

October 30, 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 -31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Behold, half of my possessions, Lord, I shall give to the poor, and if I have extorted anything from anyone I shall repay it four times over." Zacchaeus was serious about following Jesus. Maybe at the start he was just curious when he ran ahead to scale that sycamore tree. But that curiosity developed into a life-changing experience when Jesus called him by name. At that moment, when the Lord chose Zacchaeus to be his host for the evening, the rich tax collector "came down quickly and received him with joy." And shortly thereafter came his promise of conversion and penance. Not only would he change his ways; he would make up for his former ones. And thus Jesus declared, "Today salvation has come to this house."

Penance isn't a popular concept in our modern era. We like to think about God's great mercy and forgiveness, but it's not so fun to think about the lingering effects of our sin. When Zacchaeus stole money, people suffered, especially the poor. His conversion to the ways of God wouldn't make up for the suffering he had inflicted on people. But his choice to go back and set things aright could make a difference. Sometimes, we are called to do something similar. Of course it is not always possible to go back and directly restore the relationships or situations that we have damaged through our sins. However, it IS always possible to offer a kind of sacrifice--often called "making reparation"--for our sin. We can do something virtuous and offer it to God as a kind of deposit in the universal "bank" of goodness to make up for the unjust withdrawals we have previously made. In this way, we too can show that we are serious about following the Lord.

Liturgical Publications

Offertory Last Week: \$3,507.00 Maintenance: \$340.00
World Mission: \$62.00 Fuel: \$340.00
Catholic University: \$42.50
Online Giving Last Week: \$50.00

Second Collection This Week for Priest Benefit Fund
Second Collection Next Week for Military Services

Offertory Y-T-D Last Year: \$38,342.25
Offertory Y-T-D This Year: \$42,623.87

Maintenance Y-T-D Last Year: \$2,957.53
Maintenance Y-T-D This Year: \$3,333.85

Online Banking Y-T-D Last Year: \$4,942.00
Online Banking Y-T-D This Year: \$5,573.00

Attendance Last Week:

4:30 p.m.: 83 9:30 a.m.: 139

ANNOUNCED MASS INTENTIONS:

Sat. Oct. 29 4:30 p.m. For the Intentions of Bishop Christopher Coyne.
Sun. Oct. 30 9:30 a.m. For Dan Giroux requested by his family.
Fri. Nov. 4 8:00 a.m. For All Souls
Sat. Nov. 5 4:30 p.m. For Stan and Hilda Griffin requested by Theresa and Steve Aube.
Sun. Nov. 6 9:30 a.m. For Betsy Taff requested by Gerry Hanna.

Pray for Vocations

Schedule of Counters: Monday, October 31, 2016

Dick Stowe
Grace Link
Ann Thomas

Schedule of Ministries: November 5 and 6, 2016

4:30 p.m.	Greeters:	Mona Giroux Theresa Aube
	Altar Server:	Kaitlin Murphy Noe Lindemuth
	Lector:	Deirdre Bissonette
	Extraordinary Min.:	Judy Thibault Theresa Aube Deirdre Bissonette
9:30 a.m.	Greeters:	The Cook Family
	Altar Server:	Hunter Driver Ethan Cook
	Lector:	Tom Giroux
	Extraordinary Min.:	Emily Donegan Stephanie Buzzell Tom Buzzell

Calendar of St. Jude Events:

-10/29 Bishop Coyne Visit, Mass and Pasta Dinner at 4:30 p.m.
-11/02 Men's Discussion Group at 7:00 p.m.
-11/03 Red Cross Blood Drive from 12:30 to 6:00 p.m.
-11/04 Eucharistic Adoration at 8:30 a.m.

Question of the Week Where will I go in search of those who want to see Jesus?

All Saints Day: All Saints Day is Tuesday, November 1st and is a Holy Day of Obligation. Mass times are 7:00 a.m. at Our Lady of Mount Carmel and 7:00 p.m. at St. Jude.

Daily Mass: There will be NO daily Mass on November 8 through November 11 (Tuesday-Friday) due to Father Cray being away for Edmundite business. In the event of an emergency please contact Msgr. Michael DeForge at 985-2373 or Marie at 777-3513.

Saint Jude's Financial Summary for the 1st Quarter ending 09/30/2016 of this Fiscal Year

- Offertory Income for this period was \$37,841.52 compared to \$34,988.38 prior year, an increase of \$2,853.14 or 8.2%.
- Total Income including Offertory, Fund Raisers, Gifts, Bequests and Miscellaneous Income for the period was \$44,646.52 compared to \$40,203.23 for the prior year's 1st quarter, an increase of \$4,443.29 or 11.1%.
- St. Jude's had Net Gain of \$7,026.62 after expenses for the 1st quarter compared to a Net Loss of (\$13,188.28) for the prior year's 1st quarter, an increase of \$20,214.90.
- Total Cash as of 09/30/2016 was \$101,106.16 compared to \$101,697.35 at 09/30/2015, a decrease of (\$591.19) or -0.6%.

All Souls Masses: During the month of November we will have six (6) masses for All Souls. This is a way to remember our loved ones. The Masses will be as follows:

Friday, November 4 at 8:00 a.m. at St. Jude
Sunday, November 6 at 8:00 a.m. at OLMC
Saturday, November 12 at 4:30 p.m. at St. Jude
Tuesday, November 15 at 5:15 p.m. at OLMC
Sunday, November 20 at 9:30 a.m. at St. Jude
Sunday, November 27 at 11:00 a.m. at OLMC

Remembering our Deceased: We have a permanent book to record the names of our deceased family members and friends to be remembered at Mass during the month of November. This book is available in the lobby of the church.

Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration: St. Jude Parish will have a Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration with the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on Friday, November 4 following the 8:00 a.m. Mass.

Men's Discussion Group: The Men's Group will meet on **Wednesday, November 2** at 7:00 p.m. in the parish hall. All are welcome.

Holy Year of Mercy: This Holy Year of Mercy will come to a close on November 20, 2016, on the Solemnity of Christ, King of the Universe. Join Bishop Christopher Coyne, and the Faithful of the Diocese of Burlington for a very special Mass in celebration of God's gift of Mercy through His Son Christ Jesus, and the many gifts He has bestowed upon us in this Jubilee year. Mass will begin at 3:00 p.m. in St. Joseph Co-Cathedral. Fellowship and light refreshments will be available after Mass. All are welcome.

Looking for Crafters: St. Jude's will be having a Craft Fair on Saturday, December 10 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. We are looking for crafters. If you are a crafter and are interested in purchasing a space at this Craft Fair, please contact Marie at marietcookson@aol.com and an application form will be sent to you.

Winter Coat Collection: We are collecting **good** used children and adult winter coats, jackets, boots and snowpants (all sizes) for a local organization. If you have any of these items that your child(ren) has outgrown or you would like to get rid of, we would love to have them. We will have a bin in the lobby beginning next week. Thank you.

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 November 8 and 22 from 12:00 to 2:00 p.m. Serving begins at 12:00 noon. All Seniors and Caretakers welcome.



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REJOICE IN HOPE: Thank you to all parishioners who have completed and submitted your Commitment Card to the church. Please complete and submit your card to the church even if you are unable to make a change to your current level of giving. For those registered parishioners not currently supporting the church with regular offertory gifts, please consider a monthly gift to support the needs of our parish.

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.

Red Cross Blood Drive: There will be a Red Cross Blood Drive at St. Jude's on **Thursday, November 3 from 12:30 to 6:00 p.m.** 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.

Priest Benefit Fund Collection: The second collection this weekend, October 29 and 30, is for the Priests Benefit Fund. The Priests' Benefit Fund works to support our priests throughout their ministry, but especially seeks to provide senior and disabled priests with sufficient financial means to lead a prayerful and dignified life. The Priests' Benefit Fund was established as a means to care for the ill and aged priests with healthcare needs, and support a pension program providing a modest pension and health insurance coverage. Please be generous. Thank you.

Collection for the Archdiocese for the Military Services: Next week our parish will take up the Collection for the Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA (AMS). The AMS relies solely on private donors in support of its mission, "Serving those who serve" and its ministry to provide the same pastoral care and services to Catholics serving in the United States Armed Forces, enrolled in US Military Academies, undergoing treatment at any of the 153 Department of Veterans Affairs' Medical Centers, working in civilian jobs for the federal government beyond US borders, and the families of these populations, as does any other Catholic diocese. The AMS receives no funding from the government or the military for its programs and services, including the Co-Sponsored Seminarian Program, which provides priests for home dioceses and for the military chaplaincy. To learn more about the AMS, go to www.milarch.org/nationalcollection. Thank you.

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. John McDermott, Vicar General
at 1-866-485-2488