

September 2, 2018

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

ST. JUDE *the* APOSTLE CATHOLIC CHURCH

Office Hours

8:30am-4:30pm Monday through Thursday

8:30am-12:00pm Friday

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Website: www.stjudejax.com

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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 501.982.4891. 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 and call the office (501.982.4891) 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



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Welcome! If you are a visitor to St. Jude's, we want you to know you are welcome!!



Attention St. Jude parishioners! St. Jude will partner with LRAFB Holy Family chapel community again this year to present a Christmas Cantata in December (kind of like a concert of Christmas music!). St.

Jude adults and older teens, if you love to sing and would like to participate in the Cantata this year, **YOU ARE INVITED!** Rehearsals are held each Wednesday from 7:00-8:15 beginning Sept. 12 at LRAFB chapel. Please contact Patricia Goodman from St. Jude (501-247-5668) or Keith Cook from Holy Family (501-658-0149) for more information. Hope you can join us!

Pax Christi Little Rock will be hosting a talk on Sex Trafficking on Thursday, September 14 at 7:30 pm in Fitzgerald Hall (St. John's Center-2500 N. Tyler Street, Little Rock). The speaker, Sonya Vinson, is a representative from PATH (Partners Against Trafficking Humans). All are welcome. Admission is free and refreshments will be served.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SOCCER CHALLENGE

This is a competition designed for players aged 9 through 14 to demonstrate the most basic of soccer skills-the penalty kick. Each player will be allowed 15 shots at the goal from the penalty line (12 yards). The goal will be divided into a series of five scoring zones. Kicking into the upper and lower corners of the net earn more points than the center. There are three levels of competition: Council (local), District (regional), and State. Eligibility is open to all boys and girls in our community. Age eligibility (9-14) is determined by the age of the contestant as of September 1. Proof of age is required. Competitors must register using an official Entry/Score form, which will be provided at the Council competition.

Dates:

September 23 - Council level competition - St. Jude's Catholic Church (Same day as St. Jude's Parish Picnic)

October 14 - District 13 level competition: St. Jude's Catholic Church, Jacksonville - 1pm.

November 18 - State level competition, Burns Park, North Little Rock, Soccer fields, Field 13 - 1pm.

DEPLOYED

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, Commander David Sobba, SPC James Melnick, Conor Hawkins, Major Kate Hrynyk



Wednesday Scripture Study Group:

The Bible is at the heart of our faith. It is where our Heavenly Father meets with us, speaks to us and guides us in everything. Come join us from 10:00 to 11:30 on Wednesday mornings as we explore the Wisdom Literature and discover what the Bible has to say about aging, the importance of friendships, how to handle our finances, make decisions, and achieve peace of mind. We meet in the large classroom in the Parish Center. The class will begin on Sept. 5th.

DATE CHANGE

The Second Greatest Story Ever Told videos and discussion by Fr. Michael Gaitley will begin Monday August 20th, 10:00-11:30 a.m. at St. Jude, for 10 sessions. The videos describe the story of Saint Pope John Paul II and the crucial role Divine Mercy and Marian consecration can play in your life. No book required. For more information call Rita Strickland at 501-835-9785.

"For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life."

John 3:16. Everyone is familiar with this Bible passage even if you have never done a Scripture Study class. This fall the Tuesday night Scripture Study group will delve into the Gospel of John beginning on September 11th. Please consider joining us for this study. Classes begin at 7pm. Books will be available the first night of class.

First Holy Communion

Per Diocesan Guidelines in order to be eligible for First Reconciliation & First Holy Communion:

1. Your child must be baptized and at least 7 years old.
2. Must be enrolled in Religious Education with regular attendance (90% of Classes) for one full year prior to the 2nd grade.
3. Child must be enrolled in St. Jude's Religious Ed program, another Catholic Church or School (A letter must be provided).
4. During the second grade year the child must regularly attend 90% of the Religious Education sessions to fulfill their First Holy Communion requirements.
5. Our Sacramental Prep is a two year process, attendance must be 90 % of the classes.

Confirmation

Per the diocesan Guidelines in order to be eligible for Confirmation Your Child must:

1. Already received the sacraments of Baptism, Reconciliation, and Eucharist-- Please provide Baptismal certificate with notations for Reconciliation and First Holy Communion.
2. Family must be registered members of St. Jude the Apostle Parish.
3. Record of regular attendance of 90 % of the classes in the St. Jude's Parish Religious Education program.
4. Records to be provided from another Catholic Church or Catholic School for 2 full years is needed before candidate may be enrolled for Confirmation preparation.

Come to a DAY OF PRAYER & HEALING RETREAT

You are not alone. There is hope.

The Respect Life Office, through the Ministry of Project Rachel, is offering one-day, post abortion healing retreats for women or men.

Retreats are in English and Spanish.

Saturday August 18 in Jonesboro

Saturday September 15 in Hot Springs

Confidential. Non-judgmental. Healing is possible.

These retreats are Catholic in nature, but anyone who desires to begin or continue their journey to hope and healing is welcome to attend.

The exact location of the retreat is only disclosed to participants. To speak with someone about a retreat or other Project Rachel Ministry healing opportunities and support groups, please call our confidential phone line 501-664-0340 ext. 357. For more information, text 479-206-3199 or email Project Rachel at <https://www.dolr.org/staff/helen-malchanevans>

All inquiries are strictly confidential.

Please call. We care. We understand.

Healing Support Groups are forming in September in various locations throughout the Diocese.

Project Rachel is the post abortion healing ministry of the Catholic Church. In the Diocese of Little Rock, Project Rachel Ministry offers a confidential phone line, a one-on-one response to individuals by professional counselors and trained lay ministers, referrals to specially trained priests for reconciliation and spiritual guidance, healing support groups, one-day and weekend retreats, and practical assistance to heal from the spiritual, emotional, psychological, and physical wounds of abortion. Project Rachel Ministry provides services for women and men, in English and in Spanish.

Married Couples. By offering Married Couples the beautiful experience of a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend, the Catholic Church is affirming and supporting you in your chosen vocation – Marriage. Take advantage of this great gift to enhance your relationship and enjoy a love-filled weekend away together. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends are at Subiaco, Arkansas, September 21-23, 2018 and at Memphis – Our Lady Queen of Peace Retreat Center, October 26-28, 2018. *Space is limited.* For more information or to apply call Leah & Ben Brewer at 501-733-1235 or email apply@arkansaswwme.org or apply online at www.arkansaswwme.org/apply.

Vive siempre enamorado de tu esposa/o como cuando se conocieron! Juntos pueden ser y hacer la diferencia! “Ama sin condición y entrega todo”

¡Jesús Quiere entrar en tu vida dé jalo entrar no te arrepentirás!

Vive un Encuentro Matrimonial el 12, 13, 14 octubre de 2018. Para más información o para registrarse, llama a Adrián y Reyna Alvarez (773) 213-9593 o 870-642-2256. Favor de registrarse antes de octubre 3, 2018.

Encuentro Matrimonial is Marriage Encounter in Spanish and is a program of 44 hours in which couples can leave work, children, housework, and telephone in order to focus only on each other. If you are looking to grow in your relationship, to make it more profound and to enrich it, then you will like the difference that a weekend of Worldwide Marriage Encounter can make in your lives. For more information or registration, call 870-642-2256 or (773) 213-9593. Registration deadline October 3, 2018

ATTENDANCE

August 25/26

5:00pm 239

8:00am 228

11:00am 253

2:00pm 158

STEWARDSHIP

August 25/26

Stewardship: \$ 8,801.86

WeShare: \$ 1060.44

Stewardship: The regular parish budget for 2018/2019 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.

JERICO WAY

Friends,

Every day more people take advantage of the services provided at Jericho Way. Inasmuch as people have people needs, the needs of Jericho Way never stop.

On the "wish list" for Jericho Way:

plain iron (basic).

deodorant/antiperspirant spray (this is a more cost effective purchase),

disinfectant wipes

air fresheners

and!! never ending razors and socks.

Many, many thanks to all of you !!!

Oh!! lest I forget, the Jericho Way Clothing Closet has need of:

Backpacks

seasonal(CLEAN) clothing (the stuff that does not require dry cleaning)

Our clothing closet DOES NOT take in furniture and home furnishings, just clothes!!

Have a great day and remember to be grateful!!

If you are interested in volunteering Jericho Way has a place for you.

Thank you,

Janet Nelson

Jacksonville Care Channel

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



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

**GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER
UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE**

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Judgment tends to have a bad reputation. We often associate it with condemnation, and in the Gospels, we associate it with the Pharisees. Today's Gospel features the Pharisees doing exactly what we expect. "They observed that some of his disciples ate their meals with unclean, that is, unwashed, hands." The Jewish people had strict purification laws that applied to all areas of life. The Pharisees attempt to accuse Jesus of not following the ancestral traditions. Jesus doesn't take offense at their judgments per se. He instead points out the hypocrisy of their words. "You hypocrites, these people honor me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me."

From there, Jesus turns his attention to the concerns of the heart. "The things that come from within are what defile." He lists off a number of sins, including some the Pharisees were likely struggling with, including evil thoughts, envy, and arrogance. When we examine the list, perhaps we're reminded of our own trips to the confessional! As we strive to follow Jesus and live with integrity, we must be aware of our hearts. We must judge our own actions. Are they leading us closer to God or away from Him? Are we growing in love of our neighbor, or are we becoming more closed in on ourselves? As we move into this week, consider the state of our own heart. Perhaps you are overly scrupulous in less important areas. Perhaps there are large areas of overlooked sin that you've excused for too long. Whatever it is, the judgment of God need not cripple us. He offers us a share in His mercy as soon as we turn to Him. This week, allow your heart to be transformed!



St. Jude's has provided over 300 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.

Catholic Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Mexico December 8 – 13, 2018 to be there for the beautiful Mass of Roses on the feast day December 12th. \$2,394.00 per person including air from Little Rock.
Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner Daily. Mass every day. For a Flyer or more detailed information please call Cathie or Michael Milano at 1-800-773-2660.

St. Joseph's Helpers

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.

APRC (St. Joseph Helpers) would appreciate your prayers and generosity in giving diapers, wipes (which may be left in the Parish Hall box for St. Joseph Helpers) and/or monetary donations.

Please mail monetary gifts to:

APRC

PO Box 25413

Little Rock AR 72221

Or donate online:

Pregnancylittlerock.com/donate

Thank you

ORGANIZATIONS

Altar & Rosary	Wanda Ford	504.319.2289
CYM	Paula Price	501.551.1873
JRCYM	Paula Price	501.551.1873
Knights of Columbus	Greg Deen	501.231.9391
Ladies of the Knights	Ruth Adams	501.843.3392
Senior Citizen	Donna Aldrich	501.772.2098

Readings for the Week of September 2, 2018

Sunday: Dt 4:1-2, 6-8/Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5 [1a]/Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27/Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Monday: 1 Cor 2:1-5/Ps 119:97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102 [97]/Lk 4:16-30

Tuesday: 1 Cor 2:10b-16/Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13ab, 13cd-14 [17]/Lk 4:31-37

Wednesday: 1 Cor 3:1-9/Ps 33:12-13, 14-15, 20-21 [12]/Lk 4:38-44

Thursday: 1 Cor 3:18-23/Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 [1]/Lk 5:1-11

Friday: 1 Cor 4:1-5/Ps 37:3-4, 5-6, 27-28, 39-40 [39a]/Lk 5:33-39

Saturday: Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30/Ps 13:6ab, 6c [Is 61:10]/Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23

Next Sunday: Is 35:4-7a/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 [1b]/Jas 2:1-5/Mk 7:31-37

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Observances for the Week of September 2, 2018

Sunday: 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: St. Gregory the Great, Pope & Doctor of the Church

Tuesday:

Wednesday: St. Teresa of Calcutta

Saturday: The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary; Our Lady of Charity (Cuba)

Next Sunday: 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, September 1

5:00pm Mass Stanley Manning+

Sunday, September 2

8:00am Mass Parishioners
11:00am Mass Salvatore Intrieri+
2:00pm Mass Priest Intention

Tuesday, September 4

6:00pm Mass Ronald Neumeier+

Wednesday, September 5

6:00pm Mass Stanley Manning+

Thursday, September 6

8:00am Mass Barbara Johnson

Friday, September 7

8:00am Mass Stanley Manning+

Saturday, September 8

5:00pm Mass Stanley Manning+

Sunday, September 9

8:00am Mass Parishioners
11:00am Mass Luigi Saraceni+
2:00pm Mass Priest Intention

WEEKLY EVENTS

Monday, September 3

Office Closed

Wednesday, September 5

10:00am Wednesday Morning Scripture Study Potluck
1:00pm Biblical Roots of the Mass, Study
5:00pm Choir Practice
7:00pm RCIA Tabernacle Yesterday and Today

Thursday, September 6

7:00pm Choir Practice

Friday, September 7

7:00pm Vincentian Small Groups
7:00pm 80's Trivia Night

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 501.982.4891. We will arrange for one of our many wonderful people to come visit and bring communion.

The Senior Potluck will be held September 10, 2018 at 11:30 in the Parish Hall.

It will be a regular potluck with A-J bringing casseroles, K-T salads and U-Z desserts.

There will be two door prizes. All seniors are welcome. Hope to see you there.



Bill Aldrich, John Aldrich, Jennifer Anderson, Brother Andrew, Spencer Aydeot, Paul Avaltroni, Priscilla Baltazar, Andrea Bistrain, Vickie Blackwood, 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, Mel Glines, Jerry Grimley, Susan Hall, Mike Hargrove, Jane Hayes, Helmut Herm, Hibbard Family, Cindy Houston, Robert Houston, Louise Hubbard, Joey Hunter, Jill Jamell, Dylan Jeffrey, Mickey Kamer, Rebecca Kendall, Joceyln Kennedy, Melinda King, Rudy Kurz, Norma Laberde, 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, Jeffery Nordmeyer, Cindy Nunez, Penny Olive, Bonnie Orcutt, Tom Pack, J. W. Palmer, Mary Pickels, Sharon Possinger, Erine Rabino, Jeff Rauber, Maria Rose Riley, Sue Riley, Mark Rivard, Jerry Robbins, Emma Roberts, Dawn Robnett, Mary Robnett, Cissy Rodriguez, Beverly Saltz, Piper Scott, Linda Seidl, Ryan Shaw, 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 Vulner, Mimi Walters, Maria Watkin, 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.



Please keep in your prayers, Alex Smith, our seminarian and Sister Judith Timmerman who is also from our parish and is at St. Scholastica Convent in Fort Smith