

May 12, 2019

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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: 4th Sunday of Easter

We all face obstacles in life. Perhaps it's a lost job, the death of a loved one, a sudden accident that places an unexpected dent in our finances. Sometimes the challenges are of our own making. Perhaps we've developed patterns of sin in our personal lives or our family relationships. We've all felt the jolting shock of, "This is all my fault." How do these things affect our relationship with God? Or, perhaps more poignantly, how do we now view God's relationship to us?

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus' words to us are encouraging ones. "No one can take them out of my hand." Did you catch that? In case you didn't, Jesus reemphasizes the point again a few verses later. "My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all, and no one can take them out of the Father's hand." God's grip of providential care and mercy is so strong that nothing can separate us. We might think things take us out of God's hand - life circumstances, tragedy, our lukewarm attitudes towards faith - but Jesus tells us otherwise. Nothing, no one, can take us out of the Father's hand, and we can't take ourselves out! We can't remove ourselves from Him, not entirely. Even when grievous sin hardens us to grace, His love is still sustaining us in existence. And His mercy is always awaiting our repentance.

"My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish." This Sunday, let us heed the voice of the Good Shepherd. Whatever we feel might take us from God's hand, we can turn back to Him. God is always inviting us to follow Him and to trust in His care and be sustained by His hand.

Liturgical Pub

**Offertory Last Week: \$3,773.00 Maintenance; \$821.00
Roof: \$100.00
Online Giving Last Week: \$308.00**

JULY 1st THRU MARCH 31st

Offertory, Maintenance & Fuel Collections amounted to \$126,445 this year compared to \$26,883 last year, a decrease of \$438 or -0.4%

Total Donations including Gifts, etc., amounted to \$151,329 this year compared to \$153,695 last year, a reduction of \$2,366 or -1.5%

**Attendance Last Week:
4:30 p.m. 56 9:30 a.m. 173**

ANNOUNCED MASS INTENTIONS:

- Sat. May 11 4:30 p.m.** For the Deceased Pastors of St. Jude Parish.
- Sun. May 12 9:30 a.m.** For the Parishioners of St. Jude and Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parishes.
- Mon. May 13 8:00 a.m.** For a Special Intention
- Sat. May 18 4:30 p.m.** For Richard Dubois requested by his family.
- Sun. May 19 9:30 a.m.** For Bernard Giroux requested by his family.

Please pray for all priests in your daily prayers, especially the following this week:

- Sunday:** Rev. Charles Danielson
- Monday:** Rev. Charles Davignon
- Tuesday:** Rev. Msgr. Michael DeForge
- Wednesday:** Rev. Stanley Deresienski, SSE
- Thursday:** Rev. James Dodson
- Friday:** Rev. Raymond Doherty, SSE
- Saturday:** Rev. Francis Eksterowicz

Copies of the monthly calendar are available in the lobby.

Schedule of Counters: Monday, May 13, 2019

- Anne Donegan
- George Gardner
- Marie Cookson

Schedule of Ministries: May 18 and 19, 2019

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| 4:30 p.m. | Greeters: | The Dufault Family |
| | Altar Server: | Annie Dufault |
| | | Meredith Dufault |
| | Lector: | Joan Magnant |
| | Extraordinary Min.: | Donna Shepardson |
| | | Erin Dufault |
| | | Peter Dufault |
| 9:30 a.m. | Greeters: | The Cook Family |
| | Altar Server: | Ethan Cook |
| | | Anna Ulager |
| | Lector: | Tom Giroux |
| | Extraordinary Min.: | Ray Bouchard |
| | | Emily Donegan |
| | | Chris Destito |

Calendar of St. Jude Events:

- 5/13 First Communion Rehearsal at 6:30 p.m.
- 5/14 Senior Meal at Noon
- 5/14 Liturgy Committee Meeting at 7:00 p.m.
- 5/18 First Communion at 10:00 a.m.

Question of the Week: Do I try to hear Jesus' voice in the voices of those I encounter? Through whom is Jesus speaking to me?

No Mass: There will be NO daily Mass this **Tuesday, May 14**, due to Fr. Cray being away. There will be NO daily Mass on **Thursday, May 23, Friday, May 24, Monday, May 27 and Tuesday, May 28** due to Fr. Cray being out of the country.

Saint Jude's Nine Month Financial Summary - 07/01/2018 thru 03/31/2019

- Offertory Income for this period was \$126,445 compared to \$126,883 for the prior year comparable period, a decrease of \$438 or -0.04%.
- Total Income including Offertory, Fund Raisers, Gifts, Bequests and Miscellaneous Income for the period was \$151,329 compared to \$153,695 for the prior year comparable period, a decrease of \$2,366 or -1.5%.
- St. Jude's had a Net Gain of \$28,042 for the 9 months ending 03/31/19 compared to a Net Gain of \$10,905 for the prior year comparable period.
- Uncommitted Cash available as of 03/31/2019 was \$143,182 compared to \$118,200 in 03/31/2018 or an increase of \$24,982 or 21.1%.

Appreciation Weekend: This weekend we are saying "thank you" to all those who contribute to the livelihood of our parish. From those who contribute their time and talents to the Mass, to those teaching our young people, to those who keep the church and grounds functioning. It takes many people to make a parish run. Please see the insert for names of all those who help out. If you are interested in any of these ministries, please contact Marie at 482-2290.

Liturgy Committee Meeting: The Liturgy Committee will be meeting on **Tuesday, May 14 at 7:00 p.m.** in the rectory.

Rosary: The Rosary is being said each Saturday at St. Jude's beginning at 4:10 p.m.

Vocations Chalice Program: We are beginning the Vocations Chalice Program. We are asking parishioners to sign up for a week to take a Chalice home along with a prayer booklet. You and your family pray for a different vocation each day (priesthood, religious life, married life, single life, etc). At the end of the week, you return the chalice and the prayer book. The Church's vision must come through an encounter with Christ, "*How have I encountered Christ today? How is God working in my life?*" A vocation can only be considered and pondered in the context of a relationship with God and this relationship begins with a personal encounter or experience. The home can create such a culture, through prayer, showing love and concern for others; and through sharing in the Chalice, the symbol of the Mass and Eucharist. The sign up sheet is in the lobby of the church. If you have any questions, please contact Marie at 482-2290 or marietcookson@aol.com

Bishop's Appeal: Go Out and Spread the Good News
"Jesus calls each one of us to discipleship — to live a life that proclaims Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior by embodying His love and mercy in our words and actions. We do so, not as individual believers who stand alone, but as members of the larger community of faith within the Diocese of Burlington who are nourished at our local parishes." —Bishop Coyne
The Bishop's Appeal supports new initiatives that prepare laity for leadership positions that will strengthen evangelization (a synod priority) and revitalize our faith community. The second cycle of lay ministry and diaconate formation classes will begin with a committed cohort of men and women dedicated to two years of study and prayer to become parish leaders. Thanks to your support to the Bishop's Annual Appeal, we are able to offer programs like these while sustaining key ministries. To make a gift or learn more visit: <https://bishopsappealvt.org>. Our Parish goal this year is \$24,739.



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Fundraising Event: Olivia St. Peter, a CVU student and member of our parish, is working on a school project and is raising money for different projects in India this **Sunday, May 12 following the 9:30 a.m. Mass**. She is donating to the Mary Ward Social Centre in Kolkata, India which works on fundraising projects such as a teacher training program and education for children of migrant workers. To learn more, you can talk with her after the 9:30 a.m. Mass this Sunday or you can check out the website at <https://kolkatamarywardsc.org/> Please consider making a donation to this worthy cause.

Stations of the Resurrection (Via Lucis - The Way of the Light): This is a combined event for St. Jude's, OLMC and St. Catherine's: As we continue our Easter celebration we are reminded at this time in our liturgical year of the appearances of Jesus to his disciples *after* His resurrection. While we honor the Way of the Cross during Lent each year with the Stations of the Cross, we are really only telling half of the story of Jesus' death and resurrection. And so to honor the time when Jesus walked with the disciples bringing the Holy Spirit to them - in fact the very beginnings of the Church- there will be a special devotion that is patterned in style after the Stations of the Cross, but is called "The Stations of the Resurrection (*Via Lucis - The Way of the Light*)." These 14 stations recall the post-resurrection appearances of Jesus, from Easter to Pentecost. Describing various interactions of the Disciples with Jesus, they provide us with prayerful meditations on how we too, as followers of Christ, are called to Discipleship. We are excited to present this as a collaborative event between St. Jude's (Hinesburg), Our Lady of Mt. Carmel (Charlotte) and St. Catherine's (Shelburne) designed and presented for you by our youth from all 3 Parishes. All are welcome to join together as these stations are presented on **Friday, May 17 at OLMC in Charlotte, at 7:00 p.m.**

FORMED.org: FORMED.org is a revolutionary online platform featuring the best Catholic videos, audio talks, eBooks and movies at **NO** cost to you. Visit **FORMED.org** to learn about these resources. To log in, go to FORMED.org, click on the tab "Enter Code", the code is **HHY6Z9** (cases sensitive). Register with your name, email, zip code and your own password to create an account. If you have any question, please feel free to contact Fr. Cray or Marie.

Altar Server Training: We will be having an Altar Server Training for all new servers on **Monday, June 17 at 6:30 p.m. at St. Jude's**. This training is open to any students in 3rd grade or older. If your child is interested in being an altar server, please contact Marie at marietcookson@aol.com to be added to the list.

Update on Church Roof: We will be having the church roof redone this summer at a cost of roughly \$62,000. While we have the funds in reserve and can afford to do this, it will also greatly deplete the reserves. If anyone would like to make a donation toward this project, please put the donation in an envelope and mark "Roof" on it. You can drop it in the collection basket. This will ensure that the monies go to the roof project and not regular operating expenses. We have collected \$4,030 thus far. Thank you.

Birthright: Birthright's Annual Carnation fund-raiser will take place Mother's Day weekend, **May 11 and 12** after each Mass. Our parish will give out carnations to all mothers. A donation has been made to Birthright in support of its life-affirming work. There will also be a basket available for anyone who would like to make a donation to Birthright. For more info on Birthright, or if you are interested in volunteering, visit them at www.birthright.org or 865-0056.

Rice Bowls: Thank you for participating in the Lenten Rice Bowl Program. ***Make sure to bring your rice bowls back to Church this week!***

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 **May 14 and 28** from 12:00 to 2:00 p.m. Serving begins at 12:00 noon. All Seniors and Caretakers welcome.

Come Help Us Fill the Gaps: Vermont Catholic Charities is holding a "Vermonters Helping Vermonters" event on **June 5 at St. Michael's College**. The event will feature tastings from VT breweries and wineries, food catered by the Old Lantern Inn, and live music will be provided by the Guitar Chant Trio. Companies participating include Mill River Brewing, Queen City Brewery, Harpoon Brewery, Farnham Ale & Lager, and North Branch Winery. Proceeds from the event will help VT Catholic Charities continue to fill the gaps for the most vulnerable Vermonters. To learn more about the event and purchase tickets, visit vermontcatholic.org/vermontershelpingvermonters.

Lay Formation Leadership Program: The Lay Formation Leadership Program is taking applications for the fall course. This is a two-year program. The program is designed to integrate the four pillars of lay formation described in *Co-Workers in the Vineyard of the Lord*: **human, spiritual, intellectual and pastoral**. Since it is the whole person who serves, the program is designed to enhance all aspects of the individual's growth. The deadline for applying is June 1. For more information, please see brochure and application in the lobby.

Interfaith Seder: Join Ohavi Zedek Synagogue and Vermont Interfaith Action (VIA) for an Interfaith Seder on **Thursday, May 23 from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Ohavi Zedek, 199 N. Prospect St. in Burlington**. This event will celebrate our shared goal of freedom from oppression for all peoples and features a universalized version of the Passover Seder, commemorating liberation. Please join them as they share stories, songs, prayer, and a special vegetarian meal (gluten-free options available). Everyone is welcome. New Americans will be guests. Adults: \$25; Teens: Free. RSVP by May 16 to 802-864-0218 or tari@ohavizedek.org. Proceeds benefit VIA.

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 27 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. Representatives from 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: You and your family are invited to attend the annual Memorial Day Mass to be celebrated on **Monday, May 27 at 10:00 a.m. in Resurrection Park Cemetery on Hinesburg Road in South Burlington**. Mass will be offered for all who are buried in the cemetery. Please bring a chair and 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.

Young Life: The Young Life Golf Marathon will take place at Basin Harbor on **Monday, May 20**. This creative day of 100(!) holes of golf is such a fun way to break out the clubs for the season. It caters to both the passionate and casual golfer alike. Not a golfer? Please consider a sponsorship: either a business sponsor or you can personally donate to sponsor one of our golfers. Contact Tricia Sulva at majac@gmavt.net with any questions.

5 Day Silent Retreat: The Society of St. Edmund will be conducting a 5-Day Silent Retreat in the Ignatian tradition from **June 23rd to June 28th, 2019 at St. Anne's Shrine in Isle La Motte**. Using principles from the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius of Loyola, retreatants will be invited to contemplate scripture passages, celebrate daily Eucharist and meet with a Spiritual Director each day. Spiritual Directors are specifically trained for this type of retreat and will serve as companions and co-discerners of the Spirit during the retreat. Applicants should be comfortable maintaining an atmosphere of silence and be able to share their prayer experience with a Spiritual Director in a daily meeting of about forty-five minutes. The retreat begins at 7:00 pm on Sunday, June 23rd and concludes with lunch on Friday, June 28th. The cost is \$500. Applications and further information can be obtained by calling the Shrine at (802) 928-3362 or via email at fstanne@pshift.com. Space is limited due to single room accommodations.

Funeral Planning Workshop: Please join Ready Funeral Home for a Deanery event on **Sunday, May 19 at 1:00 p.m. at St. John Vianney Parish Hall in South Burlington**. This workshop will give a detailed presentation on options individuals have when planning funerals, a packet will be given including a helpful booklet giving insightful information but also serves as a perfect guide for you to use. There will be a time for questions at the end of the presentation, and a light lunch will be served. Don't miss this important opportunity to have a conversation that is valuable. For more info or if you have questions, please call 862-0991.