

Roman Catholic

CHURCH OF SAINT JUDE

P.O. BOX N, BLAIRSTOWN, NJ 07825 ✉ **STREET ADDRESS:** 7 EISENHOWER ROAD, COLUMBIA, NJ 07832



FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

MARCH 17, 2024

Rev. Ronald L. Jandernoa, Pastor

MASSES

Saturday Vigil-----5:00 pm

Sunday-----8:15 & 10:30 am

Monday through Thursday-----9:00 am Mass

Please check the schedule for Friday Masses

RECONCILIATION

Confessions-----Saturday, 4:00 to 4:30 pm
or by appointment

COMMUNION FOR THE HOMEBOUND

If you or someone you know would like to receive communion at home on a temporary or long-term need, please call the parish office at 908-362-6444.

BAPTISM

Please call the parish office two months in advance to make arrangements.

RCIA - RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

This process leads one, who chooses to become Catholic, into full membership in the Church. Contact the Parish Office at 908-362-6444.

MARRIAGE

Are you thinking about marriage, engaged or already married? See the following website about marriage: www.foryourmarriage.org

The Common Policy on Marriage of the Dioceses of NJ requires one year for the time needed to prepare for the sacrament of marriage. Couples preparing for marriage should call the parish office to make arrangements very soon after getting engaged and at least one year in advance of the day of the wedding.

WELCOME! We welcome all new parishioners to St. Jude Church. Registration is important to help the parish staff serve you. Please register through the parish office. We also encourage you to use the offertory envelopes, available through the parish office, and invite you to share your time, talent and treasure with our parish family.

PARISH OFFICE

Barbara Phillips, Pastoral Associate

Phone ----- 908-362-6444 **Fax**----- 908-362-6862

Email----- stjudech@ptd.net **Web** ----- www.stjudech.org

Office Hours

Mon. to Thurs.-----9:30 am to 12:00 noon & 1:00 to 3:30 pm

Friday-----9:30 am to 12:00 noon

MUSIC MINISTRY - Kathleen Decker, Director

**THE OFFICE OF FAITH FORMATION
& DISCIPLESHIP FOR YOUTH & FAMILIES**

Faith Formation & Youth Ministry / 908-362-1431

**Beth Thornton, Parish Catechetical Leader & Youth Group
Coordinator**

stjudecrosstrainingyouth@gmail.com

**The hour has come for the
Son of Man to be glorified.**

JOHN 12:23

SUNDAY, MARCH 17, 2024
FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

ST. JUDE - PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We the parish family of St. Jude, as members of the Body of Christ proclaim the Good News of Jesus in our worship, words and deeds. Out of love for God and neighbor, we dedicate our time, talents and treasures to the service of our faith community and to those who are in need.

Question of the Week The reward of faith

Reading I: Jeremiah 31:31–34 (the new covenant)

Reading II: Hebrews 5:7–9 (Jesus, compassionate high priest)

Gospel: John 12:20–33 (the coming of Jesus' hour)

Key Passage: Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. (John 12:25)

Adult: When and in what way have you seen life come from death?

Child: When have you felt stronger because you sacrificed something for a friend or member of your family?

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY MARCH 16

5:00 PM Vigil Mass

Brenda Lu Stoughton r/o Lorraine Meister

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

8:15 AM For the Intentions of the Voitek Family r/o the Nessel Family

10:30 AM Parishioners of St. Jude

MONDAY, MARCH 18

9:00AM Rose Tripoli r/o Joe & Liz Tripoli

TUESDAY, MARCH 19

9:00AM Michelle Ralston r/o her mom & dad, Roy & Carmel LaBarbera

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20

9:00AM Julie Repasky r/o her husband, Mike

THURSDAY, MARCH 21

9:00 AM Betty Erickson r/o St. Jude Food Pantry

FRIDAY, MARCH 22

9:00AM Marvin Simon r/o Kevin & Roseann McPartland

SATURDAY, MARCH 23

5:00 PM Vigil Mass

Jackie Korosec r/o her husband, Andy

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

8:15 AM Raymond Meyers r/o Mr. & Mrs. Joseph McGrath

10:30 AM Parishioners of St. Jude

r/o – request of

Live stream of mass at St. Jude Church is available through link stjudech.org.



The burning of the Sanctuary Lamp
this week is in Memory of

Michelle Ralston

at the request of her mom & dad
Roy & Carmel LaBarbera

Invest in St. Jude Parish

Last Sunday, March 10, 2024 \$ 5,142.00

(\$ 1,469.00 through Online Giving)

Previous Year - \$4,383.00

Thank you for your Sunday offerings in support of your Parish family of St. Jude Church.

Give to St. Jude Parish

We rely on your support with your offerings at Mass, through the mail, online giving, text Give, or dropping off offering at the rectory office.

You can mail your Sunday offerings by sending them to:

St. Jude Church,

P.O. Box N, Blairstown, NJ 07825

Or you can use our secure Online Giving option available at our parish website at stjudech.org:

or **Text "Give" using # 908-840-8362.**



**Collection for Retirement Fund
for Diocesan Clergy**

Please be generous next Sunday in the Palm Sunday 2nd Collection which supports our retired diocesan priests and our active priests upon their retirement.

Your generous response to this special collection is a practical way to convey your personal appreciation to our retired priests for their many years of service.

Thank you for your continued generosity.

Reflection: "I will be their God and they shall be my people." - Jeremiah 31:33

What does it mean to be God's people? It means we recognize that everything we have and everything we are belongs to God. We aren't "owners" of anything, we are merely "stewards" of the gifts God has given us. It means we are willing to use our gifts and our lives to care for our family, our neighbors and for people we don't know, just as God cares for each of us.

DAILY MASS READINGS March 17 thru 24
FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Jer 31:31-34; Heb 5:7-9; Jn 12:20-33

Monday: Saint Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop, Doctor of the Church Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62

Tuesday: SAINT JOSEPH: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a

Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Jn 8:31-42

Thursday: Gn 17:3-9; Jn 8:51-59

Friday: Jer 20:10-13; Jn 10:31-42

Saturday: Saint Turibius of Mogrovejo, Bishop Ez 37:21-28; Jn 11:45-56

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

Jn 12:12-16; Is 50:4-7; Phil 2:6-11; Mk 14:1—15:47

THIS WEEK AT ST. JUDE

Parish Office hours:

Open Monday thru Thursday 9:30 am to 12:00 PM
& 1 to 3:30 pm, Friday 9:30AM to 12Noon

Sunday March 17: Fellowship after morning masses
sponsored by the St. Jude Ladies Guild
Tuesday, 4:30 PM Faith Formation Classes
& Confessions with visiting priests
Tuesday, 7:30 PM Parish Penance Service with visiting
priests available to hear confessions
Wednesday, Holy Hour after 9 AM Mass with Exposition
of the Blessed Sacrament, prayers, silence, confessions,
concluding with Benediction.
Women's LIFE 6:15PM
Friday, 9:30 AM Way of the Cross
Friday: 6:30 PM Soup Supper in McNulty
Friday 7:30 PM Way of the Cross
Saturday, 4:00 – 4:30PM Confessions
Saturday, March 23, 5 PM Vigil Mass of Palm Sunday
March 23: 6:30 PM, Bingo doors open
Sunday, March 24, Palm Sunday Masses 8:15 & 10:30 AM
***Palm Sunday Commemoration of the Lord's Entrance into
Jerusalem at the beginning of each Mass with special
procession. All Children are invited to the back of the
Church to participate in the procession.***
Palm Sunday Pancake Breakfast after masses
Sunday 9:30 AM Choir Practice

Upcoming Events

March 23: Bingo
March 24 Palm Sunday Pancake Breakfast
March 28, 7:30 PM Mass of the Last Supper
March 29, 12 PM Children's Way of the Cross
March 29, 3:00 PM Good Friday Liturgy of the Passion
Easter Schedule: March 30, 8:30 PM Easter Vigil Mass
March 3, Easter Sunday Masses 8:30 AM, 10:30 AM
April 2nd First Friday Adoration with Exposition of the
Blessed Sacrament from 9:30 AM to 7:00 PM
April 7, Divine Mercy Sunday Devotions 2:30 – 4 PM
With Eucharistic Adoration, Divine Mercy Chaplet
April 11, Thursday 9:45 AM Eucharist Study begins,
April 12, Friday 7:00 PM Eucharist Study begins
April 14 Sunday 11:45 AM Eucharistic Study begins
April 20 Special Night of Healing with individual prayer
over people after the 5 PM Vigil Mass
June 2, Corpus Christi Outdoor Eucharistic Procession
after 10:30 AM Mass.

Devotions

Morning Prayer 8:15 AM on Weekdays
St. Jude Novena Prayers on Monday after 9 AM Mass
Sacred Heart Litany after First Friday 9 AM Mass

The St. Jude Fellowship Café

Please join us at the Fellowship Cafe for conversation
and coffee after the Sunday 8:15 am and 10:30 am
Morning Masses in McNulty Hall

Ministries Supporting the Café

***Thank you to Women's LIFE for sponsoring
the Café last weekend! So Good!***

March 17 – St. Jude Ladies Guild

March 24 - Palm Sunday - St. Jude Knights of
Columbus-Pancake Breakfast

March 31 - No Fellowship - Happy Easter
*Monies collected from the donation jars are used to
purchase the basic Café items of coffee and paper
products.*

Thank you for your generosity :)

PRAYER REQUESTS

***Please remember the following who are sick or suffering or
need special prayer and have requested that we pray for
them:*** Timothy Card, Stefan Grande, Cathy Brandt, Bill
Kerrigan, Barbara Chiusano, Megan & Eleanor Lischak,
Karen Reddick, Taylor Daly, Gladys & Donald Bellott, Terry
Corcoran, Michael Pisano, Joseph Masters, Madison Grace
Moore, Debbie Alfier, Barbara Zehl, Eileen Thomas, Frank
Moscatello, Don Bellott, Donelle Bellott, John, Patricia &
Michael Karolchuk, Luke Condit, Olivia Hollis, Sean Neely,
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Gayle Rose May, Adam Schroll, John Repasky, Patricia
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Nelson J. Couto, Siya Singla, Ruth Pisano, Rita Stauffer,
Gary Heater, Carl Selitto, Johanne DeFilippo, Dennis Kelley,
Robert Tierney, Andy Korosec and for all who suffered from
the pandemic, for those in the armed forces serving our
country especially Nico Fluri, Eugene Molisso and those
serving in dangerous areas.

Our prayer list is updated each Jan. & July 1.

***We would like to update the prayer list, so please contact
the Parish Office to have an intention remain on the list,
newly listed or removed. 908-362-6444 or***

stjudech@ptd.net.

Thank You

St. Jude Women's LIFE

LIFE is a women's group, ages 21-101. We have lively
discussions on the role of Catholic women today.

We pray, laugh, and learn together.

**St. Jude Women's LIFE meets
the 3rd Wednesday of the Month at
6:15 PM in St. Jude Parish McNulty Hall**

For more information email Erin Burnett at
erburnett85@gmail.com

Office of Faith Formation and Discipleship for Youth & Families

Elizabeth Thornton PCL Office 908-362-1431

E-mail: stjudecrosstrainingyouth@gmail.com

Saint Jude is looking forward to seeing all the children at mass, fellowship, and the many fun stay connected events we have planned.

Religious Education: *Registration for the 2023-24 Religious Ed program.* There are blank registration forms in the vestibule of the church or you can email stjudecrosstrainingyouth@gmail.com for a copy. Grades start from Kindergarten – 8th grade. We have several different programs to meet your needs

St. Jude Thrift Shop

Donations are being accepted on Tuesdays.

Call Beth Thornton at 908-362-1431 or email

stjudecrosstrainingyouth@gmail.com

You can message us on the facebook page

“StJudeThriftShop”

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Go to: raiseright.com

Code for St. Jude is available on flyer in vestibule.

You can help St. Jude by using gift cards purchased through Raise Right for the many things you spend money on and a percentage of the amount can come back to St. Jude Church. Some companies allow for e-cards, some require gift cards to be sent to the parish. Get the parish code and more information available on the Raise Right flyers located in the vestibule of the Church. See other page in this bulletin for Holiday Gift Card Information. Get your orders in now online by the first Friday of the Month for gift cards to be made available to be picked up in Rectory.

Please give to St. Jude towards new furnaces and new air conditioner.

The two new Furnaces and air conditioning unit for McNulty Hall / Classrooms have now been installed. Expenses for purchasing them including labor are about \$22,500. You can help us cover this expense by making a special offering and place it in an envelope marked furnaces and place in the Sunday Collection. Or Mail your offering to St. Jude Church, P.O. Box N, Blairstown, NJ 07825.

THANK YOU!

As of March 12, parishioners have generously given \$3,545, the Knights of Columbus \$3,500 and the St. Jude Ladies Guild \$6,000 for a total of **\$13,045** towards these expenses. We have reached 58% given towards the total expense. Thank you to all who have given. God bless you.

Lenten Choir

***Come join your fellow parishioners and
sing in St. Jude Choir for Holy Week.***

Rehearsals Sundays 9:30 am in the Church.

***Let the music for Lent encourage us to
“Change Our Hearts”***

and grow to better reflect His image.



Soup Supper and Way of the Cross This Friday, St. Jude Parish

Soup Suppers at 6:30 PM in McNulty Hall

Followed by Mary's Way of the Cross at 7:30 PM

**All are welcome to take part in this penitential
journey through Lent.**

*We reflect more deeply every Friday on the Suffering of
our Lord who loved us to the end.*



CRS Rice Bowl

**EMBODYING THE LOVE
OF CHRIST BY CARING
FOR ONE ANOTHER**

Reflect on your Lenten journey thus far: What have you learned from our global family members in Uganda, El Salvador and Indonesia? How does the Eucharist unite us with our sisters and brothers around the world? Consider how Christ is present in Adolf and Florence, Sandra and Santos, and Evita. Visit crsricebowl.org to read this week's Story of Hope. Visit crsricebowl.org to read this week's Story of Hope. Pick up your rice bowl box in the parish vestibule. Place your extra change or weekly sacrificial offering for the poor in it and bring your rice bowl box back to St. Jude Church at the end of the Lenten Season. May God Bless you as you see Christ in the poor.



Parish Penance Service St. Jude Church

This Tuesday
March 19, 7:30 PM
with visiting priests to
hear Confessions.
Be Reconciled
To God!



Sponsored by the St Jude Ladies Guild

Saturday, March 23

In McNulty Hall

Doors Open at 6:30 pm

Admission \$15.00

Hot Dogs, beverages and snacks
available for purchase

No one under 18 admitted

for more info contact Gladys - 862-220-2693



2024 Bishop's Annual Appeal

STAY WITH US, LORD:

Renew our Hearts

and Send Us on Mission.

St. Jude Parish Pledge Goal \$43,000,

*As of March 5, 2024 the amount pledged by 60
households of our parish is \$17,309.89*

The amount given is \$15,515.99

We have reached 36.08% towards our Pledge Goal.

"But they urged Him, 'Stay with us, for it is nearly evening and the day is almost over.' So He went in to stay with them." (Luke 24:24)

By now you have received a letter from Bishop Checchio inviting your participation in the 2024 Bishop's Annual Appeal. The diocesan ministries supported by the Appeal directly impact many of the parishioners here in St. Jude Church. Your gift provides formation opportunities for our catechists, youth and young adults. In the coming days, you will be receiving a letter from our pastor, Fr. Ron, encouraging your participation. If you have yet to make your gift, please prayerfully consider doing so today by either returning your pledge card in the mail or going to the secure website:
<https://diometuchen.org>.



Pancake Breakfast



March 24, Palm Sunday
Pancake and Sausage Breakfast,
St. Jude Parish, McNulty Hall
after morning masses - sponsored by the St. Jude
Council of the Knights of Columbus



March Pantry Needs

Happy St. Patrick's Day!

The St. Jude Pantry is open every 4th Saturday of
the Month from 9:00am to 11:00am-

All those in need are welcome

- Pasta Sauces
- Paper towels & Toilet Paper
- Ketchup
- Salad dressing
- Dish soap
- Laundry soap
- Body wash
- Snacks
- Oatmeal
- Mayonnaise
- Coffee
- Syrup
- Toothbrushes
- Wipes
- Razors

• Shampoo/Conditioner

Thank you as always for your continued
support and generosity!

Chrism Mass

**Tuesday, March 26, 2024, 4:00 PM, St. Francis
Cathedral, Metuchen, NJ**

On Tuesday, March 26, 2024, Bishop James F. Checchio will celebrate the Chrism Mass with the priests of the Diocese. At this Mass, all priests will make a Renewal of Commitment to Priestly Service to the Bishop and the people of God. The Bishop will also bless and consecrate the Holy Oils, which each parish receives for the rites of anointing.

The Oil of Catechumens is used to anoint infants and adults before their Baptism; the Oil of the Sick is used on the forehead and hands of the infirm in the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick; and Sacred Chrism is used to anoint the head of the newly baptized, the foreheads of confirmandi, the hands of a priest at his ordination, the head of a bishop at his ordination, and the altar and walls of new churches.

All are strongly encouraged to join in-person or via Livestream in the ancient, grace-filled Chrism Mass at the Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi in Metuchen at 4:00 PM. To live stream go to:

diometuchen.org/holyweek



Website: EucharisticRevival.com

St. Jude Eucharistic Revival Committee Meeting Monday, March 18, 7 PM, McNulty Hall

All are welcome to participate as we continue to plan for Eucharistic Revival within our parish.

9 Days of Prayer for Renewal

For 9 Sundays begun on January 20, 2024 an insert in the St. Jude Church bulletin includes one day of prayer of the novena for Renewal. If you would like to access all 9 days now to prayer them together you can receive them by signing up at:

eucharisticrevival.org/get-involved#spark-series-signup

Eucharistic Congress, Indianapolis, Indiana, July 17-21, 2024

www.eucharisticcongress.org

Sign up now if to attend the Eucharistic Congress with our Diocesan Family. For more information about the Eucharistic Congress and the trip leaving from our diocese go to:

<https://diometuchen.org/nec2024>.

Our National EMMAUS

EUCHARISTIC PILGRIMAGE

ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON ROUTE

STARTING LOCATION: New Haven, CT.

The eastern arm of the Pilgrimage will begin near the Atlantic coast, journey through our nation's oldest diocese, and cross the Appalachian Mountains.

This Eucharistic Pilgrimage will be passing through our Diocese arriving at St. Francis Cathedral in Metuchen, on Memorial Day May 27 and continuing on Tuesday, May 28 making a stop at St. Peter Church in New Brunswick and St. Augustine Church in Kendall Park, NJ. You can find much detailed information for the various events along the route by going to:

eucharisticpilgrimage.org

Choose the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Route (East) and Explore this route.

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION, FRIDAY, APRIL 5, 9:30 AM to 7 PM, IN THE CHAPEL

Every First Friday of the Month the Blessed Sacrament is exposed for Eucharistic Adoration. Please plan to spend an hour before the Lord. Each hour of exposition we strive to have at least 2 people present before the Blessed Sacrament when the Eucharist. Come and visit the Lord and spend some time with him. Please give an hour to be with the Lord. If you cannot commit an hour come anyway and spend whatever time you have with the Lord.



Jesus and the Eucharist:

A Small Group Series for Eucharistic Revival

Dear Parishioners,

As we continue this year of Eucharistic Revival, we would like to invite you to grow closer to Jesus alongside fellow parishioners through the Jesus and the Eucharist study. This study was specifically designed for this Year of Parish Revival, and we will be joining many other parishes throughout the United States in participating in this small group study as we journey together through this three-year National Eucharistic Revival.

Each session is full of rich theological content, powerful testimonies, and unique and timely messages from individual bishops across the country. This is a great opportunity to dive more deeply into the richness of our Eucharistic faith.

This study will be a special time to grow in community within our parish as we walk this sacred year together, and we really desire you to join us.

The Study will be offered on three different days and times: Beginning in the Easter Season on

April 11, Thursday at 10 AM,

April 12, Friday at 7:00 PM,

April 14, Sunday 11:45 AM after 10:30 AM Mass

Please mark your calendar and plan to attend.

We hope to see you there. Thanks and God Bless!

Eucharistic Revival Team

Helen Amato

Fr. Ron Jandernoa



Synod on Synodality's Interim Stage Virtual

Join us as we answer the Holy Father's call to

participate in our synodal journey by participating in the Synod on Synodality's Interim Stage. The Diocese of Metuchen will host a virtual listening session for all those willing to participate. We encourage all those interested to register for the virtual listening session. All those registered for the listening session will receive a link via email to attend the virtual listening session. Questions? Please contact Jennifer Ruggiero, Secretary, Secretariat for Family and Pastoral Life, at jruggiero@diometuchen.org

Link: www.diometuchen.org/synod2024

2024 Diocesan Youth Day

April 20th, 10:30am- 4:55pm

St. Thomas Aquinas High School

Theme: Life with Christ is a Wonderful Adventure.

Featuring Keynote speaker: Chika Anyanwu!

The Diocese of Metuchen's Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry will run the Annual Diocesan Youth Day at St. Thomas Aquinas High School in Edison, NJ on Sunday, April 20th, 2024. Throughout the course of this high-energy day, 8th-12th grade teens will come together to enter into the sacrament of the Mass, have fun with one another, hear talks from Chika Anyanwu, have the opportunity for Adoration and Confession enjoy live music, good food, and more!

The day will begin with check-in at 10:30 AM and run until 4:55 PM. The entry fee will cost \$20. 8th through 12th grade teens are welcome! Featuring Keynote speaker: Chika Anyanwu! Register by April 15! Register at diometuchen.org/diocesan-youth-day

Hershey Park Discount Tickets

Discount tickets for Hershey Park are now available for purchase through Ss. Peter & Paul Church, Great Meadows.. The price for a regular ticket is \$86.95 per person. Our discounted price is \$45.00 per person (all ages 3+). The tickets are good for 1 day in the park and can be used any time the park is open from March 29, 2024 - January 1, 2025. You can also use the tickets for "Hershey Park Preview". Hershey Park Preview is using your tickets the night before, 2 1/2 hours before the park closes. Then you use the tickets the next day of your visit. Parking is a separate cost of \$20.00(if you order on-line) or \$25 in person. (If you are using the "Preview" option, the night before, be sure to mention that as you are parking or ordering your parking pass on-line.) **ALLPRE-PAID TICKET ORDERS ARE DUE IN BY APRIL 14TH.** Please make checks payable to Ss. Peter & Paul Church. Please make sure you can pick up your tickets in person at our church. You can find the order forms in the back of our church or on our website, peterpaulgm.com, under the tab "Upcoming Events". Any questions please contact the church office at 908-637-4269.

Bereavement Facilitator Training April 17, 2024

The Archdiocese of Newark's Office for Family Life Ministry is offering a virtual Bereavement Ministry Support Training Course. The six online sessions will begin Wednesday evenings from 7:00 – 9:00 PM on Zoom starting April 17th – May 22nd, 2024. This program is designed for those who wish to become facilitators for existing parish bereavement support groups or those who wish to begin a bereavement support ministry at their parish or online. The program can also benefit those who minister to the bereaved in parishes in other ways as well.

For more information or to register please visit: www.archdioceseofnewark.regfox.com/loss-transition.

If you have any questions, please call 973-497-4327 or email familylife@rcan.org.



Jesus the Good Shepherd Evening of Prayer for Healing Saturday, April 20, 2024

St. Jude Church, Blairstown, NJ

(7 Eisenhower Rd. Columbia, NJ)

5 PM Vigil Mass

with

Fr. Luke Mary Fletcher, CFR
Chaplain of the Blue Army Shrine
& Prayer for Healing after Mass

After Mass there will be an opportunity to come forward with requests for prayer for Healing.

**Fr. Luke Fletcher CFR, Fr. Ron Jandernoa,
and Brother Pius Gagnon, CFR**

will be praying over people for healing.

Think and pray now about what you want to ask the Lord for healing in your life. It could be physical, mental, psychological, spiritual, healing of memories, relationships, or of others not present who need healing. Bring your requests up after mass and be prayed over. Pray now that this evening will be powerful for God's grace upon his people who need healing.



Clothing and Shoes Donation Bins

Please consider supporting our poverty relief services by donating gently used clothing, shoes, household items and small appliances to Catholic Charities-Diocese of Metuchen. Clearly marked donation boxes are located in many parishes of the Diocese including St. Jude Parish, Blairstown, NJ, **located near the St. Jude Thrift Shop building.** If you have an item that is too big to fit in a donation box, call 877-343-3651 to arrange for a free pick up at your home.

How to Report Sexual Abuse

If you were sexually abused by a member of the clergy or anyone representing the Catholic Church, or you know of someone who was, you are encouraged to report that abuse to local law enforcement, the New Jersey Division of Child Protection and Permanency at 1-877-NJ ABUSE (652-2873) or 1-800-835-5510 (TTY/TDD for the deaf), and also the Diocesan Response Officer at (908) 930-4558 (24 hours/7 days a week). For more information on how to report abuse, visit our diocesan website: diometuchen.org/healing.

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 in spirit, become a child again
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~Laura Ingalls Wilder

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