

March 31th, 2019
Fourth Sunday of Lent

Important Dates

April 7th

Ministry Fair—Sunday after Mass

April 13th

Children's Lenten Retreat-- Saturday from 12:30 to 3:15, Mass

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

Lenten Service Opportunities — Reconciliation every Wednesday from 5 to 6pm during Adoration!

Stations of the Cross —Every Wednesday at 6pm and every Friday after the 9am Mass!

Deanery Meeting at the Sister's Warehouse on April 4th at 9am. If you are attending or need a ride, contact Carol Vanderpool at 816-217-4485 by Tuesday, April 2nd, Sisters need a attendance count for lunch.

THIS IS THE LAST WEEK TO DONATE

This Lent we are again participating in our hygiene project (formerly known as "Shoobox Project"). Please collect items between **March 6th to April 3rd**. A barrel will be in the gathering area for you to drop off your donations. Items needed are listed on the bulletin boards. Also, this year we are collecting items for men. Thank you for your support!!

For a Christian, marriage is not just a social institution, it is a real supernatural calling. A great sacrament, instituted by Christ. It is a permanent contract that sanctifies in cooperation with Jesus Christ. He fills the souls of husband and wife and invites them to follow him. He transforms their whole married life into an occasion for God's presence on earth. How well are you living out your supernatural calling? A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend can help you explore and answer that question! The next weekend in the Kansas City area will be May 3-5, 2019. For more information, or to apply for a weekend, visit www.wvme4youandme.org, or call/email Tony & Barb Zimmerman at 816-741-4066, tonybarbz@prodigy.net

SOCIAL MEDIA

Catholic Charities hired a new Social Media Coordinator to help spread the word more effectively on social media. Through these avenues you will be able to keep informed of upcoming events, programs, and ways to help those in need. You can find us on Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, Instagram, and the web at www.catholiccharities-kcsj.com. For more information or to join us on social media, please contact Ellen Petersen, Digital & Social Media Coordinator at epetersen@ccharities.com or 816-659-8280.

Readings for the week of March 31st

Sunday	Joshua 5: 9a, 10-12, 2 Cor 5: 17-21, Is 65: 17-21,	Ps 33a, Lk 15: 1-3, 11-32, Ps 30, Jn 4: 43-54
Monday	Ez 47: 1-9, 12,	Ps 46, Jn 5: 1-16
Tuesday	Is 49: 8-15,	Ps 145, Jn 5: 17-30
Wednesday	Ex 32: 7-14,	Ps 106, Jn 5: 31-47
Thursday	Wis 2: 1a, 12-22,	Ps 34, Jn 7: 1-2, 10, 25-30
Friday	Jer 11: 18-20,	Ps 7, Jn 7: 40-53

4th Sunday of Lent

"No longer was there manna for the Israelites, who that year ate of the yield of the land of Canaan." (JOSHUA 5:12)

Over the forty years that the Israelites journeyed through the desert, God provided them with manna to eat. As soon as they were able to enjoy the fruits of the Promised Land the manna ceased. Likewise, God's blessings to us may change over the years but it is important to trust that God will always provide us with all that we need.

Ministry Fair, Apr. 7th, After 10:30 Mass-- Knowing that the Lord has created each of us uniquely with special talents and gifts, the Ministry Fair offers a glimpse into the life of our parish and how our Catholic brothers and sisters share with one another. By pooling our God-given abilities, our parish is a place where people grow and mature while embracing their journey of faith toward God. Come and take a look at the various groups in our faith community. Hopefully, you will see one or more ways in which you would like to participate in our parish life.

Coming Soon! A children's Lenten Retreat will be held on Sat., April 13th, from 12:30 to 3:15 in the afternoon for children in grades preschool to 6th grade. The theme for the retreat is "Walking With Jesus." To reserve a space for the retreat for your child/children, contact Connie Orrison at 816-690-2356 or e-mail at connie.orrison@gmail.com.

Shamrocks & Shenanigans Fundraiser has deposited through cash, checks and credit cards \$8407.50. The total expenses, that have been presented, are \$1848.09, so the fundraiser for the kitchen made \$6559.41!!!! Thanks again to everyone for their participation and helping with the Shamrocks & Shenanigans! Your support and participation helps the parish in many ways!!!

The month of April each year is dedicated to the prevention of child abuse and neglect. It is a time to acknowledge the importance of families and communities working together to prevent child abuse and to promote the social and emotional well-being of children and families. Let us continue our efforts together to provide a safe environment in all our parishes and schools. Additional child abuse prevention resources will be posted to the website in the near future.

This week, we take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection to help **Jesus in disguise**. This Collection helps six Catholic agencies provide relief and support to struggling communities and work for peace and reconciliation among our marginalized brothers and sister here and around the world, Please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection. Learn more about the collection at www.usccb.org/catholic/relief.

Rachel's Vineyard: Healing the Pain of Abortion, One Weekend at a Time

For women and men who have experienced abortion, they often feel as if a part of their very selves has died. But Jesus wants to touch these souls and raise them up to experience peace and joy. If you or someone you know is suffering from an abortion decision, we can help. Healing the pain of abortion one weekend at a time is Rachel's Vineyard's ministry. The first of three 2019 Kansas City retreats will be held on the weekend of May 3-5. Please call (816) 679-4973 or email rvkcmo@gmail.com for confidential information and to **start the healing**.

COMMUNAL PENANCE SERVICES; HOLY YEAR

The Office of Divine Worship is hosting a page on its web site for Lenten penance services and extra times for confessions.

<https://kcsjatholic.org/office/divine->



St. Jude Parish Welcomes You

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

Director of Music: 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 March 23th & 24th

Envelopes....\$2331.30
Plate\$730.25
Kitchen Renovations\$150.00
Easter Flowers.....\$70.00

Attendance

Saturday— March 23th —98
Sunday — March 24th— 136
Monday — March 25th—37

Date	Eucharistic Ministers	Lector	Money Counters	Nursing Home
3/30	Chris Chambers, Christy Mouse, Norm Seyfert	Mary Holzbaur		
3/31	Judi Vogan, Julia Seck, Jovanna Rohs	Jim Boss	Patty Davis Jerry Arndorfer	Julia Seck
4/6	Mary Holzbaur, Linda Boyd Richard Vorbeck	Barbara Wood		
4/7	C. Chambers, Carol Vanderpool, Melissa Mauer-Smith	Sarah Perez	Joyce Moriarty	Pat Morgan

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.

Jesus' disciples and Christian stewards recognize God as the origin of life, giver of freedom, and source of all things. We are grateful for the gifts we have received and are eager to use them to show our love for God and for one another. We look to the life and teaching of Jesus for guidance in living as Christian stewards

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 & Edie Jacques, Jackie Durdala, Mandy Boone, Dustin Khan, Patrick Sopher, Judy Calia, Jack Schnieders, Louis Boehm, Ebb Chambers, Jasmin Boothe

Weekly Mass Intentions

Saturday	3/30	+Ron Langevin (Mike Perkins)
Sunday	3/31	*St. Jude Church Family
Tuesday	4/2	No Mass
Friday	4/5	+Ron Langevin (Knights of Columbus)
Saturday	4/6	+Charles & Helen Stoll (Jim & Betsy Stoll)
Sunday	4/7	*St. Jude Church Family
		*Every Sunday Mass is for St. Jude Parish + Deceased

Date	Monday	Tuesday St. Jude	Wednesday St. George	Thursday St. George St. Jude	Friday St. Jude
3/31-4/6	4/1 No Mass	4/2 No Mass St G-5:30pm	4/3 St G-9am St J-5:30pm	4/4 St G-9am	4/5 St J-9am
4/7-4/13	4/8 No Mass	4/9 St J. 9am St G-5:30pm	4/10 St. G—9am St. J—5:30	4/11 St G-9am	4/12 St. J -9am
4/14-4/20	4/15 No Mass	4/16 St J. 9am St G-5:30pm	4/17 St.J-5 pm St G—7pm	4/18 St. J—5pm St G-7pm	4/19 St. J-5pm St G -7pm
4/21-4/27	4/22 No Mass	4/23 No Mass	4/24 No Mass	4/25 No Mass	4/26 No Mass
4/28-5/4	4/29 No Mass	4/30 St. J— 9am St G-5:30pm	5/1 St. G—9am St G-5:30pm	5/2 St. G -9am	5/3 St. J -9am

You are invited to spend time with Jesus every Wednesday for Reconciliation/Adoration/Benediction starting at 5pm during Lent, Stations of the Cross at 6pm. 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?