

August 7, 2016

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We are a Welcoming Community of Believers, Hoppers 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 -19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"You also must be prepared, for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come." The only thing we really know about when Jesus will come again is that we won't be expecting it. As Jesus instructs us today, the best plan of action is thus to be prepared at all times. We need to be ready and waiting to meet Jesus so that when he does return, it won't catch us off guard.

A little thought experiment might be helpful here. Let's imagine that the doorbell rings this evening after dinner. We open the door and find Jesus standing there. He asks to come in. Are we ready for this honored guest? What will he find when he steps in unannounced? Is everyone at peace around the house? Is everyone speaking with love and acting with generosity? Is there anything in our home that, in his presence, we might be ashamed of--books, shows, movies, or music that aren't appropriate? Pictures, Facebook posts, or a record of Internet history that we hope he won't discover?

Now, imagine that he came unannounced into our HEARTS this evening. What would he find there? Are our hearts ready to welcome Jesus? In truth, we need not wait for the second coming to have Jesus in our hearts. He wants to live there already today!

So regardless of the timing of the second coming of Christ, we would do well to follow the traditional spiritual practice of a daily examination of conscience to see where we are doing well and where we need to make changes. Taking such a deliberate spiritual inventory is an excellent way to help us be ready for Jesus like those servants "who await their master's return from a wedding, ready to open immediately when he comes and knocks."

Liturgical Publications

Readings for the Week of August 7, 2016

Sunday: Wis 18:6-9 / Heb 11:1-2, 8-19/Lk 12:32-48
Monday: Ez 1:2-5, 24-28c/Mt 17:22-27
Tuesday: Ez 2:8-3:4/Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14
Wednesday: 2 Cor 9:6-10/Jn 12:24-26
Thursday: Ez 12:1-12/Mt 18:21-19:1
Friday: Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63/Mt 19:3-12
Saturday: Ez 18:1-10, 13b, 30-32/Mt 19:13-15
Next Sunday: Jer 38:4-6, 8-10/Heb 12:1-4/Lk 12:49-53

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Offertory Last Week: \$2,155.00

Online Giving Last Week: -0-

Second Collection This Week for Maintenance

Attendance Last Week:

4:30 p.m.: 63 9:30 a.m.: 145

ANNOUNCED MASS INTENTIONS:

Sat. Aug. 6 4:30 p.m. For Mary Douglass and Cora Twombly requested by Bob and Sandy Twombly.

Sun. Aug. 7 9:30 a.m. For Bernard Giroux requested by his wife, June.

Sat. Aug. 13 4:30 p.m. For Lillian Galipeau requested by her daughter, Pam Kerr.

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

Pray for Vocations

Schedule of Counters: Monday, August 8, 2016

John Calcagni
Brenda Waters
Lee Cross

Schedule of Ministries: August 13 & 14, 2016

4:30 p.m.	Greeters:	Mona Giroux Theresa Aube
	Altar Server:	Noe Lindemuth Farmer Lindemuth
	Lector:	Mike Bullock
	Extraordinary Min.:	Mike Bullock Sue Haselton Stan Haselton
9:30 a.m.	Greeters:	Kathy & Ted Barrett
	Altar Server:	Max Destito Emma Destito
	Lector:	Sue McGuire
	Extraordinary Min.:	Emily Donegan

Calendar of St. Jude Events:

-8/09 Senior Meal at Noon
-8/11 Parish Council Meeting at 7:00 p.m.
-8/16 Red Cross Blood Drive from 12:30 to 6:00 p.m.
-8/22 Evangelization Workshop at 6:30 p.m.
-8/23 Senior Meal at Noon
-8/31 Salvation Army Dinner

Question of the Week: What changes do I have to make to ensure that I recognize Jesus in all others? More challenging, what changes do I have to make to ensure that others recognize Jesus ready to love and care for them in me?

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.

PLEASE NOTE: We ask those folks who come early, but not to join in praying the Rosary, to please be respectful of those who are praying by waiting in the lobby or refraining from talking out loud in the church. Thank you.

Borrowing Items From Church: Recently tables, chairs and coffee urns were borrowed from the church without permission. While we are glad to allow parishioners to use these items if they are available, it is very important that you check with someone before taking them. Many times others have asked to borrow these same items or these items are needed for an event that is scheduled at the church. In the future, we ask that you contact Henry (777-4169), stjudesmaintenance@gmail.com or Marie (482-2290), marietcookson@aol.com about the availability of these items. Thank you.

Meal Train for the Drivers: A meal train has been set up for the Driver Family from St. Jude Parish while Chrissy undergoes treatment for breast cancer. Andrew and Chrissy are the young couple who lived at the St. Jude's rectory for four years. Please consider signing up to furnish a meal for them during this time. The link to sign up is <https://mealtrain.com/59ool7>. Please contact Marie at 482-2290, 425-2637 or at marietcookson@aol.com if you have any questions.

Jubilee Of Mercy Celebration For Musicians: On August 21 there will be a Jubilee for Musicians at 3:00 p.m. at St. Joseph Co-Cathedral, 20 Allen Street, Burlington. Musicians, choir members, cantors and all church musicians are invited to celebrate the Holy Year of Mercy. Light refreshments will be served after. All are welcome.

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 August 9 and 23 from 12:00 to 2:00 p.m. Serving begins at 12:00 noon. All Seniors and Caretakers welcome.

Toiletry Kit Collection: We are continuing to collect toiletry items for the less fortunate. We have ziplock bags with a list of items in each one. You can either buy some or all of the items on the lists. We are in need especially of toothbrushes, toothpaste, deodorants and soap. Thank you.

Red Cross Blood Drive: The next Red Cross Blood Drive is scheduled for **Tuesday, August 16 from 12:30 to 6:00 p.m.** We are in need of food donations. Please see the sign up sheets in the lobby. There is an urgent need for blood, especially this time of year. Please bring a friend and be sure to have your Blood Donor Card, Photo ID or two forms of ID.

Starting the Conversation in VT: The Church is calling for us to live the Joy of the Gospel amidst the New Evangelization. What is the new Evangelization? Why are we being called? How does it apply to Vermont in particular? "Starting the Conversation" is a free diocesan workshop being offered around the state, to provide history and insight into what this new evangelization is, and to equip the faithful with tools and ideas to enrich their parishes and communities. Phil Lawson, Director of Evangelization and Catechesis for the Diocese of Burlington, will be presenting. This workshop will be offered at St. Jude's on August 22 at 6:30 p.m. along with many other sites. Please see the bulletin board for more dates and places. No registration required. All are welcome.

Summer Reflection Series: In July and August, the members of the Society of St. Edmund and Diocesan Priests will present the Summer Reflection Series at St. Anne's Shrine in Isle LaMotte. The programs begin with the 11:15 a.m. Mass, followed by lunch and a presentation. All are welcome! Reservations are appreciated though not necessary and can be made by calling (802) 928-3362.

-8/10 Rev. Joseph McLaughlin, SSE Topic TBA
 -8/17 Rev. David Theroux, SSE The Gospel According to Luke



“Be sure of this: if the master of the house had known the hour when the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be prepared, for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come.” — Lk 12:39-40

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

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 Monday, August 15th. 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 Eileen Curtis at 425-4432.

An Invitation to Pray For Peace: There will be a Prayer Service For Peace on Tuesday evenings beginning July 26 through August 30 from 6:00 to 6:45 p.m. at St. Catherine of Siena Church in Shelburne. The Prayer Service is dedicated to Our Lady, Queen of Peace. Please join them in a communal prayer for peace throughout the world, in our country, in our local community and in our families. All are welcome.



Thank you for all your support of the 2016 Bishop's Fund Annual Appeal. Our Parish is now at \$21,187 (91.21%) of total dollars **pledged** toward our goal of \$23,230. We are answering Pope Francis' call in this Jubilee Year of Mercy to go out to every family and to bring them the goodness and mercy of God. Your generous gifts help to strengthen our collective mission of mercy, charity, hope and love. Please visit bishopsfund.org to see why your contributions matter. **We have a list of parishioners who gave gifts to the Bishop's Fund in the past but have not yet responded to this year's request. It would really be appreciated if these folks would make some response in the next few weeks. Thank you.**