

## Masses for the Week

<u>Saturday</u>	<u>November 14, 2009</u>
5:00 PM	Ronald Bona †
7:30 PM	Poor Souls in Purgatory
<u>Sunday</u>	<u>November 15, 2009</u>
8:00 AM	Filomenia Careccia †
9:30 AM	Michael Orest Kukura †
11:30 AM	Parishioners of St. Jude
5:00 PM	Barbara Cremona †
<u>Monday</u>	<u>November 16, 2009</u>
9:00 AM	John Diver †
<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>November 17, 2009</u>
9:00 AM	Domenica & Pietro Cucci †
<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>November 18, 2009</u>
9:00 AM	Sigmund Czak †
12:00 PM	Saint Jude Guild: Tanzer Family; Frances Orlando, H. Birthday (living); Giovanni Traina †; John Nuccio †
<u>Thursday</u>	<u>November 19, 2009</u>
9:00 AM	Mary Frances Miesell †
<u>Friday</u>	<u>November 20, 2009</u>
9:00 AM	James E. Geiger †
<u>Saturday</u>	<u>November 21, 2009</u>
8:30 AM	George Immor †
5:00 PM	James P. Culver & Robert Poetzsch †
7:30 PM	Poor Souls in Purgatory
<u>Sunday</u>	<u>November 22, 2009</u>
8:00 AM	Santo Giampaolo †
9:30 AM	William Rutkowski †
11:30 AM	Helen & Ed Fusco †
5:00 PM	Parishioners of St. Jude

† denotes Mass is for deceased

## Let Us Pray

### For the Sick

Benjamin Archer; Mary De Guiseppa; Anthony Ronga, John Walsh, Geraldine Arnold, Benny Varriale, Bryan Gorycki Kristine, Grace and Edward Cuervo, Anthony Russo, Dan Clark, Ann Kazanecki, Vic Mendolia; Ana Maria Ferrer, Anna Daly, Baby Raymond Michael Dhyne, Trinity Kotsonis, Frances, Naglieri, Francis X. Butler, Eve Granati, Mary Polcha, Rosalie Densing, Alberto Montalvo, Dawn Marie Kudreyko, Theresa Salvaggio, Deacon Ken Geoghan, Gil Teofilo, Martin Horstman, Jennie Parullo, John Ruocco, Makayla Margulies, Isabella Grace, Kaylee Corpi Dobbeck, Denise Winecoop, Vincenzo Marcorella, Dominico Marco Ella, Blakely Murphy, Elizabeth Parrinello, Viki Scicutella, Christopher McBride, Christopher Gagnon, Christopher Barnes, Julius DeCarlo, Robert Justus, Christos Raptis; Josephine Delia, Michelle Gonzalez, Josephine Gamberale, Trevor McCade, Raymond Stock; James J. McCarthy, Mary Vitale, Kimberly Turner, Angelo V. Cassarino, Mary Agnes Stock, Jessica, Joan P. Lovell, Ann Petralia, John Ambrosino, Ellen Ryan, Patricia Garrecht, Joseph Anthony Colonna, Evelyn & James McGrath Brittany McKay- Lambert, Melinda Silon, Nicholas Nasta, Joseph Passaro and Judith Palmer.

**For the Deceased: Michelina Amorese; Jacqueline Thornton, Carmela (Mildred) Petrillo and James Becher**

### For the Military:

Timothy Weisner, John Redding, Jr., Eric Reilly, Don Skelton, John Maresca, Vinnie Riveria, Matthew Parenti, David Sumwalt, Derek Trabocchi, Joe Occhineri, James Tagliamonte, Matt Corica, Gerard Posillico, Kenneth Drumm, Jr., Shawn Weismiller and Richard, Daniel Engo, Daniel Edwards, Bryant Walker, Bobby Sosa, Tori Pickney & Michael Hickey.

## Weekly Collections

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Collection for Nov.8, 2009	\$9,620.45
Monthly maintenance	\$3,467.56
	Thank you!

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## Scripture Readings

Monday, November 16

*Weekday*

1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63  
Lk 18:35-43

Tuesday, November 17

*Saint Elizabeth of Hungary, religious*

2 Mc 6:18-31; Lk 19:1-10

Wednesday, November 18

*Weekday*

2 Mc 7:1, 20-31; Lk 19:11-28

Thursday November 19

*Weekday*

1 Mc 2:15-29; Lk 19:41-44

Friday November 20

*Weekday*

1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59; Lk 19:45-48

Saturday November 21

*Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

1 Mc 6:1-13; Lk 20:27-40

Sunday November 22

*Our Lord Jesus Christ the King*

Dn 7:13-14; Rv 1:5-8; Jn 18:33b-37

## Baptisms



We welcome our newly Baptized Children:

Luis Angel Rodriguez  
Diego Alexander Alvarenga  
May God bless them and their families.

## Altar Bread and Wine



The altar bread & wine for the week of November 16th has been donated in memory of

Cecilia & Donato Muti

## Altar Flowers



The altar flowers for the weekend of Nov. 14 & 15<sup>th</sup> has been donated in memory of:

Ronald W. Bona

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There will be ONE collection only next weekend, if you wish you may place your Catholic Campaign for Human Development envelope in the regular collection basket.

## Pastoral Letter

Bishop Murphy has written a pastoral letter entitled I Will Give You Shepherds. The letter is available for all parishioners to read on the Diocesan website [www.drvc.org](http://www.drvc.org) and also in the Long Island Catholic. Please take the time to read Bishop Murphy's column in the LI Catholic this coming week, Three dioceses, three seminaries, one priesthood.



## Faith Formation

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On Wednesday Nov. 18, 7-8:15pm we will host the Large Group Presentation for Conf. prep 2 & RCIC2 Upper Catechists and students in the Parish Center Main Hall. The main topic: Social Justice & Stewardship. Catechists please arrive early for sign in.



## THE ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY



The Annual Outreach Thanksgiving Bake Sale..... is now in progress after this mornings' Masses. Take a short walk across the parking lot and into the lobby of the Parish Center and see all of the wonderful bake goods. Everyone has been very busy making many of your yearly favorites. So come by and help support this worthy fundraiser.



## LIGHTHOUSE CATHOLIC MEDIA

New Titles from Lighthouse Media

Lighthouse Catholic Media Featured CD of the Week: Seven reasons to be Catholic - Dr. Peter Kreeft Drawing from the wisdom of such great spiritual thinkers as St. Thomas Aquinas, C.S. Lewis, and Cardinal Newman, Dr. Peter Kreeft answers the question "What else is there?" with seven indisputable reasons why everyone should be Roman Catholic!

## NATIONAL NIGHT OF PRAYER FOR LIFE

2009- 20<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL

UNITING THE FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION WITH THE FEAST OF SAINT JUAN DIEGO

9PM Tuesday, December 8, to 1a.m., Dec 9<sup>th</sup>. The National Night of prayer for Life bridges these two feasts to honor Our Blessed Mother and to pray for the sanctity of all human life.

St. Jude R. C. Church is considering sponsoring a National Night of Prayer. If you want to join us in prayer for the unborn, please call Bill Doyle 525-3336 or email the Respect Life Committee at [stjuderespectlife@gmail.com](mailto:stjuderespectlife@gmail.com)



## MASS ATTENDANCE

	Saturday		Sunday			Total	
	5p.m.	7:30pm	8:AM	9:30	11:30		
Oct 11	295	170	187	339	460	207	1678
Oct 18	297	145	159	250	440	208	1499
Oct 25	334	175	201	435	570	256	1971
Nov 1	205	105	239	538	610	431	2128
Nov 8	369	170	215	524	545	427	2250

## Thanksgiving Meals



## OUTREACH

Thanksgiving is on Thurs., Nov 26th and Parish Outreach will need your help to fill Thanksgiving baskets for the needy.

We will need: turkeys, cranberry sauce, stuffing, canned vegetables, canned sweet potatoes, gravy mixes, instant mashed potatoes, canned fruit, canned pumpkin pie filling, jell-o, pudding and other desserts as well as tomato or other canned juices. We will gladly accept cash donations and supermarket certificates. PLEASE BRING ALL DONATIONS TO THE PARISH OUTREACH OFFICE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AND NO LATER THAN TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 17th to allow us preparation for distribution.

If you prefer to "Adopt A Family", please call Parish Outreach at 281-5634.

God bless you all for your help and concern for the needs of the poor and thank you from all at Outreach for your generosity and kindness.

## MEN'S DAY OF REFLECTION



Join the Suffolk County chapter of the Knights of Columbus on Saturday, Nov. 21, 2009, 10am to 2:30pm for an inspirational day of reflection at the Shrine of Our Lady of the Island. You need not be a member, the cost is \$15. Contact Ray Burhan at 631-846-4068 to register.

## INTERFAITH THANKSGIVING SERVICE

*Our Annual Thanksgiving Interfaith Service will be hosted by the Mastic Beach Hebrew Center on Sunday, November 22nd at 3:00p.m.Refreshments will follow. All are invited to attend.*

The Columbiettes

of the James V Kavanaugh Council # 5293  
THE CLAIRE ROSE PLAYHOUSE



St Joseph's College-Patchogue, New York  
Featuring

The Last Night of Ballyhoo

Date: Thursday, November 19, 2009

Doors open @ 7:30pm ~ Show Starts @ 8:00pm

\$15 per person ~ Coffee/ Tea/ Cake include

For tickets please contact

Pat 631-772-8081; Mary Jean 395-3767



**St. Jude's Christmas Fair  
 December 5, 2009  
 Saturday 9 AM until 3PM  
 in the Parish Center  
 Visit Santa  
 Shop the Vendors  
 Raffle Chances, Great  
 Food  
 Something for Everyone!  
 For info call the rectory  
 at 281-5743**



*St. Jude's  
 Krist Kindle*

The word *Kristkindl* means "Christ Child" in German. This custom began as a way to prepare for the coming of Jesus by seeing him in others. A group of people (family, neighbors, etc.) would put their names in a hat and everyone would pick a name. Several times during the Advent season, each person would do something special for their *Kristkindl* without the other person finding out who did it for them. The "something special" could be an act of kindness, a small gift, a service, or a prayer offered. On Christmas day everyone would reveal him or her identity to their *Kristkindl*.

Advent will soon begin (November 29, 2009) and during this special time of preparation you can be part of St. Jude's Krist Kindle Program! Just fill out the form below and place it in the brightly wrapped box in the lobby of the church or drop it off at the rectory or just log on to our web site at [www.stjudemb.org](http://www.stjudemb.org) and follow the link to Krist Kindle.

During the week of November 23rd you will receive, by mail the name of your assigned family. You can pray for them and surprise them with cards, phone calls or little token gift each week throughout Advent. Another family will have your name and will be surprising you too.

On Sunday, January 16th at 2:00 p.m. all the participants in the program will meet for refreshments and will have the opportunity to meet their Krist Kindle family. We graciously welcome "The St. Jude Children's Choir" for some beautiful Christmas carols. This program is so much fun for the whole family.

Remember all names must be submitted by 6:30 PM on Sunday, November 22nd! Any questions please call Dinah Castro at 399-0604 or email to [KristKindle@StJudeMB.org](mailto:KristKindle@StJudeMB.org)

Anyone wishing to donate items for the raffle can drop them off at the rectory. Fresh baked goodies are needed for the bake sale if you would like to make cookies, brownies; cupcakes, etc. please call the rectory.



**\*\*\*\*\* Health Care Reform \*\*\*\*\***

Congress is preparing to debate health care reform legislation. The Catholic bishops of the U.S. strongly support health care reform that protects the life and dignity of all, from the moment of conception until natural death. Please contact your Representative and Senators immediately and urge them to fix these bills with pro-life amendments. Send a pre-written, instant email to congress at [www.usccb.org/action](http://www.usccb.org/action) or call the U.S. Capital switchboard at 202-224-3121. Thank you.

Family Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Nearest cross street: \_\_\_\_\_

Head (s) of household: \_\_\_\_\_

Children:  
 Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

## From the Pastor

November 15, 2009

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

### A Few Questions Regarding Communion & Confession

In the last few weeks, I have been approached a number of times with questions regarding the reception of Holy Communion, marital status, and the Sacrament of Reconciliation/Confession - among many other topics. Experience teaches that if a few people make inquiries about a particular issue, many more are thinking it. So this is a good opportunity to be refreshed or learn some basic Church teaching about Catholic sacramental practice.

In order to receive our Blessed Lord present in the Most Holy Eucharist, one must be a Catholic who has already received first Communion, has the proper dispositions to receive, and is in a state of grace. The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* (CCC) states:

*To respond to this invitation we must prepare ourselves for so great and holy a moment. St. Paul urges us to examine our conscience: "Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of profaning the body and blood of the Lord. Let a man examine himself, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgment upon himself." (1 Cor 11:27-29) Anyone conscious of grave sin must receive the sacrament of Reconciliation before coming to communion. (#1385)*

*Also, To prepare for worth reception of this sacrament, the faithful should observe the fast required in their Church. Bodily demeanor (gestures, clothing) ought to convey respect, solemnity, and joy of this moment when Christ becomes our guest. (#1387)*

The *Catechism* is very clear that if we have committed a grave sin, it **must** be confessed. Some people are unsure as to what constitutes "grave sin" today. In conjunction with this subject, I am also frequently asked, "But hasn't the Church changed her teaching about what is a sin?" My usual answer (the short version) is, "No," and that is because for most every "big" moral issue, she just hasn't. Of course, then comes the longer explanation of what the Church does teach and why. Although we should be acquainted with and seek to live by all ten commandments and the Church's expansion upon them, an overwhelming number of questions arise concerning commandments #3 and # 6. In the spirit of brevity, I will explain a couple of the most frequently asked, without lengthy explanation. As usual, I'll leave you to do some research, too: it will allow you to learn even more.

As to commandment #3: We are obligated to participate in Holy Mass on Sundays and holy days of obligation. If we have missed Mass (excepting illness or a serious emergency, etc.) it must be confessed

before we approach the altar to receive the Eucharist. The “rules” are still the same as they were “in the Old Days.” The Eucharistic fast, though, is now only one hour.

As to commandment #6: If one engages in sexual relations of *any kind* with someone to whom they are not married, it is a mortal sin and must be confessed before receiving the Lord. This applies equally to young as well as “mature” persons. If one is engaged, one is not yet married (sorry, “close” to being married still doesn’t count) and therefore, has no right to have marital relations with their fiancé, nor anyone else. Also, if one has procured an abortion or assisted someone in doing so, (commandment #5) it must be confessed before receiving. By no means are these the only sins we can commit, but as written above, they seem to be the most pressingly asked.

I refer you to the pamphlet, *A Primer for Confession with an examination of conscience*, available at the pamphlet rack in the vestibule. If we run out, I will certainly reorder! It also has an act of contrition on the back, which is a great help. There are also other confession guides. Please make use of whatever works best for you.

Incidentally, we also order 100 copies of the monthly flyer, *At Home With Our Faith*. It is usually tri-folded and sideways, so it doesn’t jump out of the rack at you. It offers different spiritual and practical reflections, and thoughts for every month. I hope to be ordering more titles and publications on various catechetical, sacramental, and moral topics that can teach and clarify what we believe – the beautiful truth of our Catholic faith.

Confessions are heard at St. Jude in the church on Wednesdays from 2:00 to 2:45, and on Saturdays from 4:00 to 4:45 - before the 5:00 pm Mass. During the Saturdays of Advent and Lent, we also hear confessions at 12 noon; in addition to other planned sessions close to Christmas and Easter. One can confess anonymously behind the screen or face-to-face. There is a choice.

If it has been a long time since you made a confession (even a really, really long time) and/or you are afraid, I assure you – **you will be welcomed!** The priest will help you to make a good and thorough confession if you need assistance. The only time priests get upset in confession – is not about sins – but when people go on and on about *someone else’s* sins or they blather on about something that has nothing to do with confession their and are holding-up the rest of the poor sinners (like me, too) who are waiting in line to have sins forgiven. That what gets a confessor miffed!

And if you don’t want to go to me or Fr. Todd, go to St. John’s in Center Moriches or any other Catholic church where you are comfortable. Just do it, and you’ll be so happy. You’ll just be sorry that you didn’t go sooner. Jesus is waiting to forgive each one of us and give us Himself in Holy Communion. Take a copy of the *Primer*, examine your conscience and pray over it, and then receive God’s merciful love!

In Christ,  
Fr. Greg