

# St. Jude Thaddeus Catholic Church

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## Parish Staff

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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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 26, 2017**

**Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe**

**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

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“Then the King will say to those on his right, ‘Come, you are blessed by my Father. Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food. I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me, naked and you clothed me, ill and you cared for me, in prison and you visited me.’ Then the righteous will answer him and say, ‘Lord when...’”

It is easy to recall this teaching, the well-known corporal works of mercy. It is easy to place a name and face on friends or agencies who carry out their tremendous works of service. It is easy to offer support through donations to enable others to carry out their mission.

As we reflect upon these signs of compassion and concern, and admire the dedication of those who serve the needs of others, why not ask the question that causes people to be in such vulnerable conditions. A famous Brazilian bishop once declared, ‘When I take care of the poor, people praise me. When I ask why they are poor, I am called a communist.’ Dom Helder Camara wants us to ask the question which leads me to help alleviate the suffering of others. It may be my active involvement in direct service or maybe indirect service through legislative action, helping understand the issues involved or both.

On this great feast of Christ the King take time to answer the question posed to Jesus and myself ‘When...?’

**First Reading: Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17**

This passage beautifully describes how the Lord God, as shepherd, will tend his flock. He will rescue those who are lost, bring back those who stray, heal the sick, and “pasture” all.

**Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 28**

Paul once again stresses the significance of Christ’s resurrection in the total divine plan, emphasizing that Christ’s rising means that those who believe in him will also rise after death. Christianity, he argues, is meaningless if it concerns only this life on earth. In the end, even death will be destroyed, and “God will be all in all.”

**Gospel: Matthew 25:31-46**

With words both poetic and vivid, Jesus tells the disciples that since he is present in all people, whatever they do to “one of my least brothers” they do to him; and whatever they fail to do to his “least,” they fail to do to him.

**Tithing is God’s Plan for Giving:**

Income for November 19, 2017	\$ 2,980.94
Votives	\$ 32.00
Matthew 25	\$ 100.00

Tithe for November 19, 2017	\$ 298.00
Mifflin-Juniata Bank	



**THANK YOU FROM RACHEL’S VINEYARD**

**Dear Parish Members of Saint Jude Thaddeus Church,**

Rachel’s Vineyard Ministry would like to thank you for your donation of \$550.00 that you made through contributions from crosses that were purchased for you Cemetery of Innocents.

Through the support from donations such as this one we can continue to reach out with love to those wounded by abortion and offer the training and resources needed to continue and expand this very important work .

May God Bless you for this contribution to Rachel’s Vineyard and accept our sincerest thanks for this heartfelt donation and please continue to keep us in your prayers.

Sincerely, Theresa Burke



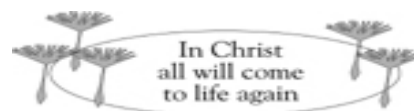
**Feast of the Immaculate Conception**

**Saint Jude Thaddeus-** Friday, December 8 at 7:00 PM

**Sacred Heart of Jesus-Lewistown**

Thursday, December 7-Vigil Mass at 7:00 PM

Friday, December 8 at 12:00 Noon



## LITURGICAL NOTES:

Mass  for the  
Intentions  Week  
And Weekly Reading



### Saturday, November 25: Weekday

1 Maccabees 6:1-13; Psalm 9:2-3, 4 & 6, 16 & 19; Luke 20:27-40

5:00 PM Eleanor Angstadt

### Sunday, November 26: Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17; Psalm 23:1-2, 2-3, 5-6; 1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 28; Mark 11:9, 10

9:15 AM Fred Mitchell

### Monday, November 27: Weekday

Daniel 1:1:1-6, 8-20; Daniel 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56; Luke 21:1-4

9:00 AM People of the Parish

### Tuesday, November 28: Weekday

Daniel 2:31-45; Daniel 3:57, 58, 59, 60, 61; Luke 21:5-11

### Wednesday, November 29: Weekday

Daniel 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28; Daniel 3:62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67; Luke 21:5-11

### Thursday, November 30: St. Andrew, Apostle (Feast)

Romans 10:9-18; Psalm 19:8, 9, 10, 11; Matthew 4:18-22

### Friday, December 1: Weekday

Daniel 7:2-14; Daniel 3:75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81; Luke 21:29-33

9:00 AM People of the Parish

### Saturday, December 2: Weekday

Daniel 7:15-27; Daniel 3:82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87; Luke 21:34-36

5:00 PM People of the Parish

### Sunday, December 3: First Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7; Psalm 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19; 1 Corinthians 1:3-9; Psalm 85:8

9:00 AM Shirley and Richard Baade

## Calendar of Events

### Saturday: 11/25

Gospel Reflections/7:30am/ social hall  
Mass/5:00pm/ Church

### Sunday: 11/26

Mass/ 9:15am/ Church

### Monday: 11/27

Mass/9:00am/ Church

### Tuesday: 11/28

Women's Guild/6:30pm/ Social Hall

### Wednesday: 11/29

No Event

### Thursday: 11/30

No Event

### Friday: 12/01

First Friday Mass/9:00am/ Church

### Saturday: 12/02

Gospel Reflections/ 7:30am/ social hall

Mass/ 5:00pm/ Church

Spanish Mass/6:30pm/ Church

### Sunday: 12/03

Mass / 9:15 am / Church

Choir Rehearsal after Mass/ Church

CCD /10:30 AM

## **Minister Schedule**

### **December 2 & December 3, 2017**

Saturday, December 2, 2017: 5:00pm

EMHC: J. & A. Zarnowski

Lector: M. Tonge

Cantor: M. Kerchusky

Altar Servers: J. & A. Flores

Gifts: People of the Parish

Greeters: P. Thompson

Usher: T. Kerchusky

Sunday, December 3, 2017: 9:15am

EMHC: T. Ober, J. Fitzgerald, D. Treaster

Lector: Garry W. Price

Cantor: M. Miller

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

Gifts: People of the Parish

Greeters: Ginger and Gale

Ushers: A. Thawley T. Newcamp



**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*

### **Advent Penance Service**

will be on **Sunday,**  
**December 10<sup>th</sup>** at 3:00 PM for  
Sacred Heart and 7:00 PM for  
St. Jude



## 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 Ralley we need commitments now! **Please sign up in the social hall on the sign-up**

## choir practice



**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.**



## PRAYER LIST

Please remember in your prayers, the repose of the soul of Rose Lusk, mother of parishioner Anne Zarnowski, who passes away this week . Her funeral Mass was on Friday in Carlisle. Also remember Shane Armstrong and family. His grandmother, Phyllis Davis passed away last week-end, her funeral was earlier this week.



## THANK YOU

Thank you to all who participated in the Harshbarger's fundraiser. I appreciate all the help in funding for my Eagle Scout project for the Ronald McDonald House.

Zach Hemond

## **Attn: EMHC- Time to Re-Certify**

Re-training for extraordinary minister of Holy Communion will be **9:30 AM – 11:00 AM Saturday, January 20, 2018** in Sacred Heart Church for those in need of re-certification.

## St. Jude Women's Guild

## 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 early to get the best selection and enjoy a **free** cup of 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.

## WOMEN'S GUILD CHRISTMAS DINNER

The Women's Guild Christmas Dinner will be held at the Juniata Valley Winery on Wednesday, December 13 at 6:00pm. Cost is \$25.00 plus gratuity for the servers. Seating is limited. Sign up sheet is in the social hall. Please pay when signing up.

## **discovering Christ- ASK,SEEK and KNOCK**

Looking for answers? Why are we here? What is the meaning of life? Is God real? Who is Jesus? Starting Sunday, January 28, 2018, St. Jude's parish will be hosting in the social hall, a seven week course., Discovering Christ. The course includes a day retreat to be held during Lent 2018. At each of the sessions dinner will be served beginning at 5:00pm immediately prior to the course. Registration and more information coming soon.

## **Welcome Back Cantare**

Mifflin County High School's choral group 'Cantare' will be singing at the **11:00 AM Mass on Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>**. The group will present a prelude concert beginning at 10:45, and also will sing a communion meditation.

Please plan on attending to support these talented teens as their voices have enhanced our worship for many years.



## **Rectory Open House Christmas Party**

Father Weary's Rectory Open House Christmas Party will be held on **Thursday, December 28<sup>th</sup> from 6-8 PM**. All are welcome to join us for this annual celebration. Snacks and drinks will be provided.



## **Gala Tickets**

Sacred Heart School's Annual Gala tickets will go on sale **December 1, 2017**. This year's gala, **Uptown Hoedown, will be held on Saturday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>** at the Lewistown Country Club from 5:00 PM until Midnight. Ticket prices are \$50 until 1/14/18 and \$60 from 1/15/18 till sold out. Tickets will be available at the Parish Office.



## **MAKING OUR GOAL**

As we reach the end of this calendar year, we want to remind those who have not completed their pledge to this year's Lenten Appeal, that they must be made by **December 31**. As of this date, we are short by \$ 517.00 of reaching our assessment. Any shortfall must be paid out of our general fund. We thank everyone for their generosity to the annual Lenten Appeal.



## **Blessing of the Creche**

The Knight's of Columbus will be blessing the creche at the front of the Church on **Tuesday, December 5 at 7:00pm**. All are welcome. Light refreshments will follow.