

November 8, 2015

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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 -32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Amen, I say to you, this poor widow put in more than all the other contributors to the treasury." Just two small coins, worth only a few cents--this was the greatest contribution of the day? Jesus explains that this widow's tiny sum was generous in a way that the larger amounts people gave were not. Others made noticeable, "impressive" donations to the Temple treasury, which in fact cost them nothing. These were simply "from their surplus wealth." But the poor widow "contributed all she had, her whole livelihood." She was truly generous, giving what cost her dearly. Her contribution was made out of love, not just out of obligation or for the sake of show.

God has given us all different "livelihoods." Some of us have more money, more talents, more resources. Some of us have less. But of course we know that God's love for us is not based on this external data. He loves the rich and the poor alike. The question is whether this external data affects our love for God. Sometimes, those who are poor are more aware of God's providence and protection. Sometimes, they are bitter. As for those who are rich, it can be tempting to feel so comfortable and complacent that they don't recognize their need for God or his action in their lives. But Jesus' message challenges us all today to gratefully give back to God in thanks for whatever he has given us, be it small or great. We are called not to give from our surplus but to share from our very livelihood. That is to say, we are called to acknowledge that our livelihood itself, no matter the details, is a gift from God. Let us follow the wisdom of the widow who showed gratitude for what she had and was truly generous in spite of what she lacked.

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Readings for the Week of November 8, 2015

Sunday: 1 Kgs 17:10-16/Heb 9:24-28/Mk 12:38-44 or 12:41-44
Monday: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17/Jn 2:13-22
Tuesday: Wis 2:23--3:9/Lk 17:7-10
Wednesday: Wis 6:1-11/Lk 17:11-19
Thursday: Wis 7:22b--8:1/Lk 17:20-25
Friday: Wis 13:1-9/Lk 17:26-37
Saturday: Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9/Lk 18:1-8
Next Sunday: Dn 12:1-3/Heb 10:11-14, 18/Mk 13:24-32

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Offertory Last Week: \$2,659.00 Fuel: \$50.00
Priest's Benefit: \$105.00
Maintenance: \$85.00 All Saints: \$334.00
Electronic Giving: -0-

Second Collection This Week for Maintenance

ANNOUNCED MASS INTENTIONS:

Sun. Nov. 8 8:00 a.m. For the Parishioners of Our Lady of Mount Carmel and St. Jude Parishes.

Sun. Nov. 8 11:00 a.m. For All Souls

Sun. Nov. 15 8:00 a.m. For the Parishioners of Our Lady of Mount Carmel and St. Jude Parishes.

Sun. Nov. 15 11:00 a.m. For Phil Latimer requested by Joan and Andy Jamieson.

Pray for Vocations

Schedule of Counters: Monday, November 9, 2015

Lollie Krawitt
Joan Jamieson
Sue Haselton

Schedule of Ministries: Sunday, November 15, 2015

8:00 a.m. Altar Server: Devan Lussier
Lector: Chris Kogut
Extraordinary Min: Joanne Duranceau
Tom Reilly

11:00 a.m. Greeters:
Altar Server: Leah Croke
Allison Croke
Lector: Deena Miller
Extraordinary Min: David Croke
Deena Miller

Calendar of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Events

-11/08 Recognition Sunday
-11/08 Civil War Remembrance at 2:00 p.m.
-11/15 Meet and Greet following the 8:00 a.m. Mass
-11/19 Parish Council Meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Question of the Week: In these tough economic times, when the virtue of prudence demands careful stewardship of our limited resources, what will it mean for me, this week and during the holiday season, to give "all I have"?

Daily Mass: There will be **NO** daily Mass from November 9 to November 13 (Monday-Friday) due to Father Cray being away for Edmundite business. In the event of an emergency, please contact Msgr. Michael DeForge at 985-2373.

Meet and Greet: Mark your calendars for Sunday, November 15 for our next Meet and Greet. This will be done by our 5th and 6th Grade students. Please plan to stop over at the parish hall after the 8:00 a.m. Mass to say hello and grab a cup of coffee and something to eat. See you then.

Civil War Veterans Remembrance: A ceremony will be held in Our Lady of Mount Carmel Cemetery in Charlotte on Sunday, November 8 at 2:00 p.m. to honor the eleven Civil War veterans buried or commemorated there, to rededicate their monuments—some recently restored and one brand new—and to pray at their graves. It is amazing that eleven members of this brand new parish (founded in 1858) were among the record number of Vermonters who went off to defend the Union, two brothers never coming home and being buried in Virginia. In case of bad weather, the rain date will be November 15 at 2:00 p.m.

Remembering our Deceased: We have a permanent book to record the names of our deceased faith members and friends to be remembered at Mass during the month of November. This book is available this week in the back of the church.

Note From Eileen Curtis: “As I complete my adventure with cancer, I want to express my heartfelt thanks and eternal gratitude to the members of Our Lady of Mount Carmel for everything that was done during my 18 month long journey. I have been truly blessed by the out pouring of care and concern shown to me and my family during this time. I have had my final treatment and surgery (#9!) and now look to the future as one that is bright and full of hope. I could not have traveled this road without all the love and support that family, friends, Faith In Action members along with fellow parishioners provided during this time. From notes, to meals to simply praying for my recovery every step of the way has meant so much to me! I am forever in your debt and I thank each and every one of you. God bless.”

Rosary: The Rosary is being said each Saturday at St. Jude’s before the 4:30 p.m. Mass beginning at 4:10 p.m.

Pasta Dinner: There will be a Pasta Dinner at St. Jude’s on November 14 following the 4:30 p.m. Mass (at 5:30 p.m.). Cost of the Pasta Dinner is \$10/adult; \$7/child and seniors; \$30/family (2 adults and 2 or more children. All are welcome.

For I Was Hungry And You Fed Me: Your support of the Bishop deGoesbriand Appeal for Human Development makes a real difference in the daily lives of Vermonters. This Appeal is named in honor of Vermont’s first Bishop. In 2014, thanks to your generosity, Vermont Catholic Charities awarded grants to 12 agencies that provided 67,350 meals. Please donate to the second collection the weekend of November 21 & 22. **100% of the collection stays in Vermont.**

Green Mountain Habitat for Humanity Needs Volunteers at the Williston ReStore: The ReStore is Habitat’s thrift store where profits from the sale of donated household and construction items are used to build simple, energy efficient, and affordable Habitat for Humanity Homes in Chittenden County. Volunteer duties include receiving and sorting donations, pricing and stocking shelves, assisting customers and so much more! If you have a few hours a week, or even a few hours a month to volunteer at the ReStore, please contact volunteer@vermonthabitat.org or call 318-7533 during business hours for more information. Green Mountain Habitat for Humanity is always seeking volunteers to build at their home sites in addition to the ReStore.

Mercy Bazaar: The Sisters of Mercy are holding their annual bazaar on Saturday, November 14 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. The bazaar will be held at Mater Christi School, 100 Mansfield Avenue in Burlington. You will find a huge variety of home grown and canned pickles, relish, jams, jelly, horseradish and much more. There will also be small appliances, housewares, fudge, books, decorations and more.



A poor widow also came and put in two small coins worth a few cents. Calling his disciples to himself, he said to them, “Amen, I say to you, this poor widow put in more than all the other contributors to the treasury.” — Mk 12:42-43

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Recognition Weekend: This Sunday, November 8, all members of the Liturgical Ministries will be recognized for their service. We are grateful for the dedication of all our Lectors, Greeters, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Altar Servers, Ushers, Music Ministers and Altar Decorating Committee who all give generously of their time to enhance our weekly parish worship.

Looking for Yarn: St. Joseph’s Home in Burlington is looking for yarn for the residences to knit mittens for the WCAX Mitten Tree. These mittens are given to local schools and daycare centers. If you have any yarn you would like to donate, please leave in the box in the vestibule. Thank you.

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 10 and 24 from 12:00 to 2:00 p.m. Serving begins at 12:00 noon. All Seniors and Caretakers welcome.

Family Synod: On Saturday, November 14 at 1:00 p.m. at Saint Michael’s College, 102 St. Edmund’s Hall, Concerned Catholics of Vermont (CCOVT) is sponsoring an open discussion of the results of the Vatican Synod on the Family that concluded on October 25. After the discussion there will a Mass at 4:00 p.m. in the College Chapel at St. Michael the Archangel. You can register your opinion about the results of the Synod through a survey at gmcatholics.org. Thank you.

VT Catholic Women’s Retreat: The women of the Diocese of Burlington are cordially invited to the 4th Annual Vermont Catholic Women’s Retreat on **Saturday, November 21, 2015 from 8:30 am to 4:00 pm** at Holy Family Parish Center, Essex Junction. This Annual Retreat is very popular and spots fill quickly. Register online at the Diocesan website, vermontcatholic.org using the link “Retreat for Catholic Women” found under *Quick Links*. You may also contact the Diocesan Office of Catechesis and Evangelization at 658-6110 ext. 1131.