

St. Jude Parish Welcomes You!

It is our hope that you feel at home and among friends here. If you are a visitor for a day, we pray God's speed on your journey. If you are looking for a parish community, we would be delighted to welcome you into our parish family. Contact us for registration at 690-3165 or pick up a registration form on the table in the gathering area.

Website: www.stjudeoakgrove.org

Email: contact@stjudeoakgrove.com

Sacrament of Reconciliation: 2nd Sunday after 10:30 Mass, & 4th Saturday 2:45 – 3:15

Baptism: Must be a registered member of the parish and attend pre-baptism class, contact Sam Watson at 625-6404

Marriage: Arrangement must be made with Fr. Matthew at least 9 months in advance

Pastor: Fr. Matthew Brumleve, contact Fr. Matthew @ 230-4127, St. George Office @ 816-633-7475, Email @ frmatthewb@gmail.com

Staff: Chris Chambers: Secretary @ 690-3165, Email: contact@stjudeoakgrove.com

Brenda Boss: Bookkeeper @ 690-3165, Email: contact@stjudeoakgrove.com

DRE: Sam Watson @625-6404

Confirmation Coordinator: Sue Lee @ 625-0907 Email: slee7723@earthlink.net

Sacristan: Carol Vanderpool @ 217-4485 Email: cvanderpool1944@yahoo.com

Liturgist: Calvin Snow @ 230-5245, Email: calvin.snow@gmail.com

Office hours: Monday & Thursday 10 to 12, Tuesday and Friday varied hours after Mass

Hall Rental: Contact Chris Chambers at the office @ 690-3165

The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is committed to combatting sexual abuse in the Church. If you are a victim of sexual abuse, or if you observe or suspect sexual abuse:

1. Call the Missouri Child Abuse Hotline at 1.800.392.3738 (if the victim is currently under the age of 18), and

2. Contact your local law enforcement agency or call 911, and

3. After reporting to these civil and law enforcement authorities, report suspected *sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult* to the Diocesan Ombudsman, Jenifer Valenti, at 816.812.2500 or JeniferValenti@att.net, if the abuse involves a priest, deacon, employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph.

The Diocese has a sincere commitment to providing care and healing resources to victims of sexual abuse and their families. Please contact Victim Advocate at 816.392.0011 or victimadvocate@diocesekcsj.org for more information.



We celebrate the Liturgical feast of Blessed Virgin Mary on January 1st, which is the Octave of Christmas. The feast is a celebration of Mary's motherhood of Jesus. The title "Mother of God" is a western derivation from the Greek Theotokos, which means "God-bearer". On this day, we are reminded of the role that the Blessed Virgin played in the plan of our salvation. Through the Holy Spirit, God the Father prepared Mary to be the dwelling place where His Son and His Spirit could dwell among men. Christ's birth was made possible by Mary's fiat, or sanctioning of God's plan with her words, "Be it done to me according to thy word". Calling Mary "Mother of God" is the highest honor we can give to her. Just as Christmas honors Jesus as the "Prince of Peace", the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God honors Mary as the "Queen of Peace". New Year's Day is also designated as the "World Day of Peace", further acknowledging the role of Mary in our hearts and in our world.

****Praise for Progress****

New door handles and locks on the classroom doors — Completed

Fixing the steps on West side of Church —Yellow "Caution" line has been painted

Lip around the tile around the baptismal font has been a tripping hazard — Lip around the tile has been removed —something less awkward will be installed

Install locking gate between downstairs and upstairs(for safety of PSR among other reasons — Pending

Catholic Charities of Kansas City – St. Joseph has an immediate need for a handyman at the Northwest Missouri office in St. Joseph, MO working between the hours of 8:30-5:30pm, Monday-Thursday. Basic repair skills and experience required.

Volunteers are also needed at the St. Joseph office which is located at 1123 S. 10th Street, St. Joseph, MO.

Interested candidates and volunteers can contact Tara McGranaghan, Chief Human Resource Officer at tmcgranaghan@ccharities.com or 816-659-8220

Readings for the week of December 12/26—1/1/2017

Monday Act 6: 8-10; 7: 54-59, Ps 31, Mt 10: 17-22

Tuesday 1 Jn 1: 1-4, Ps 97, Jn 20: 1a, 2-8

Wednesday 1 Jn 1: 5—2:2, Ps 124, Mt 2: 13-18

Thursday 1 Jn2: 3-11, Ps 96, Lk 2: 22-35

Friday Sir 3: 2-6, 12-14, Ps 129, Col 3: 12-21, Mt 2: 13-15, 19-23

Saturday 1 Jn 2: 18-21, Ps 96, Jn 1: 1-18

Sunday Nm 6: 22-27, Ps 67, Gal 4: 4-7, Lk 2: 16-21

Question about the Reading for 1/1/2017

Start out this New year in gratitude...what are you most thankful for in life? What is the one talent God has blessed you with? How often do you thank God for his goodness to you?

December 25th 2016

Christmas

Fellowship Sunday—January 8th

Would you like to minister the first Sunday of the month "Fellowship Sunday"? There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the gathering area for setting up future Fellowship Sundays. Please sign up!! For more information or questions contact Brenda Boss at 690-3165. Thanks.

Committees are forming for our next Parish Fundraiser. It will be on Saturday, February 11th. Please contact Mary Holzbaur at 816-699-2873 or mholzbaur@live.com for information.

Memorial Markers for the St. Jude Memorial Garden are still available. If you wish to purchase one, please contact Julia Seck at 816-697-2487

Gluten free host are available for Communion. Please talk to Fr. Matthew for information.

New Parish Directory

As you know, the parish has been in the process of producing a new parish directory. In order to insure that the information on parishioners is correct, you are asked to see the directory listings in the vestibule. If there is an error on your family listing, please correct it. If your family is not listed and you wish to be a part of the directory, please add your information. If you do not wish to have your family listed in the directory, please cross out your name and information.

Communion for Homebound

Please call the parish office at 690-3165 or send an email to contact@stjudeoakgrove.com when lifestyles keeps one from joining our weekend worship through age or illness. We will contact Fr. Matthew and our outreach ministry for you.

The 24th annual "SUPPORT OUR SEMINARIANS" Benefit Dinner dedicated to the 100th Anniversary of Our Lady of Fatima. It is scheduled for Friday, January 27, 2017. This event benefits seminarians from the Archdiocese of Kansas City, Kansas, the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph, and Conception Seminary College. It promises to be an evening filled with fun and laughter, celebrating our Catholic faith, dining on wonderful food, and socializing with our priests and seminarians! We have two wonderful speakers this year, Fr. Richard Storey, who is currently the pastor of Cure of Ars Parish in Leawood, Kansas and Cruz Gallegos, who is a senior at Conception Seminary College. SOS will be held at **Union Station, 30 West Pershing Road, Kansas City, Missouri**. The reservation price is \$175.00 per person with ten seats per table. To reserve your place, or an entire table, or donate to the marketplace or VIP silent auction, contact: Martha Hodes (913) 207-9893 or mmmsos512@gmail.com. Check out our new website: www.supportourseminarians.com.

Parish Council—Thursday, January 5 at 6:30pm

Fellowship—Sunday, January 8th after Mass

Religious Ed Class—Sunday, January 8th, classes resume

Finance Committee—Thursday, January 12th at 6:30pm

Confirmation Mass & Class— Sunday, January 15th, class til 1pm

We are thankful for the gifts we brought to the Lord last week

Envelope....\$11095.00

Plate\$97.00

Religious Retirement....\$80.00

Immaculate Conception...\$10.00

Date	Server	Eucharistic Ministers	Lector	Money Counters	Nursing Home
12/24		Richard Vorbeck, Chris Chambers Melissa Mauer-Smith	Mary Holzbaur		
12/25	Gael Perez Diego Perez	Carolyn Huff, Brenda Boss, Jim Boss	Jovanna Rohs	Patty Davis Becky Fangmann	Marilyn Sapp
12/31		Linda Boyd, Julia Seck, Christi Mouse	Norm Seyfert		
01/01	Bri Crowley Anthony Martinez	Judi Vogan, Chris Chambers Josh Neuweg	Christi Mouse	Mary Ann White Joyce Moriarty	Ann Arndorfer

Prayers for the sick

Remember the following in your prayers: Sheryl Turley, Phillip Cramer, Jim & Myrtle Wilson, Richard Garnier, Eugene Morrison, Nancy & Wayne Totton, Truman Smith, Bonnie Jones, David Evans, Mark Schieber, Ryan Jones, Ron & Chris Katzer, Rick Sweaney, Peg Shields, Edith Jacques, Terry Forsythe, Richard Jack, Wayne Swearingen, Maggie Forsythe

Please join us for the Rosary each weekend before Mass on Saturday at 3:00pm and Sunday at 10am

Something to Ponder

Be Silent, Be thoughtful,
Be Reverent, for this is the Lord's House
Before Mass, Let God speak to you
After Mass, Give Thanks

Weekly Mass Intentions

Saturday 12/24 +Evelyn H. Behr

Sunday 12/25 St. Jude Parishioners

Tuesday 12/27 +Vera Schwartz

Friday 12/29 +Mary Stevens

Saturday 12/31 Katzer Family

**Sunday 1/1/2017 St. Jude Parishioners
+denotes deceased**

Tuesday—Mother of Perpetual Help Devotion & Mass at 8:45

Friday—Divine Chaplet & Mass at 8:45

When there is no Mass, Mother of Perpetual Help & Communion Service will be on Tuesday, Divine Chaplet & Communion Service will be on Friday, both days will always start at 8:45

	Monday	Tuesday St. Jude	Wednesday St. George	Thursday St. George	Friday St. Jude
11/27-12/3	11/28 No Mass	11/29	11/30	12/1	12/2
12/4-12/10	12/5 No Mass	12/6	12/7	12/8 5pm	12/9 No Mass
12/11-12/17	12/12 No Mass	12/13	12/14	12/15	12/16
12/18-12/24	12/19 No Mass	12/20	12/21 NO Mass	12/22	12/23 No Mass
12/25-12/31	12/26 No Mass	12/27	12/28 NO Mass	12/29	12/30

If you have any spiritual or religious books you would like to donate to the Church library, please bring them in and put a label in the book with your name. Place them on the book shelf for people to take home to read. If you want to borrow a book, simple take the book home, read it, and return it so someone else can enjoy it. We are using the honor system, so please be considerate of others and return the book in a timely manner.