

MARCH 15, 2020
THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT
ST. JUDE CHURCH
75TH ANNIVERSARY YEAR
1945 - 2020

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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 MARCH 14

5:00 PM Vigil

Nicola Piscioneri r/o Family

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT, MARCH 15

8:15 AM Margaret Gallagher r/o the Voitek Family

10:30 AM Ann Venella r/o Barbara & William Dilluvio

5:00 PM Parishioners of St. Jude

MONDAY MARCH 16

9:00 AM Timothy Carr r/o The Robert Ho Family

TUESDAY MARCH 17

9:00 AM Timothy Carr r/o Joe & Marianne McGrath

WEDNESDAY MARCH 18

9:00 AM For the Intentions of Helen Capano r/o Family

THURSDAY MARCH 19

9:00 AM For the Intentions of Julie Repasky r/o The Robert Ho Family

FRIDAY MARCH 20

9:00 AM Phillip Datto r/o Calvin & Elizabeth Wise

SATURDAY MARCH 21

5:00 PM Vigil

For the Intentions of Roseanne McPartland r/o Women's LIFE

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT March 22

8:15 AM Margaret Gallagher r/o the Fluri Family

10:30 AM Parishioners of St. Jude

5:00 PM Kathleen Stricks r/o the Treanor Family
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INVEST IN ST. JUDE PARISH

Sunday, MARCH 8, 2020
(\$1,070.00 through Online Giving)

\$5,889.00
Last year \$4,758.00



Our secure Online giving option is accessible through the parish website: stjudech.org



Meet Trinh

Trinh's family are farmers in Vietnam who have been affected by climate change.

What would you do if your source of nutrition was threatened? How can we support those whose livelihoods are vulnerable to weather?

Visit crsricebowl.org for more.

From Father Jim: Entering Two questions, appropriately enough, are posed in our Gospel this weekend: "Is the Lord in our midst or not?" and "What are you looking for?" Timely, isn't it? The readings pose the questions for us, our faith points to some answers.

The words your priests sings at the time of the Preface speaks of Jesus' thirst to receive our faith; our psalm emphasizes God's thirst for our response. We're led then to ask: Do we believe that God cares and wants our response? As we considered last week in the healing power of words, not simply that help is on the way, but that it is here.

As we encounter the Lord working in the life of the woman at the well that began with a simple request: "give me something to drink." It is good to consider how the Lord seeks to "draw out" from us the gifts that He so much wishes to bestow on us, not for our sake alone, but to help others. The woman moves from the peripheries of her community by her past to the point that she becomes a disciple of Jesus' by proclaiming what God had done for her! That's us.

The gift of our Catholic faith is so profound: share with us this weekend, the power of the St. Benedict Medals & Medallions. They are so very important as they assist us in fighting off those forces that seek to paralyze, distract and create fear by bringing us down. Be hopeful, the grace of God can lift us from fear to faith, allowing us to find Him and to bring others to Him.

Fr. Jim & 🐾

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The burning of the Sanctuary Lamp and the Bread and Wine this week are in memory of

Anna L. Handy

at the request of Barbara & Tom Phillips

Reflection: "Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again." John 4:13

Jesus reminds us that material things, even something as basic as water, can never satisfy us for long. When we build our lives around material possessions we always want more. True Joy and Peace only comes when we follow Jesus; when we become more "God-centered" and less "self-centered".

DAILY MASS READINGS March 15 thru March 22

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

Ex 17:3-7; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8; Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

Monday: 2 Kgs 5:1-15b; Lk 4:24-30

Tuesday: St. Patrick, Bishop

Dn 3:25, 34-43; Mt 18:21-35

Wednesday: *Saint Cyril of Jerusalem, Doctor of the Church*

Dt 4:1, 5-9; Mt 5:17-19

Thursday: SAINT JOSEPH, SPOUSE OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22;

Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a

Friday: Hos 14:2-10; Mk 12:28-34

Saturday: Hos 6:1-6; Lk 18:9-14

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

Question of the Week

Source of strength

Reading I: Exodus 17:3-7 (water from the rock)

Reading II: Romans 5:1-2, 5-8 (faith, hope, and love)

Gospel: John 4:5-42 (the Samaritan woman at the well)

Key Passage: Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life." (John 4:13-14)

Adult: Where have you found a source of "living water" for your own journey of faith?

Child: Name some times when your belief in Jesus helped make you stronger.

Weekday Mass is celebrated in the chapel! Join us for a weekday Mass a day (or two) during Lent!

Sign of Peace/Offering the Precious Blood: Use good discretion when sharing the sign of peace/receiving from the cup!

HOLY WATER: Bring a bottle to take some home to place in a font (every Catholic home & room should have one), a dish or bowl..... even though they've been removed from the entrance to Church, the holy water dispenser at the entrance to Church has been filled & blessed. Use it, it can help in times of need, crisis & despair!

March is the Month of St Joseph. Draw near to good St. Joseph! Pray through his intercession, he who was the protector of the Holy Family! It is also Women's History Month: the example of good, holy Catholic women is incredible!

ST JOSEPH TABLE: NEXT WEEKEND: Mar 21-22: Two tables will be set up. One is for YOU and YOUR FAMILY: Homemade or special Breads, pastries (yes, you can break your fast for the feast!) Bring it share at our Fellowship Café/take it home, share with your family, neighbors.

The other table is for the poor! Bring canned goods, offerings (checks or gift cards) & keep them with you as we begin Holy Mass. At the offertory, you'll hear the invitation to place them in the aisle next to you, we'll collect them & place them at the table for the poor.

ST. BENEDICT MEDALS, CROSSES & MEDALLIONS:

They have been generously memorialized by a family in our parish. Take them, place them on your key ring, hang them in your home, place them in your pocket, purse, car. Make sure you take the brochure describing both the history of the medal, it's symbols and what the Latin stands for!

Remember, the devil hates Latin! the Language of the Church! That's why we're using it and some greek (kyrie) during Lent!

BLESSING: After Holy Mass, Blessings with the Cross of St. Benedict will be offered, see Fr. as you leave. It can be invoked for any need: physical, spiritual, mental. See Fr. after Mass. It isn't the anointing of the Sick, but a blessing for healing with the powerful cross of St. Benedict!

GOOD NEWS: Your sacrifices and support of the parish have brought about great good: the overgrowth behind the Church, offices, rectory & religious ed has been cleared; the remediation at the Thrift Shop is just about complete; the roof replacement fund has been fulfilled! Thanks to your dedication to the parish family, your projects are being met. There are probably 50 "little" projects that disciples have worked on for us: painting, cleaning, fixing, adjusting. Thank you! Can you help your parish out? Contact us!

As in every home, there is always a project that will come up, but with your support, as we have embraced the challenge with these, so too our future endeavors! Once everything is finalized, Fr. Ron will bring you up to date on the costs/expenses and where we stand on these. Until then: Thank you!

THIS WEEK AT ST. JUDE

Sunday, Fellowship in McNulty Hall following morning Masses

Saturday & Sunday, Easter Family Dinner Project Bags and ham signup after all Masses

Sunday, IGNITE

Monday, Way of the Cross following 9AM Mass

Tuesday, 4:15 PM Faith Formation

Wednesday, 7:00 PM Women's LIFE

March 20-21: 24 Hours for the Lord

Friday, 4:30 to 5:30 Confessions

6:30PM Soup Supper

7:30 PM Way of the Cross followed by Confessions

Saturday, 9:00AM to 10:00 am & 12PM to 1PM Confessions

Saturday, following 5PM Vigil Movie "RISEN" and Fellowship

Saturday & Sunday: St. Joseph's Novena Table

Upcoming events

March 31: Parish Penance Service

April 3: Franciscan Mystery Players

April 4 & 25: Bingo:

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Discipleship for Youth & 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 for assistance.

The *Office of Faith Formation and Discipleship for Youth and Families* operates on a set schedule.

The Office is open Tuesdays from 10am-6pm and on IGNITE Sundays 9:30-2:00pm:

Mar. 15th & 29th, April 5th, May 3rd.

ST. JUDE THRIFT SHOP

Thrift Store donation day

April 2nd

ALTAR SERVERS: We had several join us/renew their contracts, just to get a feel to be on the altar and to be close to Star (forget about Fr.!). We've made presentations to our youth in faith formation and now we're asking you parent/guardians to encourage your child(ren) to serve the Lord! Send em back: we had 7 on the altar a few weeks back, the more the merrier. We want our children close to the Lord by serving Him at His Holy Altar!

Please fill out an Altar Server Registration Form available in the church vestibule and the Faith Formation or Parish Office.

Music played at Holy Mass: find them on iTunes, Spotify, Soundcloud, YouTube, etc:

Sacred Theme:

www.youtube.com/watch?v=2D0W4DSfcSQ

° During our Lenten Journey: **Lead Kindly Light**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gHL9kJ8IhYU>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PnIYLEXHeFk>

Book/Readings/Podcasts:

The Worst is Over: Verbal First Aid by Judith Acosta & Judith Simon Prager

Catholic Man Show Podcast: thecatholicmanshow.com

Journey Home: chnetwork.com

Quotes, Quips & Sayings:

"If you find it impossible to pray, hide behind your good Angel and charge him to pray in your stead."

-St. John Vianney

"It is human to sin, but diabolical to persist in sin."

-St Catherine of Siena

Salts for Sale: Try one or all three varieties: \$5 each: profit from these is used to defray the cost of our anniversary picnic at Camp Mason in September!

Visit their website, Saltopiasalts.com; they're open in Hackettstown or order online.

**St. Jude
Fellowship Café**

March 15 - Open

March 22 - Closed

March 29 - Open

April 5 - Palm Sunday

The Knights of Columbus will be serving their annual Pancake Breakfast

Music Ministry at St. Jude Church

Our Music Ministry seeks talented disciples to join us! We're looking for a talented person(s) to take us to a new level. We seek keyboard/organ, guitar, to develop a children/youth choir & tapping the talent in our parish/community. Pass the word! With so many good voices in our parish, there is plenty of talent around! Contact us via the parish office.

We're looking to gather young people for an **Easter Sunday Choir** & speaking of Easter, start picking up goods, treats, prizes: We're having an Easter Egg Hunt for our children. (Only new items, please! Bring your donations to Mass/parish office. We're thinking young children: it is BYOB (as in Basket!).

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;

In Lent: Stations

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

Thursday: 5:00 AM to 9:00 AM Adoration (chapel)

1st Friday after 9 AM Mass – Litany of the Sacred Heart

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, Karen Reddick, Julie Repasky, Donna & Bill O'Reilly, Maryanne Lang, Joan & Andy Straut, John, Timothy Card, Dr. Gary Arvary, Fr. Ron Jandernoa, Theresa Pflugh, Stefan Grande, James Proulx, Jean Donohue, Cathy Brandt, Joseph Carr, JoAnn Kaleda, Robert C. Wolff, Donnelle Bellott, Donald Bellott, Fern Klindt, Christine Bauer, Robert C. Wolff, Johanne DeFilippo, Rachel Mullins, Robert Loro, Albin Fritschy, Nina Calavan, Ron Quinn, Marianna Emanuelson, Pasquale Caputo, Phyllis Sperry, Ann Barranta, Eleanor Moravec, Steve Kolb, C.J. Palanca, Noreen Fritschy, Janet Carducci, Linda Lavigne.

Our prayer list is updated each Jan. & July 1.

To have an intention listed or removed, please contact the Parish Office: 908-362-6444 or stjudech@ptd.net.

Our Lady of Guadalupe Prayer Group

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

2020 Bishop's Annual Appeal

Stepping Forward in Faith: Grace in Action

By now you have received a letter from Bishop Checchio inviting your participation in the 2020 Bishop's Annual Appeal. The diocesan ministries supported by the Appeal directly impact many of the parishioners here in St. Jude Church. Your gift provides formation opportunities for our catechists, youth and young adults. Among other important ministries, your sacrificial gift supports our renewed efforts in Evangelization & Communication.

If you have yet to make your pledge to this year's Bishop's Annual Appeal, you will have the opportunity to do so next weekend, March 21/22, which has been designated as **Bishop's Annual Appeal In-Pew Weekend**. Please prayerfully consider a gift to the Bishop's Annual Appeal to help our parish reach its goal. If we can exceed our goal, 50% of the amount collected over goal will be returned to us in the form of a parish rebate. Just as important as our financial goal is our goal of reaching **100% participation**. Every gift, no matter the size, is important and greatly appreciated. Thank you.

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 1st and 3rd Wed, 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 seek to be faithful to Jesus in a changing culture. We invite you to join us.*

Parish Movie Night

Saturday, March 28th, after the 5pm vigil mass
St. Jude's Father McNulty Hall
Gather in fellowship watching the faith-stirring movie:

RISEN:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=A_wKDajeohg

It follows the epic biblical story of the Resurrection, as told through the eyes of a non-believer. Clavius, a powerful Roman military tribune, and his aide Lucius, are tasked with solving the mystery of what happened to Jesus in the weeks following the crucifixion, in order to disprove the rumors of a risen Messiah and prevent an uprising in Jerusalem. in. Potluck dinner included; food offerings welcome.

Easter Family Dinner Project!

The food pantry is having our fourth annual Lenten project providing Easter dinners to the local needy.

If parishioners would like to participate, they can do so in one of two ways.

Bags will be available to pick up in the church vestibule after all Masses this weekend

March 14-15 to fill with 9 items listed on the bag
(approximately \$20.00 value combined)

for a family Easter Dinner.

or, donate a small ham (they are usually between \$10 and \$20 depending on the size)

Thank you for your help!

BLESSING: After Holy Mass, Blessings with the Cross of St. Benedict will be offered, see Fr. as you leave. It can be invoked for any need: physical, spiritual, mental. See Fr. after Mass. It isn't the anointing of the Sick, but a blessing for healing with the powerful cross of St. Benedict!

SIGN OF PEACE/PRECIOUS BLOOD: the gift of these shared are suspended until the concern is abated. What's our response to all of this? As we've been saying: use your head, wash your hands. More people die from the flu & overdoses daily than from the current concern.

Pray through the intercession of **St. Roch** [Rocco] (see our facebook link). Did you know that the **Oberammergau Passion Play**, in Germany, is prayed every 10 years since the year 1634, as a promise to God, that if they were spared the effects of the bubonic plague, (it ravaged Europe for about 300 years, wiping out millions of people), they'd honor the Passion of Our Lord by putting on a play to honor His great love for us?!



Friday Soup Suppers
6:30 to 7:30 PM

Stations of the Cross:
Mondays after Morning Mass
& Fridays 7:30pm
after the Soup Supper



The Way of the Cross
A Franciscan Mystery Play
Friday, April 3rd at 8:00 PM

The Franciscan Mystery Players offer their moving version of "The Way of the Cross" here at St. Judes. Written by Franciscan Father Francis Pompei, it is not a "play" in the common sense, but is in fact a prayerful experience that uses special lighting, a stirring soundtrack, pantomime actions and inspirational narration to portray the Stations of the Cross in a manner that invites us to contemplate the meaning of the Passion and how it relates to our life today. The group is comprised of 14 teens and 10 adult advisors from several parishes in the Paterson Diocese. Adults and teens are encouraged to attend this special Lenten experience. It is suggested at least 10 minutes early arrival.

<https://www.facebook.com/FranciscanMysteryPlayersMorrisCounty/>

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Save the Date !



Sunday
September 20, 2020

**Parish Picnic &
Family Day at Camp Mason**

ANNIVERSARY T-SHIRTS ON SALE NOW

In order to promote and support our 75th Anniversary Picnic on September 20 at Camp Mason in Hardwick, we will be selling maroon t-shirts with our logo in gold on the front. A picture of the shirt and order forms are available in the vestibule and in McNulty Hall. If you would like to place an order, please fill out a form and attach a check (NO CASH PLEASE) made out to St. Jude Church and put it in the box provided. Orders will be processed in batches of 50. They come in about 10 days after processing, and you will be notified regarding distribution. All orders must be received by **June 1, 2020**. Thank you for showing your love and support for our parish!

*Next Anniversary Planning Meeting on
Tuesday, March 24, 2020 at 7:00 PM.
Please come and bring your ideas for our many events throughout the year.*



24 Hours for the Lord

MARCH 20 - 21

**Encounter Jesus Christ anew in the Sacrament of
Penance and Eucharistic Adoration.**

Friday, 4 PM to Saturday 4PM

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Special times for confessions:

**Friday, Mar 20th: Confessions from
4:30-5:30pm and again after Stations**

Saturday 9-10am & 12-1pm

No confessions Saturday at 4pm!

Please sign-up on the board in the vestibule, to spend a period of time before the Lord so that we can have all hours covered. If you cannot sign up for an hour, make a commitment to come by for a visit with the Lord in prayer and consider attending the Way of the Cross or making use of the Sacrament of Reconciliation.