

# October 15, 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—28<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time***

"He dispatched his servants to summon the invited guests to the feast, but they refused to come." Why? What made the king's invitation so distasteful to these guests? According to the parable, either the guests were too busy with their farms and their businesses, or else they were downright hostile to the entire idea: they "laid hold of his servants, mistreated them, and killed them." What could possibly explain this resistance?

Perhaps we have a clue in the puzzling conclusion of today's Gospel. One of the second-string guests pulled in from the streets came to the feast "not dressed in a wedding garment." The man knew he was guilty, hence his silence. And the king's punishment suggests that the fellow ought to have known better. This "wedding garment" calls to mind the preparation of our souls necessary to join in the great "wedding feast of the Lamb" (Rv 19:9), that is, heaven. This man was apparently just too lazy to get ready. He presumed that having received an invitation to the banquet was enough, that nothing was required of him. Not so. He should have demonstrated his gratitude by dressing appropriately. And what of the first-string guests? Some were too busy to bother coming; others were furious that they had been invited at all. Now, where do we fit in? Are we more concerned with worldly work than with spiritual growth? Are we offended by the very suggestion that we might need to "dress up" our souls? Or are we the disinterested Christian, willing to feast but too lazy to foster his faith? Jesus gave his life to open the gates of heaven for us. Let's show our gratitude by preparing radiant, beautiful souls worthy of the heavenly wedding feast.

Liturgical Publications

**Offertory Last Week: \$2,017.00   Fuel: \$910.00  
Maintenance: \$79.00  
Hurricane Irma Relief: \$50.00  
Online Giving Last Week: \$1,433.00**

### **Second Collection Next Week for World Mission Sunday**

#### **FISCAL YEAR JULY 1 - JUNE 30**

**Offertory Y-T-D Last Year: \$36,742.87  
Offertory Y-T-D This Year: \$36,183.80**

**Maintenance Y-T-D Last Year: \$3,348.85  
Maintenance Y-T-D This Year: \$3,689.50**

**Online Banking Y-T-D Last Year: \$4,543.00  
Online Banking Y-T-D This Year: \$7,457.00**

**Attendance Last Week:**  
4:30 p.m.: 70    9:30 a.m.: 137

### **ANNOUNCED MASS INTENTIONS:**

**Sat. Oct. 14 4:30 p.m.** For Gloria Bird requested by Marie Cookson.  
**Sun. Oct. 15 9:30 a.m.** For the Parishioners of St. Jude and Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parishes.  
**Sat. Oct. 21 4:30 p.m.** For Will Dubuc  
**Sun. Oct. 22 9:30 a.m.** For Jerome Bello requested by The Lake Family.

### **Pray for Vocations**

#### **Schedule of Counters: Monday, October 16, 2017**

Brenda Waters  
Theresa Aube  
Marie Cookson

#### **Schedule of Ministries: October 21 & 22, 2017**

4:30 p.m.	Greeters:	Dawn Griswold Chloe & Donna Shepardson
	Altar Server:	Hannah Shepardson Annie Dufault
	Lector:	Mike Bullock
	Extraordinary Min.:	Dawn Griswold Donna Shepardson Mike Bullock
9:30 a.m.	Greeters:	Ann & Aidan Thomas
	Altar Server:	Anna Ulager Annaliesa Fry Wendy Koenig
	Lector:	Ted Barrett
	Extraordinary Min.:	Stephanie Buzzell Tom Buzzell

### **Calendar of St. Jude Events:**

-10/15 2<sup>nd</sup> Year Confirmation Class at 10:30 a.m.  
-10/18 Science and Faith Talk at 6:30 p.m.  
-10/21 First Aid/CPR/AED Course at 9:00 a.m.  
-10/25 Salvation Army Dinner  
-10/27 Contra Dance at 7:00 p.m.

**Question of the Week** What specific threads of "charity in action" are woven together to fashion the "wedding garment" needed for my presence at Jesus' feast? Is it time I got back to work at the proverbial loom?

**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 **October 24 and November 14 and 28 from 12:00 to 2:00 p.m.** Serving begins at 12:00 noon.

**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.

**CCD Teacher and Aide Needed:** We are in need of a 5<sup>th</sup> grade CCD Teacher and Aide. If you are interested, please contact Marie at [marietcookson@aol.com](mailto:marietcookson@aol.com) or call the office at 482-2290. Thank you.

**The Catholic Church And The Development of Science and Western Civilization:** Is the Catholic Church against science? The historical reality is much different than the modern perception. The Catholic Church not only has always supported science but was instrumental in the development of western science as well as art, architecture, music, economics, law, etc. Come learn about the historical basis for western culture on **Wednesday, October 18 at 6:30 p.m.** at St. Jude's. This is open to **ALL** 8<sup>th</sup> graders, high school students and adults. Presented by Bill Gavin of the Youth Ministry Office at the Diocese.

**Salvation Army:** The next Salvation Army Dinner will be **Wednesday, October 25.** 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 October 25. 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.

**Family Mass and Pasta Dinner:** Our next Family Mass will be held **Saturday, October 28.** This is also St. Jude's Feast Day and we are planning something special for this. The Mass will be followed with the Pasta Dinner. There is **NO CHARGE** for the dinner but a **FREE WILL OFFERING** basket will be available. If you would like to help with cooking the dinner, please contact Lisa Boutin at 363-0630. We are also in need of desserts. There is a sign up sheet in the lobby for anyone who would be willing to make something. Thank you.

**Yarn Donations:** The Helping Hands Sewing Ministry is looking for yarn. If you have any leftover yarn that you are looking to part with, please leave in the bin in the lobby. Thank you.

**Looking for Knitters and Those Who Crochet:** For the past 11 years, St. Jude Parish has provided the meal at the Salvation Army on the eve of Thanksgiving. In past years we have also provided hats, mittens, and socks for the clients who came in that evening. We will be doing this again this year. We are looking for parishioners and others who would be willing to knit and/or crochet adult size hats and mittens and anyone who would be willing to donate thick, new adult size socks. There will be a box in the lobby where you can drop off any of these items. If you have any questions, please contact Marie at 482-2290 or email at [marietcookson@aol.com](mailto:marietcookson@aol.com). Thank you.

**Looking for Crafters:** St. Jude's will be having a Craft Fair on Saturday, December 9 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](mailto:marietcookson@aol.com) and an application form will be sent to you. 75% of items sold **must** be handmade.

**Counters Needed:** We are in need of more counters as many of our regulars will be heading south in the next month or two. Counting is done on Monday morning at 8:30 a.m. in the St. Jude Rectory. Folks work in teams of three. Counting is usually finished by 9:30 a.m. (usually earlier). It is a great way to meet some of your fellow parishioners and get to know those from OLMC also. If you are interested or would like more info, please contact Marie at 482-2290 or email at [marietcookson@aol.com](mailto:marietcookson@aol.com).



“**T**he kingdom of heaven may be likened to a king who gave a wedding feast for his son... ‘Tell those invited: “Behold, I have prepared my banquet, my calves and fattened cattle are killed, and everything is ready; come to the feast.”’” — Mt 22:2, 4bc

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**World Mission Sunday:** Next week, we will celebrate World Mission Sunday. Each year, the entire Church is invited to support the young mission dioceses in Africa, Asia, the Pacific Islands, and parts of Latin America and Europe, where priests, religious and lay leaders serve the poorest of the poor. This year, we are invited to **“Chat With The Pope”** to learn more about his missions. To learn more about this go to **ChatWithThePope.org**.

**Vocation Ministry Workshop:** There will be a Vocation Ministry Workshop at St. Anthony Parish Hall in White River Jct. on **Saturday, November 4 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.** Rhonda Gruenewald, a vocation Promoter and author of “Hundredfold: A Guide to Parish Vocation Ministry” will present the day-long workshop open to all who want to share in the mission of promoting vocations in their parishes. If you are interested in attending, please RSVP to Mallorie Gerwitz at [mgerwitz@vermontcatholic.org](mailto:mgerwitz@vermontcatholic.org) or call 658-6110 ext. 1334.

**Hinesburg School Needs Adult Volunteers to Mentor:** Do you have one hour a week to give to a child? The Connecting Youth Mentor Program at the Hinesburg Community School is looking for adults to become mentors for fifth graders and sixth graders who would benefit from an additional caring adult in their lives. Mentors meet once a week, at the school, during school hours. A Mentor Room full of games, crafts, puzzles and other activities provide a place for a friendship to develop. Research shows that the simple act of spending a regularly scheduled hour with a child every week can make a difference in a child's life. For more information, call Ginny Roberts at HCS at 482-6290 or email at [groberts@cvsdvt.org](mailto:groberts@cvsdvt.org). All it takes is a willingness to listen and be a friend. Connecting Youth is an organization dedicated to promoting a safe and healthy environment for young people.

**Funeral Planning Workshop:** Please join Ready's Funeral Home as they provide this workshop to help assist individuals with knowing the facts and the importance of having your final wishes documented. The Ready Funeral home will also welcome any questions you may have about this process. This workshop is free and is designed to give you peace of mind and have an open and honest discussion and answer questions about your final wishes. A free lunch will be provided for you as well. The workshop will be on **Sunday, November 5** at 12:30 p.m. at St. John Vianney Parish Hall, Hinesburg Road, South Burlington. All are welcome.