Welcome to St. Jude - We're Glad You are Here

Included in this guide is a listing of opportunities and activities that need your involvement here at St. Jude. There is something here for everyone. We've included contact information so you can call and discuss how you might contribute to these important parish programs. Please feel free to contact any leader for more information, and I ask you to prayerfully discern where God is calling you as a member of our community.

From the Desk of Father Andrew

I want to thank all those who contribute to making St. Jude a parish with an abundance of ministries that help us grow in our faith, and give us the ability to witness our faith outside to our larger community. It is with joy that we can list these many ministries through this Parishioner's Guide. If you are new to our parish, or have been a member for a while, I believe this resource is a valuable tool to see all the ministries and activities available. Please feel free to contact any leader for more information, and I ask you to prayerfully discern where God is calling you as a member of our community.

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Stewardship Fundamentals

One of the biggest mistakes about any enterprise is to approach the task haphazardly. A building, an education, a trip—all require planning. So it is with the formation of our Christian life. 27 Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple. 28 Which of you wishing to construct a tower does not first sit down and calculate the cost to see if there is enough for its completion? 29 Otherwise, after laying the foundation and finding himself unable to finish the work the onlookers should laugh at him 30 and say, ‘This one began to build but did not have the resources to finish.’ 31 Or what king marching into battle would not first sit down and decide whether with ten thousand troops he can successfully oppose another king advancing upon him with twenty thousand troops? 32 But if not, while he is still far away, he will send a delegation to ask for peace terms. (Luke 14:27-32)

Now, I think it would be helpful here to notice that Jesus’ use of the metaphors of the tower and the size of an army are related to the cross. “Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple.” Jesus is helping those who are listening to his teachings to make a clear and calculated decision about being a disciple. The miracles of Jesus and his promise of care and protection make him an attractive leader, but his intention is to lead us to the holiness of self-sacrificial love represented in the cross. This is the cross we are to carry and, while it comes in many forms, our own willingness to give is undoubtedly at the center of what it means for us.

For many Christians, the first step in the stewardship journey is the recognition that it is a necessary part of our life and faith. We cannot imagine that we can eliminate this. Our substantial and faithful participation in giving to the church is essential to the Church, but it is also essential to our peace of soul. We need always to be striving to do the right thing.

St. Jude Catholic Church 2019 Pledge Card

After praying about my response, I intend to give:

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Please contact Ann Mikelonis at ext. 2249 or amikelonis@stjudeparish.com for specifics and assistance.

I have remembered the parish in my will.
I will be praying for the success of our parish stewardship.

For one time gifts of stock, please contact the Business Office.

All information is kept confidential.

Online giving is available for those who are interested.

Please contact Ann Mikelonis at ext. 2249 or amikelonis@stjudeparish.com for specifics and assistance.
EDUCATION

Sunshine & Rainbows Early Learning Center*
Sunshine and Rainbows Early Learning Center (formerly Rainbow Days Preschool) is a quality, enrichment program for two, three, four, and five year-old children with age-appropriate play and learning experiences that contribute to the religious, intellectual, social, emotional, and physical growth of each child. The program is a separate non-profit corporation located in the Education Building on the St. Jude campus. The preschool follows the AISD 9-month calendar. Please see our website at sunshineandrainbowselc.org for registration and tuition information.
Contact: Liz Moore, Assistant Director
214.644.2080 or ext. 2225

Sunshine & Rainbows ELC Private Kindergarten*
Sunshine & Rainbows ELC has a private kindergarten that meets the TEK’s standards of the State of Texas and goes beyond.
Contact: Julie Buchanan, ext. 2225

Kids Creative Camps*
Children ages 3 (completed a PreK 3 preschool class) to completing 5th grade, may register for various summer enrichment programs. The camps are offered one week in the month of July from 9am to Noon and from 12:30-3:30pm. Choices and descriptions of the various camps are made available on the website each April.
Contact: Julie Buchanan, ext. 2225

ESL Classes for Adults
Classes in conversational English are offered on Tuesdays from 6-7pm during the school year, concurrent with the Tuesday evening RE class session.
Contact: Julie Buchanan, ext. 2225

Karen Karnuta’s Art Camps
Karen, a parishioner at St. Jude, offers children in first grade thru high school an opportunity to be creative and learn art techniques at various art classes in July. Watch the bulletin and the website for information about registration in the spring.
Contact: Karen Karnuta, kikarnuta@sbcglobal.net

HOW TO JOIN OUR PARISH

1. I am an active Catholic.
If you are moving to our community there is a simple step to becoming a member of our parish. By simply filling out the registration form you will become members of our parish. Forms may be found online at stjudeparish.com, at the information table in the narthex, parish office and the back of this guide. Being a member of our parish involves a few assumptions: first, that you will attend Mass every Sunday, become involved in our faith community, and that you will support the parish financially.

2. I am returning to the Catholic Church.
Welcome home. One of the interesting things about Catholics is that, even if they have not been to Mass in decades, they still regard themselves as Catholic and would describe themselves as having a Catholic outlook on life. Technically, the process of becoming active in the practice of your faith is quite simple, if there are no extenuating circumstances. It may only involve making your confession. Here, God reconciles us to himself and the Church. Confessing that one has chosen to be disobedient to the teachings and law of the Church is certainly an appropriate part of one’s confession. If the absence from Mass has been for some other reason, one that affects your status in the Church, then much more might be required. If, for example, there is a failed marriage and subsequent second marriage, then a case might need to be presented to the Bishop’s Tribunal. We have experts who are ready to help you with this process.

SAFE ENVIRONMENT

As a parish family, we depend on each other to help us safeguard those entrusted to us by God. It says a great deal about you as an adult volunteer, that you are willing to do what is necessary to insure the safety of the most vulnerable members of our parish.

Mandated by the Diocese of Dallas, all volunteers (18 years and older) working with children, youth and vulnerable adults are cleared through the Diocesan Safe Environment Program. Each ministry followed by an * requires a safe environment clearance to participate in an adult leadership role. To begin this process, go to www.dallas.setanet.org. The requirements are as follows:
1. Complete the Diocesan Screening Form
2. Attend the initial training video
3. Complete an annual recertification class
4. Undergo a background check every two years (automatic, if maintaining clear volunteer status)
5. Provide three references

3. I am not Catholic (yet).
For those who are unbaptized or baptized in another faith community, the Catholic Church has developed an extensive process of education, spiritual preparation and formation. This is known as the RCIA, which stands for the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults. (The word ‘rite’ refers to a ritual or ceremonial which, in this case, describes some of what occurs in the process.) The RCIA in our parish is predominantly presented by laity with strategic involvement of the clergy. Its goal is to give people a working knowledge of the Catholic Church and an adequate preparation to fully participate in the life of the parish community. The class typically meets once a week from mid-September until Easter. After this long period of preparation, those who are not baptized are baptized, and all are confirmed and admitted to Communion.

Those who have been baptized in another faith community are invited to use the RCIA process to find their way into the Catholic Church. While much of the material presented in the classes is intended for the unbaptized, those who were raised in a Protestant Church find these classes to be an appropriate means of preparation to become Catholic. Those who are from the Orthodox Church who desire to become Catholic may do so in a much-reduced period of preparation. The Orthodox Church is regarded as having valid Holy Orders (validly ordained clergy) and, therefore, their sacraments are fully accepted in the Catholic Church.

We thank all of our volunteers! Without them, St. Jude would not be able to offer the many ministries it has for its parishioners. If you have questions, please contact Peggy Runnels, ext. 2210 or prunnels@stjudeparish.com. Thank you again for your cooperation.
**Sacramental Preparation**

**Baptism Preparation**
A required baptismal class is held typically on the fourth Saturday of the month from 9am-Noon in the Lecture Hall (PC 406), for parents seeking the baptism of an infant or small child. Children 7 or older receive instruction through an Initiations Sacraments program. Parents seeking this sacrament should call the Church office. Baptism and Baptismal Class Registration forms are available on the website. There is a $15 fee for parents to attend this class.

**Confirmation Preparation**

Our JYM (7th and 8th grade) program is a two-year preparation process for the sacrament of Confirmation. Students begin their preparation in 7th grade (as a Year 1 Candidate) and will complete their preparation in 8th grade (as a Year 2 Candidate). Requirements include Mass attendance, class attendance, service hours and retreats. Safety-cleared adult catechists will serve as small group leaders. Registration is required. High school students still needing to receive Confirmation should contact the youth office.

**Contact:** Bridget Hanafin, ext. 2228

**Out of Sequence Sacraments**

These classes are for children and youth who did not attend Religious Education during the traditional sacramental preparation years, and as a result did not receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation and Eucharist (by the end of 2nd grade), and/or Confirmation (by the end of 8th grade).

**Contact:** Julie Buchanan, ext. 2225

**Marriage Preparation**

There are several steps that are required to be married in the Catholic Church. Engaged couples first meet with Deacon Robert Holladay. A variety of paperwork must be completed for your file. The engaged couple will be assigned to a Sponsor Couple and take a FOCUS assessment that is designed to help you better understand your relationship and to prepare for your engaged Encounter weekend. It is necessary to meet with the director of music to plan the music 2-3 months before the wedding.

**Contact:** Deacon Robert Holladay, ext. 2219

**Alpha**

If you have questions about the existence of God and whether Jesus really lived or not Alpha may be just right for you. The Alpha Course is an opportunity to explore life and the Christian faith in a friendly, open and relaxed environment. Questions are encouraged and, while we don’t have all the answers, we are willing to hear all points of view. The course consists of eleven weekly sessions with the opportunity for a day away. Each session includes food, a video presentation and time for small group discussions. There is no charge for the program and nursery is available by reservation. More information at www.stjudeparish.com/alpha.

**Contact:** Teresa Rodenbaugh, ext. 2240

**Marriage Encounter Share Group/Retreat Weekends**

The Marriage Majesties (M&M’s) share group is a monthly gathering of married couples who have attended a Marriage Encounter weekend at any time in their marriage. This share group is a continuation of the weekend to “keep the weekend experience alive.” The emphasis of a Marriage Encounter weekend is to provide an atmosphere of enriched “couple time” and focused communication between husband and wife, away from the distractions and the tensions of everyday life. For the weekend dates in your area go to: dioceseqc.org.

**Contact:** Liz Moore, ext. 2223

**The 5 Love Languages**

The St. Jude Marriage Ministry is excited to offer their spring program - The 5 Love Languages. In a short 7 week series, couples will learn to identify the root of their conflicts, give and receive love in more meaningful ways, and grow closer than ever before. The program will be every Thursday night at 7pm, beginning April 11. Couples can register via the parish website and childcare will be available by reservation.

**Contact:** Della Doss, ext. 2230

**Passion & Purpose for Marriage**

Dr. Allen Hunt is a nationally known speaker with Dynamic Catholic and a bestselling Catholic author. For more than 30 years he has been helping couples develop, nurture, and grow dynamic marriages. Come and discover the best-kept secret: what’s the most important word in a marriage? (No, it’s not “love.”) Learn the recipe for a great relationship, and so much more! Dr. Hunt will present Passion & Purpose for Marriage here on Friday evening, September 12th, 6:30 to 10:30 p.m. Watch the bulletin for ticket purchase details.

**Contact:** Della Doss, ext. 2230

**Natural Family Planning - TheCreighton Method**

NFP offers natural, reliable, effective and inexpensive methods to plan your family. In addition to the health benefits, couples report a fuller understanding of their sexuality and relationship through the use of these methods. This program is fee-based and offered outside the regular programs of the parish. Contact Holly for a list of classes and dates.

**Contact:** Holly Baril, info@touchedfertility@att.net

**Daughters of Mary**

All women, college age and above are invited to join in this ongoing prayer group called “Daughters of Mary.” We meet from 7 - 8pm in the choir room (PC 404) every Wednesday evening. The format is common prayer, reading the Gospel for the upcoming Sunday (with accompanying commentary) and then prayerfully reflecting on the Gospel together and sharing our inspired insights. This is an ennobling and enriching experience that teaches us how to tap into the living water of God’s Word and pass that on to our families. You may join this ongoing group at any time during the year. Childcare is available by reservation by contacting swalsh@stjudeparish.com.

**Contact:** Vanessa Perez, vsperez@yahoo.com

**That Man is You!**

That Man is You combines Scripture, solid secular research and a little fun to address the pressures and temptations facing men in our modern culture. It seeks to form leaders who will be capable of transforming homes and society. We gather for breakfast, coffee, and some entertaining videos. Then there’s a presentation at 6:15am that combines the best scientific research with the teachings of the Church and wisdom of the saints. It’s followed at 7:00am with breakout groups that provide the opportunity to discuss what’s been presented. We’re on the road by 7:30am so that we can be at work by 8:00. Newcomers are welcome at any time. This group gathers September to April and takes the summer off.

**Contact:** Doug Doss, ddoss99@twc.com

**The Men’s Rosary/Prayer Group**

This men’s group meets every Thursday evening at 7:05pm in the Saint Jude Church. It’s followed at 7:00am with breakout groups that provide the opportunity to discuss what’s been presented. We’re on the road by 7:30am so that we can be at work by 8:00. Newcomers are welcome at any time. This group gathers September to April and takes the summer off.

**Contact:** Joe Collard, jcollard@quixnet.net

**Women’s Catholic Book Study**

The Women’s Wednesday Study meets on Wednesday mornings at 10:00am in the Formation Room (PC401). Each semester, the women meet to discuss a recommended book. Watch the bulletin or parish calendar for the topic. Childcare is available by contacting Sara Walsh at swalsh@stjudeparish.com.

**Contact:** Cindy McKenna, cindybkmcnna@gmail.com
**ADULT FAITH FORMATION**

**Young Adult Ministry**

Young adults ages 18-39 are invited to participate in this community. We have re-booted our Young Adult Ministry at St. Jude! Keep your eye out for exciting news in the bulletin, via e-mail, and social media. If you would like to ensure you receive the latest news on what’s coming in young adult ministry, contact Bridget Hanafin at ext. 2228 or bhanafin@stjudeparish.com.

Follow us on Instagram at St. Jude Young Adults (@stjudeya)

Like us on Facebook at St. Jude Young Adults – Allen, TX (@StJudeYoungAdults)

Follow us on Twitter at St. Jude Young Adults – Allen, TX (@StJudeYA)

**The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)**

Anyone seeking information about the Catholic faith is welcome to attend any of the RCIA sessions. As the process proceeds, and if you so desire to be baptized and/or confirmed into the Catholic faith community, we encourage you to strive to attend all the sessions and other RCIA events. There are times during the RCIA process for you to explore your intentions and continue to discern God’s call. RCIA meets on Tuesday evenings in the Parish Hall. New classes will begin again in September, but please contact the parish office if interested in beginning your journey.

Contact: Della Doss, ext. 2230

**FORMED.ORG**

The parish has purchased this gift for every parish family. The subscription is a wonderful website that has inspiring movies and video-based programs, audio presentations, and e-books from the Church’s most compelling speakers and authors. See the bulletin or website to find out how to get started or go to stjudeparish.formed and start streaming now!

**Adult Book Study**

This Adult Study meets on Thursday mornings from 9:15 am to 10:30 am in the Lecture Hall. Watch the bulletin for the current book or video study. Childcare is available by contacting Sara Walsh at swalsh@stjudeparish.com.

Contact: Sharon Dudik, sharon.dudik85@gmail.com

**St. Ignatius Book Study**

The St. Ignatius Book Study meets every Tuesday at 1:15 pm in the Formation Room. Jeanne Girsch leads this group in study, prayer and lively discussions of various Jesuit publications.

Contact: Jeanne Girsch, ext. 2215

**Exploring the Sunday Readings**

The focus of this lectionary Bible study is to prepare our hearts to hear the Liturgy of the Word. We offer this study twice a week - one group meets Tuesdays morning after the 8:30 am Mass in the Choir Room (PC404).

Contact: Mary Boyle, ext. 2213

**Little Rock Bible Study**

This Bible study meets once a week in the Formation Room (PC 401) on Friday mornings at 6:30 am. The study guide directs the reflection, while the commentary provides solid Catholic scholarship that leads to a deeper understanding of Scripture. It consists of conversational prayer, group sharing, and discussion.

Contact: Deacon Robert Holladay, ext. 2219

**University of Dallas: Certificate in Pastoral Ministry**

St. Jude will host the five week classes from the University of Dallas - School of Ministry. These classes are part of the Pastoral Ministry Certification Program. A new course begins in January named Jesus & The Trinity. All classes will be held in the Formation room #401 of the Pastoral Center of St. Jude. Classes meet on Monday nights from 7-9 pm. Cost for the class is $50.00 which is payable at the time of registration For course descriptions or to register for the class, go to: https://udallas.edu/ministry/academics/continuingeducation/pastoralministry_certificate/

Contact: Mary Boyle at ext. 2213 or email dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University

No more money fights! With Financial Peace University, you and your spouse will learn how to create (and stick to) a budget, save for emergencies, and make a plan for the future. We are offering the course here at St. Jude just for you starting with an information session on January 16. Class runs for 9 weeks and begins at 7:00 pm in the Lecture Hall. If you're interested in learning more, contact Mary Leoine (lepine11@att.net). You can also visit https://fpu.com/1078451 to sign up.

**Diocesan Catechist Training**

St. Jude offers adult faith formation classes for Diocesan Catechetical credit. These classes cover five topics: Catholic Ministry Identity, Sacred Scripture, Theology, Personal and Spiritual Maturity, and Methodology/Skills in the classroom. The theology and scripture courses are taught by certified instructors through the Diocese of Dallas who hold Masters Degrees in Theology. We encourage all parishioners, especially catechists, to participate in the class offerings to further their knowledge of their faith. Watch the bulletin for upcoming classes.

Contact: Julie Buchanan, ext. 2225

**LITURGICAL MINISTRIES**

**Altar Servers**

Serving the altar at Mass is one of the most helpful services that young people can perform in the parish. It is an opportunity to learn more about the Church and our worship of God and is open to girls and boys who are in the 5th grade and have received First Reconciliation and Eucharist. This service involves a regular commitment to a scheduled Mass. Training sessions are scheduled throughout the year. Servers will be advised of dates by their mentors. Sign-ups will be in March and September and published in the bulletin.

Contact: Tere Schuette, tschuette@rocketemail.com

**Lectors**

Lectors are lay persons who participate in the liturgy of the Mass by reading of Scriptures or leading the Prayers of the Faithful at daily Masses. There are three openings for lectors at each Mass and fifteen opportunities per weekend. This ministry does require some natural ability in public speaking in order to effectively impart the Word of God to fellow worshippers.

Lectors are trained quarterly and scheduled monthly. This is also a great opportunity for teens to participate at the 5pm Youth Mass on Sunday.

Contact: Vicki Sublette, vsublette@hotmail.com

**Sacristans**

This behind-the-scenes ministry is responsible for the vessels and altar linens used for the Eucharist at each Mass and for the preparation of the Bread and Wine supplied to the Mass in accordance with the rubrics of the Sacramentary and under the direction of the Pastor. Volunteers are needed before and after all the Masses.

Contact: Ann Keelen, rkeelen@sbcglobal.net

**Ushers**

Four to eight ushers are needed for each weekend and Holy Day Mass. We are organized into teams that cycle every three months. Teams work one month of Masses and have two months off. Usher training is held on an as-needed basis and includes preparatory reading and a one-hour session regarding the Mass setting, emergencies, evacuation procedures, etc. This ministry is open to teens and adults. A safe environment clearance is required.

Contact: Pat Doyle, pdoyle@sinmethaelh.com
MUSIC MINISTRY

Choristers Youth Choir
Our St. Jude Choristers is made up of children, 3rd through 8th grade, who sing at the Children’s Mass each month. We also provide music for a Christmas Eve Mass, First Eucharist Masses and other special events throughout the year. Rehearsals are on Wednesdays from 5:00-6:00 pm in the Choir Room (PC 404) from September through May and the group sings at the 10:00 am Mass once a month. We are welcoming new Choristers to join us for the second Semester this year.

Contact: Jeanie Adamson, jeanie.adamson@gmail.com

Polyphonic/Chant Choir
This smaller, more specialized choir serves the weekly Mass liturgies by providing sacred music with a focus on polyphony and Gregorian Chant. Composers featured range from Tallis, Palestrina and Victoria, to Kevin Allen and Morten Lauridsen. This group also provides music at weddings and funerals when requested. Auditions are mandatory for placement in this choir, as are basic sight-reading and vocal music reading. Rehearsals are Tuesday evenings from 5:30–6:45 pm. We are currently in need of sopranos, altos and basses. High school vocalists may audition as well, and receive Fine Arts volunteer hours if needed.

Contact: Katie Lacy, ktl88keys@verizon.net

S.A.M. (Saturday Anticipatory Mass) Choir
This ensemble includes singers and musicians from teenagers to adults to lead the music for the Saturday 5:00 pm Mass. Rehearsals are held Saturdays at 3:45 pm in the choir room. We welcome new singers to join us, especially male voices, and are also looking for a percussionist as well.

Contact: Katie Lacy, ktl88keys@verizon.net

Funeral Choir
The choir consists of men and women volunteers who provide musical support for funeral Masses when called upon. While this is a ministry of the Church, it is also a precious gift to the family of the deceased. Some have suffered the profound sorrow of losing a loved family member or friend. Some have yet to face “up-close and personal” grief. Though diverse in life, age and musical experience, the men and women of this choir share a communal desire to bring comfort through music during the Funeral Mass of Resurrection. Indeed, it is our honor and privilege to sing with all the saints and angels in presenting a loved one to God the most high! Whether you are a regular choir member or someone who loves to participate from the pew every week, ALL ARE WELCOME! This is a wonderful, rewarding opportunity to share our musical gifts with family and friends of the departed. “Blessed are they who mourn, for they will be comforted.”

Contact: Nina McKay, mckay.nina@gmail.com

The Band
The Band consists of a group of talented musicians and singers, brought together to lead the parish community in worship at the Sunday Noon and 5 pm Youth Mass. Membership is by invitation/audition only. Vacancies are filled as-needed.

Contact: Michael Howard, mhoward@stjudeparish.com

African Choir
Formed in 2008, our African choir leads the celebration of Mass at St. Jude at least once per quarter, rendering traditional songs and hymns with an African flair. Nigeria and Cameroon are just two of the countries represented by members of the choir. The choirs meets once a week for 4-6 weeks leading up to their scheduled Mass.

Contact: Arienne Nietcho, anietcho@gmail.com

Youth FAITH FORMATION

JYM Confirmation Prep
JYM is Catholic middle school youth ministry for individuals in grades 7 and 8. This program is designed to prepare middle school youth for the Sacrament of Confirmation, while meeting the educational, spiritual, emotional, and social needs of young adolescents. In addition to preparing for Confirmation, middle school youth are offered various opportunities for fellowship, fun, and faith growth through the JYM program.

The structure of our JYM program also seeks to ease the difficult transition that middle school youth face in moving from the elementary school years into the pressures of junior and high school. Teens attend class once a week from September - May. Classes fill quickly, so get your RE Registration Form in promptly.

We utilize the Decision Point (Dynamic Catholic), Chosen (Ascension Press), and the Theology for the Body: Middle School Edition (Ascension Press) to meet students on their level and in a way that engages them in their Catholic Faith.

Out of Sequence Sacrament classes for students in 7th and 8th grade will meet weekly from October through the end of February in order to prepare the students for the sacraments of Baptism, First Reconciliation and First Eucharist. Classes are held on Sunday mornings. Please contact the Youth Office for more information or to register a student for these classes.

Social events will be offered for 7th & 8th grade students multiple times per semester. These are nights of community, activities and growing outside of normal class time.

High School Ministry*
High School Youth Ministry is for youth in 9th-12th grades, and gives students an opportunity for fellowship, catechesis, bible studies, service projects, social events, and much more. We are called to be disciples of Christ, and we are here to build a family of disciples while living in the 21st century! Our primary gatherings take place on Sundays from 6:15-8:30pm. In addition, we have Bible studies on Tuesday mornings and afternoons, and men and women discipleship groups on Wednesday evenings. RE registration is required. Watch the bulletin for upcoming events and activities.

Monthly Fellowship
The high school youth program sponsors monthly movie nights for 9th-12th grade students, as well as occasional family nights for the entire family of middle school and high school teens. As those particular events approach, the weekly bulletin will provide the theme for those evenings. Movie nights take place the second Thursday of the month.

TAG Gatherings*
Summer-time get-togethers for middle school youth entering 7th and 8th grades. Youth gather on designated Mondays for fun and fellowship. These gatherings provide an opportunity for new middle school teens to get to know one another and form friendships based on faith. Watch the bulletin for events and dates.

BLAST Gatherings*
Summer-time get-togethers for high school youth entering 9th – 12th grades. Youth get together bi-weekly for some awesome adventure (or just to eat pizza). Outings and events are youth-directed, and foster Christian unity and fellowship. Watch the bulletin for events and dates.

Local Mission Week*
Mission Possible is a diocesan-wide summer youth service program for 7-12th graders. Youth participate in a week of community service and outreach throughout the Dallas area. It begins with a Kick-Off Rally and Mass on Sunday, and the work days are Monday through Thursday. The success of this program is dependent on safety-minded adults to transport, chaperone and supervise groups of teens at project sites. Sign-ups for youth and adults begin in March. The 2019 Mission Week will take place June 10th-13th.

Summer Mission Trip*
9th - 12th grade students are encouraged to participate in the annual mission trip. This particular opportunity allows for fellowship and service to many outside our St. Jude “bubble”. Wherever we serve, these mission trips consistently provide an opportunity for our youth to go deeper in their faith, and to bond more deeply in faith with one another. This year, the summer mission trip will be the week of June 23-29 and the location is in Nashville, TN.

Steubenville Youth Conference*
Each summer, our high school youth have an opportunity to travel to a Steubenville Youth Conference. This three-day conference is sponsored by Franciscan University and Life Teen. Safety-minded adult chaperones attend with the youth. This is a very popular trip and spaces fill quickly. Sign-ups are in early spring. The Steubenville Youth Conference we will be attending is in Springfield, MO the weekend of July 12-14.

Contact for Youth Formation: Bridget Hanafin, ext. 2228

Like us on Facebook at St. Jude Youth Ministry
Follow us on Instagram at St. Jude Youth Ministry (@stjudeymallen)
Follow us on Twitter at St. Jude Youth Ministry (@StJudeYMAllen)

Watch the bulletin for events and dates.
CHILDREN’S FAITH FORMATION

Religious Education Programs*
St. Jude provides a comprehensive catechetical program based on the Catechism of the Catholic Church, Scripture, Catholic teachings and traditions. Each grade level focuses on a specific theme. By the end of each year, students will have been exposed to, and understand a variety of topics within their grade level theme. All learning is cumulative and students are expected to be familiar with the previous year’s curriculum. The learning of our Catholic faith begins in the home at birth and continues for a lifetime. Children are expected to be enrolled in religious education classes through high school. The reception of the sacraments is the beginning, not the end, of their formation as Catholics. Enrollment begins in the spring for the following academic year.

Contacts:
Registration Information - Toni Cechan at ext. 2224
For Youth, Grades 7-12 - Bridget Hanafin, ext. 2228
Information and Class Registration for PK-8 High School - Toni Cechan, ext. 2224.

Special Needs Religious Education Class*
This class is for children with special needs who would benefit from an environment designed to maximize their success. This class meets on Mondays at 4:30pm. Other provisions are available for children with learning differences throughout the year. We are also looking for adults specifically trained in special education to help with this class. Please let us know if you can help.

Contact: Julie Buchanan, ext. 2225 or Toni Cechan, ext. 2224

Vacation Bible School*
Vacation Bible School is five mornings filled with Bible stories, arts and crafts, song, and fellowship to learn about the world God created for them. This program is offered June 17th-21st, 2019 for PreK (3-year-olds) - 5th grade. Registration in April and fills very quickly. Safety-minded volunteers are always needed.

Contact: Julie Buchanan, ext. 2225

Children’s Mass*
Our children participate in the liturgy on one Sunday of each month (except July, August and September) at the 10am Mass. Our 5th and 6th grade RE students serve as greeters, gift bearers, and lectors for the Mass. The homily is tailored for their understanding and participation. The children’s choir sings at these Masses. The offering schedule for the “We Care” program, designed to teach the Corporal Works of Mercy, is in the RE Family handbook located on-line. Watch the bulletin for monthly information.

Contact: Julie Buchanan, ext. 2225 or Toni Cechan, ext. 2224

We Care*
Our Children's Ministries program offers children an age-appropriate way to help other children through monthly activities that help them practice the Corporal Works of Mercy throughout the year. In the past, the children have collected items for the Samaritan Inn, Spanish language children's books for our sister parishes in Honduras, food items for the Allen Food Pantry, stuffed animals for foster children, milk money for Russian orphans and school supplies for the Children’s Advocacy Center. Watch the website or bulletin for details.

Contact: Julie Buchanan, ext. 2225 or Toni Cechan, ext. 2224

Love through Service*
In addition to attendance in religious education classes, there are several opportunities to live our faith through action. These “love” events of service are a way for our parish family to learn together, pray together, get to know each other and celebrate who we are as Catholics and members of St. Jude. These events include Adoration, the Blessing of the Animals, Children's Rosary, “Saints Alive” presentation, Advent and Lenten Traditions Workshops, Christmas Pageants, Family Stations of the Cross and a Children's Movie Night.

Contact: Julie Buchanan, ext. 2225 or Toni Cechan, ext. 2224

Nursery*
Nurseries are provided during all Masses for ages 1 (walking) through 48 months. Care for ages up to 11 years is provided by reservation for special and recurring events as advertised. A donation per child, per visit, is requested. All caregivers have completed the Diocesan Safe Environment Training.

Contact: Sara Walsh, ext. 2225 or nursery@stjudeparish.com

Hospital Ministry*
This group is comprised of people who bring communion to infirm Catholics who are in local hospitals and healthcare facilities. We are encouraged, in this ministry of compassion, by the fact that caring for the infirm is a Corporal Work of Mercy. If you feel called to this ministry, watch the bulletin for training opportunities.

Contact: Deacon Ron, ext. 2255
After 5:00pm: Call 972-632-3822
(24-hour answering service)

Visitation Ministry*
This ministry is devoted to alleviating what Mother Teresa called “the terrible poverty of loneliness” by providing weekly visits to the elderly and home bound in our area. Our volunteers form bonds of friendship with those at home or in care facilities through book studies, birthday celebrations, cards or games by just being present. If you have an hour a week, you can provide a much-needed connection for these cherished ones.

Contact: Katalina Le, katalinaline3@gmail.com for information and training opportunities

Homebound Ministry*
This ministry’s members bring Communion to Catholic individuals who are homebound, and unable to come to Mass. These extraordinary ministers must be safe environment cleared as well as attend homebound ministry training.

Contact: Jack DeSimone, jack.desimone@gmail.com

Prayer Chain
Our prayer chain is connected through an e-mail listserv that distributes prayer requests daily. You may join this listserv via subscription on our website. The link can be found on the front page under Quick Links. If you require the ministry of a priest, please call the parish office or after business hours answering service.

Contact: Margaret Lepine, prayers@stjudeparish.com

Alzheimer’s Caregiver Support Group
This monthly support group for caretakers of people afflicted with Alzheimer’s Disease gathers on the first Thursday of each month from 1 - 2:30pm in Room 305 of the Parish Life Center.

Contact: Brett Branch, alzisgallen@gmail.com

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PASTORAL CARE

Collin County Juvenile Detention Center Ministry*
The CCJDC in McKinney houses between 95-110 youth, ages 11-17. Ministry teams offer faith enrichment on the first and third Tuesdays and Saturdays of each month. In addition to the worship service, life skills have been incorporated into the curriculum and have been met with great enthusiasm. These include resume and cover sheet writing, interviewing techniques, financial planning, and career guidance. This life-changing ministry requires commitment, training, orientation and a criminal background check to join.

Contact: Deacon Ron, ext. 2255

Grief Support
Our Grief Support Group provides fellowship for the journey through loss, and through the book study, Seasons of Hope, which is aimed at understanding our grief. We meet on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month in the Choir Room, following the 6:00pm Mass. Please bring your bible. Additionally, we meet on the 3rd Thursday of the month at a local restaurant. Check the bulletin for monthly dinner details. All who have suffered a loss are welcome.

Contact: Jim Chase, thegunny731@yahoo.com

St. Jude Columbarium
St. Jude Catholic Church has a columbarium to receive the cremated remains of our beloved dead. This is located just outside the east transept, near the statue of St. Jude. Future plans include another columbarium in the west transept near the statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Niches are available to St. Jude parishioners and their family members. Each niche will accommodate two urns. More information and pricing is available on our website.

Contact: Ann Mikelonis, ext. 2249

Children’s Liturgy of the Word*
During the Liturgy of the Word and Homily, children, ages 4 through 1st grade, are invited to recess to the Chapel for readings from the children’s lectionary, and return to their parents during the Preparation of the Altar prior to the Eucharistic Prayers. GLOW is not available at the 5pm Sunday evening Mass or during the monthly Children’s Mass. Adult liturgists are always needed. This is a particularly great opportunity for grandparents.

Contact: Julie Buchanan, ext. 2225
ANNUAL PARISH EVENTS

Lenten Fish Fry
The Parish is invited for our annual Fish Fry’s hosted by the Knights of Columbus. Fish Fry’s are in the Parish Hall from 5-7pm on the Fridays of Lent. We serve baked and/or fried fish, fish tacos and a variety of dishes, desserts and drinks. Prices are minimal. Children, age 3 and under eat FREE. Proceeds go to KofC projects. This is also an annual service opportunity for our Confirmation students. The dinner is followed by Stations of the Cross at 7:00pm in the Church.
Contact: Ronnie Cechan, grand.knight@stjudekofc.com

Women’s Montserrat Retreat
Each spring, the women of the parish are invited to attend a weekend retreat at Montserrat Jesuit Retreat Center in Lake Dallas. For information on rates and accommodations, visit their website at montserratretreat.org. The retreat for this year is April 11-14.
Contact: Mary Boyle, ext. 2213

K of C Biannual Blood Drive
The Knights of Columbus host a charity golf tournament each April at Twin Creeks Golf Course in Allen. Event includes contests, raffle, prizes, auctions, auction and dinner. Proceeds benefit parish and diocesan outreach programs. Special rates are available for foursomes. the tournament dates for this spring is May 3. For sponsorship information, visit stjudekofc.com/golf.
Contact: Ronnie Cechan, grand.knight@stjudekofc.com

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The Knights of Columbus sponsor a parish blood drive through Carter Blood Care in Allen, please use our account #SPON021432 so that St. Jude will receive credit for your donations.
Contact: Mary Boyle, ext. 2213

St. Jude Carnival*
Our Annual St. Jude Carnival will be held September 26-29, 2019. It is four days of fun filled rides, games, inflatables, raffle, silent auction, midway food, our fabulous Knights of Columbus food, musical entertainment and great fellowship with parishioners and surrounding communities. Our carnival has something to offer every age! Many volunteers are needed to make this event successful. Donations of time, cupcakes, soda, bottled water and more are also needed. Watch the bulletin for opportunities to be a part of the Carnival committee as well as ways and means to help. Mark your calendar now to be a part of this fabulous weekend!
Contact: Della Doss, ext. 2230

International Food Festival
Your fellow parishioners from all over the world are planning an outstanding adventure in culture and culinary delights for the second annual St. Jude International Food Festival. Plan to attend the Food Festival this fall! The festival includes live cultural entertainment and awesome food!
Contact: Angelique Nasah, 386.871.7101 or angelique.nasah@gmail.com

Craft Fair
2019 marks the 34th annual St. Jude Craft Fair. This year’s event will be held on Nov. 1-2 and spans the Parish Hall and Education Bldg. Begin your holiday shopping with unique, handcrafted items in over 90 booths! Enjoy lunch and homemade baked goods prepared by the Women of St. Jude and the Sunshine and Rainbows ELC Parents.
Contact: Mark Tuck, tuck@stjudeparish.com

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Contact: Sara Walsh, ext. 0

Ministry of Martha
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Contact: Krista Kelley, MinistryofMartha@gmail.com

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Contact: Mary Boyle, ext. 2213

Samaritan Inn
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Contact: Jack DeSimone, jack.desimone@gmail.com

Senior Luncheon
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Contact: Della Doss, ext. 2230

Honduras Outreach
Our parish has been involved with assisting the Catholic Church in Honduras. Our focus has been threefold: financial assistance, the development of a partnership and assisting with spiritual and religious education programs. We have provided funds for emergencies, as well as resources to rehabilitate the meager buildings of the Church in Saba and Rio Esteban and the surrounding area. We have also provided funds to purchase two farms so that the Church can support itself through income gained from the labor of its parish members. Finally, we have established a renewal and education program under the banner of Christ Renewes His Parish. In 2018, we partnered to help build a parish school at St. Rita’s in Saba which opened in February 2019.
Contact: Fr. Andrew, ext. 2214

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The principal, teachers and students with the banner made by the students of Sunshine and Rainbows.

The Love Truck
Catholic Charities provides a Love Truck donation collection at our parish on the third Saturday and Sunday of the month between 8:30am and 1:00pm. Items for donation may include: Clothes, Shoes, Toys, Household Items (lamps, rugs, cookware, etc.), Appliances (working) and Furniture. Donations are tax deductible and a receipt will be provided. The truck is staffed by parishioners and the St. Jude Knights.
Contact: George Schafer, psychaferts@hotmail.com

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Booth reservations begin in June for the first weekend of November. Proceeds benefit outreach programs in the parish.
Contact: Rose Tuck, ext. 2212
FAITH IN

The Allen Food Pantry*
The Allen Food Pantry is housed at St. Jude and supported by a number of local Churches. It is a non-profit 100% volunteer supported organization that has joined forces with Catholic Charities in order to serve their clients throughout the Diocese. We are here to help provide food for families in crisis in Allen, Lucas and Fairview. Safety-cleared volunteers are always needed. There is a drop box that is checked daily in front of the Pantry for non-perishable items.

Hours of operation:  Mon & Thurs: 6:30pm - 8:00pm  Tues & Fri: 9:30am - 11:30am  Saturday: 9:30am - noon

Contact: 214.644.2090

Career Alliance
Career Alliance is a faith formation outreach program for those who need a job or a better job. This is a religiuously based and very down to earth program to deliver training, coaching and resources in job search. We meet most Wednesdays at 9:00am. Come early.

For current details, visit www.stjudecareeralliance.net

Contact: Jack Bick, jcbick@stjudeparish.com

Catholic Alcoholism and Addictions Ministry (CAAM)
This ministry provides resources and support for those who are coping with alcohol and addictions, including support for family and friends. We host an open 12-step meeting (similar to AA, NA and AlAnon meetings) for all interested parties every Saturday morning in the Formation Room (PC 401) from 9:15 – 10:15 am. St. Jude also sponsors the Dallas Diocese monthly Calix Mass and meeting held on the second Saturday of each month (Mass at 8:30 am in the St. Jude Chapel and meeting at 9:15 – 10:15 am.). For more information on Calix, see www.calixsociety.org.

Contact: Matt, 214.734.5334

Gospel of Life Ministry
More than just praying at an abortion center, the Gospel of Life Pro-Life Ministry seeks to organize, educate and instruct our parish family on ALL pro-life teachings of the Catholic Church. In addition to working in conjunction with the Catholic Pro-Life Committee of the Dallas Diocese, we hope to expand this ministry to include education of and prayer to those facing the death penalty. At St. Jude, there are MANY ways to be pro-life! Watch the bulletin for details.

Contact: Deacon Al Karcher, akarcher@stjudeparish.com

Toolbox Ministry*
The Mission of the St. Jude Tool Box ministry is: 1.) to offer general repair and maintenance projects to parishioners who have an immediate need, and are unable to provide for themselves and 2.) to support other ministries within St. Jude parish, Diocesan projects, interfath projects, and the community at large. All volunteers will be safety cleared, and will humbly do so with a Servant’s Heart. We will work at the pleasure of the Pastor of St. Jude.

Contact: Jerry Vaughn, jevaughn@swbell.net

Furniture Ministry
The furniture ministry provides donated household furniture and items to families in need. The ministry serves as a resource for parishioners, domestic violence and homeless shelters, schools, transitional housing organizations, and other non-profits in the Collin County area. We are always in need of storage space and safety-cleared drivers with pick-up trucks.

Contact: Cheryl Griffith, cherylgfith@tx.rr.com

Habitat for Humanity
St. Jude and six other local Catholic Parishes are teamed up in this Season of Easter with Habitat for Humanity to build a home for a deserving family. Watch the bulletin for the next opportunity to help or contact Bill.

Contact: Bill Eckels, popbill@aol.com

Breakfast with St. Nick/Advent Traditions Workshop*
Youth Ministries, Children’s Ministries and the Knights of Columbus join together to provide a fun morning of activities in early December for the families of St. Jude.

Contact: Julie Buchanan, ext. 2225

Women’s Christmas Luncheon
Each year, the Women of St. Jude gather at the Heritage Ranch Country Club for fun, fellowship and feasting! The 2019 luncheon will be Friday, December 6th. The average cost is $22 and includes lunch, entertainment, ornament exchange and raffle drawing. Must sign up by November 27th. Watch the bulletin and website for details.

Contact: Linda Ernst, lernst93@yahoo.com

K of C Christmas Tree Sales
After Thanksgiving, the Knights of Columbus sell fresh-cut Christmas Trees in the south parking lot as a fundraiser for their programs. Trees range from 5’ to 12’ and are priced approx. $11/ft. while supplies last.

Contact: Ronnie Cechan, grand.knight@stjudekofc.com

PARISH FELLOWSHIPS

Mom’s & Tots*
Moms and their children (5 and under) gather on the playground on most Fridays from 9:30am to 11:00am for fellowship and play time. We meet during the months of September - November and February - May. In case of rain, the event will be canceled.

Contact: Julie Buchanan, ext. 2225

Young Married Fellowship
YM is a group of young, active married couples who share in growing in their faith and marriage vows through social events and Scripture studies. We meet at least once a month for social events, and more often during Scripture studies focused on enhancing our role as husbands or wives. We’d like to invite you and your spouse to join us! You can find more information by following us on Facebook or the parish website. Watch the bulletin for upcoming Scripture studies we may offer.

Contact: Joanna Anzalone, StJudeYMf@gmail.com

Seasoned Saints
Seniors, age 55 and older, meet every fourth Tuesday of the month at 9:15 am in the reception area for coffee, food & fellowship.

Contact: Della Doss, ext. 2230

The Giving Tree
Each year, St. Jude collaborates with Catholic Charities and our PHP ministry to provide Christmas gifts for families who otherwise would have none. In the past, we have included other parish outreach programs, helping children from St. Cecilia’s Catholic School and refugee families through the Refugee Resettlement Programs. During Advent, please take a name tag from the tree in the Reception Hall. Their needs and sizes are listed. Return the gifts unwrapped, in Christmas gift bags, and place them under the tree with the name tag attached.

Volunteers sort and deliver gifts.

Contact: Dwain Faso and Cathy Kuehn, drfaso@tx.rr.com or Sara Walsh, ext. 2255

Trivia Night
Sponsored by the Lady Knights, teams of eight compete over the mastery of trivial knowledge. The most trivial table wins. Proceeds benefit parish outreach programs. Watch for details on the website or bulletin. Next year’s event will be on January 25, 2020.

Contact: Brenda Steffens, mbstoff@swwbell.net

Bridge Club
All Parishioners who wish to learn and play bridge are welcome to attend.

Mondays, year round: Social Rubbs Bridge Game Noon to 3:00 pm
First Tuesday of the Month: Beginner/Supervised Duplicate, 1:15 to 4 pm
Third Tuesday of the Month: All Open Duplicate for Teams 1:15 pm to 4 pm
Fridays (Sept-May) Yr. Round: Beginner Bridge 9:30 am to 11:30 am

Contact: Ann Roermerman, acer2001@juno.com for location and more information

Good Timers
Seniors, age 55 and older, gather throughout the year for Mass, fellowship and a potluck luncheon in the Parish Hall. Our volunteer chefs and kitchen crew provide the main course, and seniors are encouraged to bring a side-dish or dessert to share.

Contact: Della Doss, ext. 2230

*For more information visit www.stjudeparish.com
VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Bulk Mailers
Quarterly, the St. Jude Business Office is responsible for mailing out statement letters to the families of our parish, equaling approximately 2,600 letters per quarter! This is where our amazing Bulk Mail Volunteers come into action! Once a quarter these volunteers meet in the reception area after the 8:30am mass to assemble bulk mail items. No experience is necessary - snacks and fellowship are a plus!
Contact: Rose Tuck, rtuck@stjudeparish.com

Bus Drivers*
This ministry is very helpful to our parish life. Screened volunteers provide group transportation on an as-needed basis, including Mass, youth events, retreats and various outreach and fellowship activities. Even if you don’t have a Commercial Driver’s License, we will assist you in attaining one.
Contact: Ann Mikelsonis, ext. 2249

Catechist*
Catechists have an extraordinary mission. They are commissioned and supported by the parish and Pastor to carry out this important role of presenting the story of Faith to our young people. They do this in a way that enables our children to see and experience faith as a “living reality.” At St. Jude, catechists are safety screened and volunteers provide group transportation on an as-needed basis, including Mass, youth events, retreats and various outreach and fellowship activities. Even if you don’t have a Commercial Driver’s License, we will assist you in attaining one.

Contact: Julie Buchanan, ext. 2225 (grades PreK – 6)
Bridget Hanafin, ext. 2228 (grades 7-12)

Parish Library
The St. Jude Parish Library, located in the Parish Life Center (PLC) Room 306, has been in existence almost since the beginning of the parish itself. It is here to encourage, support, and enrich the spiritual and intellectual growth of our parishioners by providing literature and resources for all ages. We recently received many donations from Fr. Tim’s personal library.
Contact: Ann Mikelsonis, ext. 2249

Information Table
These volunteers, in many cases, are the first point of contact for newcomers to St. Jude. They are here to welcome, answer questions, and provide assistance in the Narthex after all weekend Masses. Extra help is always needed for this ministry.
Contact: Della Doss, ext. 2230

Engagement Sponsor Couples
Sponsor couples are matched with an engaged couple to lead them through a program that is designed to help them prepare for the Holy Sacrament of Matrimony. The program focuses on expectations, life style, interests, personality, dual careers, problem solving, religion and values, family of origin, interfaith marriage, parenting, finances, sexuality, and the marriage covenant. A sponsor couple may be asked to sponsor two or three couples per year. The time commitment per couple may be from 10 to 15 hours total.
Contact: Della Doss, ext. 2230

SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS

Boy Scouts Troop 131*
The mission of the Boy Scouts of America is to prepare young men to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes by instilling in them values of integrity through service to God, family, community and country. Their slogan is “Do a Good Turn Daily” and their motto is “Be Prepared”. This is a nonprofit organization for boys who are 11 - 17 years of age, or have earned the Cub Scout Arrow of Light award and are at least 10 years old, or have completed the fifth grade. Boy Scout Troop 131 is chartered through St. Jude Catholic Church; therefore, we will focus our spiritual development on the Catholic faith. Our meetings are every Tuesday from 7:00-8:30 in the Youth Room (formerly Theatre).
Contact: Carlos Davila, cdavila@att.net

Knights of Columbus
The Knights of Columbus is a fraternal organization of Catholic men, ages 18 and older, whose mission is charity, faith and family. For more information, visit the St. Jude Council website at stjudekofc.com.
Contact: Ronnie Cechan, grand.knight@stjudekofc.com

Legion of Mary
Legion of Mary meets weekly on Tuesday mornings from 10:30 am to 11:30 am Room 305 of the Parish Life Center. They meet to pray, evangelize and serve the Church in every form of social service under the guidance of the Pastor of St. Jude.
Contact: Carmen Moreno, 972-905-5373

American Heritage Girls
American Heritage Girls is a Christ-centered non-profit character development program for girls ages 5-18, dedicated to its mission of building women of integrity through service to God, family, community, and country. AHGTX0131 is chartered through St. Jude Catholic Church; therefore, we will focus our spiritual development on the Catholic faith. Our meetings are every other Monday in the St. Jude Youth Room at 6:30-8pm.
Contact: Brian Guffey, AHGTK0131@gmail.com

Cub Scouts Pack 131*
Cub Scouts is a division of the Boy Scouts of America, whose mission is to prepare young boys to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes. Their motto is “Do Your Best” and emphasizes God and country. This non-profit organization is for boys in first grade through fifth grade (ages 7-10). Cub Scout Pack 131 is chartered through St. Jude Catholic Church; therefore, we will focus our spiritual development on the Catholic faith. This group is broken into three groups: Tiger Cubs for first graders; Cub Scouts for second and third graders and Webelos Scouts for fourth and fifth graders. Our meetings are every third Tuesday from 7- 8:30pm in the Youth Room.
Contact: Dave Patton, dpatton@ntmwd.com

See Liturgical Ministries and Music Ministries for more volunteer opportunities.