

**Second Sunday in Advent**

**December 8, 2024**



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**Mass & Reconciliation Schedule**

Daily Mass Monday-Friday 8:00 am

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:**

Saturday: 3:30-4:30 pm

**Saturday Vigil Mass:** 5:00 pm

**Sunday Masses:** 7:00, 9:00, 11:00 am



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## *Second Sunday of Advent*

*A voice of one crying out in the desert:  
“Prepare the way of the Lord, make  
straight his paths. Every valley shall be  
filled and every mountain and hill  
shall be made low. The winding roads  
shall be made straight, and the rough  
ways made smooth, and all flesh shall  
see the salvation of God.”*

*Isaiah 40:3-5*

### **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.



**The Feast of the Immaculate Conception** will be celebrated this year on Monday, December 9th. It is a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses at St. Jude will be celebrated at **8 am and 6:30 pm on Monday, December 9th.** Please note: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

will end at 6:00 pm in order to prepare for evening Mass.



***St. Jude Adult Faith Refresher Class***

***Basic Apologetics***

***Explaining & Defending the Faith***

***Session I***

***Bringing Friends and Loved Ones (back) into the Church***

***Join Deacon John  
Wednesday, December 11th  
St. Benedict Room***

***6:30pm***

***All are Welcome – Bring a Friend!***

**Penance Services for Advent**

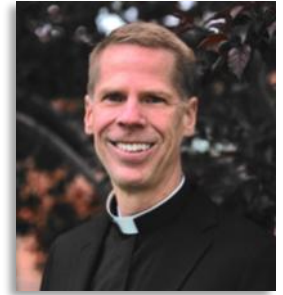
Advent is a time to reflect and repent for our sins. St. Jude will again offer a penance service during Advent, but there are lots of opportunities in surrounding parishes to find a time to go. Find one that works for you!

**St. Jude - Wed, Dec. 18th @ 7:00pm**  
**9405 W Florida Ave, Lakewood, CO 80232**

**Our Lady of Fatima, Wed, Dec. 11th @ 6:30pm**  
1985 Miller St., Lakewood, CO 80215

**Christ on the Mountain, Sat, Dec. 21st @ 10am**  
13922 W Utah Ave., Lakewood, CO 80228

**P**astor's Blog



**Prepare the Way of the Lord**

In the ancient world, when a king came to visit, a messenger would go before him to announce his coming. This gave everyone a chance to prepare for his arrival. In addition, the road that the king would travel was made ready – rough areas made smooth, potholes filled in, curves straightened.

This second week of Advent we find ourselves in the desert with John the Baptist. His mission was foretold by the Prophet Isaiah: A voice of one crying out in the desert: “Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths. Every valley shall be filled, and every mountain and hill shall be made low. The winding roads shall be made straight, and the rough ways made smooth.

John prepares the way for the King of Kings – both for the citizens of Judea and for us. He calls us to examine our lives and make our hearts ready.

Have you lost your way? John points us to Jesus – the way the truth and the life. Are you stuck in a valley of sin? John takes us to Jesus whose merciful hand lifts us up. Do you struggle with mountains of pride and self-sufficiency? John leads us to Jesus, meek and humble of heart. Is your road winding and rough? John introduces us to the One whose yoke is easy and burden light.

Let us go out to the desert and encounter the prophet who prepares us to meet Our Lord.

- Fr. Thuerlauf

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# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## Stewardship

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

### Weekly Offertory Contributions

Nov. 30/Dec. 1 Collection \$23,116.95

**THANK YOU** for all your generous contributions!

**Electronic Offertory Giving** We invite you in joining 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 & secure! **Use our QR Code or visit**



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**faith.direct/CO846**. You can also 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.

## Fill the Food Barrels!



**We are still collecting food for Christmas baskets.** Bring your non-perishable, non-expired food items to church at any Mass or the parish office during office hours. **Hams are now needed for the Christmas food baskets.** Please bring hams to the office between 9-3pm, Monday-Friday. **Food for the**

**baskets needs to be received by December 12th for Christmas.**

### Vocations Cross Kit

The Serra Club would like to thank **Denis & Kathy Donnelly** for hosting the Vocations Cross kit in their home for the month of November. For December, **Katie & Michael McDaniel** are hosts, praying in a special way for vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and religious life. If you are interested in hosting for January, please call Maureen McGee O'Shea at 303-988-6983.



All families are invited to...

## Christmas Pageant and Party

Sunday, December 15  
12:30pm | Youth Center

Please bring a nut-free treat to share!



### Young Adults!

Looking to connect with other Catholic young adults in the Denver area? Play pickup sports, make friends, get updated on local events, and encounter Our Lord at the heart of it all!

Join our GroupMe to get live updates by visiting [FirefallSports.org](https://www.firefallsports.org)



# EVENTS/REMINDERS



## Knights of Columbus Council 16052

**Family Breakfast  
This Sunday, December 8th after all the Masses!**

Please come and have breakfast with your fellow parishioners after all the Masses.

*The cost is \$8 per person & children under 18 eat free.*

**Proceeds from the breakfast will benefit St. Jude's Christian Service Committee.**



## Divine Mercy Chaplet

Come join us and pray the

**Divine Mercy Chaplet** on Fridays at 3:00 pm in the Church.



## Quarterly Rosary Walk

Catholic Daughters of the Americas, Court Madonna of

the Mountains and the Knights of Columbus Council 16052 remind everyone of our quarterly rosary walk on Saturday, **December 14th at 10 am** in the Rosary Park. All are welcome. If weather is inclement, the rosary will be inside the church.



## Adopt-a-Family

## The Christian Service Committee Ministry

St. Jude Parish came through again! Now that all the names are gone, you are asked to drop off your gifts to the parish office **no later than December**

**11th.** We still need volunteers to help assemble and hand out gifts & food baskets in the Community Center LL.

The days and times are as follows:

**12/13 Friday 1:30pm - 4pm:** Set up tables and food.

**12/14 Saturday 9am - 11am:** Assemble and fill food boxes.

**12/14 Saturday 12pm - 3pm:** Food Box distribution to families.

# HIGHLIGHTED MINISTRIES



## Militia Immaculata

This group meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of every month from 10:00-11:00 am in the lower level of the Community Center. MI is a worldwide movement founded by St. Maximilian Kolbe in 1917. It encourages consecration to Mary Immaculate for spiritual renewal of individuals and society. **The next meeting is December 9th.**

## Our Lady of Perpetual Help Rosary Makers

We meet the 2<sup>nd</sup> Mon. of every month, September through May. Our next meeting is **December 9th from 9-10 am** in the St. Benedict Room (church basement). Coffee and refreshments are provided. New members are welcome! Rosary making supplies are provided. Call Maria at 303-986-2017 for more information.



## Meals on Wheels

is a Volunteer of America program adopted by St. Jude in 1990's by parishioner, Jean Kyle, who was on the Governor's council for the aging. Meal preparation can be a challenge for some homebound. Jean believed that a hot meal delivered by a friendly face could keep seniors in their own home longer. Our parishioners answered her call and staffed a hot meal route five days a week for more than twenty Years. For more information on delivering meals contact Mary Ellen Peters 720-300-7969.



## Light of God Prayer Community

We meet every Thursday at 10:00 to 11:30 am in the Community Center Fireplace Room, focusing on Jesus Christ through prayer, song, & scripture through the Holy Spirit and His gifts. Come join us. For more information please call Marion @ 303-973-2613.

# OF INTEREST

## HEALING FROM SEPARATION & DIVORCE

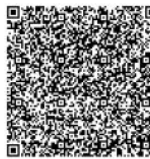
TOPICS INCLUDE GRIEF, FORGIVENESS, COMMUNICATION WITH CHILDREN, ANNULMENTS, & MORE



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REGISTER WITH SANDRA SCHWAB AT (303) 221-9235



**Special Collections** We have been asked by the Archdiocese of Denver to designate a special collection on behalf of Christians in Lebanon. Our donation will go toward the refugees and poor of Lebanon.

St. Jude will continue our tithing as a Stewardship Parish and donate 10% of our weekend offertory toward **Christians in Lebanon** on December 14/15. Scan the QR code for more information.



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# STAY CONNECTED

**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.

## Update Family Parish Data

Do you have a change in your family, 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](mailto:mail@saintjudelakewood.org) or call the parish office at 303-988-6435.

## Bulletin, Pulpit, & Flocknote 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](mailto:bulletin@saintjudelakewood.org)

**Pulpit & Flocknote Announcements** are to be short, up to 110 characters (two sentences). Please submit one week prior to Mass to Sharon [shensley@saintjudelakewood.org](mailto:shensley@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 25th 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 10-month preparation period is required. Please call the office at 303-988-6435 and talk to Sharon Hensley.

**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, call the emergency line at 303-336-0582.)

**Funeral Arrangements:** Call the office 303-988-6435 and ask for Sharon Hensley.



# ORGANIZATIONS WITHIN 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. It's an organization that helps parishes and communities through the religious and charitable apostolates of the Church. Our next meeting is **January 4th at 9:30 am** in the Community Center lower level. For information contact Heather Russ at 303-746-6624 or [haruss@aol.com](mailto:haruss@aol.com)



## Serra Club of Southwest Denver



The Serra Club 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 or to have the Vocation Cross kit in your home for a month, you may contact Maureen McGee-O'Shea 303-988-6983 or Dixie Schulte 303-356-9592.

## Knights of Columbus Saint Jude Council #16052

The council meets on the 1st Tuesday for an Officer's Business meeting & the Membership Meeting is the 2nd Tuesday in the St. Benedict Room starting with a rosary at 7:00 pm. Questions, call Judd Hopkins at 303-931-2807.



## Volunteers of America Sack Lunch Sunday

Help feed the poor. Bring your lunches with 2 sandwiches per sack along with other typical lunch items—such as water or juice; fruit, vegetables and cookies or chips. **Our next lunch date will be Feb 16th.**



# ST. JUDE PARISH LIFE

## 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](http://saintjudelakewood.org) and register! *Don't forget to sign up on Flocknote!!*



## Scripture Readings December 9th through 15th

**Monday:** Gn 3:9-15, 20/Eph 1:3-6, 11-12/Lk 1:26-38  
**Tuesday:** Is 40:1-11/Mt 18:12-14  
**Wednesday:** Is 40:25-31/Mt 11:28-30  
**Thursday:** Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Lk 1:26-38  
**Friday:** Is 48:17-19/Mt 11:16-19  
**Saturday:** Sir 48:1-4, 9-11/Mt 17:9a, 10-13  
**Sunday:** Zep 3:14-18a/Phil 4:4-7/Lk 3:10-18

## Pray for the sick parishioners of our parish (Names will remain for one month)

Stephen Roberge, Alice Roberge, Sherri Drobnich, Vicki Jacobson, Dennis Kotecki, Jean Kotecki, Art Borden, Cameron Cooper, Michael Klem, Douglas Sawyer, Dana Mullins, Bridget Fitzpatrick, Marsha Casey, Gene Corley, Patricia O'Donnell, Richard Godniz, Gary Landry, Paula Landry, Fr. Freeman, Jerry & Sharon Hageman, Deacon Mike Bunch, Gene & Lucille Beaudrie, Jim Driscoll, Paul Molliconi, Rose Younger, Rick Mosier, Jeanine Dalman Kennedy, Mike Brod

## Pray for the deceased parishioners of our parish + Susan Vineyard

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

## This Week at Saint Jude

JH-Joyful Heart; CH-Cheneniah; MC-Men's Choir  
If no choir is listed, a cantor will lead the congregation.

Monday 9	Tuesday 10	Wednesday 11	Thursday 12	Friday 13	Saturday 14	Sunday 15
<p><b>Holy Day of Obligation</b></p> <p><b>8 am Mass of the Immaculate Conception - Anedo</b></p> <p>8:30 am Rosary</p> <p>9:00 am Rosary Makers</p> <p>10:00 am Militia Immaculata</p> <p>4 to 6 pm Adoration</p> <p><b>6:30 pm Mass of the Immaculate Conception - Thuerauf</b></p>	<p><b>8 am Mass - Schaffer</b></p> <p>8:30 am Rosary</p> <p>6:00 pm Special Education</p> <p>7:00 pm Knights of Columbus membership mtg</p> <p>7:00 pm Small Study Group</p>	<p><b>8 am Mass - Thuerauf</b></p> <p>8:30 am Rosary</p> <p>9:00 am Fellowship of Light</p> <p>6:15 pm RE Classes</p> <p>6:30 pm MS Youth</p> <p>6:30 pm Adult Faith Refresher class</p> <p>7:00 pm Men's Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p><b>8 am Mass—Thuerauf</b></p> <p>8:30 am Rosary</p> <p>10:00 am Light of God Prayer Grp</p> <p>1:00 pm Raphael Book Club</p> <p>5:45 pm RCIC</p> <p>7:00 pm RCIA</p> <p>7:00 pm Joyful Heart Choir Reh.</p>	<p><b>8 am Mass - Thuerauf</b></p> <p>8:30 am Rosary</p> <p>3:00 pm Divine Mercy</p>	<p>7:30 am Respect Life Rosary</p> <p>10 am Catholic Daughters/ Knights of Columbus Rosary Walk</p> <p>3:30 pm Reconciliation</p> <p><b>5 pm Vigil Mass - Thuerauf</b></p> <p>Bethlehem Olive Wood Sales after Mass</p>	<p>Bethlehem Olive Wood Sales after all Masses</p> <p><b>7 am Mass - Thuerauf</b></p> <p><b>9 am Mass - Thuerauf</b></p> <p><b>11 am Mass with Children's Liturgy - Thuerauf (CH)</b></p> <p>12:30 pm RE Christmas Pageant &amp; Party</p> <p>4 pm Sac Prep 1 Yr program</p>

## Mass Intentions

+ Ray Robbins For the intentions of the James Rupp family	+ Anton and + Maria	+ Robert McGrath	+ Paul Bonnstetter	+ Donald Sandner	+ Bob Stackhouse	+ Charlie Dwyer + Maxine Marchese For St. Jude Parishioners
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 December 2024**  
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 impossible with God."  
 Luke 1:37

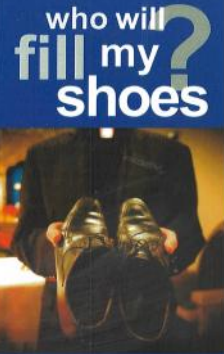
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**Serran Prayer for Vocations**  
 O God, who wills not the death of a sinner, but rather that he be converted and live, grant we beseech You, through the intercession of Blessed Mary ever Virgin, St. Joseph, her spouse, St. Junipero Serra and all the saints, an increase in laborers for your Church, fellow laborers with Christ, to spend and consume themselves for souls through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever. Amen.

Serra Club of Southwest Denver  
 Join us for breakfast on the 1st & 3rd  
 Friday, 7:30 am, St. Agnes Center, Holy  
 Name Parish, 3290 W. Milan Ave,  
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