

# December 8th, 2019 Second Sunday of Advent



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## 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.

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**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](mailto: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@ombudsmankcsj.org](mailto:crayon@ombudsmankcsj.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@diocesekcsj.org](mailto:chastain@diocesekcsj.org) for more information

### Weekly Gifts for Nov. 30th & Dec. 1st

Envelopes.....\$ 2308.30

Plate .....\$169.30

### Attendance

Saturday— November 30th—90

Sunday — December 1st—102

**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](http://www.stjudeoakgrove.org) on the Home page. Check on Donate Now!**

### 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 12/07** Louis & Ann Boehm (Mary & Margaret Boehm)

**Sunday 12/08** \*St Jude Church Family

**Tuesday 12/10** +Kent Morgan (Pat Morgan)

**Wednesday 12/11** +Rose Bleyenber (Jim & Brenda Boss)

**Friday 12/13** +David Watson (Sam Watson)

**Saturday 12/14** +Marie K. Potts (Jim & Betsey Stoll)

**Sunday 12/15** \*St. Jude Church Family  
\*Sunday Mass for Parish + Deceased

Date	Eucharistic Ministers	Lector	Money Counters	Nursing Home
12/07	Mary Holzbaur Richard Vorbeck	Christy Mouse		
12/08	Carol Vanderpool Chris Chambers	Jim Boss	Mary White Carol Balistreri	Judi Vogan
12/14	Julia Seck Linda Boyd	Mary Holzbaur		
12/15	Melissa Mauer-Smith Judi Vogan	Katie Wright	Josh Neuweg Bruce Fangmann	

### Communion for Homebound

Please call the parish office at 690-3165 or send an email to [contact@stjudeoakgrove.com](mailto: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?

### Important Dates

#### Decembers 8th

**Advent Dinner** —Sunday after Mass

**Caroling at Nursing Home**—After Advent Dinner

#### December 12th

**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](http://www.stjudeoakgrove.org)

This weekend we have a second collection to support aging religious. Many senior Catholic sisters, brothers and religious order priests served for little or no pay. Your gift helps provide medication, nursing care, and more for tens of thousands of elderly religious. Please be generous!

**Because of this collection, the Parish Improvement collection will be next weekend, December 14th and 15th.**

### 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 if you bring new friend

**Free Ham drawing just in time for Christmas**

**Advent Project:** In Oct. 2019, the children of the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade Religious Education (RE) program heard their teacher, Miss Melissa, speak about helping others who are less fortunate. Two children in the class, Adelle and Gage Hankins decided to put faith into action and looked for a way to help children who were in need. After doing some research they discovered Blair Foster Socks. Blair Foster Socks is an organization which aids foster children in the Kansas City area by supplying children entering foster homes with socks, underwear, and other clothing items. The children of the RE program request that you bring in **new** socks and underwear (sizes XS to XL) and drop them off at the parish hall, and they will be delivered to Blair Foster Socks. More information on Blair Foster Socks can be found at <https://www.blairfostersocks.org>

### This 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

### Readings for the week of December 8th

**Sunday** Is 11: 1-10, Ps 72, Rom 15:4-9, Mt 3:1-12

**Monday** Gn 3: 9-15, 20, Ps 98, Eph 1: 3-6, 11-12, Lk 1: 26-38

**Tuesday** Is 40, 49: 1-11, Ps 96, Mt 18: 12-14

**Wednesday** Is 40: 25-31, Ps 103, Mt 11: 28-30

**Thursday** Zec 2: 14-17, Jdt 13, Lk 1: 26-38

**Friday** Is 48: 17-19, Ps 1, Mt 11: 16-19

**Saturday** Sir 48: 1-4, 9-11, Ps 80, Mt 17: 9a, 10-13

Dear St. Jude & St. George,  
Today we begin our 10th week and halfway point for our journey into the deep. This week's topic is the Last Things. What happens after death..... Judgment, Heaven, Hell and purgatory. All your questions answered!

Also during this time of Advent please consider joining us for our Holy Family retreat next Saturday, Dec. 14, 10-3:30 at St. Jude. This endeavor is very important for our parishes. We are often times very involved in dinners and community outreach which is good, but we above all need to take care of our souls and get to Heaven. Let's make it a packed house! Learn about the Church calendar and how to not worry and trust in God. The 3:30 Mass will be a special Mass commemorating our Lady of Guadalupe and end with consecrating the parish to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Stay tuned for the schedule. Please feel free to come and go as you please.

Peace,  
Fr. Bryan

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent

*"Therefore, every tree that does not bear good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire."* MATTHEW 3:10

Do you bear good fruit for Christ? Or, do you spend your time, talent and treasure constantly acquiring more toys, clutter and junk. Our time, our talent and our treasure are gifts that God has given us. What we do with them is our gift back to God. What gifts are you planning to give to the Lord during this upcoming Christmas season?

**Prayers of the Faithful**—That we realize what we do with the gifts God has given us is our gift back to God.

The kick off for the Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA) for 2020 is in full swing! Envelopes and letters have been mailed out to families. There are also envelopes in the pews if you would like to use them. Please pray about the amount that you will give for the year to the Annual Catholic Appeal and be generous. God bless each of you!

### END OF THE YEAR APPEAL

You may have recently received an end-of-the-year appeal at your homes. This is a perfect opportunity to reflect on the time, talent and treasure you have shared over the past year. With 2019 quickly coming to a close, you still have an opportunity to make a difference in the lives of those in our communities. If you did not receive a mailing, please contact Lynn Lichte, Donor Stewardship Specialist, to make a donation at [llichte@ccharities.com](mailto:llichte@ccharities.com) or 816-659-8243. We would also ask that you consider making this a monthly gift and check to see if your employer would be willing to match your donation.

### FROM CONCEPTION ABBEY GUEST CENTER

37174 State Hwy V V, Conception, MO 64434, 660.944.2809,  
[guests@conception.edu](mailto:guests@conception.edu).

### ANNUAL NEW YEAR'S RETREAT: MAKING SENSE OF OUR CRAZY BUT PRECIOUS WORLD

December 30, 2019 — January 1, 2020

Explore through the eyes of St. Benedict, Pope Francis and others, the many ways Jesus said he would be with us in the midst of our world. From the insights of holy women and men down through the centuries, we can gain the help to see and apply the wisdom of the Gospel to our personal and global world. The goal of the retreat will be to find practical ways of naming and celebrating the goodness of God's love in our human experience, thus making a difference for us and those around us. Led by Father Daniel Petsche, OSB