

MINISTRIES FOR ADULTS

0100 LITURGY

0101 Lectors

Proclaim scripture at assigned Masses. Mass preferences accommodated.

0102 Ushers

Assist parishioners in finding seats, distribute collection baskets, bring offerings to celebrant, and distribute church bulletins after Mass. Mass preferences accommodated.

0103 Mass Greeters

Provide a friendly greeting to people as they arrive for Mass. Mass preferences accommodated.

0104 Offertory Gifts

Bring offerings to celebrant during Mass. Mass preferences accommodated.

0105 Art and Environment

Make liturgical banners and altar cloths as needed, as well as baptismal gowns for babies. Arrange flowers and provide a liturgical environment for special occasions, e.g., Christmas, Holy Week, Easter.

0106 Children's Liturgy of the Word

The purpose is to proclaim the Gospel message in a way appealing to children from Preschool through Grade 6. Held during the 10:30 am Sunday Mass. Volunteers plan the liturgy and are called upon every 1 to 2 months. Materials are provided.

0107 Music, Ex Cordibus Notris, 5:30 Saturday

This choir sings at the 5:30 pm Saturday Mass. Rehearsal times vary.

0108 Music, Emmaus 8:00 Sunday

This group provides music at the 8:00 am Sunday Mass. Rehearsal times vary.

0109 Music, Chaverim 10:30 Sunday

This group provides music at the 10:30 am Sunday Mass. Rehearsal times vary.

0110 Music, Schola Cantorum, 12:15 Sunday

This group provides music at the 12:15 pm Sunday Mass. Rehearsal times vary.

0111 Music, 5:30 Sunday

This group provides music on Sundays at 5:30 pm. Rehearsal times vary.

0200 EDUCATION

0201 School Committee

Advise the pastor and principal on policy matters involving staffing, curriculum, development, finance, and enrollment. Committee meets once per month during the school year.

0202 Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) Sponsor

Serve as a companion to a catechumen or candidate seeking knowledge about the Catholic faith. Sponsors are asked to attend weekly sessions. Training is provided. Sponsors must be confirmed and actively practicing Catholics in good standing with the Church.

0203 RCIA Team Member

RCIA team members participate by providing coordination assistance, discussion facilitation, and faith formation instruction.

0204 Children's RCIA

Serve as catechist for children Grades 3 through 8 seeking knowledge about the Catholic faith.

0205 RCIA Hospitality

Assist or coordinate 1 or more hospitality needs, e.g., refreshments for weekly sessions, receptions, Advent brunch, retreat.

0206 Parish Religious Ed (PRE)

This program assists parents in guiding their children on their spiritual journey. The program is designed for all children Kindergarten through Grade 8, and meets Wednesday evenings September to May. Opportunity to serve as instructor; training is provided.

0207 Special Religious Ed

Classes are conducted for children with physical or developmental disabilities who are in need of individual attention. Some experience relating to persons with physical and/or developmental challenges is desirable but not necessary.

0208 Adult Religious Education

Come prepared to learn, discuss, and explore topics of our Catholic faith.

0209 Confirmation Program

Serve as adult leader for small groups during Confirmation preparation. Classes are held Sunday evenings from September to May. No experience is required, just a genuine desire to work with teens. Leader must be Confirmed and manuals are provided.

0210 Baptismal Preparation

Preparation classes for registered parents are held every other month on a Sunday from 1:30 to 3:30 pm. Volunteer opportunity for couples to present a session on how baptism has affected their lives.

0211 Marriage Preparation

Couple volunteers can provide sessions to engaged couples to help prepare them for marriage.

0212 Vacation Bible School

Help to plan, prepare, and produce a memorable Bible School experience. Resource materials are provided. Volunteers attend planning meetings and the 1-week Bible School in the summer.

0213 Couple to Couple League

Natural Family Planning is the God-given way to plan families. The League is a group of couples who learn, practice, and teach this relationship-enhancing technique.

0214 Parish Library

Maintain book catalog and neatness of library. Review books for the church bulletin and newsletter. No experience necessary.

0300 SPIRITUAL LIFE

0301 Rosary Group

Regular or occasional participation by any parishioner is welcomed. The group meets regularly after the 8:15 am Mass to pray the rosary for petitions listed in the Chapel book, all the sick in the parish, and other intentions.

0302 Rosary in Spanish

Parishioners gather in the church to pray the rosary in Spanish every Wednesday morning following the 8:15 am Mass.

0303 Prayer Help Line

This ministry answers requests for emergency prayers. Participants in this ministry can offer prayers from home, work, or church. Participants call one another in a chain-like fashion when urgent prayers are requested.

0304 Liturgy of the Hours

Liturgy of the Hours, or Divine Office, enriched by readings, is principally a prayer of praise and petition. All religious vocations are called to recite the Divine Office daily. All parishioners are invited to join in the Morning Prayer at 7:50 am in the chapel (before the 8:15 am weekday Masses.)

0305 Eucharistic Adoration

Opportunities for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament are available between 6 am and 9 pm, Monday through Friday. Rotating and permanent hours of devotion can be scheduled. If you cannot attend on a regular basis, your presence, whenever you can come, is always welcomed.

0306 Secular Franciscan Order

A canonically established Order founded by St. Francis of Assisi for lay people who seek to live the Gospel life as modeled by St. Francis. Members meet once per month and are professed following a 2½-year formation process.

0307 Intercessors of the Lamb

Learn the techniques and discipline of intercessory prayer with an emphasis on personal holiness and a relationship with the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

0308 Traveling Vocations Chalice

St. Jude has a Chalice that is sent home with a parishioner each week. The parishioner and family then include a prayer for vocations in their daily prayers. Become involved with this ministry if you are willing to take the Chalice home for a week and pray for religious vocations.

0309 Blessed Mother Teresa Vocations Group

If you recognize the need for an increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life and believe that prayer, petition, and parish involvement are vital to accomplish this, consider this important ministry. Group meets once per month with ongoing activities.

0310 St. Therese of Lisieux

This prayer group is open to all parish women. It meets each Wednesday morning at 9 am in the PLC Library (bring rosary).

0311 Men's Prayer Group

This is a prayer-based group and provides support to men on their individual spiritual journeys. While this group is Cursillo-oriented, it is open to all men in the parish. They meet every Saturday morning at 6:30 am in the PLC.

0312 Enthronement Promoter

This ministry encourages the enthronement of the Sacred Heart of Jesus in the domestic church – your home. Promoters assist the priests, deacons, and families in preparation as well as in the ceremony.

0313 Parish Missions

Volunteer opportunity for people to plan and implement parish missions.

0400 FAMILY LIFE

0401 Young Adults

Those 21 to 40 years old (single or married) meet for spiritual, social, athletic, cultural, and recreational activities. This group meets Wednesday nights at 7:30 pm.

0402 Young Marrieds

For young married couples who would like to establish friendships with other young married couples within our parish.

0403 St. Joseph Young Family Guild

This guild is open to all young families and provides opportunities for spiritual and social interaction on a monthly basis.

0404 Moms & Tots

Provide a climate of activities to benefit the well being of children and their mothers.

0405 Chattanooga Catholic Singles

The Chattanooga Catholic Singles group welcomes singles from Chattanooga area churches to join in friendship and fun. Any Catholic single, age 21 to 40, is welcome.

0500 WORK WITH YOUTH

0501 Boy Scouts

Work with youth 11 to 18 years old involved in Scouting and help build the leaders of tomorrow. Volunteers serve as leaders or help with merit badges, camp-outs, transportation, etc. They meet every other Sunday afternoon in the Scout Room. Both regular and occasional participation are welcomed.

0502 Cub Scouts

Work with youth 6 to 11 years old involved in Scouting and help build the leaders of tomorrow. Pack meetings are Tuesday evenings at 7 pm for 1 hour. Help with camp-outs or the pinewood derby. Both regular and occasional participation are welcomed.

0503 Girl Scouts

Be a good steward of your time and help the Girl Scouts. Work and have fun with girls from Kindergarten through middle-school age. There are several troops that meet after school and in the evening. Both regular and occasional participation is welcomed.

0504 Coach Youth Sports

Participate in youth sports as a coach or assistant coach, or field/gym volunteer for setup, cleanup, ticket sales, or snack sales. Participants may choose sport(s) of interest.

0505 Youth Ministry Adult Team

Be an active part of the advising, planning, organizing, facilitating, scheduling, chaperoning, and other volunteer opportunities in the Youth Ministry program. Have fun working with our future leaders by facilitating small group discussions or helping with service projects, retreats, fundraisers, meals, or trips—and more! Please plan to attend VIRTUS training. This team meets about once a month.

0506 Youth Ministry Pinch Hitters

For those who want to get involved with Youth Ministry on an on-call basis: chaperoning, driving, helping with service projects, and other volunteer opportunities. Please call or email the Youth Minister and specify which call list: Senior High (9-12), Junior High (6-8), or both.

0600 PARISH LIFE

0601 Secretarial/ Misc. Office

Assist parish staff with various tasks as needed, e.g., preparing bulk mailings by copying and/or folding documents.

0602 Photography

Photograph church functions or activities as requested.

0603 Newsletter

Edit or write articles for the newsletter as assigned.

0604 Web Site Maintenance

Help maintain the parish web site. Participants need to have a computer and Internet access. Experience in website development is desirable but not necessary.

0605 Altar Society

Teams of 6 to 10 parishioners prepare the church for Masses and special occasions. Activities are performed during the day, and each team works every 2 to 3 months.

0606 Maintenance/Repairs

Perform landscape maintenance and/or minor repairs to church property. Work times can be arranged to accommodate most schedules.

0607 Parish Grounds Beautification

This ministry is open to parishioners willing to take on a portion of the parish grounds (shrub or flower bed) and maintain it (weed, feed, replace plants as necessary).

0608 Stewardship Committee

Provide assistance to the pastor in all matters relating to stewardship opportunities for parishioners and the parish.

0609 Knights of Columbus

This fraternal service group is open to all Catholic men. The K of C serves the parish community, family, and youth.

0610 Council of Catholic Women (CCW)

All parish women are automatically members of the CCW. This organization provides religious and social activities for parish women and practices stewardship through community works.

0611 Religious Articles

Sell religious articles at the Stepping Stones counter before and after Masses. Mass preferences accommodated.

0612 Out to Lunch Bunch

The purpose of this group is to promote parish community. It is open to all men and women and meets each Wednesday at 11:30 am for food and conversation at different community restaurants.

0613 Books & Lemonade

Participants gather once per month to discuss pre-selected books. The group is open to men and women of all adult ages.

0614 Bridge Group

This group meets on the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month at 10 am. All parishioners are welcome to participate, either regularly or occasionally.

0615 First Friday Breakfast

This ministry prepares and serves breakfast to parishioners on the First Friday of the month. Parishioners gather for breakfast and fellowship in the PLC after the morning Mass.

0616 Parish Nursery

Provide help in the parish nursery during the 10:30 am Sunday Mass and during special parish activities.

0617 Parish Picnic

This ministry is open to parishioners willing to help organize and/or implement this event in October (to celebrate the anniversary of the formation of St. Jude Church).

0618 Coffee & Donuts

After all three Sunday morning Masses, coffee and donuts are provided to promote fellowship between parishioners. Volunteers take turns either picking up and delivering donuts to the church or hosting each gathering. Hosts will perform easy setup and cleanup tasks. Volunteers are always welcome and it is a great way to meet people.

0619 Newcomers Welcome

This ministry contacts and welcomes all parish newcomers. Involvement includes a few telephone calls a month and manning a newcomers table after Mass once a month.

0620 Parish Nurse Ministry

Registered Nurses (RNs) trained through the Memorial Hospital Parish Nurse Program. Visit sick parishioners and their family at home. Provide medical information to the family but do not dispense medication or perform other medical tasks. Visitations are arranged through the parish office.

0621 Wellness Cabinet

This ministry prepares programs for parishioners that promote a healthy body, mind, and spirit. These programs are offered periodically and open to everyone.

0622 Homebound Visitation

Visit homebound members of our parish. Visitors will receive 1 or more persons to visit on a continuing basis.

0623 Legion of Mary Visitation

Practice your stewardship by visiting the sick and elderly of our parish. Also provide transportation to our youth Legion of Mary visitation members.

0624 Helping Hands

Provide a variety of services to parishioners in need including transportation, preparing food, yard work, minor repairs, etc.

0625 Bereavement Support

Provide assistance to families at the time of a death of an immediate loved one. Support includes assisting at funeral Masses, playing the organ at funeral, visiting funeral home to pray Rosary and be of assistance, providing food for funeral day, serving food on funeral day, making phone calls for food drop off, house-sitting, or baby-sitting.

0700 SOCIAL ACTION

0701 Alternative Gifts Fair

Serve as a member of a team coordinating this annual event occurring in November. Activities include publicity, coordination of community agencies, and refreshments.

0702 St. Jude Pro-Life Ministry

Goal is to provide a St. Jude parish focus on protection of human life from conception to natural death.

0703 Chattanoogaans for Life

This ministry addresses community-wide efforts to promote protection of human life from conception to natural death.

0704 Rosary Makers

This group makes rosaries for distribution throughout the United States. They meet every Thursday evening at 7:30 pm in PLC. Instructions and materials provided. Frequent or occasional participation is welcomed, as well as making rosaries at home.

0705 God's Quilts

Join others in making quilts or sleeping bags for the homeless and needy people. Knowledge of quilting is not necessary. Meet every Monday at 9:30 am in the PLC. Routine or occasional participation is welcomed.

0706 Community Kitchen

Prepare and serve meals to the homeless under the direction of the Community Kitchen manager. Children at least 10 years old may volunteer if accompanied by a parent.

0707 Food Bank

Participants fill boxes with nonperishable food items that go to the needy. They also can deliver prepared food in a refrigerated truck on Monday or Thursday. Participants need to be available during normal work hours.

0708 Ladies of Charity

This is a charitable, non-profit volunteer organization of men and women from all Chattanooga parishes. They operate a resale store, the proceeds of which, along with donations, provide funds for assistance to needy families.

0709 Catholic Charities

Volunteer opportunities include interviewing clients, clerical assistance, and other office-type activities Monday through Friday, 8 am to 4:30 pm. They also have need of volunteers for their special projects, e.g., Thanksgiving and Christmas food basket preparation and delivery.

0710 Catholic Charities – Pregnancy Help Center

Volunteer opportunities include answering the telephone, sorting donated items, assisting with fund-raising, and counseling clients.

0711 Catholic Charities – Interfaith Senior Services

Volunteers help by driving seniors to doctor appointments.

0712 Room in the Inn

Room in the Inn is a shelter for abused or battered women and their children. Teams of 2 to 4 people purchase and prepare an evening meal for 20 to 30 residents.

0713 The Home Place

This is a residence for people who are HIV positive and who otherwise may be homeless. Volunteers in this ministry help by being a friend, preparing a meal, providing transportation, cleaning, painting, etc.

0714 Chattanooga Endeavors

Provide help for special mailings and events. This organization helps former prison inmates rejoin the community.

0715 Interfaith Homeless Network

IHN is a national organization that works with a variety of churches to house families that have become homeless. Volunteer opportunities include setting up the FLC as a home, bringing meals or supplies, providing transportation, visiting with the guests each evening, staying as an overnight host, and taking down and packing up at the end of the week.

0716 Hospital Hospitality

Provide approximately 25 individually wrapped snacks for hospitality basket in Memorial North Park Hospital emergency waiting room on Wednesdays. Can choose a week or a month.

0717 Good Samaritan Collection

Support the parish Good Samaritan Collection by bringing needed items to Mass on the first Sunday of the month.

0718 University of Tennessee at Chattanooga (UTC) Suppers

Volunteer once a month to help prepare and serve a meal for UTC students at the Campus Center. Learn what is going on in the lives of our college students.

0719 Blood Donations

Routinely donate blood to Blood Assurance and the American Red Cross. Participate in scheduled Bloodmobile drives at St. Jude.

0720 Haiti Mission

Promote parish support of our sister parish in Haiti through education,

advertisement, or exhibits.

0721 National and International Outreach

Volunteer opportunities for people who are interested in the work of missions and social outreach, for both emergency situations and for ongoing outreach.

MINISTRIES FOR YOUTH

1000 LITURGY

1001 Youth/Children's Choir

Open to all youth who want to be part of a church choir. Practices are held on Tuesday evenings, and the choir sings on Saturday evenings once a month.

1002 Youth Mass

Takes place once a month. Needed are: **Lectors**—Proclaim scripture readings and intercessory petitions. **Ushers**—Assist parishioners in finding seats, distribute collection baskets, bring offerings to celebrant, and distribute church bulletins after Mass. **Offertory Gifts**—Bring collection baskets, bread, and wine to celebrant. **Mass Greeters**—Provide a friendly greeting to people as they arrive for Mass.

1003 Altar Servers

Open to all youth 10 years old or above. Assist the celebrant of Mass as an altar server. Training is provided, and Mass preferences can be accommodated.

1004 Participate in Children's Liturgy of the Word

This is open to all children from Preschool through Grade 6 during the 10:30 am Sunday Mass.

1100 EDUCATION

1101 Vacation Bible School Aide

Volunteers 13 years old and above may assist Bible School leaders with activities, games, snacks, etc. VBS is held 1 week each summer.

1102 Parish Religious Ed (PRE)

The PRE program is open to all children from Kindergarten through Grade 8. This program teaches Catholic doctrine, and the participants are enriched spiritually. Participants meet Wednesday evenings, September to May.

1103 Special Religious Ed

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1104 Children's RCIA

For children in Grades 3 through 8 seeking knowledge about the Catholic faith.

1105 Confirmation Program

The Confirmation program is for all St. Jude Parish teens who are 15 years of age (or 10th grade) or above. The program offers teens a special introduction to spirituality—to Christian life in the Spirit—and draws the candidate into full participation in the life of the parish community (worship and ministries.) Each candidate is required to attend 2 retreats, complete 12 hours of community service, and regularly attend Confirmation sessions. Sessions meet Sunday evenings from September to May.

1200 SPIRITUAL LIFE

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1300 YOUTH ACTIVITIES

1301 Boy Scout Member

St. Jude Parish has an active Boy Scout program. This program is the oldest organization in St. Jude Parish and has 10 times the national average of Eagle Scouts. Scouting is open to all boys ages 10½ to 18. They meet every other Sunday afternoon in the Scout Room of the Family Life Center and in addition have a monthly camping or outdoor activity.

1302 Cub Scout Member

St. Jude Parish has an active Cub Scout program. This program is open to all boys ages 6 to 11. There are several dens with various meeting times and locations; therefore, a den should be available to match your schedule.

1303 Girl Scout Member

Be a good steward of your time by joining the Girl Scouts. Girls can join the Scouting program in Kindergarten and continue through middle school. There are several troops that meet after school and in the evening.

1304 Jr. High Youth Group

Come and join your friends and make some new ones. This group is open to all youth Grades 6 to 8. Participate in meetings, prayer services, retreats, lock-ins, fundraisers, service projects, trips, and more!

1305 Sr. High Youth Group

Come and join your friends and make some new ones. This group is open to all youth Grades 9 to 12. Participate in meetings, prayer services, retreats, lock-ins, fundraisers, service projects, trips, and more!

1400 PARISH LIFE

1401 Sunday Nursery

A nursery is offered at the 10:30 am Sunday Mass and at special parish activities. If you are at least 14 years old, have attended the YMCA babysitting course, and have been trained in First Aid and CPR, you can volunteer in this ministry.

1402 Parish Picnic

Help build community in the parish: volunteer to help implement this event.

1403 Legion of Mary Visitation

Practice your stewardship by visiting the sick and elderly of our parish.

1404 Helping Hands

With parent assistance, provide a variety of services to parishioners in need including preparing food and doing yard work.

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1504 Good Samaritan Collection

Support the parish Good Samaritan Collection by bringing needed items to Mass on the first Sunday of the month.

1505 UTC Suppers

Families may volunteer once a month to help prepare and serve a meal at the Campus Center for students of the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga (UTC).