

October 8, 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—27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Come, let us kill him and acquire his inheritance." The tenants in today's parable murdered because of their greed. They had no respect for either the servants or the son of their landlord. Motivated only by their desire to own the property they cultivated, they did whatever was necessary to further their cause. But they were fools. The only thing they inherited was a death sentence in return for their wickedness.

Greed can act like poison to an otherwise healthy mind. Instead of allowing one to think clearly, an obsession with having "more" can cloud a person's judgment. Certainly it won't always lead to murder, but more often than not it leads to using people for our own ends or dismissing those who cannot help us get what we want. Treating others this way is never acceptable. It is an offense to human dignity and to God who made us in his own image. Greed can also have a blinding influence, preventing us from seeing the blessings that surround us. When our focus is on what we want instead of what we have, the tendency is to forget that we have anything at all. The only thing we can see is that which we don't yet possess.

Ultimately, greed makes us miserable. It fosters discontent for our life and disrespect for the lives of others. It is certainly not a fruit of the kingdom of God. Belonging to this heavenly realm means living a life of generosity instead of greediness. It means looking for ways to share what we have to improve the lives of others instead of hoarding more to "improve" our own lives. Jesus tells us that his kingdom belongs to those who produce its fruit. May we root out the weed of greed and instead cultivate generosity in the vineyard of our hearts.

Liturgical Publications

ANNOUNCED MASS INTENTIONS:

Sun. Oct. 8 8:00 a.m. For Paul and Helen-Mary Danyow requested by the Danyow Family.

Sun. Oct. 8 11:00 a.m. (No Intention)

Sun. Oct. 15 8:00 a.m. (No Intention)

Sun. Oct. 15 11:00 a.m. For Cheryl DeVolder Collins requested by the Marshall Family.

Offertory Last Week: \$2,656.56 Maintenance: \$885.00

Catholic University: \$30.00 Fuel: \$70.00

Hurricane Irma Relief: \$10.00 Salvation Army: \$20.00

World Mission Sunday: \$20.00 Priest Benefit: \$20.00

Electronic Giving: \$100.00

Second Collection This Week for Fuel

Pray for Vocations

Schedule of Counters: Monday, October 9, 2017

Trina Bianchi
Linda Stowe
Deborah Kramer

Schedule of Ministries: October 15, 2017

8:00 a.m. Altar Server: Anthony Seidita
Angelina Seidita
Lector: Chris Kogut
Extraordinary Min.: Sheila Duffy
Judy Laberge

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

-10/08 1st Year Confirmation Class at St. Jude's at 10:30 a.m.
-10/15 2nd Year Confirmation Class at St. Jude's at 10:30 a.m.
-10/15 Faith In Action Meeting at 12:00 noon.
-10/19 Parish Council Meeting at 7:00 p.m.
-10/26 Liturgy Committee Meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Question of the Week Does the "peace of God that surpasses all understanding" (Philippians 4:7) describe the life that pulses through my heart these days?

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 **October 10 and 24 from 12:00 to 2:00 p.m.** Serving begins at 12:00 noon.

The Catholic Church And The Development of Science and Western Civilization: Is the Catholic Church against science? The historical reality is much different than the modern perception. The Catholic Church not only has always supported science but was instrumental in the development of western science as well as art, architecture, music, economics, law, etc. Come learn about the historical basis for western culture on **Wednesday, October 18 at 6:30 p.m.** at St. Jude's. This is open to ALL 8th graders, high school students and adults. Presented by Bill Gavin of the Youth Ministry Office at the Diocese.

Faith In Action: There will be a Faith In Action Meeting next **Sunday, October 15**, following the 11:00 a.m. Mass. All are welcome.

Faith In Action Prayer Chain: OLMC Faith In Action Committee has a prayer list used by members to pray for those who request prayers to be said for them. Please contact Eileen Curtis at 425-4432 or Sheila Duffy at 425-7221 to add a name to the list.

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.

Parish Happenings at St. Jude's: St. Jude in Hinesburg is offering activities that are open to everyone. Below are some of the upcoming events:

--**Tae Kwon Do:** Wednesday afternoons: 3:15 - 4:15 p.m. and 5:15 - 6:15 p.m. Two session—Open to 3 year olds to adults. For more info and to set up a free class (1st Class), please call 802-377-0476 or email tkdkicks101@yahoo.com.

--**Line Dancing:** Line Dancing will be offered twice a month on Thursday evenings from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. (Weeks will vary from month to month). \$5/class. Dates for October are **October 12 and 26**. All are welcome.

--**Red Cross Adult First Aid/CPR/AED Training:** We will be holding a Red Cross Training on **Saturday, October 21** from 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Cost is \$90. You will be certified for two years. If you are interested in registering, please contact Marie at marietcookson@aol.com or 482-2290.

--**Family Contra Dance:** There will be a Contra Dance on **Friday, October 27** from 7:00 to 9:30 p.m. Donations at the door for the event. All are welcome.

--**Tai Chi:** Tai Chi will be offered on Monday and Wednesday mornings from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. beginning on **October 16 through December 6**. More info in the coming weeks.

Birtheright: Birtheright, a volunteer-run pregnancy service will host a New Volunteer Coffee on **Saturday, October 21** at 9:30 a.m. at its office at 289 College Street in Burlington. Birtheright's mission is *"It is the right of every pregnant woman to give birth, and the right of every child to be born."* Birtheright provides alternatives to abortion through love, help, hope and support to anyone experiencing an untimely or unexpected pregnancy. Every life has worth; you can make a difference! Call 865-0056 or email birtherightbvt@gmail.com for more information. 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 the following retreat:

--**Day of Hope:** A one-day retreat, to be held **Saturday, October 21**.
Men and women seeking healing from the hurt caused by abortion can reach out to Project Rachel at 658-4118 or projectrachel@vermontcatholic.org

Chittenden County Right to Life: The Chittenden County Right to life will meet on **Tuesday, October 10** from 7:15 to 8:15 p.m. in St. John Vianney Parish Hall, 160 Hinesburg Road in South Burlington. Many volunteers and supporters made the fair booth and annual dinner/auction successful. Thank you! New volunteers are welcome to join as they discuss ideas for promoting the sanctity of all human life here in Chittenden County. Contact chitrighttolife@gmail.com for more information.



Jesus said to them, "Did you never read in the Scriptures:
The stone that the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone...?
Therefore, I say to you, the kingdom of God will be taken away
from you and given to a people that will produce its fruit."

— Mt 21:42ab, 43
Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass 02001, 1998, 1970 C.C.D.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter: "The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone." Listen with your spouse for God's message of love by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Weekends are **Oct 21-22, 2017** in Contoocook, NH and **Mar 16-18, 2018** in Isle La Motte, VT. For more information, call Gary & Lynn Root at 802-456-8114 or visit them at <https://wwmevt.org>.

Catholic Variety Show: The Challengers will be hosting our first ever Catholic Variety Show on **October 13 at 7:00 p.m.** at the McCarthy Arts Center, St. Michael's College, Colchester. This event will feature nationally renowned Catholic Comedian Judy McDonald—a very funny lady that shares stories about Catholic Dating, Family, Life and just being Catholic. Throughout the evening there will be a medley of very gifted priests sharing their many talents. The whole evening will be a benefit show to help support our Diocesan Seminarians. More information and tickets available for \$15/each at www.VTChallengers.org.

VT Christian Rock-toberfest: YOU ARE LOVED! Truest words ever spoken - **STARS GO DIM** with hit song "You Are Loved" will perform with a variety of other artists including **MALLARY HOPE** with hit song "NOW" and Catholic Comedian **JUDY MCDONALD** - at this year's Christian Rock-toberfest on **October 14 at 7:00 p.m.** at North Avenue Alliance Church, Burlington. Tickets ranging from \$20-\$30/each are available online at www.VTChristianMusic.

Funeral Planning Workshop: Please join Ready's Funeral Home as they provide this workshop to help assist individuals with knowing the facts and the importance of having your final wishes documented. The Ready Funeral home will also welcome any questions you may have about this process. This workshop is free and is designed to give you peace of mind and have an open and honest discussion and answer questions about your final wishes. A free lunch will be provided for you as well. The workshop will be on **Sunday, November 5** at 12:30 p.m. at St. John Vianney Parish Hall, Hinesburg Road, South Burlington. All are welcome.