

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



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.

November 12, 2017

Thirty-Second 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

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 12, 2017

“Go instead to the merchants and buy some oil for yourselves.’ While they went off to buy it, the bridegroom came and those who were ready went into the wedding feast with him. Then the doors were locked. Afterwards the others came and said, ‘Lord, Lord, open the door for us.’ But he said in reply, ‘Amen, I say to you, I do not know you.’ Therefore, stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour.”

How often we hear the expression ‘this is a wakeup call.’ It might call us to study harder, begin a healthier life style, or even to express gratitude for escaping an accident or tragedy. The parable of Jesus, who many have read this year, is directed to me today. How ready and prepared am I to accompany the Lord, who is walking with me today. The lamp oil is God’s grace. Is it burning in me, at this moment? If the battery is low, where can I have it recharged? God’s grace we find in the sacraments.

How often we have been offered the example of a door, as opening the door of our hearts to the Lord, or He Himself knocking at the door wanting to enter. He is the gatekeeper. A door allows entrance to another place.

Don’t put off applying the parallel to your own spiritual life. It is my wakeup call.

First Reading: Wisdom 6:12-16

Regarded as personifying God’s power, Wisdom is readily and easily found by those who seek her.

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

The Thessalonians, who fear that those who have died will miss Christ’s return, are comforted by Paul’s assurance that those “who have died in Christ will rise first.”

Gospel: Matthew 25:1-13

In the parable of the five sensible bridesmaids and the five foolish bridesmaids, Jesus emphasizes the fact that we must always be ready for the coming of Christ because in his words, “You know not the day or the hour.”

Tithing is God’s Plan for Giving:

Income for November 5, 2017	\$ 2,980.75
All Saint’s Day	\$ 272.00
All Soul’s Day	\$ 80.00
Capital Improvements	\$ 270.00
Tithe for November 5, 2017	\$ 333.00
Juniata County Food Pantry	



Dear Friends,

All of us at **Shelter Service, Inc.** would like to “Thank You” for your generous donation/tithe of **\$197.00**. It is because of your compassion and goodwill that our organization can continue our important work.

We so appreciate your faithfulness to our mission and the residents are grateful for your abundant blessings.

Have a wonderful week.

Sincerely,

Jane E. Neff

Executive Director



THANKSGIVING DAY MASS

Mass will be celebrated on Thanksgiving morning at Saint Jude at 9:00 am. There will also be Mass at Sacred Heart in Lewistown at 9:00 am.



LITURGICAL NOTES:

Mass  for the
Intentions  Week
And Weekly Reading



Saturday, November 11: St. Martin of Tours, Bishop (Memorial)

Romans 16:3-9, 16, 22-27; Psalm 145:2-3, 4-5, 10-11; Luke 16:9-15

5:00 PM Jack and Patricia Marshall

Sunday, November 12: 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wisdom 6:12-16; Psalm 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8; 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18; Matthew 24:42a, 44

9:15 AM Lorraine Hazard

Monday, November 13: St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin (Memorial)

Wisdom 1:1-7; Psalm 139:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8, 9-10; Luke 17:1-6

9:00 AM People of the Parish

Tuesday, November 14: Weekday

Wisdom 2:23-3:9; Psalm 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19; Luke 17:7-10

Wednesday, November 15: Weekday

Wisdom 6:1-11; Psalm 82:3-4, 6-7; Luke 17:11-19

Thursday, November 16: Weekday

Wisdom 7:22b-8:1; Psalm 119:89, 90, 91, 130, 135, 175;
Luke 17:20-25

Friday, November 17: St. Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious (Memorial)

Wisdom 13:1-9; Psalm 19:2-3, 4-5ab; Luke 17:26-37

Saturday, November 18: Weekday

Wisdom 18:14-16; 19:6-9; Psalm 105:2-3, 36-37, 42-43;
Luke 18:1-8

5:00 PM Ralph Hepner

Sunday, November 19: 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; Psalm 128:1-2, 3, 4-5; 1
Thessalonians 5:1-6; John 15:4a, 5b

9:15 AM Repose of all Souls

Calendar of Events

Saturday: 11/11

Gospel Reflections/7:30am/ social hall

Mass/5:00pm/ Church

Sunday: 11/12

Mass/ 9:15am/ Church

CCD Classes/10:30am after Mass

Monday: 11/13

Mass/9:00am/ Church

Tuesday: 11/14

Knights of Columbus/7:00pm/ Social Hall

Wednesday: 11/15

No Event

Thursday: 11/16

No Event

Friday: 11/17

No Event

Saturday: 11/18

Gospel Reflections/ 7:30am/ social hall

Mass/ 5:00pm/ Church

Sunday: 11/19

Mass / 9:15 am / Church

Choir Rehearsal after Mass/ Church

CCD Classes/ 10:30am after Mass

Minister Schedule

November 18 & November 19, 2017

Saturday, November 18, 2017: 5:00pm

EMHC: J. & A. Zarnowski

Lector: C. Fitzgerald

Cantor: M. Kerchusky

Altar Servers: J. & A. Flores

Gifts: People of the Parish

Greeters: P. Thompson

Usher: T. Kerchusky

Sunday, November 19, 2017: 9:15am

EMHC: T. Ober D. Treaster

Lector: T. Kromel

Cantor: S. Connell

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

Gifts: People of the Parish

Greeters: Ginger and Gale

Ushers: D. & Z. Ames



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*

Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion Scheduled Workshops

The following workshops for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion have been scheduled:

For **NEW** Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion

- Sat., Nov 18 – Our Lady of the Visitation, Shippensburg 10 AM-12 PM.



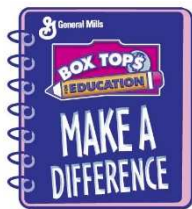
March for Life 2018 – Youth Rally Tickets

Please sign up now for the March for Life bus and Mass at the **Verizon Center, Washington,**

D.C., for Monday, January 22, 2018. To reserve our places at the Verizon Center Mass and Rally we need commitments now! **Please sign up in the social hall on the sign-up**



Choir rehearsal for the 6:00pm English Mass on Christmas Eve will be held after the 9:15 Mass on Sunday mornings. Rehearsals will begin on November 12. Any questions, please see Alice Arnold.



Reminder

Again this year Sacred Heart School will be collecting Box Tops and Labels for Education. You may drop your box tops and labels off at the parish office. **Thank you**

for supporting our school!

Goodbye Campbell Soup Labels

Campbell's Soup has **discontinued** their label program. They are in the process of coming up with a new program. **No labels will be collected after November 30th.** Thanks for your continued support with your donation of labels throughout the years.



Items Needed

The auction committee is looking for handmade, new, or gently used items to auctioned off at our **Benefit Auction on April 29th.** If you would like to donate an item, please contact Ashley Henry at the Parish Office.



SCRIP Gift Cards

The SCRIP gift card sale is continuing through **November 8th.** There will be one more SCRIP sale prior to Christmas, beginning November 21st. Cards ordered through this sale will be delivered before Christmas. Contact Sharon Whitesel, SCRIP coordinator, at 717-348-7070 with any questions.

Marriage Annulments

The Tribunal of the Diocese of Harrisburg will be giving a presentation concerning marriage, divorce and annulment according to Church teaching. This presentation 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 or friends. This session will be held on **Nov. 13, at 7:00 PM,** in the Cardinal Keeler Center of the diocesan office building in Harrisburg. No prior registration is required. For further information, please call 717-657-4804 ext. 304, or email tribunal@hbqdiocese.org.



Cookie Walk and Bazaar

SAVE THIS DATE: This year's walk is on **Saturday, December 9, 2017**, in the church social hall from 9:00am to Noon(or while supply lasts). Doors open at 8am sharp.

Purchase an empty container for \$10.00 and fill it with your choice from a wide variety of homemade Christmas cookies. Each container will hold 3-4 dozen cookies, depending on the size and shape of the cookies selected. Homemade candies will also be on sale. You can also shop for unique Christmas gifts from a selection of homemade candies, hand crafted items and needlework, and a White Elephant table.

Come and get the best selection and enjoy a **free cup of hot coffee** while you browse. For more information, contact Joyce Price at 717-994-0209.



Attention Cookie Bakers

St. Jude Women's Guild is in need of as many bakers as possible for our **Annual Christmas Cookie Walk on December 9, 2017**. Mary Tonge has been making phone calls, but in the event we missed you on our list, please consider helping us out by baking cookies for our fundraiser.

We ask our bakers to bake 12 dozen of their best cookie recipe. **The 12 dozen should be all the same kind.** The social hall will be open for cookie drop off on Friday, December 8, 2017 from 9:00am to 6:30pm. Cookies can also be dropped off on Saturday morning, between 7:00am and 8:00am. If you have any questions or if you are unable to deliver your cookies, please call Joyce Price, 717-994-0209. She will arrange for someone to pick your cookies up. Thanks to all our expert cookie Bakers.



PARISH YOUTH EVENT

All Parish Youth are invited to a bonfire and picnic on the farm of Julie Jarabeck. The event will be held on December 3 from 1:30-4:00PM. There is a signup sheet in the social hall.



STEWARDSHIP...A FAITH JOURNEY... OUR TIME, TALENT, TREASURE OUR FAMILY, FAITH, PRAYERS

Our Parish's Annual Stewardship Renewal will take place during Sunday masses on **November 18 and 19.**

What is Stewardship?

- Stewardship is an understanding of the heart that everything we have is a gift from God which we are to use to help others.
- Stewardship is having the heart to give back out of love a portion of every gift that has been entrusted to us from God.
- Stewardship is a lifelong faith journey that brings us ever closer to Jesus Christ: following a path He so perfectly laid out for us through His life example.

