

# March 13, 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 -5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent***

"Then Jesus said, 'Neither do I condemn you. Go, and from now on do not sin anymore.'" To the woman caught in adultery, Jesus was literally a savior. She was about to suffer the death penalty, according to the law of Moses, but the Lord preserved her life. He did not pretend she was innocent or excuse her behavior. His protection was not the result of anything the woman did or said to earn his favor. Rather, his freely bestowed mercy became an opportunity for her conversion. He saved her and set her free--not only from the self-righteous scribes and Pharisees--but from her own destructive behavior. The woman's physical life was spared, and if she chose to follow Jesus' instruction to abandon sin, her spiritual life was also saved as a result of this dramatic encounter.

We also have access to this freedom. When he died on the cross for us, Jesus became our savior too. Instead of condemning us, he set us free from the power of sin. But like the woman in the Gospel, we have a choice to make. Jesus' sacrifice is sufficient to remove the "death penalty" for us, but we are the ones who decide whether or not we will "sin anymore." We decide whether we will be slaves to selfishness, lust, and envy or whether we will pursue a life of generosity, self-control, and peace. Jesus does everything he can for us, short of taking our will captive. We, finally, have to decide: will I follow the path of Jesus, who has saved me, by resolving to sin no more? Or will I depart from my savior, and return to the same old self-destructive patterns?

The holy season of Lent is made to assist us in our decision to repent and to change for the better. There is no better time than now to sincerely resolve to begin anew.

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## **Readings for the Week of March 13, 2016**

Sunday: Is 43:16-21/Phil 3:8-14/Jn 8:1-11  
Monday: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62/Jn 8:12-20  
Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9/Jn 8:21-30  
Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Jn 8:31-42  
Thursday: Gn 17:3-9/Jn 8:51-59  
Friday: Jer 20:10-13/Jn 10:31-42  
Saturday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22/Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a  
Next Sunday: Lk 19:28-40/ Phil 2:6-11/Lk 22:14--23:56

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**Offertory Last Week: \$2,746.43**  
**Catholic Relief Services: \$545.00**  
**Online Giving Last Week: \$663.00**

## **Second Collection This Week for Maintenance**

**Attendance Last Week:**  
**4:30 p.m.: 85    9:30 a.m.: 112**

## **ANNOUNCED MASS INTENTIONS:**

**Sat. Mar. 12 4:30 p.m.** For Francis and Grace Casey requested by Dennis and Peg Casey.  
**Sun. Mar. 13 9:30 a.m.** For Anne Gardner requested by her husband, George.  
**Mon. Mar. 14 8:00 a.m.** For Jaroslav Case requested by his parents, Jerry and Irena Case.  
**Sat. Mar. 19 4:30 p.m.** For John Aube requested by his wife, Luella.  
**Sun. Mar. 20 9:30 a.m.** For Alfonso Ling Lopez requested by the Bisbee Family.

## **Pray for Vocations**

### **Schedule of Counters: Monday, March 14, 2016**

Ann Thomas  
Brenda Waters  
Anne Donegan

### **Schedule of Ministries: March 19 and 20, 2016**

4:30 p.m.	Greeters:	Joanne & Lee Cross
	Altar Server:	Kaitlin Murphy
		Patton Griswold
	Lector:	Mike New
		Joan Magnant
	Extraordinary Min.:	Joanne Cross
		Peggy Cioffi
		Deirdre Bissonette
9:30 a.m.	Greeters:	Wendy Koenig
		Greg Tomczyk
	Altar Server:	Sophia Bisbee
		Kali Turner
	Lector:	Mickey Wetzel
		Rodney Strong
	Extraordinary Min.:	Stephanie Buzzell
		Tom Buzzell
		Dan Smith

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

-3/12 Youth and Family Mass at 4:30 p.m.  
-3/12 Pasta Dinner following the 4:30 p.m. Mass  
-3/15 Liturgy Committee Meeting at 7:00 p.m.  
-3/18 Stations of the Cross at 7:00 p.m.  
-3/19 Confirmation Retreat  
-3/20 2<sup>nd</sup> Year Confirmation Class at 10:30 a.m.

**Question of the Week:** Jesus offered pardon unconditionally and graciously to the woman accused of adultery and to me. To whom can I offer this unconditional and gracious pardon?

**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.

**Holy Week and Easter Sign Up:** The sign-up sheets for the ministries for Holy Week and Easter are in the back of the church.

### Holy Week and Easter Schedule:

Holy Thursday	7:00 p.m.	St. Jude
Good Friday	3:00 p.m.	OLMC
Good Friday (Ecumenical)	3:00 p.m.	St. Jude
Good Friday	7:00 p.m.	St. Jude
Easter Vigil	8:00 p.m.	St. Jude
Easter Sunday	8:00 a.m.	OLMC
Easter Sunday	9:30 a.m.	St. Jude
Easter Sunday	11:00 a.m.	OLMC

**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.

**First Reconciliation:** We have seven students who received their First Reconciliation this Saturday morning. Please keep them and their families in your prayers as they continue to prepare for their First Holy Communion.

**Lenten Baby Bottle Campaign:** Thank you for participating in the Care Net Baby Bottle Campaign. Please remember to bring your bottles back by Easter, March 27. We are collecting them now. Thank you for being a part of this ministry.

**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.

**What Is A Meal Train?** There are times in our lives when friends and family ask, "What can I do to help out"? The answer is usually to help them with a meal. When many friends give a meal, this is a Meal Train. A meal train for the Dubuc's has been set up to help during this recent health crisis. You can use the unique web address for their meal train below to view the calendar to pick a date for making/delivering a meal if you'd like to help out. Thank you.  
<http://mealtrain.com/747kn2>.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation: The Light Is On For You:** The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be offered on Wednesday, March 16 from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. at St. Jude Parish. This is a Diocesan-wide event held March 16 by each pastor.

**Jubilee for Children (Grade School):** On March 20 a Jubilee for Young Children (grade school) will take place at 3:00 p.m. at St. Joseph Co-Cathedral, 20 Allen St., Burlington. Families with young children are invited to join in this celebration, and extended family members are welcome to attend. Light refreshments will be served after. There will be a live performance and meditation upon the Stations of the Cross for the Jubilee Year of Mercy. Please bring a small bag of canned goods that will be donated to a local food bank. All are welcome.

**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 meal is scheduled for March 22 from 12:00 to 2:00 p.m. Serving begins at 12:00 noon. All Seniors and Caretakers welcome.



*Jesus bent down and began to write on the ground with his finger. But when they continued asking him, he straightened up and said to them, "Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her." — Jn 8:6b-7*

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

**Men's Discussion Groups:** The Men's Group will meet on Tuesday, April 5 at 7:00 p.m. in the parish hall. All are welcome.

**Hinesburg Artist Series:** The Hinesburg Artist Series is celebrating with the twentieth annual concert. The South County Chorus and Hinesburg Artist Series Orchestra, under the direction of Rufus Patrick, are proud to perform The Prayer, Prayer of the Children, Turn the World Around and the Mozart Requiem. The concert is next Sunday, March 13 at 4:30 p.m. at St. Jude's. Guest artists are Soprano Sarah Cullins, Alto Amy Patrick, Tenor Adam Hall, Bass Gary Moureau, and trumpet Jim Duncan. Tickets are \$18 for adults and \$12 for students and seniors 60 and older. Tickets are available at the Flynn Theater ([flynntix.org](http://flynntix.org) or (802) 86-FLYNN). They can also be purchased at the Hinesburg Recreation Office in the Hinesburg Town Hall, Hinesburgh Public House, or at the door. We have parishioners from Our Lady of Mount Carmel and St. Jude Parishes who are part of this concert. Please join your friends and neighbors in support of our amazing musicians.

**Our Lady's Apostolate of Fatima:** Please join and celebrate the feast of St. Joseph with the Rosary Devotion and Mass for all parishioners on March 19 at Our Lady of the Holy Rosary, Richmond, VT. It starts at 3:00 p.m. with the Divine Mercy Chaplet; 3:15-3:45 p.m. for Rosary and Confession; 4:00 p.m. Mass; followed by the potluck supper at the parish hall. For more information please call Rick Gavelin at 862-2240.

**Burlington Area Young Adults Double Saint Day Celebration:** St. Patrick's and St. Joseph's feast days are coming up! Come celebrate these two great saints by coming to St. Mark Parish's on March 19 for Mass at 4:00 p.m. and party afterwards. If you would like to bring a dish to share you are more than welcomed to but it is not required. To RSVP or if you have any questions, please email [burlingtonareayoungadults@gmail.com](mailto:burlingtonareayoungadults@gmail.com) or visit the Facebook page "Burlington Area Catholic Young Adults".

**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