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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 -Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

"But Peter got up and ran to the tomb." Peter was unique in this response to the news of Jesus' resurrection. The other apostles disregarded the reports from the women who had seen the empty tomb and heard the angels because "their story seemed like nonsense and they did not believe them." But Peter took action. He got up and ran to see the evidence and "went home amazed at what had happened."

On this Easter day, we have a choice to make. We too have heard a remarkable report. We have been told that two thousand years ago, a man named Jesus defeated death and rose from the grave. To many people in today's world, this sounds like nonsense, just like it did when it first happened. Some would like to dismiss the story entirely as a myth at best, or an outright lie at worst. Others try to spiritualize the miracle, suggesting that the Resurrection narrative is a story that is meant to symbolize the power of God, but whether or not Jesus actually rose from the dead is irrelevant. Finally, there are those who simply believe--those who, with Peter, make an act of faith and choose to take the Gospel literally.

This of course is the Christian way. It was not the Crucifixion that brought confidence to the early followers of Christ; it was the Resurrection. This momentous event has always made all the difference! We will only water down our faith if we reduce Easter to anything other than a true miracle. But to accept it as such will bolster our faith. As St. Paul wrote in the Epistle to the Romans, "Just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might live in newness of life." This Easter, may we experience the great joy of new life in the risen Christ.

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Readings for the Week of March 27, 2016

Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43/ Col 3:1-4/Jn 20:1-9
Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33/Mt 28:8-15
Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41/Jn 20:11-18
Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10/Lk 24:13-35
Thursday: Acts 3:11-26/Lk 24:35-48
Friday: Acts 4:1-12/Jn 21:1-14
Saturday: Acts 4:13-21/Mk 16:9-15
Next Sunday: Acts 5:12-16/Rv 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19/Jn 20:19-31

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Offertory Last Week: \$2,248.00 Maintenance: \$220.00
Easter: \$10.00 Salvation Army: \$17.00
Holy Land: \$35.00 Fuel: \$40.00
Catholic Relief Services: \$90.00
Electronic Giving: \$175.00

Second Collection Next Week for Maintenance

ANNOUNCED MASS INTENTIONS:

Sun. Mar. 27 8:00 a.m. For Donna Bettis Emerton and Joe Bettis requested by the family.

Sun. Mar. 27 11:00 a.m. For the Parishioners of Our Lady of Mount Carmel and St. Jude Parishes.

Sun. Apr. 3 8:00 a.m. For Bill Miller requested by the CCD Teachers and Students.

Sun. Apr. 3 11:00 a.m. For Andrew Thayer requested by Kyle Franko.

Pray for Vocations

Schedule of Counters: Monday, March 21, 2016

Sue Haselton
Andrew Driver
Marie Cookson

Schedule of Ministries: April 3, 2016

8:00 a.m.	Altar Server:	All CCD Servers
	Lector:	Deena Miller
	Extraordinary Min.:	David Croke
		Deena Miller
		Susan Zahn
11:00 a.m.	Greeters:	Kyle & Katie Franko
	Altar Server:	
	Lector:	Colleen Armstrong
	Extraordinary Min.:	Eileen Curtis
		Ray Curtis

Calendar of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Events

-4/03 CCD Classes at CCS at 9:00 a.m.
-4/03 2nd Year Confirmation Class at St. Jude's at 10:30 a.m.
-4/10 1st Year Confirmation Class at St. Jude's at 10:30 a.m.

Question of the Week: By opening our Easter celebration with an empty tomb, disciples who believe, others who disbelieve, and one who is simply "amazed," Luke suggests I ask: Which disciple am I? When I leave tonight's empty tomb, to whom will I go? What will I "announce?"

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Financial Report for the Six Months Ended 12/31/15:

-For the six months ended 12/31/15, Offertory Income increased \$1,333, or 2.4%, versus the prior year comparable period.
-Net Income was \$9,643 compared to \$6,465 last year, an increase of \$3,178 or 49%.
-NOTE: The final bill for the project to repair the bell tower on the church was received in December: the total cost of the project was \$9,056.
-The Parish cash balance of 12/31/15 was \$130,243 compared to \$116,939 of 12/31/14.

Are You Visiting Our Church for Easter? Welcome!

We are happy to have you join us at St. Jude's to celebrate the Church's most holiest of days. If you live in the area and have no church to call home, or have been away from the church for awhile, we hope you will consider joining us on a regular basis. If you'd like more info about our parish or would like to meet with our Pastor, Fr. David Cray, please call the rectory at 425-2253.

Thank You: Sincere thanks to everyone who helped to make Palm Sunday and the Triduum Services on Holy Thursday, Good Friday, the Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday such meaningful and sacred times of worship for our parish family and friends. So many gave of their time and talents including our altar servers, lectors, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, greeters, musicians and singers, Confirmation students, ushers, decorators, Liturgy Committees and most especially Father Cray.

Lenten Baby Bottle Campaign: Thank you for participating in the Care Net Baby Bottle Campaign. Please remember to bring your bottles back as soon as possible. Thank you for being a part of this ministry.

What Is A Meal Train? There are times in our lives when friends and family ask, "What can I do to help out?" The answer is usually to help them with a meal. When many friends give a meal, this is a Meal Train.

--A meal train for the **Dubuc's** has been set up to help during this recent health crisis. You can use the unique web address for their meal train below to view the calendar to pick a date for making/delivering a meal if you'd like to help out. Thank you. <http://mealtrain.com/747kn2>.

--As you may have heard, **James Donegan**, son of Roger and Anne Donegan from St. Jude Parish, began chemotherapy treatment for lymphoma this past week at UVM Medical Center. A meal train has been set up for him and his wife, Sara, and their daughter, Ruby. This is to provide meals or help with housework, errands, childcare transportation, etc. Their meal train is <https://mealtrain.com/0z37q9>. Also, YouCaring - <https://www.youcaring.com/james-and-sara-donegan-538326/update/446362> to donate to James, Sara and Ruby to ensure James receives high-quality treatment and to offset the cost of their more limited time and energy for farming.

Bake Sale for the Donegan Family: There will be a bake sale at the Shelburne Supermarket on Saturday, April 2 from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. (it may go later). This money will go toward raising money for James Donegan's treatments. They are looking for people to contribute homemade baked goods. Drop off is at CVU either Friday afternoon, April 1 or Saturday morning. If you would like to help out please contact Morgan Schnell at morganschnell@cssu.org or Julie Sulva at juliesulva@cssu.org. Please stop in and support these young ladies and their worthy project.

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.

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, April 1 following the 8:00 a.m. Mass.

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 April 12 and 26 from 12:00 to 2:00 p.m. Serving begins at 12:00 noon. All Seniors and Caretakers welcome.



The women who had come from Galilee with Jesus took the spices they had prepared and went to the tomb. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb; but when they entered, they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. — Lk 24:1b-3

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

Girl and Boy Scouts: The Catholic Committee on Scouting is having a retreat on April 29 thru May 1 at Mt. Norris Boy Scout Camp in Eden, VT. The theme is "Blessed is the Merciful". All Girl and Boy Scouts age 12 and up are welcome. Cost is \$30 per person. Volunteers are needed. For more information call 862-5109 or email vermontcatholicscouting@gmail.com. For registration form, contact Marie at 425-2637 or 482-2290.

Counseling Services Available: Vermont Catholic Charities offers affordable counseling services to individuals, couples and families. People seek counseling for many different reasons: a crisis, a loss, a major life change, substance abuse, or to improve relationships. With offices in South Burlington, St. Albans, Rutland and Middlebury, our experienced clinicians and psychiatrist are here to help. We accept private insurance, Medicaid, Medicare, and offer a sliding scale fee. If you or someone you know needs support, call 658-6111, ext. 1318.

SCHIP: With spring upon us please remember SCHIP (Shelburne, Charlotte, Hinesburg Interfaith Projects). Our parish is one of the supporting faith communities for this interfaith project that gives grants to other non-profits who serve the people of our communities. The funds are generated from the sale of gently used clothing and household items, sold at the shop, SCHIP's Treasure Resale Shop, located on Route 7 in Shelburne in the distinctive yellow building. Please remember the shop for **donations** as you sort through your items; for **purchasing**...if you have never been in please come see what wonderful things are available. Brand names such as Eileen Fisher, NIC + ZOE, Lilly Pulitzer, Calvin Klein and Talbots are among the many offerings; and for **volunteering**...if you have a few hours a week please consider volunteering. Your help would be so appreciated.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter-Married Couples: "Take courage, it is I; do not be afraid." No matter how strong the winds, Jesus is there to take our hands and guide our marriage. Restore, renew and rekindle your marriage on the upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend on May 13 thru May 15 at St. Anne's Shrine in Isle LaMotte. For info or to apply, contact Gary and Lynn Root at vtroot@together.net or call 802-456-8114 or go online at www.wmvevt.org.