

## 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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# APRIL Is Child Abuse Prevention Month

Every April, Catholic parishes and schools across the United States participate in National Child Abuse Prevention Month.



## The Effects of ABUSE

When a child is abused, the effects are grave and can last a lifetime. Some of the most common effects of abuse include:

- Loss of faith and trust in God.
- Post-traumatic stress disorder, psychological distress, and other indirect signs of trauma, such as anxiety, trouble sleeping, chronic stomach pain, and headaches.
- A greater risk of developing behavioral problems, substance abuse, and suicide.

The sense of violation goes deep into a person's psyche and feelings of anger, shame, hurt, and betrayal can build long after the abuse has taken place.

## Steps to Prevent ABUSE

### *Communicate with Your Children*

It is extremely important to communicate openly with your children. Let them know that they can talk to you about anything that bothers them. This will help you identify warning signs and grooming behaviors perpetrated by offenders before they escalate to abuse.

### *Educate Yourself and Your Children on Abuse*

Learning how to identify, prevent, and report abuse is key. Parents and guardians should empower their children to protect themselves from harm and to report abuse. Ask your diocesan safe environment coordinator or parish delegate about opportunities for safe environment training.

### *Identify and Report Warning Signs of Child Abusers*

Grooming behaviors are the actions abusers take to project the image that they are kind, generous, caring people, while their intent is to lure a minor into an inappropriate relationship. Offenders can be patient and may groom their victim, his or her family, or community for years.

Some abusers isolate a potential victim by giving him or her undue attention or lavish gifts, while others allow young people to participate in activities which their parents or guardians would not approve, such as watching pornography, drinking alcohol, using drugs, and excessive touching, such as wrestling and tickling. Abusers also often try to isolate their victims from family or friends and encourage their victims to keep secrets from their parents or other caring adults.

## Holding Offenders ACCOUNTABLE

To help hold offenders accountable, report all suspected abuse to local public authorities. You can also contact your local diocesan victim assistance coordinator to make a report and seek outreach for the abused.

In accordance with diocesan policy, when a single act of sexual abuse is admitted or established, the offender is to be removed permanently from ministry.



"Let it be clear that before these abominations the Church will spare no effort to do all that is necessary to bring to justice whosoever has committed such crimes . . . To those who abuse minors I would say this: convert and hand yourself over to human justice, and prepare for divine justice."

—Pope Francis, Dec. 21, 2018



*Mass Intentions*

**Saturday, April 25th**

5:00 pm  
 † Jose Abraham Andrade Coito by Adelayde Wojtowicz

**Sunday, April 26th**

7:30 am  
 † Rev. Pedro Arrupe S.J. by John Sause  
 9:00 am  
 † Carmen Tajes Fernandez by Diamond Uhia & family  
 11:00 am  
 † Mildred Noviello by Paige Brennan  
 1:00 pm  
 Intentions of All St. Jude Parishioners

**Monday, April 27th**

8:00 am  
 † Robert Barry Sause by John Sause

**Tuesday, April 28th**

8:00 am  
 Intentions of all Sisters of the Traveling Relic of St. Gianna by Theresa Volpe

**Wednesday, April 29th**

8:00 am  
 † Duncan Ferguson by Christine Ferguson

**Thursday, April 30th**

8:00 am  
 Those in Hospice Care by Angelo Cifelli

**Friday, May 1st**

8:00 am  
 Those in Hospice Care by Angelo Cifelli

**Saturday, May 2nd**

5:00 pm  
 Intentions of All St. Jude Parishioners

**Sunday, May 3rd**

7:30 am  
 † Abbot Seamus Kuebler O.S.A. by John Sause  
 9:00 am  
 † Saverina & Victor Perez by Louis Perez  
 11:00 am  
 † Richard O'Connell by Paige Brennan  
 1:00 pm  
 † Nicolo Zaza by Natalia Zaza & Son



*Scripture Readings for May 3 2026*

*Acts 6:1-7;  
 Psalm 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19;  
 1 Peter 2:4-9;  
 John 14:1-12*

*...for those who are sick:*

Judy Aprill, 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, Alan Schwartz, Tali

*...for all those who have died*

*...for our deployed service members:*

LT Christopher Anderson, 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, Grant Willis-Air Force,  
 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

**These special candles will be lit**

*April 26th thru May 2nd  
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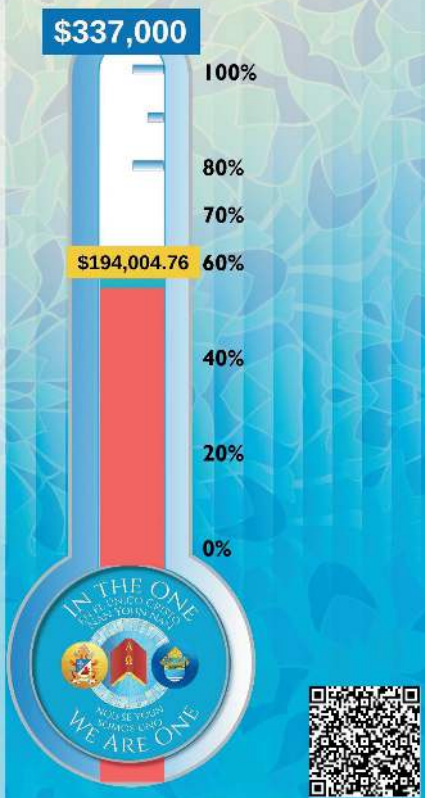


*In our parish...*



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Blessings to you and your Family.



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A rosary will be prayed on Wednesday, May 13th at 6:00pm in honor of Our Lady's 1st Apparition at Fatima.

Please join us in the Gathering Place to pay homage to the Blessed Mother.



**GRIEF SUPPORT MEETING**

Grief support meetings are every Tuesdays at 5:30 pm in Mt. Carmel Hall.

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## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION & FAITH FORMATION

### FIRST RECONCILIATION

The Religious Education students preparing for First Holy Communion recently celebrated the **Sacrament of First Reconciliation**, marking an important step in their faith journey. The following day, Fr. John visited their classroom to speak with them about their experience inviting them to share how they felt both during and after their confessions.

What followed was truly heartwarming. The students responded with a sense of joy, relief, and even excitement, expressing in their own simple and sincere ways the peace they felt after receiving God’s mercy. This graphic highlights the very words the students used to describe how they felt.

Their reflections were pure and honest, offering a beautiful glimpse into the openness of their hearts. Moments like these serve as a powerful reminder of the grace present in the sacraments and the deep, genuine faith of our young people.



### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Now, please join me in joyfully congratulating these same students who received the Sacrament of **First Holy Communion** on Saturday, April 18th. Having been prepared through Reconciliation, they came to the table of the Lord with open and renewed hearts - a beautiful witness to God’s grace at work in them. May the peace of Christ remain with them today and always, guiding them as they continue to grow in faith.

Dylan Souza Amaral  
 Thomas Cordeiro Anderson  
 Benjamin Alexander Assaf  
 Julia Demello Bihl  
 Linda Valentina Brackin  
 Zoe Campos Jameson  
 Brianna Blake Case  
 Sophia Choma  
 Giovanna Condatore  
 Daniel Izidio Maizia Dasilva  
 Noel Emmanuel Davila

Charlotte Elizabeth Dye  
 Emma Carolina Fermin  
 Luke Thomas Ferreira Barbosa  
 Noah William Ferreira Barbosa  
 Benjamin Xavier Goldberg  
 Landon Sergei Jorth  
 Keegan Christopher Kasper  
 Liam Thomas Kiley  
 Avery Ruth Kontos  
 Carly Addison Marzuk  
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 Mackenzie Taylor Rabinowitz

Santiago Alonso Ramirez  
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 Frank Michael Tedeschi, Jr.  
 Juan Pablo Valero  
 Paul Niklaus Vollbracht Carrero  
 Alice Rose Zanchin  
 Liam Miguel Zayas  
 Leo James Zelaya  
 Valentina Snow Zelaya  
 Mia Grace Zeppetella

Today marks the final day of Religious Education classes for this school year! Registration for the 2026 - 2027 program will open on July 1st. Please keep an eye on the parish bulletin and our website, [stjudeboca.org](http://stjudeboca.org) for additional details and updates.

In His service,  
*Susan*



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Matthew 26, 37

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