

The Nativity of the Lord - December 25, 2022



SAINT JUDE CATHOLIC CHURCH

*Welcome to St. Jude
Parish!
The Nativity of the Lord
Christmas Day*



Pastor:

Rev. Jason Thuerauf

Deacons:

Deacon Mike Bunch

Deacon Joe Hensley

Deacon John Volk

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The Church is Open Weekdays

8:30 am-4:00 pm

Community Center & Office is Open

Monday-Friday 8:30 am-4:00 pm

Mass & Reconciliation Schedule

Daily Mass Monday-Friday 8:00 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:30-4:30 pm

Saturday Mass (anticipatory) 5:00 pm

Sunday Mass 7:00, 9:00, 11:00 am

National Holiday Mass Time: M-F 9:00 am

Staff

Business Manager: Nikkole Cubbage

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Mission Statement

The Catholic Community of St. Jude is formed in faith in Jesus Christ. We seek to grow in our faith through the proclamation of God's Word and the celebration of the Sacraments. We are dedicated to love and care for all God's people in their physical and spiritual needs. The stewardship of our time, talent, and treasure is conducted in a way that shows our gratitude to God for His blessings.



Holy Mary, Mother of God
New Year's Mass Times
 (Same as Sunday Masses)
 New Year's Eve: 5:00 pm
 New Year's Day: 7:00 am,
 9:00 am, 11:00 am

Parish Office & Church Hours for Christmas & New Year's

The Parish offices will be closed beginning Monday, December 26th through January 2nd. We will reopen for regular business hours on January 3rd.

The church will be open for daily Mass only, from December 26th through December 30th and January 2nd. The rest of the day, the church will be closed. There will not be Adoration on Monday, December 26th or January 2nd.

Stewardship

As a Stewardship Parish, we budget 10% tithe of our offertory gifts toward charitable & worthy causes.

Weekly Offertory Contributions

December 17/18 Collection \$13,173.27

THANK YOU for all your generous contributions!

Electronic Offertory Giving We invite you to join many others at St Jude in setting up recurring eGiving through *Faith Direct*. Thanks to eGiving, your weekly or monthly offertory will be automatically taken care of. Getting started is easy & secured! Visit faith.direct/CO846 or text 'Enroll' to 720-713-3363.

Or to give a one-time donation for our weekly offertory text "\$ with the dollar amount" to 720-713-3363.

Baptisms

Welcome to the Church!

Nolan Jaime

December 18, 2022 by Fr. Thuerlauf



**Check out
our Website &
Podcast at**

saintjudelakewood.org



A Message from Our Pastor

Merry Christmas!

*"I proclaim to you good news
of great joy"*

We have been waiting for the past four weeks for this moment: the moment that our God comes down to Earth and is humbly born as a little child in swaddling clothes in a manger because there is no room in the inn.

"He was wrapped in swaddling clothes to free you from the bonds of death" (St. Ambrose). His birth is not just a great excuse to come together at the end of the year with family members and unwrap gifts. His birth frees us from the bonds of death.

Many of you have had children at some point in your life. In those early months of your baby's life, you would swaddle them to keep them from flinging their arms everywhere and getting them into trouble. Our Lord was swaddled in this same way; He was bound so that we might be unbound from the bonds of sin and death. How beautiful is that, even as our Lord is only a baby, He is reversing the consequences of original sin.

"He had no place in the inn so that you might have many mansions in heaven" (St. Ambrose). We spent weeks preparing our houses for Christmas with lights, trees, and many other decorations. Maybe we decorate to help us feel festive, or maybe it is a sense of trying to prepare a place for our Lord in our homes when He did not have one on the night He was born. No matter the reason, we should allow those decorations to help us reflect on the place that our Lord has prepared for us—not on this Earth, but with Him in heaven.

Christmas is a great and joyful season not because of all the external things that we can enjoy, but because our Lord willingly and humbly came down to us to be one with us. Even now, He calls us to respond to Him and become one with Him. In this joyful season, I wish all of you and your families a Merry Christmas, and I hope that the time you spend with family is a time that leads you closer to our Lord and His call to become one with Him. I pray that you all have a blessed and Merry Christmas!

Fr. Thuerlauf

EVENTS/REMINDERS



Singing Men of St. Jude

There will be a Men's Chorus rehearsal on Wednesday, December 28th at 7:00 pm in the St. Cecelia Room. Please contact Brenda if you would like to join this group.
bmaxwell@saintjudelakewood.org

Important: Please be aware that the IRS requires all charitable donations for the year 2022 be made no later than Dec 31, 2022.



All donations for the year 2022 must be in the office or postmarked by Dec 31, 2022. (Our office will be closed Dec 25 -31, 2022.)

Handbell Ringers Workshop

Saturday, January 21st, 10am to noon in the church

All are welcome to attend this fun hands-on workshop to learn more about playing handbells or to refresh your memory if you have played before. We will be starting a handbell choir after this workshop and will play on Easter morning at the 9:00 a.m. Mass. Whether or not you think you want to join the choir, you are welcome to attend the workshop. Space is limited so please RSVP to Brenda at bmaxwell@saintjudelakewood.org or 303-988-6435.



The 2023 Mass Book for Intentions is open



If you would like to schedule Mass intentions, please come to the office. The suggested stipend to request a Mass intention is \$10.

Eucharistic Adoration | Divine Mercy Chaplet

Mondays 4:00-7:00 pm & First Fridays 8:30 am-4 pm in the Church.

On First Friday we will also have the Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 3:00 pm. Spend time adoring the true presence of Christ in the Eucharist. **Sorry, no Adoration on Monday, December 26th and no Divine Mercy on December 30th.** The next First Friday Adoration is January 6th at 8:30 am.



HIGHLIGHTED MINISTRIES



Prime Timers is a social group of fun-loving people age 50-105. Our purpose is: **To PRAY, To SERVE, & To ENJOY.** We meet on each 1st & 3rd Friday of the month between Sept and May. Questions? Please call Marg Utz at 303-988-7868. **The next meeting will be January 6th at 8:45 am following the 8am Mass.**

St. Francis Circle will take a break for December and wish you all a very blessed Advent and Christmas. Our new year of sewing begins on Saturday, **January 14th** from 9am-3pm in the CCLL. Make a New Year's resolution to join us as we stitch baby quilts for those in need. Potluck lunch will be served around noon. New members are always welcome. Questions, call Gloria at 303-986-4311 or Doris at 303-763-7699.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Rosary Makers



Our next meeting is **Monday, January 9th** from 9 -10:00 am in the Community Center LL. We meet the 2nd Mon. of every month. You can also pick up supplies and make rosaries at home! Call Maria 303-986-2017

Respect Life Rosary to end abortion, meets the second Saturday, 7:30 am, in the Church. **The next rosary is January 14th.** Questions, contact Jerry Hageman at 303-936-0993.



ANNOUNCEMENTS



The Stephen Ministry program provides confidential one-on-one Catholic Christian care to individuals in the congregation who are experiencing difficulties in their lives

such as: grief, death of a loved one, illness, divorce, financial difficulties and more. Stephen Ministers are currently available for assignment. For more information, call Gene Corley at 303-697-7058.



Retirement Fund for Religious

Special Collections -St. Jude will continue our title as a Stewardship Parish and recognize: **Retirement Fund for Religious** on January 1. This benefits more than 30,000 senior Catholic sisters, brothers, & religious order priests. Most ministered in Catholic schools, hospitals, parishes, and social services, usually for little or no pay. Today, hundreds of religious communities lack enough savings for retirement and eldercare. Our gift will offer vital support for necessities, such as medications and nursing care. A portion of our offertory will benefit this drive.

CHRISTIAN SERVICE COMMITTEE

The Christian Service Committee has been hard at work preparing food baskets and gifts bags for children and their families in need. They would like to thank you for your help in giving 118 families a wonderful Christmas! Your generosity was greatly appreciated - they couldn't have done this without YOU!



Stay Connected

Family Status

Do you have a change in your family status, or have you moved, have a new phone number or a new email address? If you have any updates, please notify us at: mail@saintjudelakewood.org

(911) **Outreach Assistance** for those facing temporary financial setbacks within our area: financial assistance is often available for rent assistance, utilities, food, etc. Please arrange for an appointment by calling 303-882-2253.

Bulletin & Pulpit Announcements

Bulletin Announcements are due Monday one week prior to Sunday publication. Announcements are to be short due to limited space and are to be run one or two weeks prior to the event. Announcements for the bulletin are to be sent to bulletin@saintjudelakewood.org

Pulpit Announcements are to be short, up to 110 characters (two sentences). Please submit one week prior to Mass to Rhonda at rmcintyre@saintjudelakewood.org

Flocknote Announcements may be sent to Tyler Eberle at teberle@saintjudelakewood.org

Sacraments

Baptisms: A pre-baptismal session is required for parents and godparents. Please call the office at 303-988-6435 before or after the child's birth, before you choose godparents, to register. The **next class is January 28th from 9am-12pm** in the Community Center lower level.

Marriage: Those who wish to be married at St. Jude Church must be registered in the parish for at least one year. Sons and daughters of registered parishioners may also be married here. A 12-month preparation period is required. Please call the office at 303-988-6435 and talk to Deacon Mike.

Anointing of the Sick: In the case of serious illness in the family, please call the office immediately at 303-988-6435. Do not wait until death is imminent. During hours when the office is closed, you will be directed to the emergency line.

Funeral Arrangements: Call the office 303-988-6435.

Organizations Involved with St. Jude

Catholic Daughters of the Americas #2035 Court Madonna of the

Mountains meets the first Saturday of every month in the Lower Level Community Center from 10:00 am to 11:30 am. We are an organization that helps parishes and communities through the Religious and Charitable Apostolates of the Church. Join us this year to serve those in need. For more information call Juanita Halverson 303-986-2452. The next regular meeting is **January 7th**.



Sack Lunch Sunday

Please support Volunteers of America to help feed the poor. Bring your lunches with 2 sandwiches per sack along with other typical lunch items: water or juice; fruit, vegetables and cookies or chips on **February 12th** prior to the 11:00 am Mass.



Knights of Columbus Saint Jude Council #16052



The council meets on the 1st Tuesday for an Officer's Business meeting and the Membership Meeting is the 2nd Tuesday in the church basement with a rosary at 7:00 pm. For questions, contact John F. Oldani, Jr. at 303-564-7806

Serra Club of Southwest Denver promotes and affirms vocations to the ministerial priesthood and consecrated life in the church. We meet twice a month at Holy Name Parish on the 1st and 3rd Friday mornings. For more information about our Club, you may contact Maureen McGee-O'Shea 303-988-6983 or Dixie Schulte 303-356-9592.



Welcome New Parishioners!

If you are new to our parish and have not registered, please pick up a registration form at our welcome desk in the gathering space. The committee will also give you a welcome bag!

You can also go to the office during business hours or go online to saintjudelakewood.org and register!

Scripture Readings

Monday: Acts 6: 8-10; 7: 54-59/ Ps 31: 3-4. 6 -8, 16-17/ Mt 10: 17-22
Tuesday: 1 Jn 1: 1-4/ Ps 97: 1-2. 5-6. 11-12/ Jn 20: 1a and 2-8
Wednesday: 1 Jn 1: 5 2: 2/ Ps 124: 2-3. 4-5. 7b-8/ Mt 2: 13-18
Thursday: 1 Jn 2: 3-11/ Ps 96: 1-2a. 2b-3. 5b-6/ Lk 2: 22-35
Friday: Sir 3: 2-6. 12-14 or Col 3: 12-21/ Ps 128: 1-2. 3. 4-5/ Mt 2: 13-15. 19-23
Saturday: 1 Jn 2: 18-21/ Ps 96: 1-2. 11-12. 13/ Jn 1: 1-18
Sunday: Nm 6:22-27/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21

Pray for the sick parishioners of our parish

(Names will remain for one month)

Katie Liedtke, Stephanie Colborg, Dana Mullins, Bridget Fitzpatrick, Stephen Roberge, Fred Clarke, Tom Zupancich, Johnny Griffey, Mary Aymani, Suellen Reeves, Lucille Beaudrie, Eugene Beaudrie, Donna Gallenback, Emillo Alderate, Gary Landry, Paula Landry, Douglas Sawyer, Rich Evans, Rita Jo Van Driel, Joanie Losacco, Pedro Arreola-Rodriguez, Angie Bordonda, Elsie Lunsford, Paul Hoefer, Karen Szuela, Jim Gillcrist, George Stock, Warren Zimmerman

Pray for the deceased parishioners of our parish

+ Mary Haddon

Please contact the office if a parishioner needs to be added to our Prayer List for sick or deceased.

This Week at Saint Jude

Monday 26	Tuesday 27	Wednesday 28	Thursday 29	Friday 30	Saturday 31	Sunday 1
Parish Offices are closed	Parish Offices are closed	Parish Offices are closed	Parish Offices are closed	Parish Offices are closed		Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God
8 am Mass - Anedo	8 am Mass - Schaffer	8 am Mass - Thuerauf	8 am Mass - Thuerauf	8 am Mass - Thuerauf	3:30-4:30 pm Confessions	7 am Mass - Thuerauf
8:30 am Rosary	8:30 am Rosary	8:30 am Rosary	8:30 am Rosary	8:30 am Rosary	5 pm Mass - Thuerauf	9 am Mass - Thuerauf
No Adoration	No Special Ed Class	No Middle School Youth				11 am Mass - Reycraft
No Catholic Biblical School		No RE Classes				
		7:00 pm Men's Chorus Rehearsal				

Mass Intentions

+ Tom Haney	+ James Lucero	+ Elizabeth Brod	+ Leo Schneider	+ Richard & + Marguerite Malone	+ Dora Ortega	For the Parishioners of St. Jude + Luke Hodak + Vicki Kearney
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Healing from Divorce Program for Catholic Families

Please join us for this Healing from Divorce Program for Catholic families. Topics include grief, forgiveness, communication with children, annulments, and more.

This workshop is being held at two locations:

St Mary Parish in Littleton starting January 9th from
7-8pm for 10 weeks.

St Thomas More, Centennial - Starting Jan 9th from
6:30-8:30pm for 12 weeks

Register with Deacon Mike Seback at
mseback@stmarylitleton.org

Help Our Parish Receive Multiple \$1,000 Grants

The Catholic Foundation launched a limited time challenge that provides \$1,000 unrestricted grants to our parish. You can participate by leaving any charitable planned gift in your will through The Catholic Foundation, and a \$1,000 grant to our parish is issued to use now. The Catholic Foundation is here to help you achieve your charitable goals while helping our parish with long-term success.

Call Deacon Steve Stemper, Lisa Kukura or Joshua Gideon at 303-468-9885 for more information.

Do you like Pizza?



Our Youth groups are selling a 50% off coupon for 1 large pizza at Old Chicago Restaurants for **\$15 each**. This deal is for Monday – Thursday (dine in only) and these cards do not expire. To purchase Pizza Palz, please stop by the office. The money goes towards expenses for youth retreats and missions for the teens and chaperones who attend these events.

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