

St. Jude the Apostle Parish



Sunday, December 5, 2021—Second Sunday of Advent

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PARISH STAFF

Pastor..... *Rev. James W. Kirkpatrick, Jr*
Weekend Associate..... *Msgr. Fran Weldgen*
Deacons..... Deacon Brick & Deacon 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 - 4:30 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

We will not have any funeral luncheons until further notice.

RCIA

Not confirmed? Not baptized? Want to know more about the Catholic Faith? Now forming—RCIA classes—Contact Joan 830-3195.

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

FIRST SATURDAY

8:30 am -Confessions and rosary & 9:00 am Mass

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
December 4, 2021—December 12, 2021

The sanctuary candle will be lit this week in memory of Joseph Boryszewski, Jr. by family

- Saturday, December 4, 2021- (Vigil)
Is 30:19-21, 23-26 Ps 147:1-6 Mt 9:35-10:1, 5a, 6-8
9:00 am—Laure Leffler by Louise Ziarnowski
5:00 pm—Ralph H. Vitthuhn (birth remb) by Vitthuhn & Reed families
Sunday, December 5, 2021—Second Sunday of Advent
Bar 5:1-9 Ps 126:1-6 Phil 1:4-6, 8-11, Lk 5:17-26
8:00 am—Alice Caruso by Vince Dell’isola and family
10:00 am—Louise Patkalitsky by Walter Kowalczyk
12 noon—Reed and Olscamp families by Mildred
Monday, December 6, 2021—Advent weekday
Is 36:1-10 Ps 85:9ab, 10-14 Lk 5:17-26
9:00 am—Edward Hermanson by Amelia Isbrandt
Tuesday, Dec., 7, 2021—St. Ambrose, bishop/doctor of Church
Is 40:1-11 Ps 96:1-3, 10ac, 11-13 Mt 18:12-14
6:45 am—Joseph Emry family be estate
9:00 am—Joseph Boryszewski, Jr., (birth) by wife, children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren
7:00 pm—Mark Case by Bruce Conley
Wednesday, December 8, 2021—Immaculate Conception
Gn 3:9-15, 20 Ps 98:1-4 Eph 1:3-6, 11-12 Lk 1:26-38
9:00 am—Davignon & Nemeth families by Dave & Cheryl Davignon
7:00 pm—Lionel Cote’ by Gerry and Ann Cote’
Thursday, December 9, 2021—St. Juan Diego
Is 41:13-20 Ps 145:1, 9-13b Mt 11:11-15
6:45 am—Luigi Gizzarelli by Anthony & Michele Cieri
9:00 am—Souls in purgatory by Gwen McCallum
Friday, December 10, 2021—Advent weekday
Is 48:17 Ps 1:1-4, 6 Mt 11:16-19
9:00 am—Chuck Richards by Gerard & Ann Cote’
Saturday, December 11, 2021 (vigil)
Sir 48:1-4, 9-11 Ps 80:2ac, 3b, 15-16, 18-19 Mt 17:9a, 10-13
9:00 am—Joan Losito by Trisha (Judd) Laufer
5:00 pm—Leo Campbell (birth remb) by family
Sunday, December 12, 2021—Third Sunday of Advent
Zep 3:14-18a (Ps) Is 12:2-6 Phil 4:4-7 Lk 3:10-18
8:00 am—Norb Slowinski by John & Patrick McCarthy
10:00 am—Al DiMatteo by Rose & family
12 noon—Donald Abt by Susan H, Andrea M. and Kim D.

CONFESSIONS -As part of the Renewal, the priests are asked to hear confessions. Fr. Jim will be hearing confessions the last Wednesday of every month from 7:00 pm—8:00 pm in Church. As the Christmas season approaches, Fr. Jim will be hearing confessions every Wednesday during Advent from 7-8 in the Church.

MESSAGE FROM FR JIM

Dear Parishioners,

This week we will pray for the last knot to be untied as we continue our preparations for the Road to Renewal. This week we pray that the knot of Isolation be untied. In previous weeks we prayed over the knots of abuse, mistrust, lack of faith, indifference, and individualism.

Keep in mind that even though we have prayed for the untying of these knots it doesn’t mean they have been. It doesn’t mean that we claim they have been. This is an ongoing cause for prayer. We know the Church still struggles with these things. We know that the ramifications of clergy abuse still need to be dealt with. We also know that it is difficult for people to get behind something like the Road to Renewal.

Hopefully, the changes that will come will be the changes that need to happen. Please keep praying for the untying of these knots. Please keep praying for our Road to Renewal efforts.

Christ’s Peace,

Fr Jim Kirkpatrick



Our Lady of Fatima, Traveling Madonna

Advent—In Advent we are waiting for the birth of Our Lord. For us Catholics, Christmas is not just a time to celebrate an event that changed the history of humanity—The Incarnation—but also a privileged moment to allow the Lord to be born again in our lives and transform our hearts. In Advent, we are preparing for the new birth. We care and love, we do all that we should to allow God to enter and illuminate our lives. We celebrate the birth of a God who is made flesh and who came to earth to live, suffer, feel and think as man. Nothing human was foreign to Him, He asked His disciples to ensure the same was true for them too. Christ never preached a disembodied religion. On the contrary, He insisted that we love one another, care for those most in need and that we reconcile ourselves with others before we pray humbly for our daily bread and make our offerings to God. Through the Incarnation heaven and earth became intimately joined...continued next week.

The traveling Madonna, has been traveling around the world since 1947. She is available to come to your home. If you have had her before and would like to invite her into your home once more, please call. If you have never had her, I will be happy to bring her to you. Please call Ann 692-4396.

ROSARY GUILD



The Rosary Guild is asking parishioners, if they would like, to donate socks and underwear for the needy in Niagara County. Boxes will be in the parish hall and the vestibule of the Church. Thanks for helping those in need.

VOCATIONS

A Vocation View



St. Paul wrote, “the one who began a good work in you will continue to complete it,” and these same words are spoken to new priests at their ordination. Have no fear—God will complete what He has begun in you.

If you’re ready for a new beginning in ministry, contact Fr. Dave Baker at 716-847-5535 or visit buffalovocations.org

**WHAT’S HAPPENING THIS WEEK
AT ST. JUDE**



**Sunday, December 5—12 noon—Kidz Mass
1:00 pm—Baptism C
7:00 pm—Newlywed Mass**

Tuesday, December 7—7:00 pm (vigil) Mass for Immaculate Conception

**Wednesday, December 8—9:30 am—6:00 pm—Eucharistic Adoration C
7:00 pm—Mass for Immaculate Conception
7:00 pm—Rosary Guild Board mtg. PH**

**Thursday December 9— 1:00 pm—Knitting club PH
6:30 pm—Choir C
5:45 pm—8:00 pm—Faith Form. PH**

Saturday, December 11 9:30 am—11 am—Faith Form. PH

Sunday, December 12 1:00 pm - Drawing Rosary Guild PH

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEARS SCHEDULE

Confessions will be every Wednesday, beginning December 1st until December 22nd from 7:00 pm—8:00 pm in Church.

Advent Penance Service—Monday, December 20th at 7:00 pm

Friday, Christmas Eve, Dec., 24th —Masses are 4:00 pm and Midnight

**Saturday, Christmas Day, Dec. 25th—Masses are 8:00 am , 10:00 am and 12 noon.
No 5:00 pm Mass**



Friday, December 31st, New Years Eve—Mass at 9:00 am

**Saturday, January 1, 2022 - Solemnity of Mary
9:00 am & 11:00 am ONLY- NO 5:00 Mass**



The Feast of the Solemnity of Mary, January 1st falls on a Saturday and is not a holyday of obligation.

Note: There are NO 5:00 pm Vigil Masses on Saturday, December 25th and Saturday, January 1st

Our Faith Community’s Gift to God

Receipts 11/20/2021—11/21/2021—11/27/21-11/28/21

Regular weekly	\$ 9,444.42	\$ 9,731.10
All Saints	110.00	11.00
Immaculate Concept.	2.00	11.00
Christmas		25.00
Sol. Of Mary		11.00
Heat	25.00	5.00
Snow removal	3.00	
Christmas flowers		40.00
“We Share” Elec. Giving		
Regular weekly	<u>900.00</u>	<u>620.00</u>

Total Weekly receipts \$10,484.12 \$ 10,454.10

World Mission Sunday	10.00	1.00
Catholic University	86.00	6.00
Campaign for Human Dev.	387.00	51.00
Religious Retirement App.	40.00	20.00
St. Vincent dePaul Society	50.00	47.00

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.

FAMILY FAITH FORMATION



High School classes - 12/9, 12/16 THU from 7:00-8:00 pm

Elementary & Middle classes on THU 5:45-6:45 pm 12/9 & 12/16 & SAT 11:00 am-noon—12/11, 12/18

Christmas Season schedule:

No classes all grades Dec 22, 2021- Jan 1, 2022 Faith Formation office will be closed. See you again on Jan 6 & 8, 2022

Children's Reconciliation Retreat: January 8, 2022 From 8:45-10:45 am. It is a drop off retreat for the children. Please call the Family Faith office if you have not received the BLESSED book for your child to make his/her First Reconciliation.

First Reconciliation is Saturday, January 29 at 10:00 am

Looking for service hours? Please come join us!



NEW: Feed My Sheep- High school volunteer hours. Any high school student is welcome, this includes former or current faith formation participants of St. Jude.

Our first gathering will be on Saturday, DEC 18 from 10:30-noon. Please reserve a spot by email or sign up when you are in class. . Bring a loaf of bread, cold cuts, cheese or other sandwich food. We will be making sandwiches for a food donation. If interested, more info will be provided for you. You may bring a friend too!

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday, December 4	5:00 pm	E. & G. Moran, J. Holesko
Sunday, December 5	8:00 am	B. & C. Yager D. Scibilia
	10:00 am	F. & M. Barry, R. Dunning
	12 noon	S. Ruska, S. Maziarz N. Colvin
Saturday, December 11	5:00 pm	J. Seymour, S. Cuccia K. Adowski
Sunday, December 12	8:00 am	MJ Wolanyk, E. Frank K. Lucin
	10:00 am	J. Peresie, J. Renda
	12 noon	B. Giroux, J. Makey, Diane Peterson



LECTORS

Saturday, December 4	5:00 pm	T. Sack
Sunday, December 5	8:00 am	M. Martin
	10:00 am	J. Wiech
	12 noon	J. Colvin
Saturday, December 11	5:00 pm	K. Lord
Sunday, December 12	8:00 am	M. Truty
	10:00 am	J. Kasperek
	12 noon	C. Desiderio



ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday, December 4	5:00 pm - L. & M. & A. Jarka
Sunday, December 5	8:00 am— S. & J. Haley
	10:00 am—B. Giuseppetti
	12 noon— Needed
Saturday, December 11	5:00 pm - A. Ganz
Sunday, December 12	8:00 am - L. M. & A. Jarka
	10:00 am - J. & L. Lawson
	12 noon - C. & M. Dzielski

PRO-LIFE

Diocesan Events:

National Night of Prayer

December 9, 2021

All Across the Diocese

March For Life

January 21, 2022

Washington DC

Pro-Vita Mass 2022

January 5, 2021

10:30 am

St. Joseph Cathedral

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

DECORATING THE CHURCH FOR HOLIDAYS

We will be decorating the church for Christmas on Sunday, **December 19th at 1:30 pm**. Help is needed to set up and put lights on trees, change altar cloths, etc. If you can help, please just stop by. Thank you.



AREA ANNOUNCEMENTS

Cardinal O'Hara High School—will have a Craft and Vendor show on Saturday, **December 11th** from 9 am—2 pm at the school, 39 O'Hara Road, Tonawanda. Admission is \$2. All proceeds to go to the Senior Class prom. Registration fee for vendors/crafters is \$25 and includes one eight food table. Additional tables are \$20 and electricity is available for an additional \$10. Call Renee Hoffman at 695-2600 ext. 353 or e-mail rhoffman@cardinalohara.com

Our Lady of Czestochowa—invites you to a “Weekend Retreat” Take a break from your busy schedule and step away and go on “vacation with God.”. Retreats begin Friday at 6 pm with supper and conclude with Holy Mass at 10:30 on Sunday morning. The dates available Dec 3-5; Dec 10-12; Jan 14-16, 2022 and Jan 21-23, 2022. Retreats will be held in the Ministry Center at 57 Center Ave. NT Suggested donation \$75-\$100. Please register no later than the Tuesday before the Retreat weekend. Email us at olcparishev-ent@gmail.com

Walking with Grief—On Wednesday, December 8th at 6:30 pm at the St. Edmund Center, 550 Ellicott Creek Rd. Deacon David McDermott will address “Spirituality in the Midst of Grief (awareness of God with us during our time of brokenness). Covid precautions will be in place. All are welcome

Knights of Columbus—invites you to the Farmers Breakfast on Sunday, Dec. 12th from 8:30 am—11:30 am—All you can eat. Adults and children 12 and up \$11.00/ Children 6-11 \$5.00 and children under 5 are free.

St. Amelia Parish—High School teens are invited each month to Coffeehouse for Creatives, a service opportunity that promotes creativity to better the lives of others. We meet in the Outreach room and make gifts and cards for the needy and nursing homes. The Amelia Outreach is The Lighthouse, 200 St. Amelia Drive, back entrance (behind the school). Also, LEAD, our high school youth group, will meet on Sunday, December 12 from 7:30 pm—9:00 pm in the school cafeteria. Fun activities, prayer ideas, games and pizza.

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