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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

“And then they will see ‘the Son of Man coming in the clouds’ with great power and glory.” Take a moment to ponder these words from today’s Gospel. How does this image make you feel? For people to truly understand the significance of this message, something profound has to happen within. If we find ourselves reacting with a sense of dread or fear, we have to step back and ask why. Our answer will reveal a great deal about our relationship with God. It’s hard to fall in love with a God of whom we are afraid. God does not want us to be afraid. Nor does He want us to align our wills to His in order to avoid some kind of horrendous eternal consequence. That sounds like too much of a superficial power play on the part of God who continues to seek out His children in love.

In order for these words to carry any type of significant meaning for us, they have to resonate with and touch us on a deeper level. They have to be able to connect some dots and have meaning for us in order for this promise to change our lives. Sometimes we get preoccupied with the uncertainty of our deaths. Not knowing when or how we will eventually die can be unsettling. But, more so than needing an answer to the “when” of death, the “what” of death answer we provide has more significance. What happens to us when we die? Whether we die during the natural course of our lives or when Christ comes again, the experience is the same. If we believe that we are meant to live in union with God eternally and that death completes and does not diminish us, then it is worth our time and effort to wait in vigilant hope of the Lord’s coming in glory. Our journey back to God is something beautiful to be desired, not dreaded or feared.

Sadly, many folks believe that life is no more than a random occurrence without any purposeful direction or meaning. Death is simply death and nothing more. For them, the Second Coming of Christ and God’s eternal promise have no meaning. When we understand the truth about who we are, it changes things up. We then can see ourselves as works in progress who have the choice to either resist the inspirations of the Divine Artist or give into the wonderful creativity of His will. Life awaiting the fullness of Christ to come becomes an unfolding of Divine surprises and abundant joy. God is eternally merciful, forgiving, and welcoming. It is only when we directly reject this gift and turn our backs on Love itself that we have anything to fear.

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Attendance Last Week:
All Saints Day: 12
4:30 p.m.: 29 9:30 a.m.: 86

Offertory Last Week: \$2,691.80 Maintenance: \$220.00
All Saints Day: \$205.90 Rel. Retirement: \$10.00
Priest Benefit Fund: \$80.00 Christmas: \$30.00
Immaculate Conception: \$10.00
Online Giving Last Week: \$873.00

Second Collection This Week for Maintenance
Second Collection Next Week for Catholic Campaign
for Human Development

MASSES AND INTENTIONS

Saturday November 13

4:30 p.m. (SJ) For All Souls

Sunday November 14

8:00 a.m. (OLMC) For Joanne Bourgeois requested by the Parish Community

9:30 a.m. (SJ) For Arnold Gratton requested by his wife, Janice, and family.

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

Monday November 15 8:00 a.m. (SJ)

Tuesday November 16 TBD

Wednesday November 17 NO MASS

Thursday November 18 5:15 p.m. (OLMC)

Friday November 19 8:00 a.m. (SJ)

Saturday November 20

4:30 p.m. (SJ) For Robert and Mary O’Brien requested by John and Cathy O’Brien.

Sunday November 21

8:00 a.m. (OLMC) For Anne Pidgeon requested by her mother, Irene Pierce.

9:30 a.m. (SJ) For All Souls

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

Calendar of St. Jude Events

-11/23 Senior Bingo at 10:30 a.m.

-11/24 Salvation Army Dinner

Question of the Week: How can I remain vigilant in looking for Jesus over this coming week?

Right To Life: “How can there be too many children? That is like saying there are too many flowers.” Mother Teresa

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%.

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

Sunday:	Rev. Charles Ranges, SSE
Monday:	Rev. Donald Ravey
Tuesday:	Rev. Matthew Rensch
Wednesday:	Rev. Msgr. Roland Rivard
Thursday:	Rev. Kevin Rooney
Friday:	Rev. Msgr. Peter Routhier
Saturday:	Rev. Donald Roy

Schedules for November 13 and 14, 2021

<u>Greeters:</u>	4:30 p.m.	Chloe & Donna Shepardson
	9:30 a.m.	Charlene VanSleet
<u>Lector:</u>	4:30 p.m.	Mike Bullock
	9:30 a.m.	Tom Buzzell
<u>EM:</u>	4:30 p.m.	Donna Shepardson
	9:30 a.m.	Ray Bouchard

COVID Update: The voluntary use of face-coverings is encouraged with the renewed spread of COVID19 variants. Catholics 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.

Daily Mass: There will be **NO** Daily Mass on Wednesday, November 17 due to Fr. Zuccaro being away on retreat. Mass on **Tuesday, November 16** is to be determined at this time.

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 will be as follows:

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 23** following the 5:15 p.m. Mass due to Fr. Zuccaro being away on retreat this Tuesday.

Thanksgiving Day Mass: There will be a Thanksgiving Day Mass on **Thursday, November 25 at 10:00 a.m. at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church.**



“Amen, I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. But of that day or hour, no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father.”

— Mk 13:30-32

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

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.

Salvation Army: We will be doing the Salvation Army Dinner the night before Thanksgiving, **Wednesday, November 24**. We will be serving turkey, potatoes, gravy, rolls, coleslaw, stuffing, corn, and desserts such as cookies or brownies. The sign up link is <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A094DA4A62FA7FC1-salvation>. We are also accepting monetary donations for the turkeys and potatoes.

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.

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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.

Pray For Dobbs: Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization could impact the fate of millions of unborn children and their mothers. Register at prayfordobbs.com to virtually join thousands of Catholics and Protestants across the country on **November 18 at 8:00 p.m. (EST)** as we come together in prayer.

Catholic Campaign for Human Development: Please be generous in next week's special collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. In the United States, one in six people lives in poverty, and one out of every five children. With this collection, you support programs that address the causes of poverty and provide a sustainable future for those struggling across the country. In addition, 25% of the funds we collect will remain in our diocese to fund local antipoverty projects. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this collection and work on the margins. More information about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development can be found at www.usccb.org/cchd/collection.

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 23**. Reservations are required by **Wednesday, November 17**. **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.

Bishop's Annual Appeal: St. Jude Parish is 80% (\$18,740) 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 SJVGoodNews@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.

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

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. Please use common sense and discretion if desiring to attend.

Advent Appeal: 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 John and Lisa feed their children. John and Lisa have five school-aged children. They both have jobs, but due to a medical emergency, Lisa had to take extra time off from work. The family was getting by, but as Christmas approached Lisa and John worried about making ends meet. Vermont Catholic Charities provided the family with a food card. They commented, "Thank you for your kindness. We were losing hope, but this gift helped us have a joyful Christmas."*** Whether your gift is \$10, \$100, \$1000 or more, your gift will make a difference in the life of a needy 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.