

Twenty Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 29-30, 2018

From Fr. Anthony Ligato

If Jesus is for us, how can we be against one another?

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Several years back, I was asked by my cousin if I could co-officiate at her wedding which was going to be celebrated in the Armenian Apostolic Church. She was worried that a Catholic Priest could not participate in a wedding in the church of another Christian denomination. When I told her absolutely I would be able to participate, and the marriage would be recognized by the Catholic Church, she was delighted. The situation that I just explained is not unusual. People so often do not know or understand ecumenism, the relationship between all the Christian denominations, Catholic, Orthodox, Protestant and Evangelical Churches; we all work together to further the mission of Jesus Christ. That was not always the way it was, you might remember a time when a Catholic or Protestant were not allowed to be the best man or maid of honor in one another's weddings. If a Catholic married a Protestant the wedding either took place in the rectory outside the sanctuary of the church. There was a time when you could not even be a guest at a non-Catholic wedding.

These are real life examples of the statement the Apostle John presents to Jesus in today's gospel (Mk 9:38-43,45,47-48) "Teacher, we saw someone driving out demons in your name, and we tried to prevent him because he does not follow us." Jesus responded by saying, "Do not prevent him." Jesus makes it clear that the work of God can't be accomplished by someone who does not believe. The challenge Jesus gives to the believer is that we can't shut out others because they may be different from us in the way they worship or in what they believe or how they live. For they too may be called by God to serve. Moses says as much in the first reading from the Book of Numbers (11:25-29), when two men receive the gift of prophesy; "Would that the Lord might bestow his spirit on them all." It is this understanding that guides the Church teaching on ecumenism. Vatican II brought a new spirit of cooperation among the various denominations of Christianity with the Decree on Ecumenism, "Unitatis redintegratio"; November 21, 1964. The decree speaks about the restoration of unity among Christians, "Christ the Lord founded one Church and one Church only. However, many Christian communities present themselves to men as the true inheritors of Jesus Christ; all indeed profess to be followers of the Lord but differ in mind and go their different ways, as if Christ himself were divided. Certainly, such division openly contradicts the will of Christ, scandalizes the world, and damages that most holy cause, the preaching of the Gospel to every creature." We as Christians have been the greatest obstacle to the Gospel being preached because we have allowed differences to overshadow that which we all share in common, Jesus Christ.

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God gives us his law as we hear in Psalm 19:8,10,12-13,14; "The precepts of the Lord gives joy to the heart." The Psalm tells us that God's law is fair and just, never excluding people but inviting them into a relationship with God. The law of God is not restrictive but rather God's covenant brings us lasting freedom.

The second reading from the Letter of James (5:1-6), is speaking about the materially wealthy, and how their self-absorption will lead to their decay. When we are self-absorbed we shut out others from our lives. sharing the wealth of the Gospel message. Because Christian denominations have been divided over the centuries our divisions have shut others out from hearing the Gospel proclaimed. We are called to witness to our love of Christ to one another, especially among Christians. We have missed many opportunities to truly establish the Kingdom of God here and now. Maybe we need the same kind of cooperation among Christian Churches as we have with the Sacrament of Marriage. That cooperation among people of faith can occur in all areas of Christian living. You might ask is there some way we can help create that cooperation, and the answer is, yes. By joining Ecumenical Associations to help build cooperation and understanding among all Christian people. "The one who gives the cup of water because they belong to Christ will not, I assure you go without his reward" Would we not give a cup of water to anyone who thirsts? Jesus asks us to cooperate with one another by letting go of anything that does not reflect the presence of Jesus. If Jesus is for us, how can we allow anything in our lives that is against Jesus and thus against one another as well.

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.

PARKING

Just a reminder of the parking regulations here at St. Jude the Apostle: Please remember that there is no parking on Dana Avenue and Brookside Avenue where it is posted with NO PARKING ZONE. Please follow all regulations and don't block the corners and driveways of our neighbors on Brookside Avenue and Dana Avenue. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

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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, James E. Madden, Anthony Mainello, Craig Maloney, David Manning, Jimmy Margo, Charlie Martinec, Debra Moulton, Anne McHugh, Morgan McEville, 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.

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, Third Class Petty Officer Christopher Fox, USMC—CPL W (Mac) Harkin, AB Mary B. McDade USAF Joe McMillen, First Sergeant Aime Moore, LCpl. Matthew T. Nero US Marines, Airman 1st Class Michael D. Jennings, Master Sergeant Richard Palasz, Specialist Joshua Abbott .**



We pray for our recently deceased parishioners and friends.

***Nancy Hannigan, Wife of James Hannigan
Rita Huerter, Wife of John Huerter***

May they and all our departed loved ones, friends, relatives, and parishioners enjoy forever the brightness of the eternal light.

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.

PARISH NURSE PROGRAM

Beginning next weekend, October 6, 2018 we will be collecting, at the entrance of the Church, Personal Care Products during the entire month of October, for Catholic Charities. People who are on Food Stamps are not allowed to buy Personal Care Products with their monthly stipend. 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.

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.



PARISH OFFICE NEWS

The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, October 8, 2018 for the Columbus day Observance. We will re-open on Tuesday, October 9, 2018.

VIRTUS TRAINING

There will be Virtus training offered on October 15, 2018 at 6PM in the Parish Center Community Room. This is a one time training that is required for all adults who will be working or volunteering for the church or School where the program or event will involve children. Please register on line at Virtus.org

ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY

Our next meeting will be held on Sunday, October 7, 2018 after the 9AM Mass at the St. Jude Parish Center. 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 McEville will be chairing this event. Please come and join the Rosary Altar Society.

SEPTEMBER 30, 2018

St. Jude The Apostle School

Colonie Center wants to help you earn money for **St. Jude the Apostle School!**

Every time you, your family, and your friends shop at Colonie Center, you can help the school earn points. At the end of the school year, Colonie Center will give away cash prizes to the top 10 schools.

St. Jude the Apostle is proud to have placed 6th in the 2017-2018 school year. Let's work to place higher for the 2018-2019 school year!

It's easy to help. Bring your original cash register receipts from ANY Colonie Center store, restaurant, or movie theater to the mall's Guest Services (located on the lower level near Five Guys) and **St. Jude the Apostle School will receive 1 School Bucks Point for every dollar spent. It's really that easy!** You can also submit your receipt to the envelopes in St. Jude School (or Church) lobbies. The St. Jude volunteers will be happy to submit receipts to the mall.

Thank you for your continued support!



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: *canned vegetables & fruits, pasta, pasta sauce, toilet paper and laundry soap*
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 30, 2018

9:00AM No Session
11:30AM No Session

Sunday, October 7 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 30 Class at 10:30AM
October 7 No Session
October 14 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 30 7th & 8th Grade Class at 10:45AM
9th & 10th Grade Class at 10AM
October 7 No Session
October 14 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 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, *Dennis & Jean Nagengast*
11:30AM Anne & Leon Wait, *The Wait Family*

Monday, October 1

8:00AM Jerry Jones, *Family*
2:00PM Deceased Parishioners of St. Jude Apts.

Tuesday, October 2

8:00AM Deceased Parishioners of St. Jude

Wednesday, October 3

8:00AM George Herrington, *Family*

Thursday, October 4

8:00AM Deceased Parishioners of St. Jude

Friday, October 5

8:00AM Deceased Parishioners of St. Jude

Saturday, October 6

4:00PM David Manning, *Wife & Family*
 Karen Layman, *Al & Patti Mugrace*
 Joann Brochu, *Peg Dessinger*
 Anna Passonno, *Al & Patti Mugrace*

Sunday, October 7

9:00AM Deceased Knights of Columbus
 Stephen Valente, *Mom & Family*
 Kyran Devery, *William Keohan*
 Eugen Flinton, *John & Hollis McEvilly*
11:30AM Joseph Frost, *Mom, Dad,*
Matthew & Taya
 Louise Bowen, *Maureen Hannigan & Sons*

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Weekend of October 6 & 7, 2018

	<u>4PM</u>	<u>9AM</u>	<u>11AM</u>
Lectors	1. M. Collins	J. Miller	Family Mass
	2. M. Dinan	M. McDade	S. Flagg
Ministers	H. J. Flanigan	Dcn. Warren	M. Donnelly
	1. L. Owens	R. Palasz	S. Bonanni
	2. K. Harriman	H. Skiba	J. Dworakowski
	3. C. Tenzyk	P. Schaeffer	
	4. J. Tenzyk	B. Zemanick	
Servers	1. N. Harriman	M. McDade	M. Rumenapp
	2. A. Harriman	E. Parker	C. Urquhart
	3. A. C-McNeil	D. Parker	C. Dean

Readings for the Week of September 30, 2018

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

Monday: Jb 1:6-22/Ps 17:1bcd, 2-3, 6-7 [6]/
 Lk 9:46-50

Tuesday: Jb 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23/Ps 88:2-3, 4-5,
 6, 7-8 [3]/Mt 18:1-5, 10

Wednesday: Jb 9:1-12, 14-16/Ps 88:10bc-11, 12-13,
 14-15 [3]/Lk 9:57-62

Thursday: Jb 19:21-27/Ps 27:7-8a, 8b-9abc,
 13-14 [13]/Lk 10:1-12

Friday: Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5/Ps 139:1-3, 7-8,
 9-10, 13-14ab [24b]/Lk 10:13-16

Saturday: Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17/Ps 119:66, 71, 75, 91,
 125, 130 [135]/Lk 10:17-24

Next Sunday: Gn 2:18-24/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 [cf. 5]/
 Heb 2:9-11/Mk 10:2-16 or 10:2-12

Stewardship

Offertory support of our Parish Community week of 9/23/2018	\$4,639.00
Total accumulated offertory for the current year to date beginning July 1, 2018 is	\$70,202.00
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	\$5,387.00
Total accumulated offertory for the same period year to date in 2017-2018	\$73,000.00
2nd Collection Repairs and Maintenance	\$400.00

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 21, 2018 Coll. Team #4 John Waterbury
October 28, 2018 Coll. Team #5 Cherie Aanonsen
November 4, 2018 Coll. Team #6 Tanya Halse
November 11, 2018 Team, #7 Rose Galipeau

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