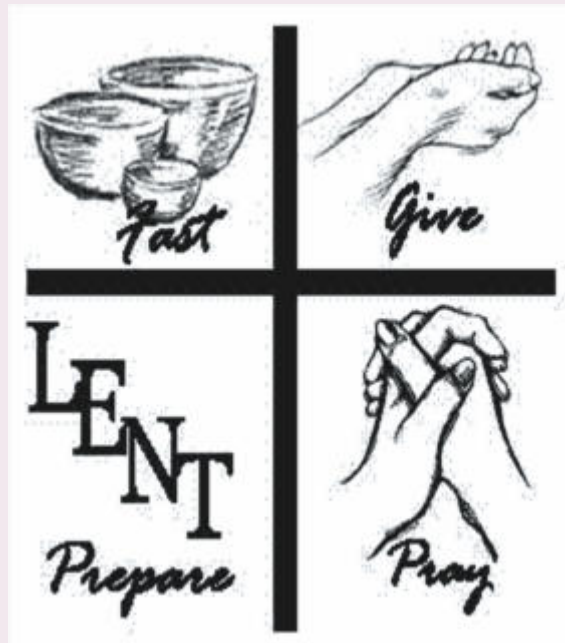


St. Jude the Apostle Parish



Sunday, February 21, 2021—First Sunday of Lent

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PARISH STAFF

Pastor..... *Rev. James W. Kirkpatrick, Jr.*
Deacons..... Daniel Brick & John Steiner
Music Director/Organist/Choirmaster..... Michael Hauser
Folk Group..... Peggy Barkley
Family Faith Formation /Confirmation coordinator.... Lynda Mostowy

RECTORY HOURS

Monday - Thursday - 9:30 am - 3:00 pm. Fridays- 9:30 am - 1:00 pm

FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

Tuesday & Thursday 10:00 am- 2:00 pm

WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS

Please fill out a registration form obtained at entrances to the church or contact the rectory during office hours.

FUNERAL LUNCHEONS

The Bereavement committee is a group that provides a luncheon in the Parish Hall for a minimum of 25 people and not more than 100 people following the **funeral Mass** of a parishioner. Volunteers are always needed and will be placed on a rotating team.

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil 5:00 pm
Sunday 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 12:00 noon,
Tuesday and Thursday 6:45 am
Monday–Friday 9:00 am
Saturday 9:00 am
Holy Day Masses see inside

FIRST FRIDAY EXPOSITION

9:30 am to 5:00 pm (Sept. - June)

No First Friday devotion during July & August

NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

Wednesdays at the 9:00 am. Mass.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Wednesdays 9:30 am–8:00 pm in Church

Divine Mercy Chaplet recited at 3:00 pm.

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays 4:00 pm–4:45 pm
(or by appointment)

MARRIAGE

Arrangements are to be made by calling the rectory 6 months in advance. **A date cannot be reserved until the couple meets with the pastor.** Couples are to attend a Pre-Cana Conference.

BAPTISMS

Held at 1:00 pm on the last Sunday of the month. They can also be scheduled at weekend Masses. A required class for parents and godparents is held in church the Tuesday before the Baptism at 7:00 pm. Please call the rectory for registration. A godparent is to be a Confirmed Catholic and be able to obtain a letter of recommendation from his/her parish.

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

“St. Jude the Apostle is a Roman Catholic community committed to knowing our Christian Faith. We are a welcoming community striving to live in the truth of the Gospel, with love in service to others. Led by the Holy Spirit and rooted in the Eucharist, we believe in the dignity of each person and that all life is sacred.”

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

February 20, 2021—February 28, 2021

Saturday, February 20, 2021—(Vigil)

Is 58:9b-14 Ps 86:1-6 Lk 5:27-32

9:00 am - People of our Parish

5:00 pm—Joseph & Julia Wawrzynek by Wawrzynek family

Sunday, February 21, 2021—First Sunday of Lent

Gn 9:8-15 Ps 25:4-9 1 Pt 3:18-22 Mk 1:12-15

8:00 am—Donna Grawe by Jerry & Pam Casillo

10:00 am—Al DiMatteo by Rose & family

12 noon—Marjorie Platzer by family

Monday, February 22, 2021—The Chair of St. Peter, apostle

1 Pt 5:1-4 Ps 23:1-6 Mt 16:13-19

9:00 am— Anna Ziatts (birth remb) by George & Pauline Ziatts

Tuesday, February 23, 2021—St. Polycarp, bishop/martyr

Is 55:10-11 Ps 34:4-7, 16-19 Mt 6:7-15

6:45 am—Joseph Emry family by estate

9:00 am—Cote’, DeGone, Rossow families by Gerard & Ann Cote’

Wednesday, February 24, 2021—Lenten weekday

Jon 3:1-10 Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19 Lk 11:29-32

9:00 am –Louise Martina by husband and children

Thursday, February 25, 2021—Lenten Weekday

Est C :12, 14-16, 23-25 Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8 Mt 7:7-12

6:45 am –Herman Schaeff family by estate

9:00 am—Laure Leffler by Gerard and Ann Cote’

Friday, February 26, 2021—Friday after Ash Wednesday

Ez 18:21-18 Ps 130:1-8 Mt 5:20-26

9:00 am—Stephen & MaryAnn Joyce by Jerry Casillo

Saturday, February 27, 2021- (Vigil)

Dt 26:16-29 Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8 Mt 5:43-48

9:00 am – Deceased members of our parish community

5:00 pm—Pat Anastasi by Ron & family

Sunday, February 28, 2021—Second Sunday of Lent

Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18 Ps 116:1-,10 15-19 Rom 8:31b-34 Mk 9:2-10

8:00 am—William Foeller by family

10:00 am—Anthony Digangi (birth remb) by Suzane Sciria

12 noon—Christopher Dobiesz by Aunt Joanne

PRAY FOR THOSE WHO RECENTLY PASSED AWAY

Thomas Miranda, Edward Hermanson, Joan Sestrich, Margaret Wagner, Kathleen McPartland, Lorraine Wiech, and Mary Lum. May they rest in peace.



MESSAGE FROM FR JIM

Dear Parishioners,

I announced at Mass last week that Bishop Fisher will be joining us for a Lenten reflection on Tuesday, March 16th at 6:30pm. I am very much looking forward to this. I encourage you to think about coming. However, there will be limited space available. Reservations will be required.

To make a reservation you can email us at stjudetheapostle@roadrunner.com or you can call the office at 716-694-0540. We have enough space in the church for 200 people. Five reservations per family. Please have your reservations in by March 11th by the end of business hours in the office.

Covid safety practices will be in place. Please make sure you're socially distancing. Masks are required.

Christ's Peace,

Fr Jim Kirkpatrick



PREPARING FOR OUR LENTEN JOURNEY

Abstinence—All Catholics who have reached their 14th birthday are bound to abstain totally from meat on the following days: Ash Wednesday, all Fridays during Lent and Good Friday.

Fasting—All Catholics between their 18th and 59th birthdays are also bound to observe the Law of Fast on the following days: Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. This practice involves limiting oneself to a single full meal and avoiding food between meals. Light sustenance may be taken on two other occasions in the course of the day.

Easter Duty—After they have been initiated into the Most Holy Eucharist, all the faithful are bound by the obligation of receiving Communion at least once a year. This precept must be fulfilled during the Easter season, **unless for a good reason it is fulfilled at another time during the year.** Since the dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass remains in place, Easter Duty, while admirable for those who may fulfill it, is also dispensed. Once the dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass is lifted, the importance of Easter Duty, along with regular attendance at Mass, will be a part of ongoing catechesis and evangelization.

APPEAL 2021 - HOPE FOR ALL SEASONS!

When you are troubled, we are hope. Are you struggling with hybrid learning, trying to work remotely, having a hard time with the seemingly endless grey that is WNY in winter? If you are experiencing mental health, familial or marital problems we can help. Catholic Charities offers several different types of support including: marriage counseling, individual psychotherapy, family and group therapy, substance abuse treatment, Diocesan counseling for church ministers, children's clinics, and individual, children and family counseling. To find out more, visit ccwny.org and click the "Counseling & Mental Health" tab under services on the right hand side. To begin the referral process, call 585-343-0614. or go to ccwny.org/counseling for information and contact number.

VOCATIONS



A Vocation View

Jesus was led by the Holy Spirit into the desert for forty days of prayer and fasting. In places of solitude we too can hear the voice of God. Take some time to listen this Lent.

If God is calling you to a Church vocation, contact Fr. Dave Baker at 716-847-5535 or visit buffalovocations.org

Our Lady of Fatima, The Traveling Madonna

Walking with Mary in Lent by Kathleen Beckman

I've been praying about how to best live this Lenten season. It has become clear that the Lord is inviting me to keep company with Mary on the way of the cross. Mary can aid us to peer into the mystery of the passion and death of Jesus to discover a love we need to know. She will protect us from countless temptations in the desert of Lent when the devil would like to sift us like sand. He fears Mary and would rather flee than be near the Woman who is the New Eve: obedient and full of grace!

The Lenten desert can be a place of decrease where the false self and unrealistic expectations are put to death for good. Passages from death to new life are not always easy. Mary can accompany us and help us to discern what we need to let go of in order to receive the greater gift of God.

Mothers are adept at helping us to clean up, get ready, and put things in proper order again. Mothers are skillful at applying healing salves to the wounds of children. Mary excels at holding us close to her heart in an embrace that brings peace and strength. Mary never tires of repeating the truth that we are beloved of God. She can help break the chains that bind us from true freedom such as the pesky addictions (alcohol, food, TV, Internet), the compromises (missing times of prayer and the sacraments, illicit relationships, numbing laziness or frenzied busyness). If we invite Mary into our brokenness, her holiness will take over and help to sever whatever binds us from authentic freedom, love and joy. She doesn't invade our lives, we need her.

(10 steps will follow in upcoming bulletins)

If you and your family would like to honor Our Lady or would like her intercession with Jesus, call Ann 692-4396 to arrange a time for her to visit.

Scholarship Grants available to our parish communities in North Tonawanda

North Tonawanda Catholic Club and Madonna Council, Knights of Columbus announce Scholarship Grants available to our parish communities. Scholarship Grants are available for 8th grade students going to a Catholic High School and High School seniors going onto college. The grants can be as much as \$1,000.00 each. Applications are available at Madonna Council or by calling 693-5470. The deadline for submission is **April 1**, 2021. The scholarship grants will be awarded based on academic standing, financial need and family involvement with Madonna Council. Membership in the Council is not a mandatory requirement. However, we are always looking for new members. Call for an application.

February 21, 2021

Our Faith Community's Gift to God

Receipts	2/13/21—2/14/21
Regular weekly	\$ 10,993.20
Christmas	20.00
Solemnity of Mary	40.00
Snow	85.00
"We Share" Elec. giving-reg. wkly	<u>1,940.00</u>
Total Weekly receipts	\$ 13,078.20

Church in C. & E Europe & Poland \$ 53.01

For more information about the "We Share" Contribution Program, visit the Parish Website at www.stjudetheapostleparish.org Click on the "Parish Support" icon and follow the "We Share" link to make secure online donations using credit/debit cards or direct withdrawals from your bank account.

BUFFALO CALENDARS

We are selling calendars that were designed by a local artist. They depict certain scenes from Buffalo, New York. They are \$5.00 and the money goes to Ann Zon for her mission in Nicaragua. They will be available at the doors of the Church. To those who already purchased calendars—we thank you!

FAITH FORMATION

Class resumes on: **MON, FEB 22 from 6:45-7:45 pm (Grades 9th & 10th)**

Please turn in any missing work to room #3 for all grades. Mon-Thu 9:30-3:00 pm, FRI 9:30-1:00 pm, weekends after Masses. If you are behind on assignments, do not worry. Just do your best and return them once complete.

Reminders:

Grade 2 has First Reconciliation on FEB 27, 2021. Times are at 9:45 am and 10:45 am. We look forward to this wonderful day of mercy, grace and forgiveness with you!

Jesus, I trust in you!

Please consider making the St Joseph Consecration from FEB 15-March 19, 2021. A great way to learn about St Joseph and grow in virtue and wisdom! He's the protector of the Church, families, virgins, hope of the sick, dying and terror of demons! He will not let you down. I have made the consecration myself and led groups in it too! You will be grateful you did this—the entire Diocese of Buffalo is encouraged to make this consecration. You can go to the website at Buffalodiocese.org or read the bulletin for more info. It is the Year of St. Joseph!

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday, February 20	5:00 pm	T. Sack, C. Shilen J. Seymour
Sunday, February 21	8:00 am	M. Truty, MJ Wolanyk, J. Casillo
	10:00 am	M. & F. Barry J. Kasperek
	12 noon	P. Ziatts, S. Maziarz J. Makey
Saturday, February 27	5:00 pm	E. & G. Moran K. Adowski
Sunday, February 28	8:00 am	D. MacDonald, J. Maldonado, J. Casillo
	10:00 am	B. & J. Wiech, B. Brenchley
	12 noon	D. Peterson, J. Arnold B. Giroux



LECTORS

Saturday, February 20	5:00 pm	S. Cuccia
Sunday, February 21	8:00 am	D. Scibilia
	10:00 am	J. Wiech
	12 noon	C. Desiderio
Saturday, February 27	5:00 pm	T. Sack
Sunday, February 28	8:00 am	C. Yager
	10:00 am	L. & G. Pupo
	12 noon	M.A. Demler



HELP NEEDED!

We are looking for any retired men and/or women interested in becoming altar servers for our funerals. You will be trained. This is a wonderful ministry, and your help is appreciated. Call Fr. Jim at the rectory office 694-0540 if interested.



PRO-LIFE



An unexpected pregnancy might be confusing along the way, but life—though at times difficult—is ultimately beautiful. 10 Tips to support a woman in her new journey of being a mother. (Part 3)

7. Help her recharge and relax.

First-time mothers may have difficulty crossing that threshold into their new life as a mother. Your friend may be fearful that her life is “over,” so help her see it’s okay—good, actually—to still focus on herself sometimes. Even though she is a mother, she will still continue to be a woman, so affirm that it’s healthy and important to take care of herself—not only physically, but emotionally, as well. Help her to do things she really enjoys. Take her out for a nice meal, a movie, or a day of pampering.

8. Reassure her it’s okay (and good) to be happy.

It can be hard to be happy about a pregnancy that many people see as unfortunate timing at best and totally irresponsible at worst. Even if your friend wants to be happy about her bundle of joy, she may not feel she “deserves” to show that happiness. Get excited about her pregnancy in front of her, and she may just feel comfortable enough to share her own excitement with you.

Also, continue to show your interest and excitement throughout her pregnancy. Ask questions about her developing child. What is she learning at her doctor appointments? What names is she considering? Ask her what she thinks her baby looks like. Does she think they will have her eyes?

Diocesan Pro Life Office 716-847-2205 help during pregnancy
Project Rachel 716-847-2211 Confidential Hotline for post-abortion reconciliation
Confidential Help 888-456-4673 or www.hopeafterabortion.org

AREA ANNOUNCEMENTS

Hearts and Hands—Due to the pandemic, the need for volunteers grows daily as more older adults have a need for services. We are asking for your help. How can you help? Transportation to medical appointments, grocery shopping, alleviating isolation which is brought about by both the pandemic and the winter months. You can access our Faith Outreach Video by clicking: <https://vimeo.com/502657698>. If you have any questions call Angeline Anzalone at HEARTS AND HANDS: FAITH IN ACTION, INC 1412 Sweet Home Road Suite 12, Amherst, NY 14226 call 406-8311 ext 102 or e-mail aanzalone@heartsandhandfds.fia.org.

Knights of Columbus—Their annual Lenten fish fry dinners will be **Drive-thru-only** every Friday from 4-7 pm.

Help for your Marriage—Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Retrouvaille helps couples through difficult times. For more information call 474-9371 or visit www.HelpOurMarriage.org. The next weekend is February 26-28. All calls are confidential and pre-registration is required. Space is limited.

Infant Jesus Shrine—Niagara Falls Blvd., is holding a raffle on Saturday, February 27th from 9 am—2 pm. For donation inquiries or to purchase tickets call Sara Glena at 276-8088 or InfantJesusShrineaffle@gmail.com

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