

ST. JUDE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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December 21, 2025
Parish Bulletin

NEW TO REDMOND OR ST. JUDE? WELCOME!

We would be glad to have you as a member of our parish! Please fill out a registration on our website or by scanning the QR code, so we can get to know and serve you better.



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CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENTS

SUNDAY MASS

Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:00 PM

Sunday: 9:00 AM and 11:00 AM

DAILY MASS

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday: 9:00 AM

Please see Weekly Calendar on insert for any updated week-to-week schedule changes.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Fridays after 9:00 AM Mass until 9:00 PM. Sign up in advance at <http://stjude.weadorehim.com/> to help us ensure someone is always present with Jesus.

CONFESSIONS

Wednesdays, 8:30 — 8:50 AM

Saturdays 3:30 — 4:30 PM or by appointment

COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND

Please contact the office to schedule a visit.

BAPTISM OF INFANTS

Infants and children under 7 are baptized monthly at Mass. A preparation session is required for parents and Godparents. Please contact Betty Reyes.

BECOMING CATHOLIC

Are you a non-baptized adult or were baptized in another Christian community and would like to become Catholic? Or have children age 7+ who would like to be baptized Catholic? Contact Deacon Reuben.

MARRIAGE

A preparation program over a period of several months is required. Contact Fr. Johnson to begin the process.

ANointing OF THE SICK

In case of serious illness, impending surgery or advanced age, please contact the parish office or Fr. Johnson. The sacrament should not be delayed until the person is unconscious or in imminent danger of death.

FUNERALS

Contact Fr. Johnson through the office at 425-883-7685.

CATHOLIC CEMETARIES SERVING ST. JUDE

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ASSISTANCE TO THOSE IN NEED

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- SVdP Helpline number for assistance: 206-767-6449
- To learn more or to join the ministry contact: Diane Murphy at svdp@stjude-redmond.org
- To donate furniture or household items email: svdpfurniture@stjude-redmond.org

SAFE PARKING

Contact: safeparking@stjude-redmond.org

Safe Parking Helpline: 425-658-4982

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY SERVICES

Marriage, adolescent, family and individual counseling and referral. Call 1-800-872-3204

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

knightsofcolumbus@stjude-redmond.org

Dear friends in Christ,

Please Help Catholic Community Services help those in need

This week, we take up the Catholic Community Services collection for the poor. CCS is the main outreach of our church to those in need throughout Western Washington. As you might imagine in these times your support is needed more than ever to help those who are out of work, flooded out, on the streets, or in crisis. You can also pick up an envelope in Church or go online to <https://ccsww.org/donate/>. Please remember them this Christmas but more importantly remember the people they serve. They are making room for Christ to have a home.

Christmas is this coming Thursday!

I wish all of you very blessed and joy-filled celebrations of Christ's birth! What a joy it is to welcome him. Please see this bulletin or website for the Christmas schedule. ***A reminder to all our ministers, we need your help at all the Christmas Masses. Please sign up to serve – we have many spots to fill.*** Here are a few suggestions for Christmas Mass this year...

1. Please come to a Mass other than early Christmas Eve. Traditionally, these Masses have been the most crowded—so please, please consider coming to a different Mass this year. The real date of the feast is Christmas Day. Jesus didn't come at a convenient day, time, or hour for Mary. Likely, he came during the night. Have some fun and change up the routine and come to the late-night Mass or on Christmas Day. Everyone will have a better and more comfortable experience of the Mass if we change up our routines and spread out among the Masses.

At St. Jude, the wonderful tradition of lesson and carols returns this year at 9:15 PM. Led by our 9 AM Sunday Choir, this is a wonderful prelude to the 10 PM Mass. It is an inspiring way to get into the spirit of our Christmas celebrations. At Midnight Mass, we remember that Christ came quietly when night was 'halfspent.' At the conclusion of this Mass, there is the very special blessing of the outdoor Manger. This is always a beautiful moment in the stillness of the night. On Christmas Day, in addition to the Mass of the Shepherds at the 9 AM, at 11 AM Mass we will have a wonderful choir to joyfully celebrate the Savior's birth.

2. Please come early. Please also remember to come early. We'll have many guests and people new to the Church at Christmas attending. Let us make room for them. We want to be sure to make them feel at home and welcome them as Christ would.

3. Please extend the hospitality of Christ. Christmas is an important opportunity to welcome visitors, people new to our parish, Catholics who may have been away from the church for a while, or those simply searching for faith. Again, we want to be sure all feel welcomed. There is no better time to evangelize, with our friendliness, our welcome, our joy at the Savior's birth and our desire to invite all to a deeper relationship with Jesus.

Many thanks to all who are working to prepare our Christmas celebrations and to all our ministers who serve so well! May God bless you and your families as you prepare for Christmas! He is coming!

He is coming soon!

Sincerely in Christ,
Fr. Johnson

WEEKLY CALENDAR

The Parish Office will be closed
December 24—28 and will next be open on
December 29. Merry Christmas, may it be
filled with the love and hope of Jesus!

Monday, December 22

No Daily Mass

9:00 AM Women of Faith (KoC room)

11:00 AM Funeral Mass for Larry Gregory

Tuesday, December 23

No Daily Mass

12:30 PM Decorating the Church for Christmas

Wednesday, December 24

CHRISTMAS EVE

No Confessions

No Daily Mass

5:00 PM Christmas Eve Vigil Mass

7:00 PM Christmas Mass - Syro Malabar Rite

9:15 PM Scripture & Carols

10:00 PM Christmas Eve Mass During Night

11:59 PM Midnight Mass with Carols

Thursday, December 25

CHRISTMAS DAY

9:00 AM Mass at Dawn

11:00 AM Mass of Christmas Day

Friday, December 26

No Daily Mass

No Adoration

Saturday, December 27

3:30 PM Confessions

5:00 PM Saturday Vigil Mass

Sunday, December 28

9:00 AM Sunday Mass

11:00 AM Sunday Mass

Poinsettia Pickup & Display

Dec. 23, 2025 11:30AM & 12:30PM

Help Needed! Can you help transport our Christmas Poinsettias **OR** help display them at church? We will meet at Flower World in Snohomish at 11:30AM, load the poinsettias, and then go to St. Jude. We are hoping to arrive at the church around 12:30PM if you would like to help unload and display the poinsettias. Let Betty know if you can help: bettyreyes@stjude-redmond.org.



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Support Western Washington Emergency Relief Fund



Historic flooding across Western Washington is causing widespread damage and forcing evacuations throughout the Skagit and Snoqualmie valleys and other parts of the region.

In response, the Archdiocese of Seattle opened the Emergency Relief Fund, **which provides immediate financial assistance to parishes and schools during an emergency or disaster**. Gifts to the Emergency Relief Fund will support flood-related needs and will also be available in the future for other local emergency or disaster relief efforts.

As Catholics, we are called to accompany those in need. Your gift today will bring hope, relief, and the love of Christ to communities impacted by this disaster.

Please consider donating today:

<https://archseattle.org/flood/>



Next weekend, Dr. Will Boegel, of Opal House Guatemala Children's Mission, will speak at the Masses on December 27 and 28. Opal House is a refuge for the impoverished children of Guatemala located in the mountains of Lake Atitlan, where guests receive physical, spiritual, medical, and educational nourishment.

Beware of Scams this Season

With it being Advent and Christmas time, we are seeing **an increase in phishing emails and other scams** aimed at targeting those with the giving hearts of the season. This is a reminder that **Fr. Johnson, Fr. Raphael, or any parish staff will not individually email or text with gift or donation requests.**

Be vigilant and double check any suspicious communications before responding to them.



PARISH NEWS



Beautify our Church for Christmas!

Help us prepare for His coming! In particular, we need parishioners who are able to **help transport our Christmas poinsettias from the nursery to the parish on December 23**. There are also a number of other ways you can assist in Christmas decorating! Send an email to bettyreyes@stjude-redmond.org to find out more about how you can help get the Church ready for the Christmas season.



Come Let Us Adore

As Christmas approaches, we think about the gifts we will give to family and friends. Are you putting Jesus on that list? What gift will you be giving Him? Consider giving Him your time and love by spending time with Him in prayer every Friday for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament anytime between 9:30 AM - 9 PM.

What better way to spend this Advent "giving ourselves" to the Lord.

**Adoration & Benediction
Fridays 9:30AM – 9PM**



Christmas Schedule 2025

The Nativity of the Lord – Christmas

Christmas Eve - Wednesday Dec. 24, 2025

5:00 PM Vigil Mass
7:00 PM Syro Malabar Mass
10:00 PM Mass during the Night
Scriptures & Carols begin at 9:15 PM
12:00 AM Midnight Mass with blessing of outdoor manger

Christmas Day - Thursday Dec. 25, 2025

9:00 AM Mass at Dawn
11:00 AM Mass of Christmas Day

Feast of the Holy Family

5:00 PM Vigil Mass – Saturday, Dec. 27
9:00 AM Sunday Mass – Sunday, Dec. 28
11:00 AM Sunday Mass – Sunday, Dec. 28

The Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

New Year's Eve - Wednesday, Dec. 31, 2025

5:00 PM Vigil Holy Day Mass

New Year's Day – Thursday Jan. 1, 2026

9:00 AM Holy Day Mass

Please check our website for most current information.



FOURTH WEEK OF
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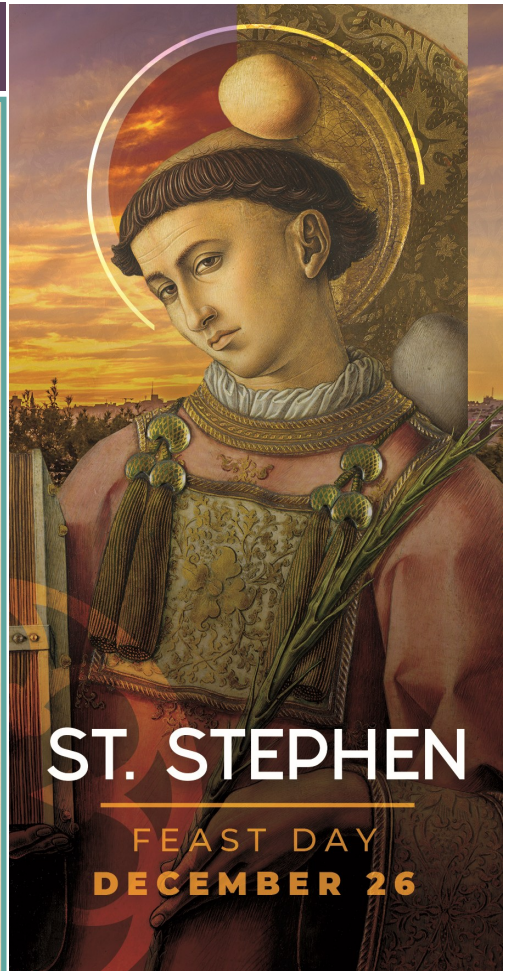
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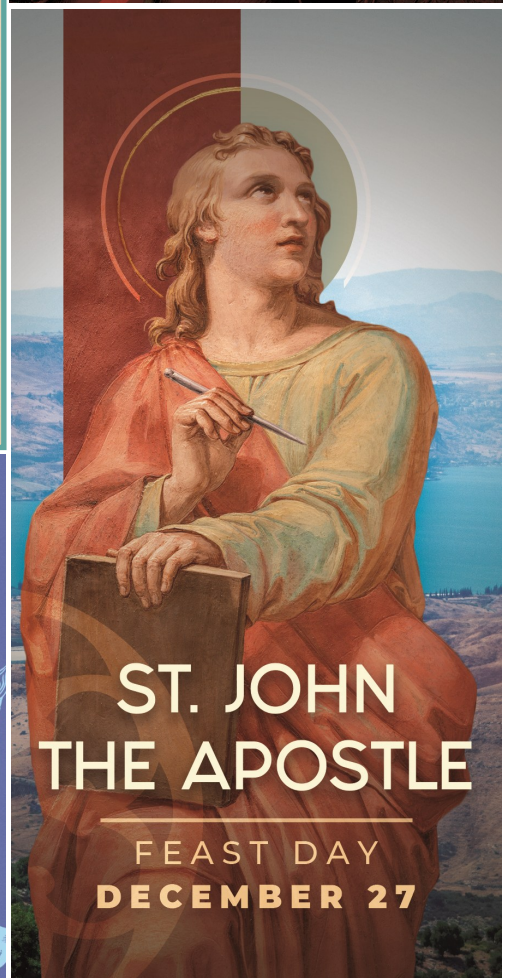
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THE ENDURANCE
OF DARKNESS IS
THE PREPARATION
FOR GREAT LIGHT.

”-

-ST. JOHN OF THE CROSS



MYSTICAL
DOCTOR

FAITH FORMATION UPDATE

We had an amazing December filled with learning and fun!

Week 1: Children kicked off the month with an Advent craft and explored the meaning of Advent.

Week 2: They learned to sing Christmas carols and Advent songs, spreading joy through music.

Week 3: We celebrated Christmas Around the World!

- o Children “traveled” to Colombia, Poland, Nigeria, India, England, Mexico, Brazil, and Italy—all in just two hours!
- o They discovered how Christmas is celebrated in different cultures, enjoyed crafts, played games, and sampled delicious treats from each country.
- o Each child had their own Faith Formation Passport to make the experience extra special!

It was a wonderful experience for the children and a big round of applause to our Catechists, assistants, and parent volunteers for making this possible!



Important Dates

- **Faith Formation Break:** After a 3 week break we will resume regular classes on **Tuesday, January 13th 5:30PM**
- **First Eucharist Parent Information Night:** **Thursday, January 15th 7:00PM, Parish Hall**



For more information on our Faith Formation K-6 program, contact:
joan@stjude-redmond.org
For more information on Faith Formation Teen Ministry, contact:
rick@stjude-redmond.org

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY

Richard Pizzo Honorary Scholarship



Offered by the Knights of Columbus; Redmond, WA. Council #8102

Application Deadline: January 31, 2026

Award: \$5,000 per student attending an accredited U.S. University or Trade School

About the Scholarship

- Three scholarships will be awarded to high school seniors based on community involvement, academic achievement and financial need
- Scholarship is renewable for one additional year
- Scholarship covers tuition only and will be paid directly to the University or Trade school
- Open to all high school seniors who live in Redmond, WA. and the surrounding communities
- Awardees will be notified by March 31, 2026

Requirements

- Fully completed Knights of Columbus scholarship application
- High school transcripts and activity form
- Proof of community involvement
- Letter of recommendation (from a non-family member)
- Essay 300-350 words
- Proof of financial need (Pell Grant application or other relevant documents; if claiming financial need)

The application form, complete qualification criteria, and information on the program are available by contacting Vinod Nazareth; Email: v29nazareth@gmail.com



St. Jude Year-End Giving Reminder

"The starting point of stewardship is recognizing that everything we have, everything that we are is by God's initiative-by God's grace." Archbishop Etienne on the spirituality of stewardship

This is the time of year when most people give and receive. We thank you for your generosity and good stewardship to St Jude as we continue the mission of Jesus Christ. As you search for the perfect gift for loved ones, remember that a year-end charitable gift in their name is deeply appreciated.

Our sincerest THANKS to you — for your generosity, good stewardship and financial support of the parish throughout the year! And if God has especially blessed you financially in 2025, please consider a special year-end gift to our parish.

Blessings, Fr. Johnson

YOUR GIFT MAKES A DIFFERENCE:

- In our children's Faith Formation
- To the people we serve in our community (Safe Parkers, St. Vincent de Paul, etc)
- In our facilities
- In advancing the mission of the Church



Please Note:
to qualify as a 2025 contribution, donations to the parish must be received in the parish office or postmarked by or before December 31

Donate: Visit our website at www.stjude-redmond.org/giving or scan the QR Code.



Ways to Give Beyond Cash

QUALIFIED CHARITABLE DISTRIBUTION (QCD)

A QCD is a direct transfer of funds from your IRA custodian, payable to a qualified charity. A QCD excludes the amount donated from taxable income, which is unlike regular withdrawals from an IRA. QCDs don't require that you itemize, which due to recent tax law changes, means you may decide to take advantage of the higher standard deduction but still use a QCD for charitable giving.

IRA

By utilizing an IRA for charitable giving, you can satisfy your required minimum distribution (RMD) obligations starting at age 73, while also supporting a cause you care about. The donated amount is excluded from your taxable income, which can provide a tax advantage, especially if you do not itemize deductions.

DONOR-ADVISED FUNDS (DAF)

A DAF is like a charitable investment account for the sole purpose of supporting charitable organizations. When you contribute cash, securities or other assets to a donor advised fund, you are generally eligible to take an immediate tax deduction. Funds are disbursed at your discretion.

Remember us in your will or trust.

Visit <https://archseattle.mylegacygift.org> for help with Planned Giving.

This flyer is designed to provide general information regarding end of year giving strategies. It is not intended to serve as legal, tax, or other financial advice related to individual situations. Because each individual's legal, tax, and financial situation is different, specific advice should be tailored to the particular circumstances. For this reason, you are advised to consult with your own attorney, CPA, and/or other advisor regarding your specific situation.

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

Join Archbishop Etienne for the Mass for the Closing of the Jubilee Year

Pilgrims of Hope



December 28 | 10am
St. James Cathedral



Mass for the Closing of the Jubilee Year St. James Cathedral December 28, 2025 10AM

In union with bishops throughout the world, Archbishop Etienne will celebrate a solemn Mass marking the end of the local observance of the Jubilee Year 2025 at St. James Cathedral in Seattle. It is the last opportunity to make a Jubilee Year pilgrimage to the Cathedral.

Join in person or watch by livestream on
Facebook, Vimeo or
YouTube @ArchdioceseofSeattle

YOU ARE NOT ALONE

A NATIONAL CATHOLIC INITIATIVE FOR MIGRANTS AND THEIR FAMILIES

You Are Not Alone is a national initiative of the Catholic Church offering hope, compassion, and practical support to immigrants across the United States. Rooted in the belief that every person is created in God's image, we provide resources and information through four pillars: legal-rights education, emergency assistance, pastoral care, and accompaniment during times of crisis—so that nobody has to face a time of such uncertainty alone.

Through parishes, ministries, Catholic Charities, and community partners, people of faith stand in solidarity with immigrant families through prayer, public witness, and direct support. Everyone is invited to get involved—join the movement, take the [Cabrini Pledge](#), or reach out directly for more information at notalone@uscgb.org.

JOIN THE MOVEMENT. STAND WITH IMMIGRANTS. SHARE GOD'S LOVE.



LEARN MORE OR GET CONNECTED:
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MASS INTENTIONS

Mass Intentions

Week of December 22 — December 26

Monday, December 22

Bill Franz †

Friday, December 26

Vincent Busono †



Behold, the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary your wife into your home. For it is through the Holy Spirit that this child has been conceived in her. She will bear a son and you are to name him Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins." — Mt 1:20-21

LIVE THE LITURGY

INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Sometimes we want God's instructions to be clear and precise — like the angel in Joseph's dream. But Joseph's understanding was only as strong as his devotion to God's will. If we give our lives to God as Joseph did, we will know what he asks of us.



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