

# St. Jude the Apostle Parish



## **Sunday, January 2, 2022—THE EPIPHANY**

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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**  
**January 1, 2022—January 9, 2022**

**Saturday, January 1, 2022—Solemnity of Mary**

Nm 6:22-27 Ps 67:2-3, 5-6, 8 Gal 4:4-7 Lk 2:16-21

9:00 am - Laure Leffler by George, Mary & Ariana Hartsock

11:00 am—Rev. James Fugle by Fr. Jim Kirkpatrick

**Sunday, January 2, 2022—The Epiphany of the Lord**

Is 60:1-6 Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13 Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6 Mt 2:1-12

8:00 am—Stephania & Stanley Klimecko by Ordian family

10:00 am—Nicholas Birke by Mom and Dad

12 noon—Dominick Cristelli by Aunt Joyce & Uncle Jerry Wierpelt

**Monday, January 3, 2022—Christmas weekday**

1 Jn 3:22-4:6 Ps 2:7bc-8 10-12a Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

9:00 am—Laure Leffler by Kathy Vitthuhn

**Tuesday, January 4, 2022—St. Elizabeth Ann Seton**

1 Jn 4:7-10 Ps 72:1-4, 7-8 Mk 6:34-44

6:45 am—Herman Schaefer family by estate

9:00 am—Thomas Houston (birthday) by wife

**Wednesday, January 5, 2022—St. John Neumann, bishop**

1 Jn 4:11-18 Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13 Mk 6:45-52

9:00 am—Donald Peterson by wife, Diane

**Thursday, January 6, 2022—Christmas weekday**

1 Jn 4:19—5:4 Ps 72:1-2, 14, 15bc, 17 Lk 4:14-22a

6:45 am—Joseph Emry family by estate

9:00 am—Souls in purgatory by Gwen McCallum

**Friday, January 7, 2022—St. Raymond Penafort, priest**

1 Jn 5:5-13 Ps 147:12-15, 19-20 Lk 5:12-16

9:00 am—Joan Losito by Rosary Guild members

**Saturday, January 8, 2022—Christmas weekday**

1 Jn 5:14-21 Ps 149:1-6a, 9b Jn 3:22-30

9:00 am—Anna Marie Ferraro-Robertson by sisters Nancy, Mary & Lucy

5:00 pm—Ron and Pat Anastasi by children and grandchildren

**Sunday, January 9, 2022 - The Baptism of the Lord**

Is 40:1-5, 9-11, Ps 104:1b-4, 24-25, 27-30 Ti 2:11-14, 3:4-7 Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

8:00 am -People of the Parish

10:00 am - William Leach by Emerlita Leach

12 noon—Dolores Karas by Christine Ondesko



**MESSAGE FROM FR JIM**

**Dear Parishioners,**

**Blessed new year to all of you. We certainly need it. Let's hope it turns out better than the last few years. Keep praying for an end to covid and doing concrete steps to prevent spread. It is important that we continue to live our lives in service to God, however.**

**Also, New Year's Day was the Solemnity of Mary the Mother of God. This is normally a holy day of obligation but not this year due to the day falling on a Saturday. It's just how the liturgical calendar works. This does not mean that we don't take an opportunity to remember the Blessed Mother and thank God for her presence in our Church.**

**Finally, we are coming to the end of the Year of St Joseph in April. It was extended so we'll end up having the Year-and-a-half of St Joseph. If you haven't done the consecration to St Joseph yet and you would like to do that feel free to contact me and I can help you with that.**

**May God bless you this New Year.**

**Fr Jim Kirkpatrick**

***Our Lady of Fatima, Traveling Madonna***

**Sharing a Mother—"God sent forth his son born of a woman" Galatians 4:4.**

How appropriately we begin the new calendar year by celebrating the Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God! "Yes, God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him may not die, but may have eternal life (John 3:16). This brief statement is a mysterious, but powerful manifestation of God's infinite love for us. He gave us his Son in a unique way. In giving us the greatest of all his gifts, his only Son, God provided a Mother for him that he might enter into our world. Our loving Father called Mary to be the Mother of his Son. He preserved her from all sin that she might cradle the sinless one in her womb. Mary's sinlessness gave her a great capacity to love. Her sinlessness removed all obstacles such as pride, self-centeredness, insecurity, doubt, fear and the host of barriers which prevent us from loving completely and without reservation. Such is the mystery of God's incomprehensible love. Mary responded to that outpouring with every fiber of her being. She wanted to make herself receptive to that divine love. She wanted to become a perfect temple for the Savior which she was to conceive by the power of the Holy Spirit.

How incongruous is God's love! He wanted his son to come into this world like any other child—fragile, needy, dependent, helpless, vulnerable, trusting. "God sent forth his Son, born of a woman." The Son of God is also the Son of Mary. She is the Mother of God, yet like her Child and because of her Child, she is poor, dependent, vulnerable. The message is plain. God comes into our world in weakness. His power is love, exemplified in his Mother's love. Redemption is accomplished through love, and love is always vulnerable, continued next week.

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

**VOCATIONS**

**A Vocation View**



Christ gives us the gift of Baptism, through which we each have a vocation in the Church. Pray for those who are discerning a call to live their Baptismal commitment as religious brothers, sisters, priests or deacons.

If God is calling you to this, contact Fr. Dave Baker at 716-847-5535 or visit [buffalovocations.org](http://buffalovocations.org)



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

**Sunday, January 2, 2022—Feast of the Epiphany**

**Wednesday, January 5, 2022—Eucharistic Adoration  
9:30 am—8:00 pm C**

**Thursday, January 6, 2022— 1:00 pm—Knitting Club PH  
No Choir  
5:45 pm—8:00 pm—Faith  
Formation PH**

**Friday, January 7, 2022— First Friday - Eucharistic  
Adoration 9:30 am—5:00 pm**

**Saturday, January 8, 2022— First Saturday —8:30 am  
Confessions—9:00 am Mass  
10:00 am—Funeral  
6:00 pm—Adult social PC**

**NEW YEARS SCHEDULE**



**Sunday, January 2, 2022—The Epiphany**

**Masses 8, 10 and 12 noon**

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**

Eucharistic Adoration is the act of worshipping God as He is present in the consecrated Eucharist.

We offer Eucharistic Adoration every Wednesday from 9:30 am—8:00 pm. Start the new year and stop for a visit!



**Things to do during Eucharistic Adoration:** Pour out your heart to Christ and adore Him, Ask for Forgiveness and intercede for others, Pray the Rosary, Sit quietly and just “be” in the presence of God.

**Our Faith Community's Gift to God**

**Receipts 12/18—12/19/21**

Regular weekly	\$8,293.31
Immaculate Conception	149.00
Christmas	875.00
Sol. Of Mary	57.00
Heat	950.00
Snow	60.00
Christmas flowers	125.00
“We Share” Electronic Giving	
Regular weekly	<u>720.00</u>

**Total Weekly Receipts \$11,229.31**

Religious Retirement	\$ 281.00
Catholic University	25.00
Campaign for Human Dev.	25.00
St. Vincent dePaul	25.00

For more information about the “We Share” Contribution Program, visit the Parish Website at [www.stjudetheapostleparish.org](http://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**



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**

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**Welcome back—Classes resume for 2022!**

**Elementary classes—** Thursday, January 6, 13 and 20, and 27th at 5:45 pm and Saturday, January 8, 15 and 22, and 29th at 11:00 am

**High School classes—** Thursday, January 6, 13 and 20th, at 7:00 pm

**First Holy Communion Parent Meeting** is on Thursday, January 13th at 6:00 pm in Parish Hall, or January 15th at 11:15 am in the Parish Hall. One parents needs to attend. First Holy Communion will be Saturday, May 7, 2022 at 10:00 am in Church.

**ADULT SOCIAL**

Adults 40+ are invited to an Adult Social on Saturday, January 15th following the 5:00 pm Mass. Bring a dish to pass. Please RSVP by Monday, January 10th to the rectory 694-0540.



## ***EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS***

Sunday, January 2	8:00 am	J. Maldonado, B. & C. Yager
	10:00 am	R. Dunning B. & J. Wiech
	12 noon	N. Colvin, B. Franusiak R. Trippi
Saturday, January 8	5:00 pm	K. Adowski, S. Cuccia T. Sack
Sunday, January 9	8:00 am	M. Truty, MJ Wolanyk B. Yager
	10:00 am	J. Renda, J. Casillo, J. Becker
	12 noon	N. Colvin, F. & M. Barry



## ***LECTORS***

Sunday, January 2	8:00 am	D. Scibilia
	10:00 am	Needed
	12 noon	M. Campas
Saturday, January 8	5:00 pm	T. Shilen
Sunday, January 9	8:00 am	C. Yager
	10:00 am	M. Brookmeyer
	12 noon	M. Campas

## ***ALTAR SERVERS***

Sunday, January 2	8:00 am—	L. M. & A. Jarka
	10:00 am—	Needed
	12 noon—	Needed
Saturday, January 8	5:00 pm—	A. Ganz
Sunday, January 9	8:00 am—	S. & J. Haley
	10:00 am—	B. Giuseppetti
	12 noon—	C. & M. Dzielski

## PRO-LIFE



Roe v. Wade is indefensible on every level. Will the Supreme Court admit it?

Fri Dec 3, 2021 - 10:19 am EST

**WASHINGTON** (LifeSiteNews) — In a sane country with a Supreme Court committed to doing its job honestly, *Dobbs v. Jackson Women’s Health Organization* would be a done deal. There wouldn’t be any question that Mississippi’s ban on abortion at 15 weeks was perfectly constitutional, nor would there be any doubt of a complete reversal of the past half-century of pro-abortion judicial precedent.

At its most basic level, the ban is lawful for the same reason *Roe v. Wade* is not: because absolutely nothing in the Constitution requires states to permit any abortions, and the principles the Constitution does affirm weigh heavily against violating the right to life. As a matter of biological fact, there is no serious question that the fetus is a living human being from the earliest moments of his or her existence. And as attorney Josh Craddock has exhaustively shown, the Constitution was built on a legal tradition which recognized that personhood exists before birth.

“By the time of the Fourteenth Amendment’s adoption [in 1868], ‘nearly every state had criminal legislation proscribing abortion,’ and most of these statutes were classified among ‘offenses against the person,’” Craddock notes. Further, the Fourteenth Amendment’s drafters and sponsors, including Sen. Jacob Howard and Reps. Thaddeus Stevens and John Bingham, expressly declared that its promise of equal protection would apply not merely to those whose personhood had been previously recognized, but to, in Bingham’s words, “any human being.”

Justice Sonia Sotomayor found herself defending *Roe* expressly on the grounds that dumping *Roe* would mean the Court would have to similarly dump “so much that’s not in the Constitution.” Well ... yeah. That’s kind of your job, remember?

But again, all of the above is what we would expect in a sane country with a Supreme Court committed to doing its job honestly. With the Supreme Court we actually have here in the real world, however, justices frequently make decisions they know are wrong based on other considerations: personal ideology, partisan politics, personal or institutional optics, you name it.

**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**

### FRIDAYS WITH FR. FRAN



We have been meeting with Fr. Fran on the Second Friday of the month. This time we will meet on Friday, January 14th following the 9:00 am Mass in the Parish Hall. Come, stop and have a refreshment with Fr. Fran and fellow parishioners.

### AREA ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Knights of Columbus**, 755 Erie Ave, NT invites you to a Farmers Breakfast on Sunday, January 9, 2022 from 8:30 am—11:30 am at the Hall. All you can eat! Cost is \$11.00 adults and children 12 and up and Children 6-11 \$5.00 and children under 5 are Free!

**Our Lady of Pompeii Church**—158 Laverack Ave., Lancaster, NY presents “Called to Serve: Reflections on Christian Leadership” by C. J. Wild, seminarian. It is from 7-8. All are welcome.

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