

November 3, 2019

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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

Attendance Last Week:

4:30 p.m. 54 9:30 a.m. 106

Christ loves us first. So much of the Christian life is as simple as that. Today's Gospel is a prime example! *"Now a man there named Zacchaeus, who was a chief tax collector and also a wealthy man ... was seeking to see who Jesus was."* We may have gotten used to the story of Zacchaeus, this short, seemingly innocent man who climbs a sycamore tree in his desperate desire to see Jesus. But this colorful, children's Bible illustration isn't what the gathering crowd would have seen. They would have seen the white collar criminal. Tax collectors were notorious for extortion. They were collaborators with the oppressive Roman overlords, overcharging for taxes and skimming a cut off the top. And how does Jesus respond to this man?

"Come down quickly," Jesus says, *"for today I must stay at your house."* If you had been there, would you have believed it? No doubt there were other disciples in the city or, at the very least, kind, generous, and just people. "Good" people. But those aren't the people Jesus chooses to share a meal with. Christ loves us first. He chooses Zacchaeus even before the man makes a public profession of his repentance.

"The Son of Man has come to seek and to save what was lost." We may not be tax collectors and extortionists — I hope not! — but we all have elements of our lives that are lost. We have wounds from childhood, unresolved anxieties or attachments, daily fears. No matter how "put together" we are, we all have our lost moments. Some days, it may feel like we can't see over the ways they crowd our inner life. Today's Gospel invites us to do something a little strange. Don't let your flaws, failures, or hang-ups prevent you from seeing Jesus. Take a deep breath. Go climb a tree, because Jesus is passing by. And he wants to stay in your heart today.

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Offertory Last Week: \$3,474.70 Maintenance: \$433.00
Priest Benefit Fund: \$638.00 Fuel: \$305.00
World Mission: \$17.00
Online Giving Last Week: \$285.00

Second Collection This Week for the Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA
Second Collection Next Week for Maintenance

JULY 1st THRU SEPTEMBER 30th
(First three months of the new fiscal year)

Offertory, Maintenance & Fuel Collections
amounted to \$37,889 this year compared to
\$42,053 last year, a decrease of \$4,164 or -9.9%

Total Donations including Gifts, etc., amounted
to \$43,735 this year compared to \$46,817 last
year, a decrease of \$3,082 or -6.6%

ANNOUNCED MASS INTENTIONS:

Sat. Nov. 2 4:30 p.m. For Stan and Hilda Griffin requested by Theresa and Steve Aube.
Sun Nov. 3 9:30 a.m. For Anita Robert requested by Sue and Stan Haselton.
Fri. Nov. 8 8:00 a.m. For All Souls
Sat. Nov. 9 4:30 p.m. For All Souls
Sun. Nov. 10 9:30 a.m. For Freda Tabor-Grassley requested by the family.

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

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| Sunday: | Rev. Christopher Micale |
| Monday: | Rev. John Milanese |
| Tuesday: | Rev. Curtis Miller |
| Wednesday: | Rev. Maurice Moreau |
| Thursday: | Rev. Thomas Mosher |
| Friday: | Rev. Thomas Nadeau |
| Saturday: | Rev. Timothy Naples |

Schedule of Counters: Monday, November 4, 2019
Brenda Waters
Ann Thomas
Judi Maculan

Schedule of Ministries for November 9 and 10, 2019
4:30 p.m. Greeters: The Stewart Family
 Altar Server: Peter Stewart
 Nate Stewart
 Dawn Griswold
 Mike Bullock
 Dawn Griswold
 Theresa Aube

9:30 a.m. Greeters: Laurie & Chris Meyer
 Altar Server: Theo St. Peter
 Jack St. Peter
 Chris Meyer
 Extraordinary Min.: Heidi St. Peter
 Ted Barrett
 Chris Destito

Calendar of St. Jude Events:

-11/02 & 11/03 Remembrance Weekend
-11/03 Family Faith Formation at 9:30 a.m.
-11/05 Men's Discussion Group at 7:00 p.m.
-11/08 Eucharistic Adoration at 8:30 a.m.
-11/12 Liturgy Committee Meeting at 700 p.m.

Question of the Week: Given space for repentance, for what failings do I need to seek forgiveness? To whom can I give space for repentance?

Daily Mass: There will be NO daily Mass **Monday, November 4 through Thursday, November 7 and November 12 & 14** due to Fr. Cray being away on Edmundite business.

Saint Jude's Financial Summary for the Fiscal Year Ending - 09/30/19

- St. Jude's had a Net Gain of \$5,436 for the year compared to a Net Gain of \$12,599 for the prior year, a decrease of \$7,163.
- Unencumbered cash reserves (Cash & Receivables Less Payables) were \$148,414 compared to \$123,070, an increase of \$25,343 or 20.6% of which \$62,000 will be used for the roof.

Mass Attendance

- Sunday mass attendance for all of 2010 averaged 255 people, attendance in 2018 averaged 200 people, year to date we are averaging 177.

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 up with the gifts at each Mass.

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:

Sunday, November 3 at 8:00 a.m. at OLMC
Friday, November 8 at 8:00 a.m. at St. Jude
Saturday, November 9 at 4:30 p.m. at St. Jude
Sunday, November 17 at 9:30 a.m. at St. Jude
Tuesday, November 19 at 5:15 p.m. at OLMC
Sunday, November 24 at 11:00 a.m. at OLMC

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

Men's Discussion Group: Join men from St. Jude's and OLMC the first Tuesday of each month at St. Jude's from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. for a Men's Discussion Group. The next meeting will be **Tuesday, November 5**. They discuss the readings for the upcoming Sunday. This is a great opportunity to get to know your fellow male Catholics from our parishes. If interested or would like more information, please contact Mike Bullock at mtn6@gmavt.net.

Rosary: The Rosary is being said each Saturday at St. Jude's beginning at 4:10 p.m.

Red Cross Blood Drive: We are looking for 1 or 2 people to take on this role of Red Cross Blood Drive Coordinator for St. Jude's. If anyone is interested or would like more info, please contact Marie at marietcookson@aol.com.

Autumn Raking: Mark your calendars for **Saturday, November 9 at 9:00 a.m.** for the annual raking of the cemetery and parish grounds at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church. If you are interested in helping out, please contact Marie at carmel@gmavt.net or at 425-2637 so we know who to contact in the event of bad weather. Inclement weather date will be **November 16**. Please bring rakes, tarps, and leaf blowers if available.

Looking for Crafters: St. Jude's will be having a Craft Fair on **Saturday, December 14 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.



When he reached the place, Jesus looked up and said, "Zacchaeus, come down quickly, for today I must stay at your house." And he came down quickly and received him with joy. When they all saw this, they began to grumble, saying, "He has gone to stay at the house of a sinner." — Lk 19:5-7

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Rides Needed: Shawn Coyle, an OLMC parishioner, is in need of rides on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays to dialysis on Joy Drive in Burlington. Pick up at his home in Charlotte at 10:15 a.m. and return home from Joy Drive at 4:00 p.m. If you can help out in any way, please contact Tricia and Shawn at 425-2980.

Senior Meals: St. Jude Parish offers lunches to area seniors on the 2nd and 4th **Tuesday** of each month. The next senior meals are scheduled for **November 12 and 26** from 12:00 to 2:00 p.m. Serving begins at 12:00 noon. All Seniors and Caretakers welcome.

Collection for the Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA (AMS): This week our parish will take a collection to benefit the Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA, a triennial collection approved by the US Conference of Catholic Bishops. Please prayerfully consider a contribution to this special collection to support active-duty military men and women, and their families—including those from our own parish and diocese.

Bishop's Appeal: We are 98% (\$24,190) to our parish goal of \$24,739. (We are about \$550 from making our parish goal.) We are grateful to all of those who have been able to participate and encourage others to learn more about your gift at work. We hope you will consider making a gift. To learn more visit: bishopsappealvt.org

Worldwide Marriage Encounter: "For the Son of Man has come to seek and to save what was lost." Invite Jesus into your marriage by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next weekend is **November 15-17, 2019** in Isle La Motte, VT. For more information, call John & Diane Forcier at 802-657-3083 or visit the at <https://wwmewtw.org/>.

FORMED.org: FORMED.org is a revolutionary online platform featuring the best Catholic videos, audio talks, eBooks and movies at **NO** cost to you. Visit FORMED.org to learn about these resources. To log in, go to FORMED.org, click on the tab "Enter Code", the code is **HHY6Z9** (cases sensitive). Register with your name, email, zip code and your own password to create an account. If you have any question, please feel free to contact Fr. Cray or Marie.

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 ARE BEING COLLECTED THIS WEEK, November 2 through November 10.** Please help a child in a third world country have a nice Christmas. Thank you.

Catholic Variety Show: The Catholic Variety Show featuring our gifted diocesan priests will be held on **Friday, November 15 at 7:00 p.m. at the MacCathy Arts Center, St. Michael’s College, Colchester.** Tickets are \$15. All proceeds go to benefit our seminarians. For tickets go to www.VTChallengers.org.

8th Annual Women’s Retreat: Registration is now open for the Women’s Retreat on **Saturday, November 16 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at St. John Vianney Parish in South Burlington.** Cost of the day long retreat is \$40 which includes a light breakfast and lunch. This year’s keynote speaker is Donna Marie Cooper O’Boyle, author of more than 30 books, EWTN TV and Radio Host. To register go to <https://vermontcatholic.org/event/8th-annual-vermont-catholic-womens-retreat/>.

Joseph House Mission Outreach Center: Joseph’s House will once again 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 55 families from around Chittenden County with their dinner needs. Each family receives a Hannaford Gift Card, for the “trimmings” and a frozen turkey. With great generosity Mater Christi School staff, students and their families have committed to donating the frozen turkeys, but we could use your help in providing the “trimmings”! Would you join in making 55 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... 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 October and 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**

St. Joseph’s Residential Care Home: Make Our Home, Your Home. Uniquely Affordable Residential Care Home. St. Joseph’s Level III Residential Care Home in Burlington. Private rooms and suites available. St. Joseph’s Residential Care Home is operated by Vermont Catholic Charities and is a small home-like community that provides personal care, medication management, home cooked meals, nursing overview, and a wide array of activities. Their dedicated staff supports the needs of the whole person—physical, emotional, social and spiritual. Medicaid accepted. For more information or to schedule a tour of the home, please call 864-0264.

Young Adult Ministry: The diocese will be hosting a Young Adult Ministry Discussion on **Tuesday, November 12 at 7:00 p.m. at St. John Vianney Parish Hall in South Burlington.** All young adults ages 19-39 are invited and encouraged to attend. Together, they will dialogue and brainstorm all that young adult ministry in Vermont can become. Please bring your thoughts, ideas and questions. For those who are unable to physically attend the meeting, the diocese will broadcast it live from their Facebook page, Diocese of Burlington, Young Adult Ministry. We want to reach all young adults, even if you aren’t yet sure how the Church’s ministry can meet your needs. Please join them on Tuesday, November 12 and bring your friends.

Mentors Needed at Hinesburg Community School: Mentoring is a unique way to make a difference in the life of a child. Mentors at the Hinesburg Community School volunteer one hour of their time on a weekly basis to establish lasting friendships with a Hinesburg youth. The Connecting Youth Mentor Program pairs fifth and sixth graders nominated by teachers and counselors with an adult volunteer from the community. The Mentor Program offers a friendship that can be a source of support as students navigate the sometimes difficult years of middle school. Mentors meet students at the school during an hour that works for the student, mentor and teacher. A Mentor Room offers a place to play games, do crafts, or anything else the mentee might be interested in exploring. The most important quality an adult must have is a commitment to mentor for one school year. The Mentor Program is currently looking for a few more adults for the program. Men are especially needed. If you are interested in becoming a mentor or have questions about the program, please call Ginny Roberts at the school at 482-6248. You can also email her at groberts@cvsdvt.org.

Rice Memorial High School Open House: Could Rice be the right fit for you? Choosing a high school is one of the most important decisions your family will make. Join in the annual Open House at Rice Memorial High School on **Sunday, November 3 from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.** Meet teachers, current students and their parents, as well as coaches and club representatives. Registration is encouraged, but walk-ins are welcome. RSVP by November 1 at www.rmhsvt.org/openhouse.

Young Life: Young Life is now in its 5th year at CVU! You are invited to join us for our Fall Fundraiser! Chittenden County Young Life invites you to celebrate our year at our Fall Dessert Banquet on **Thursday November 14th 6:30pm - 8:30pm at New Moon Cafe, 150 Cherry St. Burlington.** Come for fellowship! Come to hear about all the amazing things Young Life is doing for our youth, walking alongside our teens as they bring the Gospel to our young adults in high school, helping them to develop a lifelong relationship with Jesus. Please check out our new website at chitco.younglife.org to RSVP. For more information email Tricia Sulva at majac@gmavt.net. **Come learn about how Young Life is impacting our community and find ways that you can help!**