

October 31, 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 – 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Centuries of God's devoted people have found this prayer on their lips: "Hear, O Israel! The Lord is our God, the Lord alone!" The fundamental prayer has been laid as the cornerstone of many spiritual lives. Where did you learn how to pray or did you? Maybe there is a wisdom figure in your life who inspired and guided you by the genuine, holy simplicity of their lives. His or her example may have led you to God and taught you how to pray. Or perhaps you discovered this art on your own after stumbling over yourself enough times and finally realizing it was time to reach out to Someone greater than yourself. There is a timeless truth that we not only tend to forget, but may have never learned. There is only one God, the Lord alone! As a result, we often worship other gods rather than the One true God. Everything in our life gets distorted and we find ourselves lost and off center.

If we haven't learned it yet, there is a life lesson at the top of all of the possible lessons to be learned. There is One True and Eternal God who alone has a solitary claim on us and must be loved with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength. Until we learn this primary lesson, we run the risk of getting distracted and sidetracked. We will also never really figure out what is at the heart of the relationships we share with the other human beings on this planet with whom we share life. That one primary lesson will teach us the second most valuable lesson: that we must love our neighbor as ourselves. You cannot have one without the other. The presence of God in the core soul of each one of us requires that all of our relationships work together. This truth is at the heart of the Gospel.

If every human being, each in their own way, could stumble upon and genuinely embrace this truth, look how different life would be! Our priorities will immediately shift from "I and me" to "us and we" and we will develop a more inclusive vision for our brothers and sisters. Concerned not only about my own wellbeing and happiness but also that of our brothers and sisters, humanity stands a chance at succeeding in the struggle with injustice, abuse, inequity, violence, war, entitlement, and privilege. It seems that getting to this point has been at the heart of the Gospel and the kingdom of God from the moment Jesus first started to preach. It's a wonder why, then, why so many centuries later, we have still failed to achieve his vision. Maybe we just haven't learned our primary lessons yet.

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Attendance Last Week:
4:30 p.m.: 46 9:30 a.m.: ???

Offertory Last Week: \$2,351.85 Maintenance: \$5.00
Priest Benefit Fund: \$378.00 Fuel: \$25.00
World Mission: \$91.00
Online Giving Last Week: \$160.00

Second Collection Next Week for Maintenance

MASSES AND INTENTIONS

Saturday October 30

4:30 p.m. (SJ) For David Bullock requested by his family.

Sunday October 31

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

9:30 a.m. (SJ) For Dan Giroux requested by his family.

11:00 a.m. (OLMC) For Nikki Martel requested by Rosemarie Cartularo and Larry Poitras.

Monday November 1 – All Saints Day

7:00 a.m. (OLMC)

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Tuesday November 2 5:15 p.m. (OLMC) For All Souls

Wednesday November 3 8:00 a.m. (OLMC)

Thursday November 4 5:15 p.m. (OLMC)

Friday November 5 8:00 a.m. (SJ) For All Souls

Saturday November 6

4:30 p.m. (SJ) For Stan and Hilda Griffin requested by Theresa and Steve Aube.

Sunday November 7

8:00 a.m. (OLMC) For All Souls

9:30 a.m. (SJ) For Freda Tabor-Grassley requested by Tthe family.

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

Calendar of St. Jude Events

- 11/02 Men's Discussion Group at 7:00 p.m.
- 11/05 Eucharistic Adoration and Confessions at 8:30 p.m.
- 11/07 Family Faith Formation at 9:30 a.m.
- 11/09 Senior Bingo at 10:00 a.m.

Question of the Week: Do I think Jesus would tell me that I am "not far from the kingdom of God?" What should I do to become closer?

Saint Jude's Financial Summary for the 1st Fiscal Quarter Year Ending - 09/30/2021

- St. Jude's had a Net Loss of \$-6,791 for the quarter compared to a Net Gain of \$8,516 for the prior quarter, a decrease of \$-15,307.
- Expenses rose by \$10,401 due to repairs and maintenance.
- Donations dropped by -\$4,906 or -12.5%
- Unencumbered cash reserves (Cash & Receivables Less Payables) were \$143,343 compared to \$168,135, a decrease of -\$24,793 or -14.7%.



The scribe said to him, "Well said, teacher. You are right in saying, 'He is One and there is no other than he.'" And when Jesus saw that he answered with understanding, he said to him, "You are not far from the kingdom of God." — Mk 12:32, 34ab

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

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

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| Sunday: | All Deceased Priests |
| Monday: | Pope Francis |
| Tuesday: | Bishop Christopher Coyne |
| Wednesday: | Rev. Christopher Micale |
| Thursday: | Rev. John Milanese |
| Friday: | Rev. Curtis Miller |
| Saturday: | Rev. Maurice Moreau, OFM, cap. |

Schedules for November 6 and 7, 2021

Greeters: 4:30 p.m. Theresa Aube
9:30 a.m. Charlene Van Sleet

Lector: 4:30 p.m. Mike New
9:30 a.m. Rodney Strong

EM: 4:30 p.m. Joanne Cross
9:30 a.m. Tom Buzzell

COVID Update: The voluntary use of face-coverings is encouraged with the renewed spread of COVID19 variants. Catholic parishes do not have any mandatory facemask policies at this time, although the practice is suggested for those with compromised health conditions, and/or who are unvaccinated. Decisions such as masking and precautions at individual parish events and programs will be made on a case-by-case basis.

All Saints Day: All Saints Day is Monday, November 1. This year it is not a day of Obligation. Mass time will be 7:00 a.m. at OLMC and 7:00 p.m. at St. Jude's as usual.

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 masses will be as follows:

Tuesday, November 2 at 5:15 p.m. at OLMC
Friday, November 5 at 8:00 a.m. at St. Jude
Sunday, November 7 at 8:00 a.m. at OLMC
Saturday, November 13 at 4:30 p.m. at St. Jude
Sunday, November 21 at 9:30 a.m. at St. Jude
Sunday, November 28 at 11:00 a.m. at OLMC

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, November 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 Confessions on **Friday, November 5** following the 8:00 a.m. Mass.

Faith Formation: Our Faith Formation Classes (Religious Ed) have begun. Our next session will be **Sunday, November 7 beginning at 9:30 a.m.** If you have a student you would like to enroll in the program or would like more info, please contact Marie at 482-2290, 425-2637 or email at marietcookson@aol.com.

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, November 9** Reservations are required by **Wednesday, November 3, Masks and social distancing are required.** 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.

Men's Discussion Group: Join men from St. Jude's and OLMC from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. for a Men's Discussion Group. The next meeting will be **Tuesday, November 2** in the St. Jude Parish Hall. **SOCIAL DISTANCING AND MASKS ARE REQUIRED!!** If interested or would like more information, please contact Mike Bullock at mtn6@gmavt.net.

Looking for Crafters: St. Jude's will be having a Craft Fair on **Saturday, December 11 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.

Salvation Army: Thank you to everyone who donated food, drinks and monies for the Salvation Army this past week. You folks are amazing!! Our next Salvation Army Dinner will be **Wednesday, November 24.** This is our Thanksgiving Meal. More info next week. Thank you again.

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Kids at Christmas: Because of the pandemic again this year and after consulting with the area schools, it has been decided not to do the Kids at Christmas Program in the traditional way again this year. We will be collecting gift cards instead. These gift cards can be from any place including supermarkets, Walmart, Target, Kohl 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.

The Vermont Knights of Columbus Prayer for Clergy: The Vermont Knights of Columbus state-wide day of prayer for clergy is scheduled for **November 13, 2021**. Councils across Vermont will pray for our clergy throughout the day. Council 7525 will cover 12:00 to 1:00 p.m. at Saint John Vianney Church. During our hour, we will have the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and lead the Scripture Rosary. Everyone is welcome to attend. This is a great way for individuals and families to support our priests and deacons. This year we also expect other states will be participating, as this Vermont initiative inspires others to join.

Bishop's Annual Appeal: St. Jude Parish is 79% (\$18,590) 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.

RCIA: Have you or someone you know been pondering what it means to be Catholic? Been yearning to know more about our faith? Been desiring to be welcomed into the sacraments of initiation? Classes have begun at St. John Vianney in South Burlington. Please contact Connie at St. John Vianney Parish at 864-4166 x 204 or at SVJGoodNews@gmail.com, if you have any questions or would like more info.

Christ Our Hope: As you know, St. Jude Parish will receive 60% of the funds we raise during the *Christ Our Hope: Building a Vibrant Church* campaign. The other 40% of campaign funding will strengthen our faith formation programs (evangelization, education and youth ministry), as well as outreach through emergency assistance delivered by Vermont Catholic Charities. To watch the full campaign video and learn more about the goals visit: www.christourhopevt.org. We understand this is a difficult time for many who may not be able to financially contribute above their annual Bishop's Annual Appeal gift. We ask that you first consider an annual appeal gift and, if you are not able to contribute to the campaign, please pray for its success, and support our volunteers and leadership. With Christ at the center of this campaign, we know whatever we raise will be used for His glory.

Job Opening: Rice Memorial High School is seeking a critical, part-time member (20 hours/week) of its fundraising and alumni relations team. The Advancement Coordinator is responsible for all aspects of donation processing, gift acknowledgment and database management. Exceptional attention to detail is required for this position, as well as a sense of urgency, strong organizational skills, and an ability to prioritize competing demands. Applicants with a bookkeeping background will be given preference. For a complete position description, visit www.rmhsvt.org/careers-at-rice. To apply, email your resume with a cover letter outlining what you bring to this position to bahrenburg@rmhsvt.org. The chosen hire will receive a \$500 signing bonus!

Vermont Catholic Women's Retreat: *The Heart of Prayer: Our living relationship with God* will be held on **Saturday, November 13, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:15 p.m. at St. Catherine of Siena in Shelburne, Vermont**. Key Note Speaker will be Sister Barbara Cline, Franciscan Sisters of the Eucharist. There is a limited number of attendees, deadline registration is November 6 with \$30 payment. There will be a waitlist in event of cancellations made prior to retreat. Contact Terri McCormack at tmccormack@vermontcatholic.org or (802) 658-6110, Ext. 1451

Joseph House Mission Outreach Center: Joseph's House will once again this year 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 75 families from around Chittenden County with their dinner needs. Each family receives a Hannaford Gift Card, for a turkey and "trimmings." Would you join in making 75 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, which through us will produce thanksgiving to God; 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 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 Thank you for your great compassion and generosity toward our brothers and sisters in Christ; may God bless you with an abundance of His bountiful grace! Deacon Dennis Moore, Joseph's House - Director

Proposal 5: What Voters Need to Know About Proposal 5: Learn what constitutional experts have to say about the repercussions of amending the Vermont Constitution with the language of Proposal 5. Mary Hahn Beerworth-Executive Director of Vermont Right to Life Committee will do a presentation on **Wednesday, November 3 at 6:30 p.m. at St. Catherine of Siena Parish Hall, 92 Church Street, Shelburne**. All are welcome. See flyer on the bulletin for more info.

Knights of Columbus Tootsie Roll Drive: The South Burlington Knights of Columbus collected \$1,617.48 at St. Jude, Our Lady of Mount Carmel, St. John Vianney, and St. Catherine's on September 18 & 19. This was the annual drive to support "people with special needs" in Vermont. 80% of this money will go to Special Olympics and the rest will go to Camp O'Hagan in Goshen, Vt. Parishioners were very generous and exceeded the amount given last year. The Knights of Columbus thank you all very much. Ted Barrett, K of C South Burlington Tootsie Roll Drive Coordinator

St. Peter's Annual Penny Fair: St. Peter's in Vergennes will be having their annual Penny Fair on **Saturday, November 6** beginning at 10:00 a.m. Come for a fun-filled day!! Chance to win a variety of great prizes for pennies a chance. Drawings begin at 6:30 p.m. Great fun for all ages.

Reminder to set your clocks back next Saturday (11/06) before going to bed.

