

August 1, 2021

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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 – 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

“You cannot see the forest for the trees” is a widely known saying that can bring wisdom to our understanding of our journey. Often, our sight becomes limited to what is immediately before us. We lose touch with lessons and experiences from the past and promises and hope for the future. As human beings, we have the privilege of being able to choose things. What I like and don’t like, want, and don’t want can be major preoccupations of our minds and hearts. Our preferences and desires begin to define us more than the simple fact of our being. Who we are matters more than what we are or what we have. If we don’t move beyond the external and superficial stuff to what really is of essence, we risk becoming very unsettled, disorientated, angry, and unhappy. We fail to see the bigger picture of hope and promise that lies ahead and the Divine Presence that has sustained and carried us before.

We like it when the “now” time of our lives satisfy us. Even the people who witnessed Jesus feed the five thousand got confused and distracted. It felt good when thousands of people were able to eat. They wanted to know what they could do to get this to happen again! But Jesus quickly reminds them that this is not the point of this sign. As much as the now time of our lives is of concern, it is not what is ultimately important. We need to learn the difference between being and doing, drawing more strength from who we are and who God is rather than what is happening around us and the choices we can make. Jesus is the true bread that came down from heaven. Jesus is the very incarnate presence of God who sustains life and assures us that we will not perish. This is not easy to understand and feel. We have to practice being in the presence of ourselves, others, creation, and God. We are brought to a holy place when we encounter the sacredness of being. This is real prayer.

Then, we learn to trust. It is when we cease trusting that we start to become afraid, uncertain, apprehensive, and doubtful, and overly self-concerned. We even start to grumble. God has our back. That is the essential powerful message of the living bread come down from heaven. God, who is alpha is also omega, the beginning and the end, and has everything in between in his care as well. A woman once remarked that her most powerful God moment happened when she and her husband cuddled with their new baby for a time. Without exchanging words and using only the affection communicated through sight and touch, they rested in being with each other. This brought them to the sacred, where they realized that a greater Being was with them. It was real. They knew that they were part of something bigger, intimate, and profound. When we rest in the Living Source of life, we will find that our souls are no longer hungry or thirsty.

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Attendance Last Week:

4:30 p.m.: 29 9:30 a.m.: 61

Offertory Last Week: \$1,649.85 Maintenance: \$185.00
Peter’s Pence: \$50.00 Food Shelf: \$250.00
Online Giving Last Week: \$160.00

Second Collection This Week for Maintenance

MASSES AND INTENTIONS

Saturday July 31 4:30 p.m. (SJ) For Raymond Cote requested by his wife, Helen.

Sunday August 1

8:00 a.m. (OLMC) For Kevin Fitzgerald requested by Marie Cookson

9:30 a.m. (SJ) For Bernard Giroux requested by his wife, June.

11:00 a.m. (OLMC) For the Parishioners of Our Lady of Mount Carmel and St. Jude Parishes

Monday August 2 8:00 a.m. (SJ)

Tuesday August 3 5:15 p.m. (OLMC) For the Intentions of Toni Clements

Wednesday August 4 (OLMC) NO MASS

Thursday August 5 5:15 p.m. (OLMC) For the Intentions of Toni Clements

Friday August 6 8:00 a.m. (SJ)

Saturday August 7 4:30 p.m. (SJ) For Patricia Haselton requested by Helen Cote.

Sunday August 8

8:00 a.m. (OLMC) For the Parishioners of Our Lady of Mount Carmel and St. Jude Parishes

9:30 a.m. (SJ) For the Tomasella Family requested by the family.

11:00 a.m. (OLMC) For Tom Marshall requested by his family.

Calendar of St. Jude Events

-8/10 Senior Bingo at 10:00 a.m.

-8/13 Eucharistic Adoration & Confessions at 8:30 a.m.

Question of the Week: How can I be a sign to others of the nourishment I’ve found in the bread of life?

Saint Jude's Financial Summary for the Fiscal Year Ending - 06/30/2021

- St. Jude's had a Net Loss of \$-26,127 for the year compared to a Net Gain of \$17,120 for the prior year, a decrease of \$-43,247. The roof project contributed to \$32,000 of this loss.
- Donations dropped by -28,443 or -15.1%
- Unencumbered cash reserves (Cash & Receivables Less Payables) were \$152,563 compared to \$176,175, a decrease of -\$23,612 or -13.4%.

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

Sunday:	Pope Francis
Monday:	Bishop Christopher Coyne
Tuesday:	Rev. Msgr. Peter Routhier
Wednesday:	Rev. Donald Roy
Thursday:	Rev. Maurice Roy
Friday:	Rev. Yvon Royer
Saturday:	Rev. Rod Oliver Saligan

Counter Schedule for August 2, 2021

Anne Donegan
George Gardner
Marie Cookson

Schedules for August 7 and 8, 2021

Greeters: 4:30 p.m. Joanne & Lee Cross
9:30 a.m. Tom Giroux

Lector: 4:30 p.m. Mike Bullock
9:30 a.m. Sue McGuire

EM: 4:30 p.m. Peter Dufault
9:30 a.m. Stephanie Buzzell

Daily Mass and Eucharistic Adoration: There will be **NO** Daily Mass on **Wednesday, August 4 and August 11** due to Fr. Zuccaro being away. There will also be **NO** Eucharistic Adoration on **Tuesday, August 3, Friday, August 6 and Tuesday, August 10**. Eucharistic Adoration will resume on **Friday, August 13 at St. Jude and Tuesday, August 17 at OLMC**. Confessions will be heard as usual following the Tuesday and Friday Masses.

Senior Bingo: Seniors, you are invited to a morning of free bingo at St. Jude's from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of every month. The next Bingo is **Tuesday, August 10**. Reservations are required by **Wednesday, August 4**. **Masks are welcome if you wish to wear one but are no longer required for the fully vaccinated.** You will be given a packaged complete meal to take home, provided no charge by Age Well. Bingo prizes will be provided by St. Jude's. Contact Kathy and Ted Barrett at 453-3087 (leave a message) or email to tedbarrett79@gmail.com for reservations.

Sermon on the Mount: The Sermon on the Mount Mass on Mount Philo is on again this year!! It will be held on **Saturday, August 14 beginning at 5:30 p.m.** This Mass will fulfill the Sunday obligation. This year we are asking folks to bring their own lawn chairs and meal. OLMC will provide drinks, desserts, and paper products. When attending, please tell the attendant that you are there for the OLMC Mass. If you have a park pass, please present that to the attendant so that the church doesn't have to pay for your admission. Hope to see you there.



Jesus said to them, "Amen, amen, I say to you, it was not Moses who gave the bread from heaven; my Father gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." — Jn 6:32-33

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Outdoor Mass: There will be an Outdoor Mass at St. Jude's on **Saturday, August 21 at 4:30 p.m.** The rain date will be **Saturday, August 28**. Please plan on bringing your own lawn chairs.

Musician Wanted: We are looking for a musician to help provide music for the 11:00 a.m. Mass at Our Lady of Mount Carmel. The knowledge of the Catholic liturgy is expected. If you or someone you know is interested or would like more info, please contact Fr. Zuccaro at 425-2253, email at carmel@gmavt.net or see him after Mass.

Bishop's Annual Appeal: St. Jude Parish is 57% (\$13,495) to our Bishop's Appeal goal of \$23,502. If you have not yet made a gift to the appeal or would like to make an additional gift online, visit vermontcatholic.org/giveonline.

Garden Flowers for Altar: We would love to have extra flowers from your garden to over the summer, please let us know and we will leave a bucket out in the lobby to receive decorate the altar on weekends. If you have some to spare them. Normally the flowers are arranged sometime on Friday so having them ready by late Thursday or early Friday morning is ideal. Notify Linda and Sue (call or text to 310-9286) if you can supply some for planning purposes; they would be most grateful. Thank you.

Job Openings: St. John Vianney Parish in South Burlington has current job openings in Religious Education and Youth Ministry: A Full Time Parish Catechetical Leader and Directory of Youth Minister is sought. A Part Time Youth Minister is sought. Please call St. John Vianney Parish (802-864-4166), or visit www.stjohnvianneyvt.org/job-openings for more details on each position.

St. Peter's Resale Closet: St. Peter's Resale Closet store is inviting you to visit their Facebook page. They sell gently used housewares, clothing for the whole family, DVDs, toys and more! You will find postings on their page about new arrivals, sales and events! Just search them on Facebook as: St. Peter's Resale Closet.

