



Shrine of Saint Jude Thaddeus

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Now in our Ninety-First Anniversary.

Saint Jude Novena Edition – October 20-28, 2026

Calendar of Events 2026-2027

Month of All Souls
November 2–30

Christmas Novena
Dec. 25, 2026–Jan. 2, 2027

Lourdes Novena
February 3–11

Easter Novena
March 28–April 5

St. Peregrine Novena
April 23–May 1

Mother's Day Novena
May 1–9

Sacred Heart of Jesus Novena
May 27–June 4

Father's Day Novena
June 12–20

St. Monica Triduum
August 25–27

The Shrine of St. Jude is a ministry of prayer of the Western Dominican Province that fosters devotion to St. Jude Thaddeus, “Patron of Difficult and Desperate Cases,” thereby bringing devotees to a deeper faith and closer relationship with Jesus Christ. The Shrine supports the education of young men preparing to be priests of the Dominican Order.

Dear Friends of St. Jude Thaddeus,

When we are confronted with great challenges, to the point of feeling overwhelmed, our temptation is to throw in the towel.

But our glorious Patron, St. Jude, offers us words of wisdom in his epistle, written to Christians who were also facing seemingly impossible challenges. The early Church was persecuted, infiltrated by false prophets, and threatened by division. St. Jude encourages them: “But as for you, beloved, build up yourselves upon your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Spirit, keeping yourselves in the love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto life everlasting.”

These words offer us a roadmap for how to live in a world burdened by so many challenges: build up your faith, pray in hope, and remain in the love of God.

To this end, I encourage all of you to participate in our annual Solemn Novena to Saint Jude Thaddeus and Pilgrimage, so that you can put your faith, hope, and love into action.

This year, I've invited Fr. Brad Elliott, O.P., to preach the St. Jude Novena.

Fr. Brad comes to us from our Dominican School of Philosophy and Theology in Berkeley, where he currently teaches moral theology.

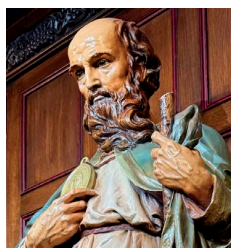
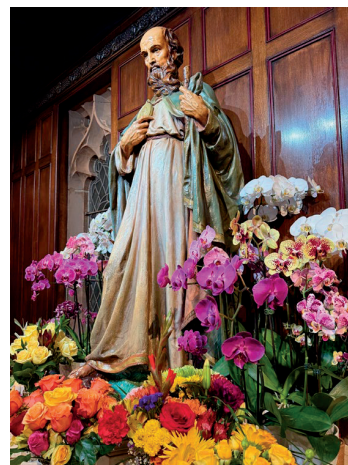
I've been trying to get him to us for a couple of years now, but we weren't able to work it out. So I'm especially excited to have him with us this year—he's a very dynamic preacher!

I hope to see ALL OF YOU there. And if you don't usually come to St. Dominic's to hear the preaching, I encourage you to stop by! If you're not able to attend in person, as always, the homilies will be available on our usual platforms: YouTube, Spotify, and Apple Podcasts.

Be assured of my prayers as we approach the great feast of St. Jude!

In Christ and St. Jude,

Fr. Elias Guadalupe Ford, O.P.
Director



Saint Jude Novena Spiritual Bouquet The Patron Saint of Hope

Dear Fr. Elias,
Please pray for my loved ones listed below and for my special intentions during the **Saint Jude Novena** at the Shrine of St. Jude Thaddeus, **October 20-28, 2026**.

Donation: \$ _____

Name: _____

Please mail this form to **The St. Jude Shrine • PO Box 15368 • San Francisco, CA 94115-0368**; or drop it off at the Shrine.

Did you know...?

You can perpetually enroll yourself or a loved one in our Apostolate of St. Jude. Those enrolled, living or deceased, are remembered daily in the prayers and good works of the Dominican Order, as well as in our solemn novenas and Masses throughout the year. Individuals and families may be enrolled, and each receives a beautiful certificate as a keepsake. We are pleased to introduce our new certificate, designed by student friar Br. Jude DuCharme, O.P., and his talented mother, Mrs. DuCharme. We invite you to enroll yourself or a loved one in these perpetual prayers. For more information, contact our office or visit our website.

St. Jude Annual Pilgrimage
Saturday, October 24th

See flyer enclosed for more details

St. Jude Feast Day Masses
Wednesday, October 28th
8:00 am – English
11:00 am – Spanish
1:30 pm – Spanish
5:30 pm – English

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Novena Schedule
October 20-28

The Novena Masses will be followed by the blessing with the Relics of St. Jude (Except Saturday Vigil and Sunday Masses.)

Monday-Friday
Confessions and Rosary:
7:40 am and 5:10 pm
Masses: 8:00 am and 5:30 pm*

Saturday
Confessions and Rosary: 8:40 am
Masses: 9:00 am* and 5:30 pm – Vigil for Sunday.

Sunday
Confessions prior to each Mass.
Masses: 7:30 am, 9:30 am*, 11:30 am, 1:30 pm* (Spanish), and 5:30 pm.

* Live Streamed also

YouTube Channels:
St. Jude Shrine San Francisco
@sfsaintjude or St. Dominic’s Church
San Francisco @stdominicansanfrancisco

“Surrendering our lives
to God through the
intercession of
Saint Jude.”



Fr. Bradley Thomas Elliott, OP
Novena Preacher

Fr. Brad Elliott was raised in Dayton Ohio and studied Jazz percussion at the University of Cincinnati College Conservatory of Music. After being raised as a Missouri Synod Lutheran he entered the Catholic Church in 2002. After ten years as a professional drum set player and feeling a call to commit himself entirely to Jesus Christ, Fr. Brad chose to leave the music industry and become a Dominican friar within Western Dominican Province. He was ordained to the priesthood of Jesus Christ on June 22, 2018, at St. Dominic’s Church in San Francisco, California. In 2025, Fr. Brad completed a Doctorate in Sacred Theology at the Catholic University of America, focusing on Catholic Social Thought. He is currently a professor of Moral Theology at the Dominican School of Philosophy and Theology in Berkeley, California.

Remember the St. Jude
Shrine in Your Estate

Extend your legacy of devotion to St. Jude and share it with the world by remembering the Shrine in your will, trust, or other beneficiary documents. Simply contact your attorney or plan advisor and ask them to include us under the following name and contact:

Western Dominican Province
dba Shrine of St. Jude Thaddeus
5877 Birch Court
Oakland, CA 94618
Tax ID: 94-6081023

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Novena Prayer to
St. Jude Thaddeus

St. Jude, glorious apostle, faithful servant and friend of Jesus, the name of the traitor has caused you to be forgotten by many. But the Church honors and invokes you universally as the patron of difficult and desperate cases. Pray for me who am in need of God’s mercy. Make use, implore you, of that particular privilege accorded to you to bring visible and speedy help, where help was almost despaired of.

Come to my assistance in this great need that I may receive the consolation and help of heaven in all my necessities, tribulations and sufferings, particularly – **(here make your request)** – and that I may praise God with you and all the elect throughout all eternity.

I promise you, O blessed Jude, to be ever mindful of this great favor. I will honor you as my special and powerful patron and encourage devotion to you.

St. Jude, pray for us and for all who honor and invoke thy aid. Amen.



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