

MARCH 24, 2024, PALM SUNDAY

Tithing is God's Plan for Giving:

Tithing income for the week of

March 10, 2024	\$5,051.55
Regular	\$3,425.00
Loose	\$902.55
Good Friday	\$50.00
Easter	\$100.00
Votive	\$64.00
Palm Sunday	\$100.00
Easter Flowers	\$160.00
Capital Improvements	\$200.00
CRS	\$50.00

Starting on March 24th, Sunday's collection will be counted at JVB the following Friday. The details of the collection will appear in the bulletin one week later than previously published. For example, the collection for Sunday, March 24th will be counted March 29th and published in the bulletin on April 7th. If you have any questions, please contact Adrienne Zannino.

FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON THE SUNDAY READINGS

HIS WORD TODAY by Rev. William J. Reilly
Most Holy Name Catholic Church, Garfield, NJ
Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord
March 24, 2024

“Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God something to be grasped; Rather, he emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, coming in human likeness; and found himself in human appearance, he humbled himself, becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.” (please reread this hymn of Saint Paul).

The events of this day are moments of triumph, not moments of defeat. The jubilant reception of Palm Sunday will be mixed with the pain of the passion, leading to the victory which lies ahead. The scripture texts from the Jerusalem parade of praise through the suffering servant songs, and the four gospel accounts, are not to be glossed over but reflected upon. We can call to mind the event of the paschal supper, the way of the cross, the traditional seven last words, to allow us to understand the passion of Jesus in the suffering people of today. In prayer we walk with them and with Jesus. Do not deny yourself of participating in this sacred moment for your soul.

First Reading: Isaiah 50:4-7

Isaiah describes the pain and insults of the Servant of God. Yet he sounds hopeful when describing God as his help, knowing he will not be disgraced.

Second Reading: Philippians 2:6-11

Paul exults Christ's great sacrifice of humbling himself to become human and die on the cross. He explains that this is why we should now realize the importance of honoring both his name and memory.

Gospel: Mark 14:1—15:47

Mark describes the events leading up to Christ's crucifixion. The Last Supper is described, explaining where the Eucharist began. Judas betrays Jesus and his suffering at the hands of the Sanhedrin (Council) is detailed.

Blessed
is Jesus
who comes in God's name



LITURGICAL NOTES

Mass  for the
Intentions  Week



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 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



1:30 PM People of the Parish

Monday, March 25: Monday of Holy Week

Isaiah 42:1-7; Psalm 27:1, 2, 3, 13-14;

John 12:1-11

9:00 AM People of the Parish

Tuesday, March 26: Tuesday of Holy Week

Isaiah 49:1-6; Psalm 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5ab-6ab,
15 & 17; John 13:21-33, 36-38

Wednesday, March 27: Wednesday of Holy Week

Isaiah 50:4-9a; Psalm 69:8-10, 21-22, 31 & 33-34;
Matthew 26:14-25

Thursday, March 28: Thursday of the Lord's Supper (Holy Thursday)

Exodus 12:1-8, 11-14; Psalm 116:12-13, 15-16bc,
17-18; 1 Corinthians 11:23-26; John 13:1-15

7:00 PM People of the Parish

Friday, March 29: Friday of the Passion of the Lord (Good Friday)

Isaiah 52:13 – 53:12; Psalm 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25; Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9; John 18:1 – 19:42
7:00 PM People of the Parish

Saturday, March 30: The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night

Genesis 1:1-2:2; Psalm 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35; Exodus 14:15-15:1; Exodus 15:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17-18;

Ezekiel 36:16-17a, 18-28; Psalm 42:3, 5; 43:3, 4; Romans 6:3-11 Psalm 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23
Mark 16:1-7

8:00 PM Juan Vega from Melisio Family

Sunday, March 31: Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

Acts of the Apostles 10:34a, 37-43; Psalm 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Colossians 3:1-4; John 20:1-9

9:15 AM The Confirmation Class

1:30 PM 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.

*****FOR EMERGENCIES FROM 3/31 AT 12:00 PM THROUGH 4/2 AT 8:00 PM, PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE NUMBER 717 242-2781 AND YOUR CALL WILL BE FORWARDED TO BOTH FATHER BILL AND FATHER RICH'S CELL PHONES. ALL CALLS WILL BE RETURNED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.*****

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.

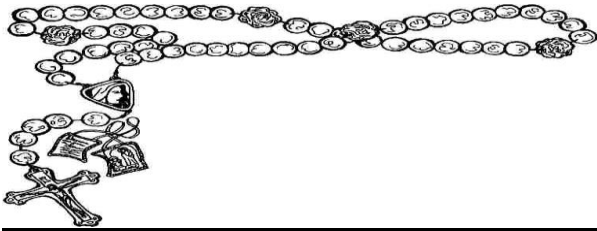
Year-End Tax Statements

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 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."

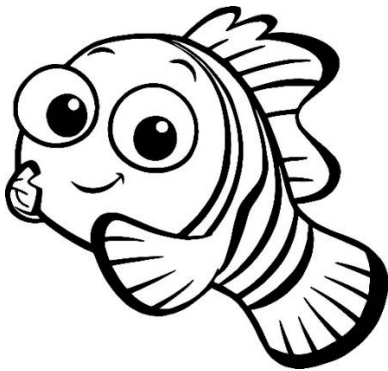
- Pope Leo XIII



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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.

LENTEN FISH DINNERS!



Thank you to everyone who helped make this year's fish dinners a success!

-Knights of Columbus

SPONSOR A CHILD FOR BACK TO SCHOOL

Sponsor a child by providing clothing and shoes for school.

Contact Juniata County Children and Youth Services for more information and to sign up.

Phone: 717-436-7707

Sign up Deadline: July 19, 2024

Item Drop Off: August 13, 2024

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@hbgdiocese.org.

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 24 th EASTER!	MEGAN
April 7 th	LYDIA
April 14 th	KAREN TORNAMBE

2024 Ladies Lenten Tea schedule

March 29 Aldersgate UMC
 Pastor Mindy (513-7194)

*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

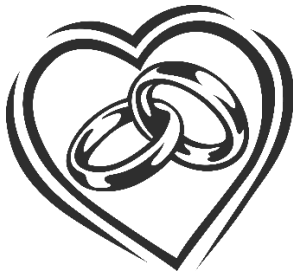
GOOD FRIDAY, MARCH 29TH is a day of FAST AND ABSTINENCE

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, on consultation with God. Christians fasting and sacrificing should strive to maintain charity and cheerfulness toward all during Lenten resolutions

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

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!



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. Aufer

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

SATURDAY, April 6, 2024

Lector: T. Kromel

Cantor:

Altar Servers: J. Zarnowski

Usher:

SUNDAY, April 7, 2024

Lector: C. Fitzgerald

Cantor: M. Miller

Altar Servers: St. Michael's Guard

Usher: S. Arnold, R. Aufer



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 select the closest exit to your seat. Those sitting in the front half of the church should exit using exits found on their respective side. Those sitting back half of the church should exit through the center doors and the doors to the right of the main entry door of the church.

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!**

Juniata County Food Pantry April Update

In February 2024, the Food Pantry served 238 families – 620 of your neighbors! A big thank you to Matamoras UMC for volunteering on Saturdays in February.

Join our family! We are always looking for a few good volunteers!

IF YOU COULD HELP BY DONATING THE ITEMS BELOW, WE WOULD BE VERY GRATEFUL.

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS FOR APRIL:

ALL NON-PERISHABLE FOODS; SHAMPOO, DEODORANT; CLEANING SUPPLIES: LAUNDRY DETERGENT, DISH SOAP, ALL PURPOSE HOUSEHOLD CLEANERS; PAPER TOWELS; DONATIONS OF CASH/CHECKS ARE ALSO APPRECIATED!

**PO Box 44, 114 N. Main St, Mifflintown, 17059
Phone # 717-436-9718, Hours: Tue 9-12 & 1-5, Sat 9-12**

Hersheypark Discount Ticket Offer!

Discount tickets to Hersheypark are available to the friends and families of the parish for **significant savings**. Gate admission for Regular is \$87.80; our price is **\$43.95** (ALL ages 3+) valid until 1/1/2025.

*ADD-ON discount Hersheypark Single Use Meal Deal Tickets for **\$19.06 each** and *ADD-ON Parking Pass - **\$25.00 pre-ordered** or pay \$30.00 onsite

Tickets purchased in 2024 are valid for any single day of operation throughout the 2024 calendar year, expiring on our final day of operation, January 1, 2025.

Refunds, extensions or upgrades will not be offered.

Orders must be received at the parish **by Friday, April 26, 2024.**

Parishes will receive tickets on or before the week of **May 20, 2024.**



SCHOOL NEWS

SACRED HEART SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS
Monday – Friday 7:30 AM- 3:30 PM

**If assistance is needed outside of office hours, leave a message on the school answering machine at 717-248-5351 or contact the Parish Office at 717-242-2781

Register NOW for the 2024-25 Academic Year!



Sacred Heart School is now accepting registrations for grades

K-5 for the 2024-2025 school year! Kindergarten students need to be age 5 by Sept. 1, 2024. **Scholarships and**

Financial Aid are available. To schedule a visit or to learn more please call SHS at 717-248-5351 or email development@sacredheartschool.com.

All faiths are welcome.



CALENDAR RAFFLE

SHS/HSA will be holding a Calendar Raffle for the month of March. Gift cards or items worth \$25 or more are donated. Each date has a particular item associated with it and we will have a student draw a name for each day. **Good Luck!!**

Save the Date! SHS Benefit Auction weekend: October 12-13 at the Mifflin County Youth Park!

Stay tuned for more information in future bulletins!

Do you have a unique talent like woodworking, painting, cross stitching, quilting, etc.? If so, we would love to have your handmade donation as part of the 2022 SHS Benefit Auction. Each year, these items have proven to be the most sought after and cherished by our generous bidders. If you are willing to share your talent with us, please contact Ashley Henry at the Parish Office 717-242-2781 or by email at development@sacredheartschool.com.

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
REGISTER TODAY: WWW.HBGDIOCESE.ORG/MEN