

Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**There is no avoiding the truth of the Cross****September 23, 2018**

What does leadership and avoidance have to do with one another? Just ask Jesus. When Jesus was on his way to Jerusalem with his disciples, he was teaching them that, "the Son of Man is to be handed over to men and they will kill him, and three days after his death the Son of Man will rise." This was the second passion prediction given by Christ in the Gospel of Mark (Mk. 9:30-37), the first being the passage we heard last Sunday from the Gospel of Mark (Mk. 8:27-35). But what do the disciples do with this information? They ignore it. Jesus was teaching his disciples through example; that they will need to follow his model of leadership, one of self-sacrifice. That is a message they did not want to hear, so they decided to discuss the issue of leadership based on how the world judge's leadership. "They had been discussing among themselves on the way who was the greatest". They did not want to hear that a true leader lays his life down for others. They were rejecting the message by not listening to what Jesus was saying to them concerning true discipleship. They avoided the subject all together, when Jesus asked them, "What were you arguing about on the way? But they remained silent." When we want to avoid a subject that is uncomfortable for us to talk about, we can remain silent ourselves. Sometimes we even silence those who cause us to confront issues in our own lives. Just listen to the first reading from Wisdom 2:12, 17-20, it is said plainly. "Let us beset the just one, because he is obnoxious to us." Jesus' message today is viewed as obnoxious to some people because it does not allow us to avoid the truth, from the sanctity of human life, to the importance of marriage and the family as a fundamental value of our Christian faith and culture to caring for the vulnerable and impoverished.

Psalms 54: 3-4,5,6-8 is a lament of the exploited and vulnerable. "O God, by your name save me. And by your might defend my cause. O God hear my prayer; harken to the words of my mouth." The Psalmist remains hopeful that God will sustain the faithful and help all those who are persecuted to overcome injustice.

When Jesus places the child in their midst at the end of today's gospel and says, "Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me: and whoever receives me, receives not me but the One who sent me." Children in the ancient world had no value in society, they were seen as a commodity, something to be worked or traded. Children were the poor and vulnerable and Jesus asks his disciples to become like little children. Jesus asks us to become poor and vulnerable, to be willing to be last so that we can be first. Jesus himself will be the first to become like a little child, on the cross Jesus is poor and vulnerable. On the cross Jesus puts himself last so that he can become the first born from the dead. It was because of the leadership that Jesus gave by suffering and dying on the cross and rising in three days, that children as well as all people are valued as

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all people are valued as members of God family. It is Jesus who gives us through his leadership on the cross that all life is sacred, from conception to natural death. It is Jesus who gives us through his leadership on the cross, the importance marriage and family by showing us the Father's love. And as his Mother and our Mother Mary stood at the foot of the cross we are asked to be faithful as Mary is faithful to her son. This love of God revealed to us enables us to understand that a child needs a stable environment which provides security. It is Jesus who gives us through his leadership on the cross, the concern to protect the poor and vulnerable of our society by not allowing them to be exploited. Jesus himself was exploited on the cross by his being ridiculed and tortured. The cross does not allow us to avoid the truth rather it challenges us to embrace the truth. The truth that was revealed on the cross is heard in the second reading from the Letter of James 3:16- 4:3, "the wisdom from above is first of all pure, then peaceable, gentle, compliant, full of mercy and good fruits, without inconstancy or insincerity." Why would we want to avoid such a beautiful gift from God?

Yours in Christ

Fr. Anthony



We need volunteers to help with various tasks as we once again meet to plan for our **FIFTH** Veterans' Day Celebration beginning with morning Mass on Saturday, November 10, 2018. If you would like to help out in any way, such as assisting in the Liturgical Celebration, planning the Memorial Service, developing the program, decorating or planning for refreshments in the new Parish Center at the conclusion of the services, please contact Bill Dedrick at 518-283-0311 or b.dedrick@verizon.net.

CALLING ALL VOICES AND INSTRUMENTS

Project Praise will rehearse at 10:45AM on Sundays and then provide music for the 11:30AM Masses. Instruments are welcomed. If you have any questions please contact Nick Ascioti at naamusic@nycap.rr.com or see me after any Mass. Please consider joining either group and share your time and talent with our St. Jude Community.

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PRAYERS

We will pray for those who are ill, hospitalized, recuperating and all those who are in need of prayers. If you know someone who could use prayers, please call the Parish Office and leave their name for inclusion in the bulletin. Please make sure you have their permission to do so. This week we pray for the following people:

Jacqueline Ackner, Anne Antdomi, Raymond Bagley, Carol Bennete, Colleen Bornhorst, Ann Burke, Bryce Chapman, Bob & Rose Davignon, Michelle Darcy, Chester DeBell Sr., Tina Demczar, Edward Doin, Edward Dworakowski, Theresa Dworakowski, Joseph Esposito, Thomas Esposito, Ralph Esposito, Stephen Finelli, Donna Flinton, Brenda Flynn, Dick Galvin, Dave Grinko, Pat Harley, Nancy Hannigan, Tony Huneau, Fran Geise, Mary Ellen Gibson, Lynn Gorman, Margaret Hoban, Debbie Hopkins, Monique Inyard, Dorothy Jones, Mary Keeley, Edward Kehn Jr., Tayla Kreiger, Cheryl Kresky, James E. Madden, Anthony Mainello, Craig Maloney, David Manning, Jimmy Margo, Charlie Martinec, Debra Moulton, Anne McHugh, Morgan McEvelly, Stella Muzicka, Christine Pangburn, Dawn Perlmin, Mary Phibbs, Jack Reid, Bonnie Ritrovoto, Laney Robillard, Isabella Rodino, David & Roni Ruppert, Christopher Russell, Jason Russell, Kenny Schroeder, Kaleb Schwartz, Derrick Senior, Margaret Shields, Mary Signorelli, Courtney Sims, Anne Stevens, John Sullivan, Shirley Talbot, Joseph Tenzyk, Leona Toniatti, Anthony Valenti, Ashley Valenti, Madeline Valenti, J. Van Amburgh, Richard Vonk, Holly Wait, and Sharon Wiliking.

DID YOU KNOW?

We bring Communion to those in our parish community who are homebound and cannot attend Mass. If you know of someone who is unable to attend Mass and would like to receive communion and a visit, please call the Parish Office at 283-1162.

ACTIVE, RESERVE AND NATIONAL GUARD

PRAYER LIST

We would like to pray for all our military personnel in our Parish and we would like to include their names in the bulletin each week. We request that you assist us by submitting the names to the Parish Office so that these service members can be included in our prayers. **SFC. Michael Baker, Matthew S. Cannon, SRA Jordan Correll USAF, SRA Colton Correll USAF, USMC—CPL W (Mac) Harkin, Joe McMillen, First Sergeant Aime Moore, LCpl. Matthew T. Nero US Marines, Airman 1st Class Michael D. Jennings, Master Sergeant Richard Palasz and Specialist Joshua Abbott.**

SANCTUARY VOTIVE CANDLE

St. Jude the Apostle Church provides the opportunity for a sanctuary votive candle intention. This intention is the same cost as a mass intention. The sanctuary candle is in memory of a particular person. It will appear weekly at the top of the daily mass intention in the bulletin. If you would like to have a sanctuary votive light please call the Parish Office.

ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY

Our next meeting will be held on Sunday, October 7, 2018 after the 9AM Mass at St. Jude Apartments Community Room. Prior to Mass the Rosary will be recited at 8:15AM. Our Annual Gathering is Tuesday, October 9, 2018. We will start with a Church Service at 6PM followed by a reception in Dammann Hall. Please bring finger foods to share, Coffee, tea and wine will be available. We welcome new members to join a celebration of past achievements and our hopes and prayers for the future. Annual dues are now \$15.00 can be paid that night, Michelle Wyanski and Hollis McEvelly will be chairing this event. Please come and join the Rosary Altar Society.

FALL FESTIVAL 9/29 SAVE THE DATE

Planning has begun for our 13th Annual Festival and WE NEED YOU!!! We are looking for people to join one of our subcommittees which include advertising, sponsorship/donations, volunteers coordinating, entertainment, or you can chair a specific food booth. Please consider joining our festival planning committee—many hands make light fun work! Please contact Jessica at 518-229-3079 or StJudeFestival@outlook.com to help or share any new ideas or recommendations!

BAKERS NEEDED!!



VOLUNTEERS!!! Dessert Booth—Calling all of our fabulous bakers!! Looking for donations of baked goods for the festival. Donations can be dropped off Friday night (9/28). If you are able to help please contact Patti Mugrace at 283-1162 or at mugrap@gmail.com

PARISH NURSE PROGRAM

Start saving now! We will be collecting, at the entrance of the church, Personal Care Products the entire month of October for Catholic Charities. Folks who are on Food Stamps are not allowed to buy Personal Care Products with their monthly stipends. Starting in October if you could bring in soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes, shampoo, deodorant, feminine products, etc. it would be greatly appreciated. We collected many items last year-I hope we can do the same this year with your generosity.

SEPTEMBER 23, 2018

St. Jude School



Students in 5th & 6th grade have wasted no time into collaborative projects! Top: 6th grade Science often takes careful planning, teamwork, patience and trial and error. Looks like these students have what it takes to be successful!

Bottom: Marshmallow Challenge returned to 5th Grade! The tallest freestanding structure was 10" High!

Updates from Fontaine, Haiti

Our good friend, Director and Founder of St. Gabriel's School, Pierre Louis Joizil will be visiting us on Saturday, Sept. 29th & 30th. Pierre Louis will give us his yearly update on how students and faculty are doing. Wonderful things are happening at St. Gabriel's School and we at St. Jude the Apostle Church and School have contributed in great ways. We will have the opportunity of helping students with tuition as well, so please give some prayer time about whether your family could help support a student at St. Gabriel's School.

Thank you for your consideration, Nick Ascoti

St. Jude CYO



St. Jude Basketball Registration for the upcoming season, for new and returning players, will be held on Monday, September 24, 2018 in the hallway of St. Jude School from 6PM until 7:30PM. The program is open to boys and girls in Grades 1 through 8. For more information, please contact Mike or Linda Buckley at 283-6836 or via e-mail at: mbuckley1@nycap.rr.com. If anyone still has a uniform from last year, please return it at registration.



FEED THE HUNGRY

DOORS OF HOPE

This is our local food pantry that aids our community members. The needs of those who are struggling never diminish. Please give generously to help our community pantry provide food and personal care items to those in need. Suggested items needed are: *tuna fish, mayo, chunky soups, crackers, tooth paste, dish soap and feminine products* 13 bags were received and brought to Doors of Hope last week. Thank you for your generosity.



CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Sunday, September 23, 2018

9:00AM Sue DiFiore

CHILDREN'S Liturgy of the Word

11:30AM Varsha Joseph

Sunday, September 30, 2018

9:00AM No Session

11:30AM No Session

Children's Liturgy of the Word will be held during the 9:00 a.m. & 11:30a.m. Mass. Children's Liturgy of the Word is for 3-8 years old.

K-6 FAITH FORMATION CALENDAR

September 23 Class at 10:30AM

September 30 Class at 10:30AM

October 7 Class at 10:30AM

If you have not re-registered for Faith Formation in Grades K-6 or are registering for the first time, we ask that you complete a registration form that is available in the parish office

TEAM PATHWAYS

September 23	7th & 8th Grade Class at 10:45AM
	9th & 10th Grade Class at 10AM
September 30	7th & 8th Grade Class at 10:45AM
	9th & 10th Grade Class at 10AM
October 7	7th & 8th Grade Class at 10:45AM
	9th & 10th Grade Class at 10AM



TEAM PATHWAYS

Grades 7-10

2018-2019 Registration

Team Pathways is the High School Ministry program for St. Jude the Apostle Parish. Teens wishing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation must be involved in the program for a minimum of 2 years in Grades 9th & 10th.

Registration can be done online

Complete the registration process online, by simply scanning the QR code below which brings you to the document to fill out and submit or you can mail your registration form from the website to 42 Dana Avenue, Wynantskill, New York 12198 (7th & 8th graders meet at 10:45AM in the Music Room) and (9th & 10th graders meet in the Music Room at 10AM). The cost of the program is \$45.00 per teen, \$75.00 for 2 or more children.



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Announced Masses

Saturday, September 22

4:00PM William Evans, *Wife & Family*
Fran & George Geiger,
Mary Ellen Hunt & Pat & Jim Schaeffer
Joann Brochu, *Mary Ellen Hunt*
Anna Passonno, *Andrew Maloney*

Sunday, September 23

9:00AM Angelo Cornacchia, *Daughters*
Anthony Zullo, *Family*
Kyran Devery, *Mary Ann Ryan*
Patricia Doakmajian, *M/M John Miorin*
11:30AM Jody Rogers Akots, *Dtr. Madison*
Louise Bowen, *Bill & Carol Dedrick*

Monday, September 24

8:00AM Joan Aransky, *Janice Kennedy*
James "TJ" Vooris, *A Friend*
Mary Jane Fitzgerald, *Mary McDade*
2:00PM Audrey Reed,
Marilyn Gorman & Family

Tuesday, September 25

8:00AM Deceased Parishioners of St. Jude

Wednesday, September 26

8:00AM Kyran Devery, *Tom & Mary Ann Grago*

Thursday, September 27

8:00AM Kevin Gilooly, *Family*

Friday, September 28

8:00AM Eugene Flinton, *St. Jude K of C*

Saturday, September 29

4:00PM Elizabeth Brisbois, *Zappone Family*
Mary Marge Walsh, *Family*
Joann Brochu, *Donna Clark*
Anna Passonno,
Joe & Marie Kruczlnicki

Sunday, September 30

9:00AM Anthony "Stretch" Valente,
Jennie & Family
Mary Dugrenier, *Family*
Kyran Devery, *M/M Dennis Nagengast*
11:30AM Anne & Leon Wait, *The Wait Family*

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Weekend of September 29 & 30, 2018

	<u>4PM</u>	<u>9AM</u>	<u>11AM</u>
Lectors	1. A. Short	M. Dinan	Family Mass
	2. C. Tenzyk	E. Parker	Family Mass
Ministers	H. L. Owens	J. Kruczlnicki	S. Zimmer
	1. B. Dedrick	M. Kruczlnicki	L. Bonafede
	2. K. Caruso	J. Milanese	J. Behan
	3. P. Caruso	J. Miller	
	4. B. Dedrick	P. Binck	
Servers	1. J. Ziobroski	N. Clemenzi	M. McGivern
	2. M. Fresyssinier	E. Hansen	N. Premo
	3. A. Hein	D. Parker	J. Roberts

Readings for the Week of September 23, 2018

Sunday: Wis 2:12, 17-20/Ps 54:3-4, 5, 6-8 [6b]/
 Jas 3:16--4:3/Mk 9:30-37

Monday: Prv 3:27-34/Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5 [1]/
 Lk 8:16-18

Tuesday: Prv 21:1-6, 10-13/Ps 119:1, 27, 30, 34, 35,
 44 [35]/Lk 8:19-21

Wednesday: Prv 30:5-9/Ps 119:29, 72, 89, 101, 104, 163
 [105]/Lk 9:1-6

Thursday: Eccl 1:2-11/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14
 and 17bc [1]/Lk 9:7-9

Friday: Eccl 3:1-11/Ps 144:1b and 2abc, 3-4 [1]/
 Lk 9:18-22

Saturday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a/
 Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 4-5 [1]/Jn 1:47-51

Next Sunday: Nm 11:25-29/Ps 19:8, 10, 12-13, 14 [9a]/
 Jas 5:1-6/Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

Stewardship

Offertory support of our Parish Community week of
 9/16/2018 \$6,508.00

Includes Electronic Giving \$1,630.00

Total accumulated offertory for the current year to date beginning July 1, 2018 is \$65,561.00

Total Offertory budget for the current year beginning July 1, 2018 \$349,800.00

Offertory support of our Parish Community for the same week in 2017 was \$6,941.00

Total accumulated offertory for the same period year to date in 2017-2018 \$67,613.00

2nd Collection Repairs and Maintenance \$401.00

September 23, 2018 Coll. Team #7 Rose Galipeau
September 30, 2018 Coll. Team #1 Mary Ellen Hunt
October 7, 2018 Coll. Team #2 Peter McMillen
October 14, 2018 Coll. Team #3 Bob Myron
October 28, 2018 Coll. Team #4 John Waterbury
November 4, 2018 Coll. Team #5 Cherie Aanonsen
November 11, 2018 Team #6 Tanya Halse

Mass Schedule for our Local Catholic Community

Sacred Heart Sat. 4P M, Sun. 8:30AM & 10:30AM
 Weekday Mon.-Fri. 9AM

St. Jude Sat. 4PM, Sun. 9AM & 11:30AM
 Weekday Mon.-Fri. 8AM

St. Michael Sat. 5:15, Sun. 7:30AM & 10:15AM
 Weekday Mon-Thru. 12:10PM

Van Rensselaer Manor Tuesdays at 1:45PM