

# November 17, 2019

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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 – 33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time***

Where would you go if the world was ending? What would you do? The last decade has seen a rise in doomsday prepping, the marketing of survival techniques, and a sea of products designed for you to weather the apocalypse. *“The days will come when there will not be left a stone upon another that will not be thrown down,”* Jesus warns in today’s Gospel. On the one hand, he is referring to the literal downfall of the city of Jerusalem. Indeed, many of his prophecies here have come true over the last few millennium. Nations have indeed *“rise[n] against nation[s],”* kingdoms against kingdoms. Surf any world news website today alone, and you will see stories of *“powerful earthquakes, famines, and plagues.”* Jesus’ advice to his disciples, however, isn’t to build a bunker. It’s to persevere in faith ... which won’t be easy.

*“They will seize and persecute you ... you will be handed over ... you will be hated because of my name.”* This warning, too, has come to pass in the Church throughout history in state-sponsored persecutions and martyrdoms. Jesus is the Messiah, but his first coming was not a coming of earthly victory. Any disciple of his can expect a challenge. The coming of Christ didn’t disrupt our free will. Evil still exists and sometimes even appears to triumph. This does not mean God has abandoned His people!

Jesus reminds the disciples — and us — of his constant presence. *“I myself shall give you a wisdom in speaking.”* In other Gospel passages, Jesus promises and sends the Holy Spirit upon his followers. The presence of God is real in our lives, no matter what trials come our way. It’s tempting to be distracted or dismayed by natural destruction and moral evil in the world. But the Church has weathered greater storms. The sacredness of the human person endures. We can have hope! This day and every day, we can persevere in hope and trust in God.

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**Offertory Last Week: \$1,535.00**  
**Maintenance: \$563.00**  
**Online Giving Last Week: \$125.00**

**Second Collection Next Week for Campaign for Human Development**

**JULY 1<sup>st</sup> THRU SEPTEMBER 30<sup>th</sup>**  
**(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:**

**4:30 p.m. 59      9:30 a.m. 99**

### **ANNOUNCED MASS INTENTIONS:**

**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  
**Sat. Nov. 23      4:30 p.m.** For Earl and Mary Emmons requested by Helen Cote.  
**Sun. Nov. 24      9:30 a.m.** For Bernard Giroux requested by his wife, June.

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

<b>Sunday:</b>	Rev. Francis Prive
<b>Monday:</b>	Rev. Marcel Rainville, SSE
<b>Tuesday:</b>	Rev. Soosai Raj, HGN
<b>Wednesday:</b>	Rev. Charles Ranges, SSE
<b>Thursday:</b>	Rev. Donald Ravey
<b>Friday:</b>	Rev. Matthew Rensch
<b>Saturday:</b>	Rev. Msgr. Roland Rivard

**Schedule of Counters: Monday, November 18, 2019**  
John Calcagni  
Linda Savalli  
Marie Cookson

**Schedule of Ministries for November 23 and 24, 2019**

4:30 p.m.	Greeters:	The Dufault Family
	Altar Server:	Meredith Dufault
		Annie Dufault
		David Pearson
	Lector:	Tim Clancy
	Extraordinary Min.:	Erin Dufault
		Peter Dufault

9:30 a.m.	Greeters:	Tom Giroux
		Michael Kiey
	Altar Server:	Anna Ulager
		Abigail Ulager
	Lector:	Tom Buzzell
	Extraordinary Min:	Kim Fry
		Stephanie Buzzell
		Tom Buzzell

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

-11/26 Senior Meal at Noon  
-11/27 Salvation Army Thanksgiving Dinner

**Question of the Week:** Do I continue to meet my responsibilities even during difficult times? How can I bring myself to hope for healing justice in the midst of terrible events?

**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:

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

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

**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.**

**St. Jude Craft Fair:** There will be a Craft Fair at St. Jude Parish on **Saturday, December 14 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.** Many items will be available. Please join us.

\*\*\***St. Jude's will also be running a canteen during the Craft Fair. We are looking for donations of hot dogs and rolls, soups, chips, sandwich fixings, baked goods, soda and bottled water. There is a sign up sheet in the lobby. We are looking for help with distributing the Craft Fair signs in the local areas (Hinesburg, Starksboro, Monkton, Huntington, Williston, Shelburne, Charlotte, etc.) If you would be willing to help with this, please leave your name and email on the sign up sheet in the lobby. Please indicate what area you would be willing to help cover and how many signs you would like. Thank you.**

**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](mailto:marietcookson@aol.com).

**Cleaning the Church:** We will be cleaning the St. Jude Church in preparation of the Christmas Season on **Saturday, December 21 beginning at 9:00 a.m.** If you are interested in helping out, please contact Marie at 482-2290 or email at [marietcookson@aol.com](mailto:marietcookson@aol.com). Thank you.

**Catholic Campaign for Human Development:** Next week our second collection will support the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. More than 46 million people in the United States live in poverty today. This collection supports programs that empower people to identify and address obstacles as they work to make permanent and positive changes for their communities. Learn more about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development at [www.usccb.org/cchd/collection](http://www.usccb.org/cchd/collection).

**Madrigals:** The CVU Madrigal Singers will be performing at St. Jude's on **Sunday, December 8 beginning at 11:30 a.m.** A free-will offering will take place to benefit the Madrigals. All are welcome to this Christmas event and sign-along.



*“You will even be handed over by parents, brothers, relatives, and friends, and they will put some of you to death. You will be hated by all because of my name, but not a hair on your head will be destroyed. By your perseverance you will secure your lives.” — Lk 21:16-19*

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**“O Come, O Come Emmanuel”:** On **Sunday, December 15 at 3:00 p.m. at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish, 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. All are welcome.

~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](mailto:vtkeller@gmavt.net) or Colleen Armstrong at [colleen.armstrong@uvm.edu](mailto:colleen.armstrong@uvm.edu) if interested in singing.

**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 **November 26 and December 10 and 24** 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](mailto:tedbarrett79@gmail.com) or call Ted at 802-453-3087.

**Box of Joy:** Thank you to everyone who participated in the Box of Joy Program this year. St. Jude and OLMC collected 40 Boxes of Joy to be sent out to under privileged children in third world countries. Thank you for your part in making a child's Christmas special this year.

**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.

**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](http://bishopsappealvt.org)

**Thank You:** Thank you to everyone who came out last Saturday to help with the raking at the Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish Cemetery. A special thank you to Bob Danyow and Marie Cookson for organizing this event and to Joe Blasius who did a lot of the prep work earlier in the week. Thank you to Kelly and Hadley Stockwell, Debbie and Gretchen Kramer, Dick Meunier, Ray Curtis, Michelle and Lambert Lussier, Joe Blasius, Bob Danyow, Jennee, Peter and Nate Stewart, Tim Hunt, Liz St. James, Steve Cooley, Laura McCormick and Luca Viscito, David and Grace McNally, and Marie Cookson all who helped with the raking and trimming of branches.

**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 Thanksgiving 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**

**Daily Mass at St. Jude's—Winter Weather:** Once again the schedule for daily Mass at St. Jude's will follow the Hinesburg/Charlotte School System. If there is no school in Hinesburg and Charlotte due to the weather, there will be NO morning Mass on Monday or Friday mornings. Closings are found on the local radio and TV stations.

**St. Joseph's Residential Home:** St. Joseph Residential Care Home in Burlington is seeking to hire a housekeeper/maintenance technician. This position provides assistance to the Administrator, the residents and the employees in maintaining a clean and home like environment at the Home. Responsibilities include: keeping residents' rooms and common areas clean and maintained; disposing of trash; changing beds; and assisting residents when necessary. If you have the ability to manage your time efficiently, work well unsupervised, interact positively with residents and handle some basic maintenance from time to time, we would like to meet you! Must be willing to work evenings. For additional information, please feel free to call 802-864-0264, or email [cbedard@vermontcatholic.org](mailto:cbedard@vermontcatholic.org).

**Opportunities to support Young Life:** Young Life is looking for volunteers who would like to support sending our youth to Young Life camp next summer at Saranac Lake. Each year Vermont Teddy Bear allows the community at large to work during the Christmas season to raise funds which are then donated for a particular cause. With volunteering your time the money earned goes directly toward campership funds for our kids! Dates available to help out are: **Saturday, December 7, 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; Sunday, December 8, 12noon to 5:00 p.m.; Saturday, December 14 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; and Sunday, December 15, 12:00 noon to 5:00 p.m.** This is actually a fun and rewarding time! Please consider supporting our youth in this valuable way. ~Another way to help raise funds for campership is by purchasing coffee. A portion of each sale will go towards supporting Young Life students ability to enjoy a life changing camp experience! Please visit <https://vt22.younglife.events/coffee-fundraiser> to check out the choices and to purchase. For more information or to register for VT Teddy Bear please email Tricia Sulva at [majac@gmavt.net](mailto:majac@gmavt.net)