

July 2, 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!

"Whoever loses his life for my sake will find it." When Jesus says paradoxical things like this, we can still trust him. Even when he makes claims that, at first glance, seem impossible, we know that he's not talking gibberish. Why? Because Jesus lived the ultimate paradox: he brought life out of death. His resurrection proves for us that things are not always as they appear. The Crucifixion, which looked like the end of Jesus' influence, was actually a tremendous new beginning.

So when Jesus promises that we will find life through a kind of death, we shouldn't question his claim. Of course in today's Gospel, Jesus isn't necessarily talking about physical death, although the "red" martyrs who suffer for him do in fact find their reward in eternal life. "White" martyrdom, on the other hand, is a kind of death to self that doesn't involve bloodshed. It means putting love and generous service ahead of our own self-gratification. It means doing these things for the sake of Christ. When he tells us to love our neighbors as ourselves, this is what he's talking about.

So, how can we be white martyrs today? How can we sacrifice our desire for perfect comfort, or entertainment on demand, or status or pleasure or sleep or whatever else for the sake of serving another person? In our families, in our schools and workplaces, in our parishes, in our neighborhoods and our communities, there are myriad opportunities to "lose our lives" for the sake of Christ. But don't forget, in dying to ourselves, we will find our lives in a new way! The fulfillment Christ offers us in return, both now and in eternity, will be far better than anything we try to cling to on our own.

Liturgical Publications

Offertory Last Week: \$2,164.00 Maintenance: \$60.00
Peter's Pence: \$600.00
Online Giving Last Week: \$50.00

Second Collection This Week for Maintenance

FISCAL YEAR JULY 1 - JUNE 30

Offertory Y-T-D Last Year: \$119,164.82
Offertory Y-T-D This Year: \$132,514.46

Maintenance Y-T-D Last Year: \$10,108.53
Maintenance Y-T-D This Year: \$10,716.10

Online Banking Y-T-D Last Year: \$13,768.00
Online Banking Y-T-D This Year: \$20,172.00

Attendance Last Week:
4:30 p.m.: 69 9:30 a.m.: ??

ANNOUNCED MASS INTENTIONS:

Sat. July 1 4:30 p.m. For Sharon Therrien and Linda Wright requested by Jean Miner.

Sun. July 2 9:30 a.m. For Mary O'Brien requested by her Family.

Sat, July 8 4:30 p.m. For Angie Palmer requested by Sue and Stan Haselton.

Sun. July 9 9:30 a.m. For the Parishioners of St. Jude and Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parishes.

Pray for Vocations

Schedule of Counters: Monday, July 3, 2017

Theresa Aube
Karen Fox
George Gardner

Schedule of Ministries: July 8 and 9, 2017

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

9:30 a.m. Greeters: Jim Ross
Tom Giroux
Altar Server: Max Destito
Lector: Aimee Frost
Extraordinary Min.: Hollis St. Peter
Heidi St. Peter
Chris Destito

Calendar of St. Jude Events:

-7/08 & 7/09 Knights of Columbus Tootsie Roll Drive after Mass
-7/11 Senior Meal at Noon
-7/13 Parish Council Meeting at 7:00 p.m.
-7/20 Red Cross Blood Drive from 12:30 to 6:00 p.m.

Question of the Week: In reflecting on the sacrifices and rewards of Christian discipleship, what sacrifice do you think God is asking of you today? What reward do you think will make it worthwhile?

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 **July 11 and 25 from 12:00 to 2:00 p.m.** Serving begins at 12:00 noon.

Knights of Columbus Tootsie Roll Drive: The annual Knights of Columbus Tootsie Roll Drive will take place at St. Jude's the weekend of **July 8 and 9** following the masses. This drive is to benefit mentally challenged people. Please consider donating.

St. Jude Raffle: St. Jude's is having a raffle for a Jay Peak Water Park Family Fun Package valued at \$725.00. Tickets were mailed out this past week to all registered parishioners. **The drawing will be Labor Day Weekend.** Tickets are \$1 each or a book of 6 for \$5. Registered parishioners will receive 3 books. If anyone would like more tickets, please contact Marie at 482-2290 or at marietcookson@aol.com. We will also be selling tickets after the weekend masses, 4th of July Parade and at Lantman's in the near future. If you want to return your tickets and money, please put in an envelope, mark "Raffle" on the envelope and drop in the collection basket. Thank you for your support.

***We are in need of help selling raffle tickets after the weekend Masses, at the 4th of July Parade and at Lantman's. If you can help out, even for one Mass or for one hour at the parade or Lantman's, please let Marie know. Thank you.

Lectors Needed: We are in need of more lectors for the 4:30 p.m. and 9:30 a.m. weekend Masses. If you are interested in becoming a lector, please contact Marie at 482-2290 or email at marietcookson@aol.com. Thank you.

Men's Discussion Group: The Men's Discussion Group will not be meeting in July due to the holiday. The group will resume in August.

Bishop's Fund: This week the diocese introduces you to Steve Ticehurst of the Department of Facilities and Insurance, as well as archivist Kathleen Messier. Their work helps to sustain our aging Church buildings and preserve and, every so often, recycle the beautiful artwork, architecture, and hold relics amassing nearly 185 years of Church history in our Diocese. As we care for all of God's creations, let us be sure to preserve our past and present to ensure future existence of our Catholic community. Please help us to ensure their programs are able to be sustained by contributing to the 2017 Annual Appeal. **To date, we are 80.32% (\$18,416.50) of our annual goal of \$22,928.**

Vermont Catholic Magazine: Please support the Bishop's Fund. By making a donation of \$24 or more, you will receive the quarterly VT Catholic Magazine. Thank you for supporting both the Bishop's Fund and VT Catholic.

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.

Bereavement Group: The Bereavement Group will be meeting on **Wednesday, July 5 from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. in the St. Catherine Parish Hall in Shelburne.** If you are interested in joining or would like more information, please contact Lucille Malaney at 343-8812. All are welcome.

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.

Mass For Families: There will be a Mass for Families at St. Anne's Shrine in Isle LaMotte on **Sunday, July 9 at 12:15 p.m.** with Bishop Coyne followed by a BBQ, swimming and fun on Lake Champlain. BBQ Lunch is \$10.95/adults and \$6.95/children 12 and under. New this year, the Shrine will offer a discounted price for families of 4 or more - \$35/family. To RSVP for BBQ Lunch please contact Lori Daudelin at ldaudelin@vermontcatholic.org or call 846-5813. Last summer's Mass of 400 people was the largest Mass celebrated at the Shrine during the season. All are welcome.



"Whoever gives only a cup of cold water to one of these little ones to drink because the little one is a disciple—amen, I say to you, he will surely not lose his reward." — Mt 10:42

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New Parishioners: All Are Welcome! We are happy to have you join us at St. Jude the Apostle Parish. If you are new to our church and would like to join our parish, please fill out a parish registration form available in the lobby of the church. Thank you.

Travelling This Summer?: Our expenses don't take a holiday! Please support St. Jude Parish during the summer months. Consider enrolling in our Parish automatic monthly offering program. Contact Marie for details.

Salvation Army Dinner: Thank you to everyone who furnished food for the Salvation Army Dinner on June 22. We served 125 meals. A special thank you to Theresa Aube, Peggy Cioffi, Karen Fox, Rosalie Genest and Riley and Marie Cookson all who helped with the serving.

Totus Tuus Program: Totus Tuus is a fun and energetic parish-based summer catechetical program dedicated to sharing the Gospel and promoting the Catholic faith through catechesis, evangelization, Sacraments and Eucharistic worship. Programs will be held around the state. In our area they will be held at the following parishes:

--St. Ambrose in Bristol
 July 16 - 20 for High School Students
 July 17 - 21 for Grade School Students
 For an application or more information, please visit www.vermontcatholic.org.

Vatican Online Questionnaire for Young People: To involve young people in preparations of the Synod of Bishops on youth in 2018, the Vatican has released an online questionnaire to better understand the lives, attitudes and concerns of 16 to 29 year olds around the world. The questionnaire can be found on the synod's official site: youth.synod2018.va/content/synod2018/it.html and is open to any young person, regardless of faith or religious belief.

SCHIP: SCHIP (Shelburne, Charlotte, Hinesburg Interfaith Project) located on Rte. 7 in Shelburne, is in need of earrings, both pierced and clip ons. These items can be left in the lobby or dropped off at SCHIP retail store. Thank you.

Young Life: Young Life: MATCHING DONATION! A generous donor has agreed to match giving up to \$10,000 this year! If you have considered giving, now is a great time. Your prayers are working!! For more information on online giving, please go to: vt22.younglife.org.