

April 3, 2016

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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 –Second Sunday of Easter

"Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them, 'Peace be with you.'" The disciples were paralyzed by fear. After the Crucifixion, they had locked themselves in a room and were keeping a low profile. They didn't want to end up how Jesus had ended up. But the Lord stepped right into this paranoia and dispelled it in an instant: "The disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord."

Although these first Christians were very concerned about preserving their lives, the fact is that living holed up in an attic wasn't a life of much freedom or joy. Jesus wanted his followers to have the fullness of life, but this required trust in him and his promises. As today's Gospel puts it, through the belief that Jesus Christ is the Son of God, "you may have life in his name." When we come to really accept who Jesus is, there is no more need for a life of slavery to fear--whatever that fear may be, whether it's fear for our health; fear for our reputation; fear for our comfort; or even fear that our sins are too big for forgiveness.

Today as we celebrate the feast of Divine Mercy, we remember that God's love is strong enough to conquer the greatest of all human fears: death itself. This confidence leads us to a renewed joy. As Pope Francis wrote in his declaration of this, the Year of Mercy, "Mercy is the force that reawakens us to new life and instills in us the courage to look to the future with hope." Once we are firmly established in this hope, we are called to be witnesses of mercy to others. The Holy Father continues with a challenge for all of us, "Jesus asks us also to forgive and to give. To be instruments of mercy because it was we who first received mercy from God."

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Readings for the Week of April 3, 2016

Sunday: Acts 5:12-16/Rv 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19/Jn 20:19-31
Monday: Is 7:10-14; 8:10/Heb 10:4-10/Lk 1:26-38
Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37/Jn 3:7b-15
Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26/Jn 3:16-21
Thursday: Acts 5:27-33/Jn 3:31-36
Friday: Acts 5:34-42/Jn 6:1-15
Saturday: Acts 6:1-7/Jn 6:16-21
Next Sunday: Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41/Rv 5:11-14/Jn 21:1-19

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Easter: \$3,343.00 Holy Land: \$185.00
Offertory: \$168.00
Electronic Giving: \$50.00

Second Collection This Week for Maintenance

ANNOUNCED MASS INTENTIONS:

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.

Sun. Apr. 10 8:00 a.m. For the Parishioners of Our Lady of Mount Carmel and St. Jude Parishes.

Sun. Apr. 10 11:00 a.m. For David Dutchburn and Stephanie Carron requested by the Family.

Pray for Vocations

Schedule of Counters: Monday, April 4, 2016

Sue Haselton
Andrew Driver
Lollie Krawiff

Schedule of Ministries: April 10, 2016

8:00 a.m.	Altar Server:	Mitch Tierney Mattison Tierney
	Lector:	Mary Tierney
	Extraordinary Min.:	Joanne Duranceau Tom Reilly
11:00 a.m.	Greeters:	Jacqueline Jones
	Altar Server:	
	Lector:	Tricia Sulva
	Extraordinary Min.:	Jacqueline Jones Tricia Sulva

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.
-4/14 Koinonia Academy Choir at St. Jude's at 7:00 p.m.

Question of the Week: In this Jubilee Year of Mercy, to whom should I go this Easter week sharing Jesus' peace and merciful forgiveness?

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.

Message From the Geigers: "The Geiger Family (Winnie, Bill, Emily and Karen) offers its deepest thanks for the prayerful love and support given by our friends and fellow parishioners to our son, Matthew, and his wife, Emily, during the past two years. Matthew was keenly aware of, and greatly comforted by, your spiritual gifts, which expressed God's loving presence, even during his most difficult times. We will never forget your outpouring of comfort, love and Spirit. Thank you."

Jubilee for Youth and Young Adults: As a part of the Jubilee Year of Mercy the Diocese of Burlington will be hosting the Koinonia Academy Choir from Plainsfield, NJ. We are excited and blessed to announce that Our Lady of Mount Carmel, St. Jude and St. Catherine of Siena Parishes will be hosting an evening at St. Jude on **Thursday, April 14 at 7:00 p.m.** Come hear their amazing voices but also their amazing stories and personal witness. Check them out at www.koinoniaacademy.org. All are welcome.

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.

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.

Pancake Breakfast: The last St. Jude Pancake Breakfast for this school year will be held next Sunday, April 10 at 10:30 a.m. The cost of the breakfast is \$8/adults; \$5/child; \$23/family (2 adults and 2 or more children). All are welcome.

Right to Life: The Chittenden County Right to Life will meet on Tuesday, April 12 in St. John Vianney's Parish Hall, 160 Hinesburg Rd, South Burlington, from 7:15 to 8:15 p.m. Ongoing pro-life educational and advocacy projects will be discussed. New volunteers are always welcome. Contact chitrighttolife@gmail.com for more information.

Ultreya: Ultreya will be meeting on Monday, April 17 at 7:00 p.m. in the St. John Vianney Church Hall. Refreshments will be served. All are welcome.

Cursillo Weekends: The Men's Cursillo will be July 28-31; the Women's will be August 4-7. For questions and more informaton, please call Tom Kanya at 878-6152.



*Thomas answered and said to him, "My Lord and my God!"
Jesus said to him, "Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed."*

— J n 20:28-29

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.

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.

Mass of Healing for Abused: Four Evening Prayer of the Night services for victims of child abuse and neglect will be held in the month of April to commemorate April as National Child Abuse Awareness Month. Each service will take place in a different region of the state in order to afford everyone the opportunity to attend an accessible service. All services are on Tuesday, April 26 at 7:00 p.m. The one in our area will be held at St. Joseph Co-Cathedral in Burlington.

Did You Know? April is National Child Abuse Prevention Month. It is most appropriate that Child Abuse Prevention Month is during the Easter season. There is no better time than Easter to celebrate the protection of our most valuable gift from God — our children. For information on how you can become more informed and involved in keeping our children safe, visit the Child Safety section of www.vermontcatholic.org or contact the parish office.

Safe Environment-Protecting Our Children and Young People: The Roman Catholic Diocese of Burlington is committed to achieving healing and reconciliation with victims and survivors of abuse, and to provide safe environments for all of our children and young people.

To report child abuse or sexual misconduct call:

--Kevin Scully, Director of Safe Environments or
--Rev. Msgr. Peter Routhier, Vicar General, or
--Rev. Msgr. John McDermott, Vicar General
at 1-866-485-2488