

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.

Knight of Columbus – Meets the 2nd 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.

May 20, 2018

Pentecost Sunday

STEWARDSHIP IS A WAY OF LIFE

TITHING IS GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING

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Income for May 13, 2018	\$ 2,206.55
Feast of the Ascension	\$ 190.00
Pentecost	\$ 50.00
Tithe for May 13, 2018	
PA Pro-Life Federation	\$ 245.00

Baby Bottle Boomerang Begins Today

What can you do in the fight for life? What can your spare change accomplish? It doesn't take much to make a big difference! Crossroads Pregnancy Center is again asking you to **Fill a Bottle for Life**. Take home a baby bottle today and fill it with coins, bills and even checks. **On Father's Day, June 17th return your bottle to church.** We



hope you will help this year as we continue reaching out to uphold the sanctity of human life and the gospel of Jesus Christ.



The Parish Office will be closed Monday, May 28th in observance of Memorial Day.

FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON THE SUNDAY READINGS

HIS WORD TODAY by Rev. William J. Reilly
Pentecost Sunday
May 20, 2018

“Jesus stood up and exclaimed; ‘Let anyone who thirsts come to Me and drink. As Scripture says: Rivers of living water will flow from within him who believes in Me.’ He said this in reference to the Spirit that those who came to believe were to receive.”

The great event in Jerusalem, marked by wind, noise and fire, was a moment of fulfillment and at the same time of beginning for the life of the church. The signs and wonders of Pentecost are so familiar surrounding the radical change which took place in the upper room.

Jesus speaks to us today, leading me to ask myself: Do I thirst for the Lord? When we are thirsty we long for a drink, for refreshment, to be renewed. The reading from John, who always speaks about belief and believers, reminds me to pray ‘Come Holy Spirit’ in the events of my daily life. I am thirsty for the Lord, yes or no. The Spirit is part of my family life, of my home and work. The Spirit leads and guides me, but only if I ask and give in.

Speaking of thirst, remember the words on the lips of Jesus at Calvary, ‘I thirst’. He thirsts still for you and for your Spirit filled life.

First Reading: Acts 2:1-11

During the Feast of Pentecost, tongues of fire came to rest on the heads of the disciples and they were filled with the Holy Spirit. Each disciple began speaking in a different language, and were understood by people from many different regions who were amazed at what they had witnessed.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13

Paul explains that we are all members of one body. We have all been baptized in one Spirit and although numerous, we are one through Christ.

Gospel: John 20:19-23

John describes Jesus' first visit to the disciples after his resurrection. He gave them the Holy Spirit and the power to forgive other people or hold them responsible for their actions.



LITURGICAL NOTES:

Mass  for the
Intentions  Week
And Weekly Readings



Saturday, May 19: Easter Weekday

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

5:00 PM Maggie Sander

Sunday, May 20: 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 Declan Matthew Reisenweber

Monday May 21: St. Matthias, Apostle (Feast)

James 3:13-18; Psalm 19:8, 9, 10, 15; Mark 9:14-29

9:00 AM People of the Parish

Tuesday, May 22: Easter Weekday

James 4:1-10; Psalm 55:7-8, 9-10a, 10b-11a, 23; Mark 9:30-37

Wednesday, May 23: Easter Weekday

James 4:13-17; Psalm 49:2-3, 6-7, 8-10, 11; Mark 9:38-40

Thursday May 24: Easter Weekday

James 5:1-6; Psalm 49:14-15ab, 15cd-16, 17-18, 19-20;
Mark 9:41-50

Friday, May 25: Easter Weekday

James 5:9-12; Psalm 103:1-2, 3-4, 8-9, 11-12; Mark 10:1-12

Saturday, May 26: St. Philip Neri, Priest (Memorial)

James 5:13-20; Psalm 141:1-2, 3 & 8; Mark 10:13-16

5:00 PM Dorothy R. Yoder

Sunday, May 27: Seventh Sunday of Easter

Deuteronomy 4:32-34, 39-40; Psalm 33:4-5, 6, 9, 18-19, 20, 22;
Romans 8:14-17; Matthew 28:16-20

9:15 AM Matthew Tornambe

Calendar of Events

Saturday: 5/19

Gospel Reflections/7:30am/ social hall

Mass/5:00pm/ Church

Sunday: 5/20

Mass/ 9:15am/ Church

Monday: 5/21

Mass/9:00 am/ Church

Finance Committee/6:00pm/Parish House

Parish Council/7:00pm/Parish Council

Tuesday: 5/22

No Event

Wednesday: 5/23

No Event

Thursday: 5/24

No Event

Friday: 5/25

No Event

Saturday: 5/26

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Minister Schedule

May 26 & May 27, 2018

Saturday, May 26, 2018: 5:00pm

EMHC: J. & A. Zarnowski

Lector: Y. Melara

Cantor: M. Kerchusky

Altar Servers: K. & Y. Melara

Gifts: People of the Parish

Greeter: G. Curdo

Usher: T. Kerchusky

Sunday, May 27, 2018: 9:15am

EMHC: T. Ober G. Best D. Parson

Lector: J. Kelly

Cantor: R. Perez

Altar Servers: Dave, Jim, and Daryl

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*



PARENT MEETING

On Sunday, June 10 there will be a brief parent meeting at 10:30am to discuss youth activities and programs.

Enroll Now

SHS is currently enrolling for Grades K-5 for the 2018-2019 school year. 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 1st through 5th for the 2018-2019 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 (\$1,000 in year 1 and \$500 in year 2). Restrictions apply and no financial aid forms are required.



Shane and Elizabeth are happy to announce this years VBS 2018. Come "Get S'MORE of Jesus" at St. Jude's Camp VBS July 23-26. From 6-8 pm. The week will end with a family bonfire, hotdog roast and fun family games on Friday, July 27. More details to come. Anyone interested/willing to help in anyway, please see Elizabeth or Shane Armstrong searmstrong@pa.net or 717-994-0831.

Women's 96th Cursillo weekend will be held July 19-22, 2018 at St. Pius X Parish in Selinsgrove, PA. The Men's 100th Cursillo weekend will be held on July 26-29, 2018, also at St. Pius X Parish, Selinsgrove.

Upcoming Retreat

The Harrisburg Diocesan Council of Catholic Women is hosting the 8th Annual Weekend Retreat, **June 8-10, 2018** (Friday evening until Sunday Noon), at Mount St. Mary's University Emmitsburg, MD. **The Retreat Master is Very Reverend Neil Sullivan, Pastor of St. Catherine**



Laboure Parish, Harrisburg, PA. More details will be coming soon!

YOUTH ACTIVITIES

The following activities are in the planning stages for the youth of our parish as well as Sacred Heart.

June 24, 2018 Sunday: Family Hike and Picnic at Trough Creek State Park.

Leave St. Jude at 10:30am following Mass. Leave Sacred Heart at 12:00 noon.

July 31, 2018 9:00am Mass at St. Jude followed by Kayak trip on the Juniata. Gather at Buttonwood Campground launch site and end at Saner's picnic area, where there will be a picnic/cookout along the river.

August 13, 2018 9:00am Mass at St. Jude, followed by a trip to Emmitsburg, MD. A pilgrimage will be made to the shrine of Elizabeth Ann Seton and Mt. Saint Mary's.

More details to follow.



On Sunday, June 3, 2018, we will honor our 2018 graduating high school seniors. Following Mass a reception will be held in the social hall. The monthly adoration, normally held the first Sunday will be held on Sunday, June 10. There will be no social that week..

Men's Retreat Notice

**Retreat
2018**

The annual men's retreat, sponsored by Corpus Christi Parish, will be held on the campus of Mt. St. Mary's University, Emmitsburg, MD on the weekend of August 3rd (Friday evening until early Sunday afternoon). Included are 2 nights' lodging and 6 good meals, which are incidental to a most enjoyable spiritual experience. If you've never attended a retreat, or it's been a long time since your last one, why not take a chance and "treat" yourself this year? The Most Reverend Ronald Gainer, Bishop of Harrisburg will lead us this year and "satisfaction is guaranteed." A minimum reservation deposit of \$60 will hold your room. **For more information, contact: Greg DeVecchis at 717-250-5029.**

Sign Up Today – November 3, 2018



As part of the events celebrating the 150th anniversary of the diocese of Harrisburg, **Bishop Gainer will lead a diocesan pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC, on Saturday, November 3, 2018 from 9:00AM to 4:00PM.** This will be the first time Bishop Gainer will lead our diocese to Washington since he was installed in 2014. **Scheduled events for the day include: Holy Sacrifice of the Mass with the Most Reverend Ronald W. Gainer as Celebrant and Homilist, Eucharistic Adoration, Celebration of the Luminous, Mysteries of the Rosary and Sacrament of Penance. There will be free time for Lunch, Private Prayer, Shopping at the Shrine Gift Shop and a Self-Guided Tour of the Basilica. Sacred Heart has reserved a bus for this special day. Cost is \$25/per person. Departure and return times to be determined. A sign-up sheet is available in the narthex. For more information about upcoming events for the 150th Anniversary of the Diocese of Harrisburg go to www.hbgdiocese.org/150.**

Annulments

The Tribunal of the Diocese of Harrisburg will be giving 2 presentations within the diocese concerning marriage, divorce and annulment according to Church teaching. These presentations will be helpful for divorced Catholics, those divorced who wish to marry Catholics, those parish leaders involved in the RCIA process and any others who may have a vested interest because of family and friends. The presentations will be held at **Our Lady of the Visitation Parish, Shippensburg, on June 5th at 7 PM and at St. Patrick Parish, Carlisle, on June 14th at 7 PM.** No prior registration is required. For further information, please call 717-657-4804 ext. 304 or email at tribunal@hbgdiocese.org or visit www.HbgDiocese.org/annulments.

Annual Quo Vadis and Fiat Days



QuoVadis Days...is a retreat for young Catholic men ages 15-25 to learn more about the priesthood, to deepen their faith, and to better discern God's call in their lives. The retreat will be held **June 24-27, 2018** at Mount Saint Mary's Seminary, Emmitsburg, MD. A \$50 registration fee is required.

Fiat Days...is a retreat for young Catholic women ages 15-25 to learn more about consecrated life, to deepen their faith, and to better discern God's call in their lives. The retreat will be held **July 1-3, 2018** at Mount Saint Mary's University and Seminary Emmitsburg, MD. A \$50 registration fee is required. All other expenses are funded by the diocese of Harrisburg. **Deadline for registration is June 17, 2018.** For registration forms for either retreat please contact: The Diocese of Harrisburg's Office of Vocations at 717-657-4804 ext. 282, email vocations@hbgdiocese.org or visit our website at www.hbgdiocese.org/vocations.



Spread the Word

Join guest speaker Michael Voris from St. Michael's Media when he presents **"Current Crisis Facing the Holy Catholic Church and How to Defend Her"** on **June 16, 2018 from 1 – 3:00 PM** at Lisburn Community Fire Company, Social Hall, 1800 Main St., Mechanicsburg, PA. Michael offers hope and insight in putting our Church back on the straight and narrow. Support your Church and be part of the solution and not the problem. For more information visit: <https://www.daeromeo.com/product-catagpru/spiritual-growth-books/> or call 717-543-5815. Ticket are \$10/person or \$15.00/family.

