

# St. Jude Thaddeus Catholic Church

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## Parish Staff

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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 1<sup>st</sup> 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.

## October 27, 2019

Thirtieth 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

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 27, 2019

**"The Lord is a God of justice, who knows no favorites. Though not unduly partial to the weak, yet he hears the cry of the oppressed. The Lord is not deaf to the wail of the orphan, nor to the widow when she pours out her complaint. The one who serves God willingly is heard, his petition reaches the heavens.... Oh God, be merciful to me a sinner."**

The parable of Jesus provides a clear and poignant teaching. We can identify only with one of the two persons. The writer from the Jewish scriptures provides us with the oppressed or the one who serves God willingly. I too can identify as one of them.

If God hears the cry of the poor, can I as a willing servant hear and listen to their voice? Christians throughout the world are suffering great hardship, precisely because of their faith. Do I respond to their need? I may not know them, their language, or culture, but they are victims of oppression and neglect. From earliest times the bible responds to the widows and orphans.

Those detained at our border are sufferers and seekers of life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. Can I see them as us? Pope Francis stated that God's last name is 'Mercy'.

Does the word of God today call me to compassion and action?

### **First Reading: Sirach 35:12-14, 16-18**

God is just and does not show favoritism, but hears the prayers of everyone. Anyone who serves God, no matter how lowly his position here on earth, will be heard and answered.

### **Second Reading: 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18**

Paul writes to Timothy that he thinks his mission is near the end, and he is glad his faith is still strong. Paul hopes that all nations will hear the gospel. But, if he is executed as he anticipates, he is sure he will live forever in heaven.

### **Gospel: Luke 18:9-14**

Jesus tells a parable about a Pharisee who went to the temple, and offered up a prayer of thanks because he was not a sinner like the tax collector who was also there to pray. The tax collector was far more humble, acknowledging his sins, and asking forgiveness for them. Jesus said the tax collector's prayer would be heard because, "Everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, while he who humbles himself will be exalted."

### **Tithing is God's Plan for Giving:**

Income for October 20, 2019	\$1,990.40
Capital Improvements	\$ 50.00
World Missions	\$ 10.00

Tithe for October 20, 2019	\$ 205.00
Mifflin-Juniata Energy Bank	



## **ALTAR FLOWERS**

**The Altar Flowers this week-end are in loving memory of George Jackson and were placed by Marie Dawson.**

## **Remembrance Service**

Our annual Service of Remembrance will be held after Mass next Sunday, November 3.



## LITURGICAL NOTES:

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



### Saturday, October 26: Weekday

Romans 8:1-11; Psalm 42:1b-2, 3-4ab, 5-6; Luke 13:1-9  
5:30 PM Charles Fitzgerald

### Sunday, October 27: 30<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sirach 35:12-14, 16-18; Psalm 34:2-3, 17-18, 19, 23; 2  
Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18; Luke 18:9-14  
9:15 AM Harry Fogleman

### Monday, October 28: Sts Simon & Jude, Apostles (Feast)

Ephesians 2:19-22; Psalm 19:2-3, 4-5; Luke 6:12-16  
9:00 AM People of the Parish

### Tuesday, October 29: Weekday

Romans 8:18-25; Psalm 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6; Luke  
13:18-21

### Wednesday, October 30: Weekday

Romans 8:26-30; Psalm 13:4-5, 6; Luke 13:22-30

### Thursday, October 31: Weekday

Romans 8:31b-39; Psalm 109:21-22, 26-27, 30-31; Luke  
13:31-35

7:00 PM People of the Parish

### Friday, November 1: All Saints

Revelation 7:2-4, 9-14; Psalm 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6; 1 John  
3:1-3; Matthew 5:1-12a

9:00 AM People of the Parish

### 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: 31<sup>st</sup> 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

## Calendar of Events

### Saturday: 10/26

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

### Sunday: 10/27

Mass/ 9:15am/ Church St. Jude Feast Celebration

Breakfast Brunch after Mass

CCD/10:30am

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

### Monday: 10/28

Mass/9:00am/Church

### Tuesday: 10/29

No Event

### Wednesday: 10/30

No Event

### Thursday: 10/31

All Saint's Day/Vigil Mass/7:00pm/Church

### Friday: 11/01

First Friday Mass & Benediction/9:00AM/Church

### 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

CCD/10:30 am

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

## **Minister Schedule**

### **November 2 & November 3, 2019**

Saturday, November 2, 2019: 5:30 pm

EMHC: A. Zarnowski

Lector: J. Fitzgerald

Cantor: M. Kerchusky

Altar Servers: J. Zarnowski

Usher: T. Kerchusky

Sunday, November 3, 2019: 9:15am

EMHC: G. Best J. Price D. Parson

Lector: T. Ober

Cantor; K. Fitzgerald

Altar Servers: Saint Michael's Guard

Ushers: D. Ames P. Ames



**Society of St. Vincent de Paul**

National Council of the United States

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**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.

## Life Chain Sunday

You, your family and friends are invited to join other pro-life people in this annual national event supporting the protection of human life from conception to natural death.



***Life Chain is a peaceful expression***

***of our respect and reverence for life.*** Please meet on the steps of the Old Courthouse, Market St., Lewistown on **Sun. Nov. 3rd at 1:30PM.** Pastor Michael Bailey will be presiding.



## Kindergarten Information Session

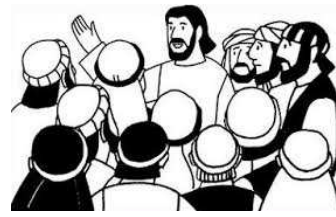
SHS will be holding a Kindergarten Information Session on **Tuesday, October 29th from 6:00-7:30PM** for anyone interested in sending their child to



Sacred Heart for the 2020-2021 school year. Please spread the good news of our school. All are invited to visit and hear what our school has to offer.

## Catechetical Conference

Diocese of Harrisburg Catechetical Conference 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

Watch further bulletins for upcoming SHS fundraisers. There will be 2 more SCRIP sales before Christmas



## ALL SAINT'S DAY- Vigil Mass

**Thursday, October 31 7:00 PM**

**EMHC: G. Best, J. Price T. Ober**

**Lector: G. Treaster**

**Cantor: M. Miller**

**Altar Servers: Saint Michael's Guard**

**Ushers: R. Auker A. Thawley**