

November 6, 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 -32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Those who are deemed worthy to attain to the coming age and to the resurrection of the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage." Jesus' response to the Sadducees regarding their question about the resurrection of the dead actually raises another question for us: what about marriage in heaven? We understand marriage to be "until death do us part," but what exactly becomes of this special relationship in the afterlife?

Pope Francis gave a homily on this Gospel passage in which he discussed the mysterious transformation that will take place for those who enter into the joy of heaven. The Holy Father tells us, Jesus explains that "life after death does not have the same parameters as our earthly life. Eternal life is another life, in another dimension where, among other things, there will be no marriage... The life that God prepares for us is not a mere embellishment of the present one: it surpasses our imagination, for God continually amazes us with his love and mercy" (Angelus, November 10, 2013).

An interesting interpretation of this comes from Fr. Raniero Cantalamessa, the Preacher of the Papal Household, who said "marriage does not come to a complete end at death but is transfigured" (Homily, November 10, 2006). Catholic author Stephen Ray described it this way in a letter to his mother who was grieving the loss of her husband: "We cannot understand our new spiritual bodies and heavenly existence any more than a caterpillar can comprehend what it will be like to be a butterfly. We cannot anticipate how personal relationships will flower in glory any more than [an] acorn can anticipate standing 50 feet tall." Whatever it will be, we can trust it will be wonderful!

Liturgical Publications

Offertory Last Week: \$2,197.20

Priests' Benefit Fund: \$537.00

Online Giving Last Week: -0-

**Second Collection This Week for Military Services
Second Collection Next Week for Maintenance**

Offertory Y-T-D Last Year: \$40,620.76

Offertory Y-T-D This Year: \$44,821.07

Maintenance Y-T-D Last Year: \$3,092.53

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.: 164 9:30 a.m.: 82

ANNOUNCED MASS INTENTIONS:

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.

Sat. Nov. 12 4:30 p.m. For All Souls

Sun. Nov. 13 9:30 a.m. For Freda Tabor Grassley requested by her family.

Pray for Vocations

Schedule of Counters: Monday, November 7, 2016

Stan Haselton

Theresa Aube

Judi Maculan

Schedule of Ministries: November 12 and 13, 2016

4:30 p.m. Greeters: Joanne & Lee Cross
 Altar Server: Becca Syverson
 Annie Dufault
 Sue Hoepfner
 Lector: Erin Dufault
 Extraordinary Min.: Peter Dufault
 Joanne Cross

9:30 a.m. Greeters: Kathy & Ted Barrett
 Altar Server: Anna Ulager
 Grace Buzzell
 Mike Bullock
 Lector: Jim Ulager
 Extraordinary Min.: Ted Barrett
 Mike Bullock

Calendar of St. Jude Events:

-11/06 1st Yr. Confirmation Class at 10:30 a.m.

-11/08 Senior Meal at Noon

-11/12 & 13 Kids At Christmas Sign Up

-11/15 Movie night: Catholicism Series at 7:00 p.m.

Question of the Week As the Jubilee Year of Mercy nears its conclusion, to whom can I begin to offer God's mercy in practical and loving compassion?

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.

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.

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 remaining Masses will be as follows:

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 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.

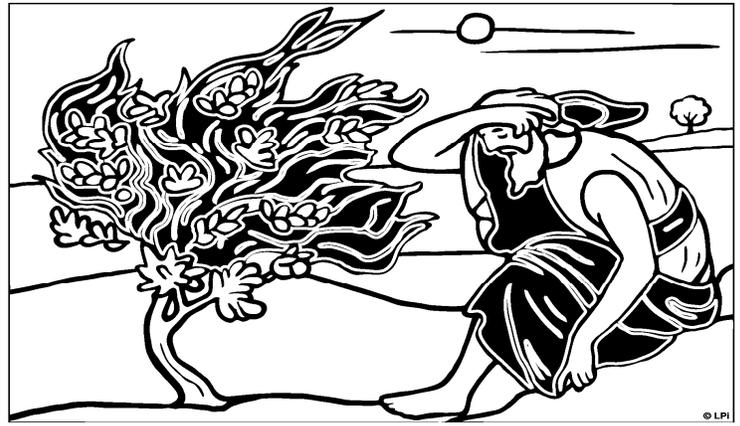
Looking for Crafters: St. Jude's will be having a Craft Fair on Saturday, December 10 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. We are looking for crafters. If you are a crafter and are interested in purchasing a space at this Craft Fair, please contact Marie at marietcookson@aol.com and an application form will be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

Thank You: Thank you to the following folks who helped clean the church in preparation of the Bishop's visit: Stephanie, Tom, Sam and Grace Buzzell, Andrew, Chrissy, Hunter and Autumn Driver, Scott and Holden Lalumiere, Susan Marino, Anna Pelkey, Aaron McNally, Steve Aube and Marie Cookson. The church looked wonderful.

***Thank you to everyone who furnished desserts for the Pasta Dinner last Saturday. A special thank you to Lisa Boutin for organizing and preparing the dinner and to Kevin Boutin, Rose Hanson, Anna Pelkey, Grace Buzzell, Kathy and Ted Barrett and Paulette and Mark Noyes who helped her.



“That the dead will rise even Moses made known in the passage about the bush, when he called out ‘Lord,’ the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob; and he is not God of the dead, but of the living, for to him all are alive.” — Lk 20:37-38

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

REJOICE IN HOPE: Thank you to all parishioners who have completed and submitted your Commitment Card to the church. We will have an update in the coming weeks.

Salvation Army Dinner: St. Jude's will be providing a Thanksgiving dinner at the Salvation Army on Wednesday, November 23. We are looking for food donations along with monetary donations. We will be purchasing the turkeys, potatoes and ice cream. Any extra funds will be used for future dinners.

***We are looking for food donations of coleslaw, corn, cranberry sauce, gravy, rolls, desserts and milk. We are also looking for people to help serve. Sign up sheets are in the lobby. Food needs to be at St. Jude's on **November 23 by 1:30 p.m.** Workers at the Salvation Army by 4:00 p.m. **We need enough food to feed approximately 150 people.**

Collection for the Archdiocese for the Military Services: This week we will support our parishioners and their families who serve or have served this nation with distinction as members of the U.S. military. The Collection for the Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA will provide the Gospel, the sacraments and other forms of spiritual support to the men and women of the U.S. Armed Forces wherever they serve and to veterans who are in VA medical centers. Please prayerfully consider a generous contribution to this special triennial collection. Thank you.

Bishop deGoesbraind Appeal: For I was hungry and you fed me....Your support of the **Bishop deGoesbraind Appeal for Human Development** makes a real difference in the daily lives of Vermonters. In 2015, thanks to your generosity Vermont Catholic Charities awarded grants to 12 agencies that provided 62,104 meals. Please donate to the second %collection the weekend of November 19-20. **100% of the collection stays in VT.**

Vermont Catholic Women's Retreat: The 5th Annual Vermont Catholic Women's Retreat will be held on Saturday, November 19 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at Holy Family Parish Center in Essex Jct. Come and join Catholic women of all ages as we celebrate the gift of our faith, develop a greater understanding of God's everlasting Mercy, and ultimately deepen our relationship with Christ! Theme of the retreat is "Women Saints: Our Models of Mercy". For more info and to register, go to vermontcatholic.org.