

Saint Jude Catholic Church

Feast of the Holy Family

December 27, 2020



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WELCOME! NEW TO REDMOND OR ST. JUDE?

We are glad to have you as a member of our parish.

Please fill out a registration on our website:

www.stjude-redmond.org

Telephone: 425-883-7685

Office Hours: Monday - Thursday 8:30 am to 4:00 pm
Friday 8:30 am to noon

10526 166th Avenue NE, Redmond, WA 98052

SUNDAY MASS

Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 9:00 am and 11:00 am

DAILY MASS Mon – Fri 9:00 am (except Tuesday)

COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND

Please contact Sr. Betty Schumacher at betty@stjude-redmond.org or 425-883-7685 ext 118 to schedule a visit.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Fridays from after 9:00 am Mass until Noon

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays 3:30-4:30 pm, or by appointment

BAPTISM OF INFANTS

Contact Sondra Sciola at sondra@stjude-redmond.org

BECOMING CATHOLIC

Interested in becoming Catholic or receiving the sacraments

Contact Sondra Sciola sondra@stjude-redmond.org

MARRIAGE

A preparation program over a period of several months is required. Contact Fr. Johnson to begin the process: frjohnson@stjude-redmond.org.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

In case of serious illness, impending surgery or advanced age, please contact the parish office or Fr. Johnson.

FUNERALS

Contact Fr. Johnson at 425-883-7685 ext 120

Catholic Cemeteries that serve St. Jude

Calvary 206-522-0996 and Holyrood 206-363-8404.

SAFE PARKING

safeparking@stjude-redmond.org

ASSISTANCE TO THOSE IN NEED

St. Vincent de Paul:

Assistance call: 206-767-6449 or www.svdpsattle.org

To donate furniture or household items call:

Jeanne 425-881-2720

for Ministry Information email: SVDP@stjude-redmond.org

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY SERVICES

Marriage, adolescent, family and individual counseling and referral Call 1-800-872-3204.

Feast of the Holy Family

On this Sunday within the Octave of Christmas, we venerate the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph. In venerating the Holy Family, we also revere all families and the Church especially, the family of God. I would like to draw our attention toward some instances recorded about the Holy Family in the Bible.

The Holy family, like all families, was not exempted from day-to-day struggle of life. Right after the visitation of the Magi, the Holy Family had to flee to Egypt to avoid the persecution from Herod (Matthew 2;13-15). After Herod's death, they returned to Bethlehem of Judea, but for fear of persecution, they came to Nazareth instead. When Jesus was twelve, he accompanied his parents to Jerusalem for the feast of Passover (Luke 2;41-52). After the feast, not knowing Jesus has stayed behind in Jerusalem, Mary and Joseph left Jerusalem among their relatives. Noticing Jesus was not with them, they searched for him for three days, and finally found him in Jerusalem talking among the teachers.

These events help us recognize the Holy Family was not much different from ours. They would have had many relatives, followed religious traditions, was anxious about Jesus' safety, sang their local hymns, had fun together, and experienced many other events that made up daily family life.

We know that Jesus and Mary were perfect in their virtues, but what about having Joseph as a member of this Holy Family although this does not deemphasize Joseph's character as a "righteous man"? For this reason, the overarching characteristic of their home must have been love in the midst of toil, sadness and hardships. For instance, they could have listened to gossip about Mary's pregnancy before marriage and about Jesus being born outside of wedlock. They would have experienced deaths of loved ones, particularly Joseph before Jesus began his public ministry.

Their toil and hardships revealed God's love for family life. Their holiness invites God's divine life into family life in the ordinary daily activities. The Father permitted His Divine Son, Jesus, to live in a humble family in Nazareth and shared divine life within a unite called family. With God's love, the Holy Family encountered a normal human life with grace and virtue.

Reflect upon family life, there are families with strong faith and virtues. Some are broken and deeply wounded. Some face difficulty with basic communication. We know that Jesus experienced family life with Mary and Joseph. God has immersed into family lifestyle, and He desires for each family to receive strength and encouragement to follow the Holy Family's examples. God wants each one of us to surrender our self-interests to be self-offering for other members of our family, so that our own family may experience God's gift of loving presence in our relationship with each other.

Blessings,
Fr. Anh Tran

"Lord, I do offer myself to You this day and in doing so I offer You my family. I offer every relationship, be it good or difficult, and I offer every challenge we face. Please come and sanctify my family, making it holy in imitation of your family in Nazareth. Jesus, I trust in You."

Thank You!

I want to take this opportunity to thank those who worked so hard to prepare our Christmas Masses. Many thanks to all who decorated, cleaned, prepared, helped the church and made it look so beautiful for Christmas. Thank you to all the musicians who sang and played on Christmas-you lifted our hearts spirits in Song. Finally, I am grateful to Sr. Betty, Fr. Anh, all our parish staff, our ushers and all the ministers of the liturgies. You made everything go so well in challenging circumstances. Thank you for your generous service. That is what life is all about: giving of ourselves in service to one another in gratitude to the One who gives his life for us, in love and in service.

Finally, on behalf of Fr. Anh and myself, I want to thank you for the gifts and cards you gave to us at Christmas. We so appreciate your kindness, support, prayers and love. You are a blessing to us in every way! Please know that we hold everyone of you in our hearts and in our prayers.

Fr. Johnson

P.S. Be sure to begin the New Year right by thanking God and asking his blessing on the coming year. New Year's Masses of the Solemnity of Mary Mother of God are Thursday evening December 31 at 5:00 PM and Friday, New Year's Day at 9:00 AM.

Parish News and Events

Spiritual Writers Workshop

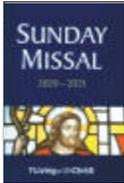
Beginning January 6, 2021
for 4 **VIRTUAL** sessions.

The Wednesday sessions will be
from 7:00pm to 8:30pm.

We will be exploring four different mystics of the Catholic Church and their writings. Learn about the writers and their message along with a creative opportunity for yourself in the workshop.

*If you have questions contact Sondra Sciola
sondra@stjude-redmond.org*

*Please register for the workshop at
www.stjude-redmond.org*



SUNDAY MISSAL and SUNDAY MISSAL for Young Catholics 2020-2021

Complete Order of Mass

Thoughtful Sunday meditations on the Scripture readings, with questions for reflection and prayer

Cost: \$5.00 for either book.

They are available after the liturgies or in the parish office.



Weekly Calendar

**NO MASS or Word & Communion
On Monday, December 28th**

**New Year's Eve Mass
5:00pm, Thursday, December 31st**

**New Year's Day Mass - Holy Day
9:00am, Friday, January 1st**

***Church Office Closed
Monday - Friday
December 28th - January 1st***

Weekday Masses

**Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday
9:00am**

Church is Open to Pray

**Monday - Friday
9:30am - 12:00noon**

Office Hours

**Monday - Friday
8:30am - 12:00noon**

SATURDAY/SUNDAY MASSES

**Saturday 5:00pm
Sunday 9:00am and 11:00am**

Reservations are required....

Go to www.stjude-redmond.org to signup

Christmas and Year End Thankfulness

Thanks to all of our generous St. Jude parishioners for your financial support of the parish throughout 2020!

And if God has especially blessed you financially in 2020, please consider a special year-end gift to your parish.

Blessings...Fr. Johnson

Please remember that any remaining donations to the parish must be received in the parish office or postmarked by or before December 31 in order to qualify as a 2020 contribution.

Parish Stewardship

Finance Council Report ...Stewardship of Treasure...

Parish Financial Giving/Sunday Offertory

July 1 thru December 13, 2020

	<i>Weekly</i>	<i>Year to Date</i>
<i>Actual...</i>	\$18,610	\$ 463,747
<i>Goal</i>	\$43,750	\$ 500,500
Gain (loss)		(\$36,753)

Our Parish Finance Council Thanks You and Asks for Your Continued Generosity!

Jose Barreto,
Vinod Nazareth, John Reilly,
Ron Fechtner, Carol Michael,
Fr. James Johnson

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