

April 30, 2023

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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 – 4th Sunday of Easter

I recently rescued a dog. She's a terrier and rather adorable. And she's crazy about me. She could spend all day with me. But I'm a pastor at a parish and sometimes I leave her at the front desk of the church office. She constantly amazes me by her ability to distinguish between my voice and that of everyone else. If I say one word, even if I'm hidden around a corner, she'll sprint toward me and jump up into my arms.

This week the readings focus our attention to the *voice* of the risen Jesus Christ. Comparing his disciples to sheep and himself to a shepherd, he says, **"They recognize his voice."** He speaks to us and wants us to respond. When we hear his voice, we follow. Throughout this coming week, we will experience many interior promptings to receive God's love, and to love Him in return. That's his voice. Follow it into the safe and tender arms of Christ.

By contrast, some voices we will hear do not convey God's concern and love for us, but rather produce fear, despair, and other harmful mischief. Jesus calls these voices those of robbers. Does an idea or thought make it harder for you to love God? If so, run away. Let it go. It is most likely not the voice of the Risen Lord. Keep waiting for him to speak. You will recognize his voice. Then run to him as fast as you can.

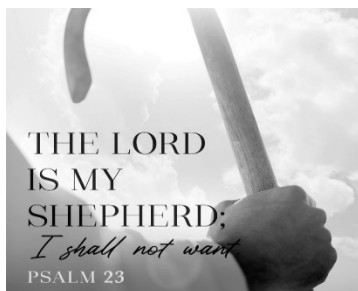
— Father John Muir

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Offertory Last Week: \$1,297.85 Easter: \$50.00
Maintenance: \$10.00
Online Banking: \$308.00

Second Collection This Week for Catholic Home Missions
Second Collection Next Week for Maintenance

Attendance Last Week:
4:30 p.m. 43 9:30 a.m. 47



MASSES AND INTENTIONS

Saturday April 29 (SJ)

4:30 p.m. For the repose of the souls of Laurie Clark and Edward Emmons requested by Helen Cote.

Sunday April 30

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 Deceased Pastors of St. Jude Parish.

11:00 a.m. (OLMC) For the Deceased Pastors of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish.

Monday May 1 (SJ) 8:30 a.m. For the healing of David Bullock.

Tuesday May 2 (OLMC) 5:15 p.m.

Wednesday May 3 (OLMC) 8:30 a.m. For the intentions of Laura Clements requested by her mother-in-law, Toni Clements

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

Friday May 5 8:30 a.m. (SJ) For the repose of the soul of Raymond Cote requested by his wife, Helen.

Saturday May 6 (SJ)

4:30 p.m. For the repose of the soul of Brent Cookson requested by Marie Cookson & Family.

Sunday May 7

8:00 a.m. (OLMC) For the repose of the souls of Anne Pidgeon and John Pierce requested by Irene Pierce.

9:30 a.m. (SJ) For the repose of the soul of Arnold Gratton requested by his wife, Janice.

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

Marian Candle: The Sanctuary Candle this week is in memory of Virginia Chicoine requested by Joanne and Lee Cross.

Calendar of St. Jude Events

- 5/05 Eucharistic Adoration & Confession at 9:00 a.m.
- 5/06 & 5/07 Food Shelf Weekend
- 5/07 Family Faith Formation at 9:30 a.m.
- 5/21 First Communion at 9:30 a.m. Mass
- 5/23 Confirmation at 7:00 p.m. at St. Jude Parish

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

Sunday:	All Deceased Priests
Monday:	Pope Francis
Tuesday:	Bishop Christopher Coyne
Wednesday:	Rev. Daniel Jordan
Thursday:	Rev. Thomas LaRussa, SDV
Friday:	Rev. Msgr. Richard Lavalley
Saturday:	Rev. James Lawrence

Counter Schedule for Monday, May 1, 2023

Anne Donegan
Linda Savalli
Nicole Cookson

Schedules for May 6 and 7, 2023

Greeters: 4:30 p.m. Donna Shepardson
9:30 a.m. Tom Giroux

Lector: 4:30 p.m. David Pearson
9:30 a.m. Sue McGuire

EM: 4:30 p.m. Donna Shepardson
9:30 a.m. Dcn. Patrick Leduc

Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration and Confession: There will be a Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration and Confession at OLMC this Tuesday, **May 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 for First Friday on **Friday, May 5** following the 8:30 a.m. Mass.

Disposing of Old Palms: If you are disposing of past years' palms they should either be burned or buried. Please do not throw in the trash. If you would like us to dispose of them, please leave them in the basket in the lobby. Thank you.

Red Cross Blood Drive: There will be a Red Cross Blood Drive at St. Jude's on **Thursday, May 11 from 11:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.** To schedule an appointment please call 1-800-RED-CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit **RedCrossBlood.org** and enter **HINESBURG**. We ask that appointments be made if possible as we may not be able to accommodate walk-ins due to the coronavirus.

Men's Discussion Group: The Men's Discussion Group will not be meeting in May. Thank you.

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, May 9**. Reservations are required by **Wednesday, May 3**. **Due to the increased numbers of COVID 19 in our area, we ask that everyone again wear a mask while at Senior Bingo. Free masks will be available if you need one. If you have symptoms, have been recently exposed and/or are feeling ill, please stay home. Thank you!!** If you are a newcomer to our event, please call the week before that you are attending, so that enough Grab and Go Meals can be ordered. You will be given a packaged complete meal to take home, provided by Age Well. **A suggested donation of \$5.00 per meal due to pandemic funding coming to an end.** 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.



“Whoever enters through the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens it for him, and the sheep hear his voice, as the shepherd calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has driven out all his own, he walks ahead of them, and the sheep follow him, because they recognize his voice.” — Jn 10:2-4

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First Communion: First Communion will be held on **Sunday, May 21 at St. Jude's at the 9:30 a.m. Mass**. Please keep these students in your prayers.

Confirmation: Confirmation will be held on **Tuesday, May 23 at 7:00 p.m. at St. Jude's**. Confirmation this year is being done in local parishes. Our event will include students from St. Jude's, Our Lady of Mount Carmel, St. Catherine of Siena, St. John Vianney, Holy Rosary and Immaculate Heart of Mary. Please keep all these students in your prayers.

Food Shelf Weekend: Food Shelf Weekend will be **May 6 and 7**. Items requested from the Hinesburg Food Shelf are shampoo, conditioner, bodywash, hand soap, toothbrushes, toothpaste, deodorant, cleaning supplies including laundry detergent, floor cleaner, scrubs for sink, toilet bowl cleaner, antibacterial cleaners, power bars, snack bars, cheese/peanut butter cracker pkgs, hardy soups, pancake or all purpose mixes, corn muffin mix, peanut butter, jelly/jams, cereal, cans of chicken and tuna, canned fruit, ketscup, mustard, mayo, 4 or 6 packs of fruit or applesauce, skillet meals you add meat to. As always, financial donations are always welcome.

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Catholic Home Missions Appeal: Support the Catholic Home Missions Appeal today! Nearly 40% of dioceses in the United States and its territories are considered mission territories because they are unable to fund essential pastoral activities needed in their communities. Your support funds religious education, seminary formation, lay ministry training, and other programs that build vibrant faith communities right here in the United States. Please be generous.

Online Giving: Our online giving program is very easy to use. You can now add your information with ease. Just go to our website at stjudevt.org and click on the "Donate" button. Donations can be made for regular offertory, maintenance or special collections. Please let me know if you want help in setting up your donation or if you have any questions. You can reach me at 802-482-2290 or at mcookson@vermontcatholic.org.



"People often say, 'I could never handle a child with a disability.' But the beauty of parenting is that you aren't given *a* child with a disability. You are given *your* child with a disability. Your child enters the world in a relationship with you, and that changes everything. You are not called to 'handle' a disability. You are called to love a particular person, and caring for him or her grows out of that love."

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, "A Perfect Gift"
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