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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

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 2, 2026

St. Jude's Acutis Youth Group in Rome!

Today, I leave for Italy for a pilgrimage with 62 of our parishioners – mostly our young people in the St. Jude Parish's Acutis Youth Group. We will begin with Rome where we will visit the holy father, the first Pope from the United States and from the State of Illinois. Then we proceed to Assisi where we visit the patron saint of our parish youth group – St. Carlo Acutis. Then we conclude our pilgrimage with a visit to San Giovanni Rotondo, where we visit the most famous and one of the holiest priests of the twentieth century – St. Padre Pio.

A pilgrimage to Rome, Assisi, and San Giovanni Rotondo is more than a journey across beautiful places; it is a movement of the heart toward God. In Rome, the city of apostles and martyrs, we are reminded that our faith is built upon the courageous witness of those who gave everything for Christ. Standing near the tombs of Saints Peter and Paul invites us to ask whether our own lives truly proclaim the Gospel with courage, fidelity, and love.

In Assisi, the simplicity of Saint Francis and the extraordinary holiness of St. Carlo Acutis challenge us to let go of pride, anxiety, and attachment. Their lives teach that peace begins when Christ becomes our greatest treasure. Among the quiet hills and sacred churches, the soul hears again the invitation to become humble, joyful, and generous, especially toward the poor and forgotten.

In San Giovanni Rotondo, the witness of Saint Padre Pio draws us more deeply into prayer, repentance, and trust in God's mercy. His devotion to the Eucharist and the Sacrament of Reconciliation reminds us that holiness grows through daily surrender, patient suffering, and faithful love.

This pilgrimage is therefore not complete when we return home. Its true fruit must appear in the way we pray, forgive, serve, and carry our crosses. Rome strengthens our faith, Assisi purifies our desires, and San Giovanni Rotondo renews our hope. Through these holy places, God invites us to become pilgrims every day, walking steadily toward heaven with Christ as our guide, Mary as our mother, and the saints as our companions.

Peace and Blessings †

Fr. Peter Chineke

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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.

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

St. Jude Home Grown Sweet Corn

St. Jude's sweet corn is available to be picked off Main street. There will be a sign indicating where to pick from.

Donations can be put in an envelope and placed in the mail box on the parish center.



Alicia's Summer Hours:

Now that PSR classes are over for the year, I will be in the parish office ONLY on Wednesdays from 9:00am-4:00pm (until VBS that is!) Watch out for PSR Registration the first week of August! You can always reach me by email at PSR@churchofstjude.com.



Please join us for fellowship, donuts, fruit, juice, milk, and coffee on the following dates: August 2nd and 16th



The Social Concerns Summer Project for Graham Elementary School

The Social Concerns ministry has a bin in the vestibule for all those participating in the Graham Elementary School supply drive. Please bring your supplies to any Mass by August 9th and place them in the bin for collection. Thank you!

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.

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



Sacrificial Giving

Week 5 of FY2026-2027

ACCOUNT	THIS WEEK	YTD
Sunday Envelopes	\$7,771	\$32,573
Poor Account	\$60.25	\$264.25
Youth Mission Account	\$50	\$540
Co-op Appeal	\$3,159	\$3,159
Votives	\$36	\$56
Loose cash	\$476.10	\$1,720.25
Total	\$11,552.35	\$38,312.50

Mass Intentions & Times († indicates deceased)

	<u>Saturday, August 1st</u>
4:30pm Mass	Teresa Brewer-Witcik †
	<u>Sunday, August 2nd</u>
8:00am Mass	Parish Family
10:30am Mass	Debra Geist †
	<u>Monday, August 3rd</u>
5:30pm Mass	Anna Auxier
	<u>Tuesday, August 4th</u>
7:15am Mass	Carole Downey †
	<u>Wednesday, August 5th</u>
7:15am Mass	Wilma Lewis †
	<u>Thursday, August 6th</u>
7:15am Mass	Greg Park †
	<u>Friday, August 7th</u>
7:15am Mass	Bernard Hammel †
	<u>Saturday, August 8th</u>
4:30pm Mass	Deceased members of Goraczowski Family†
	<u>Sunday, August 9th</u>
8:00am Mass	Deceased members of Brandis Family†
10:30am Mass	Parish Family

August Volunteers

Monday, August 3rd Counting Day: Team 1

Monday, August 10th Counting Day: Team 2

Church Dusters August Week 1:

Barb Scheufele & Mary Duesterhaus

Church Dusters August Week 2:

Laurie McWard & Zana Dahlkamp

August Aluminum Can Recycling: Jan Pietras

August Food Pantry Collection: Diane Bortmess

Hearts in Christ Collection: Linda Drewes

Rochester Estates - 1st Sunday of August:

Eucharistic Minister: Deona Kuntzman

Rochester Estates - 2nd Sunday of August:

Eucharistic Minister: Mary & Hartzel Bruno

Carriage Crossing - 1st Sunday of August:

Eucharistic Minister: Dottie Anderson

Carriage Crossing - 2nd Sunday of August:

Eucharistic Minister: Beth Auxier

Next Weekend Schedule

LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday, August 8th at 4:30 p.m.

Eucharistic Ministers: Father, Dcn. Roth, S. Roth, B. Scheufele

Lectors: Thomas Bertrand & Donna Day

Servers: C. Fitzsimmons, A. & N. Horstman, R. Roth

Hospitality: D. & J. Kratz, F. & L. Yocum

Sacristan: Carol Mataya

Sunday, August 9th at 8:00 a.m.

Eucharistic Ministers: Father, B. Connolly, L. DeGroot, C. Vogt

Lectors: Kyle Blumhorst

Servers: B. & J. Britz, B. Howard

Hospitality: S. Martyn, D. & L. Wuellner

Sacristan: Zana Dahlkamp

Sunday, August 9th at 10:30 a.m.

Eucharistic Ministers: Father, Dcn. Walker, V. Walker, S. Kerley

Lectors: Andrea & Olivia Rench

Servers: C. & C. Conway, M. & T. McKenzie, R. Williams

Hospitality: Still Needed, Still Needed

Sacristan: Still Needed

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

Carol Kirby – Friend of Ginger Rentschler

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

Barbara Mendenhall – Family of Marie Ginter

Scott Mulford – Friend of Don & Lou Ellen Markovitch

Joe Rupnik – Friend of Mary Bruno

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