

February 14, 2016

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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 – 1st Sunday of Lent

"The devil said to him... 'All this will be yours, if you worship me.'" Jesus faced temptation, like we all do. His forty-day fast in the desert wasn't full of supernatural consolation and delight. He was subject to "every temptation" and when the forty days were over, "he was hungry." In other words, he was human. Jesus' divine nature didn't cancel out his human nature. He faced struggles just like we do--both physical and spiritual--in his body and his soul.

As we see in today's Gospel, the strategy Jesus used to fight these physical and spiritual battles was to immerse himself in God's word. To silence the devil during this fast, Jesus quoted Scripture. He rooted himself in these eternal truths, relying upon them in his moments of trial. And these sacred words had a dramatic effect. Every time Satan tried to seduce him with a new promise, Jesus responded with a Bible verse. And each time, Satan was silenced and had to try a new angle. Finally, when all the devilish angles had been tried, "the devil departed from him for a time." Jesus won the victory using the weapon of God's word.

As we enter into the season of Lent, we can be armed in the same way. We now embark upon a battle against our own pride, sloth, and greed as we commit to prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. Ultimately, we are working to put God first, instead of bowing down to our selfishness and our desire for comfort. The devil would like nothing more than to see us "worship" him in these ways. But, instead, let's be equipped to proclaim--and to live--the words Jesus himself used: "You shall worship the Lord, your God, and him alone shall you serve."

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Readings for the Week of February 14, 2016

Sunday: Dt 26:4-10/Rom 10:8-13/Lk 4:1-13
Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/Mt 25:31-46
Tuesday: Is 55:10-11/Mt 6:7-15
Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10/Lk 11:29-32
Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25/Mt 7:7-12
Friday: Ez 18:21-28/Mt 5:20-26
Saturday: Dt 26:16-19/Mt 5:43-48
Next Sunday: Gn 15:5-12, 17-18/Phil 3:17--4:1/Lk 9:28b-36
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Offertory Last Week: \$3,076.00
Maintenance: \$643.00
Super Bowl Collection: \$205.16
Online Giving Last Week: \$613.00

Second Collection This Week for Church in Latin America

Attendance Last Week:
4:30 p.m.: 86 9:30 a.m.: 129

ANNOUNCED MASS INTENTIONS:

Sat. Feb. 13 4:30 p.m. For the Intentions of Cecile Auger requested by her daughter, Carmen Cote.
Sun. Feb. 13 9:30 a.m. For Betsy Taff requested by Mark and Jodi Hanna.
Mon. Feb. 15 8:00 a.m. For Marie Gardner requested by her son, George.
Sat. Feb. 20 4:30 p.m. For John Barrett requested by Bob and Sandy Twombly.
Sun. Feb. 21 9:30 a.m. For the Parishioners of St. Jude and Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parishes.

Pray for Vocations

Schedule of Counters: Monday, February 15, 2016

Andrew Driver
George Gardner
Stan Haselton

Schedule of Ministries: February 20 and 21, 2016

4:30 p.m.	Greeters:	Cathy Bombardier Mona Giroux
	Altar Server:	Noe Lindemuth
	Lector:	Deirdre Bissonette
	Extraordinary Min.:	Peggy Cioffi Dawn Griswold Deirdre Bissonette
9:30 a.m.	Greeters:	The Meyer Family
	Altar Server:	Emma Destito Max Destito
	Lector:	Alexis Meyer
	Extraordinary Min.:	Stephanie Buzzell Tom Buzzell Doug Taff

Calendar of St. Jude Events:

-2/14 CCD Mass and Pancake Breakfast at 9:30 a.m.
-2/16 Liturgy Committee Meeting at 7:00 p.m.
-2/17 Lenten Series at 7:00 p.m.
-2/19 Stations of the Cross at 7:00 p.m.

Question of the Week: In this Jubilee Year of Mercy's Lent, how can I say no to selfishness and power over others, and yes to placing myself in God's merciful hands?

Men's Discussion Groups: The Men's Group will meet on Tuesday, March 1 at 7:00 p.m. in the parish hall. All are welcome.

Youth and Family Mass and Pancake Breakfast: Our next Youth and Family Mass and Pancake Breakfast is this Sunday, February 14 beginning with the 9:30 a.m. Mass. The cost of the breakfast is \$8/adults; \$5/child; \$23/family (2 adults and 2 or more children).

Stations of the Cross: Stations of the Cross will be held at St. Jude's every Friday at 7:00 p.m. during Lent beginning February 12. All are welcome.

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.

Lenten Baby Bottle Campaign: It's that time of year again...Care Net Pregnancy Center's Baby Bottle Campaign begins on Ash Wednesday. Baby Bottles are available beginning this weekend. Fill the bottle with change during Lent and return it here on Easter Sunday. Make it a family project! Your spare change really does save lives through Care Net's life-affirming ministry. Thank you for participating and for your prayers.

Food Shelf Lenten Collection: We will once again be doing our Lenten Food Shelf Collection for the Hinesburg Food Shelf. Paper bags are available in the lobby. Fill the bag with a day's worth of non-perishable food items (breakfast, lunch and dinner) and returned the bag. Won't you please help those in need in our area?

Toiletry Kit Lenten Collection: This Lenten Season we will be collecting toiletry items for the less fortunate. Beginning this weekend we will have ziplock bags with a list of items in each one. You can either buy some or all of the items on the lists. The items will be categorized as most needed (toothpaste, soap, etc.) or less needed (lotions, body wipes, etc.). There will also be a box in the lobby for folks who would like to help with this collection but don't want to fill a whole bag. It is our hope to fill 200 bags to give out to clients at the Salvation Army, COTS or St. Joseph's Home.

Senior Meals: St. Jude Parish offers lunches to area seniors on the 2nd and 4th **Tuesday** of each month. The next senior meals are scheduled for February 23, March 8 and 22 from 12:00 to 2:00 p.m. Serving begins at 12:00 noon. All Seniors and Caretakers welcome.

Jubilee Year Of Mercy For Religious and Consecrated Life: You are all invited to attend the Jubilee for Religious, Consecrated Life, and Lay Ecclesial Associations on Sunday, February 21 at 3:00 p.m. at the St. Joseph Co-Cathedral in Burlington. Confessions will be available before and after the ceremony. A light reception will follow in the Parish Hall afterwards. Be sure to check out all the events posted on the diocesan website: www.vermontcatholic.org. There have been many graces already during this Jubilee Year and we have just begun! (Please note this is not a Mass.)

The Encounter with Christ: Pope Francis and the Heart of Catholicism: A presentation on "The Encounter with Christ: Pope Francis and the Heart of Catholicism" by Phil Lawson, the Director of Catechesis and Evangelization for the Diocese of Burlington, will be held in the Robideau Fellowship Hall at Holy Family-St. Lawrence Parish Center at 36 Lincoln Street, Essex Jct. on Thursday, February 25 from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. For more information contact 878-5331.

Church in Latin America Collection: This weekend we will take up the Collection for the Church in Latin America. Your gifts to the collection will fund catechesis, pastoral programs, marriage and family life projects, seminarian education, and many other necessary programs in Latin America and the Caribbean. By funding these programs, the support you give today will provide seeds to grow the faith for years to come. Please support the Church in Latin America and be generous in today's collection.



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— Lk 4:6a, 7-8

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Parishes will be sponsoring Lenten series in February and March.

***At Saint Jude's: "Each day, we wake slightly altered, and the person we were yesterday is dead. So why, one could say, be afraid of death, when death comes all the time?" John Updike. All the more so for Christians, as we believe that having died with Christ in Baptism we will live with him in glory. Three talks on three Wednesday evenings **February 17, March 2, and March 9 beginning at 7:00 p.m.** will focus on a properly Christian approach to end-of-life issues including palliative care (Barbara Segal of Saint Jude's and the UVM Medical Center); hospice care (Lora Merrill of Our Lady of Mount Carmel and the Vermont Respite House); dealing with physical death and the celebration of funeral rites (Stephen Gregory of Saint Catherine's and Stephen C. Gregory & Son Cremation Service); and living wills and advanced directives (Father David Gray). More details will follow soon.

***At Our Lady of Mount Carmel: Doctor Raymond Patterson, chair of the Religious Studies Department at Saint Michael's College, will present three talks on "The Catholic Intellectual Tradition in 20th Century America" in conjunction with the customary bread and soup meals on Monday evenings, **February 22, February 29, and March 7 beginning with soup at 6:30 p.m. and talk at 7:00 p.m.** Topics will include "Servant of God: The Thought of Dorothy Day," (candidate for sainthood and founder of the Catholic Worker Movement); "Contemplation in an Age of Action: Thomas Merton," (prolific author and Trappist Monk of Gethsemani Abbey); and "American Catholic Literature," (Flannery O'Connor and Walker Percy). Both Dorothy Day and Thomas Merton were singled out for mention by Pope Francis in his address to Congress in September. More details will follow soon.

Theology on Tap-Young Adult Group: Young adults between the ages of 21 and 35 are invited to join the Theology on Tap at Church Street Tavern in Burlington on February 18 starting at 7:00 p.m. This month's speaker will be Dr. Teresa Hawes, Director of Religious Programs and French at St. Francis Xavier School and consecrated lay member of Our Lady of Life Institute. She will be presenting "Living the Call to Holiness". 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 info, email burlingtonareayoungadults@gmail.com or search for Burlington Area Catholic Young Adults on Facebook!