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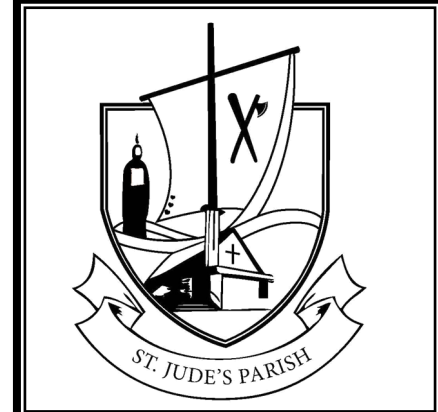
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**MASS SCHEDULE**  
**SUNDAY MASSES**  
Saturday: 5:00pm (English)  
Sunday: 8:00am (Italian)  
9:30am, 11:00am (English)  
12:30pm (Spanish)

**WEEKDAY MASSES**  
Mon-Thurs 8:00am  
Friday 7:00pm  
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(Holy Hour every Friday 6:00pm)

**PARISH OFFICE HOURS**  
Mon - Wed 8:30am-4:00pm  
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**CHURCH HOURS**  
Mon - Wed 7:30am - 4:00pm  
Thurs 7:30am - 10:00am  
& 2:00pm - 7:00pm  
Fri 2:00pm - 8:00pm  
Saturday 2:00pm - 6:30pm  
Sunday 7:30am - 2:00pm

# St. Jude's Parish

**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.

**Confessions**  
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**  
Every **First Friday** of the month Mass at 8:00am, Holy Hour at 6:00pm, Mass at 7:00pm and devotions to St. Jude after mass.

**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.

**Rosary**  
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  
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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

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

**Building Committee**  
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**Parish Schools**  
St. Jude's Tel: 416-393-5279  
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**MASS INTENTIONS**

**Saturday, February 15<sup>th</sup>**

**5:00pm Mass**

† All Souls in Purgatory

**Sunday, February 16<sup>th</sup>**

**8:00am Mass**

† Antonio Grieco

† Domenico & Flavia Fama

**9:30am Mass**

† Mia & Paul Giordano

**11:00am Mass**

PRO-POPULO

**12:30pm Mass**

† Victor Eduardo & Víctor Hernán Arévalo

† Saul Matías Ballinas

† Alejandrina Chacón de Dávila

† Julia Esperanza Flores

† Julio Rivera

† Guillermo Amador Robalino

**Monday, February 17<sup>th</sup>**

**8:00am Mass**

† Desmond Rodrigues

† Pasquarosa & Pietro Di Fiore

**Tuesday, February 18<sup>th</sup>**

**8:00am Mass**

† Luigi & Fabio Ognibene

**Wednesday, February 19<sup>th</sup>**

**8:00am Mass**

† Deceased Members of the McPhee Family

† Antonio & Egidio Mikicic

♦ For the Health of Mel McPhee

**Thursday, February 20<sup>th</sup>**

**8:00am Mass**

† Maria D'Amore

**Friday, February 21<sup>st</sup>**

**7:00pm Mass**

† Acela Barroso

**Sanctuary Lamp**

**February 15<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup>**

♦ In Thanksgiving for the Birthdays of:

Evelyn Hannah Radetic Mesa

Dylan Carlos Radetic Mesa

Karen Mesa & Jason Mesa



**Pray for the sick:**

Emanuel Bermudez, Tony Mattachione, Filomena Canzino, Valentina Rodriguez, Louie Lino Vieira, Nubia Nuñez, Eliza Tomsen, Lina Grecco, Ida Colombo, Jeyathas Balasingam.

**Pray for the recently deceased:**

Elsa Moreno, Octavio Holguin, Josue Jaramillo, Serafina De Marchi, Giovanni Boschetti, Antonio Petracco.

**VI Sunday in Ordinary Time**

*“Blessed are you”.* I am sure that we all want to be blessed and not cursed. Today, the readings for this Sunday tell us about that. Blessing is not a magic gesture to make things go well for us, but the consequence of our good deeds.

In today's gospel, Jesus declares the poor, the hungry, and those who cry blessed. This declaration of Jesus is so revolutionary that we still have not fully understood and accepted it, because in worldly thought, the one who has money and goods, the one who eats and drinks in abundance, the one who laughs and rejoices continually, is happy.

Jesus invites all of his disciples to seek the Kingdom of God, without obsessing over material goods; he invites us to endure the hunger for what we would like to eat or have, trusting that we will be satisfied in due time; he invites us to accept tears as part of our life, to cry what we have to cry if love requires it, but trusting that He himself will be our consolation.

To have it all, to be it all is a matter of the best choice, and what is this choice? To choose God. To choose God is to choose everything, all happiness here and there. Have a blessed week.

**VI Domenica del Tempo Ordinario**

*“Beati voi”.* Sono certo che tutti noi vogliamo essere benedetti e non maledetti. Oggi, le letture di questa domenica ce lo dicono. La benedizione non è un gesto magico per farci andare bene le cose, ma la conseguenza delle nostre buone azioni.

Nel Vangelo di oggi, Gesù dichiara beati i poveri, gli affamati e coloro che piangono. Questa dichiarazione di Gesù è così rivoluzionaria che ancora non l'abbiamo pienamente compresa e accettata, perché nel pensiero mondano, è felice chi ha soldi e beni, chi mangia e beve in abbondanza, chi ride e gioisce continuamente.

Gesù invita tutti i suoi discepoli a cercare il Regno di Dio, senza ossessionarsi per i beni materiali; ci invita a sopportare la fame di ciò che vorremmo mangiare o avere, confidando che saremo saziati a tempo debito; ci invita ad accettare le lacrime come parte della nostra vita, a piangere ciò che abbiamo da piangere se l'amore lo richiede, ma confidando che Lui stesso sarà la nostra consolazione. Avere

tutto, essere tutto è una questione di scelta migliore, e qual è questa scelta? Scegliere Dio. Scegliere Dio è scegliere tutto, tutta la felicità qua e là. Buona settimana.

**VI Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario**

*“Bienaventurados seáis”.* Estoy seguro de que todos queremos ser bendecidos y no maldecidos. Las lecturas de este domingo nos hablan de ello. La bendición no es un gesto mágico para que nos vaya bien, sino la consecuencia de nuestras buenas acciones.

En el evangelio de hoy, Jesús declara bienaventurados a los pobres, a los hambrientos y a los que lloran. Esta declaración de Jesús es tan revolucionaria que todavía no la hemos comprendido y aceptado del todo, porque en el pensamiento mundano, es feliz el que tiene dinero y bienes, el que come y bebe en abundancia, el que ríe y se alegra continuamente.

Jesús invita a todos sus discípulos a buscar el Reino de Dios, sin obsesionarse por los bienes materiales; nos invita a soportar el hambre de lo que quisiéramos comer o tener, confiando en que seremos saciados a su debido tiempo; nos invita a aceptar las lágrimas como parte de nuestra vida, a llorar lo que tengamos que llorar si el amor lo exige, pero confiando en que Él mismo será nuestro consuelo. Tenerlo todo, serlo todo es cuestión de la mejor elección, ¿y cuál es esa elección? Elegir a Dios. Elegir a Dios es elegirlo todo, toda la felicidad aquí y allá. Que tengas una semana bendecida.

**Ash Wednesday**

March 5th, 2025 is Ash Wednesday, the mass schedule in our Parish is as follows:

- 8:00am English**
- 10:00am Italian**
- 6:30pm English**
- 8:00pm Spanish**



**40 DAYS FORLIFE**

40 Days ForLife vigils will take place from **March 5th to April 25th 2025**, at Dufferin and Lawrence by St. Charles Borromeo Church, 811 Lawrence Ave. West. Those who would like to participate can register at <https://www.40daysforlife.com/en/toronto>.

**Sacramental Preparation Programs**



**First Communion 2024/2025**

**Session 3**  
Saturday March 22nd, 2025,  
10:00am - 12:00 noon  
At the Parish Hall

**Confirmation 2024/2025**

**Session 9**  
February 21st, 7:00pm-8:00pm  
Pentecost



**Parish Meetings, Events and other News**

**Pray for Vocations**



Happy are those who know they need God. Happy too those who live faithfully the vocation of the life-commitment God calls them to, be it married, single, religious or priesthood. If God is calling you, to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations for the Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997 or email [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org)

**Celebrate the Year of Jubilee 2025 and Elevation of Cardinal Leo**

Regional Eucharistic Celebrations with Cardinal Leo & Auxiliary Bishops. All are welcome to attend Regional Masses that will be held throughout the Archdiocese of Toronto. **All Masses at 7:00pm** on the following days.

**Central Region**

Thursday, February 20, St. Mary's Parish, Toronto 130 Bathurst St. (Bishop Kasun to preside)

Tuesday, February 25, St. Edward the Confessor Parish, North York (Cardinal Leo to preside)

**Eastern Region**

Wednesday, February 19, St. Barnabas Parish, Scarborough (Cardinal Leo to preside)

**Year of Jubilee – Pilgrimage for Young Adults**

Fr. Paul Magyar, Director, Office of Catholic Youth The Archdiocese of Toronto's Office of Catholic Youth is excited to announce that the Jubilee for Youth is filling up fast. The pilgrimage to Rome will take place from July 23 to August 5. **Registrations are open to all young adults ages 19 to 39 until the end of February 2025.** Register today at <https://form.jotform.com/242754342056253>

**Lectio Divina**

Come join us for Lectio Divina (scriptural reading, meditation, & prayer) every second and fourth Sunday of the month from **2:30pm to 3:30pm** at St.

Jude's Parish, in the Holy Family Room.

Feb. 23, Luke 6:27-38

March 9, Luke 4: 1-13

March 23, Luke 13: 1-19

For information please contact: Anita Espino (Associate Pauline Cooperator) 647-878-7195.

**Knights of Columbus Dinner & Dance Italian Night**

The Knights of Columbus will be hosting a dinner & dance on Saturday **February 22, 2025 at 7pm**, at the Transfiguration of Our Lord Parish, 45 Ludstone Dr. Tickets are \$40 per person, cash bar. For tickets please contact Grand Knight Romey at **416 473-5908** or email at [romeysimon@hotmail.com](mailto:romeysimon@hotmail.com).

**Office Closed**

**Monday February 17**, we celebrate **Family Day**, the parish office will be closed and morning mass is at the regular time of 8:00am.

We wish you a joyful and safe Family Day weekend.

**Tax Receipts**

The production of St. Jude's Parish tax receipts for **2024** donations has been re-scheduled. They will be delivered by Canada Post starting **Monday March 3rd, 2025**.

**Offertory Envelopes**

**2025** Offertory envelopes are available during the week at the parish office. Please do not use prior years' envelopes.

**Changes to PAG:**

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

**Fraudulent Emails**

If you receive emails/ text messages

claiming to be from Cardinal Leo, Father Josue and other priests, requesting financial assistance or other help, these are fraudulent and should be deleted immediately.

If you are suspicious of any communication, call the parish office or reach out to [communications@archtoronto.org](mailto:communications@archtoronto.org). Fr Josue does not send e-mails asking people to respond or asking for donations.

**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 co-operation.

**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 year.
- ♦ Be in the parish for participation in Sunday/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.