

Parish Bulletin

TWO CATHOLIC PARISHES. ONE CATHOLIC FAITH.

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

SEPTEMBER 28, 2025

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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

9 N. Brown St.
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

Sacred Heart of Jesus School

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Lewistown, PA 17044
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Praise the Lord,
my soul!

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 by Friday at 8:00am of the previous week for requested publication.



INFORMATION CENTER

ALTAR FLOWERS

Flower memorial dates are available. Call the office for available dates.

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.
- Bring your intentions to the office during office hours.

FAITHFUL DEPARTED

In the charity of your prayers, please pray for the repose of the souls of Ann Stoicheff who entered into eternal rest on Friday, September 5 and Annie T. Hallinger who entered into eternal rest on Sunday, September 14. May the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.

HELP IS HERE FOR YOU

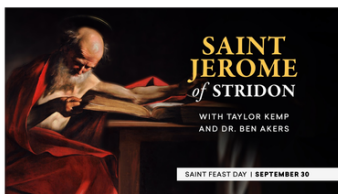
Counseling Services:

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!



formed
Forming Catholics for Life.

St. Jerome | Catholic Saints

An early Church Father from the 4th century, St. Jerome translated the Bible into Latin with the desire to make Scripture more accessible. St. Jerome is the patron of biblical scholars, translators, and archivists and famously said, "ignorance of Scripture is ignorance of Christ."

Our parish has a free Formed subscription for you! Simply scan the QR code or visit formed.org/signup to create your account and select our parish to get free access to this content and much more!



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St. Francis of Assisi: Sign of Contradiction

From 4PM Media and The Ministry of the Wild Goose comes a breathtaking film on the life of St. Francis of Assisi. A fool according to the standards of the world, St. Francis' life was a sign of contradiction, convicting others of the beauty of Christ and his Gospel.

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St. Therese | Littlest Saints

Which flower in Jesus' garden is the best? The most beautiful? St. Therese gives us her "little" answer to these questions.

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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

SACRED HEART PARISH & SCHOOL'S

TRUNK or TREAT

CAR SIGN-UP REGISTRATION FORM

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 24TH | 6:00–8:00PM

Old Bon-Ton Parking Lot –
North Plaza Drive, Lewistown

EVENT RULES & GUIDELINES FOR PARTICIPATING VEHICLES

- Please arrive by 5:00pm to get parked and decorate your trunk.
- Vehicles must be decorated and ready to hand out candy by 6:00pm.
- Vehicles must remain parked until the event is over at 8:00pm.
- Decorations and costumes should be family-friendly / non-scary.
No demons, weapons, or cauldrons
- Each vehicle must sign up individually by October 13th.

For more information, contact the Parish Office at 717-242-2781

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Please fill out and return the sign up sheet in the narthex to the Parish or School Office by October 13, 2025

1ST FRIDAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

A quiet hour with the Lord

First Friday Eucharistic Adoration will be held **Friday, October 3**, from the **9:00am Mass until 6:00pm**. We especially need afternoon adorers to help ensure that Our Lord is never left alone during this sacred time.

If you are willing to commit to a specific time each First Friday to be an Adorer of the Blessed Sacrament, please contact the Parish Office. Having faithful adorers on the schedule is essential to keeping this beautiful opportunity for prayer available to our parish family.

All are welcome to come and spend time with Jesus, whether you are on the schedule or simply stop in for a visit. Your presence helps us keep our church doors open for prayer and adoration.

SACRED HEART MASS SCHEDULE

Sacred Heart of Jesus, Lewistown

Saturday, Sept. 27 th	4:00 pm Caroline Soccio Clark
Sunday, Sept. 28 th	11:00 am Edgar May
Thursday, Oct. 2 nd	9:00 am Bernie Miklos Sr.
Friday, Oct. 3 rd	9:00 am Intentions of Regina Soccio
Saturday, Oct. 4 th	4:00 pm Ednilou Reeder
Sunday, Oct. 5 th	11:00 am People of the Parish



Celebrating Life

31 Days of Prayer for Respect Life Month

You are invited to join us for Celebrating Life, a text campaign hosted by the Diocese of Harrisburg for Respect Life Month.

Sign up now to receive a prayer reminder text every day during the month of October. These short messages will challenge you to reflect and pray more deeply for a greater respect for all human life.

TO SIGN UP, TEXT
LifeHBG
TO 84576



OR SCAN THE QR CODE

Campaign participants will only be texted for the Respect Life campaign unless the user requests additional Diocesan communications. The campaign will run from October 1, 2025 - October 31, 2025.

Text STOP to 84576 to stop text notifications at any time. Text HELP for help. There is no charge for this service, but your carrier message and data rates may apply. View privacy policy & conditions at flocknote.com/bt

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION

Sign up now

Families with children in grades 1–8 who are not enrolled in a Catholic school are encouraged to register for Religious Education at either St. Jude or Sacred Heart. Faith formation and sacramental preparation are essential for receiving the Sacraments.

To register or for more information, please contact Adrienne at the parish office.

STEWARDSHIP

September 21st: \$6,075.25

DIOCESAN ANNUAL CAMPAIGN

Parish Goal:	\$36,246.43
Total Committed:	\$46,810.00
Donations Received:	\$44,015.00

ST. JUDE PARISH

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

NEW WELCOME DESK

Supporting Parish Needs

We are excited to announce the addition of a Welcome Desk in the narthex! The desk will be available after Mass to help make parish life easier for everyone. At the Welcome Desk, parishioners can:

- Request Mass cards
- Pick up or return sponsorship forms
- Register with the parish

The desk will also serve as a helpful spot for new members to get connected and feel at home. We are looking for volunteers to help staff the desk for just 20 minutes after Mass. The more volunteers we have, the smoother this ministry will run! This is a wonderful way to welcome others and serve our parish family. If you are interested in helping, please contact the parish office.

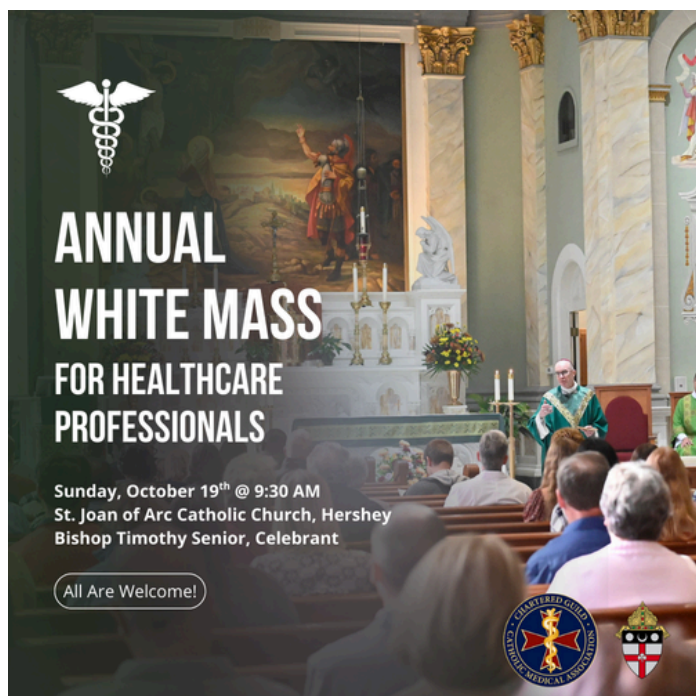
WOMEN'S GUILD EVENTS

Join Us for Prayer & Friendship

Save the dates for upcoming events:

- Sunday, October 26 - St. Jude Breakfast following the 9am Mass
 - Monday, November 24 - Thanksgiving Basket Assembly and distribution
 - Advent By Candlelight - Dec. 5
 - Cookie Walk - Saturday, December 13
- More information will follow soon.

The Women's Guild provides for the Sunday Social on the third Sunday each month. We would like to have some more volunteers to help with this. Many hands make light work and any help is greatly appreciated. There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex.



ST. JUDE MASS SCHEDULE

St. Jude Parish, Mifflintown

Sunday, Sept. 28 th	9:00 am People of the Parish
Monday, Sept. 29 th	9:00 am Mary & Cletus Reinburg
Wednesday, Oct. 1 st	6:30 pm Pat Thomson
Sunday, Oct. 5 th	9:00 am Timothy Smith

STEWARDSHIP

September 21st: \$2,032.00

DIOCESAN ANNUAL CAMPAIGN

Parish Goal: \$13,401.13
Total Committed: \$15,955.00
Donations Received: \$15,955.00

100%

COMMUNITY CORNER

**HAPPY
GOOSE DAY,
FRIENDS**





**ALWAYS CELEBRATED ON
SEPTEMBER 29TH**

**Red
Mass**

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 8
5:30pm

Most Reverend Ronald W. Gainer, celebrant
Reverend Jeffrey Tudgay, Diocese of Scranton, homilist
Cathedral Parish of Saint Patrick, Harrisburg

 Sponsored by the
Saint Thomas More Society of Central PA



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

DIOCESE OF HARRISBURG



SPECIAL GUESTS

PLUS:

- Teens Track
- VBS-style Kids Track
- Breakouts for Men, Women, and Couples
- Relic of Blessed Stanley Rother
- Lunch Provided
- Food Truck Picnic

October 18, 2025

Holy Name of Jesus Parish

Register now at: www.hbgdiocese.org/behold

Thanks to our Community Champions:

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KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Bishop Frank Caggiano

Bishop of Bridgeport



FEATURED PRESENTERS

Damon & Melanie Owens

Founders,
Joyful Ever After



CELEBRANT,
VIGIL MASS

Bishop Timothy Senior

Bishop of Harrisburg



MUSICAL ENTERTAINMENT

The Scally Brothers

Recording Artists



**CATHOLIC
SCOUT
RETREAT**

Join us for fun and inspiration!
We'll be earning the National Eucharistic Revival Patch.
Activities include a hike, Capital tour, Adoration,
Eucharistic Procession, evening Mass, service project,
snacks, and pizza!

**COST
\$20**

NOVEMBER 22 | 9:00 AM - 7:30 PM
ST. PATRICK CATHEDRAL SOCIAL HALL

RSVP to Robert Irving
DCCS Retreat Chair

irv120367@yahoo.com
717-821-4246

SACRED HEART SCHOOL

110 N. DORCAS ST., LEWISTOWN, PA | SACREDHEARTSCHOOL.COM

APPLE TREE PROJECT

Help us grow opportunities for every child by supporting our Angel Fund, which provides tuition assistance to families in need. Choose an apple from the tree and make a difference today!

How It Works:



Red Apples – One-time gift to the Angel Fund



Green Apples – Monthly commitment for 10 months.



Yellow Apples – Make a major gift to support the Angel Fund in a meaningful way.

Every apple picked helps plant seeds of faith, knowledge, and community at SHS. Together, we can ensure that no child is turned away due to financial hardship.

Give online by going to:
<https://sacredheartschool.com/angel-fund>

Thank you for helping our students thrive!



Last week, we celebrated Grandparents Day with lots of love, laughter, and smiles. Our students were so proud to show off their school and spend time with the grandparents and special guests who mean so much to them.



AUCTION & STREET FAIR COMING TOGETHER THIS SPRING!

Exciting changes

After much brainstorming and discussion, we are excited to announce a new plan for our school's beloved auction. This year, our annual auction will be moving to the spring and joining forces with our popular Street Fair!

By combining these two wonderful events, we hope to create one large, joyful community gathering, bringing together families, friends, and supporters for an unforgettable day of fun, fellowship, and fundraising.

Stay tuned for more details, including the date, location, and ways you can get involved. We can't wait to celebrate with you this spring!

Hard at work in 2nd grade! Our students have started practicing how to find, highlight, and cite text evidence in their reading. They're becoming true text detectives, and we're so proud of their focus and effort!

