

December 1st, 2019 First Sunday of Advent

Important Dates

- December 4th**
DCCW Meeting-Wednesday starting at 9 am
- December 5th**
St. Jude Women's Christmas Party, Thursday starting at 6:30
- Decembers 8th**
Advent Dinner —Sunday after Mass
- December 12th**
Caroling at Nursing Home—After Advent Dinner
- Bingo** — Thursday at 6pm
- December 14th**
Advent Retreat— Saturday from 10am to 3:30pm

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

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, DECEMBER 9

Because December 8 falls on a Sunday this year, the liturgical observance of the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception transfers to Monday, December 9. The Immaculate Conception is not a holy day of obligation this year.

Mass at St. George at 9am, Mass at St. Jude at 6pm

"The Angel Tree is now ready with gift tags for parishioners to take and donate a gift for a family in need. St. Jude and Community Service League are working together again this year to make Christmas come true for Oak Grove families. Please take a tag from the tree and bring it back to the church **unwrapped** by November 25. Boxes will be available in the gathering area of the church to place your gift in. **Please make sure that your donation is unwrapped and your tag is taped to the front of the gift.** Thank you for making a wish come true!"

Advent Project: The children of the Religious Education program will be collecting new socks and underwear for children going into foster care (all sizes). More news to come on this project. In the meantime, keep an eye out for these items when shopping during Advent. Items to be turned in NLT 8 Jan 2020.

BINGO here at St. Jude!!!

Did you know that your Parish now has licensed Bingo every 2nd Thursday of each month. Don't miss out, and please support! Thursday, December 12-Doors open at 5:00, play begins at 6:00 \$20/16 games/9 cards per game \$5 free concessions for each couple/friend group **Free Ham drawing just in time for Christmas**

Women of St. Jude Christmas Party
Thursday, December 5, 6:30 Parish Hall
Cookie Exchange, Music, Food and Drinks
Come decked out in Christmas Attire
Bring a snack to share.
Hosted by St. Jude Altar Society
Questions: Dana @816-228-1527

Readings for the week of December 1st

Sunday	Is 2" 1-5, Ps 122, Rom 13: 11-14, Mt 24: 37-44
Monday	Is 4: 2-6, Ps 122, Mt 8: 5-11
Tuesday	Is 11: 1-10, Ps 72, Lk 10: 21-24
Wednesday	Is 25: 6-10a, Ps 23, Mt 15: 29-37
Thursday	Is 26: 1-6, Ps 118, Mt 7: 21, 24-27
Friday	Is 29: 17-24, Ps 27, Mt 27-31
Saturday	Is 30: 19-21, 23-26, Ps 147, Mt 9: 35 —10: 1, 5a, 6-8

Dear St. Jude and St. George
Today we begin Advent. We prepare our hearts for the coming of Christ at Christmas, at the end of the World, and every day of our lives. May you have a blessed Advent as you walk in the footsteps of Mary and Joseph and begin the liturgical new year.

In our Journey into the Deep we begin our week on Mary and the saints. Please keep the Holy Family retreat on your calendars. It's coming up on Dec. 14 at St. Jude and includes a special devotion to Our Lady of Guadalupe and a consecration of the parish to her Immaculate Heart.

Stay Holy St Jude and St. George,
Fr. Bryan

1st Sunday of Advent

"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.

Prayers of the Offertory—That we don't take each day for granted and see the little miracles that occur in our lives every day.

Sunday December 8

Advent Dinner, free to the parish, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus

Caroling organized by the Altar Society at Oak Grove Nursing Home

Bring the Christmas Spirit to those that can't get out
Immediately after the Advent Meal, approximately : 12:30-1:00
Wear your Christmas Attire.
Everyone invited-All ages

TV Mass For the Homebound KMCI Channel 38 (the Spot) at 7am

Is someone you love unable to join us at church during this holy time of Lent and Easter? For the faithful at home or in healthcare settings, the Heart of the Nation Sunday TV Mass brings spiritual comfort and the blessings of joy-filled hope in our Risen Savior. Please invite anyone you know who cannot get out to church to tune in Catholic Mass on TV or watch online anytime on Sundays at www.HeartoftheNation.org. (For those who can get to church, the TV or online liturgy does not fulfill the Sunday Mass obligation.)

O Holy Night Nativity Display

St. George meeting Hall, Saturday, Dec 7th, 10—5:30 & Sunday, Dec 8th 9:30 —3:30.

Nativity sets can be designed and made in many different ways. Anyone can display a nativity scene. Displays must be set up by December 4th. Call the St. George office at 816-633-7475 for more information. There will be 100+ nativity sets displayed. Plan a family visit to this unique and interesting exhibit.

Knights of Columbus will continue to collect aluminum cans. The container is in the parking lot down by the shed. This is an ongoing project for the Knights. The money goes to help local projects and organizations. Please remember to recycle all your aluminum cans!!



Website: www.stjudeoakgrove.org

Email: contact@stjudeoakgrove.com

St. Jude Parish Welcomes You

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 (816)-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

Baptism & Confirmation: Fr. Bryan Amthor @ 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, Wednesday from 5 to 6pm during Adoration, & Saturday 2:45 – 3:15

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

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, Joe Crayon, at 816.812.2500 or crayon@ombudsmankcsi.org, if the abuse involves a priest, deacon, employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph.

The Diocese has a sincere commitment to providing care and healing resources to victims of sexual abuse and their families. Please contact the Victim Advocate, Kathleen Chastain, at 816.392.0011 or chastain@diocesekcsi.org for more information

Date	Eucharistic Ministers	Lector	Money Counters	Nursing Home
11/30	Norm Seyfert Christy Mouse	Janie Robinson		
12/01	Brenda Boss Jim Boss	Jovanna Rohs	Patty Davis Carol Vanderpool	Pat Morgan
12/07	Mary Holzbaur Richard Vorbeck	Christy Mouse		
12/08	Carol Vanderpool Chris Chambers	Jim Boss	Mary White Carol Balistreri	Judi Vogan

Weekly Gifts for November 23th & 24th

Envelopes.....\$1731.30

Plate\$473.51

Parish Improvement.....\$25.00

Attendance

Saturday— November 23th—82

Sunday — November 24th—97

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 NO Mass	Tuesday St. Jude St. George	Wednesday St. George St. Jude	Thursday St. George	Friday St. Jude
12/01 - 12/07	12/02 No Mass	12/03 St J - 9am St G-5 6pm	12/04 St G—9am St J—6pm	12/05 St G-9am	12/06 St J -9am
12/08 - 12/14	12/09 No Mass	11/10 St J—9am St G-6pm	12/11 St G-9am St J— 6pm	12/12 St G-9am	12/13 St J-9am
12/15 - 12/21	12/16 No Mass	12/17 St J—9am St G-6pm	12/18 St G-9am St J— 6pm	12/19 St G—9am	12/20 St J—9am
12/22 - 12/28	12/23 No Mass	12/24 St J— 3:30 St G-5:30	12/25 St J-12am St G—10am	12/26 No Mass	12/27 No Mass
12/29 — 01/04	12/30 No Mass	12/31 St. J—9am	01/01 St. G—6pm	01/02 St. G-9am	01/03 St. J—9am

You are invited to spend time with Jesus every Wednesday for Reconciliation/Adoration/Benediction from 5pm to 6pm. **There will be Mass 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?

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, Jackie Durdala, Mandy Boone, Dustin Khan, Patrick Sopher, Judy Calia, Louis Boehm, Ebb Chambers, Jasmin Boothe, Mike Rochowiak, Jack Schnieders, Elisa Sands, Melissa Huber, Freda Stanger, Jesse Daniel Mary Jane Noellsch

Weekly Mass Intentions

Saturday	11/30	+Robert Perkins (Ann & Jerry Arndorfer)
Sunday	12/01	*St. Jude Church Family
Tuesday	01/03	+Walter Brumleve (Jim & Brenda Boss)
Wednesday	01/04	+Robert L Perkins, Jr (Altar Society)
Friday	01/06	+Eric Cierpiot (Terry & Gail Sopher)
Saturday	01/07	+Louis & Ann Boehm (Mary & Margaret Boehm)
Sunday	01/08	* St. Jude Church Family *Sunday Mass is for St. Jude Parish +Deceased