

February 28, 2021

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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 – 2nd Sunday of Lent

A pregnant woman was walking in the store and met an old friend. Her friend exclaimed, "You are absolutely beaming!" The new life God placed in her womb radiated throughout her body. It was brightly visible on her face and in her eyes. Transformation and change usually happen from the inside out. It is very rare that simply imposing structure from the outside does any good. Yes, it is true that routines and habits can change when things are done differently. But, for this change to last there has to be an interior renewal and metamorphosis as well. Simply regulating behavior and bringing someone into conformity with accepted protocols doesn't mean their heart and soul come with them.

Peter was a homeless man who lived in a very remote and rudimentary tent community. He was happy to make his daily trip to McDonald's and always welcomed a gift card or two so that he could buy some coffee and something to eat. A generous advocate worked to secure him an apartment in hopes of moving Peter out of his makeshift housing and into something safer. Peter finally got the grand tour of his new "digs," received his own key, remarked how wonderful the place was, closed the door behind him when they left and never returned. He preferred his tent. No matter how much things changed on the outside, Peter was happy where he was. A poignant lesson was learned that day.

How is your Lent going? By now you ought to have a sense of whether you're really "into it" this year and something transformational is happening. For many, it's only the stuff on the outside that changes for a few weeks and then they return to business as usual. For others, there are some real inner changes happening that are deepening their relationships with God, others, self, and creation. If we are serious about moving to a new place and radiating with the presence of new life and joy, then we have to clear the way to listen for God's call. Then, there is God's request to change things up a bit and order our lives differently. After realizing we have been called and given a mission, we have to trust that this is where we need to be. And then, after all of this hard work we are asked to act. The fruit that is revealed will indicate whether our journey is authentic. The brilliance of conversion will begin to shine on our faces as we contemplate the One to whom we are asked to listen.

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Attendance Last Week

4:30 p.m. 23 9:30 a.m. 33

Offertory Last Week: \$837.00 Home Missions: \$131.00

Offertory 2/14: \$2,241.00

Maintenance: \$246.00 Fuel: \$40.00

Church in Central and Eastern Europe: \$125.00

Online Giving Last Week: \$390.00

Second Collection Next Week Maintenance

MASSES AND INTENTIONS

Saturday February 27 (SJ)

4:30 p.m. For the Deceased Members of the Genest Family requested by Joe and Rosalie Genest

Sunday February 28

8:00 a.m. (OLMC) For Keith Mille

9:30 a.m. (SJ) For the Parishioners of Our Lady of Mount Carmel and St. Jude Parishes.

11:00 a.m. (OLMC) For Raymond and Charlotte Curtis requested by Ray and Eileen Curtis.

Monday March 1 8:00 a.m. (SJ)

Tuesday March 2 5:15 p.m. (OLMC)

Wednesday March 3 8:00 a.m. (OLMC) For healing for Reynaldo Lucido

Thursday March 4 5:15 p.m. (OLMC) For Betty Braley requested by Toni Clements

Friday March 5 8:00 a.m. (SJ) For Paul Holubowsky requested by Irena Case.

Saturday March 6

4:30 p.m. For the Parishioners of St. Jude and Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parishes.

Sunday March 7

8:00 a.m. (OLMC) Marcus and Anne Pidgeon and Alfred Gebo requested by Irene Pierce.

9:30 a.m. (SJ)

11:00 a.m. (OLMC) For Bill Hardy and Joe Cassidy requested by Rosemarie Cartularo and Larry Poitras

Calendar of St. Jude Events:

-3/05 Eucharistic Adoration following the 8:00 a.m. Mass

-3/05 Stations of the Cross at 7:00 p.m.

Question of the Week: How do I profane the temple of the Holy Spirit within me? Within others?

Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration and Confession: Our Lady of Mount Carmel will have a Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration with the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament along with Confessions every Tuesday following the 5:15 p.m. Mass. The next Adoration will be **Tuesday, March 2** following the 5:15 p.m. Mass.

--St. Jude Parish will have a Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration with the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament along with Confession on **Friday, March 5** following the 8:00 a.m. Mass.

JULY 1ST THRU DECEMBER 31ST
(1ST six months of the fiscal year)

Offertory, Maintenance & Fuel Collections
amounted to \$63,732 this year compared to
\$77,344 last year, a decrease of \$13,613 or -17.6%

Total Donations including Gifts, etc., amounted to
\$90,128 this year compared to \$92,540 last year,
a decrease of \$2,412 or -2.6%.

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

Sunday:	All Deceased Priests
Monday:	Pope Francis
Tuesday:	Bishop Christopher Coyne
Wednesday:	Rev. Rijo Johnson, SDV
Thursday:	Rev. Daniel Jordan
Friday:	Rev. Thomas LaRussa, SDV
Saturday:	Rev. Msgr. Richard Lavalley

Schedules for March 6 & 7, 2021

Lector:	4:30 p.m.	Mike New
	9:30 a.m.	Tom Giroux
EM:	9:30 a.m.	Heidi St. Peter

Contract Tracing Protocols: Registering for Mass

Attendance: Until further notice we ask everyone to give us their names and contact info in the event there is a need for contact tracing. This includes weekend and daily masses and funerals. We will have folks helping at the weekend masses and we ask everyone to sign the sheet in the doorway if they come in for daily mass. This is a mandate from Gov. Scott and Bishop Coyne. Thank you for helping us to keep everyone safe.

***While at St. Jude's you no longer need to pre-register, you do need to leave your name and contact info with those checking you in. We are encouraging folks who attend mass at St. Jude's to pre-register if possible. Those attending Our Lady of Mount Carmel must pre-register. Registration online is at

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/904054faca62eaf49-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.**

2020 Contributions: Because of the new changes in itemized deductions, most people will be unable to deduct their 2020 contributions on their tax return. If you would like a copy of your contributions for 2020, please call the church at 482-2290 or email Marie at stjude@gmavt.net and one will be mailed to you.

Lenten Evening of Reflections and Confessions: A Lenten Evening of Reflection and Confessions at St. Jude's Church on **Sunday, March 21 at 6:00 p.m.** Fr. Lance Harlow, rector of the Cathedral of St. Joseph, will give a Lenten mission talk on St. Joseph. 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 Lent and to spiritually prepare for the Paschal feast of Easter.



Jesus took Peter, James, and John and led them up a high mountain apart by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no fuller on earth could bleach them. — Mk 9:2-3

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Stations of the Cross: The Stations of the Cross will be held at St. Jude's every Friday evening during Lent at 7:00 p.m.

Thank You for Dan Smith and Family: Dear parishioners of OLMC and St. Jude's: Roxanne, Jude, and I would like to express a very heartfelt and sincere Thank You to all of you who sent Prayers, gifts, a beautiful quilt, thoughts and positive vibes over the past several months. It was a most difficult time and we are lucky to have you all a part of our lives. Love and Peace,
The Smiths

Video Project: Lynn Monty, a St. Jude Parishioner, is conducting a video project to promote the parish as the capstone of her work with the Roman Catholic Diocese of Burlington's Lay Formation Leadership Program. She would like to interview willing parishioners. Participation will be quick and easy! For more information, please reach out to Lynn at monty@gmavt.net or (802) 373-0169.

Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowls: In the spirit of Almsgiving during Lent, there are Rice Bowls available in the lobby of the church. Take a Rice Bowl and fill it with change to help feed those less fortunate. Rice Bowls are then returned by Easter.

Online Giving: Thank you to everyone who has continued to support our parish during the pandemic. It is because of your support that we are still open and functioning. If you are interested in online giving you can go to <https://www.myowngiving.com/Default.aspx?cid=1428>. If you need help with this or would like Marie to set it up for you, please contact her at 482-2290 or email to stjude@gmavt.net.

