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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—Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

"Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of the least brothers of mine, you did for me." Today we celebrate the feast of an unusual kind of king. Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, does not run his kingdom in the standard fashion. Instead of insisting upon the pomp and circumstance that usually surrounds earthly royalty, Jesus has a different focus. He thinks not of himself, but of those he loves. And in today's Gospel, his interest is especially focused on the poor and suffering in our midst.

Our King asks us to care for those in need--the hungry, the homeless, the foreigner, the sick and suffering. But then, he goes farther; he tells us that in caring for these least brethren, we will be ministering to HIM! What an incredible promise. Not only do we carry out the command to love our neighbor when we protect those in need, but we also show our love for Jesus in a direct and concrete way. This love for Christ through others is so real that Jesus actually tells us that our place on Judgment Day will depend on it: "What you did not do for one of these least ones, you did not do for me." And these will go off to eternal punishment." On the other hand, the "righteous" who ministered to the weak and poor will enjoy eternal life. Our King has spoken loud and clear. Now comes the question of whether or not we are obeying his orders?

Each of us is called to examine how well we are caring for the least among us. Sometimes, this means giving our time and energy for special ministries or missions, but often it means caring for those right in front of us--the sick or suffering in our own homes, families, neighborhoods, or parishes. Whatever our situation, may we have the eyes to see Christ in our midst and serve him.

Liturgical Publications

ANNOUNCED MASS INTENTIONS:

Sun. Nov. 26 8:00 a.m. (No Intention)
Sun. Nov. 26 11:00 a.m. For All Souls
Sun. Dec. 3 8:00 a.m. For Helen Lamb requested by the Zahn Family.
Sun. Dec. 3 11:00 a.m. For Rev. Gerald Ragis

Offertory Last Week: \$1,453.00

Campaign for Human Development: \$430.00

Maintenance: \$70.00 Religious Retirement: \$25.00

Electronic Giving: \$225.00

Second Collection Next Week for Maintenance

Pray for Vocations

Schedule of Counters: Monday, November 27, 2017

Margaret Titus
Deborah Kramer
Marie Cookson

Schedule of Ministries: December 3, 2017

8:00 a.m.	Altar Server:	CCD Altar Servers
	Lector:	Tricia Sulva
	Extraordinary Min.:	Susan Zahn Mary Tierney Tricia Sulva

11:00 a.m.	Greeters:	Rosemarie Cartularo
	Altar Server:	
	Lector:	Charlie Tegatz
	Extraordinary Min.:	Betsy Tegatz Fritz Tegatz

Calendar of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Events

-12/03 CCD at CCS at 9:00 a.m.
-12/03 2nd Year Confirmation Class at St. Jude's at 10:30 a.m.
-12/10 1st Year Confirmation Class at St. Jude's at 10:00 a.m.

Question of the Week Having myself been found by divine mercy, what will I do during Advent to seek those in need? Are they already right here in front of me?

Feast of the Immaculate Conception: The Feast of the Immaculate Conception is **Friday, December 8** and is a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses will be held at 7:00 a.m. at Our Lady of Mount Carmel and 7:00 p.m. at St. Jude.

Charlotte Food Shelf: The Charlotte Food Shelf is in constant need of healthy snacks for the children the Food Shelf serves. Items such as pudding snack packs, granola bars, microwave popcorn, peanut butter or cheese crackers, pretzels and fruit or applesauce cups are all samples of healthy, easy after school snack foods. Donations may be left in the OLMC vestibule or can be dropped off at the Food Shelf at the Congregational Church on Wednesday evenings from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. or Thursday mornings 7:30 to 9:00 a.m.

Charlotte Food Shelf Giving Tree: The Christmas Holiday Box is in the back of Church. Please return your Giving Tree gift on or before **December 10**. Small items also needed for children are warm socks in sizes for children and adults. Personal items such as hair brushes, hair clips, hair spray, nail clippers, pens or any idea you have for teenage boys. If you have any questions please call 425-3252. Thank you for your thoughtful and generous gift.

Holiday Mass Schedules: The holiday schedule is as follows:

Immaculate Conception:

Friday, December 8 at 7:00 a.m. at OLMC

Friday, December 8 at 7:00 p.m. at St. Jude

Christmas Eve and Christmas Day:

Sunday, December 24 at 4:00 p.m. at The Old Lantern

Sunday, December 24 at 7:00 p.m. at St. Jude

Sunday, December 24 at 10:00 p.m. at OLMC

Monday, December 25 at 10:00 a.m. at St. Jude

New Year's Eve and Day:

Sunday, December 31 at **4:30 p.m.** at St. Jude

Monday, January 1 at 10:00 a.m. at OLMC

Cleaning the Church: We will be cleaning the OLMC church in preparation of the Christmas Season on **Saturday, December 2** beginning at 9:00 a.m. If you are interested in helping out, please contact Marie at 425-2637 or marietcookson@aol.com. Thank you.

Fall Raking: Thank you to the following people who came out last Saturday to rake the church grounds and cemetery: Hadley and Kelly Stockwell, Laura McCormick and Luca Viscito, David, Grace and Aaron McNally and Julianna White, Joe Blasius, Bennett and Celia Cazayoux, Rose and Daniel Bernier, Holden and Scott Lalumiere, Bill Geiger, Dick Meunier, Ray Curtis, Bob Danyow, Fr. Cray and Marie Cookson. Great job everyone.

***Many, many thanks to Linda Stowe for tending to all the daylilies all through the season and cleaning them up at the end of the season. We greatly appreciate your dedication, Linda.

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, December 1** following the 8:00 a.m. Mass.

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.

Yarn Donations: The Helping Hands Sewing Ministry at St. Jude's is looking for yarn. If you have any leftover yarn that you are looking to part with, please leave in the box in the vestibule of the church. Thank you.

Helping Hands Sewing Ministry: The Helping Hands Sewing Ministry is looking for anyone who has a need for adult smocks (food catchers) or walker bags. If you or someone you know could use these, please contact Grace at 598-0882 or Marie at 425-2637.

Looking for Crafters: St. Jude's will be having a Craft Fair on Saturday, December 9 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. We are looking for crafters. If you are a crafter and are interested in purchasing a space at this Craft Fair, please contact Marie at marietcookson@aol.com and an application form will be sent to you. 75% of items sold **must** be handmade.

Madrigal Singers: The CVU Madrigal Singers will be performing at St. Jude's on **Monday, December 4** beginning at 6:30 p.m. A free-will offering will take place to benefit the Madrigals. All are welcome to this Christmas event and sing-along.

St. Jude Craft Fair: There will be a Craft Fair at St. Jude Parish on **Saturday, December 9** from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Many items will be available. Please join us.

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 **November 28 and December 12 and 26 from 12:00 to 2:00 p.m.** Serving begins at 12:00 noon.



“Then the king will say to those on his right, ‘Come, you who are blessed by my Father. Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me, naked and you clothed me, ill and you cared for me, in prison and you visited me.’” — Mt 25:34-36

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass 02001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

Christmas Flowers: There are collection envelopes in the back of the church for the Christmas Flowers. Your donations may be made in someone's memory. Please fill out the front of the envelope accordingly.

Counters Needed: We are in need of more counters as many of our regulars will be heading south in the next month or two. Counting is done on Monday morning at 8:30 a.m. in the St. Jude Rectory. Folks work in teams of three. Counting is usually finished by 9:30 a.m. (usually earlier). It is a great way to meet some of your fellow parishioners and get to know those from St. Jude's also. If you are interested or would like more info, please contact Marie at 425-2637 or email at marietcookson@aol.com.

Advent Appeal-2017: Please join Vermont Catholic Charities in supporting the Annual Advent Appeal. The “Season of Giving” has no bounds for people in need. Whatever the season, there are basic needs to be met: food, shelter, and heat, to name but a few. With your help, we can make a difference in lives of those living on the edge. Many Vermonters are struggling to put daily bread on the table or to keep the lights and heat on in their homes. Whether your gift is \$10, \$100, \$1000 or more, your gift will make a difference in the life of a needy family. To donate, please mail a check to Vermont Catholic Charities, 55 Joy Drive, South Burlington, VT 05403 or give online at www.vermontcatholic.org. Thank you.

SCHIP: SCHIP's Treasure Resale Shop is hiring a part-time sales associate for its non-profit boutique in Shelburne Village. Work hours are 2+ days per week, including some Saturdays. Must like clothing and working with people; retail experience a plus. Must also be able to stand for long periods of time and be able to lift up to 25 pounds repeatedly. Salary is \$11.50 - \$13.00/hour, depending on experience. Please send resume to Caroline Vanderbilt, c/o SCHIP's Treasure, 5404 Shelburne Rd. #1, Shelburne, VT 05482 or schipstore@myfairpoint.net.

Daily Mass at St. Jude's - Winter Weather: Once again the schedule for daily Mass at St. Jude's will follow the Hinesburg/Charlotte School System. If there is no school in Hinesburg and Charlotte due to the weather, there will be NO morning Mass on Monday or Friday mornings. Closings are found on the local radio and TV stations.