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MASS SCHEDULE FOR ST. JUDE THE APOSTLE / ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL PARISHIES

St. Jude the Apostle Church		St. Michael the Archangel Church	
Saturday, August 3, 2024	Sunday, August 4, 2024	Saturday, August 3, 2024	Sunday, August 4, 2024
Mass 4:00PM	Mass 8:30AM	Mass 4:00PM	Mass 10:00AM
Fr. Patrick Rice	Fr. Patrick Rice	Fr. James Donlon	Fr. Patrick Rice
Saturday, August 10, 2024	Sunday, August 11, 2024	Saturday, August 10, 2024	Sunday, August 11, 2024
Mass 4:00PM	Mass 8:30AM	Mass 4:00PM	Mass 10:00AM
Fr. Patrick Rice	Fr. Patrick Rice	Fr. James Donlon	Fr. Patrick Rice

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

Saturday, July 27, 2024 Rosane Farcher, Husband Edward Kehn Jr. Mary McDade Carolyn Cardany, Jim & Julia Cardany Vickie Gilooly, Bill & Elaine Cronin

Sunday, July 28, 2024 John Perkinson, Wife Christopher Premo, Mom & Dad

Wednesday July 31, 2024 Joseph & Eileen Smith, Jan & TJ Jackson

Friday August 2, 2024, 2024 Debra Zemanick, Mary Helen & Steve Culver

Saturday, August 3, 2024 Jerri Richards. Husband Rosane Farcher, Husband George Dempsey, Jack & Maureen Rogers

> Sunday, 4, 2024 Ronnie Benson, Wife John Perkinson, Wife Vincent Flanigan, Family

ST. JUDE THE APOSTLE SCHOOL

Mr. G's Summer Camp was "WILD" last week for Animal Week!

Week 4 of Mr. G's Summer Camp at St. Jude the Apostle School is always a favorite for our campers and staff: ANIMAL WEEK! As always, the week was filled with so many fun activities for all of our campers:

Monday was Movie Day where the children enjoyed a showing of *Zootopia* in our air conditioned gymnasium. With this summer's VERY high temperatures, we are happy that we can offer air conditioned spaces for our campers to cool off between activities.

Tuesday was filled with animal themed crafts and games.

Wednesday brought more animal themed activities and everyone's favorite – McDonalds Day for lunch!

Thank you to Jim Keating of Capital Landscaping for sponsoring this week's lunch for the campers and staff!

On Thursday we welcomed Ponies for Hire with their petting zoo of goats, ducks, chickens, bunnies and their 2 ponies: Peek-a-boo and Cupcake. Every camper was given the opportunity to go for a short ride on one of the ponies and to pet all of the cute animals. What a fun and exciting day!

Friday was Water Day complete with water games, water balloon tosses and a water slide!









Ground Breaking News for St. Jude the Apostle School!

I am thrilled to share with our school and parish community that St. Jude the Apostle School has been gifted with an extensive remodeling project from local businesses and contractors! This project is something that myself, Fr. Pat and a small committee have been working on securing for over a year and we are so excited to see our efforts come to fruition this summer with a ground breaking date of in late August. This amazing gift will include:

The construction of a security vestibule at the front entrance to our building. This will extend our front door area to include 2 sets of double doors with shatter proof film and a new office area for Mrs. Diehl to monitor the comings and goings of our students, families and guests. Included in this project is a new front walkway with a concrete handicap ramp to improve the handicap accessibility of our school.

A fully renovated Media Lab that will be brand new from ceiling to floor! This area will receive all new furniture, flooring, shelves for library books and a state-of-the-art audio-video system.

A fully renovated STREAM Lab!! This space will be reconfigured and remodeled to provide a brand new space for our K-5 students to learn and explore in the areas of science, technology, religion, engineering, art and mathematics. We are also in discussions with the President of RPI to create a partnership allowing RPI students to work with our students in this shiny new space.

A new roof installed over the K-5 wing and the main office area.

And, fingers-crossed, we are hoping to have both the front and back parking lots milled and resurfaced!



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GOSPEL REFLECTION

The readings this Sunday provide us a good opportunity to reflect on what we believe. Sometimes we may have some doubt that prayers get answered and miracles can happen, and we are quick to accept a more natural explanation.

In the last 100 years there have been a few scholars that have proposed that the crowd in today's Gospel must have also brought food with them and when Jesus shared the little bit bread and fish, many other people in the crowd also must have shared from their own supplies. So, they say, what might have happened is that Jesus had changed the hearts of the people through his example and when they all shared their food, there was more than enough.

But, before we accept that explanation, let's take a closer look at what the John tells us in his Gospel. The large crowd we read about this week were not following Jesus just because he was a good teacher. We are told in the Gospels several times over that they were bringing their sick to Him because they had seen the miraculous healings He was performing during His journey. They had every reason to believe that they were in the presence of the one sent by God. Jesus would not disappoint them in their hunger for divine contact in their lives.

With the feast of the Passover about to begin, there was no way to obtain the food they needed to feed such a large crowd. Andrew fully expected that Jesus would send the crowd away. Yet, to the amazement of everyone, Jesus, instead gave them a sign of God's ability and His desire to take what little we give to Him in faith and multiply it. He not only fed the multitude but there was plenty left over.

Jesus gave this great sign to show them that God would provide for those who put their trust in Him, just like He provided for their fathers with the manna he gave as they wandered in the desert. Yet the bread from heaven that Jesus would provide was more than mere food for our bodies. He was offering Himself. His food would provide for us both physically and spiritually.

So, what are we being asked to believe? If we pay attention to the response of the crowd in this week's Gospel: they saw Jesus as the new Moses, the great prophet and king who was foretold to come. It is clear from the story that the people were amazed at this miracle of the loaves. They saw it as an act of God's providence and not merely a human sharing of food. This Gospel is about the super abundance of God's provision for us, especially in the Eucharist.

That brings me to the point I want to make about believing in God's providence. The Fathers of Vatican II in the "Instruction on the Worship of Eucharistic Mystery" say that "in the Mass, the sacrifice and sacred meal belong to the same mystery, that the Lord's Supper, is at the same time and inseparably, A sacrifice in which the sacrifice of the cross is perpetuated; A memorial of the death and resurrection of the Lord who said, do this in memory of me; And a sacred banquet in which through the Body and Blood of the Lord, the people of God share in the benefits of the Paschal sacrifice, renew the new covenant which God has made with man once for all through the Blood of Christ, and in faith and hope, foreshadow and anticipate the eschatological banquet in the kingdom of the Father, proclaiming the Lord's death until his coming."

Now, that is quite a lot to digest but, we can see that the Eucharist is no ordinary meal. It is a sacrament of unity that unites us as Paul tells us in his letter this week, we become one in body and one in faith through sharing this one bread, one cup and one Lord. In fact, we become what we eat.

Now, what happens when we start losing our sense of amazement in this mystery? When we stop believing in Jesus divine presence in the Eucharist, then the Mass is reduced to just a fraternal meal instead of a sacred banquet. Our sharing in the Lord's Paschal sacrifice becomes only a remembrance and not an actual partaking in the sacred sacrifice.

Pope John Paul II, in his letter on the Eucharist cautioned us about this very tendency of losing our belief in Jesus's presence in the Eucharist and for that reason; he wrote to rekindle in us a new Eucharistic amazement and a renewed reverence for Jesus in his Body and Blood.

So, as we come to share in the Eucharist this week, let it be with this same amazement and let our trust remain strong that it is the Lord who provides for us, and that our needs will be met with His ability to multiply.

God Bless

Deacon Warren

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

Weekly Offertory 7/21/2024

2,334.00 (Offertory)

(E-Giving)

4.962.75 TOTAL

To cover our expenses for the week, We need \$4,808.00

We are OVER (\$ 154.75)

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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 16th of each month. If you are interested in Electronic Giving, please stop by the Parish Office.

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

9,181.00 (Offertory)

3,508.75 (E-Giving)

12,689.75 TOTAL

To cover our YTD we need \$14,424.00 We are UNDER budget (\$1,734.25)



Events for the **Knights of Columbus:**



Attention parents of school age children-the first day of school will be here before you know it. Now is a great time to check with your child's pediatrician to see if they are in need of vaccinations before starting back to school. Sending in documentation to the school nurse ahead of time saves everyone alot of time and effort!

ST. JUDE THE APOSTLE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

CATERED BY GIULIANO'S \$15 PER DINNER/PAY AT PICKUP LAST DAY TO ORDER 8/11/24

1/2 CHICKEN, BAKED POTATO,

PRE-ORDER CALL OR TEXT JACK 518-857-0424 PICKUP AT ST. JUDE'S PARKING LOT 42 DANA AVENUE WYNANTSKILL



Communion for the Homebound

We need your help! We are continuing to receive requests for communion to be brought to our parishioners at home and we need your help! Visitation to the homebound and bringing them the Eucharist is a very rewarding ministry. Please notify the Parish Office if you can help. Visitation does NOT have to occur on the weekends. Training is available if needed.

We will continue to fundraise for our Annual Bed Building Day on

Saturday, August 17th. "Sleep In Heavenly Peace" is a nationwide company that builds beds for children that do not have a bed. Each bed costs us \$250, and we are out in the parking lot helping to make these beds! If you'd like to make a donation, please make your check payable to St. Michael's Parish and put "SHP DONATION" in the memo section. Please label your envelope "FF SHP Project-ATTN: JoAnn Taylor", and leave it in the office or drop it in the basket. Also, mark the date on your calendar to come and help build the beds-it's a fun and very rewarding event!





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