

# 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.

## September 22, 2019

Twenty-Fifth 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 September 15, 2019	\$2,554.48
Tithe for September 15, 2019	\$ 255.00
Juniata Meals on Wheels	

### Mission Co-op Week

Father Chuong Cao, C.Ss.R., a Redemptorist missionary, will be speaking to us this week about the vital work being done by Redemptorist missionary priests and brothers serving in their missions in Brazil and Nigeria. Fr. Chuong, a native of Vietnam, was ordained in 2001. He has served as parochial vicar of a parish in Houston, TX, and was a founding member of an English-Speaking Initiative in Biloxi, MS. He arrived in Biloxi days after Hurricane Katrina struck, and was instrumental in sustaining the parish community and rebuilding the church. He currently serves as the pastor of St. Gerard Parish in Baton Rouge, LA. Kindly welcome Fr. Chuong and please give your attention to this important appeal.

### St. Mark's Free Concert



St. Mark's Episcopal Church, 21 S. Main St., will host a free concert on Tuesday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> from 7-8 PM. Four professional singers from St. Petersburg, Russia will perform folk music along with selections from the musical traditions of the Russian Orthodox church.



**Mifflin-Juniata Cursillo Group's** September Ultraya will be held on **Thursday, September 26th at 5:30 PM** in the Sacred Heart Parish Office.

### FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON THE SUNDAY READINGS

HIS WORD TODAY by Rev. William J. Reilly

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 22, 2019

**"First of all, I ask that supplications, prayers, petitions, and thanksgivings be offered for everyone, for kings and all in authority, that we may lead a quiet and tranquil life in all devotion and dignity. This is good and pleasing to God our Savior, who wills everyone to be saved and to come to knowledge of the truth."**

Perhaps there is no clearer summary of what our prayer life should be like, than this directive of Paul to his disciple and companion. We are asked to move from prayer for myself to prayer for others, offering gratitude for His goodness to me and asking blessings for others.

As I respond to the Spirit's directive in my prayer I include praise, thanksgiving, and gratitude, my needs and the needs of others, seeking and offering forgiveness. There are many models of great and holy people teaching by example their way of prayer. Return to the Lord's prayer and find all these elements in the words we recite so often, yet sometimes fleetingly.

That is why Paul's reminder today begins with 'first of all...'

The prophet Amos expressed disgust over people who take advantage of the poor. He describes businessmen scheming to cheat the poor, then declares that God will "never forget the things they have done."

### Second Reading: 1 Timothy 2:1-8

Paul urges the Christians to pray for all people, especially those in authority. Paul even asked them to pray for the kings who denounced Christ's teachings, because God wants all people to be saved through Jesus.

### Gospel: Luke 16:1-13

Jesus tells a story about a servant who tries to cheat his employer. The owner is impressed because he would do the same thing himself. Jesus then describes the importance of being trustworthy in small matters, as well as in greater ones. He then states that no one can serve two masters faithfully, so people cannot give themselves completely to both God and money



### Remembrance Service

We are currently working on our program for the **Remembrance Service on November 3rd, after the 9:15am Mass** Please call the parish office with names of family members and friends who have died since November 1<sup>st</sup> of last year. **Deadline is Friday, October 25, 2019**



## LITURGICAL NOTES:

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



### Saturday, September 21: St Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist (Feast)

Ephesians 4:1-7, 11-13; Psalm 19:2-3, 4-5; Matthew 9:9-13  
5:30 PM Jean Giarratana

### Sunday, September 22: 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Amos 8:4-7; Psalm 113:1-2, 4-6, 7-8; 1 Timothy 2:1-8; Luke 16:1-13

9:15 AM Donald Murphy

### Monday, September 23: St Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest (Memorial)

Ezra 1:1-6; Psalm 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6; Luke 8:16-18  
9:00 AM People of the Parish

### Tuesday, September 24: Weekday

Ezra 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20; Psalm 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5; Luke 8:19-21

### Wednesday, September 25: Weekday

Ezra 9:5-9; Tobit 13:2, 3-4a, 4befghn, 7-8; Luke 9:1-6

### Thursday, September 26: Weekday

Haggai 1:1-8; Psalm 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a & 9b; Luke 9:7-9

### Friday, September 27: St. Vincent dePaul, Priest (Memorial)

Haggai 2:1-9; Psalm 43:1, 2, 3, 4; Luke 9:18-22

### Saturday, September 28: Weekday

Zechariah 2:5-9, 14-15a; Jeremiah 31:10, 11-12ab, 13; Luke 9:43b-45

5:30 PM Phyllis Graham

### Sunday, September 29: 26<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Amos 6:1a, 4-7; Psalm 146:7, 8-9, 9-10; 1 Timothy 6:11-16;  
Luke 16:19-31

9:15 AM Curtis Gutshall

## Calendar of Events

### Saturday: 9/21

Gospel Reflections/7:30am/social hall

Mass/5:30pm/ Church

### Sunday: 9/22

Mass/ 9:15am/ Church

CCD/10:30am

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

### Monday: 9/23

Mass/9:00am/Church

### Tuesday: 9/24

Women's Guild/6:30pm/social hall

### Wednesday: 9/25

No Event

### Thursday: 9/26

No Event

### Friday: 9/27

No Event

### Saturday: 9/28

Gospel Reflections/7:30am/social hall

Mass/5:30pm/ Church

### Sunday: 9/29

Mass/9:15am/Church

CCD/10:30 am

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

## **Minister Schedule**

### **September 28 & September 29, 2019**

Saturday, September 28, 2019: 5:30 pm

EMHC: A. Zarnowski

Lector: T. Ober

Cantor: M. Kerchusky

Altar Servers: J. Zarnowski

Usher: T. Kerchusky

Sunday, September 29, 2019: 9:15am

EMHC: G. Best J. Fitzgerald D. Treaster

Lector: M. Tonge

Cantor; R. Perez

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

Ushers: R. Aufer M. Eberts



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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*

## 2019 Women's Conference Registration Now Open!

Register now at [www.hbgdiocese.org/women](http://www.hbgdiocese.org/women) for the **Women of Light, Sisters in Christ** Diocese of Harrisburg's 2019 Women's Conference on Saturday, October 12, 2019 at Bishop McDevitt High School, Harrisburg, PA. The conference will include Keynote Speaker Helen Alvare, well known Catholic speaker/author/personality, Eucharistic Adoration with Benediction and Rosary, Sacrament of Confession, Holy Sacrifice of the mass, Principal Celebrant, Bishop Ronald Gainer, and 40 plus workshops over 3 sessions. Go online for a registration form, workshop descriptions, bios, conference schedule and cost. Please register for this great conference and please bring other women with you!

### Fishers of Men Dinner – October 4

**And Jesus said to Simon, "Do no fear, from now on you will be catching men." Luke 5:10.** The Diocese of Harrisburg has been blessed with **27 men**, training to be "fishers of men," but we need your help. The Diocese's supports each man in formation for the priesthood to the tune of \$40,000 annually, per seminarian. These men are giving their lives to service for the Church and its people.



Will you help them along this journey? Please consider attending the **Annual Fishers of Men Dinner on Fri., Oct.**

**4<sup>th</sup>** at the Diocesan Center, 4800 Union Deposit Road, Harrisburg. More information, including an RSVP form, can be found at [www.hbgdiocese.org/fishersofmen](http://www.hbgdiocese.org/fishersofmen) or by calling the Diocesan Office of Vocations at 717-657-4804 ext. 282. Deadline for registration is Fri., Sept. 27<sup>th</sup>.

**Be strong and courageous; have no fear or dread of them, because it is the Lord your God who goes with you; He will not fail you or forsake you. Deuteronomy 31:6** This is a message we share with those who come for our help. With your help, and our



Lord, we help to remove that fear and dread. Just as important as the

monetary help is the spiritual help. They go hand in hand in the mission of our charity. Thank you for continuing to support us, with your kind donations of funds, food, diapers, wipes, household items, school supplies and personal care items. God Bless. For questions you can email the office at



[stvincentdepaullewistown@gmail.com](mailto:stvincentdepaullewistown@gmail.com) or call at (717) 242-2781. *"extend mercy toward others, so that there can be no one in need who you meet without helping".*

## 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 beginning on **Sunday, Sept. 22<sup>nd</sup>, from 5:00 to 7:30 PM.**

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. Please register for the program by completing the sign-up sheet that has been placed in the Vestibule.

## LADIES NIGHT OUT

St. Jude Women's Guild would like to invite the women of Saint Jude Parish to our annual **Ladies Night Out on Tuesday, Oct. 8<sup>th</sup>**. Join us at 6:00 PM for the Rosary; 6:30 PM for wine and cheese and 7:00 PM for dinner. Our



guest speaker will be **Jim Gontis, Director of Evangelization and Catechesis**

**at the Diocese of Harrisburg.** A sign-up sheet is available in the Narthex and Social Hall. We hope you will join us.

Also remember the Saint Jude's annual breakfast brunch which will take place after Mass on October 27<sup>th</sup>. More details will follow.