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St. Jude Catholic Church & The Shrine of the Infant Jesus of Prague
Parish Weekly Update as of March 12, 2021.

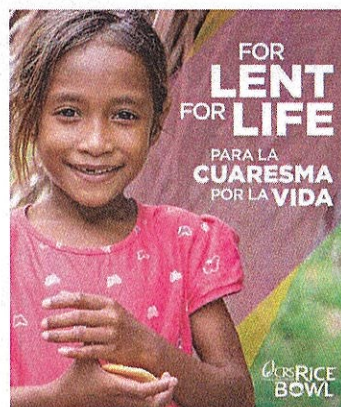
Stewardship:

St. Jude 03/07/2021

Actual	Budget	Diff.
\$3,598	\$2,423	+\$1,175
YTD	Budget	Diff.
\$84,125	\$87,231	-\$3,106

Shrine 03/06/2021

Actual	Budget	Diff.
\$378	\$308	+\$70
YTD	Budget	Diff.
\$10,373	\$11,088	-\$715



Rice Bowls are due in by March 28th! Don't forget you can still give via our online giving platform.

ParishSoft Giving. Just

3/21 - Winter Fuel Fund - **St. Jude**

April 2021:

4/2 - Holy Land/Good Friday - **St. Jude**

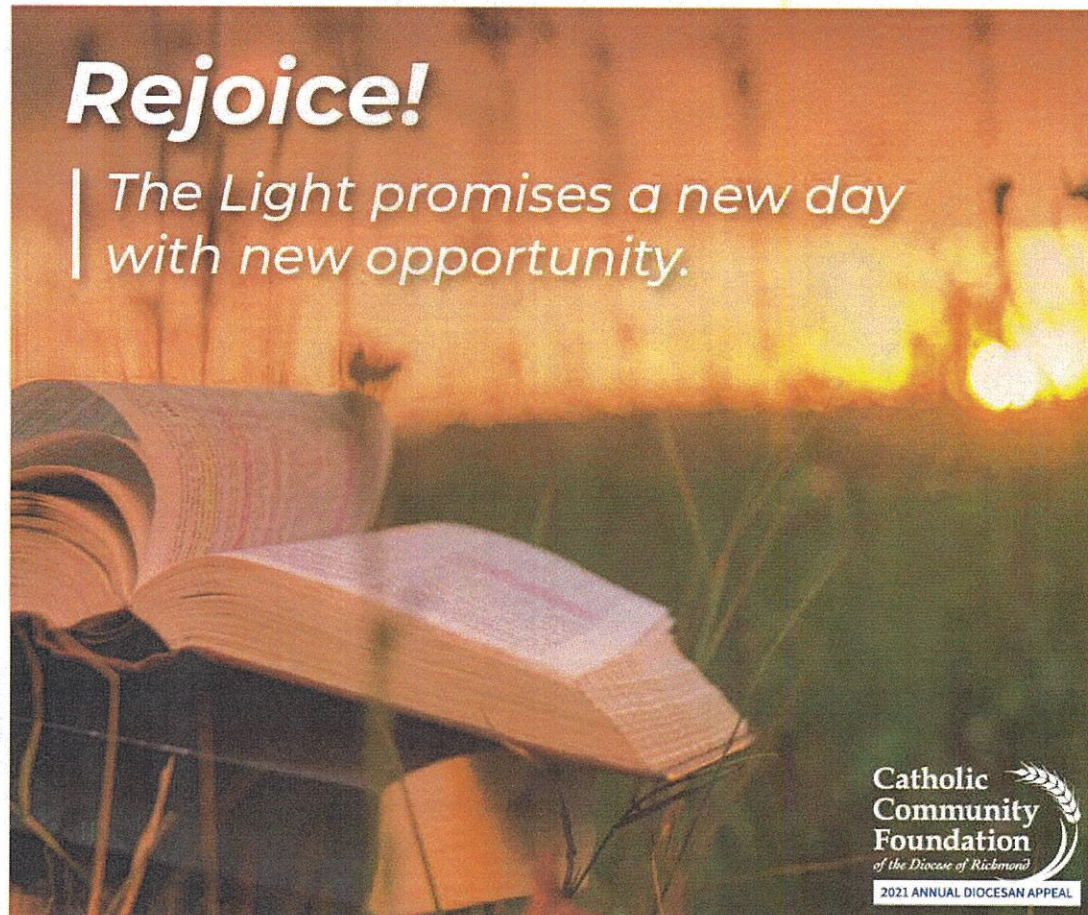
4/4 - Easter Offering - **St. Jude/Shrine**

4/11 - Repair & Maintenance - **St. Jude**

4/18 - Catholic Virginian - **St. Jude**

4/25 - Haiti Missions - **St. Jude**

2021 Annual Diocesan Appeal:



"How's your Lent going? Still hanging on? Well, hopefully you noticed the pink vestments at Mass today. They're an indication that today is "Laetare Sunday," a moment to stop, rejoice, and remember that the difficulties of Lent lead us to the joy of Easter. Today is a reminder that we don't practice penance and self-denial so that we can "earn" or be rewarded with Easter. Instead, it's our confidence that the Easter victory has already been won that allows us to joyfully embrace this penitential season as an opportunity to grow closer to God.

Something similar happens in today's Gospel: Christ reminds us that God has given his only Son; that the light has come into the world; that the victory has already been won! We can live joyfully and love selflessly, even in the midst of life's hardships and uncertainties, because God's love has conquered all. Confidence in this truth has been a source of Christian charity throughout the ages, from the heroic sacrifices of the early martyrs to the selfless service of modern-day saints like Mother Teresa. And it needs to animate our lives today, too.

How might we love others if we were truly and completely convinced that God's love



Join us here at St. Jude for ***Stations of the Cross***, Friday nights at 7:00PM, during Lent!

Sunday, March 14, 2021
Fourth Sunday in Lent

Mass Intentions:

Shrine: For the repose of the soul of ***Tara Welch Gallagher***.

St. Jude: For the repose of the soul of ***Katherine Nixon***.

Readings:

1st Reading: 2nd Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23

Psalm: 137:1-2,3,4-5,6

2nd Reading: Ephesians 2:4-10

Gospel: John 3:14-21

Prayer of the Faithful
St. Jude
March 14, 2021
The Fourth Sunday in Lent
Response... Lord, hear our prayer.

1. For the Church, ... **We pray to the Lord.**

• **For our nation's leaders,... We pray to the Lord.**

1. For all at the border, ... **We pray to the Lord.**

1. For all who care for the sick, ... **We pray to the Lord.**

1. For this community of faith ... **We pray to the Lord.**

Meditation:**Love Lifted Up**

"Have you noticed the types of phrases we use when describing something wonderful? I catch myself saying things like being 'over the moon' or 'on cloud-nine.' A friend talks about being in the 'seventh heaven!' Now, that admission may say a lot about the both of us, but I can't help thinking that our deepest experiences are those that have a power to lift us up. Such experiences take us out of ourselves. They uplift us and we perceive things differently.

Jesus is always inviting us to see things differently. When Nicodemus sought out Jesus, he was in the dark " both really and symbolically. He couldn't see clearly. In the years that followed this late night conversation, Nicodemus became a follower of Jesus and, step by step, was drawn to see things differently. At last he finally did see. When at the end, Jesus was really and truly lifted up, Nicodemus was not too far away.

When we meditate on the crucifix and participate in the Eucharist we also see Jesus lifted up. Perhaps today as I lift my eyes to see him, I might ponder on the mystery of suffering and exaltation and wonder at the love that is lifted up and draws us ever closer, uplifting us as well." **(Kathryn Williams)**

Verbatim from the Association of Catholic Priests website.

<https://www.associationofcatholicpriests.ie/2021/03/march-14-2021-fourth-sunday-of-lent/>

Useful Links:**Parish Links:**

The **NEW** St. Jude/Shrine Website: <https://stjudefranklin.org/>

Online Giving:

via **ParishSoft Giving**: <https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/st1014121>

Social Media:

Facebook! : <https://www.facebook.com/stjudefranklin0552>

Parish YouTube Channel:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCPYoOhy_tZCHA40WYc5c4eQ

Diocesan Links:

Annual Appeal Give on line: <https://richmondcatholicfoundation.org/appeal/>

Diocese Website-<https://richmonddiocese.org/>

Independent Reconciliation Program-<https://assistance.richmonddiocese.org/>



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