome.

LITURGICAL NOTES:

Mass  for the
Intentions *for the Week*

And Weekly Readings



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

6:30 PM People of the Parish

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

Monday, March 4: Weekday

Sirach 17:20-24; Psalm 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7; Mark 10:17-27

9:00 AM People of the Parish

Tuesday, March 5: Weekday

Sirach 35:1-12; Psalm 50:5-6, 7-8, 14 & 23; Mark 10:28-31

Wednesday, March 6: Ash Wednesday

Joel 2:12-18; Psalm 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14 & 17; 2 Corinthians 5:20-6:2; Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18

7:00 PM People of the Parish

Thursday, March 7: Thursday after Ash

Wednesday

Deuteronomy 30:15-20; Psalm 1:1-2, 3, 4 & 6; Luke 9:22-25

Friday, March 8: Friday after Ash Wednesday

Isaiah 58:1-9a; Psalm 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19; Matthew 9:14-15

Saturday, March 9: Saturday after Ash

Wednesday

Isaiah 58:9b-14; Psalm 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6; Luke 5:27-32

5:00 PM Donald Thome

Sunday, March 10: First Sunday of Lent

Deuteronomy 26:4-10; Psalm 91:1-2, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15; Romans 10:8-13; Luke 4:1-13

9:15 AM Donald Thome

Calendar of Events

Saturday: 3/02

Gospel Reflections/7:30am/ social hall

Mass/5:00 pm/ Church

Spanish Mass/ 6:30pm/ Church

Sunday: 3/03

Mass/ 9:15am/ Church

CCD after Mass/10:30 am

Monday: 3/04

Mass/9:00 am/ Church

Tuesday: 3/05

No Event

Wednesday: 3/06

Women's Lenten Tea/9:00am/ social hall

Ash Wednesday Mass/7:00 pm/ St. Jude Church

Thursday: 3/07

Healing Mass/6:00pm/ Church

Friday: 3/08

Lenten Fish Dinner/4-7pm/ Social Hall

Saturday: 3/09

Gospel Reflections/ 7:30am/ social hall

Mass/ 5:00pm/ Church

Sunday: 3/10

Mass/ 9:15am/ Church

CCD after Mass/10:30am

Minister Schedule

March 9 & March 10, 2019

Saturday, March 9, 2019: 5:00 pm

EMHC: A. Zarnowski J. Zarnowski

Lector: Y. Melara

Cantor: M. Kerchusky

Altar Servers: K. & Y. Melara

Gifts: People of the Parish

Greeters: P. Thompson

Usher: T. Kerchusky

Sunday, March 10, 2019: 9:15am

EMHC: K. Graham G. Best D. Treaster

Lector: T. Ober

Cantor; M. Miller

Altar Servers: E. & D. Zeigler C. Murphy

Gifts: People of the Parish

Greeters: People of the Parish

Ushers: R. Aufer 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



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.

Lenten Penance Service

Lenten Penance Service will be held on Sunday, **March 24th 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!**



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

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



A Lenten Retreat will be held all day **Saturday, March 30th, 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.

Celebrating 10 Years of Success

The Sacred Heart School Gala Committee would like to thank everyone who helped make the 10th Annual Gala, **Puttin' On the Glitz**, a huge success. We had over 200 people in attendance with a profit of \$13,500 made to benefit the school.



LENTE 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 LENTE 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. Contact Joe Zarnowski at 908-892-0271 or 717-436-9627. We appreciate any time you can give.



Women's Lenten Tea

The Ladies of St. Jude will be hosting the first week of the Annual Lenten Tea. It will be this Wednesday, March 6, at 9:00am. They are using the "Final Word Series" The speaker will be Julie Jarabeck, with music provided by Megan Miller. Please join us and welcome ladies from the community for an enriching program as we begin our journey through Lent.

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 2nd 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, or the local website 40daysforlife.com/HARRISBURG.



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 until June 1, 2019. For more information, contact: Office for Youth and Young Adult Ministry, 717-657-4804 ext 327.

94th Annual Women's Convention

The Harrisburg Diocesan Council of Catholic Women cordially invites all women of the Diocese to attend the **94th Annual Convention, Saturday, May 11, 2019** from 9 AM – 4 PM at the Diocesan Center, Harrisburg, PA. Mass will be concelebrated by the Vicar General, Very Reverend David Danneker along with many Priests and Deacons of the diocese. Megan Murphy will be the Keynote Speaker. View meganmurphyministries.com for more details. Cost of \$25 includes registration fee, continental breakfast and lunch. You may register by contacting Mary Ann Pitek, 1771 Wellington Dr., Middletown, PA 17057, Maryannpitek@gmail.com or 717-939-8852 (please no calls after 8:30 PM). **Registration deadline is April 24, 2019.** Cancellations must be received by May 1, 2019. For more details check <https://hdccw.webs.com/2019-hdccw-convention>.

St. Vincent dePaul Thanks You

In all things I have shown you that by working hard in this way we must help the weak and remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he himself said, "It is more blessed to give than to receive". **Acts 20:35** This reading brings to



mind the generous and gracious people of our community and our parishes, Sacred Heart and St. Jude Thaddeus. Thanks to the many businesses and individuals who supported our St. Vincent fund raiser by donating prizes. We also want to recognize the Knights of Columbus Council 1338 for covering our printing costs. Most importantly, thanks to all of you who purchased our calendars from members of our board of directors and from the parish office. Remember that calendars are still available for purchase this week. We need to sell 100 more to reach our goal. We will list the first week's winners in the bulletin. Keep in your hearts our St. Vincent dePauls favorite quote "extend mercy toward others, so that there can be no one in need who you meet without helping".

Contact: stvincentdepaullewistown@gmail.com.

2019 Men's Conference

Men of the Diocese of Harrisburg and beyond...the **Diocesan Men's Conference** is Saturday, **April 6, 2019**, at Bishop McDevitt High School. The theme is **Men Called to be Saints**. The Keynote Speaker is **Dr. John Bergsma**, noted Catholic author, speaker, Bible expert, and theology professor at Franciscan University of Steubenville. The title of his keynote address is **The Top 3 Reasons I Became Catholic and Always Will Be: Perspectives from a Former Protestant Pastor**. Besides the keynote, the Men's Conference includes 40+ workshops from a blue-ribbon panel of speakers, adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with benediction, opportunity for Confession, beautiful music, good food, numerous Catholic vendors, Mass with Bishop Gainer as Principal Celebrant and Homilist, and fellowship with up to 1,000 men from around the Diocese of Harrisburg and beyond. Each of the past two years we have had 1,000 men attend this conference. We expect another large crowd this year. Please register now at www.hbgdiocese.org/men. We'd love to see you at the Men's Conference on April 6th!

