

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 3, 2019

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 3, 2019

Tithing is God's Plan for Giving:

Income for October 27, 2019	\$3,736.48
World Missions	\$ 110.00
Tithe for October 27, 2019	\$ 374.00
PA Pro-Life Federation	

"But you have mercy on all, because you can do all things; and you overlook people's sins that they may repent. For you love all things that are and loathe nothing that you have made; for what you hated, you would not have fashioned...therefore you rebuke offenders little by little, warn them, and remind them of the sins they are committing, that they may abandon their wickedness and believe in you, O Lord... 'Today salvation has come to this house.'"

How wonderful that we believe in a merciful God, who looks past our sins, to gift us with mercy. That does not mean I am to overlook my fault but I have reason to repent. My goal is not to convince God that I deserve His mercy, but ask the Lord who sees me as I am to shower me with His love.

Zacchaeus wanted to see Jesus, but the Lord was looking for him. The word today speaks to me, reminding me to ask for forgiveness, to forgive others and believe in a loving merciful God. We hear warning alarms, sirens and smoke detectors. The word today reminds me of what I must abandon, change and seek. Jesus is looking for you.

Catechetical Conference

The Diocese of Harrisburg Catechetical Conference is calling all Catechists, RCIA Team Members, Youth Ministers, and all people interested in Catholicism! The annual **Diocesan Catechetical Conference is Saturday, November 9, 2019** at the Diocesan Center. The theme is ***Making Disciples for Jesus and His Church***. Keynote Speaker is Dr. Peter Murphy. Bishop Ronald Gainer will act as Principal Mass Celebrant and Homilist. There will be 32 workshops presented over four sessions by expert speakers, Priest, Religious, and Laity, on a multitude of teachings of the Catholic Faith. This is one of the largest annual events held at the Diocesan Center



drawing hundreds of people. Conference fee is **\$35**, which includes breakfast and lunch. **Registration deadline is Nov. 5, 2019.** For information or to register, go to www.hbgdiocese.org/cat_conference. A schedule of workshop listings and paper registration form is available in the Vestibule.

First Reading: Wisdom 11:22-12:2

In this reading, we are reminded of the love God feels toward every creature, or else he would not have created them. God shows mercy on our sins and hopes we will repent and have faith in him.

Second Reading: 2 Thessalonians 1:11-2:2

Paul tells the Thessalonians that God will make them worthy of his call, so that they can be glorified in Christ. Paul also tells them he is unsure when Christ will come again, but urges them not to believe people who falsely state that Jesus has returned.

Gospel: Luke 19:1-10

Zacchaeus, the wealthy chief tax collector in Jericho, was very excited when Jesus came to town and asked to stay with him. People were angry that Jesus would go to a sinner's home. Zacchaeus then told Jesus he planned to give half of his belongings to the poor, and repay any person he had cheated. Jesus was delighted since his mission was "to search out and save what was lost."



LITURGICAL NOTES:

Mass  for the
Intentions  Week
And Weekly Readings



Saturday, November 2: The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Soul's Day)

Wisdom 3:1-9; Psalm 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Romans 5:5-11; John 6:37-40

5:30 PM Jean Giarratana

6:45 PM People of the Parish

Sunday, November 3: 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wisdom 11:22-12:2; Psalm 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13, 14; 2 Thessalonians 1:11-2:2; Luke 19:1-10

9:15 AM Catherine Armstrong

Monday, November 4: St Charles Borromeo, Bishop (Memorial)

Romans 11:29-36; Psalm 69:30-31, 33-34, 36; Luke 14:12-14

9:00 AM People of the Parish

Tuesday, November 5: Weekday

Romans 12:5-16b; Psalm 131:1bcde, 2, 3; Luke 14:15-24

Wednesday, November 6: Weekday

Romans 13:8-10; Psalm 112:1b-2, 4-5, 9; Luke 14:25-33

Thursday, November 7: Weekday

Romans 14:7-12; Psalm 27:1bcde, 4, 13-14; Luke 15:1-10

Friday, November 8: Weekday

Romans 15:14-21; Psalm 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Luke 16:1-8

Saturday, 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

5:30 PM Robert Fitzgerald

Sunday, November 10: 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

2 Maccabees 7:1-2, 9-14; Psalm 17:1, 5-6, 8, 15; 2 Thessalonians 2:16-3:5; Luke 20:27-38

9:15 AM Lorraine Hazard

Calendar of Events

Saturday: 11/02

Gospel Reflections/7:30am/social hall

Mass/5:30pm/ Church

Spanish Mass/6:45pm/Church

Sunday: 11/03

Mass/ 9:15am/ Church

Remembrance Service after Mass

CCD/10:30am

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

Monday: 11/04

Mass/9:00am/Church

Tuesday: 11/05

No Event

Wednesday: 11/06

Knights of Columbus/7:00pm/Social Hall

Thursday: 11/07

Healing Mass/6:00pm/Church

Friday: 11/08

No Event

Saturday: 11/09

Gospel Reflections/7:30am/social hall

Mass/5:30pm/ Church

Sunday: 11/10

Mass/9:15am/Church

CCD/10:30 am

Fall Bible Series/5-7:30pm/ social hall

Minister Schedule

November 9 & November 10, 2019

Saturday, November 9, 2019: 5:30 pm

EMHC: A. Zarnowski

Lector: C. Fitzgerald

Cantor: M. Kerchusky

Altar Servers: J. Zarnowski

Usher: T. Kerchusky

Sunday, November 10, 2019: 9:15am

EMHC: D. Treaster D. Swigart T. Ober

Lector: M. Tonge

Cantor; A. Arnold

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

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*

Fall Bible Series at St. Jude Thaddeus



Our Father's Plan, a Bible Study of **Salvation History**, will be the fall series at St. Jude Parish. This popular program that features videos by Scott Hahn and Jeff Cavins,

provides an opportunity through individual study, study aides, small group discussions, and video to get a better understanding of the wonderful significance of events in the Bible as God speaks to us, as well as how it can help us realize the fullness of our faith and God's plan for us as His children. The program is open to anyone who wants to enrich their understanding and knowledge of the Bible and their Catholic faith. As with their other Sunday programs, a share meal will be served at the beginning of each session.



Fall Open House/Family Night

Sacred Heart School welcomes you to join us for our Fall Open House/Family Night on **Thurs., Nov. 14th from 6-7:30 PM**. Enrollment is now open for Kindergarten thru 5th Grade for the 2020-2021 school year! **Come and see first-hand what a great school we have and how you can be a part of it!**



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 fun! 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@hbqdiocese.org.



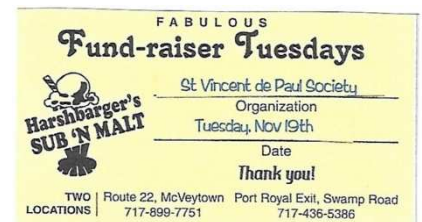
Share with the Lord's people who are in need. Practice hospitality. Romans 12:13.

This passage describes the many people who make up our St. Vincent dePaul charity. A family, who wishes to remain anonymous, has



offered a challenge for you to practice your hospitality. **They will give a \$1,000 gift to St. Vincent dePaul if we, as a parish, practice hospitality by**

matching their donation. The challenge has been raised so please share with the Lord's people who are in need! In addition, you can also help St. Vincent dePaul by simply going out to eat on **Tuesday, November 19th!!** Take the coupon below and go out to eat at Harshbarger's Sub 'n Malt. We will receive **25%** of all food ordered in or taken out at either McVeytown or Port Royal location. This is a fantastic way to help our charity and enjoy some good food. Take the coupon below and head on over for some fabulous food in the 50's mood! Hope to see you at Harshbarger's on November 19th!!



Facing The Holidays

Holidays are often some of the most challenging times on our grief journey. Geisinger Hospice is offering an event that helps us celebrate the memories and provide some coping strategies for dealing with the holiday stress. Please join us at the Old Historic Courthouse, 1 W. Market St., Lewistown, on **Wednesday, December 4th from 10 AM – Noon.**

