

# St. Jude the Apostle Parish



***Sunday, September 25, 2022 — Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time***

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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 adoration 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**

*September 24, 2022—October 2, 2022*

*The sanctuary candle will be lit this week in memory of Patrick Brick by The Wiegand family*

#### **Saturday, September 24, 2022—(vigil)**

**Eccl 11:9—12:8 Ps 90:3-6, 12-14, 17 Lk 9:43b-45**

9:00 am—Harold Leising by Mary Redman

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

#### **Sun., Sept. 25, 2022—Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Am 6:1a, 4-7 Ps 146:7-10 1Tm 6:11-16 Lk 16:19-31**

8:00 am—William Leach by wife, Emerlita

10:00 am—Malone & Steiner fathers by family

12 noon—Marjorie Platzer by family

#### **Monday, September 26, 2022—Weekday**

**Jb 1:6-22 Ps 17:1bcd, 2-3, 6-7 Lk 9:46-50**

9:00 am—Joe & Lucy Ruggiero by John Ruggiero

#### **Tues., September 27, 2022—St. Vincent de Paul, priest**

**Jb 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23 Ps 88:2-8 Lk 9:51-56**

6:45 am—All souls intentions

9:00 am—Marshall Duguay by Novasat family

#### **Wed., September 28, 2022—St. Wencelaus, martyr**

**Jb 9:1-12, 14-16 Ps 88:10b-15 Lk 9:57-62**

9:00 am—Melissa Virts by Claudia Faso

#### **Thur., Sept. 29, 2022—St. Michael, Gabriel and Raphael Archangels**

**Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a Ps 138:1-5 Jn 1:47-51**

6:45 am—Joseph Emery family by estate

9:00 am—Jack Cronin by Matthew & Karen Hamp

#### **Friday, September 30, 2022—St. Jerome, priest/doctor of Church**

**Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5 Ps 139:1-3, 7-10, 13-14b Lk 10:13-16**

9:00 am—Mary DeKleva by Rosary Guild members

#### **Saturday, October 1, 2022—(vigil)**

**Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17 Ps 119:66, 71, 75, 91, 125, 130 Lk 10:17-24**

9:00 am—Patrick Brick by Wiegand family

5:00 pm—Walter & Helen Slomba by children and grandchildren

#### **Sunday, October 2, 2022—Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary**

**Tm Hb 1:2-3; 2:2-4 Ps 95:1-2, 6-9 2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14 Lk 17:5-10**

8:00 am—Nancy McIntyre by family

10:00 am—William Leach by wife, Emerlita

12 noon—Theresa George by mother

### **SONG LEADERS NEEDED AT 8:00 AM MASS**

We need people to volunteer as song leaders (cantors) at the 8:00 am Mass on Sunday. You can serve as an occasional substitute or be scheduled regularly once a month. You can lead alone or with two or three other people if you prefer. Please speak to the organist after Mass or call the rectory office if you can help with this important ministry.



## **MESSAGE FROM FR. JIM**

Dear Parishioners,

Over the last nine months or so I have spoken about us starting the Road to Renewal process in October. However, things have changed in the diocese. The bishop and the diocesan Renewal team has decided to take a little bit of a different approach. The Renewal will now be done by vicariate. A vicariate is basically a subdivision of the diocese, a group of parishes in localities. We were previously in the Western Niagara Vicariate. We will now be in the Northern Erie Vicariate because the parishes in our family are mostly in Northern Erie County.

Also, the diocese is going from a three-year renewal plan to one that is a year and a half, three phases to two phases. The Renewal team has studied this extensively and has concluded that it is better to get it done more quickly than not. Around 66% of the dioceses in the country either have done or are currently doing something similar to what we are doing here in Buffalo, so the diocese has plenty of data to go by.

What does that mean for us here at St Jude? We will no longer begin the process next month. We will not be starting until May of 2023. The entire Northern Erie Vicariate will start next May.

This has been a bit of a shock to the priests of the diocese and their parishes. Some parishes had planned to start in phase three are now starting next week. Some who planned to start next week will not be starting until next year. Please continue to pray for the Road to Renewal. Times are changing here in the diocese. Let us pray that this will provide the change we need.

Christ's Peace,

Fr Jim Kirkpatrick

### **THE TRAVELING MADONNA-OUR LADY OF FATIMA Divine Mercy: The Freedom to Choose**

In one sense we can say that God imposes upon us an obligation to turn to Him with our whole being and receive His Mercy. He also imposes upon us the obligation to spread His Mercy to others. But we must understand that this is no ordinary "obligation". Its an obligation of love. This means that the "imposition" of this obligation is no imposition at all. It is something that God gives us complete freedom to choose or reject. There are no strings attached, no forms of force; rather, we are left in complete freedom to choose or not to choose to accept and bestow the Mercy of God. This freedom is essential to our lives and is essential to the gift of God's Mercy. Only by giving us this freedom can we fully cooperate with this gift because Mercy must be freely given and freely received. If it is not, then it is not Mercy. Be grateful for the freedom the Lord has given you and use it to make a glorious choice (See Diary #115)

Reflect, today, upon these two gifts God has given you. First, reflect upon the gift of freedom. In having free will, you are able to make your own choices in life. As a result, you also either reap the blessings of the choices you make, or suffer the consequences. Reflect, also, upon the fact that you are invited by God to accept and distribute His abundant gift of Mercy. By freely choosing this gift, you invite the God of the Universe to descend from His Throne of Grace and embrace you with an embrace of pure love, enabling you to offer that embrace to others.

Taken from My Catholic Life (mail@divinemercy.life)

If you would like a visit from the Traveling Madonna, Our Lady of Fatima, call Ann at 692-4396.

## VOCATIONS

### A Vocation View

All the rich man's wealth could not save his soul. Faith is the only investment that lasts for eternity. Your faith is worth more than gold, real estate, or bitcoin. How will you manage this precious commodity of grace?

Is God calling you to a Church vocation, contact Fr. Dave Baker at 716-847-5535 or visit [buffalovocations.org](http://buffalovocations.org)



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

<b>Sunday, September 25</b>	<b>1:00 pm—Baptism C</b>
<b>Tuesday, September 27</b>	<b>7:00 pm—Ultrayea PH</b>
<b>Wednesday, September 28</b>	<b>9:30 am—8:00 pm—Eucharistic Adoration C</b> <b>6:00 pm—Faith Formation PH</b> <b>7:00 pm—Confessions C</b>
<b>Thursday, September 29</b>	<b>1:00 pm—Knitting club PH</b> <b>7:00 pm—Choir C</b> <b>6:00 pm—Faith Formation PH</b>
<b>Saturday, October 1</b>	<b>First Saturday</b>
<b>Sunday, October 2</b>	<b>2:00 pm—3 pm Life Chain (Niagara Falls Blvd.)</b>

### ROAD TO RENEWAL UPDATES—TWO PHASES

As we continue the *Road to Renewal*, the remaining families will be designated to be formed within two Phases. Each phase will consist of the following stages:

- **Activation Stage**—Parishes begin developing a Family Council and Family Action Plan. This phase lasts six months.
  - \* Phase 1—Family of Parishes will commence this stage October 1, 2022
  - \*Phase 2—Family of Parishes will commence this stage May 1, 2023
- **Inauguration Stage**—The date on which a Family of Parishes begins functioning as a Family
  - \* Phase 1—Family of Parishes are estimated to be inaugurated May 1, 2023
  - \* Phase 2—Family of Parishes are estimated to be inaugurated by November 1, 2023

As we continue down the *Road to Renewal*, please don't forget to visit our website at [www.RoadToRenewal.org](http://www.RoadToRenewal.org) and pray the Prayer of Renewal regularly, See at on the *Road to Renewal*!

## Our Faith Community's Gift to God

### RECEIPTS - 9/17/22—9/18/22

<b>Regular Weekly</b>	<b>\$ 8,224.45</b>
<b>Assumption</b>	<b>5.00</b>
<b>Auxiliary</b>	<b>452.00</b>
<b>Candles</b>	<b>325.00</b>
<b>Heat</b>	<b>100.00</b>
<b>Faith Formation</b>	<b>1,735.00</b>
<b>Parish Outreach (school supplies)</b>	<b>70.00</b>
<b>Catholic Education</b>	<b>620.00</b>
<b>"We Share" Electronic</b>	
<b>Giving-Reg. weekly</b>	<b><u>845.00</u></b>

**Total \$ 12,376.45**

**Diocesan Priests' Ret. Fund 25.00**  
**Seminary/Formation 5.00**

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.

### LIFE CHAIN

The Life Chain will take place on **Sunday, October 2, 2022** from **2:00 pm—3:00 pm** in front of our Church and along Niagara Falls Blvd. We are standing to end abortion!



### FAITH FORMATION

**Teach your children about God's TRUTH-BEAUTY-GOODNESS!**

**Confirmation 2022:** Confirmation will be on **Tuesday, OCT 18, 2022** at 7:00 pm.

**Rehearsal will be on Tuesday, OCT 11, 2022** at 6:00 pm. We will provide dinner for you and your sponsor. Dinner is at 6:00 pm in the Parish Hall, followed by rehearsal in the Church. If your sponsor is not available to attend, please bring one of your parents to sub in for them. Also, be sure to send in your application, poster and sponsor letter to St. Jude if you have not already done so.

**We look forward to sharing this beautiful sacrament with you! Thank you and may you have a blessed and wonderful day!**

### THANK YOU!

*"It is with sincerest appreciation that we acknowledge your generous contribution to the North Tonawanda Inter-Church Food Pantry. As always, your contributions are invaluable in our continuing effort to distribute food and other necessary personal care items to the less fortunate in our area."*

August 2022 Contributions— 38 Bags of Food

Sincerely, Bonnie Shaffer—coordinator.



## ***EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS***

Saturday, September 24	5:00 pm	J. Holesko, S. Cuccia T. Sack
Sunday, September 25	8:00 am	M. Truty, K. Lucin E. Frank
	10:00 am	B. & J. Wiech, J. Casillo
	12 noon	R. Trippi, S. Ruska C. McNamara
Saturday, October 1	5:00 pm	F. & M. Barry, J. Seymour
Sunday, October 2	8:00 am	D. Scibilia, M. Garcia K. Lucin
	10:00 am	J. Renda, T. Hanavan J. Kasperek
	12 noon	N. Colvin, P. Ziatts J. Arnold



## ***LECTORS***



Saturday, September 24	5:00 pm	J. Gioeli
Sunday, September 25	8:00 am	M. Martin
	10:00 am	M. Brockmeyer
	12 noon	M. Campas
Saturday, October 1	5:00 pm	G. Smeragliuolo
Sunday, October 2	8:00 am	M. Truty
	10:00 am	G. & L. Pupo
	12 noon	J. Colvin

## ***ALTAR SERVERS***



Saturday, September 24	5:00 pm—	A. Ganz
Sunday, September 25	8:00 am	B. Giuseppetti
	10:00 am	L. M. & A. Jarka
	12 noon	Needed, please
Saturday, October 1	5:00 pm	A. Ganz
Sunday, October 2	8:00 am	J. Haley
	10:00 am	L. M. & A. Jarka
	12 noon	M. Dzielski

**\*\*\*ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED\*\*\***

We are looking for new altar servers boys or girls, can you help? If you have made your First Holy Communion, we are looking for you! You can email [altarservers.stjude@gmail.com](mailto:altarservers.stjude@gmail.com) or contact Fr. Jim 694-0540. You will be able to shadow with one of our experienced servers, Fr. Jim will train you. too! So think about it!

## PRO-LIFE



God sees human life as valuable, honorable and glorious.

Diocesan Pro Life Office 716-847-2205 help during pregnancy  
Project Rachel 716-847-2211 Confidential Hotline for post-abortion reconciliation 888-456-4673 [hopeafterabortion.org](http://hopeafterabortion.org)

### ***YOU ARE INVITED... COUPLES CELEBRATING THEIR 25TH, 50TH, 60TH, AND 70TH Wedding anniversaries***

The Diocese of Buffalo and Office of Pastoral Ministries wishes to honor couples who will observe their 25th, 50th, 60th and 70th wedding anniversaries and recognize the beauty of their faithfulness, sacrifice, challenges and comforts in daily married life. On October 23rd there will be a special Mass at 10:30 am at St. Joseph Cathedral where couples will renew their marriage vows. Following the Mass, the couples will have the opportunity to have their photographs taken in Our Lady Chapel (located to the left of the altar) and a brunch after Mass at St. Anthony of Padua Church Center, 160 Court Street, Buffalo (behind City Hall).

Please fill out and put in the collection basket, mail or drop off at the rectory office, if you plan on attending this event. The Deadline is **September 30th**.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Marriage \_\_\_\_\_

Attending Mass and brunch

Yes/No \_\_\_\_\_ (including guests)



### ***KIDS' CHOIR***



Our Kids' Choir will begin singing the third Sunday in October. New members (2nd grade and up) are welcome. We'd love to have some more voices!

For more information call the rectory office or call or text Peg Barkley at 716-345-9036

### ***AREA ANNOUNCEMENTS***

**Cardinal O'Hara High School**—is offering Driver Education classes that are either Monday and Wednesdays from September 26—November 21 4-6 pm (no class on Monday, October 10th) or on Tuesdays and Thursdays from Sept. 27 to November 17 from 4-6 pm. Students must attend all 16 classroom instruction and in-car driving sessions. The cost is \$650.00. Applications are accepted on first come first served basis. For registration forms e-mail Cardinal O'Hara Business Office at [ksosnowski@cardinalohara.com](mailto:ksosnowski@cardinalohara.com) or visit our website [www.cardinalohara.com](http://www.cardinalohara.com)

**Our Lady of Czestochowa—Prayer opportunities**—Every Tuesday from 9 am—7 pm there is **Eucharistic Adoration** in the Adoration Chapel. Third Tuesday of the month—**Night of Prayer** for the World 7-8 pm in Church. Wednesday—**Holy Hour** under St. Joseph's patronage from 7—8 pm in the Church. **First Saturday Prayer Breakfast** 8:00 am—10:30 am Mass in the Church, coffee and donuts with a talk and rosary in the Parish Hall beginning November 5th. **Fridays (except First Fridays)** 3:00 pm walking the Stations of the Cross at their Outdoor Grotto (weather permitting) Saturday, October 15th—**Annual Rosary Rally** for blessings on Church and USA at the Grotto. Thursday, November 10th at 7:00 pm **Patriotic Rosary** in the Church. On Friday, September 30th—7 pm—9 pm in the Parish Hall, **Movie Night**. Children must be accompanied by parents. Bring a snack and drink with you—no alcohol, please. Call Sr. Jacinta for information 716-692-0276.



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