

St. Jude the Apostle Parish

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Sanctuary Votive Light

For the Intentions of the Parishioners of St. Jude the Apostle Church

Saturday, September 28th, 2024-4:00PM

Colleen Williams, *McCarthy Family*
 Philomena Moscatiello, *Family*
 Rosana Farcher, *Husband*

Sunday, September 29th, 2024-10:00AM

John Perkinson, *Wife*
 Tina Demczar, *Ellen Dunn*
 Don LaPointe, *Wife*

Wednesday October 2nd, 2024

George Herrington, *Family*

Friday October 4th, 2024

Peg Dessinger, *Sue & Mike Langevin*

Saturday, October 5th, 2024-4:00PM

Peg Dessinger, *Maryann Grace*
 Jerri Richards, *Husband*
 Rosane Farcher, *Husband*
 Richard Halderman, *Flanigan Family*

Sunday, October 6th, 2024-10:00AM

Ronnie Benson, *Wife*
 Domenicantonio Difiore, *Family*
 John Perkinson, *Wife*
 Christopher Catone, *Mike Catone & Family*



ST. JUDE THE APOSTLE SCHOOL



Students from all grade levels as gift bearers!



Declan (5th grade) reading the Intentions



Mackenzie (4th grade) reading the 2nd Reading

St. Jude the Apostle School/Parish Mass

Last Sunday, 9/22, at the 10:00am mass, students from St. Jude the Apostle School participated in our first monthly school/parish mass. Students greeted parishioners at all doors prior to the start of mass, were lectors, altar servers, gift bearers and ushers. We were excited to welcome school families to attend mass with their children and cannot wait to do it again next month on October 20th at the 10:00am mass. Our parish is such an amazing support to our school and we want to show our appreciation by showing our smiling faces alongside all of you at weekend masses.



Sister: Clare (3rd grade) & Maeve (Kindergarten) greeting parishioners with their smiling faces!

Alli (4th grade) reading the 1st Reading



Max (3rd grade) helping his dad with usher responsibilities

Saoirse & Julia (2nd grade) greeting before mass



Help Wanted at St. Jude the Apostle School

St. Jude the Apostle School is looking for a temporary school custodian.

- Working five days a week from 3-8pm.
- Salary range is \$16.50-\$20 an hour.

If you are interested or want further details, please call Kris Hoffay at 518-283-0333





If your hand causes you to sin, cut it off. It is better for you to enter into life maimed than with two hands to go into Gehenna, into the unquenchable fire. And if your foot causes you to sin, cut it off. It is better for you to enter into life crippled than with two feet to be thrown into Gehenna. And if your eye causes you to sin, pluck it out..." Mark 9:43-47

Sometimes we need to wake up is capable of sending you to eternity is a real possibility. takes to avoid that frightful might not, at first, be thought ings, but it should be. It's not graphic. But it is very inspiring motivate us to action.



to the horror of sin. Sin and sin alone hell. Hell is real, and going there for Therefore, we must do whatever it possibility. This teaching from Jesus of as one of His most inspiring teach- inspiring in the sense that it is quite in the sense that it has the potential to

Are you motivated to do all that you can to avoid sin? Would you even go so far as to cut off your hand or foot, and to pluck out your eye so as to avoid sin? First of all, this should not be seen as a literal command in which Jesus is telling us to mutilate ourselves. But He is the one Who chose such graphic language. Therefore, we should not shy away from pondering these images in a prayerful way so as to more clearly see those things that lead us into sin. When we see them, we must take the radical step of completely eliminating them from our lives.

Many of the Church Fathers say that the hand, foot and eye in this teaching refer to our friends. Just as a hand, foot and eye are good in and of themselves, so also are friends. We are made for friendship with God and with others. However, not every friendship helps us grow closer to God. Therefore, when an earthly friend becomes a source of sin, we must eliminate that friendship.

Friendship is different from charity. We owe charity to all people, even those who are the most sinful. But acting with charity toward others is different from being friends with them. To be a friend implies mutual giving and receiving. And though we must always give of ourselves to others, we ought not always receive from them when what they have to offer is an invitation to sin. This is how we "cut it off" and "pluck it out." When another person tries to relate to us in such a way that they lead us into sin, we must take that temptation very seriously and reject it with much vigor.

The hand, foot and eye in this teaching also represent every situation in life that tempts us to sin. For example, consider material possessions. If buying a very expensive car, house, or electronic gadget tempts you to become more materialistic, then you must avoid buying it. People are drawn to nice things. But does possessing nice things help your soul to become holy? One could argue that they can have nice things, while at the same time remain spiritually detached from them. But this is difficult to live. The more luxurious our material possessions, the more tempted we will be to rely upon them for our happiness. Therefore, choosing to live simply is almost always better for your soul than choosing to live in luxury. This teaching also applies to anything else that could become a source of temptation.

Reflect, today, upon those things or persons in your life that have become an occasion of sin for you. Do not fool yourself into believing that you can handle the temptation. If you have some source of ongoing temptation in your life, you need to eliminate it. Ponder this very graphic teaching from Jesus and try to apply it to your life. Identify those things that lead you into sin and eliminate them with much determination.

My radical Lord, You call all of Your children to a life of holiness and perfection. Please help me to take Your teachings seriously so as to eliminate all occasions of sin from my life. May I have the eyes to see these temptations and the courage to reject them with all my might. Jesus, I trust in You.



LET US KEEP REVEREND PATRICK RICE IN OUR PRAYERS

After prayerful consideration, Fr. Patrick Rice has decided to take a medical leave commencing on September 11th from the pastorate of St. Michael the Archangel and St. Jude the Apostle. Any outreach or communication regarding Fr. Pat should be directed to the Chancery Office at the Pastoral Center. Let us all keep Fr. Patrick Rice in our prayers in this time of transition.

ADDRESS: Pastoral Center, 40 North Main Ave., Albany, New York 12203
c/o Reverend Donald Rutherford, Vicar for Clergy

RESPECT LIFE ROSARY RECCITATION

Recitation of the Rosary, sponsored by the Respect Life Committee will return the last weekend of each month at 3:30 pm on Saturday, September 28 and at 9:30 am on Sept. 29.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

Did you know?

- the KOC is a Catholic charitable organization for men around the globe with over 2 million members. It was started by Fr McGivney in 1882 in nearby New Haven, Connecticut. St Jude's council is almost 25 years old.
- Each Spring and Fall we pick up litter along Williams and Whiteview Rd from LaSalle to the car wash.
- Each year we buy 144 brand new coats from the international KOC to give to children in our parish and local community.
- we buy bibles presented to every child baptized at St Jude's
- we sponsor a child at St Jude's School
- we support many other Parish programs and activities
- we meet once a month for less than an hour. All activities are optional. Dues are \$25/year and includes a monthly magazine from the global organization.
- we need you to join! Just call the parish office (518-283-1162) and leave your name. Someone from the Knights will call you back. Or go to KOFC.org and sign up for our council #12637.

St. Jude the Apostle ~ Adult Choir

St. Jude's Adult Choir is looking for new members. Please consider joining us. We are a faith-filled group who provide music for our liturgical celebrations.

"Music ministry is more time consuming than most other liturgical ministries. Alternatively, music ministry often has a stronger sense of community than other ministries because we meet so regularly....."



Join the Choir...
You'll Be Glad You Did!

Music ministry provides beauty, joy, comfort, inspiration, and musical prayer for our communal liturgies and various parish celebrations. This is possible due to the generous sharing of time and talent of diverse and committed members. If you can carry a tune and want to learn, come and sing with us." If you would like more information, please see Debbie Moore in the choir loft.



Who doesn't love bread? Bread satisfies our hunger quickly but is it as healthy for us as other foods? Eating bread at all 3 meals a day can add pounds quickly. Whole grained bread is healthier for us as it contains more fiber than enriched bread. According to Web MD, bread stays fresher on the counter than in the refrigerator! As with many foods, those who are restricted with sodium intake may be surprised to see how much sodium is in one slice of bread, so get comfortable reading ALL food labels if you are on a sodium restricted diet.

ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY

Our Annual Membership Get-together Is Tuesday October 8, 2024. We will start with a church service at 6pm, followed by a reception in Dammann Hall. Please bring a finger food to share. Coffee, tea and wine will be available. We welcome all new members to join a celebration of past achievements and our hopes and prayers for the future. Annual dues are due \$15.00. Diane Clement and Julia Cardany will be chairing this event



October The Month Devoted to the HOLY ROSARY

Let us pray: O God of infinite goodness and mercy, fill our hearts with a great confidence in Thy most holy Mother, whom we invoke under the title of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, and grant us by Her most powerful intercession all the graces, spiritual and temporal, which we need. Through Christ Our Lord. Amen.





Faith Formation

We welcome all Faith Formation students and families as classes start this weekend! We have planned a year full of activities to grow our faith while work to "be like Jesus". Grades K-6 will meet weekly from 9:30-10:30 am, and grades 7-10 will meet twice a month from 10:45-12:15. Registration forms are available in the Gathering Area. IF you have not yet registered and would like to do so, please stop by the Parish Hall at class time to register. Registration forms are also available in the Gathering Area. If you would like an electronic copy, please email ffstmichaels@gmail.com.

Join us on October 4th, the Feast of St. Francis, for the Blessing of the Animals. We will have a short prayer service followed by a blessing of all animals present. Please make sure all animals are leashed or caged!



Knights of Columbus



Knights of Columbus Coats for Kids:

Do you know a grade school child who could use a brand new winter coat? Each October the St Jude's Knights of Columbus purchases 144 brand new winter coats and distributes them to our parish, various schools, and groups right in our hometown. Please call the parish office ASAP with the size needed and whether a boy/girl. All coats will be distributed on October 15. If you would like to make a donation to this cause, please put in the collection in an envelope marked 'coats for kids' or use the coffee can located at the main door of the church.

Knights of Columbus Bottle Drive

Please consider donating your empty bottles to the KOC. It's easy, saves time, and directly supports our Coats for Kids program. All you have to do is bring your empty bottles to the Wynantskill 6 Cent Redemption Center on the corner of Main Ave and Sharpe Rd and say that they are for the St Jude the Apostle Knights of Columbus men's club. They will sort and count the bottles. Last year we received over \$1,000 from the bottles. Thank you for your support!

LIVING WITH LOSS

Our Living With Loss Group will be meeting on October 17 at 3 pm in the Parish Center. All are invited and no RSVP is necessary.



THANK YOU!

A big thank you to the people of St Michael's parish, St Jude's parish, Holy Spirit's parish, the Carmelite Community and others for the donations of funds and baby flannel! Many dozens of receiving blankets, burp cloths and wash cloths will be made to support Glory House and Birth Right!

FLU AND COVID VACCINES

Now is the time to think about getting your Flu and Covid Vaccines to be prepared for winter. Of course, the choice is yours, but those folks over 65, immunocompromised or who have a chronic illness may want to think about the importance on NOT getting the illness due to their individual health needs and getting the vaccines instead. As always, contact your care provider if you have specific questions. Both vaccines are now available at local pharmacies.

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