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Recitation of the Most Holy Rosary-

Rosary for Vocations is Wednesday mornings at 7:30am. The Rosary for Respect for Life will continue on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 5:30 pm.

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults – RCIA

Are you interested in becoming a Roman Catholic? Someone who has never been Baptized, Baptized in another faith tradition or maybe Baptized Catholic but never received First Communion or Confirmation If you are interested, or know someone who may be interested, please call the Parish Office at 283-1162.

Baptism

Please call the Parish Office to arrange for a meeting with a member of our Pastoral Team (283-1162).

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions)

Saturday from 3:00 – 3:30PM in the Church. Individual Confessions may be arranged by calling the Parish Office.

Eucharistic Celebrations

- Saturday Vigil 4:00 PM**
- Sunday 9:00 AM & 11:30 AM**
- Wed & Fri 8:00 AM**

Friday Holy Hour 5:30PM-6:30PM

Parish Office

Phone : (518) 283-1162 Fax: (518) 286-2808
 42 Dana Avenue
 Hours: Mon - Fri 8:30 AM –2:30PM
 Email: sjawynan@rcda.org
 Web site: <http://www.rcda.org/churches/stjude/>

St. Jude the Apostle School

Pre-K to Grade 6 (518) 283-0333
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 Mrs. Kris Hoffay, Principal
khoffay@stjudetheapostleschool.org

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Communion to the Homebound

Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements

Marriage

Couples wishing an appointment for marriage preparation should call the Parish Office six months in advance and prior to making reception plans.

Anointing of the Sick.

The Sacrament is administered upon request and at special celebrations during the year..

New Parishioner Information

Name _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

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St. Jude the Apostle Catholic Community



Gospel Reflection
Thirtieth Sunday In Ordinary Time
Deacon Warren Safford

Over the last several weeks we have been on a journey with Jesus that will eventually lead us to Jerusalem. The Gospel this week gives us a story that exemplifies many of the teachings that Jesus used to open the eyes of his Disciples along the way.

Throughout the course of this journey Jesus has been teaching his Disciples about the nature of His mission and how as the Messiah, he must suffer. That He has come to give His life in service to us and we are to continue to serve others as He has demonstrated.

He has been teaching about the need for us to seek the Kingdom of God as children, realizing our own powerlessness and need to place our hope in Him. And He has been teaching about the attitudes we should have as His Disciples and also the attitudes we might need to change.

This week we are taught how to see with eyes of faith by His encounter with a blind beggar named Bartimeaus. There are several things in his story that help us to reflect our own need for healing.

In Bartimeaus, we have a great example of hope in the Messiah. As soon as he heard that Jesus was coming, he called out to Him with the title Son of David, a title for the messiah, that showed his faith and hope that Jesus had come to make us whole and set right by our relationship with God. Even when he was being reprimanded by those who heard him, he cried out even more loudly because he believed in the healing that Jesus would bring.

Bartimeaus is a great example of what it is to be child-like, to be powerless and humble before God, yet trusting in His care. Sometimes, we can be like the Disciples who asked for places of honor and authority instead of asking for enlightenment or healing from God. Sometimes we can be like the rich man who was crestfallen when he found out that he had to turn from everything he truly loved and follow Jesus to enter the Kingdom of heaven. It is difficult to accept that we all can suffer from our own forms of blindness.

Yet, Bartimeaus didn't hesitate to bring his blindness to the Lord, he called out loudly, over and over, not letting anyone discourage Him. Jesus Son of David, have mercy.

It seems that in the world we live in today it can be easy to become discouraged, more and more people are led to believe that faith in Jesus is somehow wrong or a waste of our time. In fact, last year as I was browsing the Christmas decorations in the store I was in, I was appalled to have walked through 3 isles of decorations without seeing anything about Jesus, Mary or Joseph.

It was plain to me that faith in Jesus is being censured in our society. In fact, so many people no longer attend Mass that we can often feel pressured to keep quiet

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about our faith. But, we cannot let anyone discourage our hopes in Jesus and keep us from calling out to Him. Just as Bartimeaus threw off his only possession to be able to approach the Lord, we need to trust that we too can throw off anything that keeps us from approaching the throne of grace and healing. While at the same time we cannot be like those who tried to quiet Bartimeaus, when we are among all of our neighbors and coworkers who no longer practice their faith. We cannot get angry or frustrated with those who are still suffering from blindness. We have to remember our own need for grace and call out to them with compassion. Inviting them and encouraging them with the words from this Gospel, "take heart, He is calling you". That is the invitation that Jesus extended and every one of us needs to hear it. That is the message we can bring to evangelize our neighbors and coworkers. Jesus is forever reaching out to show us why He came and His invitation to be restored is open to everyone who will call out His name



Diocesan Appeal

The Diocesan Appeal begins this week. Packets of information have been mailed directly to parishioners' homes and should be arriving shortly. As you contemplate your gift, please consider the role of the Catholic Church in your life and that of your family. The Diocesan Appeal serves our parish in many administrative and office support functions. This year, the good works of the Diocesan Appeal have been very visibility seen in our local community through the Catholic Charities sponsored food banks set up throughout our county and right here at HVCC. These food banks provided much needed food to so many local families. Please prayerfully consider your gift to this appeal.

ALL SAINT'S DAY

Monday, November 1, 2021

12:10 PM Mass – St. Michael the Archangel

5:30 PM Mass – St. Jude the Apostle

Not a holy day of obligation for 2021

ALL SOULS' DAY

Tuesday, November 2, 2021

Remembering Our Faithfully Departed

12:10 PM Mass – St. Michael the Archangel

5:30 PM Mass – St. Jude the Apostle

A celebration in remembrance of our faithful departed, especially all who have died this past year.

We invite everyone who wishes to have loved ones remembered during our All Souls' Day celebration to record the name(s) of their loved ones on an All Souls Day envelope and place it in a collection basket with your regular offertory.

Thirtieth in Ordinary Time



In a new effort to keep our tuition rates at an accessible level, we are now seeking student sponsorships. Our Student Sponsorship Program is designed to pair a sponsor with one of our school students. Sponsors will receive a letter from their student, as well as school updates, and invitations to school events that are open to the community.

What to expect with your sponsorship

- **Student Messages** -You will receive periodic updates and messages from the student you will be paired with.
- **School Updates** -You will be added to our News and Notes mailing list so that you will be in the know of everything happening at SJS!
- **School Events** -Be invited as special guest to attend school events open to the public.

How your sponsorship helps

- **Tuition Assistance** -Your sponsorship goes directly toward a student's tuition. The cost to educate a student at St. Jude the Apostle is approximately \$7,000.00 per year. The typical family pays, on average, \$5,000.00/student in tuition. The additional \$2,000.00 in cost is typically made up through fund raising efforts conducted by the school and support from St. Jude the Apostle Parish.
- **Bottom Line Impact** -Your sponsorship will have a direct impact on the School's bottom line, and will help close the gap between what it costs to educate a student vs. what we receive in tuition income. This helps us to be a stronger, more vibrant community and provide more to our students and families.

A Brighter Future -Your sponsorship will aid in our efforts of making our School accessible to as many families as possible. We desire to educate as many students as we can. We believe the education we provide to our young people will ensure a brighter future. St. Jude the Apostle is dedicated to helping students grow in virtue and moral character all while strengthening their relationship with Christ. We provide the Education of Tomorrow, Rooted in Catholic Tradition where Nurturing and Educating the Whole Person is Our Goal.

9th Annual Veteran's Day Mass

St. Jude's Parish will be hosting a Liturgical Celebration of Veteran's Day on Thursday November 11, 2021 at 9:00 am in the Church. This service will honor veterans, living or deceased, who are currently serving or who have served in the various branches of the military in the United States or Allied Forces.

A program will be prepared for distribution at the Liturgy. As in previous years, it will contain the names (by branch) of veterans, both living and deceased. **If you HAVE Not submitted names for this list in previous years please consider doing so this year.** The names are carried over from year to year.

Names and branch of service may be submitted using the forms available in the back of the Church and placed in the collection basket at Mass. Names and branch of service may also be submitted either by E-Mail to Don Heckelman at heckdon5@netzero.net or text the name and branch of service to (518) 428-1484 please include your name and parish in the email or text. **All names must be submitted by October 24th 2021 in order to be included in the program.**

Please submit **ONLY** if you have not done so in previous years. Thank you

Christ Son of Justice Baby Shower

The Christ Child Society of Albany "Drive Thru" Baby Shower will be held **Saturday, October 30, 2021** from 12:00noon to 2:00pm at St. Madeleine Sophie Church, 3500 Carman Road, Schenectady, NY 12303 Parking Lot. Bring your Layette Items unwrapped, never leave your car. A Christ Child Society Member will receive your gift. The Layettes we distribute include; an afghan or quilt, receiving blankets, disposable diapers, booties or socks, undershirts, stretch suits, hooded towels, sweater and hat sets and children's books. Our Chapter Members and volunteers distribute layettes to over twenty local service agencies in eight counties. The needs of our Layette Program continue to grow and we would appreciate your support of this special Baby Shower. In the event of rain, the Parish Center will be the drop-off point. If you have any questions, please contact Paula 518-355-0943 or Jane 518-372-2297.

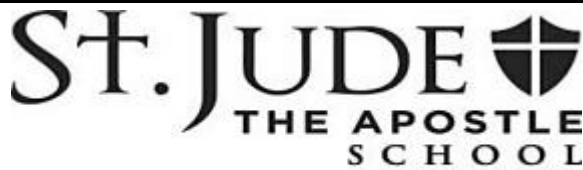
ADORATION OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT!

A Holy Hour with Benediction is every Tuesday from 5:30-6:30PM at St. Michael the Archangel in the Chapel. Every Friday there will be a Holy Hour with Benediction 5:30PM-6:30PM at St. Jude the Apostle Church.

T=St. Michael / F=St. Jude
5:30-6:30pm

T 10/26
F 10/29

OCTOBER 24, 2021



Introducing Miss Weeks!

Our school, and especially some of our youngest friends in Ms. VanVleck's Pre-K class, is so blessed to have Miss Ciara Weeks as our new teacher's assistant in the flexible schedule preschool classroom this year! Miss Weeks is a kind, patient and gentle soul that brings great comfort and guidance to her little friends. Miss Weeks can often be heard singing to the children as she walks them down the hallways or playing silly games to occupy the children while waiting for their classmates. Welcome to the team Miss Weeks! We are so blessed to have you!!



What is RCIA? RCIA stands for the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults.

Who should attend RCIA classes: If you have been attending church and have not been Baptized or have not received First Eucharist or Confirmation you may want to consider the journey of RCIA. Perhaps you know someone who has fallen away from the Church and has not fulfilled one or more of these sacraments. Then do your part as a Baptized Catholic and invite them to this Rite. Perhaps you are interested in learning more about the Catholic Church and Faith, then continue to check the bulletin for upcoming RCIA Classes. Each class will be announced, if you see an interesting topic please join us. To register for RCIA please email me, Dcn. Nick Ascoti, at nascoti@gmail.com or speak to me after Mass.



PARISH NURSE PROGRAM

Those folks 65 years and older and essential workers can now get their COVID Booster if they have received the Pfizer vaccine. We are still waiting for final approval for the booster for those who received the Johnson and Johnson Vaccine and the Moderna Vaccine. Most drug stores have all vaccines in stock. If you have any questions, call your pharmacy.



SANCTUARY VOTIVE LIGHT

October 24th through 30th
John Angrisano, Rose & Andy Galipeau

St. Jude the Apostle Church provides the opportunity an opportunity for a Sanctuary Votive Candle Intentions. This intention is the same cost as a Mass Intention, \$15.00. The Sanctuary Votive light is in memory of a particular person. The Votive Light will appear in the weekly bulletin each week. If you would like to have a Sanctuary Votive Light please contact the parish office

New Weekday Mass Scheduled

Monday – No Daily Mass

Tuesday – St. Michael the Archangel 12:10 PM

Wednesday – St. Jude 8:00 AM

Thursday – St. Michael the Archangel 12:10 PM

Friday – St. Jude 8:00 AM

****Please take note that during the week if their should be a funeral there will be no week day Mass that day.**



DOORS OF HOPE

This is our local food pantry that aids our community members. The needs of those who are struggling never diminish. Please give generously to help our community pantry provide food and personal care items to those in need. Suggested items needed are:

Pancake mix, syrup, cereal, canned pasta, canned meat meals, shampoo, bar soap, canned spaghetti-O's, canned ravioli's feminine products are always in dire need.

12 bags were received and brought to Doors of Hope last week. Thank you for your generosity.

Are you in need of Food? Rensselaer County Residents are eligible to receive food assistance monthly from the Doors of Hope Food Pantry, we are located in the 43 Mall in West Sand Lake. Hours of food distribution are 9AM until 12Noon-Monday through Saturday. We offer a variety of food choices and assure confidentiality for all recipients. Please call to schedule your food order at 518-674-4048. We look forward to helping you!!

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Announced Masses

Public & Live Stream Masses Live Stream St. Jude 4PM & 9AM

Saturday, October 23

Nancy Fink, *Husband*
David Snyder Sr.,
Jim & Donna Kennedy
James Delsignore,
Bill & Carol Dedrick
Luigi Ciccarelli, *DelGiacco Family*

Sunday, October 24

Maria Denier, *Her Sister*
Luigi Ciccarelli, *Julie Mullen*
Ned Fitzgerald, *Rosanne & Family*
Emma Valenti, *Judy & Bill Testo*

11:30

Anthony Case Sr., *Fr. Ligato*
Paul Conroy, *His Sister Theresa*
Marcel Conroy, *His Sister Theresa*

Monday, October 25

No Mass

Tuesday, October 26

No Mass

Wednesday, October 27

Ned & Pat Harley,
Family
Efrain Rivera, *John & Susan Canty*

Thursday, October 28

No Mass

Friday, October 29

Kenneth August, *Louise Wagner*

Saturday, October 30

Eileen Smith, *Jan & TJ Jackson*
Nancy Fink, *Husband*
David Snyder Sr.,
Jim & Harrett Acre
Catherine Chichester, *Norma*

Sunday, October 31

Catherine Chichester, *Ada Rubino*
Earl Catman, *Mike & Linda Buckley*
Laura Mascotti, *Ann Hanlon*
Angelo Cornacchia, *Daughter*

11:30

Odelia Leroux, *Leslie Armstrong*
Nick Gulli, *Leslie Armstrong*
Joseph McMann, *Edward Yankowski*

MASS INTENTIONS AND MASS CARDS

St. Jude the Apostle Church and St. Michael the Archangel Church continue to take Mass Intentions for the Sunday Masses and the Weekday Masses. If you would like to have a Mass Intention said or if you would like a Mass Card sent to someone with the intention for Mass, please phone or email the Parish Offices and we will schedule the Mass Intention. The offering for a Mass Intention is \$15.00 you can simply mail your Intention to the Parish Office where you have requested the Intention.

All Mass Intentions will be included in the Bulletins as announced Masses and included in scheduled livestreamed Masses. We have been including all Mass Intentions in the live streamed Masses and announcing them in the Parish Bulletins, as we have rescheduled those Intentions which were originally scheduled for Masses that were canceled due to the Virus stay at home order prior to live streaming of Sunday and Daily Masses.

Weekly Collection Report

October 17, 2021 \$4,869.00

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS AND DONATIONS

Dear Parishioners,


During this unprecedented time as members of the Body of Christ more than ever we need to unite ourselves to Christ and one another through our support of the Mission and Ministry of Jesus Christ. For us to be able to carry out that mission we need your financial support.

We realize some of you are also facing layoff or reduced work hours, and may not be able to continue your financial support at the same level. We are sympathize wholly with your situation and pray for a return to work and financial stability."

You can make your Sunday contribution by going to the Parish Website and clicking on the Giving Button at the top of the page or you can use the Parish App and click on the Giving Button. The Parish Website and App are secure sites to make your donation. You can also mail in your Sunday contribution to the Parish Office or sign up for E-giving by going to the Website and printing out the E-giving form and mailing back to the Parish Office.

Your weekly contribution provides us with the financial support that is needed for the ministry of our Parish.

Dr. Phyllis A. Norton
Dr. Natalia Bausback



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