



Saint Jude the Apostle Catholic Church

Jesus: Encountered. Loved. Served.

Jesus Christ

NOVEMBER 22, 2015

is the faithful witness,
the firstborn of the dead and
ruler of the kings of the earth.
To him be glory and power
forever and ever. Amen.

Revelation 1:5, 6



SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

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Deacon Joseph Manion
Deacon Bill Smith

Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil 5 pm

Sunday Masses
8 am, 10 am, Noon, 5 pm

Weekday Masses
Monday - Friday 12:05 pm

Reconciliation
Saturday 3:45 pm- 4:30 pm

Dec 8th Feast of the Immaculate
Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
8am (School), 12pm, & 7pm

Dec 24th Christmas Eve
4pm, 6pm, 8pm, 11:30pm Vigil & 12am

Dec 25th Christmas Day
8am, 10am, & 12pm

Happy Thanksgiving

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his
love endures forever. Psalm 107:1



BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

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**Make a difference
this Christmas...
Adopt-A-Family**

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Hours

Pastoral Office & Gift Shop
Monday-Thursday 9 - 5 pm
Friday 9 - 4 pm
Sunday 7:30 - Noon

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MASS INTENTIONS, SAINTS & SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

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| SUNDAY | November 22 Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe | |
| 8:00 a.m. | Margherita Pino | RIP |
| 10:00 a.m. | Ruth C. Feder | RIP |
| 12:00 p.m. | Ron Minnehan | RIP |
| 5:00 p.m. | John Paul Gamboa | SI |
| MONDAY | November 23 Thirty-fourth or Last Week in Ordinary Time; St. Clement I; St. Columban; Blessed Miguel Agustín Pro | |
| 12:05 p.m. | Gerald Wilson | RIP |
| | Paula Kantor | RIP |
| TUESDAY | November 24 St. Andrew Dung-L?c and Companions | |
| 12:05 p.m. | Joseph Darin | RIP |
| | Mary Fichera | RIP |
| WEDNESDAY | November 25 St. Catherine of Alexandria | |
| 12:05 p.m. | Betty Broschious | RIP |
| THURSDAY | November 26 Thanksgiving Day | |
| 12:05 p.m. | Joe Darin | RIP |
| | Krystyna Milobedzka | RIP |
| FRIDAY | November 27 | |
| 12:05 p.m. | Sarah Sjostew | RIP |
| | Kimberly Lieb | RIP |
| SATURDAY | November 28 Blessed Virgin Mary | |
| 5:00 p.m. | Paul Neill | RIP |
| | Rich Davidson | RIP |
| SUNDAY | November 29 First Sunday of Advent | |
| 8:00 a.m. | Margherita Pino | RIP |
| 10:00 a.m. | Ernest Augustine | RIP |
| 12:00 p.m. | Krystyna Milobedzka | RIP |
| 5:00 p.m. | Roy Romero & Manuel Breton | RIP |



**The Pastoral Office will be closed
November 26th & 27th
In Observance of Thanksgiving**

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SOCIAL AND OUTREACH MINISTRIES

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| Arts & Environment Ministry: | Terry Groel | tagroel@verizon.net |
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| Boy Scouts: | Lloyd Brenner | (818) 991-0682 |
| Breakfast for Homeless: | Marilou O'Halloran | (805)551-9727 |
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| Cub Scouts: | James Campanile | (818) 889-6957 |
| Detention Ministry: | Nancy Fox | (818)889-6265 |
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| | Just Education and Just Action | |
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BIBLE STUDIES

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|---------------------------------|----------------------|---------------|
| Tuesday AM: Sunday to Sunday: | Julie Feely | (818)889-2449 |
| Wednesday PM: Sunday to Sunday: | Trish Dabrowski | |
| Thursday AM: | Judy Sullivan | (805)495-1623 |
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LOAVES & FISHES OUTREACH MINISTRIES

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| John & Jackie Treuting | (805)495-4630 | |
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| Adopt-A-Family Christmas: | John & Jackie Treuting | |
| Adopt-A-Family Easter: | Jane & Pat McDade | |
| Back-to-School Project: | Nellie & Mark Paris | (818)991-3846 |
| Baby Day: | Kevin Kozal | (818)889-1279 |
| Bikes 4 Kids: | Art Estrada | (818)571-7079 |
| Clothes Closet: | Patti McLain | (818)706-8658 |
| Coats for the Cause: | Rosemarie & Carl Lindner | (818)889-3242 |
| Eye-to-Eye: | Megan Weddle | |
| First Communion Clothes: | Madeline Giberson | (805)495-4067 |
| Frank's Homeless Project: | Lee & Rob Martz | (818)889-1279 |
| Holidays for Homeless: | Steve & Pam Yantzer | (818)706-0691 |
| Kids Helping Kids: | Rose Faucher | (818)889-1909 |
| Recycling for Homeless: | Art Estrada | (818)571-7079 |
| | Julie Feely | (818)889-2449 |
| Sandwich Ministry: | Courtney Scott-Miller | (818)390-0429 |
| Service Day: | Irma Haldane | (818)889-7563 |

My dear parish family,

This feast of Christ the King is, liturgically speaking, New Year's Eve. This is the last Sunday before the beginning of Advent (our season of preparation for the coming of the Lord) and the beginning, too, of a whole new liturgical year.

Oddly enough, it might be advisable for us to make a plan right now for how we might best prepare ourselves to truly celebrate this upcoming season of preparation. If we're not careful and attentive, the weeks of Advent could simply be another few weeks when all of us get in touch with our Inner Grinch. The extreme commercialism of this time and the multitude of social commitments could distract us from our main order of business: preparing to welcome Jesus once more into our hearts, our homes, and our world. Unrest and uncertainty in our country and around the world, and the troubles and concerns currently afflicting our hearts and our homes ought to just focus us all the more surely on the coming of the Prince of Peace!

All of us have our various ways that we observe the season of Advent and get ourselves ready for the biggest birthday bash that our planet throws every year. Nativity scenes need to be carefully taken out of their battered old boxes and set up (but of course with the Christ Child not placed in the manger until Christmas morning!). Maybe you have an Advent wreath on your family table--the light from the candles growing progressively as the dawn of the Light of the World draws ever nearer.

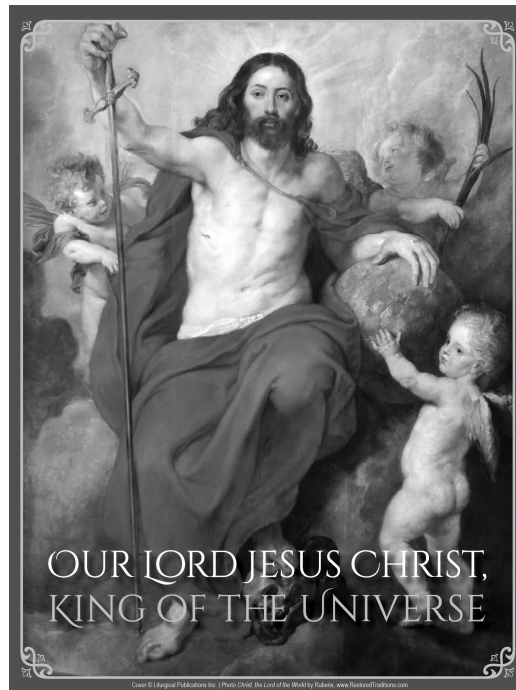
I've shared with many of you the fact that one of my favorite Advent practices is the annual re-reading of some of my favorite books associated with this season. Every year I laugh and cry my way through Ebenezer Scrooge's conversion in Dickens' CHRISTMAS CAROL. On my list of the best Advent and Christmas reading ever is THE BEST CHRISTMAS PAGEANT EVER by Barbara Robinson. This outrageously funny and surprisingly touching book was written primarily for children 8 years old and older...but I always come away from reading it with a deepened and renewed sense of the glorious strangeness of what God was up to on that first Christmas.

Maybe it's time for us to make a New (liturgical) Year Resolution, too. Here's something I lifted from St. Francis of Assisi's first attempt to draw up a "Rule" for the lay people (the "Third Order") who wanted to associate themselves closely with the life and spirituality that they saw lived out in the Franciscan friars and the cloistered Franciscan sisters. This is a tall order, but certainly an ideal that we can all shoot for in our everyday lives.

"WHEREVER WE ARE,
in every place, at every hour, at every time of day, every day and continually,
LET ALL OF US TRULY AND HUMBLY BELIEVE IN
and hold in our hearts
and love, honor, adore and serve,
praise and bless, glorify and exalt,
magnify and give thanks to
THE MOST HIGH AND SUPREME ETERNAL GOD: FATHER, SON AND HOLY SPIRIT!"

Peace in the New (liturgical) Year!

Fr. J.





Jesus: Encountered. Loved. Served.

Santa Claus is coming to town...

St. Jude the Apostle School's
Annual Ladies Christmas Tea



Please join us
Friday, December 11
11 to 2 p.m.
in

St. Jude's Hall
32036 Lindero Canyon Rd.
Westlake Village, Ca 91361
\$35 per person

Includes tea service,
and sweet and savory treats

Festive beverages
available for a donation

Please reserve your seat at the
St. Jude School's Office

Chairs - Debbie Burgee 805.497.1278
and Becky Gray 805.493.4027

COFFEE AND DONUTS

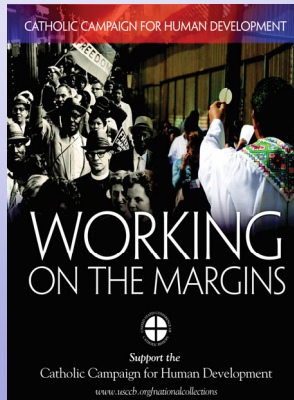
Sunday Mornings on the Patio
Following 8 am & 10 am Masses

Thank you for serving as hosts:
Nov 22 - Homefront Ministry
Nov 29 - Knights of Columbus
Dec - Men's Club



Volunteer as a host, contact Natalie (818)889-3551

CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT



The collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) provides funding for groups that make lasting change and uplift the poor in the United States. CCHD's grants improve education, support economic development, and create affordable housing in low-income neighborhoods. Help us continue to defend human dignity and build communities of solidarity. Please give to the CCHD Collection. <http://www.usccb.org/about/catholic-campaign-for-human-development/>

Science at the Doorway to God



You are invited to hear

Fr. Robert J. Spitzer, S.J., Ph.D.

presenting

New Scientific Evidence for Intelligent Creation

Sunday, Nov. 22

7-9 PM

St. Jude the Apostle Catholic Community
32032 W. Lindero Canyon Road
Westlake Village, CA 91361
Phone: 818 889-1279

Fr. Spitzer will briefly discuss the contemporary Big Bang theory and its description of our universe. Using language and concepts accessible to an audience who may not be familiar with physics, he will examine the important question of whether or not our universe had to have had a beginning which implies a creation by a transcendent power. He will then examine five highly, highly improbable conditions of the universe which are necessary for life to be generated and survive that reveal a supernatural intelligence behind the universe's fine-tuning.

This evidence is vital to the Catholic Church's project of intellectual evangelization among educated young people and adults who consider science to be *the* entryway into truth.



PRESENTER: Fr. Robert J. Spitzer, S.J., Ph.D., nationally recognized speaker, former President of Gonzaga University, philosopher, educator, author and founder and President of the Magis Institute, dedicated to education on the relationship among physical sciences, philosophy, reason, and faith.



BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

Sunday, December 6 • 9 am - Noon

St. Jude's Parish Hall

All parish families are invited to enjoy a complimentary continental breakfast, and have photos taken with Santa.

Photos \$5.00 each

Photo Reservations call Bob 805-494-6901



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

Monsignor O'Connell Council 8072

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ADULT CONFIRMATION

The Adult Confirmation Preparation classes are for parishioners who are out of high school and who have been baptized and received First Communion, but who have yet to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. Confirmation strengthens the graces we receive in Baptism and fills us with an even greater share of the Holy Spirit. This Sacrament completes our initiation into the Catholic Church.

We partner with St. Julie's parish in Newbury Park. This year, the classes will be held at St. Julie's beginning January 4th at 7 p.m. If you are interested, please contact cindy@saintjudetheapostle.org

BIBLE STUDY

SUNDAY TO SUNDAY GROUP—PARISH LIBRARY

Preparing for Mass by reading the upcoming Scriptures will help you understand and participate more fully in the Mass. No Homework. Take a break mid-week and join us as we look ahead to the upcoming Sunday Scriptures:

- Tuesday Morning 9:15am Contact Julie Feely jkfeely@gmail.com
- Wednesday Evening 6:30 – 7:30 pm Contact Trish Dabrowski trish.dabrowski@gmail.com

THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY GROUP

The study of the Book of Jeremiah is underway Thursday mornings at 9:30. If you have any questions, please contact Judy Sullivan (805) 495-1623

THURSDAY EVENING SCRIPTURE STUDY

The Gospel of Luke study has started on Thursday evenings 7:00 – 8:30. For more information contact Tim Harmon (805)495-1732

**No bible study the week of Thanksgiving*

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

There is little that is more satisfying than the joy which comes from sharing one's faith with a child...you can experience this joy by volunteering to be part of the Children's Liturgy at the 10 a.m. mass.

For more information, contact Amy Simons at

dsimons@sbcglobal.net, or contact Cindy Kozal, Formation Director at 818-889-0612 or cindy@saintjudetheapostle.org



PRIEST, PROPHET, KING

A DEEP, BIBLICAL LOOK AT JESUS CHRIST

Video series

The better we understand Jesus, the better we understand ourselves. But who was Jesus, this itinerant preacher whom many called the Messiah? In *Priest, Prophet, King*, you'll discover Jesus as the Anointed One—the ultimate priest, prophet, and king foreshadowed throughout the Hebrew Scriptures. Using biblical insights and engaging stories, Bishop Barron affirms that we see Jesus most clearly through the lens of the Old Testament.

Through this deeply biblical program, you will better understand Jesus, become more familiar with Scripture, and realize your own priestly, prophetic, and kingly mission, received when you are baptized “into Christ.”

We will meet in the library at 11 a.m. on 12/1 and 12/8
For more information [email cindy@saintjudetheapostle.org](mailto:cindy@saintjudetheapostle.org)



Saint Jude the Apostle

YOUTH MINISTRY CORNER

Bringing our teens closer to God and each other.

Sunday, November 22nd: NO CONFIRMATION

Sunday, November 29th: NO CONFIRMATION

Sunday, December 6th: YEAR 1, “The Bible and the Power of Habit” Church Hall 6:30pm – 8:00pm

It takes 21 days to make or break a habit. We all have quirky habits that we do every day, for some of us it might be watching a favorite TV show before we go to bed, or a nervous habit like biting our nails. Our habits say a lot about us.... Such as how we spend our time. What does the Bible say about our Habits? What faith habits do you have you made a part of your daily routine? What will your 21-day challenge be?

Sunday, December 13th YEAR 2, “The Prayer Process, Why Bother?” Church Hall 6:30pm – 8:00pm

Relationships are work. They take time, energy and commitment. How can prayer change how WE think about our faith? How can prayer change how WE see ourselves? Prayer isn't about changing God's mind... it is about changing our hearts. What do you want to change?

Sunday, December 20th: *OPTIONAL* YOUTH NIGHT “Christmas Movie” Church Hall 6:30pm – 8:00pm

.... “It's the most wonderful time of the year...” This is an “optional” youth night for all of our teens. We invite you to come to the hall tonight for a Christmas movie with your confirmation family. Snacks and hot chocolate will be provided.

LITURGICAL LIFE—PRAYER LIFE

LITURGICAL LIFE

Reconciliation

Saturday Evening 3:45 - 4:30 p.m.

St. Jude Novena

Wednesday Evening 7:30 p.m.

Baptism: Infant Baptisms are celebrated on the 2nd & 4th Sundays of the month at 1:30 p.m. following catechesis for the parents and arrangements with the Parish Center. Contact: Mary and Joe Schohl: baptism@saintjudetheapostle.org or (818)874-3537.

Christian Initiation of Children, Youth & Adults: For those inquiring about Initiation and Communion with the Catholic Christian Church, please contact the Parish Center.

Celebration of Christian Marriage:

Please contact the Parish Center for an appointment with a priest at least six (6) months prior to any wedding.

Holy Communion to the Sick: Please call the Parish Center to request a visit from a Eucharistic Minister to the Sick.

Anointing of the Sick: In the event of serious illness or a medical emergency, please contact the Parish Center immediately for a priest so that the Sacraments may be celebrated.

Funerals: At the death of a loved one, kindly notify the Parish Center at your earliest convenience to schedule the funeral rites.

TODAY'S READINGS

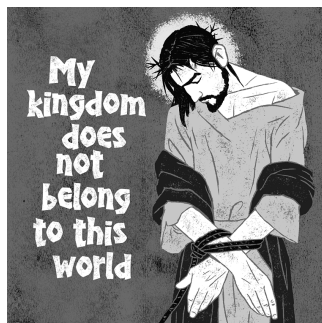
First Reading -- One like a Son of man received dominion, glory, and kingship (Daniel 7:13-14).

Psalms -- The Lord is king; he is robed in majesty (Psalm 93).

Second Reading -- Jesus Christ is the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead (Revelation 1:5-8).

Gospel -- For this I came into the world, to testify to the truth (John 18:33b-37).

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PRAYER LIFE

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in Our Lady's Chapel, the first Wednesday of the month, we pray for Vocations. 12:30 -7:30 pm. *Please sign up for an hour with the Lord by calling* Beatrice Restifo (805)230-2919

Circulo de Oracion Carmen Koros (805) 494-9008, Mirtha Vespe (818)706-8248

Daily Rosary Prayer Group before 12:05 pm Noon Mass, at 11:15 am. Call Vinda (818)991-8683

Family Rosary in the Park First Sunday of the month at 3pm at North Ranch Playfield in Thousand Oaks. Contact Franca Dornan 805-601-5350.

Fatima Rosary Group: Leaders are Wayne and Shu-Hwei Zimmerman 805-373-1099. Meets every Tuesday at 7:30 pm November host is Marc and Beth Magno Call 818-889-6038 for directions.

Liturgy of Hours 11:50 am-prior to the 12:05 pm Mass

Meditation Prayer Group meets every Tuesday night from 7:30-8:30 pm in the church. Contact Ben Levine at (818)437-0560 or email ben@saintjudetheapostle.org

Our Lady of Guadalupe "Healing Love" Rosary Group

7:00 pm Thursday in the Chapel. Janelle Beck (805)497-1877

First Friday Devotions to the Sacred Heart of Jesus: 10 am Contact Vinda at (818)991-8683

Tuesday Prayer Group 7:50-9 am, in the parish library. Lisa Maxey at (818)706-1954 or email Maxey7@sbcglobal.net.

Rosary Cenacle Wednesdays at 10 am Vinda (818)991-8683

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Dn 7:13-14/Rv 1:5-8/Jn 18:33b-37

Monday: Dn 1:1-6, 8-20/Lk 21:1-4

Tuesday: Dn 2:31-45/Lk 21:5-11

Wednesday: Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28/Lk 21:12-19

Thursday: Dn 6:12-28/Lk 21:20-28

Friday: Dn 7:2-14/Lk 21:29-33

Saturday: Dn 7:15-27/Lk 21:34-36

Next Sunday: Jer 33:14-16/1 Thes 3:12--4:2/Lk 21:25-28, 34-36



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| Karl Avery | Robin Scrima |
| William George Carroll | Fred Vanier |
| Edythe Chiaro | Lane Weitzman |
| John Dube | Sean Whitesell |
| Donna Green | Ann Zaremba |
| Martha Huggins | |
| Bendetta Tootsie LaRocco | |
| Mario Lorenzetti | |
| Justine Ordon | |
| Karin Paclmen | |
| Marty Pastula | |
| Kathy Pillioni | |

Names will be deleted after a period of one month. Call the parish office (818) 889-1279 to add a name of a family member who is in need of prayer.

PRAY FOR LOVED ONES IN THE MILITARY

- Private Louie Alfaro, US Army
- Major Nicholas Amenta, USAF
- LCpl Andrew Brown, USMC-MARSOC
- LCpl Kenneth A. Cloutier, USMC
- Major John F. D'Astoli, USMC
- 2nd Lt. Brendan Djernes, USAF
- Major Scott DiGioia, USAF
- A1C Kiani Ebuon, USAF
- Seaman Shane Esseff, US Navy
- Christian Garibay, USAF
- Captain Paul G. Giberson, US Navy
- PFC Kevin Hansen, US Army
- Andrew Hengger, USAF
- Private Justin Huser, US Army
- Lt. John R. Kimmel, US Navy
- Lt. Colonel Brian McAvoy, USMC
- Major Patrick McBride, USAF
- Sergeant Graham Mullins, US Army
- Captain Justin Nikodem, USAF
- Senior Airman Ryan Paris, USAF
- Spc. Simon Pompa, US Army
- Private Christopher Withlow, US Army

Adopt-a-Family



Adopting a family at Christmastime has become a tradition for scores of St. Jude’s parishioners. It’s an opportunity to brighten your holiday season and that of a less fortunate family. We can find just the right family for you, with the names, ages and clothing sizes of all family members and provide information on how to prepare your donation boxes for drop off. For more information and guidelines please visit

<http://www.saintjudetheapostle.org/Adopt--A-Family-Christmas>

Adopt-a-Family Sign Ups will take place following all Masses November 14-15 and November 21-22.

Collection Day is Saturday, December 5th from 9:00 am - 3:00 pm in the St. Jude parking lot. For more information about adopting a family, please contact Jackie Treuting (805)495-4630

Collection Day Sign Ups



Please join the Adopt-a-Family Team on Collection Day Saturday, December 5th from 9 am – 3 pm.

As parishioners deliver their Adopt-a-Family boxes to the church parking lot, we will need help with all sorts of jobs: set-up, traffic control, labeling boxes, assembling, loading trucks, the unforeseen, and clean-up. To sign up, contact Cindy Kozal (818) 889-0612 or cindy@saintjudetheapostle.org

Adopt-a-Family donations will bring the spirit of Christmas to families assisted by Ventura Catholic Charities, Oxnard Catholic Charities, St. Malachy's Catholic Church in Los Angeles, Lutheran Services in Thousand Oaks and Many Mansions in Thousand Oaks.

"For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat. I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink."

Matthew 25:35



The Orphanage Guild Juniors is collecting \$10 Target Gift Cards for their annual Christmas Party honoring the teenage girls of Maryvale.

In 1856, as a result of the large number of pioneer children left without parents, the Daughters of Charity started an orphanage in Los Angeles. The "Orphanage" is now called a Residential Care Facility as it provides nurturing for teen girls on physical, psychological and educational levels. Maryvale, which is located on a beautiful campus in Rosemead, CA, helps these young women attain dignity, productivity and self esteem in an environment of stability and love.

The Orphanage Guild Juniors assists Maryvale by providing a variety of monthly activities designed to support, enhance and strengthen the quality of the lives of these fragile, abused and vulnerable teenage girls.

Our final activity of the year is a spectacular Christmas party on Saturday, Dec. 5th with a DJ, Santa, lunch, celebrities and gifts for the girls donated by wonderful Angels. If you would like to be one of our Angels by donating a \$10 Target Gift Card, please contact Carol Livingston by Dec. 3rd. (818) 879-8776



SERVICE DAY MINISTRY

Our Service Day Teams want to help St. Jude parishioners who are homebound and disabled.

Parishioners who have become so physically and financially strapped that they, alone, can no longer handle small projects around the house and yard are encouraged to contact Cynthia 805-493-5056 or Irma 805-657-6278.



For more information about our services and how you can help please contact Jackie & John Treuting (805)495-4630

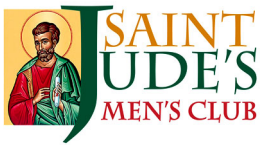
A Loaves & Fishes Ministry

"For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat. I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink" Matthew 25:35



The assembly of **800 Thanksgiving bags**

for the homeless on Nov 8th was amazing. Under the supervision of Edmund and Shelley the Junior High Ministry packed 500 bags as service for others. Parishioners were invited out to the patio after the 8 and 10 Masses to pack the remaining 300. The bags contained non-perishable food items--protein, fruit cups, dried fruit, a drink, snacks and utensils. They were delivered to ACTION, One-Stop, Turning Point, St. John's Outreach, Catholic Charities Oxnard, Brother Joseph, Homeless Services and our own Gary and his sons brought some to distribute on Skid Row. The project was funded by a generous grant from Ventura County Community Services.



MEN'S CLUB UPDATE

The next meeting of the St. Jude Men's Club will be on **Monday, December 14** and will include guest speaker John

Phillips. John is the author of the book **"Sign of the Cross: The Prosecutor's True Story of a Landmark Trial Against the Klan"**. An attorney formerly with the LA District Attorney's Organized Crime and Anti-Terrorism Division and now in private practice (and a Catholic), John led the prosecution of members of the Ku Klux Klan that were involved in acts of terror in Southern California in the 1980s. The meeting will also include a discussion of upcoming club events and opportunities to get involved. In addition, the meeting will include "Five Minutes of Basic Training for Catholic Men" to help us better understand the foundations of our faith.

The Men's Club will host **Fr. Robert Spitzer**, founder of the Magis Center for Reason and Faith and former president of Gonzaga University on **Sunday, November 22**, from 7-9 PM in the church. He will speak on the subject of **"Science at the Doorway to God: New Scientific Evidence for Intelligent Creation."** He will explore the close connection between reason and faith and new proofs for God's existence as revealed by recent discoveries in physics and philosophy. This event is open to all who want to come. All are welcome!

St. Jude Men's Club is the central gathering point for the men of our parish in order to provide opportunities for fellowship, faith building, and for being of service to our church, our school, and the local community. Aside from the parish-wide events that we sponsor, the club meets on the **second Monday of the month from 7-9 PM** in the parish hall (rooms 5 & 6). It's time you came by and checked out what Men's Club is all about.



The Annual Women's Silent Retreat will be held at the Sacred Heart Retreat House in Alhambra. The Retreat begins Friday, January 29, 2016 at 5:00 PM and lasts until 12:30 PM, Sunday, January 31, 2016. Rev. Msgr. Eugene Morris, STL, will be our Retreat Master. The theme will be "I have loved you with an everlasting love." For reservations, please call Shu-Hwei Zimmerman at (805) 373-1099. Car pools are available from St. Jude's Church.



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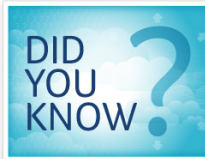
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Next Event

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"My Lord God, I have no idea where I am going. I do not see the road ahead of me. I cannot know for certain where it will end. Nor do I really know myself, and the fact that I think that I am following your will does not mean that I am actually doing so. But I believe that the desire to please you does in fact please you. And I hope I have that desire in all that I am doing. I hope that I will never do anything apart from that desire. And I know that if I do this you will lead me by the right road though I may know nothing about it. Therefore will I trust you always though I may seem to be lost and in the shadow of death. I will not fear, for you are ever with me, and you will never leave me to face my perils alone." — Thomas Merton, *Thoughts in Solitude*

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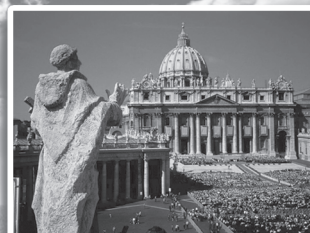
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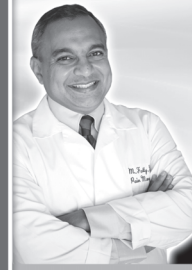


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EVENTS AROUND THE CHURCH

Sisters of Notre Dame Advent Reflection Retreat on Tuesday, December 1, from 10:00 AM to noon or 7:00 to 9:00 PM at Notre Dame Center (1776 Hendrix Avenue, Thousand Oaks). Join us at either time as we pray and reflect on three uncommon images of Advent: waiting, emptiness and nesting. For more information and to RSVP, contact Sister Marie Paul Grech at mgrech@sndca.org.

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St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church Apologetics Conference, Dec 4 from 6pm to 9pm and Dec 5 from 9 am to 4:30 pm. St. Rose of Lima 1305 Royal Ave, Simi Valley, CA 93065 For more information contact Adam Cross, Youth Minister (805) 526-8181 or ym@strosesv.com. See page 9

Kindred Hearts Ministries is a collection of spiritual experiences, faith sharing opportunities and pastoral services offered by the Sisters of Notre Dame, and usually held at Notre Dame Center in Thousand Oaks. We have recently updated the list of events scheduled for the 2015-2016 year. Please take a moment to look over our calendar at www.sndca.org/khm. We are especially excited to offer an Advent Reflection Retreat in December, hosted by our Provincial Superior Sister Mary Ann Carla Costello. Please call Sister Marie Paul Grech at 805-496-3243 x760 with questions, or to request a printed version of the calendar.

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