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# Roman Catholic Church of **ST. JUDE**

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APRIL 19  
2020



SECOND  
SUNDAY OF  
**Easter**

Jesus came and stood in their midst  
and said to them, "Peace be with you."

JOHN 20:19

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## **Rev. John Ryan, Pastor**

Msgr. John Heinlein, in residence  
Deacon John Gagliardi  
Deacon Joseph Simeone  
**Weekend Assistance:**  
Rev. Jaime Calderone  
Rev. Bob Kline  
Msgr. Jeffrey Madley

### **Rectory Hours:**

All Parish Offices are **CLOSED**  
until Wednesday, April 29, 2020

To reach the Business Manager or  
Secretary, please email at:  
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All Sunday Masses are streamed  
through Facebook and You Tube.  
Please join our page at:

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## **The Sacraments**

### ◆ **Anointing of the Sick**

Contact the rectory for an  
appointment.

### ◆ **Penance/Confession**

By appointment only

### ◆ **Marriage**

Contact the rectory at least 1 year  
in advance to make wedding  
arrangements.

### ◆ **Baptism**

Contact the rectory to set-up an  
appointment with a Deacon to  
arrange for the Baptismal  
Preparation. Baptisms are  
celebrated most 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays  
throughout the year.

## **Celebration of the Eucharist**

**During the COVID 19  
Pandemic, our Masses will be  
streamed through Facebook &  
You Tube**

**Divine Mercy Sunday**  
Divine Mercy with Adoration  
of the Blessed Sacrament will  
be streamed immediately  
following the 10:00am Mass  
this Sunday, April 19<sup>th</sup>

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### **You Tube:**

[Stjudercmasticbeachny](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCstjudercmasticbeachny)

## SCRIPTURE READINGS

**Monday:** Acts 4:23-31; Ps 2:1-9; Jn 3:1-8  
**Tuesday:** Acts 4:32-37; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Jn 3:7b-15  
**Wednesday:** Acts 5:17-26; Ps 34:2-9; Jn 3:16-21  
**Thursday:** Acts 5:27-33; Ps 34:2, 9, 17-20;  
 Jn 3:31-36  
**Friday:** Acts 5:34-42; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Jn 6:1-15  
**Saturday:** 1 Pt 5:5b-14; Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17;  
 Mk 16:15-20  
**Sunday:** Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-11;  
 1 Pt 1:17-21; Lk 24:13-35

## TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading:** All who believed were devoted to the teachings of the apostles, the communal life, the breaking of the bread, and prayer (Acts 2:42-47).  
**Psalms:** Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting (Psalm 118).  
**Second Reading:** God has given us an undiminished inheritance, safeguarded for us in heaven (1 Peter 1:3-9).  
**Gospel:** The risen Christ comes to his disciples with peace and the Spirit. The absent Thomas doubts (John 20:19-31).

## EASTER FLOWERS

In Memory of ...

Jo Russo

During this difficult time in our Church we ask you to please continue sending in your contribution envelopes even though you cannot attend Sunday/ weekday Masses or you can now text your contributions. See page 8 for more information. Please mail them to: **89 Overlook Drive, Mastic Beach, NY 11951**. Thank you and may God keep us all safe and healthy as we continue with the COVID pandemic.

## WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

DATE	COLLECTION	AMOUNT
04/05/20	Palm Sunday	\$4,501
04/09/20	Holy Thursday (SVdP)	\$437
04/10/20	Good Friday (Holy Land)	\$354
04/12/19	Easter 2020	\$19,116
	Easter 2019	\$26,780

**Thank you for your continuous support!**

## MASSES FOR THE WEEK

**Sunday, April 19, 2020**  
 10:00am Easter Novena, Parishioners of St. Jude Russo Familia t; Herbie DeGiovine t; Intentions of Kacy McLaughlin t; Ronald W. Stripp t  
**Monday, April 20, 2020**  
 Carmella E. Green (Birthday in Heaven) t  
**Tuesday, April 21, 2020**  
 Jean Rubino t  
**Wednesday, April 22, 2020**  
 Marie & Joseph Sanfilippo t; Mrs. Fuentes t; Intentions of the Checki Family; Intentions of the Carbone Family; Mary Chapeski t; Joseph A. Randazzo t  
**Thursday, April 23, 2020**  
 Anthony F. & Joan M. Jeans (Anniversary in Heaven) t  
**Friday, April 24, 2020**  
 Lynne Weis t  
**Saturday, April 25, 2020**  
 Mark Nozzi, Jr. t  
**Sunday, April 26, 2020**  
 10:00am Mary Phelan t; Nino Jesus t; Parishioners of St. Jude; Jennie Paruolo t; Anthony V. Liselli t; Pietro Tortorelli t

t deceased



Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you; as the Father has sent me, I also send you." Jn 20:21

## QUESTION OF THE WEEK

? Can I identify Doubting Thomas, at times unsure of my faith? In what ways has Jesus given me peace to overcome the anxieties in my life?

### Pope Francis' Intention for April 2020

We pray that those suffering from addiction may be helped and accompanied.

## SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

**Sunday:** Second Sunday of Easter (or Sunday of Divine Mercy); Julian Calendar Easter

**Tuesday:** St. Anselm; Yom Hashoah (Holocaust Remembrance Day)

**Wednesday:** Administrative Professionals Day; Earth Day

**Thursday:** St. George; St. Adalbert

**Friday:** St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen; National Arbor Day

**Saturday:** St. Mark

## PRAYERS for the EASTER SEASON

God of mercy, we trust in your goodness, even when our human hearts are overcome by the shadow of doubt. Give us faith that requires no proof, that withstands any test.

## PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED

Joseph Spinks

## PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Benjamin Archer, Faith Barile, Vincent Buck, Virginia Carr, Maryann Dermody, Raymond Dhyne Jr., Sue Draghi, Pat Fusco, Denise Giangrasso, Lucille Giangrasso, Mike Giangrasso, Matt Gioia, Gerri Gioia, Madelyn Giordano, Walter Haass, Catherine Hannon, Marybeth Hoffman, Dolores Isaac, Thomas Kloss, Charles Larkin, Lenny Mecca, Yvette Pauze Clay, Yvonne Pauze, Cherie Quarty, Antonino Realmuto, Salvatore Russo, Valerie Thomas DiGiovanni, & James White

Please contact the Rectory @ 631-281-5743 to add a loved one to the sick list. The list is cleared monthly.

## PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

**ARMY:** John Redding, Jr., Steven Schloesser  
**AIR FORCE:** Alice Butler, Ricardo Flores, Antonino S. Realmuto, Jade Dubiel, Frank Quesada  
**NAVY:** Cody Farrell, Adam Harris, Patrick Gross, Daniel Paiva, Pedro Hernandez, & Cheyenne Hernandez  
**MARINES:** Dominick R. Rodriguez

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## REFLECTIONS

### Living Stewardship

In today's reading, we hear about the disciples living in a communal lifestyle. We can easily imagine the pillar of hospitality standing strong within their midst. This week attend Mass with a smile that shows everyone they are welcomed at church.



### Bulletin Reflection

In this Sunday's Gospel reading, Jesus meets the need of each disciple. To the fearful He speaks word of peace. To doubting Thomas, He provides the tangible proof of His resurrection.

### St. Vincent de Paul

In the Gospel today, Jesus stands in the midst of us and says: "Peace be with you! **As you put your gift into the Outreach Poor Box you say "Peace be with you!" to those who are poor and hungry.**



## A CATECHISM FOR INQUIRERS "REVELATION"



*How is the Bible divided?*

The Bible is divided into 2 parts:

First, "the books of the Old Testament describe the history of salvation, by which the coming of Christ into the world was slowly prepared" (Vatican Council II, Constitution on the Church)

Second, the New Testament contains an account of the work and teachings of Christ and of the early Church.

## EASTER

It is the hour to rend thy chains, the blossom time of souls.

—Katharine Lee Bates

## ALTAR BREAD, WINE & FLOWERS

### Altar Bread and Wine

(Altar Bread/Wine available Dates: April 27, May 4, 25)

### Altar Flowers

(Altar Flowers available dates: May 31, June 14, July 5)

## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

As we continue to weather this coronavirus and its effects upon all of us in one way or another, whether suffering from sickness, employment, quarantine, lockdown, and just the anxiety of waking up to the news of reaching a peak and yet hearing of the horrific number of people who have died. No, these past several weeks have wreaked havoc on living our lives as we once did and placed us in accepting doing things, well, differently. It's not every so often that a pandemic occurs, so we're really all new to this discomfort and taking extra precautions to stave off getting the virus.

As a people of faith and now in the Easter season, I think we are all comforted in some way in living and trusting in God. I hope all of you are enduring this social distancing and seclusion as best you can. Perhaps it has given you more time with family. I'm sure there have been more texts, phone conversations, emails, and socializing with one another that you may have not spoken to in a while. We're social beings, so this pandemic is somewhat disruptive. But we know: we'll get through this, and it will end hopefully sooner than later. I think the next step will be how to we move forward in a world that has changed us in the knowledge of being aware of the spread of all germs.

I am looking forward to the day when we will be together in our Church celebrating the Eucharist. In saying that and knowing that we will be moving forward in a cautionary and germ-free way we have been discussing some measures that should take place. I am open to your thoughts or recommendations on how we can be pro-active these next several months of opening up. We had the floors cleaned, sanitized, and waxed while we are in this present lockdown. The floors look beautiful. We will continue to place more emphasis on sanitizing all areas of the church. One of the things I thought was to rope off every other row of pews so that we can have some distance; perhaps only through the end of summer, when we will know more about the containment of this virus. This way, when we do return, we will all be aware of the need to keep a safe environment. I think things like this will be in place not only in churches, but at every arena that has a gathering.

As many of you know we have been live streaming Masses on Facebook and then uploading them onto YouTube. I want to thank all who have been involved: our Deacon John, our lectors: Paul Repola, Linda Geoghan, Tom Gross, Vincent Nasta, Altar servers: John Pastore, Arik Getchell, and Ryan McBride, our Music Directors: Humberto Diaz and Dominic Gervasio, and our cameraman: Bob Lee. Thank you! I have been thinking that once we do return we will continue to Live stream one Mass (the 11:30 Mass); for the homebound and also for those who may want to stay away from large crowds for a while longer due to the virus. And therefore, I would be open to giving the Eucharist at 1:00pm on Sundays for those who watched the Mass virtually due to the social distancing. These are my thoughts. Like most of us during this pandemic we have had more time for thinking, praying, reading, baking, cooking, cleaning, chatting, and maybe something altogether new.

I want to take this opportunity to thank all of you who continued to give to the collection for St. Jude Church! It is with heartfelt gratitude and appreciation for all of you in helping us keep things going as smoothly as possible here at St. Jude Church. We are truly blessed! The St. Jude community is truly a family of love, living the faith by both word and action. Thank you and God bless you!

St. Jude, pray for us ~  
Blessings and Joy,  
Fr. Ryan



## FROM THE DIOCESE

### TEXT GIVING AVAILABLE

We are aware that during these unprecedented times of COVID-19 and the cancellation of liturgies, our parish is experiencing a financial strain.

In an effort to help you to continue to donate your weekly offertory, the Diocese of Rockville Centre has established an emergency funding method for our parish's weekly collection – Text to Give for Parish Offertory. You can text our parish's unique keyword to our designated number.

Here is how it is done:

**Text Keyword: 133parishstjude to 516 271-3338**

The process: Parishioners are able to use a credit card and even set up a recurring donation. Funds for our parish will be received into an account at the Diocese of Rockville Centre, where we will be able to keep track of our parish's individual offertory donations. At the end of the month, the Finance Department will internally credit our parish's account with the donations received.

Anyone with a mobile phone with the ability to text can participate in this effort.



*Jesus, during Your ministry on Earth You showed Your power and caring by healing people of all ages and stations of life from physical, mental, and spiritual ailments. Be present now to people who need Your loving touch because of COVID-19. May they feel Your power of healing through the care of doctors and nurses.*

*Take away the fear, anxiety, and feelings of isolation from people receiving treatment or under quarantine. Give them a sense of purpose in pursuing health and protecting others from exposure to the disease. Protect their families and friends and bring peace to all who love them.*

## **Catholic Health Services Offers Tips on Talking to Kids About Coronavirus**

As part of the effort to contain the spread of coronavirus, local schools have been ordered to close for several weeks. This change in routine leads to many questions from children who want to know why they can't attend school or spend time with their friends.

Providing answers to inquisitive youngsters can be challenging for parents, trying to balance sharing information without unnecessarily alarming their kids.

“With schools closed and many parents working at home temporarily, children will want to know what is causing the changes to what they perceive as normal life,” said Catholic Health Services Chairman of Behavior Health Ronald Brenner, MD. “Also, mobile technology gives many young people access to news and information, which could overwhelm them and cause anxiety.”

The New York State Office of Mental Health offers several suggestions for parents speaking to their kids about coronavirus:

- Think about and rehearse scripts for discussing coronavirus with their children. Kids take cues from caregivers about how anxious they should be about a topic.
- Discuss the situation openly. Avoiding the topic or providing blanket responses may fuel anxiety.
- Don't give more information than is requested. Check to make sure your children understand your response by asking them to repeat back what they have heard and let them know you are open to more questions.
- Help your school-aged child and adolescents set boundaries on their information flow in the same way you are setting your own boundaries. Help them identify factual sources of information and set appropriate intervals to check-in.
- Keep as many routines intact as possible. For children who are out of school, it is important to maintain other familiar routines such as mealtimes and bedtimes.
- Use technology to keep children in touch with a friend or older family members. This allows them to maintain connections while adhering to calls to stay at home to help prevent the spread of coronavirus.
- Encourage physical activity and time outside, where possible. Staying active and having opportunities to be outdoors safely are helpful in mitigating anxiety and building resilience.
- Use this situation as an opportunity to teach distress tolerance skills that will be helpful to your kids in any situation.

For those who wish to speak to a mental health professional, CHS offers a host of services including telepsychiatry, which improves access to psychiatric services for Emergency Department (ED) patients, particularly after normal office hours. The service is currently offered in the EDs of Mercy Medical Center in Rockville Centre, St. Catherine of Siena Medical Center in Smithtown and Good Samaritan Hospital Medical Center in West Islip.

### **About Catholic Health Services**

CHS is an integrated system encompassing some of the region's finest health and human services agencies. With 18,000 employees, 6 acute care hospitals, 3 nursing homes, a home nursing service, hospice, a community-based agency for persons with special needs and a network of physician practices, CHS's high standards have resulted in a 24% market share.

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