



December 20th, 2020
FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT



CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEARS MASS SCHEDULES

- CHRISTMAS EVE** Mass at 3:30 pm at St. Jude
Mass at 5:30 pm at St. George
Midnight Mass (12am) at St. George
- CHRISTMAS DAY** Mass at 9:00 am at St. George
Mass at 10:30 am at St. Jude
- NEW YEARS EVE** Mass at 6:00pm at St. George (updated)
- NEW YEARS DAY** Mass at 9:00 am at St. Jude
- ***Regular Mass schedule for Wednesday***



My heart is beating, filled with joy,
awaiting Mary's baby boy.
For with this child, we embrace
the birth of God's most precious grace.

Baby Jesus, soon to come!
For us comes the Promised One.
Baby Jesus, God's own Son,
you will be the Chosen One

to lead our flock into salvation.
Our eternal life awaits.
The birth of Jesus brings us nearer
Heaven's holy gates.

Sing with joy, and count the days,
for soon to come, the Lord we'll praise.
Rejoice that Jesus will soon arrive,
the Messiah and our faith alive.

CHRISTMAS
Catholic Charities KCSJ would like to wish the blessings of the season on all parishioners, families, and friends of the diocese. Although this holiday season may look a little different due to separations caused by the pandemic, we know that we all still have much to be grateful for. It is through your generosity that we were able to meet the needs of so many throughout this challenging year. May this Christmas season be filled with joy, love, peace, and family. For information about our programs please contact Nancy Butters, Parish Outreach Manager at 816-659-8266 or nbutters@ccharities.com.

We now have TEXT to Give! Simply TEXT the word "Give" to our number 1-816-608-8004 and follow the prompts!

Readings for the week of December 20th

Sunday	2 Sm 7: 1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16, Ps 89, Rm 16: 25-27, Lk 1: 26-38
Monday	Sg 2: 8-14, Ps 33, Lk 1: 39-45
Tuesday	1 Sm 1: 24-28, 1 Sm 2, Lk 1: 46-56
Wednesday	Mal 3: 1-4, 23-24, Ps 25, Lk 1: 57-66
Thursday	Is 62: 1-5, Ps 89,
Christmas Eve	Acts 13: 16-17, 22-25, Mt 1: 1-25
Friday	Is 9: 1-6, Ps 96,
Christmas Day	Tm 2: 11-14, Lk 2: 1-14
Saturday	Acts 6: 8-10; 7: 54-59, Ps 31, Mt 10: 17-22

Dear St. Jude,
It has been a long year, but Christmas is soon upon us! Christmas may look a little different this year. We may miss love ones and we may not have the big parties we usually plan. Our anxiety may not be so much about presents or food preparation this year as it is about our finances or health. This year let us truly remember what Christmas is all about. It is about a God who became man to save his people from the darkness of this world because he is madly in love with us. During the Octave of Christmas from Christmas Day to New Year's Day time stands still. Take this time to slow down and encounter that Babe in a manger who loves you more than you can imagine. This year when time slowly begins to move forward on January 2, you can take that love with you wherever you go and always be reminded of what truly matters that God is with us. As your Pastor I truly wish all of you a very Merry Christmas and a happy New Year. May Christ fill your hearts with peace and an abundance of love this Christmas season. God bless you all!

Peace,
Fr. Bryan



4th Sunday of Advent
"Hail, full of grace, the Lord is with you!" – LUKE 1:28
After Jesus, we look to Mary as an ideal steward. Her entire life was lived in obedience to God's call. Mary teaches us to live with joy for all we have been given. Just as the moon reflects the light of the sun, Mary reflects the light of Christ. Like Mary, we are called to reflect Christ's light to the world through our gratitude and generosity.

OFFERTORY PRAYER That like Mary, our lives, too reflect Christ's light to the world through our gratitude and generosity.

Masks and Social Distancing *Everyone is required to wear their mask in church at all times. You are required to wear your mask when coming up to Communion. Please stay 6 feet apart when you are in line. Parishioners should practice social distancing when entering and leaving the church.**

SAVE THE DATE – SOS BENEFIT DINNER – JANUARY 29, 2021
Support Our Seminarians (SOS) Benefit Dinner: The SOS Committee seeks assistance in sharing information and encouraging all parishioners' participation in this fundraiser as it will be the last ever — and hopefully best ever — effort in its nearly 30-year history! Entirely a virtual event: online giving, exciting raffle items, video expressions of thanks, and live-stream announcements of raffle winners, as well as the final fundraising tally. For more information, visit: supportourseminarians.com.

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Is your Marriage in crisis? Retrouvaille has a proven track record of 80% success rate among couples who attend the weekend program and all 12 post sessions. Your marriage will find help and hope during your weekend, and the follow-up post sessions. For more information about upcoming weekends near you, please visit helpourmarriage.org, call 816.505.0510 or email 2017@retrouvaille.org.



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 (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
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Director of Music: Calvin Snow @ 230-5245, Email: calvin.snow@gmail.com

Office hours: Tuesday and Friday from 9:30am to 11:30pm
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

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

Prayers for the Sick

Remember the following in your prayers:
Sheryl Turley, Nancy & Wayne Totton, Bonnie Jones, David Evans, Ryan Jones, Louis Lux, Gary Trigg, Jackie Durdala, Dustin Khan, Judy Calia, Jasmin Boothe, John Bowman, Jerry Booker, Robert & Karen Harman, Ed Schieber, Herb Sands, Tina Kellogg

Weekly Gifts for December 12th & 13th

- Envelopes.....\$900.00
- Plate....\$246.00
- Retirement Fund for Religious...\$ 218.00
- Parish Improvement\$250.00
- Immaculate Conception....\$25.00
- Online Giving (OLG) ...\$465.10
- Mass Stipend\$30.00

Attendance: December 12th.....27
December 13th...34

In the end, everything has been entrusted to our protections, and all us are responsible for it. Be protectors of God's gifts. —Pope Francis

Weekly Mass Intentions

Saturday	12/19	+Peggy Bell (Diane Christianson)
Sunday	12/20	*St. Jude Parishioners
Tuesday	12/22	+Ebb Chambers (Altar Society)
Wednesday	12/23	+Rose Bleyenbergh (Joseph & MaryAnn Delgado)
Thursday	12/24	*St. Jude Parishioners
Friday	12/25	*St. Jude Parishioner
Saturday	12/26	+Ivonna Barra
Sunday	12/27	*St. Jude Church Family *Sunday Mass for Parish + Deceased

Date	Lector	Altar Servers	Money Counters	Nursing Home
12/19	Judi Vogan	Volunteer		CLOSED
12/20	Jovanna Rohs	Volunteer	Carol Vanderpool Madonna Forthofer	UNTIL
12/26	Diane Christianson	Volunteer		FURTHER
12/27	Katie Wright	Volunteer	Mary Ann White Carol Balistreri	NOTICE

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
11/29 — 12/5	11-30 No Mass	12/1 St J- 9am St G-6pm	12/2 St G-9am St J-6pm	11/3 St G-9am	11/4 NO MASS
12/6 — 12/12	12/7 No Mass	12/8 St J- 9am St G-6pm	12/9 St G- 9am St J-6pm	12/10 St G-9am	12/11 St J-9am
12/13 — 12/19	12/14 No Mass	12/15 St J- 9am St G-6pm	12/16 St G- 9am St J-6pm	12/17 St G-9am	12/18 St J-9am
12/20 — 12/26	12/21 No Mass	12/22 St J-9am St G-6pm	12/23 St G-9am St J- 6pm	12/24 St J- 3:30 St.G-5:30pm St J-12am	12/25 St G- 9am St J- 10:30
12/27	12/28 No Mass	12/29 St J- 9am St G-6pm	12/30 St G-9am St J-6pm	12/31 St G-6:00pm	1/1/2021 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?