

November 15, 2020

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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 – 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

God gives us the gift of His very self and asks us to invest it. Investing God's greatest gift of Himself wisely, allows God's kingdom to grow and flourish. God trusts us with this pearl of great price in hopes that it will produce abundant fruit. While God's gift of self is realized in the gifts of faith, hope, and love, they are not meant to be solely for personal benefit. They are intended to be shared and are at the heart of Jesus' blueprint for happiness, the Beatitudes.

When we properly invest God's greatest gift, His most treasured possession, we invest in the wellbeing of all of our brothers and sisters and the world in which we live. We take up most seriously our call to be stewards and properly manage, not only our own affairs, but the affairs of those around and before us. God has put tremendous confidence in us. Do we have that same confidence in God?

We often go the extra mile and put in the additional effort when it comes to those concerns closest to us: our families, friends, careers, home and securities. But when it comes to things that are not as close to us, we can become lax and less conscientious. Tending to God's treasure requires a great deal of focus and persistent hard work. It demands that I see the bigger picture, God's picture, in which self-sacrifice is a given as we labor for the establishment of God's kingdom, God's vision. Fear and a lack of trust can loom large, however. We are afraid of letting go of what is "mine" and apprehensive of jeopardizing what we have in order to venture into something bigger and more promising.

Fear and a lack of trust serve no purpose in God's kingdom. They benefit neither the person nor God. What is required is a courageous resolve that produces the fortitude necessary to stay the course and do what God is asking. Doing all in our power to cultivate the seeds of faith, hope, and love in our world, working diligently to put all of our relationships in proper order, becoming attentive to systems and ideologies that hurt and oppress people, being mindful of injustice, and laboring on behalf of the poor and the needy are at the core of what each of us is asked to do. It is how we invest God's most precious gift wisely. If persistent, alert and attentive, then life will gradually improve around us, there will be greater peace and we will experience joy.

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Offertory Last Week: \$3,265.85 Maintenance: \$391.00
Priest Benefit Fund: \$70.00 World Mission: \$33.00
Campaign for Human Dev: \$20.00 Fuel: \$65.00
All Souls: \$12.00 All Saints: \$95.00
Salvation Army Dinner: \$60.00
Online Giving Last Week: \$533.00

Second Collection Next Week for Campaign for Human Development

JULY 1st THRU OCTOBER 31st
(1st four months of the new fiscal year)

Offertory, Maintenance & Fuel Collections
amounted to \$42,545 this year compared to
\$50,137 last year, a decrease of \$7,592 or -
15.1%

Total Donations including Gifts, etc.,
amounted to \$53,610 this year compared to
\$57,751 last year, a decrease of \$4,141 or -
7.2%

Attendance Last Week:

4:30 p.m. 25 9:30 a.m. 48

ANNOUNCED MASS INTENTIONS:

Sat. Nov. 14 4:30 p.m. For All Souls
Sun. Nov. 15 9:30 a.m. For All Souls
Sat. Nov. 21 4:30 p.m. For Earl and Mary Emmons
requested by Helen Cote.
Sun. Nov. 22 9:30 a.m. For Frederick N. Cook requested by
Deacon Dan Pudvah.

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

Sunday:	Rev. John Milanese
Monday:	Rev. Curtis Miller
Tuesday:	Rev. Maurice Moreau, OFM, cap.
Wednesday:	Rev. Thomas Mosher
Thursday:	Rev. Thomas Nadeau
Friday:	Rev. Timothy Naples
Saturday:	Rev. Vincent Odoemenam, SDV

Counters for Monday, November 16, 2020

George Gardner
Karen Fox
Marie Cookson

Lector for Weekday Masses for Nov. 16 through 20

Peggy Cioffi

Schedules for November 21 and 22, 2020

Lector:	4:30 p.m.	Heidi St. Peter
	9:30 a.m.	Rodney Strong

Extraordinary Minister:

9:30 a.m. Tom Buzzell

Calendar of St. Jude Events:

-11/24 Senior Bingo at 10:00 a.m.
-11/25 Salvation Army Meal

Question of the Week: Do I have a gift that maybe I've kept to myself out of fear or apprehension that I could develop and share?

Message from Fr. Zuccaro: As we move into these uncertain winter months, I want you to know that we at St. Jude Parish are here for you. We miss you. We invite you to come back to Mass if you have been away, even if it is one of our weekday Masses with fewer people present. If you are unsure about attending Sunday Masses during this time of pandemic, simply call the rectory, and I or a minister in the Church will meet you at the church to offer Holy Communion. I am also available to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation or the Anointing of the Sick. For Catholics, the Sacraments are instituted by Christ to give us grace. Pope Francis reminds us that Communion is not a reward for good behavior but medicine for the sick. We all need Christ's help during these difficult times. Take time out each day for your own prayer. Pray as a family before meals. Watch Mass online if you don't feel safe coming to Mass, and join in the online offerings that our parish and diocese offer. I am here for you and pray daily for you. This is my duty and blessing for me as a parish priest.

Registering for Mass Attendance: Those attending the weekend masses at St. Jude's no longer need to register. However, those attending Our Lady of Mount Carmel Sunday masses must register. You can register online at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904054faca62eaaf49-stjude> or contact Marie at 482-2290 (St. Jude), 425-2637 (OLMC) or email at marietcookson@aol.com if you want her to register you. **PLEASE NOTE: MASKS ARE MANDATORY AT ALL TIMES IN THE CHURCH.**

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 15 at 9:30 a.m. at St. Jude

Tuesday, November 24 at 5:15 p.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 to the altar at each mass. For those not attending Mass but who would like to have their loved ones listed, please contact Marie at 482-2290, 425-2637 or marietcookson@aol.com and she will add the names.

Daily Mass: Father Zuccaro will now offer daily Mass on Wednesdays at OLMC beginning at 8:00 a.m.

Thanksgiving Day Mass: There will be a Thanksgiving Day Mass on **Thursday, November 26 at 10:00 a.m. at St. Jude's.**

Advent Evening of Reflections and Confessions: An Advent Evening of Reflection and Confessions at St. Jude's Church on **Sunday November 29 at 6:00 p.m.** Fr. Lance Harlow, rector of the Cathedral of St. Joseph, will give an advent mission talk on devotion to Christ in the Eucharist. Eucharistic adoration will follow the talk, with the availability of confessions by Fr. Harlow, Fr. Zuccaro, and Fr. Naples. This will be an opportune time to receive the sacrament of reconciliation for Advent.

Confessions: Fr. Zuccaro will now be offering the Sacrament of Reconciliation every Friday following the 8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Jude's. This is in addition to the Saturday 4:00 p.m. Confession time at St. Jude's and confessions by appointment.



“Master, you gave me five talents. See, I have made five more.’
His master said to him, *‘Well done, my good and faithful servant. Since you were faithful in small matters, I will give you great responsibilities. Come, share your master’s joy.’”*

— Mt 25:20b-21

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Salvation Army Thanksgiving Dinner: St. Jude's will be providing a Thanksgiving dinner at the Salvation Army on **Wednesday, November 25.** We are looking for food donations along with monetary donations. We will be purchasing the turkeys.

***We are looking for food donations of coleslaw, corn, cranberry sauce, gravy, rolls, desserts and milk. Food needs to be at St. Jude's on **November 25 by 1:30 p.m.** We need **enough food to feed approximately 50 people.** To sign up to donate food please go to:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a094da4a62fa7fc1-salvation>

Please contact Marie at marietcookson@aol.com, or 482-2290 (St. Jude) you have any questions.

Senior Bingo: Seniors, you're invited to a morning of free bingo at St. Jude's from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. on the second and fourth Tuesday of every month. Next Bingo is **Tuesday, November 24.** Reservations are required. Masks are required and social distancing will be practiced. You will be given a pre-packaged meal to take home, provided at no charge by Age Well. Bingo prizes will be provided by St. Jude's. Contact Kathy & Ted Barrett at 453-3087 or tedbarrett79@gmail.com

Kids at Christmas—Message from Marie: Because of the pandemic this year and the low attendance at Mass, I have decided not to do the Kids at Christmas Program in the traditional way this year. I would hate to get the requests from the schools only to find out that we could not fill them. I would like to suggest that we give gift cards instead. These gift cards can be from any place including supermarkets and gas cards to help the families. We will still have the Mitten Tree and will be collecting hats, mittens, gloves, scarves, and socks. If you would like to donate gift cards, please put in an envelope and drop in the collection basket or mail the gift cards to St. Jude Parish, PO Box 69, Hinesburg, VT 05461. Thank you.

Joseph's House News: As the weather gets colder, it is time to begin planning our Thanksgiving Program at Joseph's House in Burlington. With the rise of food insecurity in our communities during this pandemic, and after much prayer, our goal this year is to serve 75 families around Chittenden County through this very important program! Donations may be given by mail at Joseph's House, 113 Elmwood Avenue, Burlington, VT 05401, for your convenience donations may also be made through our new online donation tool at www.josephshousevt.org - powered by PayPal. With prayers of thanksgiving for all of you. - Lori Daudelin, Director

Box of Joy: The *Box of Joy* program is an annual Christmas gift ministry organized by local Catholic schools, parishes and groups across the US and facilitated by *Cross Catholic Outreach*. *Box of Joy* provides a unique opportunity for everyone to participate in a simple and tangible service experience that has both a material and spiritual impact on the poorest of the poor in developing countries. Together, Catholics in the US are able to join Our Lord Jesus Christ in acts of mercy. The program also provides a unique opportunity for Catholics to engage in service with others in their communities who share the same desire to spread Christmas joy and the story of Christmas - the Good News of God's love - with children worldwide. The *Boxes of Love* are available in the lobby along with a list of suggestions for items to be placed in the boxes. PLEASE NO LIQUIDS, PERISHABLES OR FLAMMABLE ITEMS. Items don't need to cost a lot. A trip to the local dollar store can fill a box for very little cost. For more information, contact Marie at 482-2290 or marietcookson@aol.com or check out www.CrossCatholic.org/BoxOfJoy. Boxes will be collected between November 7 through November 15. Please help a child in a third world country have a nice Christmas. Thank you.

Advent Appeal -2020: Please join Vermont Catholic Charities in supporting the Annual Advent Appeal. The "Season of Giving" has no bounds for people in need. Whatever the season, it is a daily struggle for many Vermonters to maintain housing, stay warm or feed their families. With your help, we can make a difference in lives of those living on the edge. *Help people like Molly and Jimmy keep the heat on. Molly and Jimmy have a 10 year old daughter and were excited to welcome a new baby. Unexpectedly, Molly lost her job due to COVID-19 while Jimmy's hours were reduced. They were out of fuel. We helped with a fuel delivery and provided a food card to ensure the family had heat and food so they could focus on welcoming their new baby.* Whether your gift is \$10, \$100, \$1000 or more, your gift will make a difference in the life of a need family. To donate, please mail a check to Vermont Catholic Charities, 55 Joy Drive, South Burlington, VT 05403 or give online at www.vermontcatholic.org/adventappeal.

The Bishop's Annual Appeal: Gifts to the Bishop's Appeal allowed the faith community to remain connected during the stay-at-home order. To make a gift visit: www.bishopsappealvt.org. The parish goal for St. Jude's is \$24,739 of which \$17,928 (72%) has been pledged. Thank you to everyone who has given thus far.

Christ Our Hope Capital Campaign: 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18: *"Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus."* This week we celebrate reaching \$2,404,217 in gifts and pledges for the *Christ Our Hope: Building a Vibrant Church* campaign. Thank you to our donors for their support. It's because of their sacrifice that the campaign is at 25% of its goal. With \$7,592 raised at St. Jude Parish, we are at 4% of our *Celebration Goal* of \$199,290. Please note that next weekend — Nov. 21-22 — we will host a **Virtual Weekend of Giving**. This will offer us the opportunity to recognize the success we've realized in just a few weeks. But it will also be a time to encourage those who've yet to make a gift to join others in their faith community in support of St. Jude Parish and the Diocese. As part of the celebration, Bishop Coyne will match the first 10 gifts of \$1,000 or more received online during the weekend with a \$1,000 gift. Each \$1,000 gift will go to the donor's parish. Each parish may receive one (1) matching gift. We encourage you to spend time in prayer this week to discern on how you may make a difference with your support for the *Christ Our Hope: Building a Vibrant Church* campaign.

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. In the event of Mass cancellation at St. Jude, Fr. Zuccaro will offer morning Mass at OLMC at 9:00 a.m.. Please use common sense and discretion if desiring to attend.

Winter Coat Drive: Every year many of our local children find themselves without proper winter clothing to allow them to stay warm enough to endure, let alone enjoy, a Vermont winter. The Charlotte-Shelburne-Hinesburg Rotary Club wants to change that. From now through **November 30**, CSH Rotary is collecting new and like-new jackets, hats, mittens, boots, and gloves in both adult and children's sizes to distribute to the schools in Charlotte, Shelburne, and Hinesburg. School liaisons will provide the properly sized clothing to children in need so they may warmly and safely enjoy a Vermont winter. Please look in your hearts and your closets and consider donating what clothing or money you may be able to for this effort. To donate cash at the drop off locations, please make checks payable to "CSH Rotary Club." This is greatly appreciated so that we can fill in gaps in the end. Drop off locations include the Shelburne Town Offices, the Hinesburg and Charlotte Libraries, Adirondack Audiology (Marsett Road and Route 7), and the Law Office of Richard J. Fox PLLC (181 Falls Road in Shelburne). For additional information, please contact charlotteshelburnerotary@gmail.com.