



Shrine of Saint Jude Thaddeus

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St. Peregrine Novena Edition, June 1–9, 2022

Calendar of Events 2022-2023

- St. Peregrine Novena
June 1 – 9, 2022
- Father's Day Novena
June 11 – 19, 2022
- St. Monica Triduum
August 25 – 27, 2022
- St. Jude Novena
October 20 – 28, 2022
- St. Jude Pilgrimage
Sat. October 22, 2022
- Month of All Souls
November 2 – 30, 2022
- Christmas Novena
Dec. 25, 2022 – Jan. 2, 2023
- Lourdes Novena
February 3 – 11, 2023
- Easter Novena
April 9 – 17, 2023
- Mother's Day Novena
May 6 – 14, 2023

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.

From our director:

Dear Friends of St. Jude,

We soon will join our prayers here at the shrine with yours for those who suffer from terrible illnesses, especially cancer.

My grandfather died of cancer at 74, my father of cancer at 75, and my only brother died of cancer at 26, leaving behind two small children. With so much cancer among our family, friends, and other loved ones, we make this Novena for the healing graces given by God in and through the patron saint of those who still suffer from cancer — Saint Peregrine.

Saint Peregrine was born in 1260, the only son of an affluent family in northern Italy. As a teenager he got caught up in a dispute his family had with the Church and ended up striking the Superior General of the Servants of Mary, Fr. Philip Benizi.

Later Peregrine repented of his actions and asked forgiveness. He was profoundly affected by the kindness of Fr. Philip who readily forgave him. This caused Peregrine to pray more and more and to practice the works of mercy. He ended up joining the Servants of Mary and went on to become a priest well known for his preaching and his holiness of life, but most especially for his devotion to the sick and poor. At the age of 60, he developed a severe cancerous infection in his right leg which so deteriorated that the doctor decided it must be amputated to save his life.

The night before the operation Peregrine spent time praying before a painting of Jesus' Crucifixion in the community chapel. He fell into a deep trance-like sleep and seemed to see Jesus descend from the cross to touch his leg. The following day, the doctor arrived to perform the amputation but found no sign of the cancer. Saint Peregrine went on to live to the age of 85.

An extraordinary number of people from the town and countryside attended his burial. Some of the sick who came were healed which was attributed to his intercession.

Saint Peregrine is a witness of the power of forgiveness, the forgiveness he received from Fr. Philip whom he attacked when he was a teenager. This power of forgiveness changed Peregrine's life and led to his becoming a priest in the same religious community of the Priest he struck. So, in this Novena, let us pray for the grace to forgive those who may have "struck" us in some way, and that by the power of our forgiveness, lives may be healed and changed.

We often seek blessings from God without seeking God Himself. St. Thomas Aquinas tells us: "How easy it is to desire all kinds of things from the Lord, and yet not desire the Lord Himself, as though the gift could be sweeter than the Giver! And St. John of the Cross tells us, "It is a grave evil to love the blessings of God more than God."

So let us ask St. Peregrine for the grace to love God more deeply as we seek special healing graces for those we love.

We honor Saint Peregrine in this Novena where we will beg his intercession for the healing of family members, friends, and other loved ones who suffer from any disease, but especially from cancer. **Please join with us by returning your petitions in the enclosed envelope, or going online to www.stjude-shrine.org and enrolling there.**

In Christ and St. Jude,

Rev. Emmerich Vogt, O.P.
Director

Fr. Pickett's preaching:

"Jesus, our High Priest"

The Letter to the Hebrews says, "Since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who has similarly been tested in every way, yet without sin. So let us confidently approach the throne of grace to receive mercy and to find grace for timely help" (4:14-16).

This novena will reflect on the priesthood of Jesus as the source of our confidence in times of need. This was a truth held especially dear to Saint Peregrine who would whisper the name, "Jesus" above those who were sick. Each day of the novena we will be refreshed and encouraged to hear of the power of Jesus, our High Priest, as expressed in the readings for Mass.



Fr. Thomas Aquinas Pickett, O.P.

Fr. Pickett's Bio:

Father Thomas Aquinas Pickett, O.P. grew up in the Pacific Northwest and, apart from studying St. Thomas Aquinas, enjoys coffee, running, and board games. After serving for three years at Blessed Sacrament Parish in Seattle, he is pursuing further studies in Moral Theology in Washington, DC.

Novena Schedule

June 1-9, 2022

All Novena Masses are followed by St. Jude Relic blessing

Mon-Fri ~Morning

Confessions: 7:45 a.m.

Mass: 8:00 a.m. (live streamed also)

Followed by Preaching, and Rosary

Mon-Fri ~Evening

Confessions and Rosary: 5:15 p.m.

Mass: 5:30 p.m.

Saturday

Confessions and Rosary: 8:45 a.m.

Mass: 9:00 a.m. (live streamed also)

Sunday

Confessions prior each Mass.

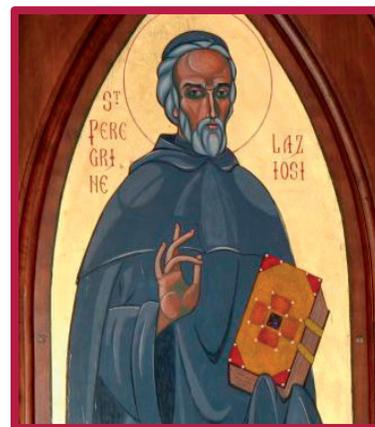
Masses: 9:30 a.m. (live streamed also),

11:30 a.m., and 5:30 p.m.

If you can't come in person, join us from home on our YouTube Channels:

"St. Jude Shrine – Santuario de San Judas"

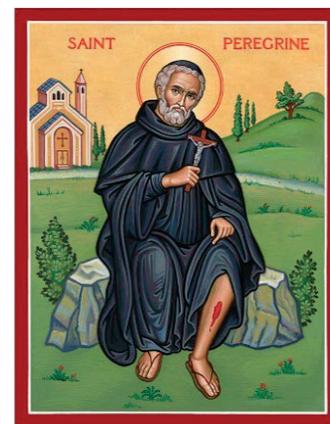
or "St. Dominic's Catholic Church San Francisco"



Novena Prayer to St. Peregrine

O great St. Peregrine, you who have been called "The Mighty," "The Wonder Worker" because of the numerous miracles which you have obtained from God for those who have had recourse to you; you who for so many years bore in your own flesh the same debilitating illness of cancer. I seek God's healing, but right now help me to imitate your enduring faith in the face of this great challenge, that I may trust the Lord as you did in your moment of distress. Help me to find the strength to proclaim God's presence in my life despite the anguish and fear this disease causes in me and my loved ones.

O glorious St. Peregrine, aided in this way by your powerful intercession, I will sing to God, now and for all eternity, a song of gratitude for His great goodness and mercy. ~Amen.



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 info

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