## St. Jude Thaddeus Catholic Church

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**Liturgy Schedule** 

SATURDAY: 5:30 PM

First Saturday 6:45 PM

**Hispanic Mass** 

SUNDAY: 9:15 AM MONDAY: 9:00AM

**HOLY DAYS: AS ANNOUNCED** 

CONFESSIONS: SATURDAY 4:30-5:15 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.

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.

## **November 17, 2019**

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time STEWARDSHIP IS A WAY OF LIFE TITHING IS GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING

| Tithing is God's Plan for Giving: |            |
|-----------------------------------|------------|
| Income for November 10, 2019      | \$2,417.00 |
|                                   |            |
| All Souls Day                     | \$ 10.00   |
| Capital Improvements              | \$ 100.00  |
| Tithe for November 10, 2019       | \$ 300.00  |
| McKenna Stewardship               |            |



Next week is the annual Matthew 25 collection that supports parish and Diocesan ministries focused on providing food, clothing and shelter for the needy within the 15 counties of the Diocese. Because of your generosity last year; more than \$231,000 was distributed to 34 agencies in the Diocese. Please be as generous as possible in next week's collection.



## **ALTAR FLOWERS**

The altar flowers for this week were placed in memory of Sam Donaldson by his daughter Marie Dawson.

A FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON THE SUNDAY READINGS HIS WORD TODAY by Rev. William J. Reilly Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time November 17, 2019

"You know how you must imitate us...we wanted to present ourselves as a model for you, so that you might imitate us. In fact, when we were with you, we instructed you that if anyone was unwilling to work, neither should that one eat."

'Imitation is the greatest form of flattery' but often it can lead others astray. The lack of truthfulness in government, lies and deceit in business, use of performance enhancing drugs in sports become the norm, not the exception. 'Everyone is doing it' is the response, but does not make it right.

Paul's exhortation and example called and challenged his hearers not to be so easily persuaded to laziness, a capital sin, but to labor intensely for the Lord. What he lived and taught was to remedy what he saw as contrary to a Christian life.

His words are directed to us as a model, an example to follow. Jesus is our leader, Paul our teacher, and we eagerly accept the challenge to be a model for others. Can we say that? 'Do as I say or do as I do.'

Advent Penance Service will be Sunday, December 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM. Confessions will be heard that afternoon at 3:00PM at Sacred Heart in Lewistown.



#### **Rectory Open House Christmas Party**



Father Weary's Rectory Open House Christmas Party will be held on **Sunday**, **December 1st from 3-5 PM**. All are welcome to join us for this annual celebration. Snacks and drinks will be

provided.

Mifflin-Juniata Cursillo Group will hold their November Ultreya on Thursday, November 21<sup>st</sup> at 5:30 PM at the Sacred Heart Parish Office



## **LITURGICAL NOTES:**





And Weekly Readings

Saturday, November 16: Weekday

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

Luke 18:1-8

5:30 PM Rene Lavoie

Sunday, November 17: 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Malachi 3:19-20a; Psalm 98:5-6, 7-8, 92 Thessalonians 3:7-

12; Luke 21:5-19

9:15 AM Ralph Hepner

Monday, November 18: Weekday

1 Maccabees 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63; Psalm 119:53,

**61**, **134**, **150**, **155**, **158**; Luke **18**:**35-43** 9:00 AM People of the Parish

Tuesday, November 19: Weekday

2 Maccabees 6:18-31; Psalm 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Luke 19:1-10

Wednesday, November 20: Weekday

2 Maccabees 7:1, 20-31; Psalm 17:1bcd, 5-6, 8b & 15; Luke

19:11-28

Thursday, November 21: The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Memorial)

1 Maccabees 2:15-29; Psalm 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15; Luke

19:41-44

Friday, November 22: St. Cecilia, Virgin & Martyr (Memorial)

1 Maccabees 4:36-37, 52-59; 1 Chronicles 29:10bcd, 11abc,

11d-12a, 12bcd; Luke 19:45-48

Saturday, November 23: Weekday

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

20:27-40

5:30 PM Woodrow Montrey

Sunday, November 24: Our Lord Jesus Christ,

King of the Universe

2 Samuel 5:1-3; Psalm 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5; Colossians 1:12-

20; Luke 23:35-43

9:15 AM Fred Mitchell

Calendar of Events

Saturday: 11/16

Gospel Reflections/7:30am/social hall

Mass/5:30pm/ Church

**Sunday: 11/17** 

Mass/ 9:15am/ Church

CCD/10:30am

Fall Adult Bible Study/5:00pm/social hall

Monday: 11/18

Mass/9:00am/Church

**Tuesday: 11/19** 

No Event

Wednesday: 11/20

No Event

**Thursday: 11/21** 

No Event

Friday: 11/22

No Event

**Saturday: 11/23** 

Gospel Reflections/7:30am/social hall

Mass/5:30pm/ Church

Sunday: 11/24

Mass/9:15am/Church

CCD/10:30 am

## Minister Schedule

## November 23 & November 24, 2019

Saturday, November 23, 2019: 5:30 pm

EMHC: A. Zarnowski Lector: J. Fitzgerald Cantor: M. Kerchusky Altar Servers: J. Zarnowski

Usher: T. Kerchusky

Sunday, November 24, 2019: 9:15am

EMHC: D. Treaster D. Swigart D. Parson

Lector: T. Ober Cantor; R. Perez

Altar Servers: E. & D. Zeigler D. Miller

Ushers: D. Ames P. 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

#### Fall Bible Series at St. Jude Thaddeus

This week's session will be the last session for the Fall Program. We will resume on Sunday, January 19, 2020.



Christmas Around the World
All youth ages 13-18
(individuals with a
parent/guardian and youth
groups with their chaperones)
are extended a warm invitation
to attend Christmas Around the



World at the Diocesan Center, Union Deposit Road, Harrisburg on Saturday, December 14th at 11:30 AM. Wear your Christmas sweater and bring your friends for a day of Christmas There will be a sharing of World Christmas Traditions. Games & Trivia. Stocking Decorating, Gift Exchange Games (please bring a \$5-\$10 wrapped gift) and a Hot Cocoa Bar! Please bring Christmas Cookies to share. Please RSVP or send any questions to Jaclyn Curran at 717-657-4804 ext. 313 or email to jcurran@hbgdiocese.org.

## **Hawaiian Paradise**

The torches are lit; the theme is set! We're



having a Luau you'll never forget! The 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Sacred Heart School Gala, Hawaiian Paradise, will be held on

Saturday, **Feb. 1, 2020 at the Lewistown Country Club.** Tickets will go on sale Dec. 2, 2019 at the parish office. Ticket prices are \$60 per person through Jan. 24<sup>th</sup> and \$70 Jan. 25<sup>th</sup> thru Feb. 1<sup>st</sup>.



## 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 7. Ruth Hower will be 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 bakers to bake 12 dozen of their best cookie recipe. The twelve dozen should be all the same kind. The social hall will be open for cookie drop off on Friday, December 6 from 9:00am to 6:30pm. Cookies can also be dropped off 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 at 717-994-0209. She will arrange for someone to pick your cookies up. Thanks to all our expert cookie bakers.



### WHITE ELEPHANT SALE

A White Elephant and gift sale will be set up during the Cookie Walk. If you have any Christmas items to sell bring them to the social hall before the Cookie Walk on December 7, 2019.

## **COOKIE REQUESTS**

Our Cookie Walk Caller, Ruth Hower, will begin her calls asking for help with the Cookie Walk set for Saturday, December 7, 2019

# Catholic Culture Passed On Through A Catholic Education

"The Domestic Church" refers to the spiritual activites inside the home and family. A healthy spiritual life and Catholic home culture is perhaps the most underrated part of a Christian upbringing. Daily prayer before meals. religious artwork, Scripture memorization, feast day celebrations, and family devotions make up a strong Christian life. A Catholic education should be seen as complementary to The Domestic Church: it is the training of both mind and heart toward the commands and love of God. education provides children with a Catholic culture that serves as a foundation of their very lives. When children attend a Catholic school, the rhythms of their lives are formed by the liturgical year. Not only do they read of great



saints, martyrs, and Bible heroes, they celebrate their lives in active ways. While a public

school may have a Halloween celebration, a Catholic school will celebrate Halloween in light of its true meaning; the eve of All Saints' Day. Dressing up as St Michael the Archangel, St. Francis of Assisi, or St. Joan of Arc teaches our children the value of Catholicism in history and culture. For the Catholic child receiving a Catholic education, truths of the Church and teachings of the home are reinforced at school as the child participates in Advent, Lenten, Easter and Ordinary activities at school. For the non-Catholic child, the life-breath and heart of the Church is demonstrated at school as the rhythms and rituals of the faith are witnessed by the student. While evangelizing through doctrine and theological teaching is valuable, there is perhaps no greater witness to Christ than that of fellowship, joy, and love experienced during a feast day celebration.

Beginning Sunday November 17<sup>th</sup> and running thru December 14th, the St Vincent dePaul Society will be collecting grocery items for the church's Christmas Baskets to be given out to those in need in our parish and community. Distribution of the baskets will be on Saturday, December 21<sup>st</sup> at the church from 9 am to 12 pm. The following is a list of items needed by December 14th:

- Canned Corn, Peas and Green Beans
- Cranberry Sauce
- Cream of Celery or Mushroom Soup
- Turkey or Chicken Broth
- Boxed Mashed Potatoes
- Boxes of Stuffing Mix or Bread Cubes
- Cake Mixes and Frosting
- Canned Pumpkin, Canned Sweet Potatoes and Canned Fruit (for making pies)
- Pie Shells or mixes
  - Canned Sweetened Condensed Milk

We are also in need of various size turkeys. If you have one to donate, please bring it to the Sacred Heart parish office. Canned goods and non-perishables can be placed in the boxes in the Narthex of the church or brought to the parish office at 9 N. Brown St. We must have your donations no later than December 14<sup>th</sup>. We will also be accepting monetary donations to purchase turkeys and any other food items necessary to fill our food baskets. Many thanks for

necessary to fill our food baskets. Many thanks for your help and generosity to make the holidays a little merrier and brighter for those in need! Any questions may be made to us at <a href="mailto:stvincentdepaullewistown@gmail.com">stvincentdepaullewistown@gmail.com</a>.



## <u>CHRISTMAS TREE SALE</u>

The St. Jude Tree Farm, operated by John and Heather Kelly, is donating proceeds from their tree sales this season to St. Jude Church. Contact John Kelly @717-810-7720 for all the details or see the flyer in this bulletin. There are extra flyers available in the narthex.