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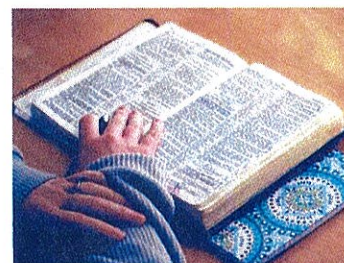


St. Jude Catholic Church and the Shrine of the Infant Jesus of Prague  
Parish Weekly Update as of September 11, 2020.

## Stewardship:

### *St. Jude 9/6/2020*

Actual	Budget	Diff.
\$4,240	\$2,423	\$1,817
YTD	Budget	Diff.
\$25,372	\$24,231	+\$1,141



### *Shrine 9/5/2020*

Actual	Budget	Diff.
\$636	\$308	+\$328
YTD	Budget	Diff.
\$3,118	\$3,080	+\$38

### *Repair & Maintenance as of 9/06/2020*

MTD	Budget	Diff.
\$410	\$1,667	-\$1,257

## Upcoming Second and Special Collections:

### September 2020:

**\*\*Reminder** - Next Sat/Sun - 9/19 & 9/20 -

**Special Collection for the Holy Land.**

9/27 - Share in the Care - **St. Jude**

### October 2020:

10/11 - Repair & Maintenance - **St. Jude**

10/17 - World Missions - **Shrine**

10/18 - World Missions - **St. Jude**

1st - Sirach 27:30-28:7

Psalm - 103:1-2,3-4,9-10,11-12

2nd - Romans 14:7-9

**Gospel:**

Matthew 18:21-35

**Prayers of the Faithful:**

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1. That the Church serve as a beacon of reconciliation, leading others in the ways of harmony and peace, ... **We pray to the Lord.**
  
- That nations locked in disagreement break the ancient bond of hatred and seek healing,... **We pray to the Lord.**
  
- That all who worship the God of Abraham – Jews, Muslims, and Christians- foster peace in the world through mutual forgiveness., ... **We pray to the Lord.**
  
- That all who are burdened by the weight of resentments find solace in today's lessons of compassion and forgiveness, ... **We pray to the Lord.**
  
- That the members of this assembly mirror God's mercy in the way they care for one another, ... **We pray to the Lord.**
  
1. For the special intentions in our "*Saint Jude Book of Intentions*", ... **We pray to the Lord.**
  
1. For the repose of the soul of **Anna Mitelski** for whom this Mass is offered, and for the souls of all the faithful departed, that eternal light may shine on them, ... **We pray to the Lord.**

***Meditation:***

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***Forgiveness is good for us***

Hatred and resentment are moral cancers that eat away at our enthusiasm to do good. An appeal to strict justice is not enough to solve the dilemma, since taking out another's eye does not really cure the loss of one's own eye, and revenge cannot really settle the account of a grievance. But forgiveness is a hard virtue to gain and to maintain. We can feel the problem in the question Peter asks of Jesus today: "How many times must I forgive?" And although his proposal of "seven times" is used as a round symbolic willingness to forgive "as much as it is humanly possible to forgive," Jesus suggest we must go further still, since God forgives "seventy seven times" (or seventy times seven times.) Forgiveness is not a question of just how often or how many times, rather it reflects God's unending willingness to pardon. There are no limits to his forgiveness.

It is so easy to forget God's goodness, as our first reading says (**Eccl 27:30-28:7**).



unforgiving. We can injure our neighbor, and he can hurt us. We can elbow our way roughly through life. We can so easily hold a grudge, and refuse to forgive.

**(3)** The ultimate reality "God's goodness" is never simple-minded. God is not blind. The unforgiving cannot be forgiven. Forgiveness only comes from realizing that we have been forgiven. In pardoning we are pardoned. Our tenuous hold on others must quickly be consumed not by following our hatred to the hilt, but by pardoning in gentle forgiveness. Only so can we realize the equation: Insolvency cannot make demands!

And so let us forgive from our hearts, for if we leave the court with our own suit dismissed, and fail to forgive, then we find ourselves immediately rearranged and in the dock as the guilty accused!

*\*Verbatim from Association of Catholic priests web-page\**

<https://www.associationofcatholicpriests.ie/2020/09/13-september-2020-24th-sunday-year-a/>

#### Useful Links:

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**Check out the *NEW* St. Jude & Shrine web-page!**

<https://stjudefranklin.org/>

**Online Giving- You can give to St. Jude or The Shrine via ParishSoft Giving!**

<https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/st1014121>

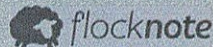
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