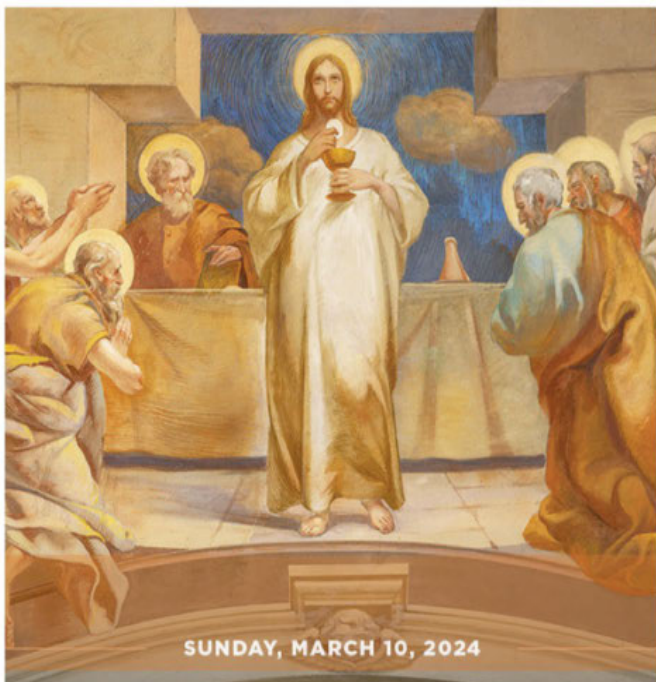


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SUNDAY, MARCH 10, 2024

4TH SUNDAY OF LENT

For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come toward the light, so that his works might not be exposed. But whoever lives the truth comes to the light, so that his works may be clearly seen as done in God. - Jn 3:20-21

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MASS SCHEDULE

SUNDAYS

Saturday: 5:30 pm

Sunday: 8:30 am

10:30 am

12:30 pm

WEEKDAYS

Monday - Saturday

8:10 am

HOLY DAYS

8:10 am and 7:30 pm

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BAPTISM: Third Sunday of the Month at 2:00 pm

MARRIAGE: On arrangement, six months in advance

COMMUNION CALLS: Notify the Rectory/Priests

Welcome

Catholics are always welcomed home; non-Catholics are invited to join us in prayer. Catholics who are new to our parish are respectfully requested to introduce themselves to one of the priests after Mass and register at the parish office during the week. "Active" parishioners are those who are registered, join us regularly for the celebration of the sacraments and use the weekly donation envelopes. Only in this way can the parish issue documents attesting to parish membership and Catholic practice. Kindly notify us if you change your address.

Mission Statement

The parish of the Shrine Church of St. Jude is a family of Christians created in the image of a loving God. He has given us faith and gifts which we nurture by His Word and Eucharist. Sent forth by Christ, we strive to share Him with others in our daily lives and to spread His message of salvation to all. We welcome all people seeking communion with us. We respond to Christ's command to teach all people through instruction in the Catholic Faith in our religious education programs and Catholic School. With Christ as our cornerstone, we attempt to minister to the body, mind, and spirit of our fellow human beings. We pray for God's help and guidance, and that we may love each other as brothers and sisters in the Lord building up the Kingdom of God.



Sunday, Mar. 10th, Fourth Sunday of Lent

- 8:10 In loving memory of Rebecca Subido
 - Cecilia Mejia
 Birthday blessings for Fernande Coty
 - Fernande Coty
 In loving memory of Cleta Roberts
 - SC of St. Jude
- 10:30 For the people of the parish
 In loving memory of Cleta Roberts
 - SC of St. Jude
- 12:30 In loving memory of Laura Gateau
 - Wilker Family
 In thanksgiving to St. Jude
 - Marie Bois
 For healing & recovery of Veteran & NYPD Police
 Officer David Barker - Martha Jefferson
 In loving memory of Cleta Roberts
 - SC of St. Jude

Monday, Mar. 11th

- In loving memory of Eva Balsamo, Rose Pompilio &
 Luck Argotta - Catherine Brozeta

Tuesday, Mar. 12th

- 8:10 For the people of the parish

Wednesday, Mar. 13th

- 8:10 In thanksgiving of Sarnia, Patrick & Children
 - Agathe Laurent

Thursday, Mar. 14th

- 8:10 In loving memory of Carline Georges
 - Chantal Alvarez
 In memory of Joseph Andre Colo
 - Chilaïne Gaston

Friday, March 15th

- 8:10 For the people of the parish

Saturday, Mar. 16th

- 8:10 For the people of the parish
 5:30 In loving memory of Joann Astuto
 - Mom & Dad

Sunday, Mar. 17th, Fifth Sunday of Lent

- 8:30 In loving memory of Dominador, Feliza, & Alfonso
 Baniago - Mejia & Baniago Family
 Birthday blessings for Patricia Joseph
 - Suzie Maxime
- 10:30 In loving memory of Angelo Laterra - Ruth Arrao
- 12:30 In loving memory of the deceased members of the Farrell
 & Devitt Family

IN OUR THOUGHTS & PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Patricia Sparks	Francisco Luna	Irma Vernet
Elaine Waldron	Claudette Dare	Ghislaine Maximilien
Pamela Audino	Abigail Simon	Peter Grillo
Eleanor Ricci	Gloria Roberts	Suzette Holdes
Arnold Fleicher	Albert Kadosh	Darren Borice
Diana Pearce	David Barker	

**4th Sunday of Lent
 Embracing Hope and Redemption
 2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23, Ephesians 2:4-10, John
 3:14-21**

As we approach the 4th Sunday of Lent, traditionally known as “Laetare” Sunday - a title culled from the first word of the antiphon at the introit, “Rejoice”, the readings unveil a message of hope and restoration. This Sunday stands as a vibrant prelude to the forthcoming Easter celebration, infusing a festive spirit into the Lenten season.

Tapestry of Divine Love: The Gospel verse encapsulates the essence of divine love: “For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might have eternal life.” The atmosphere of this Sunday is marked by vibrant colors, joy, and gladness, reflecting God’s continuous deliverance and mercy towards humanity. Analogous to a compassionate mother, God simultaneously corrects with one hand and consoles with the other echoing the sentiments of Isaiah 49:15.

Israel’s Journey: A Tale of Redemption: The First Reading, drawn from the Second Book of Chronicles, narrates the arduous journey of God’s people through exile and subsequent restoration. Despite persistent warnings from messengers and prophets, the leaders, priests, and people of Judah engaged in a cycle of sin, defiling God and the Temple. The consequence was exile, stripping them of their pillars—Land, Dynasty, Temple, and Covenant. Yet, in their despair, they turned to God in nostalgia, leading to their eventual redemption through Cyrus, the Persian king.

Rich in Mercy: A Pauline Perspective: In the Second Reading, Paul, in Ephesians, amplifies the richness of God’s mercy, emphasizing that our salvation is a gift of grace. Even in our spiritual deadness, God, propelled by immense love, breathes life into us through Christ. This profound act of grace is a testament to the redemptive power of God’s love.

Looking Up in Faith: The Gospel narrative by John invites believers to mirror Israel’s cry to God during exile and their gaze upward in the desert’s trial. Drawing parallels to Moses lifting the serpent for healing, Jesus highlights that belief in Him leads to eternal life. God, the eternal rescuer, invites us to have faith and look up to Him for salvation, not as a people devoid of trust but as a community anchored in faith.

Embracing the Hope: God, in sending His Son, sought not condemnation but salvation. This Sunday instills in us the hope that God’s love and care endure despite our past transgressions. As we eagerly anticipate the joyous Easter celebration, let it be with hearts redeemed in Christ, not as a people conquered by sin but as those restored through divine grace.

The Miracle of Faith: The thoughts echo the essence of saintliness—those who don’t merely love God but are convinced of God’s love and redemption. This, the miracle of faith, propels us forward as we journey towards the glorious celebration of the Feast of our Redemption in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Fr. Ikenna

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- A. **Lucky Dip Holiday Lottery** is on-going. See **GiGi** for your ticket./s.
- B. Stations of the Cross .Every Friday **after 8:10 a.m. Mass and at 7:00 PM.**
- C. **To be a leader or a member of** the Rosary Society or Bible Society, please call the Parish Office.
- D. Updates:
 - 1. **Legends** (a ministry for seniors or individuals outside the Young Adults’ age range) will be organized.
 - 2. The Eucharistic Revival will take place on April 20, 2024 in the Louis Armstrong Stadium of the USTA Billie Jean King Tennis Center, Flushing Meadows. Pls. submit your name, email add.& Tel. # to Helen Teifer during the weekend Mass times or email MsTeiferSJoAMSJu@aol.com
 - 4. The Diocese of Brooklyn is offering a Parish Business Management Training Program for free. *If interested in all of the above please call the Parish Office.
- F. **Our Parish Lenten Mission/Retreat** will be from **March 11—15 at 7:00PM. We will host the Diocesan Lenten Pilgrimage on March 19.** See the bulletin board for both programs. Sponsors are needed.

Youth & Young Adult Ministry Corner

1. Please return your Ministry Registration Form to the Parish Office ASAP.
2. Mar. 17th, Sunday: Calling all Young Adults ages 18- 40 to join the Bible Study & Brunch after the 12:30 Mass., 1:30--3:30 PM (MLCR)
3. For YOUNG ADULTS: Please scan the QR Code and complete the Interest form to get more announcements.
4. For any questions, reach out to Youthministrysaintjude@gmail.com

JOIN OUR YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY!

A place to connect, grow, and serve with other young adults. Come as you are, all are welcome. Scan the code below to complete the Young Adult Ministry Interest Form!



Daily Activities /Recurring Program

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	Weekdays: After the 8:10 AM Mass –7:00 PM Saturdays: After the 8:10 AM Mass - 2:00 PM Sundays : No exposition
St. Jude Novena	Thursdays at 7:00 PM
Rosary & Divine Mercy	Mon.-Sat. , after the 8:10 AM Mass
Parish Choir	Saturdays: Practice after the 5:30 Mass
Apostleship of Prayer / PWPN	Every 2nd Sunday of the month. 3:00 PM (MLCR)
Holy Name Society	Every 3rd Sunday of the month after the 8:30 am Mass (MLCR)
Bereavement Group	Every 1st Thursday of the month at 7:00PM Online: ID#87282495660 with Passcode 221889
Sto. Nino Devotees in North America	Monthly in person Prayers/Reflection Every 3rd Friday of the month– 7:30-9:30PM
Haitian Charismatic Prayer Group	Telephonique Prayer Mondays - 7:30 PM Wednesdays - 6:00 PM
English Prayer Group	Wednesdays—7:00 PM Maria Lopez Community Room
RCIA	Mondays in person 7:00—8:30 PM
Parish Pastoral Council	Every First Tuesday of the Month 7:00PM
Youth & Young Adult Ministry	Every First Saturday: Youth Mass & Session at 5:30 PM to 7:15 PM. Young Adult Activities TBA, see announcements
Children’s Religious Ed.	Sundays, 10-12Noon Levels 1-7 Sat., 4PM Confirmation Prep Gr. 8 Must register to participate.

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