

Parish Bulletin

TWO CATHOLIC PARISHES. ONE CATHOLIC FAITH.

SACRED HEART OF JESUS, LEWISTOWN | SAINT JUDE THADDEUS, MIFFLINTOWN

FEBRUARY 22, 2026

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

WELCOME

We're glad you're here! No matter who you are, where you come from, or where you are on your journey of faith, please know that you are welcome here.

Sacred Heart Parish, Lewistown, and Saint Jude Parish, Mifflintown, are two separate Catholic parish communities in the Diocese of Harrisburg. Our shared office space is located in Lewistown, PA.

PARISH

Sacred Heart & Saint Jude Parish Office

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Lewistown, PA 17044
717-242-2781

Mon-Thurs: 9:00am - 3:00pm

Fri: 9:00am - 12:00pm

Office hours are available by phone or in person at our Lewistown office.

SCHOOL

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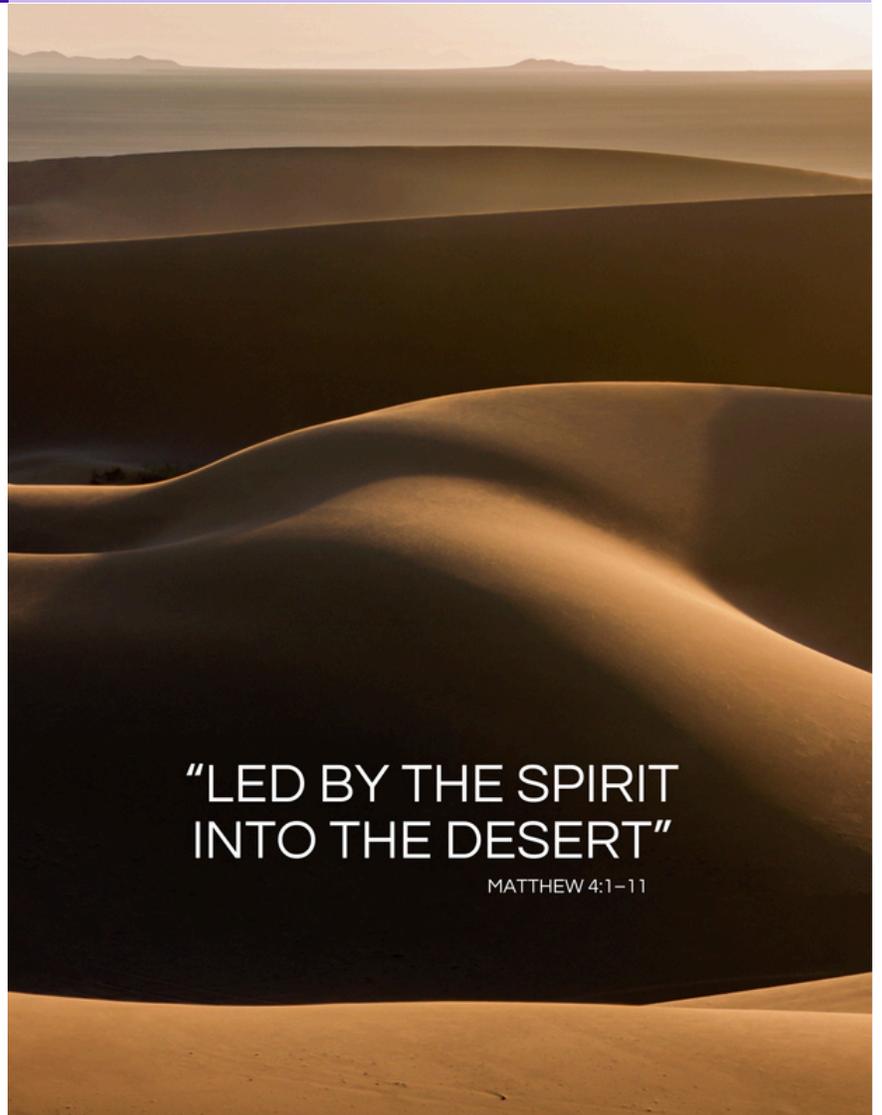
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“LED BY THE SPIRIT
INTO THE DESERT”

MATTHEW 4:1-11

CONFESSION

The Sacrament of Confession is offered at 3:00 pm on Saturdays at Sacred Heart, Lewistown, and at 6:00 pm on Wednesdays and 8:30 am on Sundays at St. Jude, Mifflintown. Appointments for confession can be made by calling the Parish Office.

BULLETIN REQUESTS

Please submit bulletin requests to Ashley Henry at development@sacredheartschool.com at least 8 days before the Sunday of publication. Submissions may be edited or abbreviated.



INFORMATION CENTER

ALTAR FLOWERS

We invite you to honor or remember a loved one by sponsoring altar flowers throughout the year. The Parish Office will coordinate all flower memorial orders with our local florists. If you would like to sponsor flowers in memory or in honor of a loved one, please contact the Parish Office. Checks may be made payable to the Parish.

MASS INTENTIONS

- Anyone may request a Mass to be said for a deceased family member or friend.
- Intentions are \$10 per Mass
- Intentions are printed weekly in the church bulletin.

FAITHFUL DEPARTED

In the charity of your prayers, please pray for the repose of the souls of all those who passed away this week. May they rest in peace.

HELP IS HERE FOR YOU

Counseling Services:

Diocese of Harrisburg Catholic Charities
Capital Region Counseling Office
Kelly Bolton, LSW
939 East Park Drive, Suite 101
717-233-7978
kbolton@cchbg.org



THIS WEEK ON FORMED

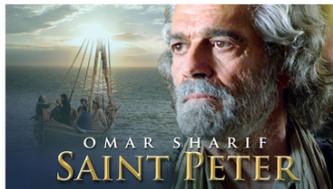
Formed is free to all parishioners at both Sacred Heart and St. Jude. Simply visit formed.org and click sign up to see what they have to offer!



Foretold | Trailer

From the beginning, God had a plan to save man from sin. With Jesus, that plan was fulfilled. But he also has a specific plan for you. Watch Foretold to rediscover God's providential love for you.

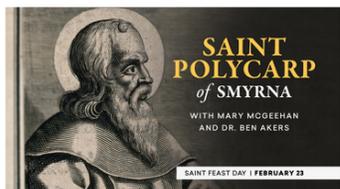
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Saint Peter

Watch the epic story of the spread of Christianity during the early years of the Church. This film follows the journey of St. Peter through his martyrdom on a cross.

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St. Polycarp | Catholic Saints

Join Dr. Ben Akers and Mary McGehean as they dive into the life of St. Polycarp, a second-century bishop and martyr. St. Polycarp was a student of St. John the Apostle, defended the faith against early heresies, and offered his life like Christ as a martyr.

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SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM

Baptism workshops are offered for parents each month. To register for a workshop, please contact the Parish Office. Once you complete a workshop, we can schedule your child's baptism.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?

Are you still in need of a few sacraments? Are you an adult who would like to be baptized, confirmed, or receive Communion in the Church? Through preparation and formation, teens and adults are invited to discover the teachings of the Catholic faith and come to know Jesus in the Eucharist. Our Parish Office can help guide you in your next steps to become Catholic.

HOLY MATRIMONY & CONVALIDATION

If you would like to be married in the Catholic Church or if you are currently married civilly and would like your marriage to be convalidated (blessed by the church), contact the Parish Office to get started in a new engaging preparation program. We will need 9 months notice to schedule a Wedding Mass or Ceremony.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK & LAST RITES

Anyone who is seriously ill or preparing for surgery may schedule a sacramental anointing by calling the Parish Office. If someone is in danger of death, please contact the Parish Office and choose the emergency option.



SACRED HEART PARISH

106 N. DORCAS ST., LEWISTOWN, PA | SACREDHEARTLEWISTOWN.COM

ADULT CHOIR PRACTICE

Make a Joyful Sound

Adult Choir practice for Easter will begin on Tuesday, February 24th at 6:30 pm in the choir loft. New members are welcome, including any student who has made their confirmation. Please contact Cathy Stout if you have any questions.

FAMILY OF FAITH

February Parish Religious Education Program

Discussion

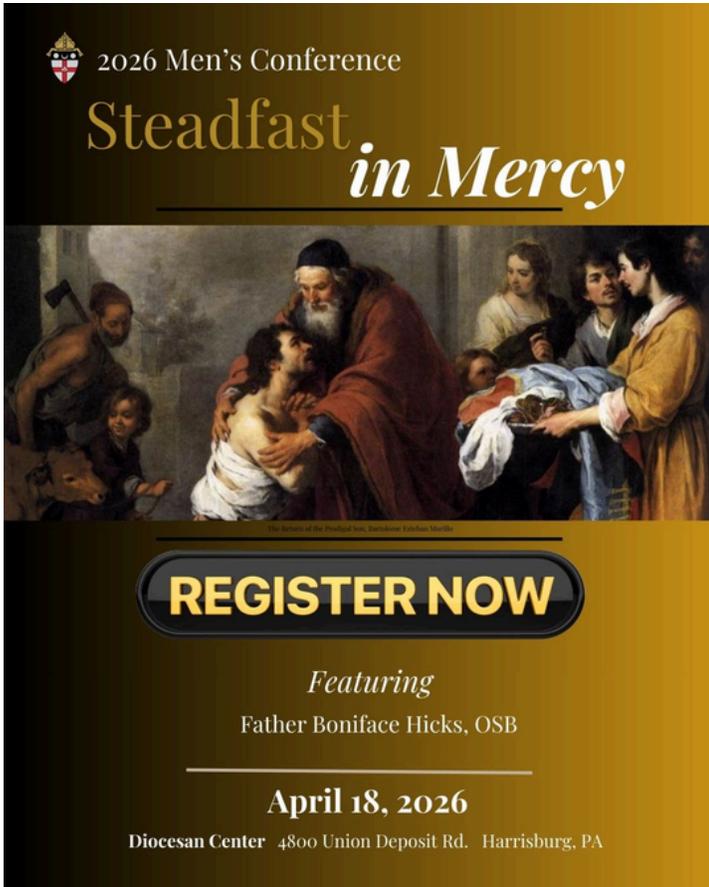
The Last Judgment, painted by **Michelangelo** on the altar wall of the **Sistine Chapel**, is one of the most powerful images in Christian art. Completed in 1541, this fresco invites us to reflect on God's justice, mercy, and our call to live faithfully.

At the center of the painting stands Christ as the risen and glorified Judge. Surrounded by saints and angels, Christ's commanding presence reminds us that our choices matter. Below, souls rise from the dead and are separated, illustrating the eternal consequences of how we live and love.

Though the scene is dramatic, it is not meant to inspire fear. Instead, Michelangelo calls us to examine our hearts and trust in God's mercy. For families, The Last Judgment offers a message of hope—when we live with faith, repentance, and love, we prepare ourselves to meet Christ with confidence and joy.

Parent Discussion Question:

How does this image of Christ encourage us to think differently about the choices we make each day and how we treat others?



2026 Men's Conference

Steadfast *in Mercy*



REGISTER NOW

Featuring
Father Boniface Hicks, OSB

April 18, 2026

Diocesan Center 4800 Union Deposit Rd. Harrisburg, PA

SACRED HEART MASS SCHEDULE

Sacred Heart of Jesus, Lewistown

Saturday, Feb. 21 st	4:00 pm Catherine Thomas
Sunday, Feb. 22 nd	11:00 am Annie Hallinger
Thursday, Feb. 26 th	9:00 am Francis Manganaro
Friday, Feb. 27 th	9:00 am Anthony Desiderati
Saturday, Feb. 28 th	4:00 pm Joseph Porpotage
Sunday, Mar. 1 st	11:00 am People of the Parish

STEWARDSHIP

February 15th: \$7,025.00

DIOCESAN ANNUAL CAMPAIGN

Thank you for helping us exceed our goal. Well done!

ST. JUDE PARISH

3918 WILLIAM PENN HWY., MIFFLINTOWN, PA | STJUDEMIFFLINTOWN.COM

JOIN THE VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL TEAM

Have You Ever Thought About Being Part of VBS?

Vacation Bible School is returning in 2026, and we are inviting a few adults to join our VBS leadership team. This is a great opportunity, especially for parents and parishioners who enjoy being involved in children's faith formation and parish life.

Dates: July 12-16, 2026

Theme: Rainforest Falls

This is not a "do-it-all-yourself" role. VBS is very much a team effort, and volunteers will share responsibilities. Leadership team members will have smaller, manageable roles during the week rather than being fully in charge of everything. Tasks are divided, support is constant, and no one is left on their own.

You also won't be starting from scratch. Planning materials, schedules, and guidance are already available, and you'll have ongoing support every step of the way. Our goal is simply to build a friendly team of people who want to help make this joyful week possible.

If this sounds like something you might enjoy, or if you'd like to join with a friend, please contact the parish office or Adrienne to learn more.

Sometimes all it takes is a simple "yes"... especially when you don't have to say it alone.



CALLING ALL YOUNG DISCIPLES!

Altar server training

All young disciples in 3rd grade-18 years are invited to become altar servers at St. Jude! Flexible training opportunities are available.

Please call the parish office to let us know you're interested.

A purple-themed poster for a Lenten Fish Dinner. At the top, it says 'ST. JUDE CATHOLIC CHURCH'. The main title is '+ LENTEN + FISH DINNER' in large, bold letters. Below that, it says 'Every Friday During Lent' and 'February 20 - March 27' with the time '4:00 PM - 7:00 PM'. In the center is a photograph of a plate of fish and fries with lemon wedges and dipping sauce. Below the photo, it lists the location: 'ST. JUDE CATHOLIC CHURCH' at '3918 William Penn Highway, Mifflintown, Pennsylvania'. A section titled 'DINNER PRICING' lists: 'Adults: \$15', 'Kids (Ages 6-12): \$6', and 'Kids Under 5: FREE'. It is sponsored by 'St. Jude's Knights of Columbus' and concludes with 'All are welcome.'

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+ LENTEN +
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Mifflintown, Pennsylvania

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Kids (Ages 6-12): \$6
Kids Under 5: FREE

Sponsored by
St. Jude's Knights of Columbus

All are welcome.

Proceeds from the Fish Fry support the Knights of Columbus and our local community. Money collected in the donation jar benefits Special Olympics.

ST. JUDE MASS SCHEDULE

St. Jude Parish, Mifflintown

Sunday, Feb. 22nd 9:00 am | People of the Parish

Monday, Feb. 23rd 9:00 am | Frank Hoppa *

Wednesday, Feb. 25th 6:30 pm | Albert Strolis *

Sunday, Feb. 28th 9:00 am | Intentions of Garry & Joyce Price

**Mass intention from another parish*

STEWARDSHIP

February 15th: \$1,556.00

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Well done!**



HOP & SHOP
 March 28th
 9:00 to 1:00
 Lewistown Country Club
 Local Vendors, Food Trucks
 and the Easter Bunny!
SEE YOU THERE!



This Lent...
Fast for Vocations

Bishop Senior invites you to join him this Lent in fasting on Wednesdays for an increase in vocations in the Diocese of Harrisburg. This fasting is the same as what we observe on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, but whatever sacrifice you offer for vocations is greatly appreciated!

Save the Date

March 7, 2026

Dauphin District Lenten Retreat

Hosted by Saint Joan of Arc CCW, Hershey

Beginning with Mass at 9:00 AM in SJA Church

Confession available starting at 8:00 AM

Retreat Speaker Father Kevin Key



Father Key is a son of Saint Patrick's Parish in Carlisle. He was formed to be a priest at home by his parents, at the University of Dallas in undergraduate studies, and then at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary in Philadelphia.

He was ordained a priest for the Diocese of Harrisburg and is currently in his third year as a Parochial Vicar at St. Joan of Arc Parish and Bishop McDevitt High School.

Father Key will present on the ancient form of prayer called *Lectio Divina*, or divine reading also known as praying with Scripture. There are many ways to pray with Scripture. Father will go through a few styles focusing on Ignatian meditation.



This QR code links to the SJA Event page to download the Registration Form!



Save the Date!
Star Spangled
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 Saturday, March 28
 The Manor at Juniata Valley Winery



SAVE THE DATE!
JUNIATA RIVER VALLEY CHAMBER MEN'S CONFERENCE
 Wednesday, April 15, 2026 | Hungry Run Distillery



To report suspected child abuse, call:
 PA Child Abuse Hotline 1-800-932-0313
 Diocese of Harrisburg 1-800-626-1608

SACRED HEART SCHOOL

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ENTERING FULLY INTO THE FAITH *A Special Celebration at School Mass*

At our recent School Mass, Ms. Shelly received the Sacrament of Confirmation and her First Holy Communion. Meredith was baptized and also received the Sacraments of Confirmation and First Holy Communion. We are grateful to have shared this special moment in the life of our Sacred Heart community.



CALENDAR RAFFLE *SHS HSA Fundraiser*

The SHS Home and School Association will be holding a Calendar Raffle for the month of March. Calendars will be sold during the month of February at the School and Parish Offices for \$10 each. Students will draw a winner each day for a chance to win a gift card, gift basket or item with a minimum value of \$25

2026 MARCH

Small Games of Chance # 1920

\$10 Each Due 2/25/26

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
01 \$50 Cracker Barrel Gift Card	02 \$25 Vino Gift Card	03 \$25 Hungry Ron Bistro Gift Card	04 \$25 Square Cafe Gift Card	05 \$25 East End Coffee Gift Card	06 Shamrock Chorcolerie Board	07 "Lucky Green" Basket
08	09	10	11	12	13	14
15 \$50 Yoder Way Farm Certificate	16 \$25 Bread of Life Gift Card	17 \$25 Sheetz Gift Card	18 \$25 Weis Gift Card	19 \$25 Jersey Mikes Gift Card	20 Hershey Bears Tickets (April 19th @3PM)	21 Cory Soap Basket
22 \$50 Legans Tavern Gift Card	23 \$25 Sheetz Gift Card	24 \$25 Dunkin Gift Card	25 \$25 Amazon Gift Card	26 \$25 NAPA Gift Card	27 \$25 Lowes Gift Card	28 Amanda Moeller State Farm Doggie Basket
29 \$40 Shade Mountain Gift Card	30 \$25 The Crooked Shelf Bookshop Gift Card	31 \$25 Red Robin Gift Card	01 \$25 Sheetz Gift Card	02 \$25 The Square Cafe Gift Card	03 \$25 Jersey Mikes Gift Card	04 "For the Birds" Basket
05 \$30 KFC Gift Card	06 \$25 TJ Maxx Gift Card	07 \$25 Dominion Gift Card				

FISH SANDWICH FRIDAYS



Every Friday During Lent

Starting February 20th - March 27th

3:00 PM - 5:30 PM

SACRED HEART SCHOOL CAFETERIA

TAKE OUT OR DINE IN

\$5 - FISH SANDWICH

\$8 - FISH SANDWICH + MAC & CHEESE

PRE-ORDERS ARE ENCOURAGED BUT NOT REQUIRED.

PRE-ORDER BY CALLING 717-248-5351

Support our school and enjoy a great meal!

SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL WHILE YOU SHOP

Pick up one of our in-stock gift cards and support Sacred Heart School at the same time.
Fast. Practical. Always appreciated.

Available now at the Parish Office – no shipping, no waiting:

- Sheetz - \$25
- Giant - \$25
- Weis - \$25
- Darden Restaurants (Olive Garden, Longhorn Steakhouse, etc.) - \$25
- TJ Maxx / HomeGoods / Marshalls - \$25 & \$100
- Walmart - \$50
- Bath & Body Works - \$25
- Amazon - \$25
- CVS - \$25



Holy Week **SCHEDULE**

SAINT JUDE THADDEUS

Good Friday, April 3rd

3:00PM Commemoration of the Lord's Passion

Easter Sunday, April 5TH

9:00AM Easter Sunday Mass

Stations of the Cross Wednesday's during Lent 7:00PM

Confession

Wednesday 6:00PM and Sunday 8:30AM

SACRED HEART OF JESUS

Holy Thursday, April 2nd

7:00PM Mass of the Lord's Supper

Good Friday, April 3rd

7:00PM Commemoration of the Lord's Passion

Holy Saturday, April 4th

8:00PM Easter Vigil in the Holy Night

Easter Sunday, April 5th

7:00AM Easter Sunday Mass

11:00AM Easter Sunday Mass

Stations of the Cross Friday's during Lent 7:00PM

Confession

Saturday 3:00 PM

