

SEPTEMBER 8, 2019
TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

ST. JUDE - PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We the parish family of St. Jude, as members of the Body of Christ proclaim the Good News of Jesus in our worship, words and deeds. Out of love for God and neighbor, we dedicate our time, talents and treasures to the service of our faith community and to those who are in need.

Question of the Week

Discerning God's will

Reading I: Wisdom 9:13–18a (Solomon's prayer)

Reading II: Philemon 9b–10, 12–17 (plea for Onesimus)

Gospel: Luke 14:25–33 (sayings on discipleship)

Key Passage: For who can learn the counsel of God? Or who can discern what the Lord wills? For the reasoning of mortals is worthless, and our designs are likely to fail. (Wisdom 9:13–14)

Adult: How do you try to discover what God is asking of you?

Child: When is it hard for you to know the right thing to do? Who helps you know?

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 7

5:00 PM **Vigil** Jane Guidetti r/o Claire O'Grady

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8:15 AM Kenneth Della Corte r/o Corinne Reardon

10:30 AM Matthew & Elaine Bandurski r/o Irene Baran

5:00 PM Parishioners of St. Jude

MONDAY SEPTEMBER 9

9:00 AM St. Jude Ladies Guild

TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 10

9:00 AM Charles Tuttle r/o Mike & Julie Repasky

WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 11

9:00 AM Gertrud Wiesing r/o husband, Wilhelm

THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 12

9:00 AM Charles Catalano r/o Family

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 13

9:00 Francis Clifford r/o Jim & Marion Clifford

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 14

5:00 PM **Vigil** Thomas Gross r/o the Keiling Family

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, Sept. 15

8:15 AM Elizabeth Erickson r/o St. Jude Food Pantry
Ministry

10:30 AM Parishioners of St. Jude

5:00 PM Helen Naklicki r/o the Morelli Family

r/o = "request of"

Reflection: *"Everyone of you who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be my disciple."* (Luke 14:33)

When we first hear this statement, it seems that Jesus is making an unrealistic demand upon us. How can we renounce all of our possessions? We need them to live. However, what we must renounce is the belief that they belong to us. Everything that we have belongs to God alone. All of our resources are entrusted to us not only for our own use, but also so that we can help others. Once we renounce the idea that we possess or are entitled to anything, it is much easier to share the many gifts that God has given us. Then we truly are His Disciples.

INVEST IN ST. JUDE PARISH

Estimated Sunday offerings needed for operating Expenses

For Year July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020.

Needed through September 1: \$6,1510

Actual July 1 to September 1: \$55,346

Over/Under through September 1: (\$6,164)

Average weekly collection needed: \$6,151

Average weekly collection given \$5,535

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2019 \$5,627

(includes \$ 1,030.00 through Online Giving) Last year: \$5,417.00



Our secure Online giving option is accessible
through our church

website: stjudech.org

Peter's Pence Collection
Be a Witness of
Charity

Today is the Peter's Pence Collection, a worldwide collection that supports the charitable works of Pope Francis. Funds from this collection help victims of war, oppression, and natural disasters. Take this opportunity to join with Pope Francis and be a witness of charity to our suffering brothers and sisters. Please be generous today. For more information, visit

www.usccb.org/peters-pence.

From the Pastor:

Our Parish Picnic weekend has arrived. Come on out if you can for food and fellowship fun and games with raffle winners.

We hear in this Sunday's Gospel Jesus saying:

"Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple. ...anyone of you who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be my disciple." (Luke 14: 27, 33)

The challenging call to submit our lives under Christ our Good Shepherd is demanding. To follow Him with our lives including putting all of our possessions under his kingdom rule is challenging indeed. Our growth in the spiritual life will continue to mean letting go of attachments to possessions and activities that hinder our following Christ. Let us keep learning to put all that we own in the service of his kingdom in loving God and loving neighbor. The Lord did not carry the cross all the way by himself and that should comfort us, for we too have the help of God's grace and the help of others as we heed His message to carry our own cross and follow Him.

THIS WEEK AT ST. JUDE

Sunday: 12:00 Noon to 4:00 PM Parish Picnic
Monday: Ladies Guild Meeting after the 9:00 A.M. Mass and Rosary
Monday, 7:00 PM Knights of Columbus Meeting
Wednesday, 9:30 AM to 11:00 PM Eucharistic Adoration with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the Chapel
Wednesday, 7:00 PM Women's LIFE
Thursday 5:00 AM to 9:00 AM Eucharistic Adoration with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the Chapel
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(Friday September 13: Parish Office Closed)
Friday, 7:30 PM: **"Fulfilled"** Scripture Study, McNulty Hall
Saturday: 4:00 to 4:30 PM Confessions

Upcoming events

September 19, 10 am-2pm, Thrift Shop – Giving Tree Building
September 20, 3-7pm, Thrift Shop– Giving Tree Building
September 21, 10am-2pm. Thrift Shop– Giving Tree Building
September 28, 2019 Bingo, sponsored by the St. Jude Ladies Guild. Doors open at 6:30PM
October 11, 2019 St. Jude Knights of Columbus Golf Outing

PRAYER AND DEVOTIONS

Adoration, devotions and prayer are open to all.

Monday to Friday, 8:15 AM Morning Prayer
Monday to Friday, 8:30 AM Rosary
Monday, after 9:00 AM Mass – St. Jude Novena
Wednesday 9:40 AM to 11 PM Adoration in the chapel
Thursday 5:00 AM to 9:00 AM Adoration in the chapel
1st Friday after 9 AM Mass – Litany of the Sacred Heart

DAILY MASS READINGS for September 8 thru 15

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Wis 9:13-18b; Phlm 9-10, 12-17; Lk 14:25-33

Monday: Saint Peter Claver, Priest Col 1:24-2:3; Lk 6:6-11

Tuesday: Col 2:6-15; Lk 6:12-19

Wednesday: Col 3:1-11; Lk 6:20-26

Thursday: *The Most Holy Name of Mary*

Col 3:12-17; Lk 6:27-38

Friday: Saint John Chrysostom, Bishop, Doctor of the Church
1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14; Lk 6:39-42

Saturday: THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

Nm 21:4b-9; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Ex 32:7-11, 13-14; 1 Tm 1:12-17; Lk 15:1-32 Jn 3:13-17



Host Our Lady for a week The Traveling Image of Our Lady of Guadalupe

During this year of preparation for consecration, please consider hosting the traveling Image kit in your home for a week. The kit at the present time is being exchanged each week at the Sunday 8:15 and 10:30 AM Masses. The kit includes an image of Our Lady of Guadalupe, standing crucifix, votive candle, 4 rosaries, holy water bottle, and pamphlets on how to pray the rosary for children. Sign-up sheet is in the vestibule next to the image of Our Lady of Guadalupe. The exchanges began on January 6th, and runs through December. Please contact the Parish Office.

Fellowship Cafe

Cheers to another year of the Fellowship Cafe, opening September 15th.

The plan is to be open as many Sundays as possible, after both the 8:15 am and 10:15 am Masses. The determining factor is your participation and there are many ways you can participate.

- Donate your time by "Opening" the Cafe from 8 am until 10:30 am, then attend Mass after a fantastic start to your day.
- Donate your time by "Closing" the Cafe from 11:30 am until about 1:00 pm. This is perfect for anyone who attends Mass at 10:30 am.
- Donations of food are always needed and greatly appreciated.
- Donations of money to cover the cost of all items that are not donated.
- Attendance and conversation with your St. Jude Church family. Have a cup of coffee with an old friend or take a few minutes to have a conversation with someone you just met.

"Relationships can be built only if you invest time in people" ~Katie Kacvinsky

Your HELP is greatly needed to keep the Cafe open every Sunday!

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please remember the following who are sick or suffering or need special prayer and have requested that we pray for them:

Bette Ann Kolodziej, Mary Chechelo, Todd Quinn, Gladys & Ed Hillyerd, Bob Kolodziej; our brave military and their families serving around the world, Karen Reddick, Julie Repasky, Donna & Bill O'Reilly, Maryanne Lang, Joan & Andy Straut, Carol Moore, John, Timothy Card, Dr. Gary Arvary, Robert Evosevich, Sam Roberts, Fr. Ron Jandernoa, Theresa Pflugh, Stefan Grande, Blanca Sussman, James Proulx, Jean Donohue, Cathy Brandt, Timothy Carr, Joseph Carr, JoAnn Kaleda, Robert C. Wolff, Thomas Gingles, Erin Misaka, Donnelle Bellott, Donald Bellott, Fern Klindt, Christine Bauer, Linda Wilson, Margie Ford, Tracy Sak, Melissa Martinez, Robert Zayas, Gisela Budai.

We begin a new prayer list every January 1 and July 1. If you would like someone to be on the Prayer List or remove someone, please contact the Parish Office by phone, 908-362-6444 or by e-mail stjudech@ptd.net.

Our Lady of Guadalupe Prayer Group

You are invited to join Our Lady of Guadalupe Prayer Group. We meet the fourth Tuesday of the month at 7:30 PM in the Chapel. Everyone is welcome to join us for an hour of prayer and thanksgiving to Our Blessed Mother for all she has done for us and continues to do.

Office of Faith Formation and Discipleship for Families

Marie Scocca-Draghi, PCL Office 908-362-1431

E-mail: stjudefaithform@gmail.com

Beth Thornton, Assistant PCL & Youth Group

Coordinator E-mail:

stjudecrosstrainingyouth@gmail.com.

Registration forms for 2019-2020 are available in the vestibule of the church

Formal study of our faith combined with regular Mass attendance, reception of the sacraments as well as active participation in parish life are considered part of the curriculum and are encouraged accordingly.

Registration for 2019-2020 semester is ongoing

Please Call 908-362-1431 with any questions

Classes begin on...

Sunday Religious Ed - starts on September 15th

Tuesday Religious Ed - starts on September 17th

Home school materials - starts on September 22

starting with 10:30 am Mass

I.G.N.I.T.E. - will be starting on September 29

starting with 10:30 am Mass

Prayer Shawl and Rosary Ministry

Prayer shawls and rosaries are now prepared to be distributed to parishioners. Do you know a parishioner who is in need of a prayer shawl? Please contact Barbara at the parish office for more information at (908) 362- 6444.

Annual Silver & Gold Anniversary Prayer

Service October 27, 2019 with Bishop Checchio

Parishioners are cordially invited to celebrate their 25th or 50th Wedding Anniversary and renew their marriage vows with Bishop James F. Checchio at a special Evening Prayer Service at the Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi in Metuchen on Sunday, October 27, 2019 at 4:00 PM. Registration is required. Please have your parishioners register online at: diometuchen.org/silver-and-gold.

WOMEN'S LIFE LIVING IN FAITH EVERYDAY

Have you ever felt a need to connect with other Catholic women, but weren't sure how to do it? The women meet on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month, at 7:00PM. Our purpose is to provide an opportunity to encourage one another as we reflect on God's word, and discuss how it impacts our daily lives as we struggle to be faithful to Jesus in our turbulent, changing culture. We are inviting women of all ages, married, single, older and younger.

Celia Bouffidis

Mary Ho

Join the Choir

Music Ministry at St. Jude Church

To join the choir or for more information about St. Jude parish choir, contact Bob VanDongen, Director of Music Ministry by texting him at 609-846-8888.

All are Welcome to Join the Newest St. Jude Organization!!

The St. Jude Thrift Shop

will now be operating on a regular basis beginning with our grand opening in the Giving Tree Building

September 19th from 10-2pm,

Friday September 20th from 3-7pm,

Saturday September 21st from 10-2pm.

We need volunteers during donation days, and sale days.

Proceeds benefit parish.

If you are looking for a fun and rewarding way to help our parish this is it!!

In the spirit of Christian unity and teamwork towards a common goal Please consider joining the Thrift Shop Team!

call 908-362-1431 for more details.



St. Juan Diego by Miguel Cabrera, 1752

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW –
SEPTMEBER 21, 2019**

**COME JOIN THE DIOCESE OF
METUCHEN FOR**

A One-Day 9-mile Walking Pilgrimage

“The Way of St. Juan Diego”

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2019

in preparation for the Consecration of the Diocese of Metuchen to Our Lady of Guadalupe.

All youth, families and people of faith are invited to participate.

Mass with Bishop James F. Checchio

Cost: \$25

Location: Immaculate Conception Parish

316 Old Allerton Road •Annandale, NJ

Timeframe: 10 am to 8 pm

Registration Deadline: Friday, September 13

Lunch & Dinner included

Walk will take place rain or shine.

To Register, visit:

www.LightingHeartsOnFire.org/Walking-Pilgrimage

For Questions contact the Diocese

evangelization@diometuchen.org

or call 732-529-79

Registration Forms are also available in the St. Jude Church Vestibule

The St Jude Ladies Guild

The St Jude Ladies Guild will be meeting on September 9, 2019 after the 9:00 A.M. Mass and Rosary. Enjoy a social time with other members of the Guild before the meeting begins at 10:30 A.M. All ladies of the parish are invited to attend. You don't have to attend every meeting to be a member or consider becoming an associate member. Due to the different fundraisers that the Guild previously held, we were able to help Father with substantial donations for repairs to the church. So, please consider coming to the meeting to see what this organization is all about and perhaps joining. We appreciate any assistance you can offer to enabling us to continue supporting the parish and other charities. Thank you!

BINGO

The St. Jude Ladies Guild will be sponsoring BINGO on September 28, 2019. Doors will open at 6:30 P.M. and games will begin at 7:15 P.M. at St. Jude's Church McNulty Hall located at 7 Eisenhower Road, Blirstown. Hot dogs, soda, coffee and other refreshments will be available for purchase. No one under 18 admitted. Make it a girls night out or date night helping to make our Bingo Night a success which enables us to support the different charities of the parish.



Knights of Columbus St. Jude Council 12430

Mark your Calendars !

October 11, 2019
St. Jude Knights of Columbus
Golf Outing

SEPTEMBER FOOD PANTRY WISH LIST

**PAPER TOWELS/NAPKINS/
TOILET PAPER
CEREALS
COFFEE/TEA
LAUNDRY SOAP/ DISH SOAP
TOILETRIES
KETCHUP/MUSTARD
SNACK CRACKERS/COOKIES
MAYO/SALAD DRESSINGS
BABY ITEMS
PASTA SAUCES
CANNED FRUITS**

*THANK YOU TO ALL PARISHIONERS OF ST. JUDE
FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT AND
GENEROSITY!!*



St. Jude Parish Picnic

This Sunday, September 8th
Beginning at 12 Noon
with Memorial at the Flag Pole
Food, Fun, Carnival games!
Raffle at 3:30 PM
Looking forward to a great time!

Parish Picnic Raffle

Remember to get your tickets in time for the raffle at 3:30 PM this Sunday at our picnic. Tickets will also be on sale during the picnic. The suggested offering is \$5.00 per ticket. There are 7 tickets in a book. The prizes will be awarded as follows: 1st Prize is 35%, 2nd Prize is 10 %, and 3rd Prize is 5% of cash returns.

As of September 3, 2019

1st prize is up to \$1,526.00,

2nd Prize is up to \$ 436.00

3rd Prize is up to \$ 218.00

Congratulations to Shirley De Angelo!

For those who returned their tickets and money by September 3 an early bird drawing was held for \$100.00. Shirley De Angelo won the early bird drawing of \$100. Congratulations Shirley!

Liturgical Minister Formation

This is an opportunity to learn and explore more about this area of ministry and discover some practical ways of preparing for ministry. Presenter: Mr. Tony Varas – Director of Worship, Diocese of Metuchen

To find out more and reserve a place go to:
www.diometuchen.org/liturgy-workshops
or call 732-765-6438.

The Word of God: Celebrated and Lived

Saturday, September 14, 2019
St. John Neumann Pastoral Center
10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

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The Prayer Shawl and Rosary Ministry is looking for volunteers who would like to crochet or knit a shawl for ailing parishioners. We are also looking for volunteers who would like to make rosaries to be given along with the shawls. If you would like more information about this volunteer opportunity please contact the Parish Office.

STEWARDSHIP --Time, Talent and Treasure

We are in need of volunteers to count the collection on Mondays following the 1st and 3rd weekends of the Month. Please contact the Parish Office if you are available to help. 908-362-6444

