

December 15th, 2019 Third 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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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@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 for more information

Weekly Gifts for Dec. 7th & 8th

Envelopes.....\$2963.36

Plate\$155.00

Retirement\$528.00

Cookbooks....\$164.00

World Mission\$20.00

Attendance

Saturday— December 7th—77

Sunday — December 8th—136

Date	Eucharistic Ministers	Lector	Money Counters	Nursing Home
12/14	Julia Seck Linda Boyd	Mary Holzbour		
12/15	Melissa Mauer-Smith Judi Vogan	Katie Wright	Josh Neuweg Bruce Fangmann	
12/21	Richard Vorbeck Brenda Boss	Diane Christianson		
12/22	Carolyn Huff Sarah Perez	Jovanna Rohs	Patty Davis Joyce Moriarty	Ann Arndorfer

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, Judy Calia, Louis Boehm, Jasmin Boothe, Mike Rochowiak, Jack Schnieders, Elisa Sands, Melissa Huber, Freda Stanger, Jesse Daniel, Mary Jane Noellsch, John Bowman

Weekly Mass Intentions

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

Sunday 12/15 *St. Jude Church Family

Tuesday 12/17 +Jim Croy (Altar Society)

Wednesday 12/18 +Jake Jacques (Betty Earnshaw)

Friday 12/20 +Rose Bleyenberg (Carol Vanderpool)

Saturday 12/21 +Karen Rickhoff (Barbara Wood)

Sunday 12/22 *St. Jude Church Family
*Sunday Mass for Parish + Deceased

Dear St. Jude and St. George,

Today we celebrate Gaudete Sunday. The 3rd Sunday of Advent we rejoice because the coming of the Lord is very near. This week reflect on the coming of the Lord by walking in the footsteps of Mary and Joseph. Come spend some time in adoration and make use of the Sacrament of Confession if you haven't in a while. The perfect gift will probably be forgotten by next year but these things have eternal ramifications! Also since we are on break from our Journey into the Deep, check out another video. Maybe one on St. Nicholas. Lots of cool things to find!

Stay Holy St. Jude and St. George,

Fr. Bryan

3rd Sunday of Advent

"You too must be patient. Make your hearts firm, because the coming of the Lord is at hand." JAMES 5:8

Patience is another one of those things many of us struggle with. We want things to go according to our plan and our schedule. Any change brings anxiety and fear. Through daily prayer we better align ourselves with God's will and His plan, which is far better than anything we can come up with on our own.

Prayer of the Faithful—That through daily prayer we gain patience and align ourselves with God and His plan for us.



Gratitude is a biblical virtue. God calls us to **be thankful** to those who help us. And the people who donate to St. Jude certainly deserve our appreciation.

Please consider St. Jude Church in your end of year charity donation. Remember it is a great write off! God Bless and have a great New Year!

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!

GIVING THE GIFT OF WARMTH

We are blessed to partner with the Knights of Columbus throughout the diocese of KCSJ in the Coats for Kids Drive. The Knights have done an amazing job of raising funds and providing coats for school children in need. We are hopeful that their example of generosity will spread as we begin our winter drive to collect, hats, gloves and scarves for our clients coming through the Welcome Center. This time of year is especially challenging for the homeless and those in need. Please consider giving the gift of warmth this season by donating to our drive. For more information please contact Nancy Butters, Development Manager at nbutters@ccharities.com or 816-659-8266.

FROM CONCEPTION ABBEY GUEST CENTER

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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

Important Dates

January 5th —

Fellowship— Sunday after Mass

January 7th

Knights of Columbus— Tuesday at 7pm

January 9th

Bingo— Thursday, doors open at 5pm

More information for all events are on the parish website—
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Christmas and New year Masses

Christmas Eve

St. Jude at 3:30pm

St. George at 5:30p

Christmas Day

St. Jude 12 Midnight

St. George 10am

New years Eve

St. Jude at 9am

New Years Day

St. George 6pm

FELLOWSHIP SUNDAY

Fellowship Sunday ,January 5th, will be a little different. Everyone is invited to bring Holiday Goodies from their home! (By now everyone is glad to get them out of their houses! Please join us and bring those goodies!

Advent Project: In Oct. 2019, the children of the 3rd and 4th 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>

Gluten free host are available for Communion. Please talk to Fr. Bryan for information.

A special "Thank You" to all the advertisers who are supporting our church bulletin. Please take time to look at the back of the bulletin to check them out. Please keep them in mind when shopping around for local services.

Readings for the week of December 15th

Sunday Is 35: 1-6a, 10, Ps 146, Jm 5:7-10, Mt 11: 2-11

Monday Nm 24: 2-7, 15-17a, Ps 25, Mt 21: 23-27

Tuesday Gn 49: 2, 8-10 Ps 72, Mt 1: 1-17

Wednesday Jer 23: 5-8, Ps 72, Mt 1: 18-25

Thursday JGS 13: 2-7, 24-25A, Ps 71, Lk 1: 5-25

Friday Is 7: 10-14, Ps 24, Lk 1: 26-38

Saturday Sg 2: 8-14, Ps 33, Lk 1-39-45