



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**

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.

# St. Jude's Parish

#### Confessions

### **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.

#### SOLEMNITY OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

Saturday, January 11th 5:00pm Mass All Souls In Purgatory Sunday, January 12th 8:00am Mass † Domenico & Flavia Fama • In Thanksgiving to St. Jude from Bruna ♦ In Thanksgiving to Our Lady of Graces from Bruna 9:30am Mass Grace Ferretto · Alfonso Gandolfo Giovanni & Carmela Gandolfo Paolo Primavera · Maria Porrovecchio 11:00am Mass PRO-POPULO 12:30pm Mass † Víctor Eduardo & Víctor Hernán Arévalo Aurora Toaza Lopez † Humberto Pazmay Moyano † Mariana Ruiz Olivares † Doris Elizabeth Salazar ♦ In Thanksgiving for the Birthday of Jaime Enriquez ◆ In Thanksgiving to St. Jude from Alcivar Cuello Trivino Family Monday January 13<sup>th</sup> 8:00am Mass † Joe Porretta Tuesday, January 14<sup>th</sup> 8:00am Mass † All Souls In Purgatory 7:00pm MMass † Adriana Toniolo Wednesday, January 15th 8:00am Mass All Souls In Purgatory Thursday, January 16th 8:00am Mass † All Souls In Purgatory Friday, January 17th 7:00pm Mass Dory Bethy Portillo † Desmond Rodrigues ♦ In Thanksgiving to the Holy Trinity

Sanctuary Lamp January 11th – 17th † All Souls in Purgatory



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

Pray for the recently deceased: Josue Jaramillo, Serafina De Marchi. Giovanni Boschetti, Antonio Petracco, Grace Ferretto, Nevis Perusini.

Solemnity of the Baptism of the Lord My brothers and sisters, today we celebrate the Baptism of the Lord His second epiphany. In todays Gospel we see how Jesus came down to be baptized "Jesus let himself be baptized with all the people." According to the Gospel John the Baptist was administering a baptism, baptism of repentance.

On this special Feast and in the beginning of the new year, I would like to thank those men and women who have sacrificed their time, talent and treasure to make sure that our parish is adequately served with the word and love of Christ. l especially thank those who teach Religious Education as First Communion, Confirmation, to the principals and teachers of St. Basil. St. Jude, and St. Simon's school.

Thank you, brothers and sister, for making our church so warm and beautifully decorated

throughout the year. To our many volunteers in our Ministries: St. Vincent De Paul, Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Sacristans, Ushers, Altar Servers, the counters, Music Ministry for spending so much of their time and talent throughout the year especially at Christmas and Easter. Thanks to you my brothers and sisters, the parishioners, who week after week come to our Parish and share your faith by attending mass and supporting your parish St. Jude. THANK YÔÙ ALĽ.

During this 2025 let us continue living our faith and be assured of my prayers to you and yours. Please pray for me and Fr. Croos, as we will pray for you. Rev Josué Vargas

#### Solennità del Battesimo del Signore

Fratelli e sorelle, oggi celebriamo il Battesimo del Signore, la sua seconda epifania. Nel Vangelo di oggi vediamo come Gesù è sceso per essere battezzato "Gesù si è lasciato battezzare con tutto il popolo". Secondo il Vangelo, Giovanni Battista stava amministrando un battesimo, un battesimo di pentimento. In questa festa speciale e all'inizio del nuovo anno, vorrei ringraziare quegli uomini e quelle donne che hanno sacrificato il loro tempo, talento e tesoro per assicurarsi che la nostra parrocchia sia adeguatamente servita con la parola e l'amore di Cristo. Ringrazio in particolar modo coloro che insegnano educazione religiosa come la Prima Comunione, la Cresima, i presidi e gli insegnanti della scuola di San Basilio, San Giuda e San Simone. Grazie, fratelli e sorelle, per aver reso la nostra chiesa così calda e splendidamente decorata durante tutto l'anno. Âi nostri numerosi volontari nei nostri ministeri: San Vincenzo De Paoli, ministri eucaristici. lettori, sagrestani, uscieri. ministranti, i banconisti, il ministero della musica per aver dedicato così tanto tempo e talento durante l'anno, specialmente a Natale e

Pasqua. Grazie a voi miei fratelli e sorelle, i parrocchiani, che settimana dopo settimana venite nella nostra parrocchia e condividete la vostra fede partecipando alla messa e sostenendo la vostra parrocchia di San Giuda. GRAZIE A TUTTI.

Durante questo 2025 continuiamo a vivere la nostra fede e siate certi delle mie preghiere per voi e i vostri cari. Pregate per me e per Padre Croos, come noi pregheremo per voi. Rev Josué Vargas

#### Solemnidad del Bautismo del Señor

Mis hermanos v hermanas, hov celebramos el Bautismo del Señor, su segunda epifanía. En el Evangelio de hoy vemos cómo Jesús bajó para ser bautizado: "Jesús se dejó bautizar con todo el pueblo". Según el Evangelio, Juan el Bautista estaba administrando el bautismo, un bautismo de arrepentimiento.

En esta fiesta especial y al comienzo del año nuevo, me gustaría agradecer a aquellos hombres y mujeres que han sacrificado su tiempo, talento y dinero para asegurarse de que nuestra parroquia esté adecuadamente servida con la palabra y el amor de Cristo. Agradezco especialmente a quienes enseñan Educación Religiosa como Primera Comunión, Confirmación, a los directores y maestros de la escuela San Basilio, San Judas y San Simón.

Gracias, hermanos y hermanas, por hacer que nuestra iglesia sea tan cálida y bellamente decorada durante todo el año. A nuestros muchos voluntarios en nuestros Ministerios: San Vicente de Paúl, Ministros Eucarísticos, Lectores, Sacristanes, Monaguillos, Contadores, Ministerio de Música por dedicarnos tanto de su tiempo y talento durante todo el año, especialmente en Navidad y Pascua. Gracias a ustedes, mis hermanos y hermanas, los feligreses, que semana tras semana vienen a nuestra Parroquia y comparten su fe asistiendo a misa v apovando a su parroquia San Judas. GRACIAS A TODOS. Durante este 2025, sigamos viviendo nuestra fe y tengan la seguridad de mis oraciones por ustedes y los suyos. Por favor, oren por mí y por el Padre Croos, como nosotros oraremos por ustedes. Rev. Josué Vargas

#### Lectio Divina

Parishioners are invited to come and join 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.

Jan 12, Luke 3:15-16; 21-27 Jan. 26. Luke 1:1-4; 14-21 Feb. 9, Luke 5:1-11 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.

# Sacramental Preparation Programs

**Session Two** 

First Communion 2024/2025

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

#### **Prav for Vocations**

As John the Baptist introduced the people of his time to Jesus a voice from heaven said, "You are my Son, the Beloved, with **you I am well pleased.**" Perhaps God is calling you to do the same in our time as a priest, deacon or religious. If He is, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations for the Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997 or email vocations@archtoronto.org

## **Offertory Envelopes**

**2025** Offertory envelopes are available to be picked My Offering up during the week at the parish office.

Please do not use prior years' envelopes, the old numbers are reassigned and your 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.

#### **Annual Week of Praver for Christian Unity Prayer** Service 2025



The week of January 18-25, 2025, marks the annual celebration of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (WPCU). This year, we commemorate

the 1,700th anniversary of the first Christian Ecumenical Council in Nicaea, offering a unique opportunity to reflect on and celebrate our shared faith as expressed in the Creed established during that council.

This year's theme for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is based on a passage from the Gospel of John: "Do you believe this?" (John 11:26). We warmly

invite you and your parishioners to join Bishop John A. Boissonneau (Auxiliary Bishop of Toronto, Northern Region), alongside a wide representation of Christian leaders, to pray for the restoration of full visible unity willed by Jesus Christ for His Church. This event will take place on Sunday, January 19, 2025, at 4:00pm. at North City Church in Woodbridge.

### 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, with 60 per cent of the 100 spots already taken! The pilgrimage to Rome will take place from July 23 to August 5. Registrations are open to all voung adults ages 19 to 39 until the end of February 2025, so there's still time to secure a spot. Register today at https:// form.iotform.com/242754342056253

#### **Regional Masses &** Celebrations

Regional churches will host a celebration to focus our attention on the Jubilee Year as a faith community and to celebrate the elevation of Cardinal Francis Leo to the college of Cardinals, an acknowledgement of the tremendous people of God in the Archdiocese of Toronto. These celebrations will take place as follows:

St. Mary's Parish, Brampton Wednesday January 29<sup>th</sup> 7:00pm

Tuesday February 4<sup>th</sup>, 7:00pm

# Confirmation 2024/2025

## Session 6



January 31st, 7:00pm-8:00pm Jesus's Passion, Death and Resurrection

# Parish Meetings, Events and other News

- St. Michael's Cathedral
- Wednesday January 15<sup>th</sup> 7:00pm

  - St. Padre Pio, Kleinburg
- St. Barnabas Parish, Scarborough
- Wednesday February 19<sup>th</sup> 7:00pm
- St. Edward the Confessor Parish
  - Tuesday February 25<sup>th</sup>

# ShareLife

Answer the call to compassion Our Parish 2024 contribution to ShareLife was \$27,067.00. 97.36% of our parish goal of \$27,800. Thank you for your compassion.

#### **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 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.