

November 10, 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 – 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

“Some Saducees, those who deny that there is a resurrection, came forward and put this question to Jesus ...” In this Sunday’s Gospel, the Saducees avoid their real question. Is there a resurrection from the dead or not? Rather than ask this question point blank, the Saducees try to prove their point through a roundabout, unrealistic scenario. Jesus cuts straight to the question behind the question, citing Scripture passages relating to the resurrection.

The Saducees are trying to trick Jesus. While we may not intend to stump God, our doubts and questions may have more in common with the Saducees than we care to admit. Doubts are part and parcel of life in a fallen world. Still, there are different ways we can word our doubts to ourselves, God, and others. When we’re struggling, truly struggling, about some article of faith, do we admit it? Or do we cloak it with other, obtuse questions to hide the nature of our concern?

Have you considered leaving the Church over the hypocrisy of some of her members and leaders? Perhaps the real question is: “How can a place blessed by God and instituted by Christ have this evil in it? Can I reconcile with the concept that an institution has an admixture of good and bad? What do I expect from others, from myself? What responsibility do I have to try and remedy evil in an institution I’m part of?” Perhaps you’ve wondered about the nature of romantic love, and if God is love, does He really care so much about the details of this particular scenario? Perhaps the real question is: “Can my mind wrap around the concept of a God whose law seems — on the surface, in this situation — to make people unhappy? What is the relationship between the moral law and human flourishing?” These aren’t easy questions, but they are more honest ones. This week, don’t be afraid of your deeper questions! Bring them to God, to someone you trust, and to yourself.

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Offertory Last Week: \$2,323.55 Maintenance: \$20.00
All Saints: \$127.00 Military Services: \$351.00
Priest Benefit Fund: \$30.00
Online Giving Last Week: \$308.00

Second Collection This Week for Maintenance

JULY 1st THRU SEPTEMBER 30th
(First three months of the new fiscal year)

Offertory, Maintenance & Fuel Collections
amounted to \$37,889 this year compared to
\$42,053 last year, a decrease of \$4,164 or -9.9%

Total Donations including Gifts, etc., amounted
to \$43,735 this year compared to \$46,817 last
year, a decrease of \$3,082 or -6.6%

Attendance Last Week:

All Saints: 29
4:30 p.m. 68 9:30 a.m. 172

ANNOUNCED MASS INTENTIONS:

Sat. Nov. 9 4:30 p.m. For All Souls
Sun. Nov. 10 9:30 a.m. For Freda Tabor-Grassley
requested by the family.
Mon. Nov. 11 8:00 a.m. For a Special Intention
Fri. Nov. 15 8:00 a.m. For the Sick requested by Helene
Martel.
Sat. Nov. 16 4:30 p.m. For Fr. Gerald Ragis requested by
Gloria Stowell.
Sun. Nov. 17 9:30 a.m. For All Souls

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

Sunday: Rev. Dennis-kingsley Nwagwu
Monday: Rev. Vincent Odoemenam, SDV
Tuesday: Rev. Brian O’Donnell
Wednesday:
Thursday: Rev. Rogelio Organiza
Friday: Rev. Lino Oropeza, SSE
Saturday: Rev. Antony Pittappilly, SDV

Schedule of Counters: Monday, November 11, 2019
Richard Stowe
Gail Blasius
Anne Donegan

Schedule of Ministries for November 16 and 17, 2019
4:30 p.m. Greeters: Joanne & Lee Cross
Altar Server: Farmer Lindemuth
Plum Lindemuth
Lector: Mike New
Extraordinary Min.: Mike New
Joanne Cross
Peggy Cioffi

9:30 a.m. Greeters: Family Mass
Altar Server: Family Mass
Lector: Family Mass
Extraordinary Min.: Jeanne Jensen
Sue McGuire
Doug Taff

Calendar of St. Jude Events:

-11/12 Senior Meal at Noon
-11/12 Liturgy Committee Meeting at 700 p.m.
-11/14 Parish Council Meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Question of the Week: How does the assurance of an afterlife change the way I live my life today?

Daily Mass: There will be **NO** daily Mass **November 12 & 14** due to Fr. Cray being away on Edmundite business.

Saint Jude's Financial Summary for the Fiscal Year Ending - 09/30/19

- St. Jude's had a Net Gain of \$5,436 for the year compared to a Net Gain of \$12,599 for the prior year, a decrease of \$7,163.
- Unencumbered cash reserves (Cash & Receivables Less Payables) were \$148,414 compared to \$123,070, an increase of \$25,343 or 20.6% of which \$62,000 will be used for the roof.

Mass Attendance

- Sunday mass attendance for all of 2010 averaged 255 people, attendance in 2018 averaged 200 people, year to date we are averaging 177.

Thanksgiving Day Mass: There will be a Thanksgiving Day Mass on **Thursday, November 28 at 10:00 a.m.** at OLMC.

Remembering Our Deceased: We have a permanent book to record the names of our deceased family members and friends to be remembered at Mass during the month of November. This book is available in the lobby and will be brought up with the gifts at each Mass.

All Souls Masses: During the month of November we will have six (6) masses for All Souls. This is a way to remember our loved ones. The remaining masses are as follows:

Saturday, November 9 at 4:30 p.m. at St. Jude
Sunday, November 17 at 9:30 a.m. at St. Jude
Tuesday, November 19 at 5:15 p.m. at OLMC
Sunday, November 24 at 11:00 a.m. at OLMC

Liturgy Committee Meeting: There will be a Liturgy Committee Meeting this **Tuesday, November 12 at 7:00 p.m.** in the rectory.

Parish Council Meeting: There will be a Parish Council Meeting this **Thursday, November 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.

Salvation Army Dinner: Thank you to everyone who provided food and milk for the Salvation Army Dinner last Wednesday evening. A special thank you to Peggy Cioffi, Karen Fox, Rosalie Genest, Chloe and Donna Shepardson and Marie Cookson all who helped to serve. We fed about 100 clients.

Salvation Army Thanksgiving Dinner: St. Jude's will be providing a Thanksgiving dinner at the Salvation Army on **Wednesday, November 27.** We are looking for food donations along with monetary donations. We will be purchasing the turkeys, potatoes and ice cream.

***We are looking for food donations of coleslaw, corn, cranberry sauce, gravy, rolls, desserts and milk. We are also looking for people to help serve. Sign up sheets are in the lobby. Food needs to be at St. Jude's on **November 27 by 1:30 p.m.** Workers at the Salvation Army by 4:00 p.m. **We need enough food to feed approximately 150 people.**

Looking for Crafters: St. Jude's will be having a Craft Fair on **Saturday, December 14 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 and an application form and info will be sent to you. 75% of items sold must be handmade.

Red Cross Blood Drive: We are looking for 1 or 2 people to take on this role of Red Cross Blood Drive Coordinator for St. Jude's. If anyone is interested or would like more info, please contact Marie at marietcookson@aol.com.



Jesus said to them, "The children of this age marry and remarry; but those who are deemed worthy to attain to the coming age and to the resurrection of the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. They can no longer die, for they are like angels; and they are the children of God because they are the ones who will rise." — Lk 20:34-36

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Boxes of Joy: Please be sure to return your Boxes of Joy this weekend. The boxes will be shipped out this coming week. Thank you to everyone who participated.

"O Come, O Come Emmanuel": On **Sunday, December 15 at 3:00 p.m.** OLMC and St. Jude's will present a collaborative program about the "O Antiphons of Advent". The Antiphons accompany the *Magnificat* canticle of Evening Prayer from December 17-23. The theology uses ancient biblical imagery of the Old Testament to proclaim the coming Christ from the past and into the present. Our Confirmation students will present and explain more about these prayers. The favorite hymn, "O Come, O Come Emmanuel" is a summary of the Antiphons. OLMC's Liturgy Committee invites parishioners who enjoy singing to accompany both parishes' choirs and form a choral for this event. Michelle Keller will lead the choral. We expect one or two practice sessions before December 15. Contact Michelle Keller at vtkeller@gmavt.net or Colleen Armstrong at colleen.armstrong@uvm.edu if interested in singing.

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 **November 12 and 26** from 12:00 to 2:00 p.m. Serving begins at 12:00 noon. All Seniors and Caretakers welcome.

Knights of Columbus Christmas Party: The Knights of Columbus St. John Vianney Council invite Persons with Disabilities and their Caregivers to their Annual Special Christmas Party on **Sunday, December 8 from 1-3 p.m. at the St. John Vianney Parish Center.** Free Admission for all. Reservations are required. To register please email to tedbarrett79@gmail.com or call Ted at 802-453-3087.

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Rides Needed: Shawn Coyle, an OLMC parishioner, is in need of rides on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays to dialysis on Joy Drive in Burlington. Pick up at his home in Charlotte at 10:15 a.m. and return home from Joy Drive at 4:00 p.m. If you can help out in any way, please contact Tricia and Shawn at 425-2980.

Bishop's Appeal: We are 98% (\$24,190) to our parish goal of \$24,739. (We are about \$550 from making our parish goal.) We are grateful to all of those who have been able to participate and encourage others to learn more about your gift at work. We hope you will consider making a gift. To learn more visit: bishopsappealvt.org

Catholic Variety Show: The Catholic Variety Show featuring our gifted diocesan priests will be held on **Friday, November 15 at 7:00 p.m. at the MacCathy Arts Center, St. Michael's College, Colchester.** Tickets are \$15. All proceeds go to benefit our seminarians. For tickets go to www.VTChallengers.org.

8th Annual Women's Retreat: Registration is now open for the Women's Retreat on **Saturday, November 16 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at St. John Vianney Parish in South Burlington.** Cost of the day long retreat is \$40 which includes a light breakfast and lunch. This year's keynote speaker is Donna Marie Cooper O'Boyle, author of more than 30 books, EWTN TV and Radio Host. To register go to <https://vermontcatholic.org/event/8th-annual-vermont-catholic-womens-retreat/>.

Joseph House Mission Outreach Center: Joseph's House will once again be offering a Thanksgiving Program to serve those who need a little extra help to make Thanksgiving a special and joyous day for their family. This year Joseph's House would like to serve 55 families from around Chittenden County with their dinner needs. Each family receives a Hannaford Gift Card, for the "trimmings" and a frozen turkey. With great generosity Mater Christi School staff, students and their families have committed to donating the frozen turkeys, but we could use your help in providing the "trimmings"! Would you join in making 55 Thanksgivings Days extra special this year? Any amount that you can donate toward this program would be greatly appreciated. *"You will be enriched in every way for great generosity... for the rendering of this service not only supplies the wants of the saints but also overflows in many thanksgivings to God."* 2 Corinthians 9:11-12. Donations may be made anytime through October and November. Checks should be made out to: "Joseph House" with the notation "Thanksgiving Outreach" in the Memo line and mailed to:

**Joseph's House
113 Elmwood Avenue
Burlington, VT 05401**

St. Joseph's Residential Care Home: Make Our Home, Your Home. Uniquely Affordable Residential Care Home. St. Joseph's Level III Residential Care Home in Burlington. Private rooms and suites available. St. Joseph's Residential Care Home is operated by Vermont Catholic Charities and is a small home-like community that provides personal care, medication management, home cooked meals, nursing overview, and a wide array of activities. Their dedicated staff supports the needs of the whole person—physical, emotional, social and spiritual. Medicaid accepted. For more information or to schedule a tour of the home, please call 864-0264.

Young Adult Ministry: The diocese will be hosting a Young Adult Ministry Discussion on **Tuesday, November 12 at 7:00 p.m. at St. John Vianney Parish Hall in South Burlington.** All young adults ages 19-39 are invited and encouraged to attend. Together, they will dialogue and brainstorm all that young adult ministry in Vermont can become. Please bring your thoughts, ideas and questions. For those who are unable to physically attend the meeting, the diocese will broadcast it live from their Facebook page, Diocese of Burlington, Young Adult Ministry. We want to reach all young adults, even if you aren't yet sure how the Church's ministry can meet your needs. Please join them on Tuesday, November 12 and bring your friends.

Young Life: Young Life is now in its 5th year at CVU! You are invited to join us for our Fall Fundraiser! Chittenden County Young Life invites you to celebrate our year at our Fall Dessert Banquet on **Thursday November 14th 6:30pm - 8:30pm at New Moon Cafe, 150 Cherry St. Burlington.** Come for fellowship! Come to hear about all the amazing things Young Life is doing for our youth, walking alongside our teens as they bring the Gospel to our young adults in high school, helping them to develop a lifelong relationship with Jesus. Please check out our new website at chitco.younglife.org to RSVP. For more information email Tricia Sulva at majac@gmavt.net. **Come learn about how Young Life is impacting our community and find ways that you can help!**