

# St. Jude the Apostle Parish

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## 3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT

Jesus answered and said to her, "If you knew the gift of God and who is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him and he would have given you living water." - Jn 4:10

**STARTING THIS WEEKEND, MARCH 2-3RD, THE PRECIOUS BLOOD WILL BE OFFERED FOR PARISHIONERS WHO WOULD LIKE TO RECEIVE UNDER BOTH SPECIES. ALSO, WE WILL HAVE THE GIFTS BROUGHT TO THE ALTAR BY PARISHIONERS.**

Sanctuary Votive Light:  
Ken Burton, *Family*

Saturday, March 2nd, 2024-4:00pm  
Rosane Farcher, *Husband*  
Carol Farrell, *T.C. McIntype*

Sunday, March 3rd, 2024-10:00am  
Joseph Frost, *Mom, Dad, Matthew & Taye*  
Tom & Andrea Sutherland, *Family*  
Joan Prock 1st Anniversary, *Her sister, Beth*  
Ronald Benson, *Wife*  
John T. Perkinson, *Family*

Wednesday, March 6th, 2024

for the sick members of St. Jude the Apostle Families

Friday, March 8th, 2024 - 8AM  
Robert Eckaedt, *Mary Helen & Steve Culver*

Saturday, March 9th, 2024-4:00pm  
Rosane Farcher, *Husband*  
Ken Burton, *Family*

Sunday, March 10th, 2024-10:00am  
Al Spain, Sr., *Daughter, Nancy*  
Frank Giuliano, *Mark & Margie Premo*  
John Perkinson, *Fran Perkinson*  
Joseph Frost, *Al & Patti Mugrace*



## 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

You are invited to join us for a fun evening to raise funds for our beloved school! This is an adult only event with lots of art, auction items, fabulous finger foods (Lenten friendly), and a cash bar. Last year's event was a lot of fun and hugely successful!!! To purchase tickets, drop by the school office or use the QR code below to purchase tickets online. We hope to see you there!



**ST. JUDE**   
THE APOSTLE  
SCHOOL

# a knight out

A fundraiser for St. Jude the Apostle School

**MARCH 8, 2024**  
6pm to 9pm  
St. Jude the Apostle  
Gymnasium

Art • Auction Items •  
Food • Cash Bar

Tickets \$30 each. \$40 at door  
adults only  
RSVP by March 1st

Thank you to Tremont Rentals in Memory of Joan Vooris,  
Terry's Kitchen, The Fifth Tier & The Mailworks





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



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

Mazzariello Joseph 10th Grade  
Kaczala Emma 10th Grade



Family Liturgy with grades K - 4





This Sunday every year we read the readings from the 3rd Sunday of Lent in cycle 'A' when we have people who are completing their initiation sacraments in the RCIA. Today's readings are about how we deal with our thirst. In the 1st reading from Exodus the Israelites complained against God because of their thirst. They had easily lost their trust in God and forgot the mighty works through which He delivered them out of their bondage; and they even began to think they were better off as slaves back in Egypt.

So, the Lord told Moses to make water flow from a rock to demonstrate His faithfulness and His ability to provide for them. All throughout their journey in the desert, God taught them to trust in Him to provide for them. Their thirst became a metaphor for their need for God; and this flowing or living water became a sign of God's presence with them.

Today's Gospel uses some of these same symbols to portray the plight of the Samaritan woman. Each day she returned to the well to draw water to satisfy her thirst. That water would only satisfy her for a little while. She also had a deeper thirst that she had been trying to satisfy by taking one husband after another. She was still trying to satisfy that thirst, even when she came to meet Jesus. Since she told Him that she was not married; when she was married over and over.

Now, all this reminds me of

how easy it is for us to search in all the wrong places to satisfy our own need for God. How often in our efforts to quench our own thirst do we repeat the same mistakes over and over? Somehow, even though we know where our sins will take us, we continue to fall in the same trap. That was the plight of the woman in today's Gospel who over and over, tried to satisfy her thirst by moving from husband to husband.

Then she came face to face with the truth, in her encounter with Jesus. He helped her to understand her thirst; that it was God's love that she needed; and her thirst would not be satisfied until she accepted it. Jesus was not there to condemn her in fact he had a thirst of his own. That's the amazing part of this story, God first longs to be loved by us even more than we long for His love. Jesus said he came to do 'The will of the Father', to restore our relationship with Him, even 'while we are still sinners'.

Jesus offers us this 'Living water', which is God's enduring presence with us. His Spirit becomes a well-spring of life within us to satisfy our deepest longings. It is this Spirit of Truth that Jesus gave to the woman at the well. His intimate knowledge and concern for her brokenness healed her so deeply that she became like a new person.



At first, she thought he was a prophet, but the more she listened, the more she knew He was the Messiah. And with that came the realization that God himself was offering her new life and an end to her search for a love that is satisfying. The woman no longer had to keep coming back to this same well to quench her thirst. She now had such an overwhelming sense of acceptance that she left her bucket behind and ran into the village, to the same people

who shunned her, to tell them about the Messiah. Now, seeing the change that has come over this woman, the towns people could not ignore her claim to have seen the Messiah.

So then, just like the Samaritan woman, we too are invited to look at how we satisfy this thirst in our own lives. May this Lent be a time of grace where we encounter Jesus in a special way. That we too may be refreshed by His 'Living Water' and be transformed by one who knows us intimately and "loves us even while we are still sinners"

May God quench all of our thirsts this Lent.

Deacon Warren





Thank you for your Sacrificial Giving to St. Jude the Apostle Parish.

## STEWARDSHIP

Weekly Offertory 2/25/2024

\$2,772.00	(Offertory)
\$2,252.75	(E-Giving)
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\$5,024.75	TOTAL



\$ 132,358.76	(Offertory)
\$ 26,435.00	(E-Giving)
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\$158,793.76	TOTAL

To cover our expenses for the week,  
We need \$4,808.00  
We are OVER budget \$216.75

To cover our YTD we need  
\$168,280.00  
We are UNDER budget (\$9,486.24)



### 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!!!



### Living with Loss

Our next Living with Loss Support Group will be meeting on Thursday, March 14th at 3 pm at the Parish Office. Anyone struggling with loss is invited to attend.



Participating in Stations of the Cross is a very moving experience in our faith. If you have never seen the Nurses' Way of the Cross, you have 2 opportunities this year. Nurses from our local parishes will be presenting this heartfelt program on March 15 at Sacred Heart Church and on March 22 at 7 pm at St. Jude the Apostle. Come join us and hear how nurses experience their very own Stations of the Cross during their careers.



### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Friday, March 8, 2024 -  
Presented by Deacon Warren  
at 7:00PM



ADORATION DATES FOR MARCH 2024 5:30-6:30pm

March 8th





### ASK FR. PAT...

**Q:** What are the "Scrutinies of the Elect"  
 The "Scrutinies of the Elect" take place during the three Sunday in Lent before Palm Sunday. Scrutiny is a word that means **"to search"**, to **look for**. In modern English it is used to mean, "a critical observation or examination." That's exactly what it's meant to be. *From the RCIA Guide:*

The scrutinies are meant to uncover, then heal all that is weak, defective, or sinful in the hearts of the elect; to bring out, then strengthen all that is upright, strong, and good. For the scrutinies are celebrated in order to deliver the elect from the power of sin and Satan, to protect them against temptation, and to give them strength in Christ, who is the way, the truth, and the life. These rites, therefore, should complete the conversion of the elect and deepen their resolve to hold fast to Christ and to carry out their decision to love God above all."

During the Scrutinies, the Elect are expected to take an intense look at their lives. During the First Scrutiny (third Sunday of Lent), the Elect have hands laid upon them and are prayed over and pray that they may reject everything in their lives that is contrary to Christ.



**DOORS OF HOPE**  
 This is our local food pantry that aids our community members. The needs of those who are struggling. Please give generously to help our community pantry provide food and personal care items to those in need.

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

**THANK YOU!**


St. Jude the Apostle School invites you to attend "A Knight Out" on the evening of Friday, March 8th in the school gym. A Knight out is in memory of parishioner **Joan Vooris**. There will be a fun night of auction items, cash bar, and delicious food from Terrys Kitchen.



SCRUTINY SCHEDULE	
<b>Sunday, March 3</b> 3rd Sunday of Lent 1st Scrutiny St. Michael's Church 8:00am	<b>Sunday, March 10</b> 4th Sunday of Lent 2nd Scrutiny St. Jude Church 10:30am
	<b>Sunday, March 17</b> 5th Sunday of Lent 3rd Scrutiny St. Michael's Church 8:00am

**Sacraments Available** PARISH OFFICE (518) 283-1162

 <p><b>BAPTISM</b>          Please call the Parish Office or email          Deacon Warren @ warrensafford@gmail.com</p>	 <p><b>ANNOINTING OF THE SICK</b>          Upon request and is administered at special celebrations during the year.</p>
 <p><b>RECONCILIATION/CONFESSION</b>          Saturday 3:00-3:30pm. Individual Confessions: arranged by calling the Parish Office.</p>	 <p><b>PASTORAL CARE</b>          Please call the Parish Office for visitation and Communion for the homebound.</p>
 <p><b>MARRIAGE</b>          Couples please call the Office six months in advance and prior to making reception plans.</p>	 <p><b>RCIA</b>          Are you or someone you know interested in becoming a Roman Catholic? Never been Baptized, Baptized in another faith tradition or maybe Baptized Catholic but never received First Holy Communion or Confirmation? Please call the Parish Office for information.</p>

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