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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

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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.

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	
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Gospel Reflection Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Deacon Nicholas Ascioti

Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Today we hear the popular Gospel passage from the wedding feast at Cana. There are many ways that we could reflect on this passage. Perhaps one aspect of this Gospel is to reflect upon is what Jesus does and why.

Jesus provides this miracle in public so that everyone can see the glory of God working through Him. Jesus' ministry is for the glory of God. Jesus acts for the good of others for the glory of God. We can look to the Second Reading for guidance regarding the gifts we are called to share.

When we think about the graces we are given to share, we may think of abilities we have. Maybe playing an instrument, cooking, problem solving, etc. We need not over think what we can offer to others. The gifts of the Holy Spirit are wisdom, understanding, counsel, fortitude, knowledge, fear of the Lord, and piety. These are gifts of our spiritual life that we are called to nourish and cultivate with the help of the Holy Spirit in order to use them for the good of others.

Understanding is the ability to think clearly; to perceive, comprehend and interpret information; and to have insight and discern meaning. Counsel is the ability to teach, inform, guide, direct, warn, admonish, recommend and encourage. It is not limited to the giving of advice but extends to the ability to graciously receive it. Fortitude is an unwavering commitment to God or a proper course of action, and it shows itself as moral strength, courage, determination, patient endurance, long suffering, a resolute spirit, stamina and resiliency. Knowledge is the ability to study and learn; to acquire and retain information; and to put what is learned to good use for constructive purposes. Fear of the Lord is awe, reverence and respect for God. It acknowledges that everything comes as a gift from God, downplays personal achievement and self-sufficiency, and gladly offers praise, worship and adoration to God. Piety is personal holiness, and it includes devotion to God, prayer, virtue, goodness, decency, selfmastery, innocence, the avoidance of sin and obedience to God's will.

All these gifts are to be used for the good of others in the service of others for the glory of God. Not for the glory of self. Take the time to reflect on these gifts, ask God to help nourish and strengthen these gifts within yourself. Then ask God how you can use them in the service of others. Spiritual growth is the result of developing these gifts in the company of God.

May the peace of God be with you all. Dcn. Nicholas Ascioti

Meeting Announcement!

Date and Time to be determined!

The Parish Advisory Committee and our new Parish Trustees, *Chris Harris and Jan Miller* will be holding a meeting in the Church to introduce themselves to the Parish, and to talk about all of the work that has been done to help keep our vibrant community engaged and active while we have been without an assigned Pastor.

In the absence of a Pastor, the Pastoral Council has continued to meet as the Parish Advisory Committee. The committee members have acted as a resource for Deacon Andy to help him learn about our Parish. We will continue in this capacity, until we have a Pastor again, and can serve once again as a Pastoral Council. (Can't really have a Pastoral Council without a Pastor.) We welcome anyone who is interested in participating on this committee! If you are interested, please contact Barb Harris, Chairperson at 518-275-3561 or by email at barbharris1376@gmail.com.

Please watch the Bulletins and the St. Jude the Apostle Facebook page for updates on the date and time for this Town Hall type event. We believe it will be in early February. Holding it in the Church will allow us to have it live streamed on Facebook

Church Floor

Our tile in the Church is in need of repair. We are looking for a parish member with tile floor skills/expertise and time to help us make these repairs. Please contact the Parish Office.

2022 Easter Crosses

Our Easter Crosses need to be refurbished or replaced! We are looking for a parish member that has the carpentry skills and time to help us with this effort. Please contact the Parish Office.

EASTER CROSS MEMORIAL

It may seem early but we have to begin planning for the Easter Cross Memorial. The offering for each cross will be (\$15.00) and this year we ask you to have your requests in as soon as possible due to the fact that we will only have 400 crosses available for the Easter Cross Memorial. The date for having your requests in by is March 14, 2022 or when crosses run out. Please make sure and PRINT the name of the person you are remembering and the name of the person who is requesting the memorial. Please remember to keep the character letters on each cross to no more than 22 letters, characters including spaces. Please remember there are only 400 crosses available and it will be based on a first come, first served basis, so get your request in as soon as possible.

Please fill out the sheet & include your payment and drop it off at the Parish Office. If you purchased a cross last year and would like to have the same name again, please indicate that on your sheet and please include your \$15.00 payment with it.

Second Sunday 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 students 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 Schools bottom line, and will help close the gap between what it cost 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 strengthen their relationship with Christ. We provide the Education of Tomorrow, Rooted in Catholic Tradition where Nurturing and Educating the Whole Person is Our Goal.

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 Church. 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 1/18

F 1/21

ADORATION

Adoration is a sign of devotion and worship of Jesus Christ, who is believed by Catholics to be present in Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity under the appearance of the consecrated host. Our Parish is looking for volunteers to help out on the First Friday of every month in 1 hour segments. Adoration is from 8:30AM until 12PM. Sign up sheets are available in the back of Church.



St. Jude the Apostle Parish along with St. Michael the Archangel Masses Live Streamed!

Live Streaming of Masses at St. Jude the Apostle and St. Michael the Archangel Churches via Facebook pages: Saturday 4:00PM Vigil Mass, and Sunday 9AM Mass Lived Streamed at St. Jude the Apostle Parish and Sunday 10:15AM Mass Live Streamed. Daily Masses will also be Live Streamed Wednesdays and Fridays at 8:00AM.

St. Michael the Archangel will live Stream on Tuesdays & Thursdays Live Streamed at 12:10 PM.

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.

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PARISH NURSE PROGRAM WE NEED YOUR HELP!

The Visitation Ministry is looking for a few Parishioners to join our Visitation Ministry to bring Communion to our Homebound Parishioners. Training is available. This ministry is such a rewarding experience. Only a few hours a month is needed. Receiving the Eucharist is so important to those who can no longer come to Mass. Contact the Parish Office or Johanna Flanigan if you are interested in learning more.



SANCTUARY VOTIVE LIGHT

January 16th through January 22nd Dominic Testo, Wife Mary



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 pan-

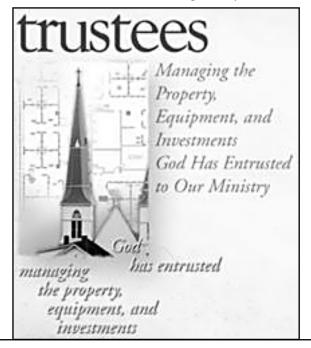
try provide food and personal care items to those in need. Suggested items needed are:

Tuna fish, mayo, chunky soups, crackers, tooth paste, dish soap, canned spaghetti -O's, canned ravioli's feminine products are always in dire need.
bags were received and brought to Doors of Hope last week. Thank you for your generosity.

WELCOME OUR NEW TRUSTEES

We would like to take this opportunity to welcome and thank our new Trustees, Chris Harris and Janice Miller!

We look forward to working with you both!



Team Pathways Youth Ministry Grades 7-10

Class Meetings

- January 16th No Class
- January 23 Grades 9&10 in-person, Grades 7&8 remote
- January 30 No Class

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Announced Masses

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

Saturday, January 15

4PM Bill Ghent, Wife

Ned Fitzgerald, Rosanne & Children Dominic Pasinella, Bill & Pat Kehn George H. Burns, Wife Ruth & Family

Sunday, January 16

9AM Tony Carnevale, Family

William & Mary Mahoney, Daughter

11:30 Charles Decker, Flanigan Family

John T. Perkinson, Fran

Sunday, January 16

11:30 Joseph Frost, Mom, Dad, Matthew

& Taye

Monday, January 17

8AM No Mass

Tuesday January 18 8AM No Mass

Wednesday, January 19

8AM For All Living and Deceased

Parishioners of St. Jude the

Apostle Church

Thursday, January 20

No Mass

Friday, January 21

Helen C. Keohan, Husband Bill Keohan

Saturday, January 22

4PM Theresa Sunkes, Sunkes Family

Florence Stout, Bill & Carol Dedrick Virginia Burton, Elaine & Family

Sunday, January 23

9AM For All Living and Deceased

Parishioners of St. Jude the

Apostle Church

11:30 For All Living and Deceased

Parishioners of St. Jude the

Apostle Church

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 do to the Virus stay at home order prior to live streaming of Sunday and Daily Masses.

Collection Report

Date: 1/9/22

Offertory: \$3,555.00

Total: \$ 3,995.00

Electronic Giving: \$440.00

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.

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