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Mission Statement

We are an urban parish of Pittsburgh's East End dedicated to serving one another both within and outside our parish, but especially to the poor and marginalized of our community. Empowered by Christ to spread the good news of salvation, we are committed to forming intentional disciples of every age and accompanying them in their faith journey, with the goal of fostering an encounter with and deepening our relationship to Jesus Christ. We do this joyfully rooted in the Eucharist and our Catholic faith, employing our diversity and talents to support one another and build the Kingdom of God in love, mercy, and justice.



This is Giving Weekend—We Need You!

Lent is certainly a time of **Fasting, Prayer and Almsgiving**. Jesus directly calls us to engage in these three specific disciplines in Matthew chapter 6. When we choose Parish Share as a vehicle for our almsgiving, our gift is multiplied by the efforts of staff and volunteers in the Diocese AND more importantly here at St. Jude Parish.

We have recently invested in new staff here and we are already seeing some impact of that in terms of programming and ministries that are starting during Lent this year. Their impact will be amplified if we have resources available for them to be able to implement more ways for us to reach out to the surrounding community, and to continue to support and build the faith in our own community. Costs for everything have increased in our world, and we are impacted by this as well, and so **we ask that you prayerfully consider increasing your giving this year by 3-5%** if the Lord has blessed you in a way that allows you to do this. **This year, the amount we are required to raise as a parish is \$240,144**, compared to \$159,787 last year and \$200,404 in 2020.

Each year, we are amazed by the generous spirit of each one of you. We want to express our sincere gratitude to those that donate and help maintain the financial viability of our parish. We have been blessed with individuals that shoulder well beyond their fair share and that support has been invaluable. We have also been blessed with hundreds of individuals that contribute some amount, however modest.

Please fill out the pledge card and envelope mailed to you and write a separate check for all PSP pledge payments (made payable to Saint Jude Parish). You can also give through Faith Direct.

We look forward to a year of serving the Lord together with you, and your support in time, talent and treasure is essential for this to happen. We promise you our very best effort.

Update on St. Patrick's Day, Italy Trip, and Spring Pilgrimage

I am sorry to inform you that my Saint Patrick's Day Party that was scheduled for Sunday, March 13 had to be cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances. This is disappointing to me, and I know for many of you since so many parishioners and friends told me you were planning to attend. I apologize for the inconvenience and the short notice, but this was totally unexpected. Let me plan the party for another date. Surely things can't go wrong twice.

I want you to know that our parish will nevertheless host Saint Paddy's Day "refreshments" after both Masses scheduled on March 17. Please plan to join us at one of the daily Masses that day. As I know well, you don't have to be Irish to celebrate this happy day. It is a day for everyone to be "Irish" and honor this great saint with all our wonderful Irish friends!

I am also sorry to let you know that my travel agent has advised me to also wait until next spring to schedule our parish trip to the Vatican and other beautiful cities in Italy that we are planning to visit. They explained that although travel to Italy is open, so many of the historic sites of interest on the tour remain closed. Even if some are open, the lines into them are very long and slow moving. I will let the parishioners who expressed an interest in this parish trip know immediately when we hear the new dates for the pilgrimage. It will without a doubt be a trip of a lifetime, especially because we will go as a parish family creating fun times and memories that will last forever.

I am not striking out though! The pilgrimage to Emmitsburg, Baltimore and Washington D. C. is still on. I will provide you with the dates for this pilgrimage and the itinerary in next weekend's bulletin and information on how to register for the trip. I love Mount Saint Mary's College and Seminary, the surrounding religious sites in Emmitsburg and the national shrines we will visit in Baltimore and D.C. I will be very pleased to share my love for these sacred places with you. I hope you will join me on this tour. As you decide whether to attend, I want you to know the trip will not cost more than \$650, which includes transportation, two overnight accommodations and three packed day of events.

Father Joe

Lent 2022: Out of the Wilderness

We have chosen the theme “Out of the Wilderness” this Lent. What does it mean to come Out of the Wilderness? On one hand, it means leaving behind desolation and isolation that we have all experienced during the pandemic. But in the history of salvation and in the experience of Our Savior, wilderness has also been a place that we go away to, and bring things from. What do you want to get out of this Lent?

Lenten Resources: *Take Time to Browse & Prepare!*

After Mass this week we will have an assortment of books and devotionals available for you to take home and enjoy this Lent. There are books for kids, adults, and seniors. Take one or two and try them out—we hope they enrich your prayer life and encourage reflection in the weeks leading up to Easter. Also, be sure to pick up a calendar of Lenten activities at our parish if you did not already receive one.

Fat Tuesday Donuts after 9:00 Mass & Lunch after 12:05 Mass

Come and join us for **9:00 Mass or 12:05 Mass on Shrove Tuesday, March 1st**. After the morning Mass we will provide donuts and after the 12:05 Mass we will host lunch as a mini-celebration before we head into Lent. We would love to see you and continue to build our daily Mass community.



Ash Wednesday Schedule

7:00 AM	St. Raphael	within Mass
8:30 AM	Sacred Heart	within School Mass (all are welcome)
12:05 PM	Sacred Heart	within Mass
4:00 PM	St. Raphael	during a Scripture Service (no Holy Communion)
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7:00 PM	St. Raphael	within Mass, followed by Reconciliation

Out of the Wilderness



Thursdays this Lent 7 - 8:30

**St. Raphael
Multi-Purpose Room**

EACH WEEK:

- Reflection on the upcoming Sunday Lenten Scriptures presented by a different lay leader of the parish each week. Includes Betty Hanigan, Courtney Patterson, Gary Fritsch and others.
- Group discussion on the interpretation of the scriptures in the context of our lives and community. Led by Gary Fritsch
- Time of Fellowship

"My favorite way to meet people is through scripture. Hope to see you on Thursdays."

Bary

Daily Mass

This Lent we encourage you to make a commitment to come to daily Mass. Traditionally, Catholics have included daily Mass in their Lenten sacrifices. You may think, ‘my life is so busy already, how can I find the time?’ But a weekday Mass typically only requires 30 minutes of your time—and this is time that will be spent in peace, away from the noise and busyness of life. It is time set aside for our Lord, to pray for others, to reflect on scripture and the saints, to be united with Jesus in the Eucharist. Attending Mass and receiving the Eucharist every day will transform your spiritual life. When you repeat the ritual every day, your mindset changes, your faith increases, you connect with a community, and you receive the strength to get through all that life throws at you.



Stations of the Cross

Please join us for the beautiful practice of Stations of the Cross during Lent. The Stations of the Cross help us enter into Jesus’ experience, as parishioner and pastoral council member **Melissa Evans** describes:

“I attend Stations of the Cross to participate in the communal mini pilgrimage with Jesus as we commemorate His last day on Earth as man. The time spent meditating and praying the Way of the Cross helps me walk with Jesus and strive to understand His suffering. The time in prayer helps me reflect on just how much Jesus sacrificed for us and how much He loves us. Each Station gives me time to pray, thank Jesus and to place my trust in Him. During Lent, the Stations of the Cross help strengthen my journey with Christ and guide me to the joy of His Resurrection.”

Stations of the Cross Schedule

2 PM Sacred Heart (School students)

7 PM Sacred Heart on 3/11*, 3/25*, 4/8 | St. Raphael on 3/4, 3/18, 4/1

*On March 11, we will be doing the Marian Stations at 7 pm at Sacred Heart, and Bishop Zubik and the seminarians will join us for the 7 pm Stations on March 25.

Fish Fry Starts March 4th

The Fish Fry will start on Friday, March 4th. Ordering and paying online is preferred. The online order form will be available starting at noon on Friday, March 4th. Orders will be available for pick up at Sacred Heart Elementary School between 5:00 and 7:00. The menu options include a fried fish sandwich or friend shrimp with two sides: mac and cheese and coleslaw or French fries and coleslaw.

Use this link <https://form.jotform.com/220517100522135> or this QR code to access the form:



If you are unable to access the online form we will take phone orders starting at 4:00. Please call 412-361-3131.

Our hope is that we will be able to move to in-person dining by March 26 when Bishop Zubik and our diocesan seminarians join us for Stations of the Cross. We will make adjustments based on the recommendations of the Diocese.

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Lent for Little Ones! The Good Shepherd Experience

We are inviting young children to our **Saint Jude Parish Atrium at St. Raphael** for a special Lenten experience. Welcoming **children 3 to 5 years of age, as well as toddlers 18 month to 2 years** with their caregivers to enjoy prayers, songs and works in a specially prepared environment with hands-on materials relating to the life of Jesus and the Holy Mass. You have the option of two sessions—either **Tuesdays or Saturdays in March from 10 to 11:30 am**. The first week (March 1 & 5) will be 10 to 11 am. We still have a few slots left.

To register or for more information, please email Courtney Patterson at **Courtney@saintjudepgh.org** with name of caregiver, name and age of child. You will be notified by email with further information.

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Worldwide Synod



We thank all of our Parishioners who came to be a part of Pope Francis' World Wide Synod - as they took part in either of last Monday's two sessions here at St. Jude Parish. There were very good and open discussions on the topics the Pope has suggested – to share what the Holy Spirit is putting on hearts about “walking together” in bringing the Lord Jesus to others in our community today. We thank all our “note takers” who transcribed all that was shared. These notes will be forwarded to our Diocesan Synod office. They, along with the notes from all the other Parishes in the Diocese, will be synthesized and sent to the Vatican Synod office – in preparation for the Synod meeting of Bishops in October of 2023. Again thank you to all who were a part of this Synod session here, and thanks to Theresa Los for the delicious refreshments. As a Parish, we continue to join with Pope Francis in praying that the Holy Spirit will inspire a “synod spirit” to grow in our Parish as we continue to “walk together” in our Catholic faith in the future ahead.

A Thank You Note from Birthright!

Thank you for partnering with us by way of your very generous donation of \$892.00!

Birthright attracts the most compassionate and caring volunteers, who selflessly staff our pregnancy support center throughout the week. Since we now have more volunteers than ever, we intend to increase our hours of operation, and thus make our services even more readily available to those in need of our help to bring their babies to term.

The tremendous support of the Pittsburgh prolife community ensures that we at Birthright will continue to work tirelessly to expand our outreach of love and support to the moms and babies we serve!

You are remembered in my daily prayers and I send this letter with a prayer for you and yours. United in our prolife efforts, Regina M. Ranelli, Executive Director



A Winner Every Time

The next St. Jude summer festival planning session will be **Monday, February 28 at 6:30 pm in the Holy Angels Conference Room at St. Raphael.** We plan to continue meeting on the 4th Monday of each month to get ready for a fantastic festival this summer!

TODAY WE NEED COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Openings that need to be filled include Advertising, Bingo, Food Coordinator, Games and Prizes, Volunteers, and a few more. We are going to try to bring back the Big Raffle and Flea Market, both need more than one committee member. Also, people needed who have experience with accounting, banking, food service, security, etc. Committee Members are in charge of coordinating for each specific area. You will have full support of a core group that has years of experience to share. If you'd like to help plan the Big Raffle (traditionally with nightly prizes totaling \$9,000, a big fundraiser in itself for our parish) please mention that when you contact the office.

Also, we will need many volunteers for the event. To Parishioners new to the Festival or who want to help again, think about your skills, how you can help the parish, bring the community together, work with your kids, encourage a fun volunteer event. We will be asking for event volunteers soon.

Please just contact me, **Bernie Kozlowski 412-361-3320**, leave your name, phone number, and, or email, someone will be in touch quickly.



Book Tickets NOW for Jesus Christ Superstar on April 22

The first musical by Andrew Lloyd Webber and Tim Rice to be produced for the professional stage, Jesus Christ Superstar has wowed audiences for over 50 years. A timeless work, the rock opera is set against the backdrop of an extraordinary and universally-known series of events but seen, unusually, through the eyes of Judas Iscariot. Loosely based on the Gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke and John, Superstar follows the last week of Jesus Christ's life.

The story, told entirely through song, explores the personal relationships and struggles between Jesus, Judas, Mary Magdalene, his disciples, his followers and the Roman Empire.

Join fellow St. Jude parishioners for a performance of this extraordinary show on Friday April 22. We have arranged for a block of tickets and bus transportation for the 7:30m performance at the Gargaro Theater of Pittsburgh Musical Theater, 327 South Main Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15220

Pittsburgh Musical Theater has been producing quality musical theater in Pittsburgh for over 30 years. They have produced Jesus Christ Superstar many times, always a very moving experience. This will be the first time it is performed in the smaller, intimate Gargaro Theater in their own building.

Tickets are \$30 for adults, \$20 for children. Bus transportation to and from the theater, from each Church, is \$20/person.

To join us, call Barb Melick at 412-661-0187 ext 200 to reserve tickets for the show and for the bus. All reservations and payments must be made by Friday April 1.

For Covid-related performance entry requirements, visit <https://pittsburghmusicals.com/about/know-before-you-go/>

Congratulations!

We want to congratulate the Aquinas Academy students of our parish who made the honor roll for the second quarter.

Highest Honor

Peter Koble, 6th grade
Felicity Koble, 8th grade
Nathan Anthony, 12th grade

Great Honor

Grace Mlecko, 6th grade
Leah Anthony, 8th grade
Palma Serrao, 11th grade

Music At Mass Today

The music for today's Mass can be found in the Worship Hymnal (W) or the Breaking Bread Missalette (BB).

Entrance Hymn: W #953 Alleluia! Sing to Jesus
Gloria: BB #924
Psalm: BB pg. 76
Offertory Hymn: BB #616 I Have Loved You
Sanctus: BB #927
Memorial Acclamation: BB #928
Amen: BB #931
Agnus Dei: BB #932
Communion Hymn: Com: BB #199 Soul of My Savior
Recessional Hymn: W #720 The Kingdom of God

Thank you for joining us!

Thanks to all who joined us in person or by livestream last Thursday evening to hear the poetry of Dr. Samuel Hazo. You can watch the recording on our website at <https://saintjudepgh.org/dr-samuel-j-hazo>.

You can purchase Dr. Hazo's latest books in paperback, signed by him. Place your order at <https://bit.ly/samhazo>.

The Last Time We Saw Paris (\$15.00)
If Nobody Calls I'm Not at Home (\$12.00)

Books can be picked up at the parish office beginning Monday, February 28th.

Ladies of Charity Meeting

The Ladies of Charity meeting will be Tuesday March 8th in St. Raphael's Multi purpose room @ 7pm.



40 DAYS
FOR LIFE™



From March 2nd – April 10, you're invited to join other Christians for **40 Days for Life** – 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. You're also invited to stand and peacefully pray during a 40-day vigil in the public right-of-way outside Planned Parenthood, 933 Liberty Avenue, Pittsburgh, and to help spread the word about this important community outreach. If you'd like more information – and especially if you'd like to volunteer to help, please contact: **Nikki Bruni**, nbruni@40daysforlifepgh.com, or **Donna Goss** at gdgoss620@gmail.com

- **20,689 babies saved**
- **229 abortion workers converted**
- **114 abortion centers closed!**

Kick-off Mass at Divine Mercy Parish, Epiphany Church on Tuesday, March 1st at 7:00 pm, followed by a **Eucharistic Procession** to Planned Parenthood led by Fr. Chris Donley, Pastor of Divine Mercy Parish. All Christians are welcome to participate! This is a free event.

40daysforlife.com/Pittsburgh for more info, or check out our blog at 40daysforlifepittsburgh.com

**Saint Jude Parish Time, Talent & Treasure:
Financial Stewardship**

	2/20/2022
Offerings	\$9,883
Other Non- Diocesan Donations	\$256
Faith Direct (received 4th and 15th of month)	
Total Weekly Offering	\$10,139
Needed per budget - FYTD ave. as of 6/30/21	\$ 12,729
over / (under) budget	<u>\$(2,590)</u>
Parish Share - 2021	
Goal (less 5% discount if paid in full)	\$159,787
Received	<u>\$376,575</u>
EXCEEDED GOAL!	<u>\$216,788</u>

Thank you for giving in proportion to your beautiful love for God and our parish. It is amazing!

**Parish Office Hours
Coming to
St. Raphael!**

We are in the process of planning for regular weekly office hours at St. Raphael (likely to be Sunday Morning and Wednesday Evening). While this will include some staff support, we will also be using volunteers. If you are interested in learning more, or helping out, call Gary Fritsch at 412.661.0187 x123 or email gary@saintjudepgh.org

*Please pray for our recently
deceased &
their beloved families:*



*Marylynn Grossman
Catherine Crain
Agnes Drinsky
Lorraine O'Donnell*

Welcome to Our New Parishioners!

Charles, Caroline, Margaret, and Joey Doud

We are blessed by God's grace and your welcoming spirit to keep growing in members.

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**Aquinas Academy Speaker Series Presents Jacob Imam:
"Christian Community vs. Christian Kingdom; what ought we to build?"**

Tuesday, March 15, 7:00 – 8:15 p.m. in the Mross McGonigle Hall on the campus of Aquinas Academy of Pittsburgh

Amidst the violent cultural swings in our modern society, more and more Catholics are discussing the need for genuine Christian community. But what does that vague notion, driven by pure motivations, actually mean? How much of our lives would still be patterned on the modern world's assumptions? Join us to explore how the early and medieval Church thought about forming a Christian social order amidst their own culture wars. Jacob Imam is the executive director of New Polity, a think-tank for Catholic social doctrine, and the founder and manager of the Steubenville Workshop—a carpentry and joinery shop for contractors and private woodworkers. He is currently writing his doctoral dissertation as a prize scholar at the University of Oxford. Lectures are free and open to the public. A light reception will follow the talk. Register at www.AquinasAcademy.info. Aquinas Academy of Pittsburgh, 2308 West Hardies Rd., Gibsonia, PA 15044, (724) 444-0722

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

The Diocese requires a 6-month preparation period; a pre-marriage course is also required for each couple.

To **schedule a wedding**, please email weddings@saintjudepgh.org.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

(One baptism at a time)

For information or appointment, please call Barb Melick at 412-661-0187 ext 200.

Note that a **baptism preparation program** is required for parents who are presenting their first child for baptism.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Like most parishes, our office is open Monday through Friday, 9 AM - Noon and 1 PM - 4 PM.

For those seriously ill, preparing for surgery, or the elderly:
Please call Fr. Steven Palsa - Parish Chaplain at 412-720-3554

For all in need of anointing (non-emergency), the Anointing of the Sick will be offered on the last weekend of each month after all Masses at both churches.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Wednesdays, following the 7:00 pm Mass at Saint Raphael Church; Saturdays, at both churches, 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm.
Individual appointments for Confession available upon request.

There will be no Confession at Sacred Heart on March 5.

Please note: any parishioners who wish to attend the 8:30 AM Friday Sacred Heart Elementary School Masses at Sacred Heart church are welcome to do so; however, out of respect for the students who are too young to be vaccinated against Covid-19, all in attendance are required to follow Covid-19 protocol. Thank you!

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 26

9:00AM **SR** Nancy Schiavone (Month's Mind)

4:00PM **SR** George and Joan Kuzmanko by Daughter, Phyllis

6:00PM **SH** James Franzen by Julie Forsythe

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 27 EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:00AM **SR** Giuseppe and Maria A. Costa by Francesco and Diana Gualtieri

9:00AM **SH** Francesco Antonio Tirone by Antonio Tirone and Family

11:00AM **SR** Geraldine Wiseman by Phil and Nancy Conway

11:30AM **SH** Philip Clark by Ann Massey

7:45PM **SH** For the People

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 28

9:00AM **SR** James Longmore (Birth) by Family

12:05PM **SH** Edward Rupp (Birth) by Family

TUESDAY, MARCH 1

9:00AM **SR** In Honor of the Holy Face of Jesus

12:05PM **SH** In Honor of the Holy Face of Jesus

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 2 ASH WEDNESDAY

7:00 AM **SR** Robert Varasse (Month's Mind) by Family

12:05 PM **SH** Bart Mele by Ruth K. Hesidence

4:00 PM **SH** Service with ashes

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7:00PM **SR** Reseta and Grgurich Families by Josephine Reseta

THURSDAY, MARCH 3 SAINT KATHERINE DREXEL, VIRGIN

9:00AM **SR** Caterina Serrao by Maria Serrao and Family

12:05 PM **SH** Patrick J. Muldowney by Mary Muldowney

FRIDAY, MARCH 4 SAINT CASMIR

8:30 AM **SH** Mary Farrell (Birth) by Nancy Conway

9:00AM **SR** Kevin J. Koehler (Birth) by Family

12:05PM **SH** Maria Lydon by Mary Reddy

SATURDAY, MARCH 5 SATURDAY AFTER ASH WEDNESDAY

9:00AM **C** Benefactors of the Sister's of the Merciful Jesus

4:00PM **SR** Deceased members of the Battista Family by Gerri Fiore

6:00PM **SH** In Memory of Parents, John and Irene Waldorf 69th Wedding Anniversary by Children, John, Mary, Roseanne, Susan and Amy

SUNDAY, MARCH 6 FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

9:00AM **SR** Deceased members of Minyo Family by Eleanor Minyo

9:00AM **SH** Josephine Dolan by Veneida, Joe, and Kelly Baker

11:00AM **SR** For the People

11:30AM **SH** Dora Dominguez by Karen Pendred

7:45PM **SH** Fr. Thomas Coakley by Kathleen McAndrews

SANCTUARY CANDLES

February 27 - March 5

Saint Raphael:

Joseph James Dawson by Family

Sacred Heart:

Fr. Thomas F. Coakley by Kathleen McAndrews

**Adoration**

Wednesdays 9:00 AM—7:00 PM
St. Raphael Church

Sign up to be a regular adoror on one of the sheets of paper at the back of St. Raphael Church.

**Flowers at the Altar of St. Raphael Church**

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