

# August 2, 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 - 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time***

"So they said to him, 'What can we do to accomplish the works of God?' Jesus answered and said to them, 'This is the work of God, that you believe in the one he sent.'" These fledgling believers came to Jesus seeking direction. They had witnessed his miracles, heard his teachings, and been miraculously fed by his hands. Now they wanted to know what they should do. How should they respond to the revelations they were beholding?

Most of us would expect an "active" answer to a question like theirs. We tend to think of God's work as things like the corporal works of mercy--feeding the hungry and sheltering the homeless--or the spiritual works of mercy--instructing the ignorant, comforting the afflicted, and so on. But Jesus gives a surprising answer. Instead of focusing on these external tasks, he tells the crowd that God's work is to believe in him. They should accept the gift God gave: the Son. This, apparently, is the appropriate starting point for doing God's work.

And really, it makes sense. If we move too quickly into doing external actions, we risk not having enough interior strength behind them. Feeding the hungry is always good, but feeding the hungry as an expression of our love for Jesus is going to enable us to feed them with more compassion, more generosity, and more long-term commitment. When faith in Jesus is foremost in our lives, then the other important tasks that are all part of God's work will fall into place. If we love Jesus, we will naturally want to love his people. So let us examine the good works that we do and be sure that they have as their starting point a deep and abiding faith in the Son of God.

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## **Readings for the Week of August 2, 2015**

Sunday: Ex 16:2-4, 12-15/Eph 4:17, 20-24/Jn 6:24-35  
Monday: Nm 11:4b-15/Mt 14:13-21  
Tuesday: Nm 12:1-13/Mt 14:22-36 or 15:1-2, 10-14  
Wednesday: Nm 13:1-2, 25--14:1, 26-29a, 34-35/Mt 15:21-28  
Thursday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/2 Pt 1:16-19/Mk 9:2-10  
Friday: Dt 4:32-40/Mt 16:24-28  
Saturday: Dt 6:4-13/Mt 17:14-20  
Next Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:4-8/Eph 4:30--5:2/Jn 6:41-51  
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**Offertory Last Week: \$2,281.65      Maintenance: \$156.00**  
**Peter's Pence: \$25.00**  
**Online Giving Last Week: \$170.00**

**NEEDED EACH WEEK: \$2,935.00**

**Second Collection This Week for Maintenance**

**Attendance Last Week:**  
**4:30 p.m.: 63      9:30 a.m.: 115**

## **ANNOUNCED MASS INTENTIONS:**

**Sat. Aug 1 4:30 p.m.** For Anne Gardner requested by her husband, George.  
**Sun. Aug. 2 9:30 a.m.** For Bernard Giroux requested by his wife, June.  
**Sat. Aug. 8 4:30 p.m.** For Lillian Galipeau requested by her daughter, Pam Kerr.  
**Sun. Aug. 9 9:30 a.m.** For Theresa Giroux requested by Rachel Jodoin.

## **Pray for Vocations**

### **Schedule of Counters: Monday, August 3, 2015**

George Gardner  
Ann Thomas  
Dick Stowe

### **Schedule of Ministries: August 8 and 9, 2015**

4:30 p.m.	Greeters:	Mona Giroux Dawn Griswold
	Altar Server:	Josh Syverson Becca Syverson
	Lector:	Mike New
	Extraordinary Min.:	Dawn Griswold
9:30 a.m.	Greeters:	Charlene Van Sleet Paulette Noyes
	Altar Server:	Ethan Cook Hunter Driver
	Lector:	Mickey Wetzel
	Extraordinary Min.:	Doug Taff

## **Calendar of St. Jude Events:**

-8/04 Men's Discussion Group at 7:00 p.m.  
-8/11 Senior Meal at Noon  
-8/13 Parish Council Meeting at 7:00 p.m.  
-8/18 Red Cross Blood Drive  
-8/25 Senior Meal at Noon

**Question of the Week:** How much of my daily prayer is focused on obtaining "food that perishes"? How can I change my prayer so that it focuses on "food that endures for eternal life"?

**Men's and Women's Discussion Groups:** Men's Group will meet on Tuesday, August 4 at 7:00 p.m. in the parish hall. All Men are welcome. The Women's Group will be taking the summer off and will resume in the fall.

**Ride Needed:** Joan Bettis is looking for a ride to the 4:30 p.m. Mass each week. She lives at Kelly's Field. If you can help, please contact Joan at 482-4862. Thank you.

**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.

**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.

**Bishop's Fund:** As of today, our Parish has pledged a total of \$23,052 (114.12% from 100 parishioners) toward our goal of \$20,200. Thank you to all who have participated to date. Please know that your support of the Annual Appeal makes a difference in the lives of so many each and every day through works, witness and worship. Be sure to visit [bishopsfund.org](http://bishopsfund.org) for this year's Annual Appeal information, but also please visit [vermontcatholic.org](http://vermontcatholic.org) as well to see the many ways our diocese assists parishes and our Catholic community in Vermont. Once on the Bishop's Fund website, for secure Online Giving, please look for the "Give Now" button. Thank you for your consideration and support.

**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, please contact Judi at 482-3449.

**Helping with CCD:** We are looking for teachers and aides for the next school year. We have many openings including Kindergarten, 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grades. If you are interested in helping out or learning more, please contact Marie at [marietcookson@aol.com](mailto:marietcookson@aol.com). This is a very rewarding experience.

**Senior Meals:** St. Jude Parish offers lunches to area seniors on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> **Tuesday** of each month. The next senior meals are scheduled for August 11 and 25 from 12:00 to 2:00 p.m. Serving begins at 12:00 noon. All Seniors and Caretakers welcome.

**Red Cross Blood Drive:** There will be a Red Cross Blood Drive on Tuesday, August 18 at St. Jude Parish from 12:30 to 6:00 p.m. Walk-in or for an appointment please call 1-800-RED-CROSS or visit [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org). Sign Up sheets in the lobby for food donations.

**RCIA:** The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) program is for adults interested in being baptized and/or Confirmed in the Catholic faith and for anyone who would simply like to deepen their understanding of the Catholic faith. If interested in joining the program, please see Father Cray. **Classes start in the fall.**

**Sermon on the Mount:** Join your fellow parishioners from OLMC and St. Jude's on the top of Mount Philo for the annual celebration of the Feast of the Assumption on Friday, August 14<sup>th</sup>. Mass will begin at 6:00 p.m. with a potluck to follow. There is no cost to you to drive/walk up the mountain—just tell the gate attendant that you are with OLMC. Senior citizens with Green Mountain Passes should show them to the attendant so we are not charged for your entrance. We ask that you try and arrive early (by 5:45 p.m.) and take advantage of the shuttle service to the top (if you don't plan walking to the top) as there is very limited parking available at the top. According to your last name you are asked to bring: **A-D: drinks; E-L: main dish; M-R: side dishes/salads (potato, macaroni, pasta, tossed, etc.) or hor'dourves, chips, dips, veggie trays, etc; S-Z: desserts.** OLMC will supply the paper goods. In the event of rain, the Mass and potluck will be held at OLMC. If you have any questions, please feel free to call Marie Cookson at 777-3513.



Jesus said to them, "Amen, amen, I say to you, it was not Moses who gave the bread from heaven; my Father gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." — Jn 6:32-33

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**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.

**UVM and Champlain College Students:** The UVM Catholic Center would like to reach out to any students enrolled at UVM and Champlain Colleges, especially incoming first year and transfer students. There are many opportunities for college students—liturgy, bible study, faith formation, service and social activities. Staff hope to make students feel welcome and at home at The Catholic Center. To learn more, please contact Fr. Jon at [Catholiccenteruvm@gmail.com](mailto:Catholiccenteruvm@gmail.com).

**Our Lady of Ephesus House of Prayer:** Our Lady of Ephesus House of Prayer invites you to come celebrate the Feast of the Assumption. Gathering time is 1:30 p.m. at the replica of the Blessed Mother's last home; 2:00 p.m. the Holy Rosary; 3:00 p.m. Songs and Reflections by the well known singer and performer, Grace Markay; 4:30 p.m. the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. Potluck will follow the Mass. For directions and information, call 802-896-6000 or check their webpage: [ourladyofephesushouseofprayer.org](http://ourladyofephesushouseofprayer.org). Please use the directions from their webpage, not your GPS.

**Chittenden County Right to Life:** The Chittenden County Right to Life will meet on Tuesday, August 11 from 7:15 to 8:15 p.m. in St. John Vianney Parish Hall, 160 Hinesburg Road in South Burlington. New volunteers are always welcome to help with pro-life projects already underway, including their annual dinner and silent auction. Look for the Right to Life booth at the Champlain Valley Fair in the Robert E. Miller building. Contact [chitrighttolife@gmail.com](mailto:chitrighttolife@gmail.com) for more info.

**Safe Environment-Protecting Our Children and Young People:** The Roman Catholic Diocese of Burlington is committed to achieving healing and reconciliation with victims and survivors of abuse, and to provide safe environments for all of our children and young people.

**To report child abuse or sexual misconduct call:**

--Kevin Scully, Director of Safe Environments or  
--Rev. Msgr. Peter Routhier, Vicar General, or  
--Rev. Msgr. John McDermott, Vicar General  
at 1-866-485-2488