

# ST. JUDE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## WEEK OF DECEMBER 18-24, 2011

### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18 FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

All RE Classes are on Christmas Break

#### Catholic Charities Love Truck

- 11:00 AM **Blessing of the Creche**  
1:00 PM **Sort Giving Tree Gifts**  
1:30 PM African Choir Rehearsal  
Venture Crew Meeting  
6:00 PM **Young Married Fellowship Holiday Potluck**

### MONDAY, DECEMBER 19

Rainbow Days classes are on Christmas Break

- 9:00 AM **Deliver Giving Tree Gifts**  
12:00 PM Monday Bridge Group  
4:30 PM Christmas Pageant 4pm Mass P-Z Dress  
Rehearsal  
6:00 PM **NO Reconciliation or Weekday Mass**  
7:30 PM **Orpheus Chamber Singers - Christmas by Candlelight**

### TUESDAY, DECEMBER 20

- 9:00 AM Exploring the Sunday Readings  
1:15 PM St. Ignatius Book Study  
4:30 PM CM-Christmas Pageant 6PM Mass A-G Dress  
Rehearsal  
7:00 PM Adult Choir Practice  
Cub Scout Meeting  
7:15 PM **No Boy Scout Meeting**

### WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 21

- 7:00 AM Exploring the Sunday Readings  
10:00 AM Women's Scripture Study  
4:00 PM Youth Choir Rehearsal  
4:30 PM CM-Christmas Pageant 8PM Mass H-O Dress  
Rehearsal

### THURSDAY, DECEMBER 22

- 7:00 PM Men's Prayer Group  
Legion of Mary  
Adult Choir Practice

### FRIDAY, DECEMBER 23

- Parish Offices Closed  
6:30 AM **NO Little Rock Bible Study**  
9:30 AM **NO AMA Food Pantry**  
11:15 AM **Reconciliation**  
11:30 AM **NO Rosary for the Unemployed**  
12:00 PM Weekday Mass and Anointing of the Sick - TAC

### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 24

- 8:30 AM **NO Weekday Mass**  
9:30 AM **NO AMA Food Pantry**  
**4:00 PM 6:00PM 8:00PM**  
**Christmas Masses & Pageant**

- 10:00 PM Christmas Mass**  
**12:00 AM Christmas Mass**

## STAFF DIRECTORY

- Rev. Timothy A. Church, **Pastor** - ext. 2214  
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**After hours emergency - 972.632.2382**

## WEEKEND MASSES

Family Rosary begins a half hour before each weekend Mass

**Saturday:** Anticipatory Mass - 5:00pm  
**Sunday:** 8:00am; 10:00am; 12:00 Noon; 5:00pm

## WEEKDAY MASSES (IN CHAPEL)

**Monday:** 8:30am; 6:30pm  
**Tuesday:** 8:30am; 6:30pm  
**Wednesday:** 6:30 am; Noon  
**Thursday:** 8:30am; 6:30pm  
**Friday** - Mass & Anointing of the Sick: Noon  
**Saturday:** 8:30am

## RECONCILIATION (IN CHAPEL)

**Monday:** 6:00 - 6:15pm  
**Tuesday and Thursday:** 6:00 - 6:15pm  
**Wednesday and Friday:** 11:15-11:45am  
**Saturday:** 4:00 - 4:30pm  
**Sunday:** 7:30 - 7:45am or by appointment  
**Sunday:** 4:30-4:45pm

## ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

**Tuesday:** 9:00am - 6:00pm  
**Thursday:** 9:00am - 6:00pm  
**First Friday:** 9:00am - 12:00 Noon

## MASS INTENTIONS

<b>12/17</b>	5:00pm	+Floyd Norwood, +Catherine Stec
<b>12/18</b>	8:00am	+Kelly Fisher
	10:00am	For the People of St. Jude
	12:00pm	S - Sylvester & Christine Forzi
	5:00pm	+John Spencer
<b>12/19</b>	8:30am	+Rev. George Acker
	6:30pm	F - Jansa Family
<b>12/20</b>	8:30am	+Stanley Mezeul
	6:30pm	+Rudy Munoz
<b>12/21</b>	6:30am	T - Lourelie Alesna
	Noon	+William Garner
<b>12/22</b>	8:30am	T - Ancy Maniangattu
	6:30pm	+Sandy Sharpe
<b>12/23</b>	12:00pm	S - Ancy Maniangattu
<b>12/24</b>	8:30am	<i>No Mass</i>

## STEWARDSHIP

### COLLECTIONS FOR OUR FISCAL YEAR

#### GENERAL OPERATING

Last week	\$46,976
Yr-to-Date (07/01/11 until 06/30/12)	\$935,723

#### BUILDING FUND TRUST

Last week	\$14,459
Yr-to-Date (07/01/11 until 06/30/12)	\$290,723

#### CAPITAL CAMPAIGN DONATIONS

Last week	\$14,069
Yr-to-Date (07/01/11 until 06/30/12)	\$213,307

#### PRESENT DEBT (WITH LAND)

**\$3,635,041**

#### BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

St. Jude Goal	\$231,000
Pledges to date	\$283,839
Amount donated so far	\$233,322

#### ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK

<b>12/10/11</b>	5:00pm	713
<b>12/11/11</b>	8:00am	605
	10:00am	1,260
	12:00pm	1,198
	5:00pm	845

#### WEEKEND TOTAL

**4,621**

## THANK YOU

On behalf of our family please accept our deepest appreciation for your support on the occasion of Leonard's passing. He was a great man and the struggle that he endured toward the end of his life was an example of courage and perseverance. We were so fortunate to have him live so close to us during this time. Thank you for taking us all into the heart and soul of St. Jude's. May God bless you for your sacrifices and your love.

**Jane Church, Fr. Tim, Linda, Angela, Luke, Lily, Greg, Tina, Paul, AnneMarie, Mark, Chris, Karyn, and Ava**

## BAPTISMS

Please welcome **Maria Jovita Lozano**, daughter of Rosalio and Olga.

## PRAYER INTENTIONS

**Mary Hope Munoz, Joe Dickinson, Richard Shykes, Jared Wildenborg, Jean Carr, Jean Kearn, Cecil Grayson, Samantha Ackerson, Maryanne Huddleston, Mary Humm, Julie Schnier.**

*To receive all the petitions included in the Prayer Chain, please send an e-mail to [cjohnson@stjudeparish.com](mailto:cjohnson@stjudeparish.com).*

## SYMPATHIES

Please pray for the peaceful repose of the soul of:

**Milton Freiburger, Denis Muforsi, Wayne Trieschmann, Addison Claire Walker; Msgr. Antonio G. Gonzalez; Horacio Sanchez; Sister Lois Justen.**

*May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.*

On behalf of the Clergy and Staff at St. Jude, we wish you a merry and blessed Christmas!

Parish offices will be closed Friday, **December 23rd** and Monday, **December 26th**. If you have an emergency and wish to talk to a priest, please call the after-hours number at **972.632.2382**.

## MISCELLANEOUS NOTES

### CAAM 12-STEP MEETINGS EVERY SATURDAY

The St. Jude CAAM group hosts a 12-Step meeting each Saturday from 9-10 am in the Theatre. Contact Steve Mauser for questions at 214-383-1556.

### CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS

We need help to prepare and decorate the inside and outside of the church for Christmas. Volunteers, please gather in the Church Narthex on **December 22nd** starting at 10am. Dress for the weather and bring your Christmas spirit.

### CHRISTMAS EVE MASS SIGNUPS - EM, LECTOR, USHER

Signup sheets will be available in the Narthex after all Masses this weekend for those who want to serve at the Christmas Eve and Christmas Day Masses. Please note: there are two signup sheets for the 4pm and 6pm Masses on Christmas Eve - as we did at Easter, we will have simultaneous Masses at those times.

### NURSERY RESERVATIONS FOR CHRISTMAS EVE

Envelopes are available now at the Nursery to reserve a spot for your child during the Christmas Eve Masses. The Nursery will be offered for the 4pm, 6pm, 8pm, 10pm and Midnight Masses for children who are 1 year (walking) up to 4 years of age. You will need a separate envelope for each child.

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CHRISTMAS TREE SALES

There are still trees and signs for sale at the lot, so stop by to look for the perfect tree for your family! Hours: M - F 6-9pm; Saturday and Sunday, 9am-9pm.

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

### SUNDAY, 12/18

#### THE GIVING TREE

Gifts will be sorted next Sunday, **December 18th** after the Noon Mass, and delivered on Monday, **December 19th**. If you have questions, please call Jeanne at ext. 2215.

#### YOUNG MARRIED HOLIDAY POTLUCK

Celebrate Christmas with the Young Marrieds! Join us for our holiday potluck on Sunday, **December 18th** from 6-9pm in the parish hall. Bring a dish for the Italian themed dinner. Children are welcome. For more information, please contact Lynette at [lynette.aguilar@att.net](mailto:lynette.aguilar@att.net).

### MONDAY, 12/19

#### ORPHEUS CHAMBER SINGERS - CAROLS & CANDLELIGHT

Monday, **December 19th** at 7:30pm. "Carols & Candlelight" will feature carols and motets from the past 5 centuries, a procession amidst flickering candles, and the most soul-stirring carol sing-a-long in town! Please order your tickets early at [www.orpheuschambersingers.org](http://www.orpheuschambersingers.org) or call 214.546.1252 with questions. Single Ticket Prices: \$35 / \$30 / \$25 / \$10 / \$5.

### UPCOMING

#### A NEW ALZHEIMERS' SUPPORT GROUP IS FORMING

We are starting a monthly support group for caretakers of people afflicted with Alzheimers. The meetings will be on the first Thursday of each month, beginning **January 5th**, from 1 - 2:30 pm. For more info, e-mail to [alzsupallen@gmail.com](mailto:alzsupallen@gmail.com) and Ann, Bob or Brett will contact you.

#### CATHOLICISM: LUNCH - N - LEARN

Fr. Tim will guide us through this 22 week multi-media program designed to bring you further into your journey of faith. The series will begin **January 9th** from 12-1pm in the Parish Hall. Classes will last for 1 hour only. Bring a sack lunch and come be in community as you journey around the world and deepen your knowledge of faith. Cost is \$40.00. Sign up ASAP on ACS, or at the Information Table in the Narthex.

#### CAREER ALLIANCE NEWS

Career Alliance Wednesday meetings will resume **January 11, 2012**. For more info on Career Alliance, visit [ntxcatholiccareers.org](http://ntxcatholiccareers.org).

## AROUND THE DIOCESE

#### RETRouvaille™

... a lifeline for Marriages

A program to Help Couples Heal and Renew their Marriages.

- Do you feel lost, alone or bored in your marriage?
- Are you frustrated, hurt or angry with your spouse?
- Are you constantly fighting? Or, do you simply shut down?
- Have you thought about separation or divorce?
- Does talking about it only make it worse?

... Retrouvaille provides marriage help!

The next local retreat is scheduled for **January 13, 2012**. Love is a Decision. Decide to Love. For more information, visit their website at [www.retrouvaille.org/](http://www.retrouvaille.org/).

## OUR LOVED ONES IN COMBAT

If your loved one is serving in harm's way in the military, please let us know so that we may pray for them. Contact Mary Allen at ext. 2231, or e-mail [bulletin@stjudeparish.com](mailto:bulletin@stjudeparish.com).

Eli Indreland	Paul Moo	Jason Schlachter
James Nuxoll	Herb Ford	Tim Plummer
Jason Carathers	Brian Geschke	John Leffers
Jeff Casto	Marc McMannon	

**SP4 Joseph D. Englund**  
127th MP Company  
FOB Wright  
APO AE 09310

**SPC Rodolfo Molina**  
D CO 2-34 AR, TF SPARTAN  
FOB RAMROD  
APO AE 09313

**PFC Dustin Felte**  
CSTC-A\NTM-A\CJ3  
SMP Platoon  
APO AE 09356

**CW2 Chattaway, Stephen**  
A ASLT TF 2-227 "Lobos"  
Camp Marmal  
APO AE 09368

**CPT Miguel Romero**  
609 CAOC/CPD/TET  
APO AE 09309

**SGT Jonathan Thompson**  
CSTC-A\NTM-A\CJ3  
SMP Platoon  
APO AE 09356

**PFC Vivero, Pablo**  
D Co. 1-41 IN 3/1 AD  
COP Baraki-Barak  
APO AE 09364

**PFC Dunn, Brian Charles**  
HQ BRTY, 12TH MARINES  
UNIT 36070  
FPOAP-96602-6070

## ON BEHALF OF A GRATEFUL NATION

### KILLED IN ACTION: NOVEMBER 20-26, 2011

Please pray for the peaceful repose of the souls of those who served their nation with honor. Remember also, those who mourn their loss.

Cpl. Adam Joseph Buyes	21	OR
Sgt. 1st Class Dennis Ray Murray	38	TN
Pvt. Enlisted Grade 2 Jackie Lee Diener II	20	MI
Cpl. Zachary Christopher Reiff	22	IA
Pvt. Thomas Christopher Lake	29	England

## CHRISTMAS MASSES

### DECEMBER 24TH

No 8:30am Mass, No Baptisms, No Reconciliation

### Christmas Masses & Children's Pageant:

**4:00pm      6:00pm      8:00pm**

*\* Please note, there will be simultaneous Masses in both the Church and Parish Hall at 4:00pm and 6:00pm to accommodate all in attendance.*

**Christmas Mass: 10:00pm in the Church**

**Christmas Mass: at Midnight, carol prelude**

### DECEMBER 25TH

**Christmas Mass: 10:00am**

## CHILDREN'S CORNER

**ALL RE CLASSES - CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES, JYM AND LIFE TEEN ARE CLOSED UNTIL JANUARY 8TH, 2012.**

### CHRISTMAS COUNTY SPELLING BEE

The Christmas play was a huge success! We give a huge thank you to Daniel, Amber and Tracey for leading the children.

Thank you to the 21 children for your participation - you did a fantastic job!

### THE BLESSING OF THE CRECHE

The Creche will be blessed following the 10am Mass on Sunday, **December 18th**. Children and families are invited to gather around the Creche in the Narthex and add hay to the manger after Father blesses it.

### CHRISTMAS EVE PAGEANT PRACTICES

Children involved in the re-enactment of the Nativity story will be practicing at the these times in the church:

**Last names with P-Z** practice for the 4pm Mass dress rehearsal on Monday, **December 19th** at 4:30pm

**Last names with A-G** practice for the 6pm Mass dress rehearsal on Tuesday, **December 20th** at 4:30pm

**Last names with H-O** practice for the 8pm Mass dress rehearsal on Wednesday, **December 21st** at 4:30pm

### DECEMBER CHILDREN'S MASS

The Children's Masses for December are on the 24th at 4pm, 6pm, and 8pm. The children will be collecting new, small, stuffed animals to give to area hospitals and fire departments. Please bring them to the Mass you attend and place in the baskets by the Creche.

### RAINBOW DAYS ENROLLMENT

Registration for Rainbow Days, the parish preschool, is coming up in February! Make sure you are registered with the parish for early opportunities to enroll your 2, 3, 4, or 5 year old for the 2012-2013 school year. Registered parishioners before September 15, 2011 enroll on February 11th at 1pm. Registered parishioners after September 15, 2011 and before January 15, 2012 enroll on February 15th at 9am. If you register after January 15, 2012 you will enroll on February 16th at 9am.

### FAITH FORMATION CLASSES FOR CHILDREN WITH HEARING IMPAIRMENTS

Do you have a child with a hearing impairment? The Diocese of Dallas is developing a program to provide Sacramental Preparation and catechetical instruction for children with hearing impairments. To determine the requirements for providing catechists certified in American Sign Language (ASL) and for facilities, we need to identify those children by name, age, and parish to establish this program. Please provide this information to your parish office as soon as possible, or contact the Pastoral Center at 214.379.2866 (leave message); e-mail: [jaust@cathdal.org](mailto:jaust@cathdal.org).

For questions about **Children's Ministries** at St. Jude, please contact Julie Buchanan at [jbuchanan@stjudeparish.com](mailto:jbuchanan@stjudeparish.com).

## YOUTH NEWS

### JYM (7TH - 8TH GRADES & CONFIRMATION)

**YEAR 1 CLASSES (WEDNESDAYS 6:15-8:15PM)**

**December 21st & 28th: NO CLASS**

**YEAR 2 CLASSES (SUNDAYS 2:30-4:30PM)**

**December 18th, 25th & January 1st: NO CLASS**

St. Jude Youth Ministry Staff wishes  
all of our youth and their families  
a blessed and peaceful Christmas!!

Merry Christmas from Brenda, Claudia & Jenni

### UPCOMING YOUTH CLASSES AND EVENTS!!!

#### JYM YEAR 1 (WEDNESDAYS)

**January 4th** ~ @-Home-Study "The Beatitudes"

Students and families work together on this outline @ home (No classes held on Jan. 4th)

#### January 11th ~ COMPASSION WORKSHOP

(During regular class time) This Compassion Workshop is a hands-on session which helps our students to walk in the shoes of those with physical and mental limitations.

#### JYM ~ YEAR 2 (SUNDAYS)

**January 8th** ~ SAINT REPORTS ARE DUE!!

PLEASE turn in your Saint Report to your catechist by Jan. 8th!! We need this information for our retreat. (Outline available on St. Jude website if needed!)

#### JAN. 22ND ~ YEAR 2 PARENT MEETING!! (2:45 - 4:15pm)

This meeting is VERY important for all Year 2 Parents. Fr. Tim is planning to speak to parents at this very important meeting. Childcare available!

#### LIFE TEEN – HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY

**NO LIFE NIGHTS ON DECEMBER 18TH AND DECEMBER 25TH**

#### JUNIOR & SENIOR SPRING BREAK TRIP!!!

SAN ANTONIO!!! ~ **March 11 - 13** ~ Fun on the Riverwalk, Tour the Alamo, Spanish Missions, Shop the Mercado, and lots more!! Reserve your spot now – SPACES ARE LIMITED! Cost: \$115 (+ extra \$\$ for meals, shopping, etc.) Deadline to register: WEDNESDAY, February 29th!!!

For questions about **Youth Ministries** at St. Jude, please contact Brenda Farmer at [bfarmer@stjudeparish.com](mailto:bfarmer@stjudeparish.com).

## GOSPEL OF LIFE MINISTRY

### COMMEMORATION OF THE HOLY INNOCENTS

December 28th, 6pm, St. Francis, 3838 Walnut Hill Ln, Dallas.

#### MARK YOUR 2012 CALENDAR

Roe Memorial Mass and March, Saturday, January 21.

#### RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREATS

If you or someone you know is struggling with the pain of abortion, there is help. Visit [www.racheldallas.org](http://www.racheldallas.org), or call 214.544.CARE.