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FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT **December 24, 2023**

CHRISTMAS December 25, 2023

Rev. John Ryan, Pastor

Rev. Robert Kline, Sunday Masses Rev. Peter D'Abele, Spanish Masses Deacon John Gagliardi

Rectory Hours:

Monday through Thursday 9:00am to 5:00pm Sunday 9:00am to 12:00pm CLOSED Friday, Saturday & Holidays

Rectory 631-281-5743 Parish Outreach 631-281-5634 Karen Sonneborn

Religious Education 631-281-2835

Dominic Gervasio

631-281-5743 Music Ministers Dominic Gervasio & Humberto Diaz St. Vincent de Paul 631-772-1733 Robin Gallo

Queen of Apostles

Regional School 631-878-1033

The Sacraments

◆ Anointing of the Sick

Last Saturday of each month after the 9:00am Mass or contact the rectory for an appointment.

◆ Penance/Confession

Saturdays from 3:00pm to 3:45pm and also by appointment.

♦ Marriage

Contact the rectory at least 1 year in advance to make wedding arrangements.

◆ Baptism

Contact the rectory to set-up a Baptism. Baptisms are celebrated most 1st & 3rd Sundays throughout the year. Spanish Baptisms are held the 4th Sunday of each month as needed.

♦ Holy Hour

Every Friday at 3:00pm

Celebration of the Eucharist

Saturday

4:00pm Vigil Mass

Sunday

8:00am English/Italian 10:00am Children's Choir 12:00pm Adult Choir 5:00pm Youth Mass 6:30pm Spanish Mass

Daily Mass

9:00am

12:00pm every Wednesday St. Jude Novena Mass

Mass will be streamed through Facebook each Sunday at 10am

Facebook: www.facebook/stjudemb.org

Website: www.stjudemb.org

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Monday: Is 35:1-10; Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14;

Lk 5:17-26

Tuesday: ZEC 2:14-17; JUDITH 13:18BCDE, 19;

LK 1:26-38

Wednesday: Is 40:25-31; Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 and 10;

Mt 11:28-30

Thursday: Is 41:13-20; Ps 145:1 and 9, 10-11, 12-13ab;

Mt 11:11-15

Friday: Is 48:17-19; Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6;

Mt 11:16-19

Saturday: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11; Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16, 18-19;

Mt 17:9a, 10-13

Sunday: Is 61:1-2A, 10-11; Lk 1:46-48, 49-50, 53-54;

1 Thes 5:16-24; Jn 1:6-8, 19-28

The Church is open every weekday from 8:30am to 4pm.

Please come in and spend some time with the Lord in quiet prayer.

ADORATION WITH DIVINE CHAPLET

Every Friday at 3pm.

BIBLE STUDY

Bible Study with Fr. Kline every Friday at 10am, in the Parish Center.

ATTENTION LECTORS

The 2024 Lector Workbook has arrived!
All active Lectors are asked to pick up a copy from the Rectory as soon as possible.

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

DATE	COLLECTION
12/17/2023	Collections will be reported on the 12/31

MASS ATTENDANCE									
Date	Sat		Total						
				12p	5p	6:30p			
	4pm	8am	10am	m	m	m			
11/19	146	141	293	150	133	235	1098		
11/26	129	133	287	165	110	375	1199		
12/03	135	141	338	175	118	250	1157		
12/10	117	141	376	147	80	225	1086		

STREAMING ATTENDANCE				
Date	Sunday			
	10am			
11/26	71			
12/03	72			

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12/10

NEW YEAR'S DAY MASSES-Monday 9:00 AM & 11 AM

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, December 23, 2023

4:00pm Christopher M. Granger † (Fr. Ryan)

Sunday, December 24, 2023

8:00am Parishioners of St. Jude (Fr. Kline) 10:00am Christmas Remembrance (Fr. Ryan) 12:00pm Christmas Remembrance (Fr. Roy)

4:00pm Christmas Remembrance (Fr. Ryan) 6:00pm Christmas Remembrance (Fr. Ryan) 7:30 pm Parishioners of St. Jude (Fr. Peter)

10:00pm Christmas Remembrance (Fr. Kline)

Monday, December 25, 2023 8:00am For the Souls of

North Babylon Cemetery †

10:00am Jean Pia t

12:00pm James Joseph Wellington t

Tuesday, December 26, 2023

9:00am Samuel Cimino t

Wednesday, December 27, 2023

9:00am Liberato Iapauolo †

12:00pm (St. Jude Novena) Poor Souls in Purgatory †

Thursday, December 28, 2023

9:00am Mary Ann Wiegand t

Friday, December 29, 2023

9:00am Justin John Blankenship t

Saturday, December 30, 2023

9:00am Susan Draghi t

4:00pm John Owens † (Msgr. Mirro)

Sunday, December 31, 2023 8:00am Sam Cimino (Fr. Ryan)

10:00am Elizabeth Dutton † (Fr. Kline)

12:00pm Justin John Blankenship † (Fr. Roy)

5:00pm Janice Perino † (Fr. Ryan)

6:30pm Nereyda Reyes-Torres † (Fr. Peter)

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ST. JUDE TEXT GIVING



Text to GIVE

631-825-8855 YOU'LL RECEIVE A LINK

- 1. For your first time click "SIGN IN" then "REGISTER FOR AN ACCOUNT."
- 2. Complete the registration to receive your secure PIN.
- 3. Select the fund, enter the donation amount and payment information. Tap "SAVE PAYMENT" to use it for future gifts.

Thank you to those who have used the text-giving option!

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL

The 2023 Catholic Ministries Appeal

The 2023 Catholic Ministries Appeal is on-going in our parish and in parishes across the Diocese. Please give prayerful consideration to help fund the essential ministries and services supported by this appeal. Brochure envelopes are available in the lobby of the Church.

\$ 59,700.00 Goal \$ 62,573.49 Total Pledged - 104.31% of goal (Includes 10/29 CMA \$2,676.49)

\$ 59,913.49 Payments Received

Donors: 136



The parish will now receive 20% of the goal and will receive an additional 80% of monies pledged & received over goal.



OFFICES CLOSED Christmas day and Tuesday, December 26

ALTAR BREAD, WINE & FLOWERS

Altar Bread/Wine available dates: Jan 1, 8, 15 & 22 Altar Flowers available dates: January 21; February 4.

PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

ARMY: Michael Alparslan, Matthew Corica, John Redding, Jr., Steven Schloesser, Steven Valentin AIR FORCE: Alice Butler, Ricardo Flores,

Antonino S. Realmuto

NAVY: Matthew Breindl, Sean Drumm, Cody Farrell, Patrick Gross, Adam Harris, Pedro Hernandez,

Cheyenne Hernandez

MARINES: Kyle Buckley, Dominick R. Rodriguez, **Emily Manakides**

Please contact the Rectory @ 631-281-5743 to add a loved one to the military list.

REFLECTIONS

Living Stewardship

Jesus came into the world to die for us.

Bulletin Reflection

Stewardship

This Christmas, be at service to those in need. Invite a lonely friend or family member over for Christmas dinner.



Perhaps, also, after Christmas dinner you can assist family and friends in cleaning up

St. Vincent de Paul



Joseph receives little attention these days, even in Advent, but Joseph stands right beside Mary at the center of the stage. Joseph stands, with eager expectation, at the threshold of transcendence. From the darkness of

his own limited understanding, he is continually peering into the mystery of God. Surely he cannot fathom the virginal conception of Jesus that the angel announces, but with loving compassion he bows in reverence to God's incomprehensible ways. Surely he does not understand how this child, who seems like any other, could be "God with us", but he abandons himself, in faith, to the task of loving the child and educating him. There is something very beautiful about Joseph's contact with the transcendent mystery of God. He was a carpenter and in the midst of his daily manual labor and family life, Joseph was surrounded by the mystery of God and he penetrated it with faith. He trusted in God's daily providence.

(Maloney, Seasons of Spirituality, p.53)

PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Anthony Belfiore, Joe Belfiore, Alyson Thomas Bruce, Infants Kennedy & Skylar Bestenheider, Jim Callahan, Virginia Carr, Yvette Pauze Clay, Robert Deshler, Sr., Frances Errico, Deacon John Gagliardi, Bob Gamborale, Josephine Gamborale, Ruth Gatley; Denise, Lucille and Mike Giangrasso, Ann & Frank Giordano, Madeline Giovanielle, Linda Halperin, Catherine Hannon, Kitty Hennessey, Thomas Kloss, Stephen Komara, Linda Krzemien, Grace Liselli, Laura Mazzanti, Mike McCarthy, Roberta McNeil, Terezinha de Jesus Mello, Rosalie Nicolini, Bob Pauze, Lisa Pizzo, Carmen Quiles, Russo's family: Eleanora, Eugene, Grace, Millie, Raymond and Vincent; Chery Sangemino, Sheila Valenti, Joseph Stozzetto and Luis Vega.

Please contact the Rectory (a) 631-281-5743 to add a loved one to the sick list.

FAITH FORMATION

Faith Formation office hours for remaining School year is:

Monday: 12pm - 8pm Tuesday: 10am - 4pm Wednesday: 12pm - 8pm

Anyone still needing to pick up homeschooling packets can pick them up during office hours.

There are no Classes from Christmas to New Years. Follow the William Floyd SD Schedule.



MERRY CHRISTMAS!

If you need more information, please call: 631-281-2835



CHRISTMAS SEASON

MUSIC MINISTRY BULLETIN

If you are interested in joining any of the choirs please come join us at whichever choir fits your age group/interest. No music experience needed. If you enjoy singing or you play an instrument we would love to have you share your talents with our music ministry. We are preparing for

the Advent Season and Christmas Masses.

"To sing is to pray twice" - St. Augustine

4:00 PM Saturday Mass: Folk Choir (all ages)
* Rehearsals Wednesdays at 7:00PM in the Church

10:00 AM Sunday Mass: Children's Choir (ages 6-12) *Rehearsals Tuesdays 6:30PM in the parish center

12:00 PM Sunday Mass: Adult Choir (ages 18+) *Rehearsals Tuesdays 7:30 PM in the Parish Center

5:00 PM Sunday Mass: Teen Choir (ages 13-17) *Rehearsals Sundays at 4:00PM in the church

PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

All of us at Outreach would like to wish everyone a Blessed Christmas and a Happy Healthy New Year.



Due to your generosity, Outreach **HUNGRY** was able to provide over 120 families with food and gifts for Christmas.

Thank you for your continued support of Outreach.

Thank you for your generosity during this holiday season..

MERRY CHRISTMAS!



"...the death of these children is precious in the sight of God because of the beatitude they gained so quickly.

For already, at the beginning of their lives, they pass on.

The end of the present life is for them the beginning of glory."

- St. Augustine

Feast of the Holy Innocents

December 28th

OUESTION OF THE WEEK



Whom do I overlook and in whom do I fail to see Christ? How can I force myself to look past surface impressions?

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

May the light of Jesus shine within us. May the light of Jesus illuminate our lives and encourage each of us to bring that light into our world. The world needs you and me to shed Christ's light in the midst of darkness. Too many people are accepting the doom and gloom scenario so passively, acting as if the world has lost its way. Nonsense! The naysayers and all who have succumbed to such a pessimistic attitude about life need to look to Jesus, go to Him now in the manger and experience the love of God. God comes into our world as an infant, born of the Blessed Virgin Mary with Joseph by her side, bringing the hope of the world.

Christmas Joy is Jesus Christ enters our world to save us and restore us to his divinity with the Father and Holy Spirit. Our Lord encourages us to find a new beginning and renewed hope this and every Christmas season. Jesus calls us, is with us, and will forever be with us and united us in his love. Christmas is a time for renewing and appreciating our relationships with one another. We need to take this holy season of peace and joy as an opportunity for each of us in building up the Kingdom of God.

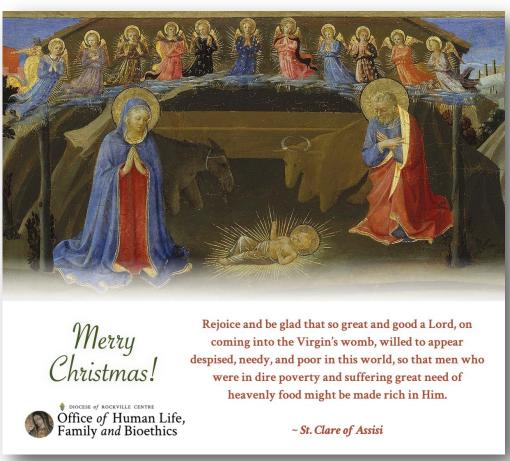
The birth of Jesus is a time for all of us to renew our baptism, our birth in living a life of Christ. At our baptism we receive a candle symbolizing our living in the light of Christ and bringing it to shine brightly in a world that can sometimes seem dark. Let us keep the flame of love alive in our hearts and with every encounter. There's something special about making it a part of our lives to express our life in Christ to all we meet. We need to meet people where they are at and be kind, patient, and loving to all.

May the peace of Christ dwell in your hearts and your joys be fulfilled, your prayers answered. May you have healing, health, happiness, and prosperity in the new year. Above all, let this Christmas be a time of giving glory to God by your words and actions. When we live for God we are living our calling as God's children: we begin to recognize the presence of God in all his creation. Emmanuel ~ God is with us!

Thank to all the generous parishioners that gave gifts and cards to the priests at St. Jude Church.

Have a blessed and Merry Christmas!

Fr. Ryan



FROM THE BISHOP DESK



Christmas 2023

To the People of God of the Diocese of Rockville Centre:

Merry Christmas to you and your families!

In recent years at Christmas, I have meditated on the relationship between the Nativity of the Prince of Peace and the Parable of the Good Samaritan.

I have been especially inspired by Pope Francis' analysis of the Parable of the Good Samaritan in the second chapter of his 2020 encyclical *Fratelli Tutti*. It is powerful and provocative, and I would recommend it for your mental prayer.

The short phrase in the Christmas Gospel narrative in the second chapter of the Gospel of Luke reads: "She wrapped him in swaddling clothes and laid him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn."

"No room for them in the inn." No Good Samaritan stepped up to help the Holy Family. They were ignored and treated perfunctorily and impatiently. Some passed them by. Some pretended not to notice their plight.

Remember too that in the Parable of the Good Samaritan an "inn" is also mentioned. Luke 10 reads: "But a Good Samaritan while traveling came near him, and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn and took care of him."

The inn that the Holy Family approaches on the way to Bethlehem is a sign of rejection and indifference.

The inn in the Parable of the Good Samaritan is a sign of the Good Samaritan's compassion and commitment to go the extra mile and to make sure that the wounded man is taken care of until he is completely healed.

Contemporary literary criticism might very well emphasize that the use of "inn" by the Gospel writer in both the Nativity in Luke 2 and the Parable of the Good Samaritan in Luke 10 is not by accident.

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In a sense, the phrase "there was no room at the inn" in the Nativity foreshadows and connects with the phrase in the Parable of the Good Samaritan describing the callous indifference of both the priest and the Levite toward the wounded man on the side of the road: "[H]e passed by on the other side."

As Pope Francis says in *Fratelli Tutti*: "Each day we have to decide whether to be Good Samaritans or indifferent bystanders."

Our Lady, St. Joseph and the unborn Christ Child experienced the reality of people who decided to be indifferent bystanders.

The Christmas Gospel narrative from Luke 2 poses a question which is posed again later in the Parable of the Good Samaritan in Luke 10.

Will we be Good Samaritans?

Or will we be indifferent bystanders?

As the Holy Father reminds us, we make that choice every day.

May our prayer, silent contemplation and creative family catechesis of the Nativity scene help us to be instruments of a Nativity Mystery. May the Good Samaritan Gospel revolution of humility, charity, mercy, tenderness and peace unite us in solidarity with the sick, the poor and the suffering, especially in the Middle East, Ukraine and all war-ravaged areas of the world.

May our commitment to "holiness and mission" bless our contemplative Synodal listening and our Eucharistic Revival and Evangelization.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to you and your families!

May the Light and Love of the Christ Child animate and guide our global Catholic Missionary Spirit on this Christmas night and throughout the New Year.

Sincerely in Christ,

Most Reverend John O. Barres Bishop of Rockville Centre

¹ Francis, encyclical Fratelli Tutti, October 4, 2020: AAS 112 (11) 969-1074, at no. 70.



Christmas Flowers



We remember ...

Rose and Salvatore Cognata

Mandia family

Donald Barnes

Elizabeth Barnes

Anna and Rudolf Matzelle

Maria Thies

Rita Giannandrea

James Giannandrea

Johnny Mausser

Anne Mausser

August Mausser

Josef and Helene Mausser

Philomena Hetherington

Thomas Hetherington

Michael A. Monaco

Ralph F. Raiola

Tony Fabrizio

Fitzgerald's family and friends

Cosna Torres

Arturo Torres

Sheehan family

Fred J. Custor

Mr. and Mrs. John Bohl

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Custor

David Moore

Lucille Gritz

Patti Family

Riker Family

Sigmund & Mar Czak

Donald & Edna Malone

Alan J. Czak

James S. Czak

Matthew Gioia

Wilson Family

Frances Ameres

The Deceased of the Ameres Family

John Thomas

Roben Spaziante

Cecilia and Reni Rohart

Maria and Anthony Spaziante

Barbara and Lyn Sullivan

Mabel and Daniel Gallo

Ron and Ed Andersen

Deborah Leder

Turcios's Family

Alice Janda

Melissa Vecchio

Rosemarie Kosik

Fred Makin

Natalie MacWilliams

Patricia Manzitto

Salvatore and Jean Ferrara

Adele and Fred Zecha

Sydney Waldbawn

Frances Orlando

Frances Lazio

Joseph Orlando

Peter Lazio

Mary Rubalsky

Rose and Michael Vastano

Antonett Juszczak

Michael Juszczak

Irene Makowski

Chester Makowski Sr.

Ron Alber



Christmas Flowers



We remember...

Rose and Carmelo Triscritti

Anna and Domenick Vastano

Aida Gabriel Calvo

Patrick Michael Penn

Baby Michael Gerard

Baby Penn

Herma Stribula

Stephen D. Stribula

Stephen Stribula

William Giordano

Fitzgerald Family

Nasta Family

Sally and Douglas Prichard

John and Catherine Turner

Mary Turner

All Cuervo Family Members

All Scharrer Family Members

Joseph Romano

Regina Stein

John Stein

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Murphy

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Price

Mr. and Mrs. Cafaro

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Tortorella

Lucia Koster

Scopo Family

Calgani Family

Helen and Charles Roppert

Barry Schlaks

Anthony Jeans

Joan Jeans

Catherine Halstead

Mary Phelan

Deacon Tom Gross

Gross Families

Cavallo Families

Domingo Pabon

Karyn Pabon

Dr. Stanley R. Graham

James L. Kokindo

Thomas Kokindo

Suzanne Kokindo

Helen Ansink

Giuseppe Bueno

Concetta Bueno

Haride & Mack McManus

Mary, Frank & Angelo Cassarino

Cruffie Kolmos

Rudolf Kolmos

Amy Kolmos

Paul Kolmos

Harry Albertina Jr.

Thomas and Mary Borraso

Harry and Ann Albertina Sr.

Frederich Aspinall

James and Elizabeth Dermody

Peter and Edna Clancy

Veronica Patty Dermody

Michael Clancy

Elizabeth Moore

Rita Pladl

Peter Dermody

Graffeo Family

Zunmo Family

Envelopes received after Dec 13th, will be printed in future bulletin.

EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL BULLETIN INFORMATION

WEEK 13



Unfortunately, some Catholics, nominal Catholics, Protestants, agnostics, atheists and others seem to have a lot to say about the tenets of our faith! Movie clips, TV skits, comedians make sport belittling our Catholic beliefs on sin, grace and redemption! (Very sad)!

Disbelief is now trending towards Eucharistic transubstantiation of bread and wine into the Body and Blood of Christ. Jesus himself gave this authority to the Apostles at the last supper, (Luke 22:19). There are recorded Miracles of the Eucharist. Rather than think about the detractors, raw opinions and survey results, have faith! Enjoy the boundless grace and the accompanying feeling of joy, relief and awe that the Eucharist offers!

The Elevation of the Host, whether it is at mass, benediction, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament offers an opportunity to offer reverence and fealty

to God. It is awe inspiring! Reflect upon the experience of your First Holy Communion!

Saint Jude Church has the mosaic-stained glass icon above the cross above the altar. The host is reminiscent of a lighthouse lantern showing the safe way home. In our case, home is heaven! Take advantage of Eucharistic Grace and believe!

CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE FOR 2023

CHRISTMAS DAY MASSES - Monday 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, 12:00 PM

NO evening Mass Christmas Day

SUNDAY MASS-12/31

8:00 AM, 10 AM and 12 noon 5:00 PM and 6:30PM (Spanish)

NEW YEAR'S DAY MASSES-Monday

9:00 AM & 11 AM

Merry & Blessed Christmas
Reverend John Ryan, Reverend James Leone,
Reverend Robert Kline, Reverend Peter D'Abele,
Deacon John Gagliardi
and Parish Staff



BOLETIN DE LA COMUNIDAD HISPANA

SANTA MISA: La Misa en Español se celebra todos los Domingos comenzando con el Santo Rosario a las 6:00pm y la Santa Misa a las 6:30pm.

CONFESSION: Antes de comenzar cada Misa.

COMUNIDAD DE ORACIÓN: Reuniones de la comunidad de oración todos los martes a las 7:00pm en la parroquia.

RENOVACIÓN CARISMÁTICA Clases de Formación

Primer nivel | Segundo nivel | Tercer nivel Informaciones: Martes 7pm – 9pm en la parroquia



"Vengan a mi todos los que están Cansados y agobiados y Yo los haré descansar" Mateo 28 - 30 Jesús te invita cada cuarto Martes de cada mes A exposición al Santisimo

Hora: 7:30 a 8:30 pm

Adoración, contemplación y confesión

Jesús te espera

En la parroquia de san Judas Tadeo

en Mastic Beach

CALENDARIO DE NAVIDAD PARA 2023

Domingo, 24 de diciembre Santa Misa en Espanol 7:30 PM

Domingo, 31 de diciembre Santa Misa en Espanol 6:30 PM

Feliz navidad!

SACRAMENTOS DISPONIBLES:

- Bautismo comunicarse con la oficina al: 631-281-5743
- Catecismo comunicarse con la oficina de Formación y Fe al: 631-281-2835
- Sacramento del Matrimonio con el Pastor Peter comunicarse a la parroquia al: 631-281-5743
- Para Misas de quinceañeras, Misas de difuntos, Misas de graduación y Misas de dar gracias favor de comunicarse a la parroquia Lunes a Viernes al: 631-281-5743

Notas: Si desea celebrar misa en Español y desea la música en español, favor acercarse a la Rectoría para mas información de horario anticipado y cualquier donación voluntaria de parte del pastor.

Si alguien necesita asistencia o ayuda para escribir in ingles papeles de inmigración, Caridades Católicas tiene programas gratis. Llamar Caridades Católicas (631) 728-5558 Pregunte por Silvia y Alma

La Virgen Maria sigue visitando los hogares y familias en peregrinación domingo a domingo.

Después de cada Misa ven a St. Jude y recibe la bendición que esperabas para tu familia *Te esperamos!*



