St. Jude the Apostle Parish



Sunday, March 19, 2023 Fourth Sunday of Lent

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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	

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 are not offering funeral luncheons until further notice.

RCIA

Not confirmed? Not baptized? Want to know more about the Catholic Faith? Now forming—RCIA classes—Contact Joan 716-830-3195.

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	
Saturday	
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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

Wednesdaysat the 9:00 am. Mass.

EUCHARISTIC 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 Con-firmed 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

March 18, 2023—March 26, 2023

Saturday, March 18, 2023 (vigil) Hos 6:1-6 Ps 51:3-4, 18-21ab Lk 18:9-14 9:00 am—Deceased Holy Name members by Cote' family 5:00 pm—William Hengel by Mr. and Mrs. Warren Connell

Sunday, March 19, 2023—Fourth Sunday in Lent 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10:13a Ps 23:1-6 Eph 5:8-14 Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38 8:00 am—Robert Meister (ann of death) by family 10:00 am—Elizabeth McGee by Tim and Patty McGee 12 noon—Marjorie Platzer by family

Monday, March 20, 2023—Lenten weekday

2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29 Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22 Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a 9:00 am --In honor of Lou Martina's 100th birthday by Doug & Karen Lucin

Tuesday, March 21, 2023—Lenten weekday Ez 47:1-9 Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9 Jn 5:1-16 6:45 am— Albert Matuch, Sr. by John Matuch 9:00 am—Anthony Brick by Pauline Ziatts

Wednesday, March 22, 2023—Lenten weekday Is 49:8-15 Ps 145:8-9, 13c-14, 17-18 Jn 5:17-30 9:00 am– Living and deceased members of the Rosary Guild by members

Thursday, March 23, 2023—Lenten weekday

Ex 32:7-14 Ps 106:19-23 Jn 5:31-47 6:45 am—Souls in purgatory 9:00 am—Dorothea Insana by Jerry & Pam Casillo

Friday, March 24, 2023—Lenten weekday

Wis 2:1a, 12-22 Ps 34:17-21, 23 Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30 9:00 am– Kenneth Emmons by Barbara Downing

Saturday, March 25, 2023—The Annunciation of the Lord Is 7:10-14; 8-10 Ps 40; 7-11 Heb 10:4-10 Lk 1:26 –38 9:00 am—Marion Rizzone (birth remb) by family 5:00 pm—Paul Emerick (ann of death) by family

Sunday, March 26, 2023—The Fifth Sunday of Lent Ex 37:12-14 Ps 130:1-8 Rom 8:8-11 Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27 33b-45 8:00 am—Angelo Cieri by family 10:00 am—Al DiMatteo by Rose & family 12 noon—Fay Gage (birth remb) by Carol & Diane



MESSAGE FROM FR. JIM

Dear Parishioners,

This Friday, March 17th and today, March 19th, we have celebrated the feast days of two very important saints. Saint Joseph and St Patrick have shown us an incredible example of following God's plan and never giving up despite the challenges we face. They show us holiness, perseverance and doing God's will.

St Joseph, of course, is the husband of the Blessed Mother. He showed us the beauty of a loving husband and father. He also encourages us to listen to God. Joseph's holiness empowered him to put himself last in order to do God's will. He is an important example to Christian men and a reminder of their responsibilities to their vocations.

St Patrick brought Christianity to Ireland. He was a British Roman Christian who endured mistreatment and slavery in order to fulfill God's will for him. He achieved the mission God gave him to bring the message of Christ to a people who had never heard the Gospel. He also put himself last and he shows us the blessing of perseverance in faith.

While the lives of these saints can have a positive influence on everyone, men can especially benefit from reflecting on their lives. I encourage everyone, especially men, to take some time to examine and pray on the lives of St Joseph and St Patrick.

Christ's Peace,

Fr Jim Kirkpatrick

FAITH FORMATION

March Schedule:

Class dates as follows: March 22,23,29,30

No class for High School on March 30th.

The Traveling Madonna, Our Lady of Fatima Uniting Suffering to the Cross Prayer of Venerable Pauline Marie Jaricot

My hope is in Jesus, my only treasure is the Cross. I will bless the Lord at all times and His praise shall be always in my mouth. I adore the will of my God.

What does it matter to me "O beloved and loveable will of God", if you take from me all earthly goods, reputation, honor, health, and life; what does it matter that you make me descent into the depth of humiliations? What does it matter—if, I find the hidden fire of Thy heavenly love? How happy I should be if I could die for Thee and for my fellow creatures.

Jesus, Priest and Victim, I unite the sacrifice of my life and the cross I carry to Thy blood shed for me. I shelter myself in Thy wounds and I expect all strength from Thee. My heart is ready, O Lord, my heart is ready. I only wish to do all for Thy greater glory. I rely upon Thy strength when the supreme moment comes and not upon my own. I have put my hopes in Thy mercy. I recommend to Thee all to whom I may die indebted, and I beg Thee, that having given my life and my blood for them, my friends will pay my debts after my death. Amen

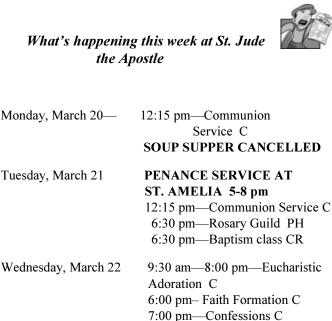
Taken from "My Catholic Life" If you would like a visit from the Traveling Madonna, Our Lady of Fatima, call Ann at 716-692-4396.

VOCATIONS

No one expected Samuel the prophet to choose the smallest, youngest son. But that boy became David. God's call can surprise us.



Find out more from the Vocations Office. Contact Fr. Dave Baker at 716-847-5535 or buffalovocations.org



Thursday, March 23 12:15 pm—Communion Service C 1:00 pm—Knitting club PH 7:00 pm—Choir C 6:00 pm—Faith Formation PH

Friday, March 24 12:15 pm—Communion Service C 7:00 pm—Stations C 7:00 pm—Stations at St. Francis

Sunday, March 26 10:00 am—Children's Mass 1:00 pm—Choir C

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

When you go before the Blessed Sacrament, let us open our heart; our good God will open His. If you are sick, He will either cure you or give you strength to suffer so as to merit heaven. If the Devil, the world and the flesh are making war upon you, He will give you the weapons with which to fight, to resist and to win victory. If you are poor, He will enrich you with all sorts of riches for time and eternity.

Let us open the door of His sacred and adorable Heart, and be wrapped about for an instant by the flames of His love, and we shall see what a God who loves us can do.

St. John Vianney

Eucharistic Adoration is on Wednesdays from 9:30 am—8:00 pm. Why not stop for a visit.

Our Faith Community's Gift to God

RECEIPTS	03/11/2023 -03/12/2023	
Regular weekly	\$ 8,530.85	
Maintenance	1.00	
Easter flowers	180.00	
"We Share" Electronic		
Giving weekly	720.00	
Total weekly receipts	\$ 9,431.85	

Black /Native American Missions \$ 48.00

For more information about the "We Share" Contribution Program, visit the Parish Website at 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.

SOUP SUPPER CANCELLED

The soup supper is cancelled for tomorrow, March 20th. We will be rescheduling another one at a later date.

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 citizens of our area.

February contributions— 27 Bags and l Cart of Food

Sincerely,

Bonnie J. Shaffer: coordinator

NT Food Pantry

GARDEN GROUP

The Garden club will have their Spring meeting on Thursday, March 30th at 9:30 am in the Parish Hall. If anyone is interested in joining the Garden Group, you are welcome to join us!





EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday, March 18	5:00 pm	B. & N. Garcia, A. Murdock
Sunday, March 19	8:00 am	K. DesRosiers, P.
		Mancuso
	10:00 am	J. Kasperek. R.
		Dunning, J. Peresie
		H. Tate
	12 noon	B. Franusiak, N.
		Colvin, S. Maziarz
Saturday, March 25	5:00 pm	J. Holesko, T. Sack
		S. Cuccia
Sunday, March 26	8:00 am	M. Truty, K. Lucin
		E. Frank
	10:00 am	J. Renda, J. Becker
		J. Casillo
	12 noon	J. Makey, S. Ruska
		C McNamara

LECTORS

Saturday, March 18	5:00 pm	T. Sack
Sunday, March 19	8:00 am 10:00 am 12 noon	C. Yager J. Wiech J. Zilliox
Saturday, March 25	5:00 pm	K. Lord
Sunday, March 26	8:00 am 10:00 am	J. Zilliox V. Cronin
	12 noon	J. Colvin

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ALTAR SERVERS



Saturday, March 18	5:00 pm	A. Ganz
Sunday, March 19	8:00 am 10:00 am 12 noon	S. & J. Haley A. Hartsock M. Dzielski
Friday, March 24 – Stations	7:00 pm	B. Giuseppetti
Saturday, March 25	5:00 pm	A. Ganz
Sunday, March 26	8:00 am 10:00 am 12 noon	S. & J. Haley B. Giuseppetti Need

If you have made your First Communion and would be interested in becoming an altar server (boy or girl), please contact Fr. Jim at 716-694-0540. He will train you for this important service. Thank you!

UPDATE ON THE STATIONS OF THE CROSS

This year the Stations of the Cross will be held on all Fridays during Lent . They will be led by a priest, parochial vicar or permanent deacon or parishioners. We will be having Stations of the Cross at St. Jude every Friday during Lent at 7:00 pm in Church. You will also be able to participate in the Stations of the Cross at our Family of Parishes on the following dates.

March 24—St. Francis at 7:00 pm and at 7:00 pm at St. Jude March 31 - St. Jude the Apostle at 7:00 pm

LENTEN SCHEDULE

Stations of the Cross—Every Friday during Lent at 7:00 pm

Communion Service—12:15 pm Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday in Church

Parish Family Penance Service—St Amelia—March 21st from 5-8 pm

Holy Thursday – April 6

9:00 am—Morning prayer 7:00 pm—Mass of the Last Supper

Good Friday-April 7

9:00 am –Morning prayer 1:00 pm—Rosary 2:00 pm –Stations of the Cross 3:00 pm—Good Friday service 7:00 pm—Stations

Holy Saturday—April 8

9:00 am—Morning prayer 10:00 am—Rehearsal for Holy Saturday 11:00 am—Blessing of Baskets 8:00 pm—Easter vigil Mass

Easter Sunday—April 9 Masses 8:00 am, 10:00 am and 12 noon







AREA ANNOUNCEMENTS

Knights of Columbus-Erie Ave—Fish Frys are back—Every Friday during Lent at 4:00 pm. Fish Fry is \$15.50. Dinner includes French fries, macaroni salad, cole slaw, bread and butter. Homemade pie is \$4.50. Kids Chicken fingers available. All you can eat breakfast is scheduled for April 2nd. Adults—age 12 \$13.00; children 6-11 \$6; and 5 and under free.

Men's Conference at Cardinal O'Hara High School—on March 25th. "Evangelize the family, Evangelize the World". Dr. Scott Hahn and Fr. Rob Contarin will offer insights into why some young people are straying from Church and propose strategies for us to help them re-kindle their relationship with Our Lord Jesus. It begins at 8:30 am to 3 pm. If you have any questions please email Thomas Carroll at finnigan2016@gmail.com. Tickets online at www.cwww.cmfofwny.org

St. Francis of Assisi, Parish—Early Childhood Center 70 Adam St., Tonawanda is holding a Basket Raffle Fundraiser on **Saturday, March 25th** from 12-3 pm in the Early Childhood Center hall. There will also be a 50/50, and bake sale. Pizza and beverages available for purchase. Any questions call 716-692-7886. **St. Joan of Arc Youth Group for Young Ladies**—A Youth Group has been

formed at OLC Parish for ladies 15-25. Meetings are twice a month. It will include a presentation, social time or event and prayer. If you have any questions, please call Sr. Jacinta at olcparishevent@gmail.com or 716-692-0276. The meeting time is subject to change, check with Sr. Jacinta first.

Have you ever seen the Shadow Stations of the Cross? On Friday, April 7th (Good Friday) at 7:00 pm at St. Amelia's Church, the Stations will be presented. If any high school student is interested in being a part of this event, please call Kathy Waite at St. Amelia's Church 716-836-0011.

Lenten Penance Service—Tuesday, March 28th 6 pm at the Prince of Peace site, 1055 N. Military Rd., NF Several priests will be available to hear confessions.



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