

## WELCOME TO ST. JUDE

### Office Hours

Monday – Friday  
9:00am – 3:00pm

### Masses

Monday – Saturday  
8:00am

Saturday

Sunday Vigil Mass 5:00pm

Sunday

7:30am, 9:00am, 11:00am,  
1:00pm en Español

### Sacraments

#### Anointing of the Sick

Visits to the sick may be arranged by telephoning the parish office.

#### Baptism

Detailed information may be obtained by visiting our website [stjudeboca.org](http://stjudeboca.org) or calling the church office.

\*No baptism is considered booked until all paperwork is received.

#### Eucharist and Confirmation

Baptized persons wishing to receive these sacraments should contact the Religious Education office.

#### Marriage

Couples must call the Parish Office at least five months prior to the anticipated wedding date. For further information contact the Parish Office.

Do not book a reception hall until you have secured a date for church.

\*No date is confirmed until all paperwork is received.

#### Priesthood/Religious Life

If you would like to serve God by preaching the Word of Salvation, by celebrating the Sacraments and by serving those in need, you may have a vocation to the priesthood. Why not speak to a priest or a sister today or contact the Church Office for more information?

#### Reconciliation

Confessions are heard on Saturdays  
From 4pm to 4:30pm or by appointment.



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# BAPTISM of the LORD

“I, the LORD, have called you for justice, I have grasped you by the hand; I formed you, and set you as a covenant for the people, a light for the nations, to open the eyes of the blind, to bring out prisoners from confinement, and from the dungeon, those who live in darkness.”

Isaiah 42:6-7





My Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

It is my pleasure to share with you the 2026 Diocesan Services Appeal brochure. The theme of this year's appeal embraces Pope Leo's episcopal motto, "*In the One, we are one.*" These words are taken from St. Augustine's exposition on Psalm 127, where he explains that, although we Christians are many, in the one Christ we are one.

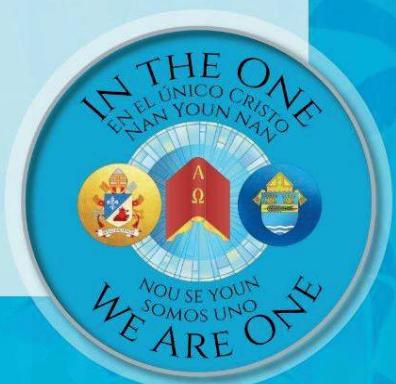
As we share this message, we keep in mind that, although there are many faithful members in the five diverse counties and 54 parishes/missions that make up the Diocese of Palm Beach, we are part of one community, one Church united in Christ. You will see in this brochure just a few of the many ways that your support of the Diocesan Services Appeal makes a vital impact on that community.

In the Gospel of St. Matthew, Jesus' final words were: "Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age." This is the Great Commission of evangelization entrusted by Christ to His Church.

By contributing to the efforts of the DSA, as the Church, you can be part of this mission of building community in the Diocese of Palm Beach. As one Church, united in Christ, I prayerfully ask you again to consider a gift to this year's Diocesan Services Appeal. Your participation in the appeal is a vital part of our ability to provide services for our Diocese and for those in need. I am deeply grateful for your previous generosity and continued prayers. Please know that I am praying for God's blessings on you and your family and that you have a renewed sense of hope this year.

With every prayerful wish, I am  
Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Gerald M. Barbarito, Bishop of Palm Beach



**Mass Intentions****Saturday, January 10th**

5:00 pm  
† Jim Turner by Brad & Tracy Esterman

**Sunday, January 11th**

7:30 am  
Intentions of All St. Jude Parishioners  
9:00 am  
† Patricia Niehoff by St. Jude Columbiettes  
11:00 am  
† Patrick Griffin by Mariann, Peter & Jamey  
1:00 pm  
Those in Hospice Care by Angelo Cifelli

**Monday, January 12th**

8:00 am  
Intentions of Marvelle D' Souza by Monteiro D' Souza family

**Tuesday, January 13th**

8:00 am  
Intentions of Steven Browne by Nancy Browne

**Wednesday, January 14th**

8:00 am  
† Jeannette C Carrington & Family by Cassini family

**Thursday, January 15th**

8:00 am  
† Loretta Steward by Nancy Browne

**Friday, January 16th**

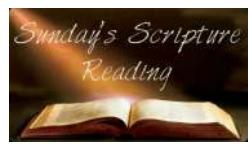
8:00 am  
Vocations to Carmelite Order

**Saturday, January 17th**

8:00 am  
† Mary Ann Sgarlato by Morrissey family  
5:00 pm  
† Carlos Maldonado by Carlos and Maria Bardagi

**Sunday, January 18th**

7:30 am  
† Donald E. Burke by Maureen Burke  
9:00 am  
Intentions of All St. Jude Parishioners  
11:00 am  
† Jill Graper by Erline Germinal  
1:00 pm  
† Rosa Villegas by Great grandchild, Dylan

**Scripture Readings for January 18th 2026**

**Isaiah 49:3, 5-6;**  
**Psalm 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10;**  
**1 Corinthians 1:1-3;**  
**John 1:29-34**

**...for those who are sick:**

Judy Aprilill, Bernard Bean,  
Stephen Castiglione, Mario Enrique Estrada,  
Lucas Alexander Garcia, Hunter Grayson Garcia, Monica Kirk,  
Robert Fryer, Zane Jordan, Mary La Bonte, Christine Mercugliano,  
Denise Negrin, Jimmy Madden, Robert McNicholas,  
John Marzuk, Josephine Sapone, Alan Schwartz, Tali  
**...for all those who have died**

**...for our deployed service members:**

LT Christopher Anderson, Lt. Daniel V. Adams, Naval Aviator,  
A.J. Barbaria, Navy, Gabriella Fasano, U.S. Navy, Camp  
David Michael Fink, Navy Seal, ENS Corey Mullane, USN,  
Cmdr. Derek Murphy in Iraq, Lucas Lima, US Army,  
SG T. Jeff Troisi in Iraq, SGT. Jacob Dayman-Chavira in Iraq,  
Parker Poloskey, Lt. Lauren Vernazza, USN,  
VADM Michael Vernazza, USN, Lt. Joseph Wright

Lord, please hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless act they perform for us in our time of need. We ask this in the name of Jesus, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

\*\*Names stay on the prayer list for approximately 2 months

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 **DIOCESE OF PALM BEACH 2026 Anniversary Masses**

Bishop Gerald Barbarito will celebrate the 42nd Annual Anniversary Masses for Married Couples who will be celebrating 25, 40, 50 or more years of marriage during the year 2026.

**Saturday February 14, 2026**  
10:00 AM  
St. Lucie Catholic Church  
280 SW Prima Vista Boulevard  
Port St. Lucie, FL 34983

**Saturday February 21, 2026**  
10:30 AM  
St. Jude Catholic Church  
21689 Toledo Road  
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To register contact the parish office at (561) 392-8172.

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**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR SUNDAY BREAKFAST IN THE GATHERING PLACE**



Volunteers Needed for Sunday Breakfast Preparation. We are seeking volunteers to assist with the preparation of coffee and food for the Sunday Breakfast. Any amount of time you can contribute between 7 a.m. and noon would be greatly appreciated.

Additionally, volunteers are needed to pick up items from the Publix bakery on Saturday night. Once collected, these items will be transferred to the kitchen in the gathering place for serving to parishioners on Sunday morning.

If you're able to help, please reach out to:  
John Wyns: (561-213-3009)  
Tim Stultz: (561-702-7455)

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Creating a Safer Community Together

The Diocese of Palm Beach is deeply committed to protecting the most vulnerable among us, especially children and vulnerable adults. The **Office of Safe Environments** is a trusted resource for families, educators, and community members who want to ensure safety is always a priority. Explore <https://www.diocesepb.org/safe-environments.html> to find:

- Clear policies and procedures that promote accountability
- Educational tools and training programs
- Background screening guidelines
- Tips for staying safe both online and in everyday life
- Parenting insights and links to helpful websites

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## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION & FAITH FORMATION

### JESUS STEPS INTO THE WATER



The Baptism of the Lord reminds us who Jesus is and what He came to do. He walks into the Jordan River, not because He needs to, but to show us the way. This moment tells us that Jesus is ready to serve. He stands with us, not above us. Jesus, though without sin, was baptized to fulfill all righteousness and receive the Holy Spirit. This moment shows us how our own baptism forgives sin, brings us into God's family, and equips us with new life. Just as Jesus changed the world after His baptism, we are called to do the same; to follow Jesus' example, to trust in the Holy Spirit, and to share God's love with others.

As Jesus comes out of the water, something amazing happens. The Holy Spirit comes down like a dove. God speaks from heaven, *"This is My Beloved Son; with Whom I am well-pleased"*, and Jesus is revealed as the Son of God. This public affirmation makes it clear that Jesus has been chosen to fulfill God's mission. This is the first clear sign that Jesus is sent by God to bring peace and healing.

The Baptism of the Lord is not only about what happened that day. It also points to our own baptism. Like Jesus, we are called to live with love and to follow God's path each day. This feast invites us to remember that we belong to God too. At our own baptisms, we were given the light of Christ, symbolized by the baptismal candle. This light is not just a symbol but a mission. We are called to bring hope and goodness to those around us. We do this by showing kindness, standing up for what is right, and sharing our faith.

Baptism is not just a one-time event but a way of life. It reminds us to follow Jesus and shine His light in our homes, communities, and workplaces. When we live this way, we fulfill our baptismal call and become lights for the world. The Holy Spirit helps us to make good choices and to stay faithful to God. Through prayer and the sacraments, we can grow closer to the Spirit and receive the strength we need. The Baptism of the Lord encourages us to open our hearts to the Holy Spirit and trust in His guidance.

John the Baptist worked so tirelessly to prepare a path for the Lord. In humility, he says to Jesus: *"I need to be baptized by You, and yet You are coming to me?"* God chose John the Baptist to be a part of the first public act of the Messiah; what a blessed day that must have been for him!

Susan

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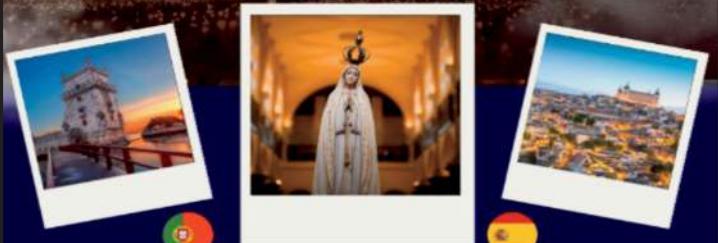


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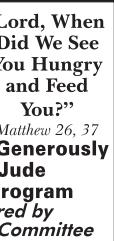
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