

August 13, 2017

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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—19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Peter got out of the boat and began to walk on the water toward Jesus. But when he saw how strong the wind was, he became frightened." How can we describe Peter? At once faithful and fearful, his jumbled responses remind us that he was no spiritual superman, well intentioned though he may have been. Peter wanted to believe, and in fact showed a great deal of confidence in Christ, but the temptation to doubt was strong enough to knock him off his feet, literally.

"O you of little faith, why did you doubt?" Jesus reprimanded Peter. The words seem harsh. After all, Peter was the only one who had enough faith to even try something as ludicrous as stepping out of the boat onto the water in the first place. But perhaps Jesus wanted to emphasize that our faith needs to be strong enough to weather the storm, so to speak.

If we only believe in Jesus when the wind is calm and the waves are gone, is that truly having faith in him? Is that actually trusting in his supreme power over the forces of the universe? Peter began to sink as soon as a challenge appeared. Jesus called him, and he calls us, to stay on our feet even when the winds begin to blow.

So, what are the winds that threaten our faith? What kinds of gusts are blowing today? Whatever it might be--health problems, financial concerns, relational struggles--none of it is too much for Jesus to handle. But we must step out in faith and trust him! And we need to keep our eyes on him as we do so, instead of getting distracted by the force of the challenges we face. Jesus is bigger than any problem. We have nothing to fear as long as we are walking towards him.

Liturgical Publications

ANNOUNCED MASS INTENTIONS:

Sun. August 13 8:00 a.m. For the Parishioners of Our Lady of Mount Carmel and St. Jude Parishes.

Sun. August 13 11:00 a.m. For Deacon Al Toborg requested by Kyle and Katie Franko.

Sun. August 20 8:00 a.m. (No Intention)

Sun. August 20 11:00 a.m. For Marie and Jack Romano requested by Rosemarie Cartularo and Larry Poitras

Offertory Last Week: \$1,657.00

Maintenance: \$492.00

Electronic Giving: \$650.00

Pray for Vocations

Schedule of Counters: Monday, August 14, 2017

Trina Bianchi
Janet Landrigan
Marie Cookson

Schedule of Ministries: August 20, 2017

8:00 a.m.	Altar Server:	Hadley Stockwell
	Lector:	Gail Blasius
	Extraordinary Min.:	Joanne Duranceau Tom Reilly

11:00 a.m.	Greeters:	Rosemarie Cartularo
	Altar Server:	
	Lector:	Bill Geiger
	Extraordinary Min.:	Winnie Geiger Bill Geiger

Calendar of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Events

-8/13 Faith In Action Meeting at Noon
-8/14 Sermon on the Mount at 6:00 p.m.
-8/17 Parish Council Meeting at 7:00 p.m.
-8/17 Choir Practice for 8:00 a.m. Mass Choir at 7:00 p.m.

Question of the Week: What peak experience do you hold onto, or what experience holds onto you? How does it help you when it is time to bear your cross and share in Jesus' passion?

Feast of the Assumption: The Feast of the Assumption is Tuesday, August 15 and is a Holy Day of Obligation. Mass will be celebrated for this Feast Day on Monday, August 14 at 6:00 p.m. at the top of Mount Philo (see Sermon on the Mount notice on next page) and on Tuesday, August 15 at 7:00 a.m. at Our Lady of Mount Carmel and at 7:00 p.m. at St. Jude.

8:00 a.m. Choir: The OLMC 8:00 a.m. Choir will be rehearsing on **Thursday evenings, from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m.** at the OLMC church and would love to have anyone wanting to sing to join them. Joining for rehearsal doesn't mean you are committed for every Sunday, but you could sing with them when the "spirit moves"! They would love to welcome new voices into their "choir family".

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 22 and September 12 and 26 from 12:00 to 2:00 p.m.** Serving begins at 12:00 noon.

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.

Helping with CCD: We are looking for teachers and aides for this coming school year. We are in need of help in Kindergarten (teacher) , 3rd (aide) , 5th (aide) , 6th (teacher and aide), and 7th (teacher and aide) grades. If you are interested in helping out or learning more, please contact Marie at marietcookson@aol.com. This is a very rewarding experience. ****PLEASE NOTE:** CCD information and registration forms will be mailed out in August. If you are new to the parish and haven't yet registered and have children who are school age, please contact Marie at the email address above and she will be sure that you get the information.

Bishop's Fund: Thank you to everyone who has donated to the Bishop's Fund thus far. **To date, we are 111.48% (\$24,614) of our annual goal of \$22,079. Thank you very much!** If you haven't yet made a donation, won't you please do so this week? Thank you.

Vermont Catholic Magazine: Please support the Bishop's Fund. By making a donation of \$24 or more, you will receive the quarterly VT Catholic Magazine. Thank you for supporting both the Bishop's Fund and VT Catholic.

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 14th. 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-E: desserts; F-I: drinks; J-Q: main dish; R-Z side dishes/salads (potato, macaroni, pasta, tossed, etc.) or hor'dourves, chips, dips, veggie trays, etc;** 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.

Parish Council: There will be a Parish Council Meeting this Thursday, August 17 at 7:00 p.m. All are welcome.

St. Jude Raffle: St. Jude's is having a raffle for a Jay Peak Water Park Family Fun Package valued at \$725.00. The drawing will be Labor Day Weekend. Tickets are \$1 each or a book of 6 for \$5. If anyone would like tickets, please contact Marie at 482-2290, 425-2637 or at marietcookson@aol.com. Thank you.

Rachel's Vineyard Ministry: Rachel's Vineyard is a post-abortion spiritual healing ministry sponsored by the Diocese of Burlington. If you or someone you know has had an abortion and is seeking spiritual and emotional support and healing, please consider attending one of the following retreats:

-Day of Hope: A one-day retreat, to be held Saturday, October 21.

-Rachel's Vineyard Retreat: A weekend retreat on April 6-8, 2018.

For further info, please contact (in confidence) projectrachel@vermontcatholic.org.

Project Rachel Prayer Partners: Project Rachel Prayer Partners is looking for new members. This is a virtual prayer group of volunteers who pray for those involved in the Project Rachel Ministry for post-abortion healing. Members receive email or surface mail requests outlining specific prayer intentions. To join or for more information, contact Lori Daudelin at 658-6110 ext 1131.



Peter said to him in reply, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." Peter got out of the boat and began to walk on the water toward Jesus. But when he saw how strong the wind was he became frightened; and, beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" — Mt 14:28-30

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Bereavement Ministry Invitation: The Second Six-Week Series of *Seasons of Hope* begins **Wednesday, August 16, at 6:00 p.m.** in St. Catherine's Parish Hall. *Seasons of Hope* is a program designed to support participants in their bereavement and provide fellowship with others who are also experiencing the loss of a loved one. Participation in the first six-week series is not required in order to join in this second series. For more information, please call Lucille Malaney, group facilitator for *Seasons of Hope*, at 343-8812.

Adult Confirmation: Are you an adult who has been baptized and received your First Communion in the Catholic Church but were never confirmed? We will be holding a 7 session preparation class in the fall for all those interested in being confirmed. If you are interested or would like more info, please contact the office at 425-2637 or carmel@gmavt.net and we will add you to our list and will notify you as we get closer to the start date.

Collecting Memories of St. Jude: Do you have pictures or stories that you would be willing to share of St. Jude's, especially the first church, or of the Catholic history in Hinesburg? If so, please join us on Sunday, August 20 at 2:00 p.m. at St. Jude's. For more information, please contact Ann Thomas at 482-3889 or email at hhs@gmavt.net.

Healthier Living With Pain: The University Medical Center will be offering a FREE six week seminar on Healthier Living With Pain beginning Tuesday, August 8 and running for 6 consecutive Tuesdays from 1:00 to 3:30 p.m. at the Carpenter Carse Library in Hinesburg. Call Amanda Biggs at 847-5468 to register. All are welcome.

RCIA-Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults: The RCIA program educates and forms adults in the Catholic faith. If you or someone you know wants to become a Catholic, or simply wants a better understanding of the Catholic Faith, please consider joining us. Do you know someone who does not belong to a faith community and who could use a boost in their spiritual life? — please invite them! **Classes will begin on September 20th at 7:00 pm in the Church Hall of St. John Vianney, South Burlington, and are free of charge. Please contact Father Cray so he can get you registered through our parish.**