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SUNDAY, MAY 5, 2024

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

GO AND BEAR  
FRUIT THAT WILL  
**REMAIN.**

JOHN 15:16

*Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord - Holy Day of Obligation - On Thursday, May 9th*  
Mass Times for both Churches are as follows:

St. Jude the Apostle 5:30 PM  
St Michael the Archangel 12:10 PM regular Mass time

**Sanctuary Votive Light:**  
*Ned Fitzgerald, Dan O'Connell*

**Saturday, May 4, 2024 - Mass at 4PM**

*Colleen Bornhorst, Father*  
*Rosane Farcher, Husband*  
*Harold Jacobs, Mary McDade*  
*John Valente, Jack Rogers*  
*Carol Lawless, Marianne Morin and Daughters*

**Sunday, May 5th, 2024 - Mass at 10AM**

*Joseph Frost, Mom, Dad, Matthew, Tye*  
*Ronnie Wilson Wife*  
*Rosane Farcher, Husband*  
*John T. Perkinson, Wife*

**Wednesday, May 8th, 2024- Mass at 8:00AM**

*Paul Melius, Wife Michelle*

**Thursday, May 9th, 2024—Mass at 5:30PM**  
For All Living and Deceased Parishioners of St. Jude

**Friday, May 10th, 2024— Mass at 8:00AM**  
For All Living and Deceased Parishioners of St. Jude

**Saturday, May 11th, 2024- Mass at 4PM**

*Irene Mozjesik, Nicole and Don Heckelman*  
*Rosane Farcher, Husband*  
*Jerrie Richards, Husband*  
*David & Dorthea Castle, Children*  
*Carol Lawless,*

**Sunday, May 12th, 2024- Mass at 10AM**

## 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion



St. Jude the Apostle School celebrated our 1st Communion Mass on Sunday, 4/28, with 17 students receiving the sacrament of the holy Eucharist for the first time in the presence of God, Fr. Pat, Sr. Laurie-Marie, Mrs. Hoffay and a church filled with family & loved ones! May the Lord bless each of these children and continue to guide them on their faith journeys.

May God Bless:

Ellie Abbott

Connor Brammer

Giovanna Casale

Anna Crettol

Ryan Crettol

John Dalmata

Max Giuliano

Madlynn Hall

Tessa Jeffer

William Johnson

Piper Magur

Piper Molesky

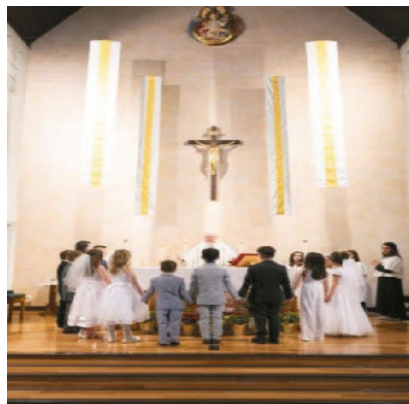
Ethan Molitor

Giuliana Pitaniello

Arya Plog

Mackenzie Reale

Anthony Sorriento



# ST. JUDE THE APOSTLE SCHOOL



# ST. JUDE THE APOSTLE SCHOOL



Confirmation Date  
May 6, 2024

To Be Held at :6:30 PM

St Michael the Archangel Church, Troy



- |                    |                    |
|--------------------|--------------------|
| Aiossa Emily       |                    |
| Albarelli III John | Labarge, Sophia    |
| Anslow Colin       | Mancino,, Natatia  |
| Backaus Cadence    | Mazzariello Joseph |
| Borowsky Rowan     | McDade Madelynn    |
| Bott Cheyenne      | Miller Hailey      |
| Bradley Connor     | Moore Charles      |
| Burch Zachary      | Murray Jackson     |
| Casale Logan       | Parker Dianna      |
| Decker Anthony     | Reo Alivia         |
| Denio Alexandra    | Reo Ava            |
| Denio, Andrew      | Short Sophia       |
| Harriman Abigail   | Wells Jacob        |
| Hein, Amelia       | Wojton Charles     |
| Kaczala Emma       | Zakarka Susan      |



*First Communion Mass*  
*April, 27, 2024 at 11:00a.m.*

*First Communicants*

- |                        |                          |
|------------------------|--------------------------|
| <i>Lucas Artavia</i>   | <i>Vincent Bader</i>     |
| <i>Gianna Bradley</i>  | <i>Max Degnan</i>        |
| <i>Derek Farcher</i>   | <i>Jade Farcher</i>      |
| <i>Josslyn Ford</i>    | <i>Robert Fortin</i>     |
| <i>Madeline Hatter</i> | <i>Lucas Hilton</i>      |
| <i>Charlie Horton</i>  | <i>Kaelyn Hoyt</i>       |
| <i>Kali Krikorian</i>  | <i>Michaela Marshall</i> |
| <i>Julianna Notaro</i> | <i>Marianna Pastore</i>  |
| <i>Cohen Premo</i>     | <i>Presley Reo</i>       |

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**BAPTISM**  
Please call the Parish Office or email  
Deacon Warren @ warrensafford@gmail.com



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



**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.

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



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



# GOSPEL REFLECTION

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**I**n no longer call you slaves, because a slave does not know what his master is doing. I have called you friends, because I have told you everything I have heard from my Father. It was not you who chose me, but I who chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit that will remain, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name he may give you. This I command you: love one another. John 15:15–17

Just prior to the passage quoted above, Jesus says, “You are my friends if you do what I command you.” Is that the measure of true friendship? That we do what our friend commands us to do? That depends upon which friend we are speaking about.

There are many images we use for God. We call Him Father, Savior, Master, Lord, King, Redeemer, Spirit and Friend. When it comes to God as our divine Friend, it is important to understand the nature of that friendship properly. Jesus’ friendship is not one that simply makes us “buddies.” Friendship with our Lord is not the same as a friendship between two equals. He is God. And because He is God, our friendship with Him takes on unique characteristics that are not present in other friendships. With that said, there could be no greater friend than the Lord Himself.

Among humans, our friendships have various foundations. It could be that two people have mutual interests and they enjoy engaging in those interests together. It could be that two people have spent much pleasant time together since childhood. Or it could be that two people have endured some difficulty together and that experience has bonded them together. But according to Saint Thomas Aquinas, friendship in its purest form is based on just one thing: mutual charity.

Charity is the form of love that is purely selfless. It’s a way of relating to another in which a person’s sole focus is the good of the other. It is not based on one’s own self interests. It’s not a matter of “what do I get out of it?” In 1 Corinthians 13:4–8, St. Paul defines the love of charity this way: “Love is patient, love is kind. It is not jealous, it is not pompous, it is not inflated, it is not rude, it does not seek its own interests, it is not quick-tempered, it does not brood over injury, it does not rejoice over wrongdoing but rejoices with the truth. It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never fails.” This is not only the definition of charity, it is also the only foundation for true friendship.

When you consider all of these qualities of charity, you will find that God relates to us in each of these ways. For that reason, God offers us the purest friendship possible. Whether or not we reciprocate these qualities to God will determine the depth of the bond of friendship that we establish with Him. But there is more. When we love God, we must love Him in a way that is proper and proportionate to who God is. For example, if we offer charity to God, we seek to fulfill

only God’s interests and rejoice in the truth of who He is. Thus, the charity we offer to God comes in the form of worship. He is God and is worthy of worship, adoration, surrender, trust and perfect obedience. When it is God we are loving, the very essence of the Person we love requires these responses.

One beautiful and consoling thing to recognize with this form of charity given to God is that it also establishes a true friendship with God. When we offer our worship to God, we are in a position to receive the very life of God in return. And the giving of ourselves, coupled with the reception of the life of God, establishes a bond of holy friendship that will transform us, unite us

with Him and fulfill us to perfection. Friendship with God makes us one with Him and opens us to receive everything that He shares with us—namely, His very Self.

Reflect, today, upon the invitation Jesus has offered you to enter into a true friendship with Him. This means that God becomes the center of your life. It means that you seek to give yourself, selflessly and without reserve, to Him Who is deserving of all your love. It means you choose worship and obedience to perfection. The reward of such love is that you are able to enter into a bond that is so holy, so pure and so fulfilling that it completes you, enabling you to become who you were meant to be.

*My God and true Friend, You offer me everything in life. You offer me Your perfect love, given fully and without reserve. I pray that I will reciprocate that depth of love and offer to You all that You deserve. I offer You my love, worship and obedience, dear Lord. May this mutual love form a bond that will never end. Jesus, I trust in You.*



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

Weekly Offertory 4/28/2024

\$ 2,639.20 (Offertory)  
\$ 120.00 (E-Giving)  
\$ 2,759.20 TOTAL

To cover our expenses for the week,  
We need \$4,808.00  
We are UNDER budget (\$2,750.20)

# STEWARDSHIP

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

\$ 166,743.04 (Offertory)  
\$ 33,160.50 (E-Giving)  
\$ 199,903.54 TOTAL



To cover our YTD we need  
\$211,552.00  
We are UNDER budget (\$ 11,708.46 )



## Knights of Columbus

### Events for the

### Knights of Columbus:

KOC Chicken BBQ Fri Aug 16

Save time and help the St Jude's Knight of Columbus Coats for Kids project by bringing your returnable bottles to the 6 Cent Redemption on the corner of Main Ave and Sharpe Ave 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 the KOC.



### CHURCH BOOKKEEPER OPENING Immediate opening

## Happy Spring!

Let's enjoy the sunshine by getting out and taking a walk! We have been shut inside and fresh air will usually make us all feel better. Your body needs to move-start small and increase your steps when you can. Reconnect with nature-what a great stress reducer!

For a bookkeeper at St. Michael the Archangel Church. Need to fill the position immediately! If interested, please stop by the office, or call 518-283-6110 ext: 201. Also, you can Email:MKunkel8@aol.com or frpat.spspp@gmail.com

Thank you!



## MEGA RAFFLE

St. Michael's is holding our fourth annual Mega Raffle with twelve prizes including a grand prize of \$10,000. The sale of tickets began on April 6, 2024 with our drawing on May 19, 2024 after the 8:30 Mass. The tickets are \$100 each and are available after Mass or in the Church Office. Thank you for your support of this, our largest fundraiser of the year.





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