

**DECEMBER 1, 2019  
FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT  
ST. JUDE CHURCH**

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## INVEST IN ST. JUDE PARISH

### Remember St. Jude Parish on Giving Tuesday.

**Giving Tuesday** refers to the Tuesday after Thanksgiving as a day of charitable giving at the beginning of the [Christmas season](#), as a response to commercialization and consumerism in the post-Thanksgiving season ([Black Friday](#) and [Cyber Monday](#)).



Our secure Online giving option is  
accessible through our church [website](#):  
**[stjudech.org](http://stjudech.org)**

### ST. JUDE - PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We the parish family of St. Jude, as members of the Body of Christ proclaim the Good News of Jesus in our worship, words and deeds. Out of love for God and neighbor, we dedicate our time, talents and treasures to the service of our faith community and to those who are in need.

### MASS INTENTIONS

#### **SATURDAY NOVEMBER 30**

5:00 PM **Vigil** Polly Evosevich r/o Lorraine Meister

#### **FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT, Dec. 1**

8:15 AM JoAnn Voitek r/o Carolyn Kerr

10:30 AM For the Intentions of Fr. Ronald L. Jandernoa r/o  
MaryRose & Stephen Uychich

5:00 PM Parishioners of St. Jude

#### **MONDAY DECEMBER 2**

9:00 AM Timothy J. Sullivan r/o Robert & Camille Guida

#### **TUESDAY DECEMBER 3**

9:00 AM Louise D'Emidio r/o Louise Mancini & Family

#### **WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 4**

9:00 AM Jeff Kennedy r/o Richard & Mary Keiling

#### **THURSDAY DECEMBER 5**

9:00 AM Mario LaGuardia r/o Mary Denise Laguardia

#### **FRIDAY DECEMBER 6**

9:00 AM Parish Memorial Society

#### **SATURDAY DECEMBER 7**

5:00 PM **Vigil** Francis P. Lavigne r/o his wife Linda

#### **SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT Dec. 8**

8:15 AM JoAnn Voitek r/o Rosanne & Kevin McPartland

10:30 AM Edward Erli r/o Adolf & Rita Napholz

5:00 PM Parishioners of St. Jude

r/o = "request of"

### **Retirement Fund for Retired Religious 2nd Collection next Sunday December 8**

**Give in thanksgiving.** "The nuns left lasting impressions on me," writes a donor. "I shall always be grateful for my Catholic education." Please join in thanking the thousands of senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests who worked tirelessly to educate the young and serve those in need. Next Sunday's second collection is for the Retirement Fund for Religious, which helps hundreds of religious communities care for aging members. Please give generously.

### **From the Pastor:**

Advent means "**coming**" referring to the coming of the Lord at his birth. As we prepare for this celebration of the birthday of Christ we too are called to come to God. We hear in the First Reading at Mass from a writing 100's of years before Christ:

*"In days to come, The mountain of the LORD's house shall be established as the highest mountain and raised above the hills. All nations shall stream toward it; many peoples shall come and say: "Come, let us climb the LORD's mountain, to the house of the God of Jacob, that he may instruct us in his ways, and we may walk in his paths." (Isaiah 2:2-3)*

We celebrate the birthday of Christ treasuring his teachings as we strive to walk in his paths towards the heavenly presence. Let us make sure we take the time to speak to the Lord in our journey through life.

I will be leaving for Rome January 19, 2020 for three months of Study through the Institute for Continuing Theological Study at the North American College. Fr. Torpey has let me know that he can stay here at St. Jude during that time to help with mass coverage while I am away.



The burning of the Sanctuary Lamp this  
week is in memory of

**Francis P. Lavigne**

at the request his wife, Linda

**Reflection: "Therefore, stay awake! For you do not know on which day your Lord will come."**

*(Matthew 24:42)*

People who have had health issues or near-death experiences generally have a greater appreciation for each day being a gift from God. The rest of us usually take for granted that we will be around tomorrow. But when you start to look at each day as a gift, you realize all the little miracles that happen daily and grow in gratitude for all that we have been given. You begin to see God's active presence in your life.

### **Question of the Week**

*Putting on the light of Christ*

**Reading I:** Isaiah 2:1-5 (Zion, the messianic capital)

**Reading II:** Romans 13:11-14 (Christian use of time)

**Gospel:** Matthew 24:37-44 (the need for watchfulness)

**Key Passage:** Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light. (Romans 13:12b)

**Adult: What will you do during Advent so that others can see that you have put on the light of Jesus Christ?**

**Child: What will you do during Advent so that others can see the light of Jesus in you?**

### **THIS WEEK AT ST. JUDE**

Tuesday, 4:15 PM Faith Formation

Wednesday, 9:30 AM to 11:00 PM Eucharistic Adoration with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the Chapel

Wednesday, 7:00 PM Women's LIFE Meeting

Thursday 5:00 AM to 9:00 AM Eucharistic Adoration with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the Chapel

Thursday, Dec. 5, 10am-2pm, Thrift Shop Open, Giving Tree

Friday, 2pm-6pm Thrift Shop Open, Giving Tree Building

Saturday, 10am-2pm Thrift Shop Open, Giving Tree Building

Saturday: 4:00 to 4:30 PM Confessions

#### ***Upcoming events***

Dec. 11, 7:30 PM Vigil Mass of Our Lady of Guadalupe

Dec.14 8:00 AM – 11:30AM Blood Drive, McNulty Hall

Dec. 15 Live Nativity after the 10:30 AM mass

Dec. 17 7:30 PM Parish Penance Service

January 10, Gift Card Trick Tray, doors open 6:30 PM

### **DAILY MASS READINGS December 1 thru 8**

#### **FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

Is 2:1-5; Rom 13:11-14; Mt 24:37-44

**Monday:** Gn 3:9-15, 20; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12; Lk 1:26-38

**Tuesday:** Saint Francis Xavier, Priest Is 40:1-11; Mt 18:12-14

**Wednesday:** *St. John Damascene, Priest, Doctor of the Church* Is 40:25-31; Mt 11:28-30

**Thursday:** Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a, 12:1-6a, 10ab; Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47,

**Friday:** Saint Nicholas, Bishop Is 48:17-19; Mt 11:16-19

**Saturday:** Saint Ambrose, Bishop, Doctor of the Church Sir 48:1-4, 9-11; Mt 17:9a, 10-13

#### **THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

Is 35:1-6a, 10; Jas 5:7-10; Mt 11:2-11

### **PRAYER AND DEVOTIONS**

**Adoration, devotions and prayer are open to all.**

Monday to Friday, 8:15 AM Morning Prayer

Monday to Friday, 8:30 AM Rosary

Monday, after 9:00 AM Mass – St. Jude Novena

Wednesday 9:40 AM to 11 PM Adoration in the chapel

Thursday 5:00 AM to 9:00 AM Adoration in the chapel

1<sup>st</sup> Friday after 9 AM Mass – Litany of the Sacred Heart

## **St. Jude Fellowship Café**

**After 8:15 AM and 10:30 AM Masses**

Dec 1 - Open

Dec 8 - Open - The Bible Study Ministry will be serving

### **PRAYER REQUESTS**

**Please remember the following who are sick or suffering or need special prayer and have requested that we pray for them:** Bette Ann Kolodziej, Mary Chechelo, Todd Quinn, Gladys & Ed Hillyerd, Bob Kolodziej; Karen Reddick, Julie Repasky, Donna & Bill O'Reilly, Maryanne Lang, Joan & Andy Straut, John, Timothy Card, Dr. Gary Arvary, Robert Evosevich, Sam Roberts, Fr. Ron Jandernoa, Theresa Pflugh, Stefan Grande, Blanca Sussman, James Proulx, Jean Donohue, Cathy Brandt, Timothy Carr, Joseph Carr, JoAnn Kaleda, Robert C. Wolff, Erin Misaka, Donnelle Bellott, Donald Bellott, Fern Klindt, Christine Bauer, Linda Wilson, Margie Ford, Tracy Sak, Melissa Martinez, Robert Zayas, Gisela Budai, Anthony Favor, Jim Handy on the Korean border and all our brave military and their families serving around the world, Robert C. Wolff, Johanne DeFilippo, Rachel Mullins, Robert Loro, Ivan Brown, Addison Durante, Kevin Van Dyne, Albin Fritschy, Nina Calavan, Ron Quinn, Marianna Emanuelson, Pasquale Caputo, John & Pat Karolchyk, Phyllis Sperry, Joseph Nunzio Martinelli, Ann Barritta.

**We begin a new prayer list every January 1 and July 1.**

**If you would like someone to be on the Prayer List or remove someone, please contact the Parish Office by phone, 908-362-6444 or by e-mail [stjudech@ptd.net](mailto:stjudech@ptd.net).**

### ***WOMEN'S LIFE LIVING IN FAITH EVERYDAY***

*Have you ever felt a need to connect with other Catholic women, but weren't sure how to do it? The women meet on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month, at 7:00PM. Our purpose is to provide an opportunity to encourage one another as we reflect on God's word, and discuss how it impacts our daily lives as we struggle to be faithful to Jesus in our turbulent, changing culture. We are inviting women of all ages, married, single, older and younger.*

### **Our Lady of Guadalupe Prayer Group**

*We're changing the time*

*of Our Lady of Guadalupe Prayer Group Meetings*

We now meet the second and fourth Tuesday of the month in the chapel following the 9:00 Mass. Everyone is welcome to join us for an hour of prayer and thanksgiving to Our Blessed Mother for all she has done for us and continues to do.

## **Office of Faith Formation and Discipleship for Families**

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*Formal study of our faith combined with regular Mass attendance, reception of the sacraments as well as active participation in parish life are considered part of the curriculum and are encouraged accordingly.*

Please Call 908-362-1431 with any questions

**Catechesis of the Good Shepherd preschool**

**Tuesday at 4:15pm**

**Class dates: December 3rd, 10th, 17th**

**IGNITE 1st AND 15th**

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### **The St. Jude Thrift Shop**

In the Giving Tree Building

**Please join us for Christmas Shopping**

**Thursday, 12/5 10am-2pm**

**Friday 12/6 2pm-6pm**

**Saturday 12/7 10am-2pm**

Please consider joining the Thrift Shop Team!

**Go to [facebook.com/StJudesThriftShop](https://www.facebook.com/StJudesThriftShop)**

Call 908-362-1431 for more details.

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### **Pilgrimage to the Holy Land, November 2020.**

In the Footsteps of Jesus, November 2-11, 2020. Please join us on a 10-day trip to the Holy Land with the parish of St. Teresa, Staten Island. We will be traveling with Peter's Way Tours, an outstanding Catholic pilgrimage company. For more information, check out their website at [www.petersway.com](http://www.petersway.com). Please feel free to email me if you are interested, or for any questions that you may have. I have some brochures. Peter and I are going, and it would be great to travel with other members of our St. Jude family.

### **FIRST THURSDAY RETREAT**

Come join us for our monthly First Thursday Retreat at Sacred Heart Spirituality Center on December 5th, 2019. Our Theme for this year is "Living As Missionary Disciples!" Our topic for this month is "*Missionary Discipleship: Call and Challenge*". The day begins at 9 AM with 'coffee and,' and includes an opening prayer, a short talk, Eucharistic Adoration, the opportunity for Confession, Mass at 12:00 Noon, and a light lunch. The day concludes at about 1:30pm. Fifteen dollars is the suggested offering. There is no need to pre-register – all are welcome. For further information, visit our web site: [sacredheartspiritualitycenter.org](http://sacredheartspiritualitycenter.org), e-mail us at [shretreatcenter@gmail.com](mailto:shretreatcenter@gmail.com). or call 973-383-2620.

## **Join the Choir**

### **Music Ministry at St. Jude Church**

To join the choir or for more information about St. Jude parish choir, contact Bob VanDongen, Director of Music Ministry by texting him at 609-846-8888.



### **Host Our Lady for a week**

#### **The Traveling Image of Our Lady of Guadalupe**

During this year of preparation for consecration, please consider hosting the traveling Image kit in your home for a week. The kit at the present time is being exchanged each week at the Sunday 8:15 and 10:30 AM Masses. The kit includes an image of Our Lady of Guadalupe, standing crucifix, votive candle, 4 rosaries, holy water bottle, and pamphlets on how to pray the rosary for children. Sign-up sheet is in the vestibule next to the image of Our Lady of Guadalupe. The exchanges began on January 6th, and runs through December. Questions? [cbouffidis@gmail.com](mailto:cbouffidis@gmail.com).

### **Preparation for Consecration**

**Special Vigil Mass of Our Lady of Guadalupe**

**Wednesday, December 11, 7:30 PM**

**at St. Jude Church**

**Exposition after Mass**

**Opportunity to make Personal Consecration**

**Rosary will begin at 7:00 PM**

In Advance of the Bishop Consecrating the whole Diocese of Metuchen on the Feast Day of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Dec. 12 there will be a special Mass here at St. Jude on the vigil of the Feast Day.

Exposition will be held with a special opportunity to make a personal consecration to Jesus through Mary.

To prepare for the personal consecration one can prayer a novena in advance of the consecration

A novena is available at the website:

[lightingheartsonfire.org/personal-consecration](http://lightingheartsonfire.org/personal-consecration)

Simply set aside 15-30 minutes a day for nine days to read, reflect and pray with the story of Our Lady of Guadalupe and St. Juan Diego. On the ninth day, you are invited to pray the personal consecration prayer, committing yourself to be an active Catholic and sharing your Catholic faith with others.

### **“Love and Mercy: Faustina”**

Women's LIFE invites you to the movie "Love and Mercy: Faustina". The film sheds new light on Divine Mercy and underscores that Faustina has truly seen Jesus. On Monday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>, we will carpool to the Rockaway Mall for the 7pm viewing of the movie "Love and Mercy: Faustina". For more information, search for the movie, "Love and Mercy: FAUSTINA".





**St. Jude Knights of Columbus**  
Council 12430 & Assembly 3125

"Save the Date! Our parish Council of the Knights of Columbus is celebrating the season of Advent with our annual Christmas Party on Saturday, December 14th following the 5:00 Holy Mass.

Save the Date !!! Please contact Tim Eck for more information:

God Bless Us Everyone!"

## Blood Drive

The Council is sponsoring a blood drive on Dec. 14, 2019 from 8:00AM to 11:30AM in St. Jude RC Church, McNulty Hall, 7 Eisenhower Rd, Blairstown. Photo ID is required. Signup sheet is available at the church vestibule. You can also sign up online at [www.GIVEaPINT.org](http://www.GIVEaPINT.org) and use code #2616



## Augustinian Recollect Sisters Christmas Bake Sale

The Sisters at the Immaculate Conception Convent in Belvidere will have a variety of homemade baked goods for sale for the Christmas season. Delicious trays of butter cookies, rolls, 7" orange or banana cakes, and different jams are being sold via the order forms in the vestibule. If you are interested in ordering something, please fill out the form and leave it in the box provided no later than Sunday, December 1. Payment by check or cash is due at the time of pick-up which will be after the morning masses on Sunday, December 15. Make checks payable to: **Augustinian Recollect Sisters** Your purchases will help the Sisters meet their financial obligations this winter.

## MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER



**Now that fall is here, why not treat yourselves to a Marriage Encounter Weekend?**

A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend gives you the time and tools to revitalize romance, deepen communication, and nourish the spirituality in your marriage. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend will be held January 24 -26.

Please register by January 10, as space is limited. Phone **1-732-904-9636** for registration and information. Visit us at: [www.aweekendforyourmarriage.org](http://www.aweekendforyourmarriage.org) for more information.



## Christmas "Gift Project" "Take a tag or two off the tree"

You are once again invited to participate in our Christmas "Gift Project". Please take a tag or two off the tree which is in the back of the church. Please purchase the new item requested on the tag, wrap the gift and **place the tag on the wrapped gift. All gifts must be back in the church by December 15<sup>th</sup>. Gifts returned after Dec. 15<sup>th</sup> will not be delivered until after Christmas.** Please put all the gift cards in the collection basket. You will be bringing joy too many needy families and individuals. If you take a tag and decide not to buy the item, please put the tag back on the tree. Thank you for all for your past and continued support. Your generosity will be greatly appreciated.

### 2nd Annual GIFT CARD TRICKY TRAY

**January 10, 2020, Doors Open at 6:30 pm**

If you are interested in helping, the tricky tray team is looking for donations of gift cards or cash so we can purchase gift cards. All donations can be dropped off at the St. Jude church office or in the collection basket during mass.

If you would like to attend our Gift Card Tricky Tray, the pre-sale registration forms are available on the table in the vestibule of the church or are on our tricky tray Facebook page - St. Jude's Church Gift Card Tricky Tray. Just fill out the form and mail it to the church. On December 1, 2019 after the masses there will be a table set up in the vestibule collected gift cards or monetary donations.



## St. Jude Ladies Guild 2019 WREATH SALE

**DEC. 7 & 8**  
**AFTER ALL MASSES**

**Wreath Size is 14"**

To order now, complete the form below and drop in the basket at the door of the church by **Thursday, Dec. 6th**. Payment is due when the wreath is picked up. *Please be sure to pick up the wreaths reserved for you.*

### Price List

<b>Red or Burgundy Velvet Bow</b>	<b>\$20.00</b>
<b>Undecorated</b>	<b>\$15.00</b>

**Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone** \_\_\_\_\_

**Choice** \_\_\_\_\_

**How Many?** \_\_\_\_\_