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St. Jude Catholic Church & The Shrine of the Infant Jesus of Prague
Parish Weekly Update as of June 27, 2021.

Stewardship:

St. Jude 06/20/2021

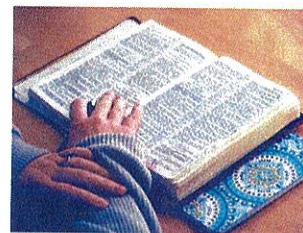
Actual	Budget	Diff.
\$1,653	\$2,423	-\$770
YTD	Budget	Diff.
\$119,263	\$123,577	-\$4,314

Shrine: 06/19/2021

Actual	Budget	Diff.
\$371	\$308	+\$63
YTD	Budget	Diff.
\$15,550	\$15,708	-\$158

St. Jude - Repairs & Maintenance 06/20/2021

Actual	MTD	Budget	Diff.
\$75	\$783	\$1,667	-\$884



St. Jude is looking for volunteers for the ministry of counting offertory funds. If you are interested in this ministry, see Kathleen Rockwell or Kim.

Second Collections:

July 2021:

7/4 - Summer Utilities Fund - **St. Jude/Shrine**

7/11 - Repair & Maintenance - **St. Jude**

7/18 - Catholic Virginian - **St. Jude**

7/25 - Haiti Missions - **St. Jude**



St. Jude is seeking a part time Administrative Assistant. More information to come in the next bulletin. If you are interested contact the office.

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

June 27, 2021

Mass intentions:

Shrine: For the Protection of the Unborn

St. Jude: For the repose of the soul of Warren L. Frink

Prayer of the Faithful

St. Jude

June 27, 2021

The Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Response... Lord, hear our prayer.

1. For monks, nuns, convents, and monasteries, ... **We pray to the Lord.**

• **For all who serve in public office,...** **We pray to the Lord.**

1. For summer travelers, ... **We pray to the Lord.**

1. For all suffering with addiction, ... **We pray to the Lord.**

1. For the members of this assembly, ... **We pray to the Lord.**

Just the hem of his garment

My presbytery was just across the street from a doctor's surgery. He had an excellent reputation and people queued up all day long to consult him. One morning there was an urgent knock on my door. When I opened it, the caller said: "Come quickly, Father. A man has just dropped dead on the pavement outside." Grabbing the sacred oils, I rushed out. Sure enough, a man was lying prostrate on the footpath. I anointed him conditionally, as there may be an interval between real and apparent death. A small group gathered around the body, just a few yards from the door of the surgery. It seemed like a cruel irony. Had he gone these few extra yards, his life might have been saved by the doctor. As I straightened up, I mentioned this to the bystanders. "You have it all wrong, Father," a woman replied. "He was just on his way out from the surgery." Whatever the doctor's advice was, the man took it with him to the grave. Doctors, as they say, bury their mistakes.

In today's gospel, the woman with the twelve-year-old hemorrhage had undergone long and painful treatment under various doctors, without getting better. Of course, up to quite recently, medicine was fairly primitive. For most of human history people prayed for real miracles to cure their infirmities. In the Middle Ages, death stalked everywhere, not least in plague-ridden cities. Local wars were fairly constant and hygiene unknown. Town and country swarmed with the deformed, the maimed, the crippled and the blind. Death ran riot throughout Europe during the horrific period of the bubonic plague, aptly called the Black Death. Nothing stood between the individual and death except God. The center of every church was its shrine containing relics of the saints. People flocked to these shrines in search of cures. Many travelled great distances to Rome, the Holy Land, Compostela, believing, like the woman with the hemorrhage, that even touching an important relic might restore them to health. Compostela claimed to have such a relic, no less than the remains of St James, who had watched Christ raise the daughter of Jairus to life. One could hardly come closer to the healing power of Christ than that.

But the world has changed much since then. In our own time cures have been found for almost every ailment. We have all become fervent believers in the "miracles of modern medicine." Clinics have replaced churches for the stricken. The few relics that have survived seem like embarrassing reminders of our naïve past.

But was it all that naïve to hope for a miracle? Jesus attributed his two miracles to the faith of the seekers. "Your faith has restored you to health," he told the woman who was cured of her hemorrhage. All that separates us from her is the depth of our faith. Even modern medicine, in spite of all its successes, has rediscovered the importance of the patient's faith in his cure. Who knows? That man who died outside the surgery door might not have stepped so abruptly into eternity, had his faith in his doctor not faltered. That, like the doctor's prescription, is a secret he took with him. Christ can, now as then, cure our sicknesses. All he needs is our faith. Of that, Lourdes is proof, if proof were needed. God does trail his coat in our shabby little world. With a little faith we could find it; with a little courage we could touch it. "Do not be afraid," he says to us, as he said to Jairus, "only have faith."

Verbatim from the Association of Catholic Priests website

<https://www.associationofcatholicpriests.ie/2021/06/june-27-2021-thirteenth-sunday-in-ordinary-time/>

Useful Links:***Parish Links:***

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

Online Giving: via ParishSoft Giving:

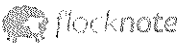
<https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/st1014121>

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