

**April 16, 2017**

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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—Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord***

"They have taken the Lord from the tomb, and we don't know where they put him." Mary of Magdala, seeing the stone rolled away from Christ's burial place, runs to tell the disciples what she thinks is bad news. The grave is empty. Jesus' body must have been stolen. Clearly, resurrection isn't on her radar. As it says at the end of the passage, "They did not yet understand the Scripture that he had to rise from the dead." Only later, when Mary saw Jesus again face-to-face, did she come to understand what had actually happened.

We, of course, know that the empty tomb really means good news! We know that the cross was not the end of the story, that Jesus conquered death, walked again amongst his followers, and ascended into heaven where he reigns even now. Unlike the first Christians, we have the testimony of history, the record of Scripture, and the benefit of tradition at our disposal. We have more reason to believe than Mary, Peter, or John did on first seeing the tomb! We need not waste any time "running" around like they did in search of the Savior. We know that Jesus is alive, and that sin and death have met their match.

"Where, O death, is your victory?" we can now proclaim with St. Paul. "Where, O death, is your sting?" (1 Cor 15:55). Jesus has won! He is triumphant! This is the joy of Easter, based in fact and bolstered by faith. And we are the heirs of this great joy. As we sing in the Easter psalm, "This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad." On this most glorious of holy days, as we gather to feast with friends and family, let us be sure to recall the reason for our celebration: Christ is risen! Truly he is risen! Alleluia!

Liturgical Publications

**Offertory Last Week: \$2,437.00    Maintenance: \$142.00**  
**Catholic Relief Services: \$20.00    Holy Land: \$7.00**  
**Easter: \$60.00    Easter Flowers: \$100.00**  
**Online Giving Last Week: \$290.00**

**FISCAL YEAR JULY 1 - JUNE 30**

**Offertory Y-T-D Last Year: \$93,235.63**  
**Offertory Y-T-D This Year: \$104,896.07**

**Maintenance Y-T-D Last Year: \$8,074.03**  
**Maintenance Y-T-D This Year: \$8,726.10**

**Online Banking Y-T-D Last Year: \$11,110.00**  
**Online Banking Y-T-D This Year: \$15,791.00**

**Attendance Last Week:**

**4:30 p.m.: 124    9:30 a.m.: 151**

**ANNOUNCED MASS INTENTIONS:**

**Sat. April 15 8:00 p.m.** For Margaret, Keith, Danny and David Stokes requested by Dennis and Peg Casey.

**Sun. April 16 9:30 a.m.** For Beth LaFleur requested by Kristina Syverson.

**Sat. April 22 4:30 p.m.** For Sharon Therrien requested by Theresa and Steve Aube.

**Sun. April 23 9:30 a.m.** For Anna Greene requested by Kate Baldwin.

**Pray for Vocations**

**Schedule of Counters: Monday, April 17, 2017**

Lee Cross  
Stan Haselton  
Ann Thomas

**Schedule of Ministries: April 22 and 23, 2017**

4:30 p.m.    Greeters: Dawn Griswold  
Altar Server: Farmer Lindemuth  
Snow Lindemuth  
Lector: Sue Hoepfner  
Extraordinary Min.: Mike Bullock  
Steve Cooley  
Dawn Griswold

9:30 a.m.    Greeters: The Meyer Family  
Altar Server: Anna Ulager  
Barbara Gile  
Lector: Alexis Meyer  
Extraordinary Min.: Jim Ulager  
Ted Barrett  
Doug Taff

**Calendar of St. Jude Events:**

-4/17 Last CCD Class of the School Year  
-4/19 Salvation Army Dinner

**Question of the Week** How will I bring the reality of having met the Risen Jesus in word, Eucharist, and others to those who may never have encountered the transforming power of his compassionate love?

**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 meals are scheduled for April 25 and May 9 and 23 from 12:00 to 2:00 p.m. Serving begins at 12:00 noon.

**Catholic Home Missions:** Next week we will take up the Catholic Home Missions Appeal. Right now, over 40 percent of dioceses in the US are considered home missions because they are unable to fund essential pastoral work needed in their communities. Your support of this appeal helps ease the struggle of these dioceses. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this appeal. Thank you.

### Are You Visiting Our Church for Easter? Welcome!

We are happy to have you join us at St. Jude the Apostle Parish to celebrate the Church's most holiest of days. If you live in the area and have no church to call home, or have been away from the church for a while, we hope you consider joining us on a regular basis. If you would like more info about our parish or would like to meet with our Pastor, Fr. David Cray, please call the rectory at 425-2253.

**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.

**Salvation Army:** The next Salvation Army Dinner will be Wednesday, April 19. We will be serving Shepherd's Pie, Tossed Salad, Rolls, Fruit Breads, Desserts and Milk. We are also looking for workers. **We need enough food to feed approximately 150 people.** Sign up sheets for food donations and workers are in the lobby. Food donations need to be at the church by **3:00 p.m.** on April 19. Workers meet at the Salvation Army by 4:30 p.m. and are usually finished by 7:00 p.m. If you have any questions, please contact Marie at 482-2290.

**Burlington Catholic Young Adults:** The Burlington Catholic Young Adults are hosting a pasta dinner fundraiser on **Saturday, April 29th from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.** in the St. Mark parish hall in Burlington to raise money for their group. These funds will be used to help with expenses like summer BBQs, dinners and costs for advertising. Tickets are \$5 per person, or \$20 per family. They will be serving pasta with tomato sauce, salad, garlic bread, and brownies. Please RSVP to [burlingtonareayoungadults@gmail.com](mailto:burlingtonareayoungadults@gmail.com) to reserve a seat and help them get a head count.

**Did You Know? The Diocese of Burlington will pray for individuals who have experienced abuse and neglect on April 19.** The Diocese of Burlington is hosting four Evening Prayer for Healing services to remember those who have suffered, or are currently suffering, from abuse and neglect. Everyone is invited to come to a service near you and join in prayer. We pray for healing, hope, and increased awareness about abuse and neglect so that no more will suffer. **All four services will be held on Wednesday, April 19 at 7:00 p.m.** In our area, the following location is hosting a service: **Christ the King/St. Anthony Parish (at Christ the King).** Please do not miss this special opportunity to pray for our neighbors and loved ones who need our support as a community in their suffering.

**SCHIP:** This spring as you sort through your clothes please remember SCHIP's Treasure Resale Shop...our parish is one of their sustaining members. The shop has donated more than \$615,000 to other non-profits over the last 12+ years because of your help. Help them again by donating, volunteering and/or shopping. They accept any season clothing at any time during the year provided it is gently used. They also accept home décor, jewelry (in need of at this time) and other small items. Call the shop at 985-3595 to volunteer for as few as two hours a week.

**Merchants of Doubt:** On **Sunday, April 30 from 6:00 to 8:30 p.m.** the **United Church of Hinesburg** will offer a screening of *Merchants of Doubt* in the Osborne Parish Hall. *Merchants of Doubt* is a 2014 film that traces the use of public relations tactics developed by the tobacco industry to forestall appropriate governmental response to the risk of global climate change. The film will be facilitated by Betsy Hardy of Vermont Interfaith Power and Light. Dinner will be provided with gluten free options available. A time for discussion will take place after the screening. All are welcome.



*"Do not be afraid! I know that you are seeking Jesus the crucified. He is not here, for he has been raised just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay. Then go quickly and tell his disciples, 'He has been raised from the dead, and he is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him.' Behold, I have told you."* — Mt 28:5b-7

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**Young Life Update:** Young Life is growing by leaps and bounds! Thanks to your support, Young Life is a vibrant entity at CVU, serving our youth with joyful dedication to ensure each and every high school teen has an opportunity to form a relationship with Jesus. CVU has approved and is supporting a weekly Bible study group on campus. In addition, kids are now enjoying social and wholesome, engaging events like wiffleball golf. Support for this effort is ongoing and once again we will be fundraising to support Young Life at CVU and to help teens earn money for summer camp at Saranac Lake. You can continue to support us by:

- ~donating your Spring Cleaning items to the tag sale which will happen on May 13th at St. Jude's Church.
- ~offering kids opportunities to earn camp funds by hiring them to help with needed yard work and/or household chores.
- ~sponsoring and/or participating in the 2nd Annual Golf Tournament at Cedar Knoll on Saturday, June 24, 2017.
- ~PRAY: it is free and it is powerful. Please pray for the young leaders who work directly with teens, the committee members who are raising funds to support their efforts, and mostly for our youth to be able to fulfill God's purpose in their lives that can only happen by having a personal relationship with Jesus. To donate items, sign up for the golf tournament and any questions, thoughts or insights, contact Tricia Sulva at [majac@gmavt.net](mailto:majac@gmavt.net)

### An Inspiration of Hope

As Easter draws near, my Savior Dear-  
and thoughts of You come in mind-  
and all sadness is left behind.  
For this is the day You have made for all to see;  
just how wonderful this day can be;  
the wondrous things You have done;  
to show Your love for everyone.  
Your love is like a fresh breath of spring-  
it gives new hope to everything.  
And we who serve You, Lord;  
know that this is true-  
not just on Easter day;  
but everyday-  
all year through!

By Joan Bettis-Parishioner of St. Jude Parish