



Saint Jude the Apostle Catholic Church

Jesus: Encountered, Loved, Served.

SECOND SUNDAY

OF Advent

A voice cries out:
In the desert prepare the way of the Lord!
Make straight in the wasteland a highway for our God!
Every valley shall be filled in,
every mountain and hill shall be made low.

Isaiah 40:3-4



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OFFICE & GIFT SHOP

Monday-Thursday 9-5pm
Friday 9-4pm
(Lunch from 12:30-1:30pm)
Sunday 7:30am-noon

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 3:45pm-4:30pm

MASS TIMES

Saturday Vigil 5pm
Sunday Masses
8am, 10am, Noon, 5pm
Weekday Masses
Monday-Friday 12:05pm

SPECIAL MASSES DECEMBER 8

The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary (holy day of obligation) 8am, Noon, and 6pm

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading: A voice cries out: In the desert prepare the way of the LORD! Make straight in the wasteland a highway for our God! (Is 40:3)

Psalms: Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation. (Ps 85)

Second Reading: The Lord does not delay his promise, as some regard "delay," but he is patient with you, not wishing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance. (2 Pt 3:9)

Gospel: John the Baptist appeared in the desert proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins... John was clothed in camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist. He fed on locusts and wild honey. And this is what he proclaimed: "One mightier than I is coming after me." (Mk 1:4, 6-7a)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14 [8]/2 Pt 3:8-14/Mk 1:1-8

Monday: Is 35:1-10/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14 [Is 35:4f]/Lk 5:17-26

Tuesday: Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Jdt 13:18bcde, 19 [15:9d]/Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47


Wednesday: Is 40:25-31/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 and 10 [1]/Mt 11:28-30

Thursday: Is 41:13-20/Ps 145:1 and 9, 10-11, 12-13ab [8]/Mt 11:11-15

Friday: Is 48:17-19/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [cf. Jn 8:12]/Mt 11:16-19

Saturday: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11/Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16, 18-19 [4]/Mt 17:9a, 10-13

In Loving Memory



Brenden Daley
Margaret DeLuca
Minda Inocencio
Levelle Mahood

PRAY FOR HEALING

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| Aurora Hernando Alcebar | Caridad Mangubat |
| Sandie Barnes | Sid Mongey |
| Melisa Berrafato | Herb O'Meara |
| Diana Beygijanian | John Petti |
| Edythe Chiaro | Paul Pohlman |
| Nestor Cocjin | Sr. Monica Quigley, SSL |
| Bill Corrigan | Mitizi Robinson |
| Esther Covarubias | Mark Sinotte |
| Kathy Dunn | Diane Stevens |
| Alid Gomez | Sandra Svodada |
| Jessica Grant | Judy Tetzlaff |
| Federico "Ed" Guba | Ron Wayman |
| Ines Kaplan | Pam Yantzer |
| Matthew Machuca | Bob Yeck |
| Ed Malous | Esther Zack |


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

MASS INTENTIONS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday	December 10 Second Sunday of Advent
8:00 a.m.	Samuel Larocco RIP Sunny Larocco RIP
10:00 a.m.	Grace Moran RIP
12:00 p.m.	Judi Wormus RIP
5:00 p.m.	Armando Gamboa RIP
Monday	December 11 St. Damasus I, Pope
12:05 p.m.	Betty Broschious RIP Jim Czak RIP
Tuesday	December 12 Our Lady of Guadalupe
12:05 p.m.	Janelle Beck SI Antonio Manuel RIP
Wednesday	December 13 St. Lucy, Virgin & Martyr
12:05 p.m.	Marquit Gamboa SI Betty Broschious RIP
Thursday	December 14 St. John of the Cross, Priest & Doctor of the Church
12:05 p.m.	Phyllis A. Vessa RIP Patricio Macaraeg RIP
Friday	December 15
12:05 p.m.	Betty Broschious RIP Jack Schauerman RIP
Saturday	December 16
5:00 p.m.	Betty Broschious RIP Kelly Louise Stone RIP

Next Sunday: 3rd Sunday of Advent

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE



PRAY FOR LOVED ONES IN THE MILITARY

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| Private Louie Alfaro, US Army | PFC Kevin Hansen, US Army |
| Major Nicholas Amenta, USAF | Andrew Henggler, USAF |
| SSGT Anthony Amersfoort US Army | Erynn Hernandez, USMC |
| Private Christian Basto US Army | Private Justin Huser, US Army |
| LCpl Andrew Brown | Lt. John R. Kimmel, US Navy |
| USMC-MARSOC | PFC Kevin Malouf USMC |
| LCpl Michael Carroll Jr., USMC | Lt. Colonel Brian McAvoy, USMC |
| LCpl Kenneth A. Cloutier, USMC | Major Patrick McBride, USAF |
| Major John F. D'Astoli, USMC | Sgt. Graham Mullins, US Army |
| SGT Alexander Duke Daley, USMC | Captain Justin Nikodem, USAF |
| Captain Brendan Djernes, USAF | LCpl Bryce Pattillo USMC |
| Major Scott DiGioia, USAF | Sergeant Ryan Paris, USAF |
| A1C Kiani Ebuena, USAF | Spc. Simon Pompa, US Army |
| Spc. Aaron Espinoza, US Army | Sean Sweeney, Navy |
| Christian Garibay, USAF | Private Christopher Withlow, US Army |

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Eagerness. Today's readings combine to tell a story of eagerness--enthusiasm, zeal, wholehearted dedication. Eager anticipation is not a surprising topic for the Advent season, but very surprising, perhaps, is what our readings urge us to be eager about: the cleansing of sins. Isaiah tells God's people to cry out loudly, proclaiming that the Lord will come with power to comfort them and forgive all their sins. Saint Peter inspires us to "be eager to be found without spot or blemish." In Mark's Gospel, people from all over stream to the Jordan, acknowledging their sins and repenting. John the Baptist preaches the mighty power of the Lamb of God, who takes away our sin. Today's readings wake us up, reminding us how great God is. May we eagerly seek the powerful peace that God's forgiveness brings.



**ONE
MIGHTIER THAN I
IS COMING
AFTER ME**

REALITY CHECK

The spiritual world is real, every bit as real as the material world. We cannot properly "see" spiritual realities like love, wisdom, and goodness, but we know they exist and influence our lives. We may not be able to point out hatred or sin on a map, but each one of us has encountered those destructive powers. Today's readings testify to a fact we often overlook: sin is real. Sin changes our hearts and has real consequences for our relationships with others. For followers of Christ, acknowledging the reality of sin is not at all depressing. We naturally grow frustrated with ourselves when we sin, but Jesus has a different reaction. In his astonishing mercy, the Lord sees our sin as an occasion to show just how much he loves us--and how he loves us. Jesus Christ takes our own sin upon himself and accepts the punishment--death--that should rightfully come to us.

AIM HIGH

In dying for us, Jesus shattered the limitations of human life. Sin had doomed our earthly existence, but then Jesus died for us and gave us an all-access pass to everlasting life. Saint Peter speaks gently to us about Jesus' gift. Jesus is patient with us, Peter assures us, "not wishing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance." Knowing that Jesus opened heaven to us, we can aim high each day, striving to avoid sin and do good. Not even the sky is our limit! Peter encourages us further. We are not frightened to hear "the heavens will pass away with a mighty roar and the elements will be dissolved by fire," because we are not trapped in the material realm. The salvation of God is real and unifying. We hope one day to live--body and soul--in the "new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells." This is the Lord's plan for us, a plan of deep and lasting peace.

LOCAL ADVENT PENCE SERVICES WITH INDIVIDUAL CONFESSIONS		
Monday, December 11	7 pm St. Julie Billiard Catholic Church, Newbury Park	
Tuesday, December 12	7 pm St. Maximilian, Oak Park	
Wednesday, December 13	7 pm St. Mel Parish, Woodland Hills	
Thursday, December 14	7pm St. Paschal Baylon Church, Thousand Oaks	
Thursday, December 14	7:30 pm Joint Communal Penance Service with St. Bernardine of Siena Church at Our Lady of the Valley, Canoga Park	

ADVENT REFLECTIONS

A generous parishioner has purchased Matthew Kelley's "Perfectly Yourself: Discovering God's Dream for You." While they last, copies will be available at the doors of the Church. Please, just one per family.



Dynamic Catholic has an online "Best Advent Ever" reflection with reflections and video which will be sent to your email when you sign up: www.BestAdventEver.com/BeautifulHope

Loyola Press has online reflections called Arts and Faith: Advent <https://www.ignatianspirituality.com/advent> Loyola Press also provides links to other Advent resources, retreats and reflections within the Jesuit community.

The U.S. **Catholic Conference of Bishops (USCCB)** has an interactive Advent calendar. Click on the calendar and you will be taken to reflections and video. <http://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/liturgical-year/advent/>

FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

Schedule: Group A Jan 7th and Group B Dec 10th · Jan 14th
January Sessions: Unit 3

BIBLE STUDIES

SUNDAY TO SUNDAY MORNINGS Weekly discussion on upcoming Sunday readings. Tuesday 9:15am-10:30am in the parish library. Video and discussion led by Julie Feely jkeely@gmail.com.

SUNDAY TO SUNDAY EVENINGS Wednesday 6:30pm-7:30pm in the Faith Formation Office. Weekly discussion on upcoming Sunday Readings. Charlie and Kay North, along with Deacon Jerome, lead the discussion.

THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

Thursday mornings at 9:30am in the hall

Questions please contact Judy Sullivan 805-495-1623

THURSDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY

Thursday Evening Bible Study 7pm in room 5 in the hall.

For information contact Tim or Mariann 805-495-1732.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CONGRESS



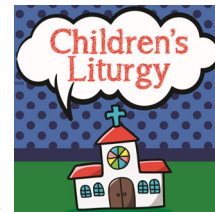
RISE UP! Los Angeles Religious Education Congress
March 16 -18 | March 15 (Youth Day)

The largest event in faith formation is coming soon! Fr. Christopher Bazyouros, Director from the Office of Religious Education, invites you to "Come and hear the voice of Jesus calling you to a more abundant life through the many conferences, liturgies, entertainment and resources that are offered throughout the weekend..." Registration booklets are available in the Faith Formation office, the main office or online www.recongress.org St. Jude has a block of rooms at the Marriott which you can reserve for yourself. Contact cindy@saintjudetheapostle.org for more information.

CHILDREN

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

During the 10AM Mass: Dec 10, 17. An age-appropriate Liturgy of the Word offered for ages 5 through 5th graders. No pre-registration is necessary. Just before the Liturgy of the Word begins for the assembly, the children are invited to go with the weekly leaders from the church to the Parish Hall and learn about the same Scripture readings as the rest of the assembly.



SPECIAL NEEDS MINISTRY

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The Special Needs Faith Formation Program offers children the ability to learn about the love and care of Jesus in their own way and at their own pace. For additional information please visit our webpage www.saintjudetheapostle.org/Special-Needs-Ministry If you would like your child to be part of this program please contact our Ministry Coordinator, Lucia Bartlett lucia@saintjudetheapostle.org or (818)889-2541. **Sessions are from 11am-1pm: Group 1 Dec 10th and Group 2 Dec 10th**

JUNIOR HIGH

JUNIOR HIGH MINISTRY

SJ 7/8 YM - Fun, Friends, Faith (and food)

Through faith building activities, lessons and service projects, the junior high ministry will make connections between Catholic faith and everyday life. We meet Wednesdays from 7pm-8pm in the Youth Room.

Sessions: Dec 13. Ministry contact Cindy Kozal

cindy@saintjudetheapostle.org Visit <http://www.saintjudetheapostle.org/Junior-High-Ministry>



TEENS

CONFIRMATION PROGRAM

Confirmation at St. Jude celebrates the Holy Spirit working in the hearts of our teens. The Confirmation process is a time of discernment for our teens to explore, challenge, grow and eventually take ownership of the Catholic Faith. The process involves not only the teens, but the whole family and the entire parish community. Confirmation is a two year process for teens, which typically begins in 9th grade. Teens that are going into 10th or 11th grade are welcome to begin Confirmation as well. We meet in the hall at 6:30pm.

Confirmation Nights Year 1: January 19-21 Retreat

Confirmation Nights Year 2: January 7 (Retreat Forms due)

www.saintjudetheapostle.org/Confirmation-Program

YOUTH MINISTRY PROGRAM

Bringing our teens closer to God and each other. Ministry Coordinator

Lucia Bartlett

lucia@saintjudetheapostle.org

Sessions are Wednesdays in the hall from 7-8:30pm: January 3, 17



Religious Education Congress - YOUTH DAY 3/15

(Deadline is Dec 10) Permission slips and additional info can be found on the Youth Ministry Page

<http://www.saintjudetheapostle.org/Youth-Ministry-Program->



Welcome to all who have come to St. Jude Catholic Community. We hope that our Father's house will be a place of solace and grace for you. If you are not registered or would like to update your information, please visit our website www.saintjudetheapostle.org or email barbara@saintjudetheapostle.org

Becoming Catholic

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the process by which people can question, search, and inquire into the Catholic faith. At St. Jude, members of our parish join with those who are journeying to becoming fully initiated Catholics (Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation). We recognize that people are in all different places in their journey and we are here to help you in any way we can.



Contact Fr. Jim Stehly frjim@saintjudetheapostle.org or drop-in on **any Tuesday of the 7 p.m.- 8 p.m.** in the Faith Formation office to find out a little more about the Catholic faith. There is more information on the parish website www.saintjudetheapostle.org under "Becoming Catholic."

Coffee & Donuts

Sunday Mornings on the patio following the 8am & 10am Masses



Help keep this St. Jude tradition going and volunteer. Donuts are provided by the church all you do is brew coffee and set the table with coffee & donuts. It's easy! There are several ways to signup:

- From our homepage www.saintjudetheapostle.org
- Signup Genius search St. Jude's Coffee & Donuts
- Contact natalie@saintjudetheapostle.org / 818.889.3551

Thank you for volunteering:
Dec 10 Homefront Ministry
Dec 17 Ladies of the Knights of Columbus
Dec 24 No Hospitality
Dec 31 No Hospitality

2nd Sunday OF ADVENT

Each year, this season of Advent comes around. We bless another candle this second week in Advent. Let us ask God to bless our family on this Second Sunday in Advent:

God of new messengers, this Sunday you tell us in your Gospel "I am sending my messenger ahead of you."

Help us to be your messengers of peace and reconciliation as we journey through this second week of Advent.

When we light this second candle on our wreath, let us bring your light to our friends and neighbors this week. We ask this through Christ, who is the Light of the world. Amen.

Christmas Mass Schedule

4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT
Saturday, December 23rd
5pm Vigil Mass
Sunday, December 24th
8am, 10am, & Noon Mass

CHRISTMAS EVE
Sunday, December 24th
4pm Mass in Church and Hall
6pm Mass
9:30pm Musical Prelude
10pm Mass

CHRISTMAS DAY
Monday, December 25th
8am, 10am, & Noon Mass
No Evening Mass



LITURGICAL LIFE

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 818.889.1279

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 Cindy Kozal 818.889.0612 or email baptism@saintjudetheapostle.org

Christian Initiation: Inquiries about Initiation and Communion with the Catholic Christian Church, please contact the Parish Office 818.889.1279

Marriage: Please contact the Parish Center for an appointment with a priest at least six (6) months prior to any wedding 818.889.1279

Funerals: At the death of a loved one, kindly notify the Parish Center at your earliest convenience to schedule the funeral rites 818.889.1279

Holy Communion to Homebound or Sick: Please call the Parish Center to request a visit from a Eucharistic Minister to the Homebound or Sick 818.889.1279.

Reconciliation: Saturday Evenings 3:45 - 4:30 p.m.

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 Weekdays before the 12:05pm Mass, at 11:15 am. Call Vinda 818.991.8683

Fatima Rosary Group: Leaders are Wayne and Shu-Hwei Zimmerman 805.373.1099. Meets every Tuesday at 7:30 pm. Dec 5 & 12 Host Bert & Lydia Infante 818-991-0086. Dec 19 & 26 Wayne & Shu-Hwei Zimmerman 805-373-1099

First Friday Devotions to the Sacred Heart of Jesus: At 10am Contact Vinda at 818.991.8683

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

Monthly Family Rosary First Sunday of the month at 3pm at the Borawski Residence, 3316 S. Medicine Bow Ct., Westlake Village Contact Franca Dornan 805.601.5350

Our Lady of Guadalupe "Healing Love" Rosary Group 7:00 pm Every Thursday in the Chapel. Janelle Beck 805.497.1877

St. Jude Novena Wednesday Evenings at 7:30 p.m.

Rosary Cenacle Wednesdays at 10am Vinda 818.991.8683

Tuesday Prayer Group 7:50am-9 am, in the library. Lisa Maxey at 818.706-1954 or Maxey7@sbcglobal.net.

GET INVOLVED

Join A Ministry Today



Connect with one of our many ministries by visiting <http://www.saintjudetheapostle.org/Ministries>

Adopt-A-Family Christmas

John & Jackie Treuting 805.495.4630

Adopt-A-Family Easter

Jane McDade 805.498.4043

Altar Server MinistryMichelle Dryden michelle@shehan.com
<http://www.saintjudetheapostle.org/Altar-Server-Ministry>**Arts & Environment Ministry**Terry Groel 805.495-7419 | tagroel@verizon.net**Bereavement Ministry**

Jean-Marie Cull.805.497-6473

Pastoral Center 818.889.1279

Bikes 4 Kids: Art Estrada 818.571.7079**Breakfast for Homeless**

Marilou O'Halloran 805.551.9727

Eucharistic Ministry to the Sick

Fr. Jim Stehly 818.889-1279

Eucharistic Ministry: Ty Hutchison 818.402.8402**Faith Firsthand** Gary Romanowski 818.991.4357**Filipino Ministry:** Teresita Zaratan 805.807.0771**Frank's Homeless Project**

Lee & Rob Martz 805.492.2139

Holidays for Homeless

Steve & Pam Yantzer 818.706.0691

Homefront Ministry

Claire & Patrick Young 805.532.9201

Knights of Columbus

Grand Knight Chuck Harley (805)496-2138

<http://www.saintjudetheapostle.org/Kn>**Lector Ministry:** Stephen Reid 818.661.8817**Loaves & Fishes Ministries**

John & Jackie Treuting 805.495.4630

<http://www.saintjudetheapostle.org/About-Us>**Marriage Encounter:** Tim & Pat Crosby 818.889.5928**Open Arms Hospitality Ministry**Gina Conti Gconti555@gmail.com**Our Lady's Rosary Makers**

Fatima Espirito-Santo 818.597.4840

Prayer Ministries CoordinatorBen Levine 818.437.0560 | ben@saintjudetheapostle.org**Prayer Shawl Ministry:** Gina Conti Gconti555@gmail.com**Recycling for the Homeless:** Art Estrada 818.571.7079**Respect Life:** Mary Linn 818.889.7849**Sacristan Ministry:** Diane Cigich, Kathleen Paul, Vicki Baltazar, and Bobbi Nelson**Sandwich Ministry:** Judy Hutchison 818.402.8403**Senior Group:** Sharon Thomas 818.314.4158**Service Day:** Julie Feeley 818.889.2449**Social Justice & Peace:** Tom Cull 805.497.6473**Stephen Ministry:** Jill Robertson 805.368.0753**Women's Prison Ministry:** Nancy Fox 818.889.6265

Giving Opportunities

Visit the "Ministries" section of our website www.saintjudetheapostle.org for a comprehensive list of all of ministries throughout our parish. See page 6 of this bulletin for a list of ministries.

St. Jude's Online Giving System 'WeShare'

Continue your gifts online while you're away with our Online Giving system, **WeShare**. It's safe, simple, and convenient. Donate today using your debit, credit card, checking, or savings account. Visit saintjudetheapostle.weshareonline.org and select your donation amount and frequency. Thank you.



Open Arms Hospitality MINISTRY

welcome to church

The goal of our ministry is to welcome and encourage all new visitors and current parishioners. Our desire is to help everyone get connected and feel part of the St. Jude faith family. You are important to us. If you haven't registered with St. Jude's yet, or you would like to be an ambassador for Christ with the gift of hospitality (baking, greeting, making baskets), we would love to hear from you! If anyone you know, loved one or friend, is homebound and not able to make it to mass please notify us directly so we can reach out to them.

Carol Livingston dangarmom@hotmail.com

Gina Conti gconti555@gmail.com

www.saintjudetheapostle.org/Op

"Do not forget to entertain strangers, for by doing so, some people have entertained angels without knowing it." Hebrews 13:2

GET ON THE BUS

WELCOME TO "GET ON THE BUS"

A program through the Center for Restorative Justice that takes children and their caregivers to the Prisons for Mother's Day and Father's Day.

Please join us on January 6 at Sacred Heart Church in Covina from 8:45am-4pm for more information. Lunch is served. Contact the Regional Director, Lois Lengel, at 805 791-4900. We are looking for a "few good men and women" who would be willing to take this emotional journey with the families, go into the



Orphanage Guild Juniors is collecting \$10 Target Gift Cards for our annual Christmas Party for the teenage foster girls living at Maryvale in Rosemead. Orphanage Guild Juniors focuses on the teenage girls, taking them on monthly activities and honoring them at an annual Christmas Party. Please visit Maryvale.org to learn more about this wonderful haven for foster youth. To donate \$10 Target Gift Cards, please contact Carol Livingston 818.879.8776

Recycling for the Homeless

Recyclables are collected year round to provide funds for purchasing items for our local homeless.

Recyclables can be placed in containers marked "Recyclables" around the church grounds any time. We accept recyclable bottles and cans (marked CRV), aluminum, glass bottles (except for wine - no redemption value).



HELP WANTED

Volunteers are scheduled for specific shifts for sorting and/or delivering recyclables for redemption. **Volunteers with trucks are especially needed for delivering recyclables for redemption.**

To volunteer email Arthur Estrada stjudelf@gmail.com

Or call Jackie & John Treuting (805)495-4630

A Loaves and Fishes Ministry

<http://www.saintjudetheapostle.org/Recycling-for-the-Homeless>

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

SAVE YOUR CANCELED STAMPS

By saving canceled stamps from your incoming mail, you can contribute to the Sisters of Notre Dame. Our sisters remove the stamps from the envelope paper, sort them and sell them to brokers and collectors. The proceeds benefit our ministries, helping those in need around the world. Invite your friends, family and co-workers to save stamps, too!



What to Do: Save stamps that have their perforations intact, are not too heavily canceled, and are not torn, cut or stained. Leave at least 1/4 inch on each side of the stamp when cutting it from the envelope.

Where to Send:

Sisters of Notre Dame
1776 Hendrix Avenue
Thousand Oaks, CA 91360
805-496-3243

St. Jude's Prayer Shawl Ministry

Prayer Shawl Ministry members make prayer shawls and blankets to bring God's love to those who are going through difficult times such as illness or bereavement. Members knit, crochet, and sew their creations while praying for the person who will receive the shawl. We are also working on making hats and scarves to send to our parish members in the military.

We welcome new members to the Prayer Shawl Ministry no matter your skill level. If you want instruction we will be happy to teach you and we have a supply of donated yarn, needles, and patterns to get you started.

We meet on designated Fridays at 10am in the library.

Contact Gina Conti gconti555@gmail.com or Martha Huggins (mhuggins23@yahoo.com)

Music Ministry

St. Jude's Children's Choir!

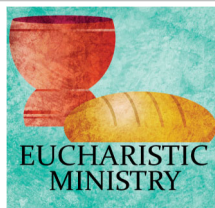
Rehearsals are Thursdays from 5:00 p.m. until 6:30 p.m. Each child will be auditioned to determine their singing abilities. We are accepting children from grades 3rd - 7th. We are looking for kids who love music, can take direction and stay focused for the entire rehearsal. This choir will sing once a month at the 10:00 a.m. Mass and Christmas Eve at 4:00 p.m. It is important that they are able to conduct themselves appropriately during the Sunday Liturgy. For more information, please contact Vincent Adams or Michael Hemenway at (818) 889-2373 or Email: Vincent@saintjudetheapostle.org.



St. Jude's Adult Choir - Rehearsals are on Thursdays at 7:30 p.m. in the Music Ministry office. If you are interested in joining the choir, please contact Vincent Adams or Michael Hemenway at (818) 889-2373 or email Vincent@saintjudetheapostle.org

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTRY

As an extraordinary minister of the Eucharist, commonly referred to as a Eucharistic minister or EM, lay people can serve the Catholic Church by distributing Holy Communion during Mass. An EM must be a fully initiated member of the Church (having received the Sacraments of Baptism, First Communion and Confirmation). If you feel a tug at your heart to help in this way, please contact Ty Hutchison tbh12649@gmail.com or (818) 402-8402. Visit www.saintjudetheapostle.org/Eucharistic-Ministry



DID YOU KNOW?

Practice situational awareness as part of your holiday travel plans

At Christmastime, families come together to spend this blessed season surrounded by their loved ones, and for many families, this involves some travel. Parents with young children who are hitting the roads or the airways should be practicing situational awareness to ensure their children's safety. Situational awareness means staying alert and knowing what is going on around you. Keep an eye out for suspicious activity, and know where your family members are at all times. Do not allow yourself to become distracted by your phone or other electronics—it only takes a minute for a child to disappear from your eyesight. For more holiday travel tips, visit <http://www.catholic.org/travel/story.php?id=65521>. For St. Jude's Protecting God's Children Program contact Dot Kelly dotandpuff@gmail.com.



Knights of Columbus



Thank you for your outstanding generosity. For this years fundraiser for the **Intellectually Disabled**, members of the parishes of St Jude and St Max donated in excess of \$2200 to this worthwhile cause. Furthermore, Council 8072 (your council) in conjunction with The Loaves and Fishes Ministry, will donate 100 buckets of cold weather necessities. Items in the bucket include a hat, sweatshirt (or equivalent), thermal blanket, socks, underwear, toiletries and other items to assist the homeless in everyday living.

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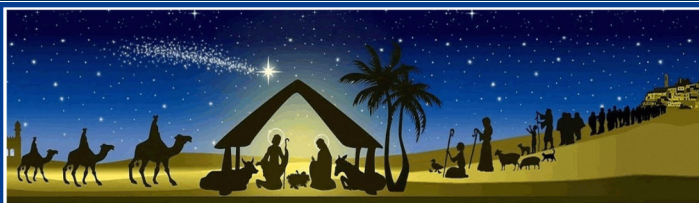
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Saturday, December 16, 2017 • 9:30 am-3:00 pm

Nicholas, Lucy, Stephen, John, Elizabeth Ann Seton...
Enjoy and deepen your Advent preparation by joining with the Saints. Come for a day of the heart.
What do these varied personalities from Christian history have in common? Their feasts fall in the Advent and Christmas seasons. Can they teach us anything about the themes and challenges of this holy time of year? Let's take some time to see how the Saints can lead us deeper into the mystery of Christmas. **Location:** Holy Spirit Retreat Center, 4316 Lanai Rd., Encino 91436. Fee: \$45.00 with lunch or \$35.00 without lunch. Pre-registration required by December 12 **Contact: Sr. Deborah at (818) 815-4496**

Annual Women's Silent Retreat

The Annual Women's Silent Retreat will be held at the Sacred Heart Retreat House in Alhambra. The Retreat begins Friday, January 26th at 5:00 PM and lasts until 12:30 PM, Sunday, January 28th. Rev. James Kubicki, S.J., will be our Retreat Master. The theme will be "Streams of Grace and Mercy" For reservations, call Shu-Hwei Zimmerman at (805) 373-1099. Car pools are available from St. Jude's Church.



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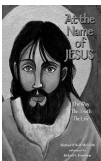
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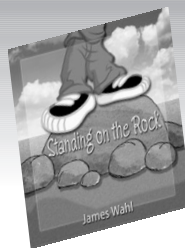
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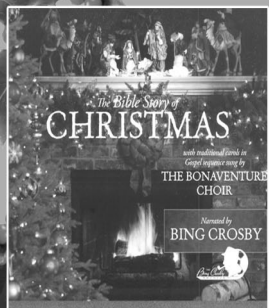
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CHURCH CALENDAR

EVENTS AROUND THE CHURCH

- Dec 10 **Second Sunday of Advent**
- Dec 10 Retirement Fund for Religious
- Dec 10 Family Faith Formation Group B 9:30am page 4
- Dec 10 Children’s Liturgy 10am Mass pg. 4
- Dec 10 Special Needs Ministry Groups 1 & 2 11am pg.4
- Dec 11 Sandwich Ministry 10am parish hall
- Dec 12 Sunday to Sunday 9:15am parish library pg. 4
- Dec 12 RCIA Inquiry Night 7-8pm Faith Formation Office pg.5
- Dec 13 Senior Ministry Christmas Luncheon 12:30 in hall p.9
- Dec 13 Sunday to Sunday Evening 6:30pm F.F. Office pg.4
- Dec 13 Junior High Ministry 7pm Youth Room pg. 4
- Dec 13 St. Jude Novena 7:30pm
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- Dec 17 **Third Sunday of Advent**
- Dec 17 Breakfast with Santa 9am - Noon in the Hall see pg 9
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- Dec 21 Children’s Choir Rehearsal 5pm pg. 8
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- Dec 23 **4th Sunday of Advent 5pm Vigil Mass**
- Dec 24 **4th Sunday of Advent - Masses 8am, 10am, and Noon**
- Dec 24 **Christmas Eve - 4pm Mass in church and hall, 6pm Mass, 9:30pm Musical Prelude, 10pm Mass.**
- Dec 25 **Christmas Day Masses 8am, 10am, and Noon. No evening Mass.**

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