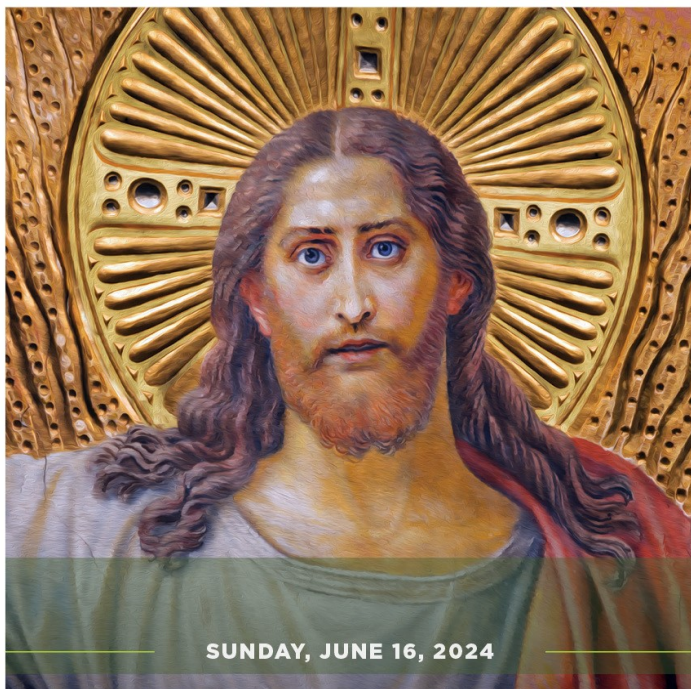


# ST. JUDE SHRINE R.C. CHURCH

1677 Canarsie Road, Brooklyn New York 11236

Established: June 30, 1961



SUNDAY, JUNE 16, 2024

## 11<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"To what shall we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable can we use for it? It is like a mustard seed that, when it is sown in the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on the earth. But once it is sown, it springs up and becomes the largest of plants." - Mk 4:30-32b

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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 7:00 pm

### OFFICE HOURS

#### Monday - Friday

9:00 am to 12:00 Noon

1:00 pm to 4:00 pm

#### Saturday

9:00 am to 2:00 pm

#### ACADEMY

1696 Canarsie Rd Brooklyn NY

Nursery - PreK

Kindergarten to Grade 8

**Phone: 718-241-6633**

**CONFESSIONS:** Saturdays 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

**BAPTISM:** Third Sunday of the Month at 12:00 pm

**MARRIAGE:** On arrangement, six months in advance

**COMMUNION CALLS:** Notify the Rectory/Priests

## WELCOME AND HELP US SUSTAIN OUR SPIRITUAL HOME

We are blessed to have you join us at St. Jude Shrine R.C. Church through this week as you witness the greatest love story of all time. We have made it easy for those of you who would prefer to give electronically via text or QR. **You can send a text to 929-822-4867 and use the keyword "Sunday" to offer your donation or scan the attached QR code. Electronic giving is secure, practical and saves us resources**

**Your prayers and gifts help us everyday in our mission.**



### Mission Statement

The parish of St. Jude Shrine R.C. Church 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.



**The Man of Faith is like a Farmer**

*Ezekiel 17:22-24, 2 Corinthians 5:6-10, Mark 4:26-34*

As children, we are curious and full of questions. As adults, we often reconcile ourselves to living with many unanswered questions, which can be challenging because humans naturally seek to understand why things are the way they are.

In the First Reading, Ezekiel speaks God's encouraging words: "I, the LORD, bring low the high tree, lift high the lowly tree, wither up the green tree, and make the withered tree bloom." This raises a poignant question: If God is this powerful as Ezekiel's prophecy suggests, why do we still suffer and face challenges despite our efforts to follow His commandments? Is there a purpose behind our difficulties and struggles?

St. Paul in the Second Reading urges us to be courageous and maintain hope, no matter the circumstances. He reminds us that we walk by faith, not by sight, and assures us that God will reward our efforts even if we do not see immediate results. Faith is crucial in our journey. God is with us every step of the way.

Jesus reinforces these messages through two parables. He illustrates that just as a farmer does not fully understand how a seed grows, we cannot fully comprehend the ways of God. The growth of God's kingdom, like natural growth, is mysterious. Our role is to remain positive and faithful, trusting that God will not forsake His people.

The farmer sows the seed and waits for the harvest, unaware of the invisible processes at work. Similarly, so much in our lives are beyond our understanding. The man of faith is like a farmer - positive and courageous. God is at work! The second parable teaches us that even the smallest faith can lead to great outcomes. God works through situations that seem unpromising. Our efforts, though they may seem insignificant, but it can produce abundant results with God's help.

Sylvia Plath once said, "The worst enemy of creativity is self-doubt." Believe that with God, you can achieve your goals. It might take time, as a mustard seed grows into a large tree, but patience and persistence will lead to fulfillment. We walk by faith, not just by sight. Be filled with the Holy Spirit and may God help us remain strong and courageous despite the ups and downs in life. Amen.

**Fr. Ikenna**

**Sunday, June 16th - Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

- 8:30 In memory of Robert Cuff - Christine Daniel  
For the repose of the soul of Jaime Mendoza  
- Vivian Sanguerza
- 10:30 In loving memory of Estrella P. Ingles - Lucybeth Ingles  
In memory of Louise Florence Forestal  
- Jean Robert Fougere & siblings
- 12:30 In thanksgiving to God & St. Jude for his intercession - Nigel Henry  
In loving memory of Clara Marcelin & Inick Lalanne  
- Bibiane Lalanne  
Blessings for Rodrigue Laquiste - Victoria Emilcar  
In thanksgiving for blessings received  
- Marisol Hinkson

**Monday, June 17th**

- 8:10 In loving memory of Colina Moise - Fabiola Leclerc

**Tuesday, June 18th**

- 8:10 For the people of the parish

**Wednesday, June 19th**

- 8:10 Birthday blessings & good health for Jose Mari Sugaste  
- Mom and Dad

**Thursday, June 20th**

- 8:10 In thanksgiving of Romane St. Vil - Marie Ena Jacquesfile  
Deliverance for Marie Michelle Jacquesfile  
- Marie Ena Jacquesfile

**Friday, June 21st**

- 8:10 For the people of the parish

**Saturday, June 22nd**

- 8:10 Deliverance for Fredline Cheunet  
- Marie Michelle Jacquesfile
- 5:30 In loving memory of Beatrice Dalbany - Family  
In loving memory of Avenue Moise - Fabiola Leclerc  
In memory of the deceased members of the Astuto and Porcari Families  
- Family

**HONORS AND MEMORIALS**

**Altar Bread & Altar Wine:**

**Sanctuary Candles:**

**Tabernacle Candles:**

**Adoration Chapel Candles:**

*In gratitude to Renan Phanord & Nancy Reyes*

**Church Bells:**

**Zachary Penny**

**MASS ATTENDANCE: June 8th & 9th, 2024**

5:30 PM—**70**, 8:30 AM—**108**, 10:30 AM— **108**, 12:30 PM— **87**

**TOTAL: 373**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- A. June 15th & 16th - FATHER'S DAY SALE at the Narthex by the Fundraising Committee
- B. June 23, 2024 - The LUCKY DIP Raffle Draw will be after the 12:30 Mass.

**Annual Catholic Appeal 2024**

Thanks to all the generous individuals who made a pledge to the 2024 Annual Catholic Appeal during our In-Pew weekend at St. Jude R.C. Church. If you were not able to make a pledge, we are asking each family to consider making a tax-deductible gift today.

**It is important that our parish make its goal of \$42,893** in order to fulfill our mission and provide for all who depend on your generosity and goodwill. Give your support today on behalf of St. Jude R.C. Church online at [annualcatholicappeal.org](http://annualcatholicappeal.org) or text **ACA** to **917-336-1255** or call **718-965-7373** and have a pledge card mailed to your home.

**Suggested giving amounts:**

- \$100 one-time gift
- \$200 pledge = \$25 a month
- \$350 pledge = \$10 a week
- \$1200 pledge = \$1200 pledge or \$5 a day

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**As of 06/03/2024**

Donors so far:	68
Our % of Participation Pledged	13.57%
The Diocese has received:	\$22,210.00
	\$15,639.00

**Please, help us achieve our goal  
Thank you for your generosity.**

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**IN OUR THOUGHTS & PRAYERS FOR THE SICK**

Patricia Starks	Francisco Luna	Henry Bolus
Elaine Waldron	Claudette Dare	Ghislaine Maximilien
Pamela Audino	Abigail Simon	Peter Grillo
Eleanor Ricci	Gloria Roberts	Suzette Holdes
David Barker	Albert Kadosh	Darren Borice
Diana Pearce	Greta Towers	Christina T.
Phyllis Shipley	Michael (HES)	

**Visit our Website: [Shrinechurchofsaintjude.org](http://Shrinechurchofsaintjude.org) to access online Registration, Donations, Mass Intentions, Prayer Requests, Mass Cards, Schedule of Baptism, Funerals, Marriage and many more.**

**Youth & Young Adult Ministry Corner**

**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!



For any questions, reach out to [Youthministrysaintjude@gmail.com](mailto:Youthministrysaintjude@gmail.com)

**Daily Activities/Recurring Program**

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