

# St. Jude the Apostle Parish



## MASS SCHEDULE FOR ST JUDE / ST MICHAEL'S PARISHES

St. Jude the Apostle		St. Michael the Archangel	
Saturday, 5/25/2024 Mass 4 PM Fr. Rice	Sunday, 5/26/24 Mass 10 AM Fr. Rice	Saturday, 5/25/2024 Mass -- 4 PM - Fr. Donlon	Sunday, 5/26/2024 Mass — 8:30 AM - Fr. Rice
Saturday, 6/1/ /2024 Mass 4 PM Fr. Donlon	Sunday, 6/2/2024 Mass 10 AM Fr. Rice	Saturday, 6/1/2024 Mass — 4 PM Fr. Rice	Sunday, 6/2/2024 Mass — 8:30 AM Fr. Rice

**Sanctuary Votive Light:**

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

**Saturday, May 25, 2024- Mass at 4PM**  
 Pauline Ienco, Anne & David Ienco  
 Rosane Farcher, Husband  
 Edward Kehn Jr., Carol & Bill Dedrick  
 Paula Wiesnet, Carol & Bill Dedrick

**Sunday, May 26, 2024- Mass at 10AM**  
 Frank Giuliano Sr., Hannigan Family  
 Teresa Biondo, Family  
 Paula Wiesnet, Kelly Ketz

**Wednesday May 29, 2024**

For All Living and Deceased Parishioners of St. Jude the Apostle Church

**Friday, May 31, 2024**

For All Living and Deceased Parishioners of St. Jude the Apostle Church

**Saturday, June 1, 2024**

Edward Kehn Sr., Family  
 Rosane Farcher, Husband  
 Shawn Flanigan, Bill & Carol Dedrick  
 Stella Laub, Mary McDade  
 John Scannell, Mary Jacobs  
 Paula Wiesnet, Burton Family

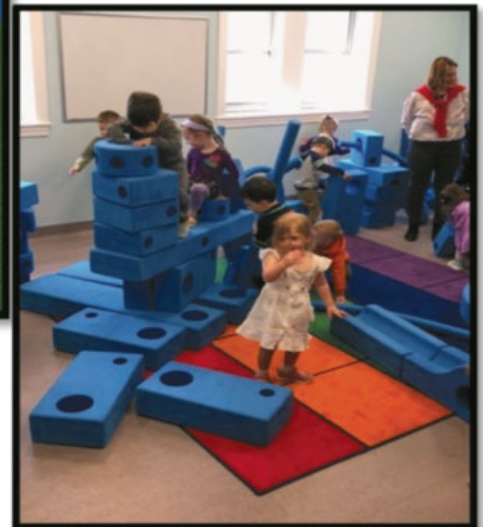
**Sunday June 2, 2024**

Ron Benson, Wife  
 Joseph Frost, Mom, Dad, Matthew & Taye  
 Margaret Corrigan, Kelly Ketz  
 Vickie Gilooly, Dan & Linda Casey & Family  
 John Ryan, St. Jude Knights Columbus

# ST. JUDE THE APOSTLE SCHOOL

## Bulletin Submission for School

On April 16<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> our pre-k and UPK classes enjoyed a field trip to the Saratoga Children's Museum. We have so many pre-k students that the trip needed to be split up into 4 days, with 1-2 classes traveling each day! The boys and girls enjoyed exploring the museum using their imaginations to play in different settings such as a grocery store, a bus, a fire house and a bank. They also enjoyed a short class where they learned about rainbows and made crafts from rainbow colored beads. The foam block room was a huge hit as well!







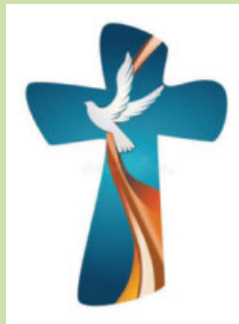
## Grades K-6

**Yes, it is that time of year!**

**Faith Formation Registration (Classes will begin September 22<sup>nd</sup>)**

**Class Time is 8:45a.m.-9:45a.m., followed by the 10:00a.m. Mass**

**Please contact Patti Mugrace ([mugrap@gmail.com](mailto:mugrap@gmail.com)) for Registration forms and all questions.**



*On May 6th, thirty of our teens in our Faith Formation Youth Ministry received the sacrament of Confirmation. Please find joy as the students were offered the gift of the Holy Spirit through the sacrament of Confirmation.*

*It was another wonderful year of enriching our experience with our faith and community. We always look forward to the next season together.*

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



**BAPTISM**  
Please call the Parish Office or email  
Deacon Warren @ [warrensafford@gmail.com](mailto:warrensafford@gmail.com)



**ANNOINTING OF THE SICK**  
Upon request and is administered at special celebrations during the year.



**RECONCILIATION/CONFESSION**  
Saturday 3:00-3:30pm. Individual Confessions:  
arranged by calling the Parish Office.



**PASTORAL CARE**  
Please call the Parish Office for visitation  
and Communion for the homebound.



**MARRIAGE**  
Couples please call the Office six months in  
advance and prior to making reception plans.



**RCIA**  
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.



# GOSPEL REFLECTION

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The celebration of Trinity Sunday gives us some insight about how we should understand who God is. Rather than asking you to think about God as three persons while still one God, I am going to ask you to understand the Trinity from another point of view. Often, we can better understand God using our hearts instead of our heads.

Today's first reading tells us about the wondrous things that God has done and reminds us of just how unintelligible God is for us. We cannot define God in human terms because that would limit God; and we know God is without limits.

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If we resist our temptation to define God, our human nature does not let us trust in what we do not understand, and we are left with the problem of faith. So, God in His wisdom, gives us a way to understand Him without defining Him.

So how did God do this? He reveals Himself to us in relationship. It is through the love that a father has for His son that God reveals Himself to us. So much more telling of what we need to know about God, than His height, weight or age, He connects with our innermost need.

Even as sophisticated as we are today, we cannot categorize, define or predict God, though we do connect with God in our deepest selves. This family bond is the way we know God.

Now, the amazing thing about the Trinity is how WE fit into the family. The Holy Spirit reaches out to us as a result of our baptism and adopts us as God's own sons and daughters.

This gift of God, through the Holy Spirit, allows us to share in His image. Yet, each one of us is unique and irreplaceable in His eyes.

Each time we celebrate the Eucharist there is silent prayer that is said while preparing the cup. It goes like this, "By the mystery of this water and wine may we come to share in Christ's divinity, who humbled Himself to share in our Humanity." So, as often as we share in Christ's body and blood we are renewed in our relationship with Him.

God takes us as His own, even though we were not His own, and His Spirit bears witness within us. Because of this, we too must witness to God in our lives and share in the mission to baptize all in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Just, as the scripture this Sunday so clearly states, we have God's love poured into us through the Holy Spirit. Therefore, as his children we are to share that love with those around us. We should do our best to let our lives be guided by that same Spirit.

So, each day, if we ask ourselves, "Who are we?", we should not be afraid to define ourselves by our relationship to God. This is the witness of our adoption.

God Bless,  
Deacon Warren

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

Weekly Offertory 5/12/2024

\$ 3,616.00 (Offertory)

\$ 2,508.75 (E-Giving)

\$6,124.75 TOTAL

To cover our expenses for the  
week,

We need \$4,808.00

We are OVER budget  
(\$1,316.75)

## STEWARDSHIP



Electronic Giving is available and is a convenient way to ensure your Offertory donation to St. Jude the Apostle Church. There is a quick and easy form to fill out, and the money will be taken out automatically from your bank account on the 16<sup>th</sup> of each month. If you are interested in Electronic Giving, please stop by the Parish Office.

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

\$178,911.04 (Offertory)

\$ 36,274.25 (E-Giving)

\$ 215,185.29 TOTAL

To cover our YTD we need  
\$225,976.00

We are UNDER budget  
(\$10,790.71 )



**Knights of  
Columbus**

### Events for the

### Knights of Columbus:



Our annual blood drive will be held on **Saturday, June 22 from 8 am until 1 pm** at the school. St. Jude's has sponsored 6 Blood Drives collecting 195 pints of blood to date. Anyone who has needed a transfusion or have a friend or relative who has needed blood realizes how critical blood donations are in saving lives. Sign up for your donation now on the Red Cross.org and receive a coupon for a Pint of Stewart's Ice Cream that day! Give a pint, get a pint! Who doesn't love ice cream? Help save a life!

Save time and help the St Jude Knights of Columbus Coats for Kids project by bringing your returnable bottles to the 6 Cent Redemption on the corner of Main Ave and Sharpe Road in Wynantskill. Just drop them off and say they are for the St Jude the Apostle Knights of Columbus' and they will count and credit to the KOC.



### The Month of Our Lady

In addition to the myriad of feast days honoring Our Lady under her many titles and virtues, the entire month of May is especially given to her praise. In the words of Pope Paul VI, May is "a month which the piety of the faithful has long dedicated to Mary, the Mother of God ... For this is the month during which Christians, in their churches and their homes, offer the Virgin Mother more fervent and loving acts of homage and veneration; and it is the month in which a greater abundance of God's merciful gifts comes down to us from our Mother's throne."

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**Please help join us to help  
NEW MOMS  
at Community Maternity Services!**

**We are collecting the following through  
June 2<sup>nd</sup>**

Diapers: sizes 2, 3, 4, 5, 6

Pull-Ups

Baby Wipes

Baby Shampoo, Baby Wash, and Lotion

New clothes sizes 2T, 3T

**Thank you for your generosity!**

May 14, 2024

Dear Parishioners of St. Jude the Apostle:

On behalf the Finance Committee, the Pastoral Council, Fr. Rice, Dcn. Warren and Trustee Chris Harris, we wish to share with you a brief overview of our current financial condition. The table below summarizes our income statement as of February 2024.

**St. Jude the Apostle Church**  
**Income Statement**  
**Year to Date (YTD) as of February 2024**

Income	Actual	YTD Budget	Variance
Offertory	\$172,109.40	\$179,599.99	-\$7,490.59
Other Income	\$13,247.81	\$7,666.66	\$5,581.15
Fundraising / Donations	\$75,959.54	\$70,966.63	\$4,992.91
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$261,316.75</b>	<b>\$258,233.28</b>	<b>\$3,083.47</b>

Expense	Actual	YTD Budget	Variance
Salaries & Benefits	\$136,464.27	\$137,749.93	\$1,285.66
Office / Supplies Expense	\$42,713.98	\$43,199.95	\$485.97
Maintenance Expense	\$27,899.67	\$28,466.64	\$566.97
All Other	\$41,067.84	\$46,319.96	\$5,252.12
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>\$248,145.76</b>	<b>\$255,736.48</b>	<b>\$7,590.72</b>

<b>Net</b>	<b>\$13,170.99</b>	<b>\$2,496.80</b>	<b>\$10,674.19</b>
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Overall, our financial condition is **NEUTRAL**. It is neither good nor bad. Here are several observations:

The offertory is down from our budgeted forecast by about -\$7k.

Other income and fundraising sources have off-set this variance in the offertory; there are significant one-time donations included in this category. We cannot assume the same level of fundraising year-to-year.

Expenses are running favorable to budget, which helps off-set income deficits

The finance committee continues to review our expenses and evaluate opportunities to mitigate

The arrears repayment plan to the Diocese has been temporarily paused pending resolution of bankruptcy proceedings

There are capital improvements we are evaluating and prioritizing based on need and restricted uses of Re-Igniting Our Faith funds

In summary, you can help! The most significant thing you can do is to help grow our parish community through your active participation. A vibrant, active parish community will attract new members and spur growth. Finally, you can offer your unique talents / gifts to helping our parish.





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