

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



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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 4, 2018

Thirty-First 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

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 4, 2018

“Moses spoke to the people saying, ‘Fear the Lord, your God, and keep, throughout the days of your lives, all his statutes and commandments which I enjoin on you...love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength. Take to heart these words which I enjoin on you today.”

The directive of Moses and the conversation of Jesus with the scribe become the measure for our discipleship and Christian lives. Our love of God is expressed in countless ways, beginning with our prayer life, our desire to do good and avoid evil. It is expressed in our love of neighbor, especially in the corporal works of mercy, as we feed the hungry, give drink to the thirsty, clothe the naked, welcome the stranger, care for the sick. The judgement scene of Matthew’s gospel tells me quite clearly. Did you ever consider that these recipients of our goodness is the person of Jesus hidden in disguise?

The love of the Lord is not a ‘pick and choose’ but a willingness to discover Him in others.

First Reading: Deuteronomy 6:2-6

Moses commands the people to love and fear God, and always keep the commandments that they were given. He tells them to observe all statutes so that they will continue to grow and prosper, and tells them that they must love God with all their soul and strength.

Second Reading: Hebrews 7:23-28

Under the old covenant there were many priests, but Jesus will now remain high priest forever because he will live forever, and always be available to those who want to be saved. He does not need to offer sacrifice every day for the sins of his people, because he offered himself up in payment for their sins.

Gospel: Mark 12:28b-34

One of the scribes asked Jesus which commandment is the first, and he replied that the first is to love and honor the Lord and no one else. Jesus explained that they must love God with all their heart, and love their neighbor. The scribe agreed that loving God completely and loving one’s neighbor is better than any sacrifice they could make.

Tithing is God’s Plan for Giving:

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| Income for October 28, 2018 | \$ 1,535.48 |
| All Saint’s Day | \$ 45.00 |
| World Mission Sunday | \$ 140.00 |
| Tithe for October 28, 2018 | \$ 154.00 |
| Juniata County Food Pantry | |

THIS WEEK AT SAINT JUDE

WEDNESDAY, November 7 @ 7:30PM. Knights of Columbus meeting

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 10 @ SAINT JUDE:The Vigil Mass will be offered at 5:30pm this week due to only one priest being available. There will be no confessions this week..

THANK YOU FROM PA PRO-LIFE

We truly appreciate your recent gift of \$ 167.00 on 10/2/2018. You are making a difference to save lives and further the culture of life as a Pennsylvania Pro-Life Federation member.

I appreciate your continued confidence in us and assure you that we always practice good stewardship of the funds we receive. Thank you so much.

Sincerely for LIFE,

Michael V. Ciccocioppo
Executive Director



LITURGICAL NOTES:

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



Saturday, November 3: Weekday

Philippians 1:18b-26; Psalm 42:2, 3, 5cdef; Luke 14:1, 7-11
5:30 PM People of the Parish

Sunday, November 4: 31st Sunday in Ordinary

Time

Deuteronomy 6:2-6; Psalm 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51; Hebrews
7:23-28; Mark 12:28b-34

9:15 AM Catherine Armstrong

Monday, November 5: Weekday

Philippians 2:1-4; Psalm 131:1bcde, 2, 3; Luke 14:12-14
9:00 AM People of the Parish

Tuesday, November 6: Weekday

Philippians 2:5-11; Psalm 22:26b-27, 28-30ab, 30e, 31-32
Luke 14:15-24

Wednesday, November 7: Weekday

Philippians 2:12-18; Psalm 27:1, 4, 13-14; Luke 14:25-33

Thursday November 8: Weekday

Philippians 3:3-8a; Psalm 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Luke 15:1-10

Friday, November 9: The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica (Feast)

Ezekiel 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; Psalm 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; 1 Corinthians
3:9c-11, 16-17; John 2:13-22

Saturday, November 10: St. Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church (Memorial)

Philippians 4:10-19; Psalm 112:1b-2, 5-6, 8a & 9; Luke
16:9-15

5:30 PM People of the Parish

Sunday, November 11: 32nd Sunday in Ordinary

Time

1 Kings 17:10-16; Psalm 146:7, 8-9, 9-10; Hebrews 9:24-28;
Mark 12:38-44

9:15 AM Bob and Anna Davis

Calendar of Events

Saturday: 11/03

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

Sunday: 11/04

Mass/ 9:15am/ Church
CCD/10:30AM

Wild Goose Series/5:30pm/ social hall

Monday: 11/05

Mass/9:00 am/ Church

Tuesday: 11/06

No Event

Wednesday: 11/07

Knights of Columbus/7:30pm/social hall

Thursday: 11/08

No Event

Friday: 11/09

No Event

Saturday: 11/10

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

Sunday: 11/11

Mass/ 9:15am/ Church
CCD/10:30am

Wild Goose Series/ 5:30pm/ social hall

Minister Schedule

November 10 & November 11, 2018

Saturday, Nov. 10, 2018: 5:30pm

EMHC: J. & A. Zarnowski

Lector: Y. Melara

Cantor: M. Kerchusky

Altar Servers: K. & Y. Melara

Gifts: People of the Parish

Greeters: P. Thompson

Usher: T. Kerchusky

Sunday, Nov. 11, 2018: 9:15am

EMHC: T. Ober K. Graham J. Price

Lector: M. Tonge

Cantor: M. Miller

Altar Servers: Dave, Daryl, and Mike

Gifts: People of the Parish

Greeters: People of the Parish

Ushers: R. Auken 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

This fall/spring we will be doing the Wild Goose series. "The Wild Goose was a term that the ancient Celts had for the Holy Spirit...Apart from the Wild Goose there is no life...The Wild Goose Project is a simple attempt to invite Catholic Christians into a more profound life-giving relationship with the Holy Spirit. This is a relationship marked by the love of God which breathes life into our daily existence.", Fr. Dave Pivonka, TOR. The sessions will be structured similar to the Christ Life series and will be available in both English and Spanish. For the first session a meal will be served. Please join us Sunday evenings at 5:30 pm, beginning September 30th thru November 18th, 2018 for the first half of this beautiful series on the Holy Spirit. While there is no cost for the sessions, we ask that you register for the series to help in preparing the materials. If you have any questions please contact Ralph Perez 717-543-1905.

SHS students are collecting Box Top Labels
If you have collected any Box Top labels, please place them in the can provided in the vestibule of the church or they may be dropped off at the parish office. Remember **Campbell's Soup labels are NOT collected any longer** as they have discontinued that program. **Thank you for supporting Sacred Heart School.**

Items Needed

The auction committee is looking for handmade, new, or gently used items to auctioned off at our **Benefit Auction on April 27th**. If you would like to donate an item, please contact Ashley Henry at the Parish Office.



Save the Date

It is time to start planning the **21st Annual SHS Benefit Auction**. This year's auction will be held on **Sunday, April 28th at the Mifflin County Youth Park**. A **Spaghetti Dinner will be held the night before on Saturday, April 27th**. The next auction planning meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 28th at 6 PM at SHS school.

MASS INTENTION BOOK 2019

We have received the new mass intention book for next year. If there are special dates that you want, now would be the time to schedule them. Please see Gale after Mass on Sunday or stop by the church office during regular hours.



Knights of Columbus Meeting Schedule

Beginning in November, the monthly meetings for the Knights of Columbus will be permanently moved to the second Wednesday of the month at 7:30pm. Meetings are held in the social hall. Please note that the November meeting will be on November 7, which is the first Wednesday of the month.

Vote on Tuesday, November 6th

Form your conscience before you vote. Election Day resources are available at www.hbgdiocese.org/vote. These include candidate responses to survey questions as well as the U.S. Bishop's document, "Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship." Other resources include: www.dos.state.pa.us. See who is on the ballot by searching the Candidate Database at www.votespa.com. Find out where your polling place is, and learn about your voting rights. As Catholics, we are part of a community with profound teachings that help us consider challenges in public life, contribute to greater justice and peace for all people, and evaluate policy positions in light of the Gospel in order to help build a better world. We have a moral obligation to participate in the political process. **Mark your calendar for Election Day on November 6, 2018.** Then exercise your faithful citizenship and **VOTE!**



Attn: Fellow Parish Advocates

The annual Mass for Persons with Disabilities will be held on Nov. 18, 2018 at St. Catherine Laboure in Harrisburg. We will



celebrate together with Bishop Gainer at the 11:30AM Mass. Please plan to join us. If there are members of your parish who would be willing to share their gifts and talents with us at the Mass, we would love to have them join us. **We need individuals to participate as Altar Servers, Lectors, Gift Bearers and Greeters.** Any individuals who perform these duties already and are willing to participate at this special Mass are asked to contact Alice Womer, Parish Advocate at St. Catherine Laboure at amwomer@aol.com.

CONFIRMATION SERVICE HOURS

The Juniata County Food Pantry is always in need of volunteers and it would provide an excellent chance for our Confirmation class to fulfill their community service hours. A minimum of one adult must be present during this time. Please see Amy Zeigler or call her at 717-439-3370. She can provide you with all the details.

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. 5th, at 7:00PM, in the Diocesan Conference 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.

DC4Teens – Divorce Care for Teens

DC4Teens is a student support group for kids ages 13-19 years whose families are experiencing separation/divorce. DC4Teens is led by Central Pennsylvania Youth Ministries and is sponsored by the Lewistown Kiwanis Club and the Locust Grove Mennonite Church. Join us at our 10 Week Program Kick-Off on Thursday, Jan. 24, 2019 from 5:30 – 7:00 PM at the Lumina Center in Lewistown. For more information or to register, call or text Chris at 317-403-0905 or go to www.youthcybercenter.com.

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

A tune that my grandmother used to sing has been filling my thoughts, my heart and my soul this week.



“Great is thy faithfulness, morning by morning, new mercies I see, and all that I have needed, thy hand has provided.” This hymn shines through in each person or

family that comes for help at our St. Vincent dePaul charity. It is with the help of God’s faithfulness that we have been able to provide much needed personal care items, food, clothing, beds, furniture and household items for those less fortunate! God’s faithfulness brings the much needed donations to support and fund our St. Vincent projects. As cold weather arrives and the holidays are nearing our needs increase. We pray his faithfulness and yours will provide the donations to meet these essential necessities. **We also want to thank those who helped to meet our \$1,000.00 challenge, each of you are a true blessing!** We further send out a big get well wish to Ruth Hower of St. Jude’s parish as she recovers from a broken ankle. May your week be blessed with God’s faithfulness. May new mercies be seen as you continue to support St. Vincent dePaul.

Email us at stvincentdepaullewisstown@gmail.com.

Saint Joseph’s Celebration

Saint Joseph’s Catholic Academy’s 7th Annual Crystal Gala Celebration will be held at The Penn Stater on **Saturday, November 17, 2018.** Join us for cocktails, a silent auction, gift card extravaganza, dinner, live auction and music by Velveeta. A \$2,000.00 cash prize will also be given away. Visit www.stjoecad.org/gala or email SJCAGala@gmail.com for information.

