

MARCH 17, 2024, FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Tithing is God's Plan for Giving:

Tithing income for the week of February 25, 2024	Not Available
Tithing income for the week of March 10, 2024	Not Available

FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON THE SUNDAY READINGS

HIS WORD TODAY by Rev. William J. Reilly
Most Holy Name Catholic Church, Garfield, NJ
Fifth Sunday of Lent
March 17, 2024

“Some Greeks who had come to worship at the Passover Feast came to Philip... and asked him, ‘Sir, we would like to see Jesus.’ Philip went and told Andrew. Philip and Andrew went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, ‘the hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified.’” If you asked someone ‘would you like to see Jesus?’, surely the reply would be ‘Yes, but where can I find Him today?’ The answer is clear, as we have Him present in the Blessed Sacrament, in the gift of grace and all the sacraments. The church is our sacrament of encounter with God. How many people need us to be the Philip, the Andrew; to point out and bring them to Jesus. Jesus is present in the face of those in need, and we are to be the face of Jesus for them. May this be our task as our Lent will soon draw to a close.

First Reading: Jeremiah 31:31-34

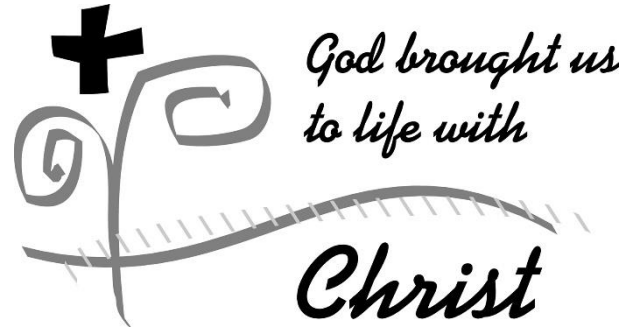
The Lord comforted his people, who were exiled to Babylon, by telling them of the new covenant he planned to make with them. The Lord declared he would write his law upon their hearts, and that he would forgive their evil and forget the sins they had committed in the past.

Second Reading: Hebrews 5:7-9

Though God could have heeded his Son's prayers and spared him suffering, Jesus accepted his Father's will. Through his suffering, he learned obedience and became the source of eternal salvation for all people.

Gospel: John 12:20-33

Jesus was afraid of the suffering he knew he must face. Yet he explained just as a grain of wheat die to be harvested, he had to face his hour of suffering to glorify his Father's name. Jesus explained that once he was lifted from earth, he could draw all people to himself, lifting them to eternal life.



LITURGICAL NOTES

Mass  for the
Intentions  for the
Week



Saturday, March 16: Lenten Weekday

Jeremiah 11:18-20; Psalm 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12;
John 7:40-53

5:30 PM People of the Parish

Sunday, March 17: Fifth Sunday of Lent

Jeremiah 31:31-34; Psalm 51:3-4, 12-13, 14-15;
Hebrews 5:7-9; John 12:20-33

9:15 AM Jack & Patricia Marshall from
Scott & Alice Arnold

1:30 PM People of the Parish

Monday, March 18: Lenten Weekday

Daniel 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62; Psalm 23:1-3a,
3b-4, 5, 6; John 8:1-11

9:00 AM People of the Parish.

Tuesday, March 19: Saint Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Solemnity)

2 Samuel 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Psalm 89:2-3, 4-5, 27
& 29; Romans 4:13, 16-18, 22; Matthew 1:16,
18-21, 24a

Wednesday, March 20: Lenten Weekday

Daniel 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Daniel 3:52, 53, 54, 55,
56; John 8:31-42

Thursday, March 21: Lenten Weekday

Genesis 17:3-9; Psalm 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9;
John 8:51-59

Friday, March 22: Lenten Weekday

Jeremiah 20:10-13; Psalm 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7;
John 10:31-42

Saturday, March 23: Lenten Weekday

Ezekiel 37:21-28; Jeremiah 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13;
John 11:45-56

5:30 PM Juan Vega from the Melisio Family

Sunday, March 24: Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

Isaiah 50:4-7; Psalm 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24;
Philippians 2:6-11 Mark 14:1 – 15:47

9:15 AM In Honor of Scott & Alice Arnold from
Jim & Cathy Fitzgerald

1:300 AM People of the Parish



THE EASTER TREE



The Easter Tree located in the Narthex is for the benefit of the Food Pantry. Please take a cross from the tree and return the items before Easter Day! Thank you for participating in this important outreach for our Parish.

EASTER WEEK SCHEDULE

MARCH 28TH	HOLY
THURSDAY	
7:00 P.M. MASS OF THE LORD'S	
SUPPER FOLLOWED BY EUCHARISTIC	
ADORATION AND NIGHT PRAYER	
UNTIL 10:00 P.M.	
MARCH 29TH	GOOD FRIDAY
7:00 P.M. COMMEMORATION OF THE	
LORD'S PASSION	
MARCH 30TH	EASTER VIGIL MASS
8:00 P.M. OF THE RESURRECTION	
MARCH 31ST	EASTER SUNDAY
9:15 A.M.	

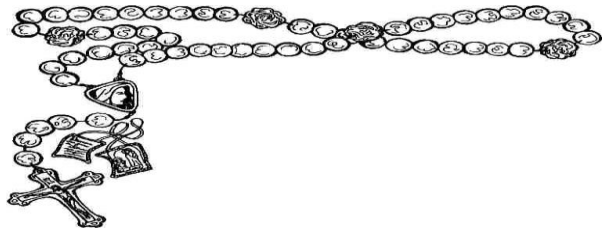
Year-End Tax Statements

Please contact the Parish Office at 717-436-6722 if you are in need of a year-end tax statement or see the Parish Secretary. In addition, the Office of Stewardship and Development at the Diocese will be happy to send, via email, a donor's record of giving if it is requested. The Diocese will no longer automatically send statements and their preference is to send statements electronically via email if it is on file. If you need a statement, please call the Office of Stewardship and Development at (717) 657-4804 ext. 336.

WEIS GROCERY CARDS

Saint Jude's Women's Guild will have Weis Grocery cards for sale in the Social Hall after Mass on Sundays. Please see Karen Thome to purchase your cards and support the Guild's charitable works!

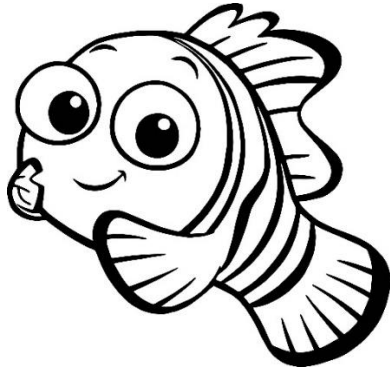
ROSARY



Please join us as we pray the Rosary each Sunday at 8:45 a.m. before the 9:15 a.m. Mass. "The Rosary is the most excellent form of prayer and the most efficacious means of attaining eternal life. It is the remedy for all our evils, the root of our blessings. There is no more excellent way of praying."

- Pope Leo XIII

LENTEN FISH DINNERS HAVE BEGUN!



Every Friday until
March 22nd
4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
At St. Jude Catholic Church
3918 William Penn Highway
Mifflintown PA 17059
\$15.00 Adults
\$6.00 Children 6 – 12 years of age
Children age 5 and under – FREE
Sponsored by:
St. Jude's Knights of Columbus



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MEMORIALIZE FLOWERS:
*If you wish to place flowers on the altar
in memory or in honor of someone,
please contact Dave Treaster for
information on availability of dates.
(717) 436-2968.*

STATIONS OF THE CROSS



Stations of the Cross will be held at 7 PM every Wednesday during Lent, at St. Jude Church. Journey with Jesus and Mary as they follow the Way of the Cross.

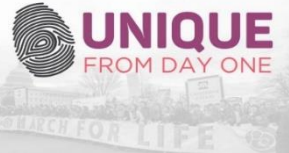
Youth Protection Program
Promise to Protect, Pledge to Heal

To report suspected abuse of a minor, call the toll free PA Child Abuse Hotline: 1-800-932-0313. To report suspected abuse of a minor by a church official, employee or volunteer, also please call the Diocese of Harrisburg Youth Protection toll free number: 1-800-626-1608 or email: ReportAbuse@hbqdiocese.org.

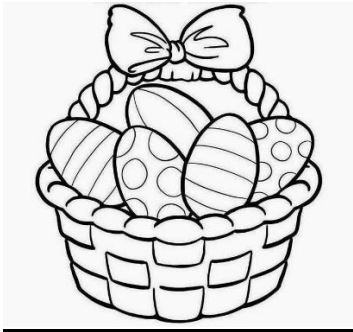
MARCH FOR LIFE – MARCH 17TH

Mifflin and Juniata Citizens Concerned for Human Life will host the Annual Lewistown March for Life on Sunday, March 17, 2024 beginning at 1:00 PM. All are invited to walk with us from Sacred Heart Church, 3rd and Dorcas Streets, Lewistown, to Bethel AME H.O.P.E. Center, 23 Juniata Street., Lewistown.

Help us celebrate the gift of all stages of life, from conception to natural death. For more information, contact Mary Smith at 717-994-1941.



EASTER SUNDAY – EASTER EGG HUNT!



We need your help! Please donate filled Easter eggs for the Easter Egg hunt! Eggs can be dropped off at the church anytime between now and March 30th! Thank you for your generous help!

2024 Diocesan Annual Campaign

The 2024 Diocesan Annual Campaign, **Nourished by Faith**, has begun. Because of the generosity of the faithful throughout the Diocese of Harrisburg, our 2023 effort was remarkable with 75 parishes reaching and exceeding their goals. As we come together in the faith, the combined gifts of the faithful in our Diocese provide the needed financial support for the more than 90 ministries and programs offered throughout the Diocese of Harrisburg. These programs which received funding are humbled by the interest in and support of their efforts. From Evangelization efforts, to the many social service programs offered by Catholic Charities, to ongoing education and formation for our seminarians, clergy and ordained deacons, to support for Catholic education, your gift does make a difference. Please prayerfully consider your gift this year to ensure that the mission of the Church is fulfilled.

MASS INTENTIONS

Requests for Mass Intentions are welcome for all Masses celebrated at St. Jude Thaddeus Parish. In order to make the request of Mass Intentions more convenient, we now have Mass Intention envelopes which can be completed and placed in the offering box found in the

entrance of the church. To request a Mass, please fill out the front of the envelope, indicate if you would like a Mass Card in the sheet provided and include the customary offering of \$10.00 for the Mass and place it in the box in the Narthex. You may also request a mass via email rectory@stjudemifflintown.org or by making arrangements with the Parish Secretary on Thursdays from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. or after the Sunday 9:15 a.m. Mass.



COFFEE SOCIAL HOSTS:

March 17 th	LADIES
March 24 th	MEGAN
EASTER!	
April 7 th	LYDIA

UPDATE REQUEST

If you have moved, changed phone numbers or have any other changes you would like made to your information at the parish office, please contact the office at 717-436-6722 on Thursdays between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. or email the office at rectory@stjudemifflintown.org

2024 Ladies Lenten Tea schedule

March 29	Aldersgate UMC Pastor Mindy (513-7194)
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*Social time begins at 9:30 with light refreshments followed by Bible Study at 10:00.

*Bible Study books will be given to the hosting church several weeks ahead of time.

If you have any questions or concerns, please call Kathy Whitesel at 717-436-2401 or 717- 363-6144

GOOD FRIDAY, MARCH 29TH is a day of FAST AND ABSTINENCE

MEANING ONE FULL MEAL FOR THE DAY AND NO MEAT EATEN AT ALL. All the Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence from meat. Lenten resolutions are optional but highly recommended as sacrifices, promoting spiritual health and generosity. One should ask God in prayer as to what God wants the resolution to be. Lenten resolutions are personal, om consultation with God. Christians fasting and sacrificing should strive to maintain charity and cheerfulness toward all during Lenten resolutions

Sacred Heart School Angel Fund

You will find nicely decorated apples in the Narthex. These apples were decorated by the students of SHS in hopes that you will make a gift to the SHS Angel Fund. The SHS Angel Fund provides scholarships and financial assistance to children who attend our school. If you would like to make a donation, you can make checks payable to **Sacred Heart School with Angel Fund** in the memo and placing it in the collection basket, mailing it to the school or you can go online to sacredheartschool.com and make an online donation. Donations to the SHS Angel Fund are accepted at any time during the year; however, if you are able, we encourage you to participate at this time. **Consider using your 5% tithe to other charitable organizations to participate, if possible. Thanks for your support of SHS!**

SATURDAY, March 16, 2024

Lector: C. Fitzgerald
Cantor:
Altar Servers: J. Zarnowski
Usher:

SUNDAY, March 17, 2024

Lector: J. Hazard
Cantor: A. Arnold
Altar Servers: St. Michael's Guard
Usher: S. Arnold, J. Boyd

SATURDAY, March 23, 2024

Lector: C. Hazard
Cantor:
Altar Servers: J. Zarnowski

SUNDAY, March 24, 2024

Lector: E. Armstrong
Cantor: I. Armstrong
Altar Servers: St. Michael's Guard
Usher: S. Arnold, R. Auker

HOLY THURSDAY

Lector: J. Hazard
Cantor: M. Miller
Altar Servers:
Usher:

GOOD FRIDAY

Lector: C. Fitzgerald
Cantor:
Altar Servers: St. Michael's Guard
Usher:

HOLY SATURDAY

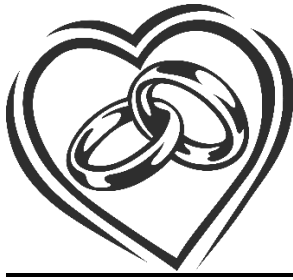
Lector: C. Hazard
Cantor: M. Kerchusky, R. Perez
Altar Servers: J. Zarnowski
Usher:

EASTER SUNDAY

Lector: T. Ober
Cantor: Choir
Altar Servers:
Usher: St. Michael's Guard

WERE YOU MARRIED IN 1974???





Celebrate your Golden Jubilee with the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass Sunday, July 7th at 2:00 p.m., Good Shepherd Church, Camp Hill.

The Most Reverend Timothy C. Senior will be the Celebrant/Homilist

Please contact the parish office with your name and address if you are celebrating your 50th Wedding Anniversary this year by April 5th!



The **St Vincent DePaul Society** has published a commemorative, fundraising cookbook, celebrating their 25th Anniversary with the National Chapter. These cookbooks contain delicious recipes from fellow parishioners and friends. **Extra copies are available to buy at \$20 each. Support our local SVDP society with your purchase. St. Vincent dePaul is currently facing a critical financial shortfall. Please consider a monetary donation or a donation of personal care items such as shampoo, deodorant etc. Also needed are hats and gloves. For more info, call us at (717) 363-4812. Thank you.**

EMERGENCY EXITS

Designated emergency exits are found in the front of the church to the left and right of the altar, and in the back of the church through the main entrance and the hallway by the restrooms.

We request in case of emergency you

SAVE THE DATE

MEN'S CONFERENCE

ST. JOSEPH: THE CARPENTER'S TABLE

FEATURING

JON LEONETTI CATHOLIC SPEAKER, BEST-SELLING AUTHOR, RADIO HOST KEYNOTE	REVEREND JOSHUA CAVENDER BREAKOUT
	DEACON ARMANDO TORRES BREAKOUT



APRIL 20, 2024
7:30 AM - 3:30 PM | DIOCESAN CENTER
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Interested in joining the SHS Family?

Enrolling now
for the
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school year

Visit us at one of the following:

Open Houses:

Wed. March 13 - 10am-6pm

or

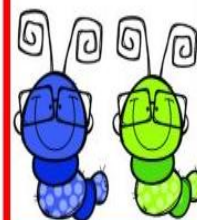
Thurs. March 21 - 5:30 -7pm

Unable to join us or interested in a private tour?

Call 717-248-5351 or

E-Mail:

development@sacredheartschool.com



St. Vincent dePaul

What Should I give up for Lent?

Give up complaining and focus on gratitude. Give up on worry and trust in divine providence.

Give up on anger and be more patient.

For each of the 40 days of lent place a canned good in a box and at the end of lent donate the box to St. Vincent dePaul. For

each of the 40 days of lent purchase a personal care item: shampoo, toothpaste, deodorant, toilet paper, bodywash, diapers, pull-ups, etc. and at the end of lent donate to St. Vincent dePaul. All of these

wonderful donations will help those less fortunate or homeless in our area. Allow your Lenten sacrifice to help others.

For more information, call us at (717) 363-4812.