

St. Jude the Apostle Parish

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the Parable of the Talents

Matthew 25:14-30

Thanksgiving Mass Times

**Wednesday, November 22, 2023—Vigil Mass
St. Michael the Archangel Church at 5:30PM**

**Thursday, November 23, 2023 at 9:00AM
St. Jude the Apostle Church**

MASS TIMES:

**Wednesdays & Fridays –8AM
Saturday-4:00PM & Sunday –10:30AM**

Sanctuary Votive Light:

Al Altamashasky, Connie Fennelly

Saturday, November 18, 2023 4 PM

David Holmes, Family

Albert Mozjesik, Nicole & Don Heckelman

David & Dorothea Castle, Family

Larry Proctor, Wife & Family

Philomena Moscatello, Sally Zucarro

Sunday, November 19, 2023 10:30 AM

Mary Marzola, Family

Carol Maple, Family

Christine Wells, Joe & Marie Kruczlnicki

Wednesday, November 22, 2023 8AM

Father Dominick Ingemie, TJ & Jan Jackson

Thursday November 24, 2023

Happy Thanksgiving

Friday, November 24, 2023 8AM

**For All Living and Deceased Parishioners of St.
Jude the Apostle Catholic Community**

Saturday, November 25, 2023 4PM

Tony Carnevale, 5th Anniversary, Family

Philomena Moscatello, Angie Carnevale

Patricia Pinho, Burton Family

Lorraine Stone, Cliff & Marilyn Halpin

Ned & Pat Harley, Family

ST. JUDE the APOSTLE SCHOOL

Capital Region Wing Wars 18 was a HUGE success!!!!!!



Wing Wars 18 was our best and most profitable to date! Thanks to the tireless efforts of John & Marissa Dalmata, Colleen Reynolds, and so many parent volunteers we were able to collaborate with 16 restaurants (6 of which were first time competitors – thanks to our school families that got the word out about the event) and received the support of 20 business sponsors (that received tickets and VIP seating at the event) to host this year's Wing Wars at Franklin Terrace Ballroom (thank you Michael Cocca for donating the space) on Saturday, November 4, 2023. Final numbers have not been crunched yet, but can confidently say that our school profited in excess of 20K this year!!!

AND THE WINNERS WERE: THANK YOU TO OUR BUSINESS SPONSORS:

Blind Taste Test: Benetech

1st Place (\$1,000 winner) – Mazzone Hospitality Dawson's Towing

2nd Place (\$500 winner) – Shooter's Bar & Grill Kyle Sleicher Snap-On Inc.

3rd Place (\$250 winner) – Villa Valenti Araya Pharmacy Benefit Management

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1st Place – Moose Kaboose Tavern Daigle Cleaning

2nd Place – Ralph's Tavern Daigle Fire Solutions

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GOSPEL REFLECTION, ADORATION and MINISTRIES

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

We should always be ready to reflect and think when we hear the words, “Jesus told his disciples this *parable...*” Jesus told parables to cause us to think, reflect, and pray on his words. Parables do not reveal the message of the story on a silver platter.

The parable we hear today is no different. If we were to look at the parable of the talents superficially, we might think, “Well, Jesus is rewarding those who invest their money wisely and punish those who don’t.” This interpretation, of course, does not fit all with the other teachings of Jesus.

Today’s parable requires us to hear this passage as the Jewish community would have heard it, easier said than done. A *talent* in Jesus’ times does not mean what it means in 2023. A *talent* in ancient times was a measure of something particularly heavy, usually silver or gold. From a faith perspective, for the Jewish people, what carried the heaviest weight of all was the *mercy* of God. It is the mercy of God that is at the heart of this parable.

The *talents* given by the master in this parable are a share in God’s mercy. Therefore, two of the servants accepted a share of God’s mercy and shared with others. We find that the third servant accepted a share in God’s mercy but did not share it with others, this was the mistake he made. It is related to the parable of the person who hid his lamp so no one else could see the light.

This parable is a wonderful reminder of God’s invitation for us to be in relationship with God. When we receive God’s graces we are not to keep them for ourselves, rather we are to share these graces unconditionally with others, that is how we return love to God.

Today, brothers and sisters, we give gratitude for God’s grace in our life. We ask God for eyes of faith to see and acknowledge God’s grace and pray for the strength and courage to share God’s grace with others. Without counting the costs and without being judgmental, as it is not up to us to judge who is deserving of God’s grace. When we encounter God’s mercy, forgiveness, and love, may we not keep it for ourselves but extend and share those graces with others.

May the peace of Christ be with all of you,
Deacon Nick

ADORATION SCHEDULE FOR

November 24, 2023 at 5:30PM:6:30 @ St. Jude the Apostle Church



STEWARDSHIP

Thank you for your Sacrificial Giving to
St. Jude the Apostle Parish
Weekly Offertory 11/11 & 11/12

\$4,652.65	(Offertory)
\$0.00	(E-Giving)
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\$4,652.65	TOTAL

STEWARDSHIP

OUR YEAR-TO-DATE (7/1/23-6/30/24) is:

\$78,018.65	(Offertory)
\$13,886.00	(E-Giving)
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\$91,904.65	TOTAL

Time, Talent & Treasure



To cover our expenses for the week,
We need **\$4,808.00**
We are Under budget (155.35)

To cover our YTD we need
\$96,160.00
We are UNDER budget
(\$4,255.35)

MINISTRIES

Living with Loss

Due to the Approaching Holidays, the next sessions
will be held on

November 30 and December 14 at 3 pm.

We will resume after the Holidays



This is the time of year we often talk about gratitude. Do you practice gratitude? I think many of us have forgotten how important Gratitude is. Being thankful for all we have is so important for our mental wellness and improves our mood, sleep and immunity. According to the Mayo Clinic, gratitude can decrease depression, anxiety, and difficulties with chronic pain. This Thanksgiving, I suggest we all wake up in the morning and think of 3 things we are grateful for. There is no better way to start your day!

Happy Thanksgiving!



The Pastor's Pen

Fund Raising Activities

I, as your Pastor just wanted to update you the Parishioners, on the fundraising activities that have taken place recently within the St. Jude the Apostle Catholic Community.

They are as follows:

- 1) THE SUPER RAFFLE — \$10,000.00
- 2) SOUP'ER FEUD — \$2,600.00
- 3) CRAFT FAIR — \$4,200.00

I just wanted to thank everyone for their participation in these wonderful community events! Your Participation makes these events a success every year!

Fr. Pat

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