



Welcome to New Parishioners We warmly welcome all new parishioners to St. Jude's and encourage them to register in the parish office. Offertory envelopes are available upon request when registration takes place.

# **Sacrament of Baptism**

Contact the parish at least six months before the desired date of baptism to obtain information regarding requirements and sacramental preparation, and to discuss any other concerns you may have.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available Saturdays at 4:00pm - 4:45pm and other times by appointment.

# **First Communion & Confirmation Program**

Parents are asked to contact the office for information. Our programs begin in the fall (September or October) and end with the reception of the sacraments. Registration dates are announced in the bulletin, on our website, social media, and from the pulpit.

# **Sacrament of Matrimony**

Couples contemplating marriage at St. Jude's parish are required to make contact with the parish office and review the marriage package before an interview with the priest. Diocesan regulation demands that marriages are booked one year in advance minimum.

## Funerals

Please contact the Funeral Home of your choice first. They will contact the parish office to make church arrangements. **Remember Catholic Cemeteries when** making your arrangements.

# R.C.I.A. and R.C.I.C. **Programs**

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) and for Children (RCIC) has now been implemented. Please contact the office to register and arrange to fill out an application for next year. The RCIA will only take place if a minimum of 5 people register.

# **First Friday**

and devotions to St. Jude after mass.

# St. Jude's Parish

### Confessions

Every First Friday of the month Mass at 8:00am, Holy Hour at 6:00pm, Mass at 7:00pm

### **Devotions to St. Jude**

Every Wednesday after the 8:00am Mass, every Friday after 7:00pm Mass and privately in St. Jude's Chapel every day.

### Rosarv

Daily after 8:00am Mass (English). Saturdays 8:00am (Spanish)

### Renovación Carismática

(Spanish) meets Fridays at 7:30pm Mario Vasquez (Coordinator)

#### **Neo Catechumenate Way**

Saturdays at 7:00pm Giovanni Tersigni (coordinator)

### **CFC Handmaids of the Lord**

Anita Espino (coordinator) Tel. Number 647-878-7195

### Lectio Divina

Scriptural reading, meditation and prayer 2nd and 4th Sundays 2:30pm - 3:30pm. Holy Family Room. For information call Anita Espino 647-878-7195.

### St. Vincent de Paul

Marinella Gonzalez (coordinator) Tel: 416-742-9072 Ext. 111

## **Knights of Columbus**

We are Catholic men who put charity and community first. If you wish to join; call 416-859-7738 or email john.colonna@gmail.com

#### **Parish Finance Council**

Pastor (Chair) Paschal D'Souza (Vicechair), Mary Lovisa (Secretary), Teresa Tedesco, James Downey, Yolanda Flores.

#### **Building Committee**

Dan Christante (property manager) James Downey.

#### **Parish Schools**

St. Jude's Tel: 416-393-5279 St. Simon Tel: 416-393-5383 St. Basil-the-Great Tel: 416-393-5513

#### **Parish Volunteers**

We are currently in need of volunteers for the following ministries: English Lector 5pm Mass, Italian Lector, offertory counters.

### **MASS INTENTIONS**

Saturday, December 7th 5:00pm Mass <sup>+</sup> Domenico Fuda • In Thanksgiving to St. Jude from Teresa Di Noto Sunday, December 8th 8:00am Mass † Lucia Andrighetti † Domenico & Flavia Fama † All Souls In Purgatory 9:30am Mass † Ada Colonello † Grace Ferretto † Vasil Ngjeliu 11:00am Mass PRO-POPULO 12:30pm Mass † Víctor Eduardo & Víctor Hernán Arévalo † Celia Leonor Méndez † Ana Isabel Munoz De Mosquera ♦ In Honour to St. Jude ♦ In Thanksgiving for the Birthday of Sheika Alub Roca Monday, December 9th 8:00am Mass † Marianna Naddi Tuesday, December 10th 8:00am Mass † All Souls in Purgatory Wednesday, December 11th 8:00am Mass † All Souls in Purgatory Thursday, December 12th 8:00am Mass

† All Souls in Purgatory Friday, December 13th 7:00pm Mass Giuseppina Grella

· Antonio Petracco

Dory Bethy Portillo Michele & Anna Valardi

In Honour to the Blessed Virgin

Mary In Thanksgiving to St. Lucy from Franca Dodaro

Sanctuary Lamp December 7th – 13th ♦ In Thanksgiving to the Gu ardian Angels of Nina Manias



Pray for the sick: Emanuel Bermudez, Luisa Zanella Tony Mattachione, Filomena Canzino Valentina Rodriguez, Louie Linc Vieira, Nubia Nuñes, Eliza Tomsen. Lina Grecco, Elsa Moreno, Ida Colombo, Jeyathas Balasingam.

Pray for the recently deceased: Antonio Petracco, Grace Ferretto Nevis Perusini, Mario Capobianco Brian Monk.

#### **II Sunday of Advent** There is no doubt that in this holy time of Ad-

vent, when we prepare for Christmas, we strengthen our hope in the second coming of Christ, remembering how Israel awaited the Messiah, and keeping in mind that, while we wait for Him, He continually comes to us in many ways.

Also, during this time of Advent, there are some Marian feasts that do not distract us in any way from our celebration in waiting for the Lord.

For example, today, December 8, the second Sunday of Advent, we celebrate the Immaculate Conception of Mary. We celebrate this feast in honor to our Blessed Virgin Mary, and all Catholics believe that Mary was preserved from the stain of original sin.

On December 12, 1531, Mother Mary came to the Tepeyac to consolidate the evangelizing work in Mexico, and then in all the countries of America. After the apparitions, in a few years more then ten million indigenous people from all over central Mexico came to receive Holy Baptism. Mary, with the name of Guadalupe, came to unite two cultures: the European and the indigenous. On this special day let us ask our blessed Mother Mary to help us prepare the best manger that is our heart for her Son Jesus and share with others his love.

#### II Domenica Di Avvento

Non c'è dubbio che in questo tempo sacro dell'Avvento, quando ci prepariamo al Natale, rafforziamo la nostra speranza nella seconda venuta di Cristo, ricordando come Israele attendeva il Messia e tenendo presente che, mentre lo aspettiamo, Lui viene continuamente a noi in molti modi.

Inoltre, durante questo tempo di Avvento, ci sono alcune feste mariane che non ci distraggono in alcun modo dalla nostra celebrazione nell'attesa del Signore.

Ad esempio, oggi, 8 dicembre, seconda domenica di Avvento, celebriamo l'Immacolata Concezione di Maria. Celebriamo questa festa in onore della nostra Beata Vergine Maria, e tutti i cattolici credono che Maria sia stata preservata dalla macchia del peccato originale. Il 12 dicembre 1531, Madre Maria venne al Tepeyac per consolidare l'opera di evangelizzazione in Messico, e poi in tutti i paesi d'America. Dopo le apparizioni, in pochi anni più di dieci milioni di indigeni da tutto il Messico centrale vennero a ricevere il Santo Battesimo. Maria, con il nome di Guadalupe, è venuta a unire due culture: quella europea e quella indigena. In questo giorno speciale chiediamo alla nostra beata Madre Maria di aiutarci a preparare la migliore mangiatoia che è il nostro cuore per suo Figlio Gesù e condividere con gli altri il suo amore.

#### II Domingo de Adviento

No cabe duda de que, en este tiempo santo de Adviento, cuando nos preparamos para la Navidad, fortalecemos nuestra esperanza en la segunda venida de Cristo, recordando cómo Israel esperaba al Mesías, y teniendo presente que, mientras lo esperamos. Él viene continuamente a nosotros de muchas maneras.

También, durante este tiempo de Adviento, hay algunas fiestas marianas que no nos distraen en nada de nuestra celebración en la espera del Señor.

Por ejemplo, hoy, 8 de diciembre, segundo domingo de Adviento, celebramos la Inmaculada Concepción de María. Celebramos esta fiesta en honor a nuestra Santísima Virgen María, y todos los católicos creemos que María fue preservada de la mancha del pecado original.

El 12 de diciembre de 1531, la Madre María llegó al Tepevac para consolidar la obra evangelizadora en México, y luego en todos los países de América. Después de las apariciones, en pocos años más de diez millones de indígenas de todo el centro de México vinieron a recibir el Santo Bautismo. María, con el nombre de Guadalupe, vino a unir dos culturas: la europea y la indígena. En este día tan especial pidamos a nuestra Santísima Madre María que nos ayude a preparar el mejor pesebre que es nuestro corazón para su Hijo Jesús y compartir con los demás su amor.

## **Advent Day of Confessions**

The Archdioceses has assigned the week of December 15th to 21st as the week for Advent confessions. Our Parish schedule for confes-sions is as follows: sions is as follows:

> **Tuesday December 17th** 8:30am-10:00am **English & Italian** Wednesday December 18th

> > 8:30am-9:30am **English & Spanish**

**Friday December 20th** 5:00pm-7:00pm

English, Italian, & Spanish **Saturday December 21st** 3:00pm-4:45pm English, Italian, & Spanish

#### **Spanish Mass in Honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe**

On Thursday December 12th, at 7:00pm. The community is invited to join us in the celebration of the Holy Mass, in Spanish, to honor our Lady of Guadalupe, Patroness of the Americas.

# First Communion 2024/2025

**Session Two** 

Saturday January 25th, 2025 10:00am - 12:00noon

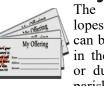
#### **Prav for Vocations**

Could God be calling you to be a priest, deacon, brother, or sister to help our world of today to truly "prepare the way of the Lord"? contact: Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations for the Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997 or email vocations@archtoronto.org

**Second Collection** 

Next weekend December 14th and 15th, we will have a second collection for the poor of the Parish. Thank you for your generous contribution to help those less fortunate in our community.

## **Offertory Envelopes**



The 2025 offertory envelopes are available. They can be picked up after mass in the Holy Family Room, or during the week at the parish office.

Please double check the information is correct and initialize the list before you take the box home.

Please do not use prior years' envelopes, the old numbers are reassigned and your goal of \$27,800. donation may be misdirected.

#### **Changes to PAG:**

Please contact the Parish office to make any changes to your Pre-Authorized Giving prior to notifying your bank with the changes.

#### **Missals 2024-2025**

English missals are available for sale during the week at the parish office. English missals are \$7.00

Thank you for your support.

#### **CHRISTMAS RAFFLE**

Don't miss out on your chance to win a hand carved MUSICAL NATIVITY **SCENE**, made from olive wood from the Holy Land. That's not all, there will be a second prize of a "Gift Basket of

in the December 22nd bulletin.

Parishioners are invited to come and join Lectio Divina (scriptural reading, meditation, & prayer) from 2:30pm to 3:30pm at St. Jude's Parish in the Holy Family Room.

Dec. 8, Luke 3:1-6 Prepare for the Lord Dec. 29, Christmas party (food, games, and gifts exchange) For information please contact: Anita Espino 647-878-7195.

Answer the call to compassion Please help combat hunger at sharelife.org/donate or by giving at our parish using a ShareLife envelope. Thank you for your compassion. Thus far we have raised \$26,514.00. 95.4% of our parish

St. Roch's Parish has a brand new standard adult size wheelchair available, courtesy of the Knights of Columbus. If anyone is interested, please call St. Roch's Parish office at **416-749-0328** or **416-743-1109**.

#### **Friars Student Writing** Contest 2025

High school students aged 13 to 19 from the Catholic School Boards in the Archdiocese of Toronto are invited to participate in this annual event, which honours the global Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, taking place January 18 to 25. Write a fivehundred-word essay that explores the theme "Do you believe this?" (John 11:26). Great prizes await the top three



# Sacramental Preparation Programs

# Confirmation 2024/2025

Session 5 December 13th, 7:00pm-8:00pm Sin and its consequences



# Parish Meetings, Events and other News

*Sweets"*. The cost of the tickets is 2 FOR \$5. The raffle draw will take place Sunday December 15th after the Spanish mass. Winning tickets will be published

The more tickets you buy, the more opportunities you have to win!!! All proceeds from this raffle will go towards the new roof. Thank you for your support!

#### Lectio Divina

## ShareLife

#### Wheelchair Available

submissions. Students are encouraged to explore the resources at https:// bit.lv/3zOVHly to gain insight into the meaning and purpose of the theme. They should also refer to the focus question available on the poster at https:// bit.ly/3XCGGgo. Entries are to be submitted at https://www.catholicregister.org/ Email writingaward. ecumenical@archtoronto.org or call 416-934-3400 ext. 527 for more information. Submissions will be accepted until January 13, 2025.

#### **Mass Intentions**

Mass intentions to be announced on weekend masses and the following week, must be requested by Wednesday of each week. We cannot change dates for masses previous sly requested. Each mass intention can include up to two individual names with the same last name. Thank you for your understanding and your cooperation.

#### **Pastoral Reference Requests**

In order for the pastor to be able to recommend you, he needs to know you. This is only possible if he has personal knowledge of your faith practice and involvement in the parish; not your relatives, but yourself, as this is a personal recommendation.

- The following are required at St. Jude's:
- Be (yourself, not your parents or grandparents) a registered member of the parish using offertory envelopes for at least one vear.
- Be in the parish for participation in Sun day/Saturday mass for at least one year prior to approaching the pastor.
- Applicant must be actively involved in a parish ministry or volunteer activity for a least one year.
- Please ensure that you meet these requirements before making your request.

It is important for you to know that to be hired to teach in any Catholic School Board in Ontario as part of your application for employment you must provide a letter of recommendation from your Pastor.