

# January 9, 2022

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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 – The Baptism of the Lord***

*“We are called to live our baptism every day, as new creatures, clothed in Christ.”*

— Pope Francis

What reference point do you use when making decisions? Many times, impulse takes control and decisions are made based solely on emotion and desire. We all know that these types of decisions can often get us into trouble. When a person has a confident sense of who they are and a real understanding of what is important and of value, the likelihood of kneejerk impulsive choices diminishes. Baptism gives us what we need to make well informed and purposeful decisions. By this simple gesture, God claims us as His own and provides us with the identity and purpose we need to properly live life.

For It is tremendously reassuring, when we truly embrace this revelation and realize that we no longer have to wonder about the purpose of our lives or struggle to find our way. The answer of who we are in God has been given to us. We no longer have to fumble around, trip over ourselves or walk aimlessly about. Issues surrounding the sacredness of life, the meaning of death, the protection of those most vulnerable, care for the weak and the poor, offering hospitality to those in search of a home, the purpose and proper place of work, how to create a just social order, caring for creation, and understanding our roles as heralds and stewards are just a few of the wonderful gifts baptism brings. When we make decisions based on things such as these core Gospel truths we really act as Christ himself, revealing to others the new creations that we are. This is how we live our baptism.

It is difficult to walk against the tide. Yet, that is precisely what baptism calls us to do. Although we are sinners, in need of mercy and far from perfection we are called to order our life and make decisions based upon the wisdom and guidance of Almighty God. He alone is the one who can claim us as His sons and daughters. Standing up for our principles will not make us popular. But who ever said Christianity is a popularity contest? Baptism calls us to stand up for that which goes against the grain of secularism. Standing in line with other sinners, we have our anchor to steady us in the tempests of life and God is very pleased. Forge ahead. There is nothing to fear.

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### **Attendance Last Week:**

**Solemnity of Mary: 27**

**4:30 p.m.: No Mass      9:30 a.m.: 52**

### **Offertory Last Week:**

***Will be updated next week***

**Second Collection This Week for Fuel**

**Second Collection Next Week for Catholic Education**

## **MASSES AND INTENTIONS**

### **Saturday January 8**

**4:30 p.m. (SJ)** For Rev. Walter Miller requested by Theresa and Steve Aube.

### **Sunday January 9**

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

**9:30 a.m. (SJ)** For David Bullock requested by his family.

**11:00 a.m. (OLMC)** For Lindsay Sheehan requested by the Parish Communities.

**Monday 8:00 a.m. January 10 (SJ)** For Joseph Cioffi requested by his daughter-in-law, Peggy.

**Tuesday 5:15 p.m. January 11 (OLMC)**

**Wednesday January 12 (OLMC) NO MASS**

**Thursday 5:15 p.m. January 13 (OLMC)** For All Souls

**Friday 8:00 a.m. January 14 (SJ)**

### **Saturday January 15**

**4:30 p.m. (SJ)** For Patricia King requested by Marie Cookson.

### **Sunday January 16**

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

**9:30 a.m. (SJ)** For Joanne Bourgeois requested by St. Jude and Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parishes.

**11:00 a.m. (OLMC)** For All Souls

### **Calendar of St. Jude Events**

-1/09 Family Faith Formation at 9:30 a.m.

-1/11 Senior Bingo at 10:00 a.m.

-1/13 Parish Council Meeting at 7:00 p.m.

**Question of the Week:** How has the Holy Spirit, whom I received in baptism, influenced my outlook and my actions?

**COVID Update:** While Catholics parishes do not have any mandatory facemask policies at this time, we strongly encourage those attending Masses to wear face masks. Thank you.

**Communion on the Tongue:** For those who choose to receive Communion on the tongue, we ask as a courtesy to others, you wait to receive till the end of the line. Thank you.

**Saint Jude's Financial Summary for the 1<sup>st</sup> 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:*

<b>Sunday:</b>	Rev. Benny Chittilappilly, SDV
<b>Monday:</b>	Rev. Hugh Cleary, CSC
<b>Tuesday:</b>	Rev. Francis Connors
<b>Wednesday:</b>	Rev. Paul Couture, SSE
<b>Thursday:</b>	Rev. David Cray, SSE
<b>Friday:</b>	Rev. Brian Cummings, SSE
<b>Saturday:</b>	Rev. Charles Danielson

**Schedule of Counters: Monday, January 10, 2022**

Lee Cross  
Theresa Aube  
Marie Cookson

**Schedules for January 15 and 16, 2022**

<b><u>Greeters:</u></b>	<b>4:30 p.m.</b>	Donna & Chloe Shepardson
	<b>9:30 a.m.</b>	Tom Giroux

<b><u>Lector:</u></b>	<b>4:30 p.m.</b>	Dawn Griswold
	<b>9:30 a.m.</b>	Rodney Strong

<b><u>EM:</u></b>	<b>4:30 p.m.</b>	Donna Shepardson
	<b>9:30 a.m.</b>	Heidi St. Peter

**2022 Collection Envelopes:** The collection envelopes for 2022 are available in the church lobby. Envelopes are in alphabetical order. If you have not used the collection envelopes in the past but would like to do so now, please take a box without a name on it. **Please be sure to write your name and address on the envelopes for the first few weeks you are using them. Also, please do not use leftover envelopes from previous years.** Thank you.

**Annual Diocesan Mass for Life:** Please join in praying for the protection of all human life at our annual Mass for Life on **Saturday, Jan. 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2022, at 9:30 a.m. at St. Augustine Parish in Montpelier.** Rosary for Life just prior at 9:00 a.m. **\*\*\*Immediately following Mass: Rally for Life presented by Vermont Right to Life. March to the Statehouse. Presentations on Prop. 5 with a catered luncheon to follow at Governor's Ballroom of the Capitol Plaza Hotel. \$20 for this event. More info coming at [www.vrlc.net](http://www.vrlc.net)**

**Milestone Marriage Anniversaries:** Milestone Marriage Anniversaries will be celebrated on February 6, 2022, at the Cathedral of St. Joseph in Burlington, with Bishop Coyne. Catholic married couples celebrating milestone anniversaries (e.g. 5, 10, 15, 20...55, 57) in 2022, who wish to be recognized at this Mass should contact Nicole Hamilton at [nhamilton@vermontcatholic.org](mailto:nhamilton@vermontcatholic.org) or (802)658-6110, ext. 1131, by Friday, January 28, 2022.



*After all the people had been baptized and Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. — Lk 3:21-22a*

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**Henry Moreno:** After 6 years of working and living at St. Jude's as the Plant Supervisor, Henry has decided to move on. His last day with St. Jude's was December 31. ---We are now looking for someone to replace him. The ideal candidate would live at the rectory as part of their compensation. If you are interested in knowing more about this position and what it entails, please contact Fr. Zuccaro at 802-425-2253 or Fr. Naples at 802-864-4166.

**Daily Mass:** There will be NO daily Mass this **Wednesday, January 12** due to Fr. Zuccaro being away on retreat.

**Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration and Confession:** There will be no Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration on **Tuesday, January 11**. The next Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration and Confession will be **Tuesday, January 18** following the 5:15 p.m. Mass at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish.

**Parish Council Meeting:** There will be a Parish Council Meeting this **Thursday, January 13 at 7:00 p.m.**

**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 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of every month. The next Bingo is **Tuesday, January 11**. Reservations are required by **Wednesday, January 5**. **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](mailto:tedbarrett79@gmail.com) for reservations.

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