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EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

Sunday Obligation

Saturday: Vigil: 4:30 p.m.
Sunday: 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

Weekday Masses

Tuesday thru Friday 7:15 a.m.
Holy Days: 7:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

RECONCILIATION

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

BAPTISM and MARRIAGE

Contact Office Manager

OCIA

Contact Deacon Tom

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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

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PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We are children of God and members of the One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Church, under the guidance of the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois. We are united in Christ, devoted to the Eucharist, prayer, and service. Guided by the Holy Spirit, we strive to proclaim the Gospel with love, uphold the dignity of every person, and nurture spiritual growth through worship, catechesis, and compassionate outreach. Inspired by our patron, St. Jude, the Apostle of Hope, we bring light to the suffering, strength to the weary, and hope to the hopeless, building God's kingdom in faith and unity here in Rochester, Illinois. Come, Let's Journey Together.
Reverend Peter Chineke - Pastor

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 23, 2026

The Queenship of Mary: A Mother Who Reigns by Love

Yesterday, August 22, 2026, we celebrated the Feast of the Queenship of Mary. This feast invites us to contemplate the beautiful mystery of a Mother who reigns not through earthly power, but through humility, obedience, and love. Mary is Queen because her Son, Jesus Christ, is King. Her queenship flows entirely from her intimate union with Him and from her faithful cooperation with God's saving plan.

Throughout her life, Mary never sought greatness for herself. She simply said, "Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord" (Luke 1:38). Yet precisely because she humbled herself before God, she was exalted. Her life teaches us that true greatness in the Kingdom of God is found not in status, wealth, or influence, but in surrender, faithfulness, and service.

For us as Catholics, the Queenship of Mary is a powerful source of hope. Mary reminds us that holiness has an eternal destiny. The same woman who stood sorrowfully beneath the Cross now shares in the victory of her risen Son. Her crown assures us that suffering endured with faith, sacrifices offered in love, and daily acts of obedience to God are never meaningless.

Mary also reigns as a mother. Her queenship is not distant or intimidating. She remains close to her children, interceding for us and leading us gently toward Christ. At Cana she said, "Do whatever he tells you" (John 2:5), and those words remain her message to the Church today.

As individuals, families and as a parish community, this feast invites us to examine our hearts. Does Christ truly reign within us? Are we willing, like Mary, to surrender our plans and trust God completely even when we face changes, sickness, loss of loved ones, and other challenging or difficult moments of our life? May Mary, Queen of Heaven and Earth, teach us humility in success, courage in suffering, faithfulness in uncertainty, and love in service. Through her maternal intercession, may our lives increasingly proclaim that Jesus Christ alone is our Lord and King.

Fr. Peter Chineke JCL



Prayer to St Jude

O most holy apostle, Saint Jude, faithful servant and friend of Jesus, the Church honoureth and invoceth thee universally, as the patron of hopeless cases, and of things almost despaired of.

Pray for me, who am so miserable. Make use, I implore thee, of that particular privilege accorded to thee, to bring visible and speedy help where help was almost despaired of.

Come to mine assistance in this great need, that I may receive the consolation and succor of Heaven in all my necessities, tribulations, and sufferings, particularly (here make your request) and that I may praise God with thee and all the elect throughout eternity.

I promise thee, O blessed Jude, to be ever mindful of this great favour, to always honour thee as my special and powerful patron, and to gratefully encourage devotion to thee.

Amen.

The Pilgrimage Corner



St. Jude New Mass Times

The new mass times will go into effect September 1st



Sunday: 9:00 a.m.

Monday: No Mass

Tuesday: 7:15 a.m.

Wednesday: No Mass

Thursday: 7:15 a.m.

Friday: 7:15 a.m.

Saturday: 5:30 p.m.

Holy Days of Obligation: 6:00 p.m.

My Reflection

My name is Josephine Hendricks, I am 16 and started going to Acutis Youth Group in March of 2025. I had my Confirmation the following month after rekindling my faith, which I had distanced from during quarantine. Since then, I have attended mass nearly every Sunday and almost every Holy Day of Obligation. Father Peter suggested that I start being a lector for 8:00 masses, which I thoroughly enjoy participating in now. When one of us proposed a pilgrimage to Italy at youth group, I knew I had to go.

It was an incredible opportunity that may not be presented to me again in my life. Thanks to Father Peter and St. Jude parishioners, and thanks to all those who assisted in any way to make sure our youth group had the opportunity to participate in this pilgrimage.

My family, I, and over 50 other people were able to become pilgrims to Italy. This experience changed my life and grew my faith and belief drastically. I saw the incorrupt body of Padre Pio, who received the mysterious gift of Stigmata, and visited the church where he was baptized and confirmed. I also saw and prayed before our youth group's patron saint, Saint Carlo Acutis. I stood no more than ten feet away from Pope Leo XIV and witnessed him touching the hand of Gianna Capriotti, a fellow youth group member and pilgrim to Italy. I thank all of you so much for making this possible, and I give special thanks to Father Peter. He was very diligent about making sure everyone was safe, hydrated, cool, and healthy. Thanks to him, we were given this opportunity, and we made it home safe, healthy, and closer to God than ever before.

-Josephine Hendricks

Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator

This is the liaison between the diocese and anyone
with an allegation of sexual abuse of a minor.

(217)-321-1155

Alicia's Office Hours Remainder of August:

Until PSR begins in September, my office hours will remain on Wednesdays, from 9 am-3:30 pm. You are always welcome to email me at psr@churchofstjude.com as well!

PSR Registration is Now Open!

Registration is now open for the 2026-2027 Parish School of Religion (PSR) year! Classes are available for students in Kindergarten through 8th Grade and begin on Wednesday, September 9. PSR meets each Wednesday from 6:30 PM to 7:30 PM.

Please complete registration/payment by August 31 to allow time for classroom assignments and curriculum ordering before classes begin.

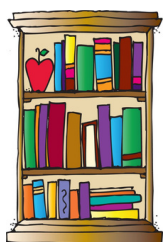
Register online by scanning the QR code or visiting the registration link on our parish Facebook page. We look forward to another wonderful year of growing together in faith!



Please join us for fellowship, donuts, fruit, juice, milk, and coffee on the following dates: September 13th & 27th



Sharing the Word



Do you have religious books that you have read but you can't bear to throw them away? We have a solution for you. There will be a bookcase in the foyer with items you are free to take. You may read them and bring them back or pass them along to a friend or neighbor. Thank you.

The 4th Annual Doris Ray Memorial Trivia Night

Will be held in loving memory of a beloved mother and grandmother whose family is part of our St. Jude parish community. For the second year in a row, a portion of the proceeds will also benefit St. Jude Youth Ministries. Join us for a fun evening of trivia, friends, and friendly competition, all while supporting wonderful causes!

Saturday, September 26, 2026

Marian Banquet Hall

335 S. 4th Street, Riverton

Doors open at 6:00 PM

Trivia begins at 7:00 PM

Door prizes will be awarded throughout the evening.

Must be present to win.

Registration is now open, and the signup window is a little shorter this year, so be sure to register your team soon!

Scan the QR code below to register your team, or email

PSR@churchofstjude.com!

Thank you for supporting this special event and the young people of our parish!





Benefiting the

Pregnancy Care Center of Springfield, Inc.

Saturday, Sept. 19, 2026

Doors open @ 6pm - Bingo @ 7pm

KC Columbian Hall -2200 Meadowbrook Road, Spfld, IL

\$25 in Advance/\$30 at the Door

Includes 6 bingo cards for 10 games, a glow hat and dauber
(\$5 per additional 6 cards)

\$250 CASH RAFFLE

(tickets \$10 each or 3 for \$20)

OVER \$1000 in Cash Prizes!!!

**Tickets available at: Glo-Bingo.com/events or by
using the QR Code**

(\$2 ticket fee)



or by calling the PCC office at (217) 525-5630

*Cash bar- Casey's Pub food available for purchase- BYO store
bought snacks only- Cash and Checks only- ATM on site*

Must be 18 or older to attend

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Mass Intentions & Times († indicates deceased)

Saturday, August 22nd

4:30pm Mass Gil Deimel †

Sunday, August 23rd

8:00am Mass Delbert Collings † &
Carolyn Carmichael †

10:30am Mass St. Jude Parish Family

Monday, August 24th

5:30pm Mass John & Veronic DeRosa †

Tuesday, August 25th

7:15am Mass Dan Connolly †

Wednesday, August 26th

7:15am Mass Wilma Lewis †

Thursday, August 27th

7:15am Mass Greg Park †

Friday, August 28th

7:15am Mass Greg Park †

Saturday, August 29th

4:30pm Mass Dan Connolly †

Sunday, August 30th

8:00am Mass Debra Geist †

10:30am Mass St. Jude Parish Family

August Volunteers

Monday, August 24th Counting Day: Team 4

Monday, August 31st Counting Day: Team 2

Church Dusters August Week 4:

Michelle Bertrand

Church Dusters August Week 5:

Donna Day

August Aluminum Can Recycling: Jan Pietras

August Food Pantry Collection: Diane Bortmess

Hearts in Christ Collection: Linda Drewes

Rochester Estates - 4th Sunday of August:

Eucharistic Minister: Barb Scheufele

Rochester Estates - 5th Sunday of August:

Eucharistic Minister: Frances Yocum

Carriage Crossing - 4th Sunday of August:

Eucharistic Minister: Isabel Long

Carriage Crossing - 5th Sunday of August:

Eucharistic Minister: Deacon Tom & Vicki Walker

Next Weekend Schedule

LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday, August 29th at 4:30 p.m.

Eucharistic Ministers: Father, Dcn. Roth, B. Scheufele, M. Bruno

Lectors: Isabel Long & Beth Auxier

Servers: C. Fitzsimmons, D. Sommer, **Still Needed**

Hospitality: K. Foster, F. & L. Yocum

Sacristan: Sue Roth

Sunday, August 30th at 8:00 a.m.

Eucharistic Ministers: Father, Dcn. Walker, L. DeGroot, C. Vogt

Lectors: Vicki Walker

Servers: B. Britz, **Still Needed, Still Needed**

Hospitality: Y. Brandis, K. Park, B. Yong

Sacristan: Zana Dahlkamp

Sunday, August 30th at 10:30 a.m.

Eucharistic Ministers: Father, M. Mankowski, S. Kerley, C. Manning

Lectors: Mark Schudel & Erik Woehrmann

Servers: C. & C. Conway, A. Felbon, J. Powell

Hospitality: C. & T. bax, A. & O. Rench

Sacristan: Helen Crusen

Thank you all for your generosity
and may God bless you.



Sacrificial Giving

Week 8 of FY2026-2027

ACCOUNT	THIS WEEK	YTD
Sunday Envelopes	\$5,990.00	\$47,070.00
Weekly Offerings	\$233.40	\$8,070.54
Loose cash	\$489.20	\$3,422.85
Total	\$6,712.60	\$58,563.39

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 2nd Tuesdays at Rochester Estate

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 Carel, Morgan Culbertson, Herta Duban, Gary Dumonceaux, Andrea Miller, Ginger Rentschler, Ray Roland, Rene Runions, Brittany and Steve Smith and family, Owen Smith and his family (Kristin, Paisley, and Adam), Bill & Laurie White

Pray for Family and Friends of Parishioners

John Aplington – Beth Yong

Mary Aplington – Beth Yong

Kelly Diaz – Niece of Stan & Mary Jo Duesterhaus

Carol Fulcher – Friend of Pat Carlisle

Owen Herpel – Friend of Bortmess Family

Samspon Hill - Mary Bruno

Carol Kirby – Friend of Ginger Rentschler

Sam & Lily Lueker – Friend of Don & Lou Ellen Markovitch

Pray for Family and Friends of Parishioners

Barbara Mendenhall – Family of Marie Ginter

Scott Mulford – Friend of Don & Lou Ellen Markovitch

Logan Petrilli - Grandson of Steve and Sharon Petrilli

Myra Shroeder – Jane Molohon

Bill Slingerland - Father of Barb Scoggins

Thomas Longtin - Brother of Jerry Calvert

Connie & Marc Wilson – Niece and nephew of Ginger Rentschler

Richard Yong – Beth Yong

Special Intentions – Steve & Pat Jones

St. Frances Cabrini Parish in Springfield is seeking a part time Parish Secretary. Please contact the parish office 217-522-8555 for more information. The hours are 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. three days a week and the person would also be required to attend various parish meetings including Pastoral Council, Liturgy Committee, etc. Computer experience is necessary. Preferably a practicing Catholic.

St. Francis Cabrini Parish's Annual Fall Festival

Sunday September 13, 2026 from Noon to 5 p.m.

1020 North Milton Avenue, Springfield IL 62702

Music, food, family-friendly games, country store baked goods & craft sale, raffle and an alumni booth with school tours

1 p.m. Dance Creations Dance Studio

2-5 p.m. Jonnie Concarro Band

Demonstrations by Empowered Martial Arts

KC #4175 Grillmasters: Ribeye & pork sandwiches,

hamburgers & hot dogs

Pepsi products, beer