

May 28, 2017

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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—7th Sunday of Easter

"Now this is eternal life, that they should know you, the only true God, and the one whom you sent, Jesus Christ." The Easter season is resplendent with the joy of eternal life. Jesus conquered death through his resurrection and promises all believers a share in this miraculous triumph. The gates of heaven have been opened for us by the great sacrifice of our Savior. All good things lie in wait for us who know "the only true God" and his Son, Jesus Christ.

When we gather together in our communities of faith, it's easy to remember all of this. We share common beliefs and practices with those friends, family members, and neighbors who attend our church. But carrying the joy of Easter with us out into the "world" can be more of a challenge. Once we step outside the safe confines of our parish or home, we encounter those who do not know the true God. We work with, study with, encounter, or gather with many people who have forgotten, abandoned, or never even known Jesus. Sometimes this can make us hesitant to share our joy, or even apologetic for our beliefs. But of course we are called to be witnesses of what we believe, not cowards who hide it from public view.

So let us take courage from today's Gospel. Jesus himself offered prayers on behalf of his followers. "I pray for them. I do not pray for the world, but for the ones you have given me." As the followers of Christ, we have the benefit of his own desire to help us, to strengthen us even amidst the challenges that we face. He knows that we "are in the world" even though he is not here in the same way. And he has asked God the Father to share his divine blessings with us even as we make our way in this world.

Liturgical Publications

Offertory Last Week: \$1,671.60
National Shrine: \$305.00
Online Giving Last Week: \$540.00

Second Collection Next Week for Catholic Communications Campaign

FISCAL YEAR JULY 1 - JUNE 30

Offertory Y-T-D Last Year: \$107,479.50
Offertory Y-T-D This Year: \$117,999.52

Maintenance Y-T-D Last Year: \$9,345.03
Maintenance Y-T-D This Year: \$9,672.10

Online Banking Y-T-D Last Year: \$13,053.00
Online Banking Y-T-D This Year: \$18,444.00

Attendance Last Week:

4:30 p.m.: 72 9:30 a.m.: 127

ANNOUNCED MASS INTENTIONS:

Sat. May 27 4:30 p.m. For Ronald Stowell requested by his wife, Gloria.

Sun. May 28 9:30 a.m. For Richard Dubois requested by his family.

Sat. June 3 4:30 p.m. For Richard "Mick", Hector, and Fred Aube requested by the family.

Sun. June 4 9:30 a.m. For Mary C. O'Brien requested by her family.

Pray for Vocations

Schedule of Counters: Tuesday, May 30, 2017

Stan Haselton
Karen Fox
Marie Cookson

Schedule of Ministries: June 3 and 4, 2017

4:30 p.m. Greeters: Joanne & Lee Cross
 Altar Server: Becca Syverson
 Lector: Sue Hoepfner
 Extraordinary Min.: Judy Thibault
 Joanne Cross
 Peggy Cioffi

9:30 a.m. Greeters: Kathy & Ted Barrett
 Altar Server: Ethan Cook
 Lector: Aimee Frost
 Extraordinary Min.: Jim Ulager
 Stephanie Buzzell
 Tom Buzzell

Calendar of St. Jude Events:

- 5/29 Memorial Day Service at the Village Green at 9:00 a.m.
- 6/06 Men's Group at 7:00 p.m.
- 6/08 Parish Council Meeting at 7:00 p.m.
- 6/09 Eucharistic Adoration at 8:30 a.m.

Question of the Week: The early community gathered in prayer with Mary the Mother of Jesus. Does Mary have a special place in my daily prayer? How might I appropriate something of the Church's rich tradition of Marian devotion?

Daily Mass: There will be NO daily Mass on Thursday, June 1 at 5:15 p.m. at OLMC and Friday, June 2 at 8:00 a.m. at St. Jude due to Father Cray being away for meetings at St. Michael's College. Adoration will be held Friday, June 9.

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.

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 June 13 and 27 from 12:00 to 2:00 p.m. Serving begins at 12:00 noon.

Collection for Catholic Communication Campaign: Next week our second collection is for the Catholic Communication Campaign. This campaign connects people with Christ, here and around the world in developing countries, through the internet, television, radio, and print media. Fifty percent of funds collected remains in our diocese to fund local communications efforts. Your support helps spread the gospel message! Thank You.

Bishop's Fund: The Bishop's Annual Appeal provides an opportunity to reflect upon the fact that every Catholic is part of a local Church *and* of the Universal Church. Each of us is responsible not only for his or her parish, but also for the wellbeing of the church throughout our diocese and throughout the world. Since we are one community of believers, members of all parish communities throughout the Diocese of Burlington are asked to give to the Bishop's Annual Appeal. There are pledge cards available at the end of the pews. Please take one, fill it out and drop in the collection basket.

***Thank you, thank you for all your generous contributions on behalf of our parish thus far to the Bishop's Annual Appeal. **As of Monday, May 22, St. Jude parishioners have pledged \$15,107.50 (65.89%) of our parish goal of \$22,928.** Thank you.

Memorial Day Community Prayer Service: All are invited to attend a community prayer service sponsored by St. Jude Parish and the United Church of Hinesburg on **Monday, May 29 at 9:00 a.m.** We will be meeting near the Veterans' Monuments on the village green on Rte. 116 next to the Good Times Café. The pastors of the two churches will lead us in prayer. This is a wonderful opportunity for all of us to gather as a community to show our gratitude to our service men and women, living and dead, and to ask God's blessing upon them and our nation. We also wish to honor those in our community who risk their lives in service to the community. An open invitation is extended to members of our police force, volunteer fire department and first response unit to attend and be recognized for their faithful service to Hinesburg. Why not get into the true spirit of the Memorial Day weekend and join with friends and neighbors to honor all those who have contributed to our safety and welfare. We're hoping for a good turnout from a grateful and appreciative community.

Memorial Day Mass at Resurrection Park Cemetery: The Roman Catholic Diocese of Burlington cordially invites you and your family to attend the annual Memorial Day Mass to be celebrated on **Monday, May 29, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. in Resurrection Park Cemetery** on Hinesburg Road in South Burlington. We are pleased to announce that The Most Reverend Christopher Coyne, Bishop of Burlington, will celebrate the Mass. We ask that you bring a chair and an umbrella for shade if necessary. Parking is available in the cemetery or at St. John Vianney Church, adjacent to Resurrection Park Cemetery. In the event of rain, Mass will be celebrated at St. John Vianney Church.

Bereavement Support Ministry: Learn more about a new ministry, *Bereavement Support*, designed to provide encouragement and support to participants, as well as fellowship with others who may also be experiencing grief at the loss of a loved one. There will be an informational meeting on **Sunday, June 4, at 1:00 p.m. in the St. Catherine of Siena Parish Hall in Shelburne.** The Ministry will be led by St. Catherine parishioner, Lucille Malaney, and assisted by Tom Mott from Vermont Catholic Charities.



Jesus raised his eyes to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come. Give glory to your son, so that your son may glorify you, just as you gave him authority over all people, so that your son may give eternal life to all you gave him. Now this is eternal life, that they should know you, the only true God, and the one whom you sent, Jesus Christ." — Jn 17:1-3

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Thank You: A very special thank you to the parishioner who made the anonymous donation covering the cost of the new refrigerator in the church kitchen. Please be sure to check it out. Thank you very much.

--Thank you also to Dennis Casey and Company for grading the church parking lot.

Salvation Army: The next Salvation Army Dinner will be Thursday, June 22. We will be serving baked beans, hotdogs, rolls, potato salad, chips, watermelon, 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 June 22. 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.

Adult Confirmation: Are you an adult who has been baptized and received your First Communion in the Catholic Church but were never confirmed? We will be holding a 7 session preparation class in the fall for all those interested in being confirmed. If you are interested or would like more info, please contact the office at 482-2290 or stjude@gmavt.net and we will add you to our list and will notify you as we get closer to the start date.

For Women and Men both, a Discernment Retreat: The Society of Saint Edmund invites you to a Catholic vocational discernment retreat—Marriage? Religious Life? Committed Single Life? Ordained Ministry?—at Saint Anne's Shrine, Isle LaMotte, **June 16-18.** Contact Father Lino Oropeza at linooropeza@gmail.com or at 654-3400.

Prayer Chain: Join the St. Jude prayer chain and support in prayer those who are facing difficulties—whether physical, emotional or spiritual. As St. Paul writes in his letter to the Philippians, *Have no anxiety at all, but in everything by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God. Then the peace of God that surpasses all understanding will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus. (Philippians 4:6-7)* To join our prayer chain, sign up on the sheet in the lobby. You can choose to be notified for requests for prayers either by phone or email. Thank you.