

St. Jude Thaddeus Catholic Church

3918 William Penn Highway, P.O. Box 187, Mifflintown, PA 17059
(717) 436-6722 (717) 242-2781 at Sacred Heart, Lewistown

Parish Staff

REV. BILL WEARY, PASTOR

frweary@stjudemifflintown.org

Rev. Jayaseelan Amalanathan, Parochial Vicar

MRS. GALE TREASTER, SECRETARY

rectory@stjudemifflintown.org

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.

May 5, 2019

Third 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

Third Sunday of Easter

May 5, 2019

"But Peter and the apostles said in reply, 'We must obey God rather than men. The God of our ancestors raised Jesus, though you had him killed by hanging him on a tree. God exalted him at his right hand as leader and savior to grant Israel repentance and forgiveness of sins. We are witnesses of these things, as is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him.'"

When people wonder how to get started in learning about the Catholic Church, or to read the bible, the clearest answer is found in this or any other sermon of St. Peter and St. Paul in the Acts of the Apostles. These teachings from the bible introduce us to Jesus Christ and His saving mission. Because of my encounter with Jesus through the announcement of Peter, I am moved to learn more as He accompanies me.

The talks summarize what is most important – Jesus is Savior, He died and rose, and has been glorified. I suggest that you look at similar teachings, which will provide the foundation of this great time of Easter. Look at the Acts of the Apostles chapter 2,3,4,9,19. These are called the kerygm, or the announcing sermons of Peter and Paul.

First Reading: Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41

The high priest chastised Peter and the other apostles for continuing to preach when they had been ordered to stop. Peter replied he would rather obey God than men, considering God's power even over death. They are again warned to stop speaking of Jesus, and then freed.

Second Reading: Revelation 5:11-14

John had a vision of many angels and all the living creatures of the world gathered around a throne. The angels cried out that the slain Lamb was worthy of receiving power, glory and praise. Then every creature on earth called out praise to God and the Lamb, and the elders fell down and worshipped.

Gospel: John 21:1-19

Jesus appeared to the disciples for the third time since his resurrection while they were fishing. They hadn't caught anything, and then Jesus advised them to cast their net from the other side of the boat. When they did this, they caught a great number of fish. Jesus then asked Peter three times, "Do you love me?" When Peter said he did, Jesus asked him to tend and feed his sheep.

Tithing is God's Plan for Giving:	
Income for April 28, 2019	\$ 2,141.53
Easter	\$ 150.00
Catholic Home Missions	\$ 85.00
Tithe for April 28, 2019	\$ 229.00
Mifflin-Juniata Energy Bank	



Saturday Night Spanish Mass

Cinthia Marquez Miquel Marquez
Heydi Marquez Yadie Cordoro

Sunday Morning Mass

Austin Zeigler Jeramiah Armstrong
Carly Grice XenaMarie Rivera
Paul Imes

Congratulations and God Bless the Students who received their First Holy Communion.



Fr. Jay is celebrating 30 years of priesthood this year and Fr. Bill 35 years. **A celebration will be held Sunday, May 19th**, beginning with the 9:15 AM Mass, followed by a 1:30 PM luncheon/reception at St.

Jude Parish Hall in Mifflintown. A sign-up sheet for the reception, so we have an accurate food count, is in the vestibule and social hall. **All are welcome.**



LITURGICAL NOTES:

*Mass for the
Intentions for the Week
And Weekly Readings*



Saturday, May 4: Easter Weekday

Acts of the Apostles 6:1-7; Psalm 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; John 6:16-21

5:00 PM Jane Ratkaj

6:30 PM People of the Parish

Sunday, May 5: Third Sunday of Easter

Acts of the Apostles 5:27-32, 40b-41; Psalm 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13; Revelation 5:11-14; John 21:1-19

9:15 AM Charles Armstrong

Monday, May 6: Easter Weekday

Acts of the Apostles 6:8-15; Psalm 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30; John 6:22-29

9:00 AM People of the Parish

Tuesday, May 7: Easter Weekday

Acts of the Apostles 7:51-8:1a; Psalm 31:3cd-4, 6 & 7b & 8a, 17 & 21ab; John 6:30-35

Wednesday, May 8: Easter Weekday

Acts of the Apostles 8:1b-8; Psalm 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a; John 6:35-40

Thursday, May 9: Easter Weekday

Acts of the Apostles 8:26-10; Psalm 66:8-9, 16-17, 20; John 6:44-51

Friday, May 10: Easter Weekday

Acts of the Apostles 9:1-20; Psalm 117:1bc, 2; John 6:52-59

Saturday, May 11: Easter Weekday

Acts of the Apostles 9:31-42; Psalm 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-17; John 6:60-69

5:00 PM Jane Ratkaj

Sunday, May 12: Fourth Sunday of Easter

Acts of the Apostles 13:14, 43-52; Psalm 100:1-2, 3, 5, Revelation 7:9, 14b-17; John 10:27-30

9:15 AM Catherine Montrey

Calendar of Events

Saturday: 5/04

Gospel Reflections/7:30am/ social hall

Mass/5:00pm/ Church

Spanish Mass/6:30pm/Church

Sunday: 5/05

Mass/ 9:15am/ Church

First Holy Communion

Monday: 5/06

Mass/9:00am/Church

Tuesday: 5/07

No Event

Wednesday: 5/08

No Event

Thursday: 5/09

No Event

Friday: 5/10

No Event

Saturday: 5/11

Gospel Reflections/ 7:30am/ social hall

Mass/5:00pm/Church

Sunday: 5/12

Mass/9:15am/Church

Happy Mother's Day!

Minister Schedule

May 11 & May 12, 2019

Saturday, May 11, 2019: 5:00 pm

EMHC: A. and 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, May 12, 2019: 9:15am

EMHC: J. Price D. Treaster J. Fitzgerald

Lector: G. Treaster

Cantor; R. Perez

Altar Servers: T. & S. Kelly

Gifts: People of the Parish

Greeters: People of the Parish

Ushers: R. Auker 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

Last week I went to the ancient city of St. Augustine, Florida, where the first Holy Mass and the first Thanksgiving was celebrated by the Spaniards in America. I thank God for Phil Mock for making this memorable visit possible.

Phil calls me his 'brother' and I consider him my 'brother' too. For the last two summers, I have given excuses to his cordial invitation to stay in his house and to enjoy my vacation. But, this summer I couldn't succeed to offer him any excuse. I even suggested to him to arrange a week long retreat around Harrisburg instead of my vacation to St. Augustine.

Phil organized my stay with him so perfectly as he would have done for any of his family members. He took me to all the historic places in and around St. Augustine, including the location where the first mass was celebrated and the slave plantations etc.

I am not from a country or culture that takes vacations. But, now I have learned from my own experience what a vacation means in the USA.

But, I began every day with the Holy Mass and my personal prayer. And I remembered the intentions of all the parishioners of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and St. Jude.

-Fr. Jay



Festival in the Park

Come join us at Myers Park(Mifflintown Playground) and bring the whole family on May 18, 2019 from 11:00am to 6:00pm. This wonderful community event has food, music, kid's games, and activities for everyone. Bring your lawn chair or blanket to sit and enjoy a wide variety of community performers. Saint Jude Parish will have a booth with materials and a French fry stand supported by parishioners and the Knights of Columbus. The proceeds from the festival benefits local programs.

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.



“ LOST AT SEA ”

VBS will be held at St. Jude July 8th-11th with an end of week celebration at the Mifflin Pool Friday July 12th from 7-9pm for all participants and their entire family.

We are in the planning stages of 2019 VBS and couldn't be more excited. This year's theme will be a 4 day focus on two of our favorite things. 1. Finding our way to Jesus. 2. The Ocean. As always, to have a successful VBS we need YOU. If you have children (ages 4 and up are welcome !!!), save the date now and plan to bring them to VBS. If you can volunteer (you don't need to have school age children to volunteer, you do need clearances), please talk to us, we cannot do it alone. If, you would like to help plan, let us know. Thanks for your continued support! Shane and Elizabeth Armstrong

Register NOW for the 2019-20 Academic Year!

Registrations are now being taken for any student interested in attending Sacred Heart School next academic year. Kindergarten students need to be age 5 by Sept. 1, 2019. We also have openings in grades 1 – 5. Scholarships and Financial Aid are available, and applications are currently being accepted until April 15, 2019. Call the school to schedule a tour. Additionally, there is plenty of information about the school, the application process, and financial aid on our website at www.sacredheartschool.com. All faiths are welcome!



Grange Fair Tickets

Sacred Heart School HSA is selling Centre County Grange Fair Weekly Admission Tickets. **Be the first to purchase your Grange Fair tickets here!** Tickets do not go on sale to the general public until June 1st. **Ticket prices are \$20 each, children 11 years old & under are admitted free.** The fair runs August 16th-24th. SHS HSA will receive \$2 for each ticket sold. **All orders and money are due May 14th.** Please make checks payable to "Centre County Grange Fair". Orders will be available for pick-up on 5/28/19 from 2:30-5:00PM in the school cafeteria. Order forms are available at both the school and parish office.



It's Pizza, Pizza Time!

SHS-HSA will be running a Little Caesars Frozen Pizza Sale Until **Tuesday May 14th**. Orders can be placed online



PizzaKits.com Products--> Shop --> Fundraiser ID is 364382, these will be delivered with the other orders on **Tuesday May 28th and picked up from 2:45- 5:30 at the school cafeteria**. Please contact Sharina Harshbarger at 814-441-4361 with any questions

Sharing St. Vincent dePaul's Vision

Happy Birthday to our founder, St. Vincent dePaul, born April 24, 1581. We recognize and celebrate all of his accomplishments and praise his vision for helping those in the community who are in



need. With that celebration we would like to recognize the many that share his vision. First and foremost, our Board of Directors, who work

tirelessly to gain funding, to provide services, give of their time and talents to prepare and serve our community meals, and develop rules and guidelines to allow our chapter to run smoothly! Next, we thank the Sacred Heart and St. Jude parishioners who support us by your tithes and individual donations and through our fundraisers. We also are so thankful

for our CCD students for their donations and to those who volunteer for our meals and Christmas and Lenten projects. Next we send many kudos for our friends who met our Lenten Challenge! Thanks to the Sacred Heart School children, The amazing Companions of Pauline and Red Hat Ladies, Ruth Hower, Tom Storm, Dottie Peiffer, Rich and Carol Reardon, Sally Bramakulam, Ashley Henry, Kathie Tice, Annemarie Showers, Father Jay and Father Bill, as well as those who fill our donation boxes each week! Lastly we thank, Jodi Peters, who goes far and above taking our appointments; she is part of our team and helps in every way we ask, as well as jumping in to help with or organize our many projects. We are blessed by all of these wonderful people! If you want to be a part of our team, contact the parish or email



Joey at stvincentdepaullewistown@gmail.com.

St Vincent de Paul's members and volunteers reach out to the most vulnerable in our community through our society!