

December 9th, 2018

Second Sunday of Advent



Important Dates

December 9th

Advent Dinner—after Mass
Christmas Caroling— after the dinner at the nursing home

December 12th

First Reconciliation—after evening Mass

December 20th

Parish Council - Thursday at 6:30

—More information for all events is on the parish website—
www.stjudeoakgrove.org

RCIA classes are meeting on Monday evenings at 7 PM. All are welcome to attend.

Sisters of St. Francis Warehouse are collecting any medical or nursing books to send to third world countries. If you have any books or want more information, please contact Judi Vogan at 816-229-5233 or Shari Freeland at 816-519-7499.

Oak Grove Senior Center is in need of a part time kitchen manager. No experience is needed, will train, if you are 55 or older. Pay is minimum wage.. Hours are Monday through Friday, 9 to 1:30. Call 690-4003 x 4 or 816 471.1884 if interested.

DONATE FOR THE PURCHASE OF A POINSETTIA FOR YOUR FAMILY OR LOVED ONES. ENVELOPES ARE IN PEWS.

Your poinsettia will be placed in church during the Christmas season and then you may take it home.



Retirement Fund for Religious Second Collection

“Your generous contribution helps us to care for our retired sisters and enables our younger sisters to continue in active ministry.” writes a religious sister. Your gift to today’s collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious helps provide medications, nursing care, and more for thousands of senior sisters, brothers and religious order priests. It also helps ensure younger members can continue the good work of the elders!

ONLINE GIVING —Online Giving is available to all parishioners! It’s an easy and convenient way to make contributions! Check it out on <https://giving.parishsoft.com/stjude> or go to St. Jude’s website at www.stjudeoakgrove.org on the Home page. Check on Donate Now!

After you set up online giving, there is a card you can pick up on the small table in the back to put in the basket This way, you are still putting a contribution in the basket if you wish.

Readings for the week of December 9th

Sunday	Bar 5:1-9,	Ps 126,	Phil 1: 4-5,8-11,	Lk 3: 1-6
Monday	Is 35: 1-10,	Ps 85,	Lk 5: 17-26	
Tuesday	Is 40: 1-11,	Ps 96,	Mt 18: 12-14	
Wednesday	Zec 2: 14-17,	Jdt 13,	Lk 1: 26-38	
Thursday	Is 41: 13-20,	Ps 145,	Mt 11: 11-14	
Friday	Is 48: 17-19,	Ps 12,	Mt 11: 16-19	
Saturday	Sir 48: 1-4, 9-11,	Ps 80,	Mt 17: 9a, 10-13	

2nd Sunday of Advent

“And this is my prayer: that your love may increase ever more and more in knowledge and every kind of perception, to discern what is of value...” PHILIPPIANS 1:9-10

Glittery holiday ads can blind us to our stewardship values and distort our needs and wants. It is important that during this season of endless buying we remember that each of us also has the need to give back to God and to those that are in need.

COATS FOR KIDS Catholic Charities of Kansas City-St. Joseph is partnering with the Knights of Columbus on their Coats for Kids project. If your parish has a need for coats in children’s sizes and has not yet responded, please contact Christie Dade, cdade@ccharities.com or 816.659.8216 with quantities and sizes. Coats come 12 to a case and are available in a mixture of small boys, small girls, larger boys and larger girls. Sizes range from 4 to 16.

There is no Lunch Bunch scheduled for December, January we will meet as usual unless the weather is bad.

Please remember to keep your Best Choice UPC labels. Drop them off in the blue box on the table in the gathering area. Altar Society receives cash for these and that lets us help with the many needs for our parish. We thank you and appreciate your support.

Married Couples

It has been said that the greatest gift you can give your children is two parents very much in love with each other. Polish up this gift and put a bow on it at a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. You deserve the best and your children need to see you reaching for it. The next Weekend in Kansas City is

March 1-3, 2019.

For more information or to apply, please visit our website:

www.wmme4youandme.org

or call Tony & Barb Zimmerman, 816-741-4066

or email tonybarbz@prodigy.net

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FROM THE RESPECT LIFE OFFICE – www.respectlifekcsj.org REGISTRATION FOR THE 2019 MARCH FOR LIFE PILGRIMAGE IS NOW OPEN!

The 2019 March for Life Pilgrimage will be a "hardship" trip, with no hotel stay. However, this also means less cost and fewer days away from family and school. The pilgrimage dates will be Thursday, January 17 – Saturday, January 19, 2019. Please visit www.respectlifekcsj.org for more information.

Each Christmas, Catholic Charities of KCSJ and people like you provide Christmas gifts for children whose families are participants in one of our programs. This year, we would like to make Christmas joyful for more than 650 children. If you would like to help, please go to our Christmas Shining Star site and choose a child-or several children-to adopt for the holidays. We ask that you purchase from their gift list and spend about \$50-\$65 per child. Questions? Please contact Christie Dade, Volunteer Manager, at cdade@ccharities.com or 816-659-8216. Thank you for sharing your blessings with those less fortunate.

Liturgical Ministers Needed: Anyone interested in being a Choir member, Lector, Eucharistic Minister, Usher, Greeter or Server, contact Calvin at 230-5245, email calvin.snow@gmail.com

St. Jude Parish Welcomes You

Like us on Facebook!

Website: www.stjudeoakgrove.org

Email: contact@stjudeoakgrove.com

It is our hope that you feel at home and among friends here. If you are a visitor for a day, we pray God’s speed on your journey. If you are looking for a parish community, we would be delighted to welcome you into our parish family. Contact us for registration at 690-3165 or pick up a registration form on the table in the gathering area.

Pastor: Fr. Bryan Amthor: contact Fr. Bryan @ 230-4127, Email @ frbryana@gmail.com

Staff: Receptionist/Secretary: Chris Chambers @ 690-3165, Email: cchambers@stjudeoakgrove.com

Operations/Business Manager: Brenda Boss @ 690-3165, Email: bboss@stjudeoakgrove.com

Religious Education Coordinator: Connie Orrison 816-690-2356, Email: corrison@stjudeoakgrove.com

Confirmation Coordinator: Sue Lee @ 625-0907 Email: slee7723@earthlink.net

Liturgist: Calvin Snow @ 230-5245, Email: calvin.snow@gmail.com

Office hours: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 10am to 12pm

Hall Rental: Contact Chris Chambers at the office @ 690-3165

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Sunday before 10:30 Mass, & Saturday 2:45 – 3:15

Baptism : Must be a registered member of the parish and attend pre-baptism class, contact Connie Orrison at 690-2356 or connie.orrison@gmail.com

Marriage: Arrangement must be made with Fr. Bryan at least 9 months in advance

The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is committed to combatting sexual abuse in the Church. If you are a victim of sexual abuse, or if you observe or suspect sexual abuse:

1. Call the Missouri Child Abuse Hotline at 1.800.392.3738 (if the victim is currently under the age of 18), and
2. Contact your local law enforcement agency or call 911, and
3. After reporting to these civil and law enforcement authorities, report suspected sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult to the Diocesan Ombudsman, Jenifer Valenti, at 816.812.2500 or JeniferValenti@att.net, if the abuse involves a priest, deacon, employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph.

Weekly Gifts for December 1st & 2nd

Envelopes.....\$2730.60

Plate\$813.00

Kitchen Renovation.....\$340.00

Tabernacle Relocation....\$100.00

Lectionary\$12.00

Attendance

Saturday— December 1st— 84

Sunday — December 2nd—143

Date	Eucharistic Ministers	Lector	Money Counters	Nursing Home
12/8	Mary Holzbaur, Brenda Boss, Richard Vorbeck	Christy Mouse		
12/9	Chris Chambers, Jovanna Rohs, Carol Vanderpool	Brenda Boss	Bruce Fangmann Jerry Amrdorfer	Julia Seck
12/15	Julia Seck, Linda Boyd, Norm Seyfert	Sara Perez		
12/16	Brenda Boss, Jim Boss, Judi Vogan	Katie Wright	Joyce Moriarty Patty Davis	Pat Morgan

Christian Stewardship

Who is a Christian steward?

The U.S. bishop’s document titled “Stewardship: A Disciple’s Response” defines a Christian steward as “one who receives God’s gifts gratefully, cherishes and tends them in a responsive manner, shares them in justice and love with others, and returns them with increase to the Lord.”

Prayers for the Sick

Remember the following in your prayers: Sheryl Turley, Jim & Myrtle Wilson, Nancy & Wayne Totton, Truman Smith, Bonnie Jones, David Evans, Ryan Jones, Louis Lux, Gary Trigg, Maria Crawford, Jake Jacques, Jackie Durdala, Mandy Boone, Shirley Baxter, Dustin Khan, Patrick Sopher, Judy Calia

Weekly Mass Intentions

Saturday	12/8	St. Jude & St. George Parishioners
Sunday	12/9	+Kent Morgan (Pat Morgan)
Wednesday	12/12	+Ron Langevin (Jim & Betsy Stoll)
Thursday	12/13	Priest Intention
Friday	12/14	+Richard Garnier (Altar Society)
Saturday	12/15	+Peg Shields (Harold Shields)
Sunday	12/16	St. Jude & St. George Parishioners

Communion for Homebound

Please call the parish office at 690-3165 or send an email to contact@stjudeoakgrove.com when lifestyles keeps one from joining our weekend worship through age or illness. We will contact Fr. Bryan and our outreach ministry for you.

Date	Monday	Tuesday St. George	Wednesday St. George St. Jude	Thursday St. George St. Jude	Friday St. Jude
11/25-12/1	11/26 No Mass	11/27 St G-5:30	11/28 St G-9am St J- 6pm	11/29 St G -8:30 St. J -9:30	11/30 St J -9am
12/2-12/8	12/3 No Mass	12/4 St G-5:30	12/5 St. G-9am St. G-6pm	12/6 St G -8:30 St. J -9:30	12/7 St. J-5pm St G- 7pm
12/9-12/15	12/10 No Mass	12/11 St. G- 5:30pm	12/12 St. G-9am St. G-6pm	12/13 St G -8:30 St. J -9:30	12/14 St J -9am
12/16-12/22	12/17 No Mass	12/18 St. G-5:30	12/19 St. G-9am St. J- 6pm	12/20 St. G -8:30 St. J -9:30	12/21 St. J -9am
12/23-12/29	12/24 St J-3:30 St G - 5:30 St J-12am	12/25 St. G-8:30	12/26 No Mass	12/27 No Mass	12/28 St J -9am

You are invited to spend an hour with Jesus every Wednesday after Mass We will end adoration with benediction.at 6:55 Christ’s great love for us was shown when he was crucified on the cross to pay the penalty for our sins and give us eternal life. He loves us without limit, and offers Himself to us in the Holy sacrament of the Eucharist. Can we not give Jesus a few minutes of love and adoration in return?