



# CHURCH OF SAINT JUDE

## ROMAN CATHOLIC COMMUNITY



633 S. Walnut Street, P.O. Box 47, Rochester, IL 62563-0047

### PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

**As a People of God**, under the guidance of the Roman Catholic Church and the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois, we seek to proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ through Worship, Service, Formation, and Living the values of Christ in the community. **As a community of Faith**, we are open to God's Spirit and the future challenges of Christian life. **We welcome all** who seek God and embrace those who need healing in their lives. **Let us Journey Together.** (St. Jude Pray for us!)

**"Be an Intentional Disciple"**

### PASTORAL LEADERSHIP

Parish Office Manager	Sara Garcia
Deacon	Deacon Tom (Vicki) Walker
(Retired) Deacon	Deacon Ray (Sue) Roth
Director of Religious Education	Jennifer Frericks
Director of Safe Environment	Stacey Harrison
Director of Homebound Ministry	Frances Yocum
Physical Plant Director	Dean Bailey
Music Ministry	Sue Lutz
Art & Environment Committee	Evelyn Deimel
Building & Grounds Committee	Steve Warren
Respect Life	Beth Auxier & Isabel Long
Social Concerns	Jim Havera and Kate Carroll
Martha's Group	Donna Day, Linda Drewes & Connie Leach
Sacristy Linens:	Lenna Degroot, Mary Ann Egizio, Edna Saputo
Baptismal Garments	Ruth Ann Helling
Pastor	Reverend Peter Chineke

**Pastoral Council:** Erik Woehrmann (Chair)  
Peggy Cochran (Vice Chair), Kellie Brewer,  
Mary Bruno, Brent Leach,  
Sue Martyn, Cathy Manning, Dan Ryan,  
Mike Mankowski, Christopher Schmit  
Deacon Tom Walker and Fr. Peter Chineke.  
(Beth Auxier: Recording Secretary)

**Pastoral Council Youth Representatives:**  
Paige Szabados and Eleanor Schudel

**Finance Council:** Jim Lauwerens (Chair)  
Janet Foster, Barry Houmes, Brian Brewer,  
Mike McNicholas, Bev Connolly, Sarah Kerley  
and Fr. Peter Chineke.

### Knights of Columbus Council # 9640

Mark Schudel, Grand Knight  
Meet at 7:00 p.m. on Third Tuesday of each Month.



### Eucharistic Celebrations

Saturday: Vigil: 4:30 p.m.  
Sunday: 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.  
Monday 5:30 p.m. Tuesday thru Friday 7:30 a.m.  
Holy Days: 7:00 a.m. and 6:45 p.m.

### Reconciliation:

Saturday: 3:30 p.m. - 4:15 p.m.  
(Anytime by appointment)

Baptism: Date set after Pre-Jordan Session.

Marriage: 6-month preparation period.

RCIA: Contact Father Peter or Deacon Tom

### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday: 9:00 a.m. - 12 Noon, 1 p.m. - 4 p.m.  
Friday: 9:00 a.m. - 12 Noon, 1 p.m. - 3 p.m.

### Office Telephone Numbers

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#### First Anniversary as Pastor of St Jude

My Dearest Parish Family of St. Jude,

It is with a heart full of profound gratitude that I write this message, marking my one-year anniversary as your pastor. First week of August 2024, Bishop Thomas John Paprocki sent me to you as your new pastor. One year has passed and I have had a journey full of blessings, shared faith, and growing communion with parishioners and friends of our parish. From the moment I arrived, you welcomed me with open arms and a spirit of genuine Christian charity that has truly touched my soul. I am deeply thankful for your unwavering dedication to our parish, your active participation in the Sacraments, and your generous contributions of time, talent, and treasure that enable our community to flourish. Witnessing your faith in action, whether in our liturgical celebrations, our outreach ministries, or simply in your daily lives, has been a constant source of inspiration and joy for me.

This last year, we witnessed significant growth in our parish life. Our youth group

grew. Our PSR gained more momentum. Our women have come together as an organized group incredible things are already happening. Our parish made a pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady

of Guadalupe in LaCross, WI – a pilgrimage that touched and changed so many lives. Our Mass attendance increased in all weekend Masses and daily Mass. Our donations and offerings increased. Our altar server ministry became a new reality that has given more flavor and color to our liturgy and worship. We have recorded a growing interest among friends in joining our parish as some ex-parishioners are coming back. We have had many volunteers dedicate incredible amount of time to our parish activities and projects.

Together, we have celebrated triumphs, navigated challenges, and grown closer to Christ. I am particularly grateful for your prayers and support, which have sustained me in my ministry and studies. It is a privilege to be your pastor. As we look to the future, I encourage us not to be preoccupied by the distractions we encounter every day as individuals and as a parish since these are unavoidable once there is a vision to attain, a mountain to climb and a horizon to conquer.

I pray that we continue to grow in holiness and love, always striving to be a beacon of Christ. light in the world. Thank you for this blessed year. May God continue to bless each of you, our friends, and our beloved St. Jude Church. Amen.

*Fr. Peter*

#### Important Dates

**August 21<sup>st</sup> Rome Pilgrimage meeting**

**September 4<sup>th</sup> Training for all Lectors**

**September 11<sup>th</sup> Eucharistic Ministers**

**September 18<sup>th</sup> Hospitality &  
Sacristans**



## Happenings in the Catholic Church This Week!



Happenings in the Catholic Church This Week – August 13–19, 2025



Pope Leo XIV's Message of Hope – At his weekly audience, the Holy Father reminded us: "God never gives up on anyone... even if we betray Him, He never stops loving us."



Call for Peace – During Sunday's Angelus, Pope Leo prayed for world leaders to act with compassion and responsibility, recalling the anniversaries of Hiroshima and Nagasaki.



Holy Day of Obligation – August 15 – Celebrate the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, a reminder of our eternal hope in Christ.



Saints This Week –

August 16<sup>th</sup>: St. Stephen of Hungary

August 19<sup>th</sup> St. John Eudes, Proest



Holy Year of Hope 2025 – Following the recent Youth Jubilee in Rome, pilgrims continue their journey of prayer, mercy, and mission throughout the Jubilee Year.

Let us stay united in prayer and faith as our Church walks together in hope



Cursillo

A wonderful 3-day faith-filled experience for adults!  
If interested, please talk to Joe and Kristin Kohlrus.  
You can reach them at (217) 652-5393 or  
(217) 971-7765.

The Pregnancy Care Center's fall fundraiser is coming up!



**CLOW**



Please consider joining the line up to help teach the lessons on Sundays at the 10:30am Mass!  
Please contact Carolyn Pemberton if you are interested in helping!

### Let's Welcome Alicia Harney

"Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen." – Hebrews 11:1  
Hello! My name is Alicia Harney, and I am so honored to be stepping into the role of PSR Coordinator here at St. Jude's. This parish has truly become my spiritual home over the last several years, and it is where my faith has been renewed and deepened in ways I could have never imagined. My journey back to the Church has been filled with God's gentle whispers, unexpected blessings, and the constant reminder of His grace, even in the hardest seasons of life.

What began as simply wanting to support my own children's faith formation has grown into a deep desire to help all our parish children know how loved they are by God and how His grace is always available to them. I believe PSR is more than just learning about the Sacraments; it is about planting seeds of faith, walking alongside families, and building a lifelong relationship with Christ.

I am truly humbled to serve in this ministry, and I look forward to working together to help our children not only learn about their Catholic faith but also see it lived out in joy, hope, and love. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to reach out to me by contacting the parish office. And please keep me, our catechists, and our PSR families in your prayers as we begin this new chapter together!

# Faith Formation Update



## **Don't forget to register for PSR!**

If you need the link for registration please contact Alicia Harney or look for the link on our parish Facebook account. Those who have not registered have been sent an email with the link as well!

**PSR begins on September 3 and we really need to have registrations in NOW so that we can plan on classrooms and supplies and books!**

As we teens get older, we get taller and stronger. We always need new clothes. What does us getting older have to do with our faith? Hopefully as we get older our faith gets stronger. Facing the challenges of being a teen can be scary. The world can be dark and scary for sure but if we choose to follow Jesus, he can be our light in the darkest of times. I'm a freshman this year and I am scared but if I put my faith in Jesus he will guide and strengthen me.

~Rae Roth

## **Summer Youth Group!**

St. Jude Parishioners praying around the schools! If you like a copy of the prayer, please email [stjudesocials@gmail.com](mailto:stjudesocials@gmail.com)



**We will return to Wednesdays, beginning August 20<sup>th</sup> but with a slight change!**

These meetings are open to all current 8<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders! Please reach out to Peggy Cochran for further information!

## **Faith Formation Schedule**

Aug. 20:	HS Youth Group resumes Wednesday Hours, 7-9pm
Aug. 27	HS Youth Group, 7-9pm
Sept. 3:	PSR Begins, 6:30-7:30pm HS Youth Group, 7-9pm
Sept. 10	PSR, 6:30-7:30pm TENTATIVE: Sacrament Meeting for 2 <sup>nd</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> grade Families during class. HS Youth Group, 7-9pm
Sept. 17	PSR, 6:30-7:30pm HS Youth Group, 7-9pm
Sept. 24	PSR, 6:30-7:30pm HS Youth Group, 7-9pm

### **Mass Intentions & Times († indicates deceased)**

<b>Saturday, August 16<sup>th</sup>:</b>	
4:30 pm	Mass (Int: Harry Nickles†)
<b>Sunday, August 17<sup>th</sup>:</b>	
8:00 am	Mass (Int: Joe Rupnik)
10:30 am	Mass (Int: Bob Parnell†)
<b>Monday, August 18<sup>th</sup>:</b>	
5:30 pm	Mass (Int: Al Urbanckas†)
<b>Tuesday, August 19<sup>th</sup>:</b>	
7:30 am	Mass (Int: Douglas Cearley†)
<b>Wednesday, August 20<sup>th</sup>:</b>	
7:30 am	Mass (Int: Fidelis Chineke†)
<b>Thursday, August 21<sup>st</sup>:</b>	
7:30am	Mass (Int: Dan Connolly†)
<b>Friday, August 22<sup>nd</sup>:</b>	
7:30am	Mass (Int: Isaac Weitekamp†)
<b>Saturday, August 23<sup>rd</sup>:</b>	
4:30 pm	Mass (Int: Al Urbanckas†)
<b>Sunday, August 24<sup>th</sup>:</b>	
8:00 am	Mass (Int: Gil Deimel†)
10:30 am	Mass (Int: Doris Ray†)

### **Sacrificial Giving, July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026**

	This Week	Year to date
Ordinary Env's	\$ 3,345.00	\$ 225,092.60
EFT-Ordinary	\$ 100.00	\$ 56,985.00
Renovation Fund Env's	\$ 148.00	\$ 50,446.00
EFT-Renovation Fund		\$ 3,399.00
Loose Checks	\$ 855.00	\$ 86,222.49
Loose Cash & Coin	\$ 459.20	\$ 30,948.76
<b>Total this Week:</b>	<b>\$ 4,907.20</b>	
<b>Fiscal Year Total:</b>		<b>\$ 492,873.70</b>

### **August Volunteers: Week #3**

**Monday, August 18<sup>th</sup>, Counting Day:**

Team #3

**Church Duster:**

Donna Day

**August Aluminum Cans Recycle:**

Will O'Brien

**August St. Martin de Porres Food:**

Jeannette Waters

### **Advertiser of the Week:**

***Imperial Cleaning, Inc.***

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Service Since 1978.***

***Connor Brewer: (217) 836-8208***

### **Liturgy Schedule**

**Saturday, August 23<sup>rd</sup> - 4:30 pm**

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Fr. John Wykes, Dcn. Walker, V. Walker, J. Biesiada

**Lectors:** T. Bertrand and D. Day

**Servers:** A. & N. Horstman

**Hospitality:** H. & M. Bruno and J. Sponsler

**Sacristans:** I. Long

**Sunday, August 24<sup>th</sup> - 8:00 am**

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Fr. John Wykes, Dcn. Walker, V. Walker, and B. Connolly

**Lectors:** D. Anderson and L. DeGroot

**Servers:** R. & E. Strawkas

**Hospitality:** Y. Brandis, S. Martyn, and K. Park

**Sacristan:** Z. Dahlkamp

**Sunday, August 24<sup>th</sup> - 10:30 am**

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Fr. John Wykes, Dcn. Walker, V. Walker, and S. Kerley

**Lectors:** S. Nelson and T. O'Sullivan

**Servers:** N. & R. Houmes

**Hospitality:** D. & S. Decker and D. Roark

**Sacristan:** H. Crusen

**CLOW:** Carolyn Pemberton

### **Documents of Vatican II, Continued**



Mark your calendars for **August 21, September 18** and **October 23** as Fathers Brian Alford and Daniel McGrath discuss the Pastoral Constitution on the Church in the Modern World! Then on **November 20** and **December 11**, they will cover the remaining documents of the Second Vatican Council.

All events are in the **Cathedral Atrium @ 7:00pm**



### **Spiritual Support for the Sick**

Request the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick for yourself or a loved one facing illness or surgery. The Sacrament may be administered privately or after any Mass. If you or a loved one is in the hospital, Father would like to know so it is possible for him to visit. Please call the Parish Office at (217) 498-9197 for the anointing and/or a hospital visit.

Eucharistic Ministers taking communion to Carriage Crossing & Rochester Estates at 9:15am Sundays

Frances Yocum is having a Communion Service at 2:30 pm on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesdays at Rochester Estates.

**It is a privilege to pray for those who are ill. In hopes of keeping our list current, parishioners and parishioners' family and friends will be on the prayer list for 1 month unless the office is contacted to notify us that additional time is necessary. We are happy to keep people on the list as long as needed.**

**Please remember the elderly and homebound of our parish in your daily prayer.**

God bless them all, and ....

**Pray for Parishioners** – Leroy Bozarth, JoAnn Camille, Ann Carell, Carrie Downey, Herta Duban, Gary Dumonceaux, Paul Harris, Jerry Jasinski, Jillian Kohlrus, Kristin Kohlrus, Betty Limper, Marilyn Merkley, Andrea Miller, Scott Moss, Ginger Rentschler, Ray Roland, Rene Runions, Brittany and Steve Smith and family, Owen Smith and his family (Kristin, Paisley, and Adam), Frances Tomashavich, Bill & Laurie White, Patrick Witcik, Ehren Woehrmann, and Ron Wojcicki.

### **Pray for Family and Friends of Parishioners**

**Mary Aplington** – sister of Beth Yong  
**John Aplington** – brother of Beth Yong  
**Mary Barrow** – sister of Leigh Ann Szabados  
**Carolyn Binion** – friend of Paulette Dumonceaux  
**Gene Blade** – friend of Pat Carlisle  
**Tamie Bottoms-Smith** – cousin of Char Weitekamp  
**John Brunsman** – father of Laura Horstman  
**Steven Butts** - brother of Michelle Bullock  
**Suzanne Camp** – friend of Beth Yong  
**Atticus Cassidy** – cousin of Steve Decker  
**Leo Conway** – father of Gary Conway  
**Judy Conway** - friend of Maggie Patterson  
**Eddie Cook** – friend of Lenna DeGroot family  
**Chris Crusen** – brother of Tom Crusen  
**Linda Curtis** – sister of Connie Leach  
**Bill Davis** – friend of Donald & Lou Ellen Markovitch  
**Kelly Diaz** – niece of Stan & Mary Jo Duesterhaus  
**Alison Donoho** – friend of Jane and Harry Hendrickson  
**\*Leo J. Dougherty** – brother-in-law of Frances Yocum

**Sarah Egizio** – daughter-in-law of Mary Ann Egizio  
**Frank Emerson**- brother-in-law of Jean McDonald  
**Lynne (Auxier) Feece** – sister-in-law of Beth Auxier  
**Cindy Frericks**- mother-in-law of Jennifer Frericks  
**Ken Frericks**- father-in-law of Jennifer Frericks  
**Jody Frese** – sister-in-law of Barb Scheufele  
**Lauren Friedmeyer & her baby, Nellie** – granddaughter & great granddaughter of Bill & Laurie White  
**Gary Garrison** – brother-in-law of Kathleen Klee  
**Steven Godar** - father of Dennis Godar  
**Jennifer Harbeck** - cousin of Brad Zack  
**Brandon Harris** – grandson of Les & LuAnn White  
**Chad Kunkle** – friend of Pat & Steve Jones and Family  
**Jim Kirbach** – friend of the Hendrickses  
**Carol Kirby** – friend of Ginger Rentschler  
**Dale Laningham** – friend of the Hendrickses  
**Glen Limper** - son of Al & Betty Limper  
**Kristine Lundburg** – sister of Mary Gartner  
**Rochelle Lynam** – daughter of Tom & Helen Crusen  
**Robin Mahnken** – friend of Jerry & Mary Jo Jasinski  
**Ann Martin** – sister of Betty Downey  
**Mark Maxwell** – brother-in-law of Beth Auxier  
**Paula McDonald**- sister-in-law to Jean McDonald  
**Liz McKinney** – friend of Roy & Cindy Collings  
**Donna Meyers** - mother of Kellie Brewer  
**Wayne Michels** – friend of Beth Auxier  
**Cindy Murdock** – sister of Carolyn Carmichael and aunt of Leanne Collings  
**Fred J. Naffziger** – brother of Michele Naffziger  
**Theresa Oldani** – friend of Diane Bortmess, friend of Kelly Conlon & Family  
**Margie Palmatier** – friend of the Hendrickses  
**Antonio Garcia & Dolores Pantoja Salgado** – father & mother of Diego Garcia  
**Ann Pardieck** – family friend of Hartzel & Mary Bruno  
**Emily Parnell** – daughter-in-law of Peggy Parnell  
**Mike Patterson** – father of Lori Farris  
**\*Mary Poeling** – cousin of Maggie Patterson  
**Sabrina Rice** – niece of Beth Auxier  
**Tom Ridley** – nephew of Frances Yocum  
**Mark & Chris Riedle** – family of Tess & David Riedle  
**Teresa Rouse** – friend of Jane Molohon  
**Bud Saputo**- brother of Vito and Edna Saputo  
**Joe Saputo** – brother of Vito & Edna Saputo  
**Rose Serrano** – sister of Emma Van Dyke  
**Special Intentions** of Andy Mihelich  
**Special Intentions** of Barb Scoggins  
**Special Intentions** of Carol Mataya  
**Special Intentions** of Steve & Pat Jones and Brian & Sherri Jones  
**Special Intentions** of Sara Garcia's friend, Stephenie McDevitt's Infant Granddaughter  
**Marlene Spurgeon** – friend of Pat Carlisle  
**Russ Steil**- father of Teresa O'Sullivan  
**Mary Stewart** – friend of Suzanne Moss  
**Georgann Turner** – sister of Kathleen Klee  
**Kathy Whitaker** – friend of Peggy Parnell  
**Ron Wiggins** – friend of Larry & Frances Yocum  
**Vicki Will** – sister-in-law of Brian Sommer  
**Connie & Marc Wilson** – niece and nephew of Ginger Rentschler



