

JANUARY 10th, 2021 The BAPTISM of the LORD



St. Jude Parish Welcomes You

Website: www.stjudeoakgrove.org

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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

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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

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

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, Richard Vorbeck

Weekly Gifts for January 2nd & 3th

Envelopes.....\$845.00

Plate....\$140.05

Christmas....\$60.00

Catholic Key45.00

Online Giving (OLG)\$415.70

Parish Improvement\$92.00

Attendance: January 2rd.....36

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: 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
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Weekly Mass Intentions

Saturday 1/9 +Rose Bleyenber (Joseph & Mary Ann Degado)
Sunday 1/10 *St. Jude Church Family
Tuesday 1/12 +John Davis (Candy Davis)
Wednesday 1/13 +Rose Bleyenber (Cecelia & Jimmy Stewart)
Friday 1/15 +Jerry Katzer (Altar Society)
Saturday 1/16 +Tina Kellogg (Nicole &Stephen Pearl)
Sunday 1/17 *St. Jude Church Family
***Sunday Mass for Parish + Deceased**

Baptism of the Lord

"And a voice came from the heavens, 'You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.'" - MARK 1:11

Through our baptism, we too, are daughters and sons of God.

We are disciples of Jesus. As true disciples we are called to actively participate in our Catholic faith, not just be mere bystanders.

This means working in collaboration with Holy Spirit and discerning how we are being asked to use our gifts. Using our gifts for the benefit of others and not just for our own interests and comfort.

OFFERTORY PRAYER That we work in collaboration with the Holy Spirit in discerning how God is calling us to use our gifts.

January Prayer Intentions

Pope Francis' January Prayer Intention: *May the Lord give us the grace to live in full fellowship with our brothers and sisters of other religions, praying for one another, open to all.*

Bishop Johnston's January Prayer Intention: *For all prisoners to have the light of faith and the gift of hope.*

SOS BENEFIT DINNER JANUARY 29

We need your help to make this year's Support Our Seminarians (SOS) event the best yet. This will be our final SOS event, and sadly due to the pandemic, we won't be able to gather in person; we will be gathering virtually. We need your help to make this final SOS event our most successful ever? You can support our seminarians and the future of the Church by making a donation, purchasing raffle tickets, praying for vocations, and joining us online at 6pm on Friday, January 29th, for the final SOS event.

To donate raffle tickets, visit www.supportourseminarians.com or contact Martha Hodes at 913-207-9893 or mmmg-sos512@gmail.com. We hope you will join us in supporting our seminarians and vocations to the priesthood!

Please do whatever you can for the critical cause of increasing priestly vocations. The future of our faith depends on it! For more information, visit: supportourseminarians.com. Thank you!

CHRISTMAS SHINING STAR THANK YOU

Due to the generous support of parishioners and donors like you, Catholic Charities KCSJ was able to ensure that 500 children would have a very special Christmas this year through our Christmas Shining Star program. Thank you to everyone who participated in this amazing opportunity. Your support and thoughtfulness put a smile on many faces. If you would like to hear more about this program or help support your neighbors in need by volunteering your time or supporting our other programs, please contact Linda Hopkins, Volunteer Coordinator at 816-659-8205 or lhopkins@ccharities.com.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter is coming to your house! . . .

Great marriages are made when husbands and wives make a lot of everyday choices that say "I love you" rather than choices that say "I love me". Now is the time to tell your spouse "I love you" by giving them the gift of an intimate retreat right in the comfort and security of your own home. Join us for a **Virtual Weekend Experience, Feb. 26th - 28th, 2021**. For more information, or to apply for the weekend, visit our website at www.wmme4youandme.org or call/email Deacon Tony & Barb Zimmerman at 816-741-4066, tonybarbz@prodigy.net. And don't forget to follow us on Facebook for the latest updates about WWME Greater KC!

Pope Francis' 10 new year's resolutions for you

Have you made any New Year's resolutions? If not, there's still time, and Pope Francis has some ideas for you.

These are the ten things that he called upon Vatican employees to do:

1. "Take care of your spiritual life, your relationship with God, because this is the backbone of everything we do and everything we are."

2. "Take care of your family life, giving your children and loved ones not just money, but most of all your time, attention and love."

3. "Take care of your relationships with others, transforming your faith into life and your words into good works, especially on behalf of the needy."

4. "Be careful how you speak, purify your tongue of offensive words, vulgarity and worldly decadence."

5. "Heal wounds of the heart with the oil of forgiveness, forgiving those who have hurt us and medicating the wounds we have caused others."

6. "Look after your work, doing it with enthusiasm, humility, competence, passion and with a spirit that knows how to thank the Lord."

7. "Be careful of envy, lust, hatred and negative feelings that devour our interior peace and transform us into destroyed and destructive people."

8. "Watch out for anger that can lead to vengeance; for laziness that leads to existential euthanasia; for pointing the finger at others, which leads to pride; and for complaining continually, which leads to desperation."

9. "Take care of brothers and sisters who are weaker ... the elderly, the sick, the hungry, the homeless and strangers, because we will be judged on this."

10. "Making sure your Christmas is about Jesus and not about shopping."

It's a good list: it's clearly rooted in Catholic teachings, but presented in a way that non-Catholics can embrace (I discovered this list via a Protestant friend who had posted it on Facebook, in fact). And I think that all of us can find on this list at least one or two resolutions that speak to areas in which we really need to grow.

Hope this helps, and happy New Year!

Next week, we will take up the Catholic Home Mission Appeal. Today, over 40% of dioceses in the U.S. and its territories are unable to fund the essential pastoral work their communities need. Your support of this appeal helps them meet these faith formation and sacramental needs. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this appeal. More information can be found at www.usccb.com/missions.

Readings for the week of January 10th

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Sunday	Is 55: 1-11, Is 12, 1 Jn 5: 1-9, Mk 1: 7-11						
Monday		Heb 1: 1-6, Ps 97, Mk 1: 14-20					
Tuesday			Heb 2: 5-12, Ps 8, Mk 1:21-28				
Wednesday				Heb 2: 14-18, Ps 105, Mk 1: 29-39			
Thursday					Heb 3: 7-14, Ps 95, Mk 1: 40-45		
Friday						Heb 4: 1-5, 11, Ps 78, Mk 2: 1-12	
Saturday							Heb 4: 12-16, Ps 19, Mk 2: 13-17

Date	Lector	Altar Servers	Money Counters	Nursing Home
1/9	Christy Mouse	Volunteer	Madonna Forthofer Patty Davis	CLOSED
1/10	Jovanna Rohs	Volunteer		UNTIL
1/16	Diane Christianson	Volunteer		FURTHER
1/17	Brenda Boss	Volunteer	Patty Davis Joyce Moriarty	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
1/3/21 - 1/9	1/4 No Mass	1/5 St J—9am St—6pm	1/6 St G—9am St J0—6pm	1/7 St G—9am	1/8 St J—9am
1/10 - 1/16	1/11 No Mass	1/12 St J—9am St G—6pm	1/13 St G—9am St J—6pm	1/14 St G—9am	1/15 St J—9am
1/17 - 1/23	1/18 No Mass	1/19 St J—9am St G—6pm	1/20 St G—9am St J—6pm	1/21 St G—9am	1/22 St J—9am
1/24 - 1/30	1/25 No Mass	1/26 St J—9am St G—6pm	1/27 St G—9am St J—6pm	1/28 St G—9am	1/29 St J—9am
1/31 - 2/6	2/1 No Mass	2/2 St J—9am St G—6pm	2/3 St G—9am St J—6pm	2/4 St G—9am	2/5 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?