



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

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Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out two by two and gave them authority over unclean spirits. The Twelve drove out many demons, and they anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them. - Mk 6:7, 13 Website: Shrinechurchofsaintjude.org Email: Shrinechurchofsaintjude@gmail.com Phone: 718-763-6300 Fax: 718-531-9655

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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

HOLY DAYS 8:10 am and 7:00 pm

## <u>OFFICE HOURS</u> Monday - Friday

9:00 am to 12:00 Noon 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm **Saturday** 9:00 am to 2:00 pm <u>ACADEMY</u> 1696 Canarsie Rd Brooklyn NY

Nursery - PreK Kindergarten to Grade 8 **Phone: 718-241-6633** 

<u>CONFESSIONS</u>: Saturdays 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm <u>BAPTISM</u>: Third Sunday of the Month at 12:00 pm <u>MARRIAGE</u>: On arrangement, six months in advance <u>COMMUNION CALLS</u>: 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.

# ST. JUDE SHRINE RC CHURCH



Sunday, July 14th— Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time				
8:30	In thanksgiving & blessings for the 55th year Wedding			
	Anniversary of Caridad & Julio Mercado - Family			
	Birthday blessings for Stephen Jean - Yolette Paul			
	In loving memory of the souls of the departed relatives			
	of the Sugaste Family - Tess & Rudy Sugaste			
10:30	The people of the parish			
12:30	In loving memory of Avila Monuma Bleck			
	- Jean Claude Bleck & Boston Bleck			
Monday, July 15th				
8:10	Birthday blessings for Carmelle Telemarque			
	and Christyne Jasmin - Carmelle Telemarque			
Tuesday, July 16th (Our Lady of Mount Carmel)				
8:10	God's blessings for Carol Jean-Gilles & Rose Dolne			
	- Irene			
Wednesday, July 17th				
8:10	Birthday blessings for Gloria Baniago			
	- Gloria Baniago			
	In loving memory of Madeleine Garcon			
	- Alex Pyronneau			
Thursday, July 18th				
8:10	God's blessings for Marco Albian - Mrs. Peter V. Siggia			
<u>Friday</u>	<i>ı, July</i> 19th			
8:10	For the people of the parish			
Saturday, July 20th				
8:10	For the people of the Parish			
5:30	In loving memory of Noel Pradieu - Rose Pradieu			

### HONORS AND MEMORIALS

<u>Altar Bread & Altar Wine:</u> In loving memory of Madeleine Garcon

<u>Sanctuary Candles:</u> Blessings for Emmanuelle Edouard & Family

> Tabernacle Candles: For Leanne DesVignes

Adoration Chapel Candles: In gratitude to Joyce Daniel & Dorothy Ahoklui

> <u>Church Bell:</u> For Aneima Appolon

### MASS ATTENDANCE: July 13th & 14th, 2024

5:30 PM 44, 8:30 AM 110, 10:30 AM 116, 12:30 PM 113

# Poverty & Injustice in a Nation of Abundance & Freedom

Amos 7:12-15, Psalm 85:10-11, Ephesians 1:3-14, Mark 6:7-13 "Kindness and truth shall meet; justice and peace shall kiss. Truth shall spring from the earth, and justice shall look down from heaven."

In the Iliad, Homer the great poet tells the story of Cassandra, who could foretell future events but was cursed by Apollo so that no one would believe her. Her warnings of impending disaster were ignored, much like the prophet Amos in today's first reading. Amos faced rejection from the people of the Northern Kingdom of Israel, who preferred the flattering words of the court prophets over his truthful but challenging messages.

The promise of popularity or wealth did not sway Amos. He spoke out against the injustices, exploitation, and neglect of the poor, and the misuse of religion for political gain. Despite Amos' warnings, the people of Israel ignored him and preferred the comforting words of the court prophets who sought to please the king. They use religion to rationalize their evil and unjust system, with no true love for God or their neighbors. This led to their downfall at the hands of the Assyrians. Be that as it may, in Jesus' time, it was not wealth but narrow-minded nationalism, that led to the downfall of Jerusalem and the Temple.

Today, similar issues persist. We have a country blessed by God with an abundance of resources, but we created an unbalanced system that is designed to make the poor, poorer and the rich, richer. The justice system is designed to benefit the privileged. Religious piety like in Amos' time is displayed outwardly, but the hearts of men lack love for God and neighbor, and those who speak out against the system, like Amos, often face condemnation.

Jesus in the Gospel reading warned His disciples that they will face opposition. He advised them not to be attached to anything that would hinder their sincere proclamation of the Gospel. Hardly does one eat and remain the same. We are called to speak out against social injustice, exploitation, and the abuse of the justice system. Let's light up America with love, advocating for the protection of life at all stages, and promoting fairness, kindness, equity, and justice for all.

Paul reminds us that God chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to fulfill His plan. We pray for the light of God's truth to guide us, especially those who are swayed due to attachments to material things or affiliation to a socio-political group that champions the dehumanization/exploitation of the weak and the less privileged in our society. May we all return to the path of kindness, equity, justice, and truth.

### Fr. Ikenna

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>July 28, 2024</u> - In case you miss them last April 2023, the Sisters of Mary Immaculate are coming back for the sale of the products from Kenya, Africa. Please support their mission.

### The 50/50 Club Raffle \$5 per envelope

Envelopes for this raffle are available at GiGi's table on Sundays or at the Church Office from Monday to Saturday. Don't forget to drop your entry envelope in the 50/50 silver box at the Narthex.

The Inaugural Drawing is on the last Sunday of August 2024

## 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* 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 07/08/2024

Donors so far:	114
Our % of Participation	22.75%
Pledged	\$31,615.00
The Diocese has received:	\$21,454.12

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

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Patricia Starks	Francisco Luna		
Elaine Waldron	Claudette Dare		
Pamela Audino	Abigail Simon		
Eleanor Ricci	Gloria Roberts		
David Barker	Albert Kadosh		
Diana Pearce	Greta Towers		
Phyllis Shipley	Michael (HES)		
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Henry Bolus

Visit our Website: 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 Youthministrysaint jude@gmail.com

# **Daily Activities/Recurring Program**

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