

June 14, 2015

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We are a Welcoming Community of Believers, Hopers and Lovers. We are One Family in Baptism and the Holy Spirit, nourished with the Word of God and the Body and Blood of Christ. All are Welcome in this place!

Cycles of Faith - 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"It is as if a man were to scatter seed on the land and would sleep and rise night and day and through it all the seed would sprout and grow, he knows not how." In today's parable about the kingdom of God, Jesus gives us the image of something that grows "of its own accord." Yes, the man does the initial planting of the seed, but the real miracle of the seed turning into a full-grown plant happens without the intervention of the farmer. God makes it happen.

So too, with the kingdom of God, we are called to participate to a certain extent, but also to allow God to work. We first do our part when we "scatter seed" of faith, by living out the baptism that made us children of this glorious kingdom. But even as we make our daily choices to follow Christ and live as his children--with all the actions, decision, and commitments that entails--we still get to enjoy the miracle of sitting back and watching God's providence in action.

Just think of the beauty of creation and the seasons. Think about the gift of a newborn baby in the arms of its parents. Think about the surprising situations that resolved themselves in our relationships, jobs, and families. Think of the encouraging stories of forgiveness, reconciliation, and conversion that we have heard or experienced firsthand. Think of the blessings that have somehow come out of the trials and tribulations of our lives. Think of all the sick, poor, and lonely who have been comforted by believers. Think of the moments of peace and insight that we have received in prayer. So it is that God makes our seeds "sprout and grow" when we sincerely take that first step of faith to enter his kingdom.

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Readings for the Week of June 14, 2015

Sunday: Ez 17:22-24/2 Cor 5:6-10/Mk 4:26-34
Monday: 2 Cor 6:1-10/Mt 5:38-42
Tuesday: 2 Cor 8:1-9/Mt 5:43-48
Wednesday: 2 Cor 9:6-11/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
Thursday: 2 Cor 11:1-11/Mt 6:7-15
Friday: 2 Cor 11:18, 21-30/Mt 6:19-23
Saturday: 2 Cor 12:1-10/Mt 6:24-34
Next Sunday: Jb 38:1, 8-11/2 Cor 5:14-17/Mk 4:35-41

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Offertory Last Week: \$2,327.50 Maintenance: \$50.00
Catholic Communications: \$325.00 Nepal: \$70.00
Online Giving Last Week: \$413.00

NEEDED EACH WEEK: \$2,935.00

Second Collection This Week for Maintenance

Attendance Last Week:
4:30 p.m.: 73 9:30 a.m.: 106

ANNOUNCED MASS INTENTIONS:

Sat. June 13 4:30 p.m. For Victor Giroux requested by Barrie and Earl Anderson.

Sun. June 14 9:30 a.m. For Anne Gardner requested by her husband, George.

Sat. June 20 4:30 p.m. For John Aube requested by his wife, Luella.

Sun. June 21 9:30 a.m. For Richard Palmer requested by Roger and Jane St. Hilaire.

Pray for Vocations

Schedule of Counters: Monday, June 15, 2015

Lee Cross
John Calcagni
Marie Cookson

Schedule of Ministries: June 20 and 21, 2015

4:30 p.m. Greeters: Lee & Joanne Cross
 Altar Server: Grace Buzzell
 Peter Stewart
 Deirdre Bissonette
 Deirdre Bissonette
 Sue Haselton
 Stan Haselton

9:30 a.m. Greeters: Jim Ross
 Paulette Noyes
 Altar Server: Emma Destito
 Max Destito
 Lector: Mickey Wetzel
 Extraordinary Min.: Dan Smith
 Mark Cummings
 Doug Taff

Calendar of St. Jude Events:

-6/23 Senior Meal at Noon
-7/03 Eucharistic Adoration at 8:30 a.m.
-7/07 Men's Discussion Group at 7:00 p.m.

Question of the Week: Faced with the Church's or my own slow growth and constant need for renewal, what can I do practically this week to take Paul's advice and "be courageous"?

Fr. Cray Away: Fr. Cray will be away on retreat from Monday, June 15 through Friday, June 19. There will be NO daily Mass during this time. In the event of an emergency, please contact Msgr. Michael DeForge at 985-2373 or Marie Cookson at 777-3513.

Rosary: The Rosary is being said each Saturday at St. Jude's before the 4:30 p.m. Mass beginning at 4:10 p.m.

Men's and Women's Discussion Groups: Men's Group will meet on Tuesday, July 7 at 7:00 p.m. in the parish hall. The Women's Group will be meeting on Tuesday, July 14 at 7:00 p.m. in the rectory. All are welcome.

Garden Help Needed: Anne Donegan is looking for help for the flower gardens this year. It averages 1.5 to 2 hours per week. No skill needed...just willing hands. She trains!! They have a lot of fun, do a lot of chatting while they work. They meet regularly and often so they don't have to do a huge push at once. If interested, please call Anne at 482-2017.

Food Shelf: The Hinesburg Food Shelf is in need of Spaghetti, Juices, Low Sodium Canned Soups, Cooking Oil, Canned Fruit-15 oz size, Extra Protein Items such as Beef Stew or a Canned Product with Meat. Now that our CCD Classes are over, we really need your help. Thank you.

Summer Altar Flowers: Do you have some garden blooms you would like to contribute and/or make into arrangements either alone or with a friend for the altar? If so, please contact Sue McGuire at 482-3075 to sign up for a weekend. It's always wonderful to see your shared garden bounty.

Senior Meals: St. Jude Parish offers lunches to area seniors on the 2nd and 4th **Tuesday** of each month. The next senior meal is scheduled for June 23 from 12:00 to 2:00 p.m. Serving begins at 12:00 noon. All Seniors and Caretakers welcome.

New Parishioners: All Are Welcome! We are happy to have you join us at St. Jude Parish. If you are new to our church and would like to join our parish, please fill out a parish registration form available in the lobby. Thank you.

Summer Giving: This summer, if you can't make it to church due to travel or other commitments, we encourage you to sign up for our online giving program. The parish relies on the consistent financial support of the congregation and online giving offers an easy way to give on a regular basis. If you are interested in signing up or learning more, please contact Marie at 482-2290 or pick up an online giving form in the lobby. We thank you for your continued support.

A Note From the Bishop's Fund Office: "Thank you to all who participated in the early In Pew Commitment Weekend for the Bishop's Fund Annual Appeal. We are hoping that parish progress toward goals increases in the coming weeks as we receive these pledges from parishes. If you were unable to participate last week, please note that you can make a pledge or one-time gift anytime at the Bishop's Fund's secure online giving site. Just look for the link 'Give Now' at bishopsfund.org. There are so many positive changes anticipated for our Vermont Catholic community—within the diocese, but particularly at parish levels as well. The Annual Appeal website provides details on Bishop Coyne's initiatives for 2015. **UPDATE: Our parish has raised \$12,835 (63.54%) toward our parish goal of \$20,200.** Let's work together to support our Bishop in his missions. Thank you."

Save The Date: Bishop Coyne will be throwing out the first pitch at the Lake Monsters game on July 12th!! All are welcome to attend the game.

Lenten Baby Bottle Campaign: Please remember to bring your baby bottles back to the church as soon as possible. Thank you for being a part of this ministry.

Helping with CCD: We are looking for teachers and aides for the next school year. We have many openings including Kindergarten, 1st, 2nd, 4th, and 5th grades. If you are interested in helping out or learning more, please contact Marie at marietcookson@aol.com. This is a very rewarding experience.



"This is how it is with the kingdom of God; it is as if a man were to scatter seed on the land...Of its own accord the land yields fruit, first the blade, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear. And when the grain is ripe, he wields the sickle at once, for the harvest has come." — Mk 4:26, 28-29

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

Blood Drive Coordinator: After years of being the St. Jude Red Cross Blood Drive Coordinator, Judi Maculan has decided to step down from this position. We are now looking for someone to take over this position. Judi is willing to train and offer support to anyone interested in taking over. If you are interested or have any questions, contact Judi at 482-3449.

Prison Ministry: The Prison Ministry is looking for religious items, pamphlets, books, etc. They are very interested in books like Sister Faustinos diary and pamphlets on how to say the rosary, especially the picture type. If you have any of these items that you are willing to donate, please leave them in the box in the lobby marked "Prison Ministry". Thank you.

Theology on Tap-Young Adult Group: Young adults between the ages of 21 and 35 are invited to join Theology on Tap at Church Street Tavern in Burlington starting at 7:00 p.m. on June 25. They also host a Bible Study every Tuesday night at 8:00 p.m. in the St. Anthony conference room at 305 Flynn Avenue, Burlington. For more information and to get on their mailing list to hear about these and other events, email burlingtonareayoungadults@gmail.com or search for Burlington Area Catholic Young Adults on Facebook.

Totus Tuus: Totus Tuus is a fun and energetic parish based summer catechetical program dedicated to sharing the Gospel and promoting the Catholic faith through catechesis, evangelization, Sacraments and Eucharistic worship! This week-long Parish Summer Catechetical Program has tracts designed for both grade school (1-8 grades) and high school. Go to www.vermontcatholic.org to learn more or to register. The schedule in our area is as follows:

-June 28 - July 3 at Christ the King, Burlington
-July 12 - July 17 at St. John Vianney, So. Burlington
-July 19 - July 24 at Holy Cross, Colchester

Meet The World: If you're looking for a unique way to learn about the world, why not promote international understanding through cultural exchange and host an EF High School Exchange student? You and your family can discover new customs and cultures, and forge a lifelong bond with a young person from another country. Students study for the academic year at a local high school, have excellent language skills, carry full insurance and have their own spending money. We welcome interest from all family structures and invite diversity to our program. On-going support is provided at local, regional and national level. To learn more, contact Jan Bedard at 482-3494, gbedard920@gmail.com or www.efexchangeyear.org.