

# St. Jude the Apostle Parish

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## 1<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT

After John had been arrested, Jesus came to Galilee proclaiming the gospel of God: "This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel." - Mk 1:14-15

**THE OFFICE IS CLOSED ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19TH—**

**Sanctuary Votive Light:**

Bob Geiger, *Mary Ellen Hunt & Pat Schaeffer*

**Saturday, February 17th, 2024-4:00pm**

Walter & Margaret Grace, *Maryann Grace*  
Frank Giuliano, *St. Jude Knights of Columbus*  
Jerrie Richards, *Husband*  
John Hardie, *Ann Cannon*  
Rosanne Farcher, *Husband*

**Sunday, February 18th, 2024-10:00am**

Frank Giuliano, *John & Nancy Donohue*  
John Perkinson, *Wife, Fran*  
Vincent Corina, Sr., *Reynolds Family*  
Antonio Iannacito, *Luca DiFione*

**Wednesday, February 21st, 2024**

**For Those Recovering from Addictions and  
their Families**

**Friday, February 23rd, 2024 - 8AM**

Robert & Joan Jackson, *TJ & Jan Jackson*

**Saturday, February 24th, 2024-4:00pm**

Dave & Dorthea Castle, *Children*  
Rosanne Farcher, *Husband*  
George Geiger, *Mary Ellen Hunt & Pat Schaeffer*  
Joanne Gary, *Filomena Valente*  
William H. Tymeson, Jr., *Family*

**Sunday, February 25th, 2024-10:00am**

Frank Giuliano, *Joe & Marie Kruczynicki*  
Vincent Corina, Sr., *St. Jude the Apostle School*  
Carol Farrell, *Milos Family*  
Harriet Spain, *Daughter, Nancy*



## ST. JUDE THE APOSTLE SCHOOL

### LUCK OF THE IRISH RAFFLE

*Our Luck of the Irish Raffle will run from January 1<sup>st</sup> through the end of March this year. We raffle off \$100 each day in March, and the St. Patrick's Day drawing wins \$1,000. Tickets cost \$10 each. Winning tickets are re-entered into the drawing, so one ticket can win multiple times. With so many chances to win, these tickets are easy to sell. But we NEED YOUR HELP!*

With your help, we can make this the  
**BEST LUCK OF THE IRISH RAFFLE EVER!**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Seller (if any): \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Tickets: \_\_\_\_\_

May God bless you for your abundant generosity!

Make out checks to St. Jude the Apostle School.

Place form and cash/check in an envelope labeled Luck of the Irish Raffle and place in any collection basket at Mass.

You do not need your ticket stub in order to obtain your winnings. However, you are welcome to pick up your ticket stubs at the school.

I will pick up my ticket stubs at the school

February Sessions: 2/4, 2/11 - Winter break **NO CLASS**

March Sessions: 3/3, 3/10, 3/24

- **Teen Pathways Living Stations-** Friday March 15, @7pm St Jude Church
- **Class times-** All classes meet at **8:30am in Church**. Practice begins 2/4 for Stations of the Cross preparations.
- Confirmation date is set for **May 6, 2024 @St Michael the Archangel Church, Troy** at 6:30pm. See Candidates names below!
- Teen Pathways is a Youth Ministry program grades 7-10th for St. Jude the Apostle Parish. Teens wishing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation must be involved in the program for a minimum of 2 years in Grades 9th & 10th

## YOUTH MINISTRY

Any questions- please contact Paul Moore, St. Jude Youth Minister Grades 7-10.

[moorep285@gmail.com](mailto:moorep285@gmail.com)

It's been a great year! Teen Pathways

### Confirmation Candidates 2024

Parker	Dianna	10th Grade
Short	Sophia	10th Grade
Miller	Hailey	10th Grade
Denio	Alessandra	10th Grade
Denio	Andrew	10th Grade
Backaus	Cadence	10th Grade
Burch	Zachary	10th Grade
Wojton	Charles	10th Grade
Murray	Jackson	10th Grade
LaBarge	Sophia	10th Grade
Aiossa	Emily	10th Grade
Harriman	Abigail	10th Grade
Decker	Anthony	10th Grade
Albarelli III	John	10th Grade
Mancino	Natalia	10th Grade
McDade	Madelynn	10th Grade
Bradley	Connor	10th Grade
Hein	Amelia	10th Grade
Zakarka	Susan	10th Grade
Bott	Cheyenne	10th Grade
Borowsky	Rowan	10th Grade



The pictures are from the fifth and sixth grade students going over to deliver Valentine goodies and cards to the residence of St. Jude apartments.



Family Liturgy with grades K - 4



**Y**ou may have noticed over the years that the first Sunday of Lent always begins with the story of Jesus' forty days in the desert being tempted by the devil. The spirit of God descended like a dove upon Jesus at His baptism and immediately drove Him out into the desert. It was His ability to overcome temptation that enabled Him to sacrifice Himself as the spotless Lamb of God who was able to take all of our sins upon Himself.

The first and second readings this week relate the connection of God's covenant with water and especially the waters of baptism. So, when we are baptized in Christ, we leave behind our sinfulness and rise to new life in Christ, and we also receive the help of the Holy Spirit. We are freed from the consequences of our sins through the baptism and reconciliation we are offered in Christ.



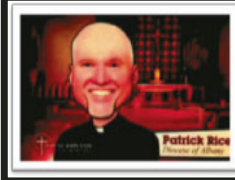
Now, during these days of Lent we too are on a journey into our own deserts where we contend with our own temptations, and we thirst for God's love and presence in our lives. During this season we are invited to reflect on the areas of our lives that we should leave behind to follow Christ more closely.

One of the ways we can work on this is by spending a few minutes in the evening reviewing our day and identifying those things we may have done differently. Then, in prayer we can ask for forgiveness and the help of the Holy Spirit to do things differently in the future. Often, we can overcome temptations in our lives by continually calling ourselves to account. Amazingly, our efforts to follow Christ more closely always bring us a sense of His peace in our lives.

May this Lent be a time of renewed faithfulness and healing in our lives and may His peace be with us all!

God Bless!

Deacon Warren



## ASK FR. PAT...

### What is Lent?

Lent is a 40 day season of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving that begins on Ash Wednesday and ends at sundown on Holy Thursday. It's a period of preparation to celebrate the Lord's Resurrection at Easter. During Lent, we seek the Lord in prayer by reading Sacred Scripture; we serve by giving alms; and we practice self-control through fasting. We are called not only to abstain from luxuries during Lent, but to a true inner conversion of heart as we seek to follow Christ's will more faithfully. We recall the waters of baptism in which we were also baptized into Christ's death, died to sin and evil, and began new life in Christ.

Many know of the tradition of abstaining from meat on Fridays during Lent, but we are also called to practice self-discipline and fast in other ways throughout the season. Contemplate the meaning and origins of the Lenten fasting tradition in this reflection. In addition, the giving of alms is one way to share God's gifts—not only through the distribution of money, but through the sharing of our time and talents. As St. John Chrysostom reminds us: "Not to enable the poor to share in our goods is to steal from them and deprive them of life. The goods we possess are not ours, but theirs." (Catechism of the Catholic Church, no. 2446).

### DOORS OF HOPE



**FEED THE HUNGRY**

This is our local food pantry that aids our community members. The needs of those who are struggling, especially during this Christmas Season. Please give generously to help our community pantry provide food and personal care items to those in need.

*Tuna fish, mayo, chunky soups, crackers, tooth paste, dish soap and feminine products.*

*St. Jude has given four bags of food to Doors Of Hope! THANK YOU!*



## EASTER MEMORIAL CROSSES

The Forms for the Easter Crosses are at each of the entrances of the church. If you have done a cross in the past please indicate this on the bottom of the form stating "PREVIOUS CROSS". If you have multiple crosses for your family please indicate this on one of the sheets at the bottom of the sheet. We will try and keep your loved ones together on the lawn. Please use the dashes provided to fill in your family's name we can accept up to 24 characters. The last weekend will be **February 24th and 25th** to turn in the sheets. No exceptions will be made for late sheets. If there are any questions please call Don or Nicole Heckelman (518) 283-5234 (landline no texts)

**ADORATION DATES FOR  
FEBRUARY & MARCH 2024  
5:30-6:30pm**

**February 23rd  
March 8th**



**STATIONS OF THE  
CROSS  
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23RD  
@ 7:00PM WITH  
DEACON NICK**



## SMALL LENTEN GROUPS

Lent is soon approaching and if you are interested in starting a small group. We would suggest 6 to 8 maximum group sizes to get together and discuss Lenten scripture. You can meet at someone's home or possibly schedule a meeting room at the Parish Center when the office is open. There will be a sign - up sheet on the bulletin board in the back of the church if anyone is interested in starting a small group. The contact person to get information on the Lenten scripture readings will be Eva Fitzgerald (518) 326-3003 this is a landline phone with an answering machine not a cell phone so it will not accept texts, her email is: [evafitz58@gmail.com](mailto:evafitz58@gmail.com)



Cardiovascular disease remains the number one killer for both men and women in the United States. There are many things we can do to help reduce risks-the 2 most important are stop smoking and eat a healthy diet. Smoking includes vaping, chewing tobacco etc. Nicotine destroys our healthy tissue, impedes our circulation, and is very addictive, "The Butt Stops Here" is a popular local program that has helped so many. "You are what you eat" is so true-by decreasing the amounts and kinds of food we eat really can make a difference with our weight and reduces our chances for conditions such as diabetes. Next week we will talk about other measures to help prevent cardiovascular disease.



### Living with Loss

**The next Living with Loss Support Group will meet Thursday, February 22 at 3 pm at the Parish Office. All those suffering from a loss are welcome to join us. Call Johanna Flanigan, Parish Nurse, for details.**

### Rosary Altar Society

Our March meeting will be held on Sunday March 3th at 8:45AM in Parish Center. Ladies please come and join the Society. Once a member always a member hope to see you there!!!





## Project: Cameron's Story

We are pleased to be supporting Project: Cameron's Story, a 501 c(3) public, children's charity. PCS is a local organization that helps families with babies in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU) bond with their little ones. Through the efforts of this foundation (with the help of people like you and I!) each family in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU) at Albany Medical Center, St. Peter's Hospital, Stony Brook Hospital, Crouse Hospital (Syracuse), Golisano Children's Hospital, UHS Wilson Medical Center, Bellevue Women's Center, NY Presbyterian Stanley Morgan Hospital, NY Presbyterian Weil Cornell, John R. Oishei Children's Hospital, Millard Fillmore Suburban Hospital, North Shore Hospital, Mount Sinai Kravis Children's Hospital, Mount Sinai West Children's Hospital, Flushing Medical Center, Vassar Medical Center, HCH at NYU Langone, Cohen Children's Medical Center as well as the Special Care Unit at Glens Falls Hospital receives, upon admission, a book to read to their baby. Often these babies are so fragile that their parents are unable to touch or hold them. Project: Cameron's Story was named for Cameron Quartiers - an inspirational little boy who proved that this type of bonding can have a tremendous effect on a family's ability to bond in the most difficult of circumstances. Read more about Cameron's story as well as the foundation's mission at [www.projectcameronsstory.org](http://www.projectcameronsstory.org).

Attached to this letter, you will find a Scholastic/Book Outlet Book Order Form. If you would like to donate a brand new book to this wonderful cause, simply fill out the order form. Payment is due at the time of ordering. You can pay by check (make checks payable to "Project: Cameron's Story"). Return the order form and money to the contact person listed below. Each book is given a label telling the family in the NICU who, specifically, donated the book. If you choose to donate a book(s), please tell us what you'd like the label to read. This label will be placed inside the book before delivery to the NICU.

If you'd like to donate a book online, please see our book Wish List on Amazon. You can donate a book and have it shipped automatically to our foundation.



Books should be of medium size and have lots of words in them to increase the amount of bonding time for families and their babies. Please, no overtly religious books or e-books.

Book orders are due back no later than 2/20

Thanks so much for your generosity!

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\*\*\*\*\*ORDER FORM\*\*\*\*\*

Item #	Title	Price	Qty	Total
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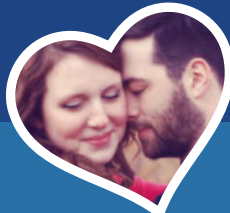
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