Fifth Sunday of Lent

ST. JUDE the APOSTLE CATHOLIC CHURCH

Office Hours
8:30am-4:30pm Monday through Thursday
8:30am-12:00pm Friday
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Mass Times
Tuesday/Wednesday 6:00pm
Thursday/Friday 8:00am
Saturday: 5:00pm

Sunday: 8:00am,11:00am 2:00pm Spanish

Baptism

To schedule a baptism and to make arrangements for a baptism preparation session (required for all) please contact the parish office at 982.4891. Please check our website (www.stjudejax.com) under "Sacraments" for some very important information! Marriage

In addition to some critically important steps noted on our parish website (www.stjudejax.com) under "Sacraments," our Diocese has set a required period of at least six months of preparation between setting a wedding date and the wedding ceremony itself. Please check our website <u>and</u> call the office (982.4891) before setting any dates or making any plans.

Funeral Masses will take the place of daily Masses.

Holy Days: Vigil 7:00pm

Holy Day: 8:00am
Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturday 4:00pm—4:30pm
Or by appointment

March 18, 2018



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GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE A DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

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"Now there were some Greeks among those who had come to worship at the feast. They came to Philip and asked him, 'Sir, we would like to see Jesus." It has begun. News of Jesus has spread beyond native-born, Aramaic-speaking Jews. We don't know if the Greeks mentioned hearing of Jesus from fellow travelers or if news of this intriguing rabbi had reached all the way to their home. What we do know is that this interaction spurred an interesting comment from Jesus: "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified." In other words, it has begun. The time has come for the message to move beyond the geographic bounds of Israel.

But what does this message require? The Gospel is clear: "he said this indicating the kind of death he would die." A grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, to its life, as only a seed. A caterpillar takes on the appearance of temporary death in order to transform into a butterfly. In the Gospels, sacrifice and death are a way of becoming something more than you were before.

This Lent, new life can come from our sacrifices. When we enter into the season with Jesus, our difficulties can transform our perspective. "Unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat; but if it dies, it produces much fruit."

As we abstain from meat and fast from eating between meals, we can grow in compassion for the hungry. We can give alms of our time, sacrificially spending time with the lonely, the sick, and the marginalized. Our little Lenten "deaths" -- death to unnecessary preferences, death to selfish living, death to ignorance of other's pain -- can bring new life to the world long after the season is over. This is the invitation this Sunday and every Lenten season, to begin anew from death to life.

Prayer for Missionaries in America

Dear Lord, We pray for those who work among poor and isolated communities across America, bearing witness to the life of Christ in a thousand different ways. Give them wisdom, courage and joy in their generous ministry. AMEN



If you know of anyone who is deployed please call the office so we can add them to the list. Thank you MSG John Paul Jebb, John Benson, Tech Sgt. Ross Stegner, James Gray, Commander David Sobba, SPC James Melnick.

Thank you for your generous support of The Catholic Relief Services Collection and for heping **Jesus in disguise.** Your contributions wil make a difference for the poor and marginalized around the world. If you missed the collection, it's not too late to give! Just visit www.usccb.org/nationalcollecitions, and click on the "How to Give" link on the left.

DACA

Recent court decisions require the federal government to resume accepting applications to renew expiring DACA cases. Catholic Immigration Services in Little Rock and Springdale strongly encourages all DACA recipients to renew their Employment Authorization cards as soon as possible, if their DACA has expired or will expire within the next 150 days. This will allow recipients to keep work permits and to renew driver's licenses for another two years.

Because the future status of DACA is uncertain, the need to renew is urgent. Do not lose a chance to renew by delaying. For more information on DACA renewals and/or assistance with your renewal, call Catholic Immigration Services at (501) 664-0340 for Little Rock or (479) 927-1996 for Springdale.

DACA

Recientes decisiones de la Corte requieren del gobierno federal que continúe aceptando solicitudes para renovar casos de DACA que van a vencer. Vigorosamente animamos y sugerimos a todos los jóvenes que tiene DACA que se ha vencido o que se vencerá dentro de los próximos 150 días a renovarlo ahora mismo para que no se queden sin permiso de trabajo. Esto les permitirá que puedan mantener sus permisos de trabajo y licencia de manejar por otros dos años.

Debido a que el futuro estatus de DACA es incierto, la necesidad de renovar es urgente. No pierda la oportunidad de renovar al demorar. Para más información para renovar su DACA, o ayuda con su renovación, llame a Servicios Católicos de Inmigración al 501-664-0340 en Little Rock, o al 479-927-1996 en Springdale.

Ladies of Charity of Arkansas

Art Camp Sponsorships Needed

Ladies of Charity of Arkansas is hosting their 7th annual daytime art camp for children in foster care from ages 4-12 on Saturday, April 28th at St. Joseph Center, the former orphanage, in North Little Rock. The theme this year is "All God's Creatures" which will emphasize that every child is a masterpiece. The half-day camp will feature classes in visual arts to include painting/drawing/crafts. The children will be provided lunch, t-shirts, and take-home goodie bags. A magic show will also be a part of this special day spent in a loving, creative, Christian environment. Full sponsorship is \$50/student. Donations can be made to "LCARK" and sent to Diocese of Little Rock, ATTN: Kristy Eanes, 2500 N. Tyler St., Little Rock, AR 72207. For more information or to become a member of this vibrant organization started by St. Vincent de Paul in 1617, contact Kristy Eanes at 501-664-0340 x348 or kristyeanes@yahoo.com. Please visit us online

PRE/CYM/ADULT ED

Please donate wrapped Easter Candy! Collection baskets are in the vestibule.

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More seats now available: We filled our first bus so Arkansas Catholic is hosting a second bus for an 11-day pilgrimage to see the world-famous Passion Play in Oberammergau, Germany, June 17-27, 2020. This event only happens every 10 years so tickets are highly coveted. Pilgrims will also visit Austria, Switzerland and Lichtenstein. Father William Burmester will be the spiritual director. Single and double occupancy rooms available. An informational meeting will be held at 4:30 p.m., Sunday, May 6 at St. John Center in Little Rock. RSVP for the meeting at https://2020pilgrims.eventbrite.com. For details or to sign up, visit arkansas-catholic.org or call Kathy Primm at Sue Smith Vacations at (501) 771-0987.

2018 Mass of Hope and Healing

<u>What</u>: To pray for healing for survivors of child sexual abuse, and to commemorate April as the National Child Abuse Prevention Month

When: Sunday, April 8, at 5:00 p.m.

 $\underline{\textbf{Where}}{:} \;\; \text{St. John Catholic Center, Morris Hall Chapel, } \underline{2500}$

N. Tyler, Little Rock

<u>Who</u>: Anyone who is interested in praying for victims, their families and friends.

Bishop Anthony B. Taylor will preside, with reception to

folllow.

Please join Immaculate Conception PTO for "Anything Goes" Trivia Night on Saturday, April 14th in the Immaculate Conception Parish Center, 7000 JFK Blvd., North Little Rock. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. Trivia starts at 6:30 p.m. Cost is \$15 per person which includes admission, 2 drink vouchers and a door prize ticket. Email Robyn Koch at robbie1106@me.com with your team name and how many players (maximum of 12) or text information to 501-837-9221. Must be 21 to play. Childcare is available on a limited basis - first come first served \$5.00 (includes pizza) per child for children ages 6 months to 7th Grade. For reservations email melissa.muncy.cullen@gmail.com or text 479-871-0274.

JERICHO WAY

Jericho Way is in Need of Nutritious food, shower supplies, toilet paper, and cleaning supplies. Office 3000 Springer Blvd. Little Rock, AR 72206, 501.916.9859 or contact Kathy Tatus 501.247.7285 (Jericho Way NO LONGER NEEDS LIQUID LAUNDRY DETERGENT)

ORGANIZATIONS

Altar & Rosary	Kathryn Fairchild	690.3875
CYM	Paula Price	551.1873
JRCYM	Paula Price	551.1873
Knights of Columbus	John Red Smith	628.7980
Ladies of the Knights	Ruth Adams	843.3392
Senior Citizen	Donna Aldrich	772.2098

ATTENDANCE

March 10/11

5:00pm	237
8:00am	207
11:00am	257
2:00pm	160

STEWARDSHIP

March 10/11

Stewardship: \$8,969.21

Second Collection: \$2,796.25

WeShare: \$855.44

Stewardship: The regular parish budget for 2017/2018 anticipates a weekly offering of approximately \$13,000 for the regular operation of the ministry of St. Jude's. May God continue to bless you for your faithful stewardship.

CATHOLICS COME HOME: Are you a Catholic who has been away from the Church? *Do you know someone who is?*No matter how long you have been away for whatever reason, we invite you to consider renewing your relationship with Christ and His church through "LANDINGS" a 9-week discussion series designed to Welcome Back Catholics who have been away. If you are searching, or have a friend who is, Landings may be the answer. SPRING SESSION BEGINS THURSDAY, MARCH 15 Pre-registration is required. For more information contact: St Jude the Apostle 982-4891 or visit: www.stjudejax.com.

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Readings for the Week of March 18, 2018 Sunday: Jer 31:31-34/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 14-15 [12a]/ Heb 5:7-9/Jn 12:20-33 Scrutiny: Ez 37:12-14/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 [7]/Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45 or Jn 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45 Monday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27,

29 [37]/Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22/Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a

Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9/Ps 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21 [2]/Jn 8:21-30

Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Dn 3: 52, 53, 54, 55, 56 [52b]/Jn 8:31-42

Thursday: Gn 17:3-9/Ps 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [8a]/Jn 8:51-

Friday: Jer 20:10-13/Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7 [cf. 7]/Jn 10:31-42

Saturday: Ez 37:21-28/Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13 [cf.

10d]/Jn 11:45-56

Next Sunday: Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16/ls 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 [2a]/Phil 2:6-11/Mk 14:1-15:47 or 15:1-39

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Monday: St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary Tuesday:

Wednesday: Thursday:

Friday: St. Turibius of Mogrovejo, Bishop; Day of

abstinence Saturday:

Next Sunday: Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion; Holy

Week begins

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A Lenten Pilgrimage: Arkansas Catholic is hosting a 12-day pilgrimage to see the shrines of France April 1-12, 2019. We will visit Lourdes, Paris, Lisieux and Normandy landing beach. Father Tony Robbins will be the spiritual director. Single and double occupancy rooms available. An informational meeting will be held at 3 p.m., Sunday, May 6 at St. John Center in Little Rock. RSVP for the meeting at frenchpilgrimage2019.eventbrite.com. For details or to sign up, visit arkansas-catholic.org or call Kathy Primm at Sue Smith Vacations at fo10171-0987.

St. Jude's has provided just over 200 lap robes or quilts for St. Vincent's hospice residence. Thank you for all you do. You have been a blessing to those who have received them. Keep them coming. Items can be dropped off at the church office and if you have any questions please call Mary Koorstad at 501.982.7961.



Saint Jude's Prayer Shawl ministry is here to support those healing, going through surgery, or mourning the loss of a loved one. Please contact us if you or someone you know would like a prayer shawl. Shawls are crafted with love and prayers and blessed when completed. If you would like to join this ministry it

meets once a month, on the 4th Saturday at 3:00pm in the Parish Library. All are welcome, don't know how to knit or crochet, no problem they will get you started.

Do you need a new rosary? A gift for a special occasion? Check out the Altar and Rosary Cabinet in the Parish Hall.

Sick or Homebound

If you have a family member who is ill, in the hospital, or homebound who would like to receive communion, **please** have a family member call the office at 982.4891. We will arrange for one of our many wonderful people to come visit and bring communion.

Jacksonville Care Channel

The Jacksonville Care Channel is in need of rice, dried beans, pasta, spaghetti sauce, cereal, canned meat, and crackers.

St. Joseph's Helpers

St. Joseph's Helpers-Donation box located in the Parish Hall. SJH/Arkansas Pregnancy Resource Center is a nonprofit agency to help enable abortion minded clients to make informed lifelong decisions for their baby and themselves. We, at St. Jude's, have a collection box (labeled ST. JOSEPH). Please be generous with donations such as diapers, crib sheets, baby clothes (up to size 2T), diaper ointment etc. The APRC staff greatly appreciates your heartfelt donations by material or monetary assistance (Mail monetary gifts to: APRC, 3 Office Park Dr., Ste. 101, Little Rock, AR 72211.

Jericho Way

Jericho Way is requesting: Chap Stick, Decaffeinated Coffee, Lysol or another disinfectant spray, men's underwear (med., large, extra-large), disinfectant wipes, garbage bags sizes 10 gallon, 33 gallon and 55 gallon.

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Saturday, March 17

5:00pm Mass Shawn Miller+

Sunday, March 18

8:00am Mass Parishioners 11:00am Mass K. Semer+ 2:00pm Mass Priest Intention

Tuesday, March 20

6:00pm Mass Segunda Rey+

Wednesday, March 21

6:00pm Mass Norma Nixon+

Thursday, March 22

8:00am Mass Stanley Manning+

Friday, March 23

8:00am Mass Dennis Moix+

Saturday, March 24

5:00pm Mass Michael Koharchik+

Sunday, March 25

8:00am Mass Parishioners 11:00am Mass Stanley Manning+ 2:00pm Mass Priest Intention

WEEKLY EVENTS

Monday, March 19

9:30am 33 Days to Merciful Love (Study)

7:00 pm Benediction/Adoration 7:00pm Vincentian Small Groups

Tuesday, March 20 6:30pm Cub Scouts 7:00pm Scripture Study Wednesday, March 21

10:00am Scripture Study 5:00pm Choir

5:00pm Choir 6:30pm JrCYM/CYM

7:00pm RCIA-Confirmation-Mike and Bessie Giesler

7:00pm Father Keeps His Promise Study

Thursday, March 22 7:00pm Choir Pratice

7:00pm Biblical Roots of the Mass

7:00pm Landings

Friday, March 23

6:00pm Stations of the Cross/ Knights of Columbus

7:00pm Vincentian Small Groups

Saturday, March 24

3:00pm Prayer Shawl Ministry

Please keep in your prayers, Alex Smith, our seminarian. Sister Judith Timmerman, is also from our parish and is at St. Scholastica Convent in Fort Smith, teaching Kindergarten. She is also preparing 4th and 5th graders for

First Reconciliation and First Communion and is lector for the Spanish Mass at St. Boniface in Fort Smith.



Bill Aldrich, John Aldrich, Jennifer Anderson, Brother Andrew, Spencer Aydeot, Paul Avaltroni, Priscilla Baltazar, Andrea Bistrain, Misty Brazzell, Lisa Buckner, Rayeigh Butrand, Natalio Carrillo, Michael Carter, Christina Carver, John Claude, Evelyn Cook, Charles

Delorenzo, Emily Downs, Dick Dworshak, Terry Franks, Bill Garner, Misty Gay, Betty Gibson, Michael Gilbert, Elsa Gillan, Jerry Grimley, Susan Hall, Mike Hargrove, Jane Hayes, Helmut Herm, Hibbard Family, Edna Hill, Cindy Houston, Robert Houston, Louise Hubbard, Joey Hunter, Jill Jamell, Dylan Jeffrey, Mickey Kamer, Rebecca Kendall, Joceyln Kennedy, Melinda King, Rudy Kurz, Norma Laberdee, Ariel Leach, Carla Lewis, A.J. Lowry, Ruth Lowry, Carol Lloyd, Joan Lowry, Lisa Luckett, Jean Luman, Joshua Luker, Patrick Mackey, Al Manning, Henry McFalls, Ken McFalls, Betty McMillan, Sally G. Menke, Steve Menke, Tim Menke, William Mergenschroer, Carol Miller, Susie Mitchell, Perry Molens, Greyson Moore, Sandra Morris, Bridgette Mucha, Bob Nawrocki, Ronald Neumeier, Jeffery Nordmeyer, Cindy Nunez, Penny Olive, Tom Pack, J. W. Palmer, Mary Pickels, Erine Rabino, Jeff Rauber, Maria Rose Riley, Sue Riley, Mark Rivard, Jerry Robbins, Emma Roberts, Dawn Robnett, Mary Robnett, Cissy Rodriguez, Beverly Saltz, Mary Anne Schulke, Piper Scott, Linda Seidl, Jeremy Sheeran, Joe Schilling, Tom Shaw, Tina Simone, Dan Smith, Donna Solenner, Maria Stewart, Patsy Strode, Mary Suiter, Patrick Testa, Verna Thompson, Joann Thornburg, Walter Townes, Judy Vaulner, Brandon Weisenfels, Charles Whitaker, Tammy Davidson Williams, Blake Wilson, Patrica Wilson, Xander Wolford. Karen Zipfel



Would you like to have flowers placed at the altar in the sanctuary on weekends in memory of a loved one? If you are interested in doing so, please contact the church office at 501.982.4891. The donation to cover the weekly expense of placing the flowers is \$100. The

name(s) of the person(s) you are remembering will be placed in each week's bulletin on the week the flowers are placed.