St. Jude The Apostle Church

South Holland, IL Established 1957



ST. JUDE THE APOSTLE'S **GRAND RAFFLE & DINNER** SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2009

1st Prize - \$5,000 2nd Prize - \$3,000 3rd Prize - \$1,000 4th Prize - \$1,000

5th Prize - \$500 6th Prize - \$500

RAFFLE TICKETS \$20.00 Each



DINNER Held In The Parish Hall \$15.00 For Adults \$7.00 Children under 12 CATERED BY JIMBOOO'S

Doors Open at 2:00 P.M. Dinner Served at 3:00 P.M.







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Monday, September 28, 2009-St. Wenceslaus-Martyr & St. Lawrence Ruiz-Martyr

8:30 AM-Eileen Jensen Req. Ed & Esther Walenga Tuesday, September 29, 2009-St. Michael, St. Gabriel & St. Raphael-Archangels

8:30 AM-St. Jude the Apostle Purgatorial Society
Wednesday, September 30, 2009-St. Jerome-Doctor
8:30 AM-Ginny Mosselman Req. Jerry Mosselman & Family
Thursday, October 1, 2009-St. Therese of the Child Jesus
8:30 AM-Frank Krzus, Sr. (Birthday Remembrance) Req.
Ron & Pat Slusarski

Friday, October 2, 2009-Guardian Angels 8:30 AM-John & Julia Quinlan Req. Family Saturday, October 3, 2009-St. Gerard-Abbot 8:30 AM-People of the Parish

5:00 PM-Mr. & Mrs. A. Kosmala Req. Family Sunday, October 4, 2009

8:00 AM-Louis & Adeline Ronzani Req. Family **10:00 AM-**Christopher Swetlik Req. Clark Family **11:30 AM-**Helen, Frank & Paul Styka Req. Family



WEEKEND OF OCTOBER 3RD & 4TH

5:00 PM-M. Bermudez

8:00 AM-D. Ntamere, A. Ntamere

10:00 AM-J. Nowak, T. Nowak, M. Nowak

11:30 AM-G. Madros, L. Stasinski



REST IN PEACE

In your prayers this week, please remember especially: Attilio (Til) & Marilyn Zoppi and Salvador Delgado. May God grant them eternal rest and

peace.



Lord, hold our military men and women in your loving hands ... Protect them as they protect us...



SING TO THE LORD A NEW SONG!

Do you like to sing? Can you carry a tune? Love to praise the Lord? High school age?

Then St. Jude Adult Choir is the place for you. Come join us this Thursday evening at 6:30 (enter from the west parking lot) as we prepare for the 10:00 Sunday morning Mass. We would love to have you join our musical family. Remember those who sing, pray twice.

THIS SUNDAY OFFERTORY "YOUR WEEKLY GIFT OF THANKS"

2009 2008 September 20 September 21 \$6,309.14 \$6,378.91

Fiscal Year to Date:

\$75,236.10 \$76,712.62

Registered Families - 752



The wine we are using at the Eucharist for the month of September is in memory of Mr. & Mrs. A. Kosmala donated by their family. We thank them for their generosity.

If you would like to donate the wine used at Mass for a particular month, the cost is \$65.00. If there are any questions, please call the Rectory at 708-333-3550.



The Family Ministry group is looking for volunteers to help with their Halloween Trick or Treating on Saturday, October 31st from 1:00-3:00 P.M. here at school. We are also asking that the volunteers dress up as their favorite "Saint." Any questions, call Marsha at 708-225-1180.



CHILDREN'S CHOIR REMINDER

The Children's Choir will practice on Saturdays from 10:45 A.M.-12:00 noon in Church. Enter from the west parking lot.

OUR WARMEST WELCOME to all those who celebrate with us, whether visitors, long-time residents, or newly arrived in the parish. We thank God for you.

If you are new in the parish or have moved to a new address in the parish, or if you are planning to move, please fill out this form and drop it in the collection or return to the Rectory Office.

NAME	
ADDRESS	
CITY	ZIP
New Registration	New Phone
New Address	Moving Out of Parish

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ANNUAL

Catholic Appeal ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO

September 21, 2009

Rev. Ignatius I. Anaele St. Jude the Apostle 880 E. 154th Street South Holland, IL 60473

Dear Father Anaele,

As we approach the final quarter of the 2009 Annual Catholic Appeal campaign, I am happy to report that the generous people of the Archdiocese of Chicago have already pledged \$15,000,000-and \$12,400,000 has already been contributed! The credit for this achievement goes directly to our pastors, who inspired their parishioners to donate so generously. Thank you.

Since St. Jude the Apostle was selected for debt reduction status in the 2009 annual Catholic Appeal, the funds your parish raises will be used to reduce the parish debt at the Archdiocesan Bank. In addition, the Archdiocese of Chicago will match, dollar for dollar, all funds raised and apply that distribution to your debt as well.

As you may recall, the Debt Reduction Program Policy calls for distribution of funds to parish accounts two times a year-in June and at the end of the Appeal (the following February). However, in recognition of this year's successful campaign, I have authorized an additional installment to be applied in September. This distribution was made to your account as of September 10. The third, and final, installment will be applied at the end of the 2009 Annual Catholic Appeal in February 2010.

I am deeply grateful to you for your efforts and for the support of the people of St. Jude the Apostle. I am pleased to advise you that \$14,566.00 has been applied to your account and you will see this reduction reflected in your statement from the Archdiocesan Bank.

God bless you for all that you do so well for the Church of Chicago. I am proud to be your bishop. As you know, you and the parishioners of St. Jude the Apostle are always in my prayers. Please remember me in yours. Thank you.

Fraternally yours in Christ,

Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I. Archbishop of Chicago

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From Deacon Mel Stasinski-

Did Jesus come to turn the world upside down? Many people think that Jesus was a radical. There are certainly things that he did and said that rubbed against the grain of the conventional thought of his time. He called the hated Samaritans his neighbors and told us to love our enemies. He spoke openly to women and worked on the Sabbath. There are other things about Jesus that may have raised a few eyebrows and tempers as well. The unconventional wisdom of Jesus did not fit within the customs of his time, and challenges many of the ways of our culture today.

We live in a time of celebrity worship. People have always been attracted to movie stars and rock musicians, but the cult of the celebrity has really taken root over recent years. Television programs like American Idol have captured the attention of the millions of viewers. There are some celebrities who have not demonstrated any talent, nor have they accomplished anything. People have come to admire them simply because the media has made them famous. It seems that everyone wants to be powerful, rich and famous. Wealth, influence and popularity are not bad things in and of themselves. They can be, however, outward signs of inner selfishness. They become the opposite of a sacrament.

We read in the gospel how the disciples were discussing – probably arguing – about who among them was the greatest. They came to believe that Jesus was the Messiah and each one wanted to hold the most powerful position when our Lord came into his power. Jesus had to step in once again to get them back on course. Being great meant that you had to be so humble and lowly as to be a slave to even a child. Greatness is not a matter of power, wealth or popularity. Greatness comes from humbly serving the needs of all – especially those who had no power, money or influence. This is not what the disciples wanted to hear. It isn't what many people want to hear today.

When we follow Jesus we will be called to think and act in ways that go against the grain of the world's wisdom. When we do we know we are on the right track. Jesus was a radical in some ways, but remember that he came to fulfill the will of his Father. Jesus didn't come to turn the world upside down, but to turn in right side up.

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SHED**SOME**LIGHT

Christ Our Savior Catholic School

Greetings From Your Parish School

The eighth grade class participated in a Leadership Retreat on Monday, September 14th conducted by Father Terry Deffenbaugh. First, they had to work cooperatively to build the tallest tower from 150 sixteen ounce cups. Teamwork and encouragement were needed to complete the project. One inventive team used the "piggy back" approach to reach the tallest level. The lesson of "being able to work well with others" came shining through.

Father Terry then asked the students a series of trueto-life questions with different choices. Each student had to decide the best answer and be able to explain the reasoning behind his or her choice.

Finally, the Class of 2010 did a self-examination and came up with skills they needed to improve to be successful in school and identify the positive traits they already had. The retreat concluded with each student writing a letter to the teachers of the Class of 2010, identifying what things in particular the teachers could do to help him or her have a successful year.

What is better than math class? Two math classes! Besides learning about Pre-Algebra and Algebra from math whiz, Mrs. Renae Lewis, this year Junior High students have an additional math class to supplement, enrich, and reinforce math concepts. Students in Mrs. Tobecksen's math class began by studying measurement. In addition to U.S. standard units, they are becoming familiar with metric units. With a trundle wheel, the students measured the number of meters in the length of their classroom and hallway. Using a triple beam balance, they found the mass of some very large eggs. Some students suspected they were dinosaur eggs!

Students did not just memorize the formula for circumference. Using a round container, some string, and folded circle, the students discovered the value of pi. Currently students are using graph paper to visually confirm formulas for area and perimeter.

With God's Blessings, Cindy Rogers, Principal Karen Brodzik, Assistant Principal

Does the Lord want you to be a Leader of Song or Cantor at Mass? Pray about it.



ST. JUDE FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION

The monthly St. Jude Food Pantry Collection will take place **next weekend, October 3rd & 4th.**

Donations may be left at the entrances to the Church. Thank you for your generosity.



DIVERSITY COMMITTEE MEETING

The Diversity Committee will meet this **Tuesday**, **September 29th**, at 7:00 P.M. in the Rectory. Any questions, call Pam at 708-849-7549.



NIGERIAN INDEPENDENCE DAY

The Nigerian Catholic Community of St. Jude the Apostle will celebrate the 49th Anniversary of Nigeria's Independence. This celebration will take place **Sunday, October 11th during our 11:30 A.M. Mass** here at St. Jude the Apostle Church. All are welcome to attend. For more information, call Wole Okuwobi at 708-439-1331.

GHEGK THIS OUT!

SAVE THE DATE

The St. Jude Diversity Ministry through the Archdiocese of Chicago Office for Racial Justice is planning a "Pilgrimage" to nearby Catholic churches within our Vicariate on Sunday, October 11th. We will gather in Church after the 11:30 A.M. Mass for prayer and song, then board a bus which will take us to the different churches on this Pilgrimage. All parishioners are invited join us.

HAPPENINGS...

Seton Academy, 16100 Seton Drive, South Holland, IL will have an Open House on **Saturday, October 3rd** from **10:00 A.M.-12:00 noon.** Contact Jaclin at 708-339-8963.

New Hope School, 1624 E. 154th Street, Dolton, IL will hold its Fall Benefit and Silent Auction at Villa De Bruno in Lynwood, IL on **Saturday, October 3rd at 6:00 P.M. Last day to purchase tickets is Monday, September 28th.** Call 708-841-1071 for more information.

St. Christopher Church, 14611 S. Keeler, Midlothian, IL will hold a children's fall & winter resale, cash only, on **Saturday**, **October 3rd from 9:00 A.M.-2:00 P.M.** Any questions, call 708-388-8190.

All things are possible for one who believes, more to one who hopes, even more to one who loves.

-St. Lawrence

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ON NON-LITERAL AND LITERAL TRANSLATIONS

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So...what's up with that Gospel reading? Some people hold that we don't hear enough fire and brimstone from the pulpit these days. Too much "God loves you" talk and insufficient "The wages of sin is death" talk. These people should be ecstatic this morning, maybe even savoring today's Gospel passage from Mark over a second cup of coffee... "If your hand causes you to sin, cut it off." Christ says. "It is better for you to enter into life maimed than with two hands to go into Gehenna, into the unquenchable fire." Doesn't that seem a little harsh to anybody? Or a lot harsh? "And if your foot causes you to sin, cut it off. It is better for you to enter into life crippled than with two feet to be thrown into Gehenna." Am I the only person who cringes when I hear these passages? "And if your eye causes you to sin, pluck it out. Better for you to enter into the kingdom of God with one eye than with two eyes to be thrown into Gehenna..." Is it hot in here, or is it just me?

The Evangelist Matthew captures similar words, and I heard his version this past summer during our Holy Name Society's Spiritual Assembly Mass. Actually, I was on the liturgy committee for that Mass, so I had input on which readings to choose. I suggested that we just go with the Church's readings of the day for the Mass, which was on a Friday in early June. This, I figured, would save our committee a lot of time and effort looking for the best passages to fit with of a bunch of men gathering in praise of Christ's Holy Name. As luck--or something other than luck--would have it, we found that the Gospel already in play for the day was our Lord's teaching on adultery from Matthew ("If your right eye causes you to sin, tear it out..."). In his homily, our guest celebrant said it was a hard passage to deal with, but joked that he never sees any of our Protestant brothers, who often purport to take Christ's teaching literally, walking around maimed. "C'mon," the priest said. "Not even once?"

I'm saddened when I hear the occasional news story of parents who lock up their children--or worse--to shelter them from a sinful society, and who then claim that God directed them to do so. I suppose anyone could make a case for just about anything by taking the Scriptures out of context. To that end, is Jesus really calling for self-mutilation in his adultery teachings from Matthew, or in today's Gospel from Mark? Surely Christ's words here aren't about bleeding stumps and mangled eye sockets, but about distancing ourselves from the things--or people--causing us to sin. According to James in the second reading, it may be money. According to Jesus in the referenced passages, it may be an illicit love interest or any number of other situations. A priest told me long ago that while Jesus taught us all to pray "Lead us not into temptation..." in the Lord's Prayer, many of us interpret the words as, "Lead me to the very brink of temptation, and I'll take it from there." Assuming Jesus was being literal in that teaching moment, I don't think this latter view is a very good idea.

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WEEKEND MASSES:

Saturday Evening: 5:00 P.M. Sunday: 8:00, 10:00, 11:30 A.M.

WEEKDAY MASSES:

Monday thru Saturday—8:30 A.M.

HOLY DAY MASSES:

Vigil: 7:00 P.M.

Holy Day: 7:00, 8:30 & as announced

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

(Confessions)

Saturday: 4:15 to 4:45 P.M.

BAPTISMS: Arrangements must be made in advance for catechesis and reception of the sacrame nt of Baptism. All families must be registered parishioners. Call the Rectory for information at 708-333-3550.