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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 -20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"From now on a household of five will be divided, three against two and two against three." What a sad image Jesus paints in today's Gospel. Causing family strife--fathers against sons and mothers against daughters--is not the effect we like to imagine Jesus having on people. But as he says today, "Do you think that I have come to establish peace on the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division." The fact is, and always has been, that not everyone chooses to follow Christ. This causes conflict.

Perhaps it is most tragic when this tension takes place within families. When certain members of the family desire to live a full Christian life, to follow the commandments and worship God as he asks, this can be irritating at best and infuriating at worst to other family members who want nothing to do with Jesus or his church. But faith must persist in spite of domestic turmoil. Following Jesus is the ultimate good; preserving peace is secondary. In a sense, today's Gospel gives faithful Christians permission to move forward in their faith even if it doesn't make everybody happy.

However, all of this needs to be understood in the light of Jesus' desire to bring peace. He often used the greeting, "Peace be with you," and clearly promised peace to his disciples. Today's Gospel should not be taken to mean that Jesus desires division. Rather, he is acknowledging the fact that division will inevitably result as people declare their differing allegiances. But thankfully, when we align ourselves with Christ, we are also uniting ourselves to the One who can restore peace even in the midst of conflict. So when we see turmoil arise, let's call upon the power of the true Prince of Peace.

Liturgical Publications

Readings for the Week of August 14, 2016

Sunday: Jer 38:4-6, 8-10/Heb 12:1-4/Lk 12:49-53

Monday: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-

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Tuesday: Ez 28:1-10/Mt 19:23-30 Wednesday: Ez 34:1-11/Mt 20:1-16 Thursday: Ez 36:23-28/Mt 22:1-14 Friday: Ez 37:1-14/Mt 22:34-40 Saturday: Ez 43:1-7a/Mt 23:1-12

Next Sunday: Is 66:18-21/Heb 12:5-7, 11-13/Lk 13:22-30

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Offertory Last Week: \$1,706.00 Maintenance: \$585.50 Electronic Giving: \$425.00

ANNOUNCED MASS INTENTIONS:

Sun. Aug. 14 8:00 a.m. For the Parishioners of Our Lady of Mount Carmel and St. Jude Parishes.

Sun. Aug. 14 11:00 a.m. For Sally Munnett requested by Joe and Jace Stevenson.

Sun. Aug. 21 8:00 a.m. For Sally Munnett requested by Joe and Jace Stevenson.

Sun. Aug. 21 11:00 a.m. For Thomas Foran requested by Donald and Mary Haman.

Pray for Vocations

Schedule of Counters: Monday, August 15, 2016

Lollie Krawitt Linda Stowe Carol Ann Brisee

Schedule of Ministries: August 21, 2016

8:00 a.m. Altar Server: Devan Lussier

Lector: Chris Kogut
Extraordinary Min.: Sheila Duffy
Bob Danyow

11:00 a.m. Greeters: Katie & Kyle Franko

Altar Server:

Lector: Kathy Nolan Extraordinary Min.: Winnie Geiger Bill Geiger

Calendar of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Events

-8/15 Sermon on the Mount at 6:00 p.m.

-8/18 Parish Council Meeting at 7:00 p.m.

-8/25 Liturgy Committee Meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Question of the Week: How can I spread true peace in my little corner of the world by "keeping my eyes fixed on Jesus"?

Feast of the Assumption: The Feast of the Assumption is Monday, August 15, and is <u>not</u> a Holy Day of Obligation this year. Mass will be held at St. Jude's at 8:00 a.m. and at 6:00 p.m. as part of the Sermon on the Mount on August 15. Please see notice on next page as to what to bring.

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.

Jubilee Of Mercy Celebration For Musicians: On August 21 there will be a Jubilee for Musicians at 3:00 p.m. at St. Joseph Co-Cathedral, 20 Allen Street, Burlington. Musicians, choir members, cantors and all church musicians are invited to celebrate the Holy Year of Mercy. Light refreshments will be served after. All are welcome.

Red Cross Blood Drive: There will be a Red Cross Blood Drive at St. Jude Parish in Hinesburg on Tuesday, August 16 from 12:30 to 6:00 p.m. All are welcome.

Helping with CCD: We are looking for teachers and aides for this school year. We are in need of help in kindergarten, 1st, 3rd, and 5th grades. If you are interested in helping out or learning more, please contact Marie at marietcookson@aol.com. This is a very rewarding experience.

Charlotte Food Shelf: Please remember your non-perishable food items for the Charlotte Food Shelf. Won't you please help out the Food Shelf especially during the summer months when many children are home without the healthy meals they usually receive during the school year? Thank you.

Summer Reflection Series: In July and August, the members of the Society of St. Edmund and Diocesan Priests will present the Summer Reflection Series at St. Anne's Shrine in Isle LaMotte. The programs begin with the 11:15 a.m. Mass, followed by lunch and a presentation. All are welcome! Reservations are appreciated though not necessary and can be made by calling (802) 928-3362.

-8/17 Rev. David Theroux, SSE

The Gospel According to

Counters Needed: We are in need of help on Monday mornings at 8:30 a.m. to count the weekly collection. Many of our regular counters are no longer available to count. With enough people, you would only have to count every 4 to 6 weeks. It really isn't difficult and it's a chance for you to meet your fellow parishioners and those from St. Jude's. Counting is done in the St. Jude rectory. If you are willing to help out, please contact Marie at 425-2637 or email at marietcookson@aol.com. 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 August 23 and September 13 and 27 from 12:00 to 2:00 p.m. Serving begins at 12:00 noon. All Seniors and Caretakers welcome.

Sermon on the Mount: Join your fellow parishioners from OLMC and St. Jude's on the top of Mount Philo for the annual celebration of the Feast of the Assumption on Monday, August 15th. Mass will begin at 6:00 p.m. with a potluck to follow. There is no cost to you to drive/walk up the mountain-just tell the gate attendant that you are with OLMC. Senior citizens with Green Mountain Passes should show them to the attendant so we are not charged for your entrance. We ask that you try and arrive early (by 5:45 p.m.) and take advantage of the shuttle service to the top (if you don't plan walking to the top) as there is very limited parking available at the top. According to your last name you are asked to bring: A-D: drinks; E-L: main dish; M-R: side dishes/salads (potato, macaroni, pasta, tossed, etc.) or hor'dourves, chips, dips, veggie trays, etc; S-Z: desserts. OLMC will supply the paper goods. In the event of rain, the Mass and potluck will be held at OLMC. If you have any questions, please feel free to call Eileen Curtis at 425-4432.

Young Adult BBQ: Attention Young Adults (ages 18-35), the Burlington Young Adult Catholic Ministry will be holding their kickoff BBQ on Saturday, August 20 at Oakledge Park in Burlington from 1:00 to 7:00 p.m. This family-friendly event will feature great food, fun lawn games, and a chance to meet your fellow Catholic friends. Please note the rain location will be St. Mark's Parish Hall. Check out Burlington Area Catholic Young Adults on Facebook or email

burlingtonareayoungadults@gmail.com for more information and to RSVP. Hope to see you there!



 $oldsymbol{1}$ here is a baptism with which $oldsymbol{I}$ must be baptized, and how great is my anguish until it is accomplished! Do you think that I have come to establish peace on the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division. From now on a household of five will be divided, three against two and

two against three." _ Lk | 12:50-52

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass @2001, 1998, 1970 CCD

An Invitation to Pray For Peace: There will be a Prayer Service For Peace on Tuesday evenings beginning July 26 through August 30 from 6:00 to 6:45 p.m. at St. Catherine of Siena Church in Shelburne. The Prayer Service is dedicated to Our Lady, Queen of Peace. Please join them in a communal prayer for peace throughout the world, in our country, in our local community and in our families. All are welcome.

Starting the Conversation in VT: The Church is calling for us to live the Joy of the Gospel amidst the New Evangelization. What is the new Evangelization? Why are we being called? How does it apply to Vermont in particular? "Starting the Conversation" is a free diocesan workshop being offered around the state, to provide history and insight into what this new evangelization is, and to equip the faithful with tools and ideas to enrich their parishes and communities. Phil Lawson, Director of Evangelization and Catechesis for the Diocese of Burlington, will be presenting. This workshop will be offered at St. Jude's on August 22 at 6:30 p.m. along with many other sites. Please see the bulletin board for more dates and places. No registration required. All are welcome.



Thank you for all your support of the 2016 Bishop's Fund Annual Appeal. Our Parish is now at \$18.391 (81.92%) of total dollars **pledged** toward our goal of \$22,450. We are answering Pope Francis' call in this Jubilee Year of Mercy to go out to every family and to bring them the goodness and mercy of God. Your generous gifts help to strengthen our collective mission of mercy, charity, hope and love. Please visit bishopsfund.org to see why your contributions matter. We have a list of parishioners who gave gifts to the Bishop's Fund in the past but have not yet responded to this year's request. It would really be appreciated if these folks would make some response in the next few weeks. Thank you.