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"Be an Intentional Disciple"

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

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 9, 2026

St. Jude's Acutis Youth Group

Encounters the Holy Father

Standing with our parish youths in Rome and seeing them encounter the Holy Father was one of the most profound moments of my priestly ministry. It was far more than a journey to a famous city or a meeting with an important religious leader. It was a pilgrimage into the heart of the Church – a visible reminder that our Catholic faith is ancient, universal, living, and deeply personal.

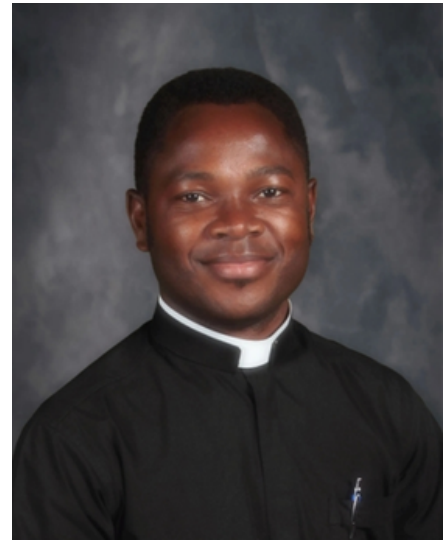
As I watched their faces filled with joy and wonder, I realized that God was planting seeds whose fruits may not be fully seen for many years. Long after the photographs fade and the details of the journey become distant memories, the grace of that encounter will remain within them. Perhaps, in moments of doubt, they will remember standing near the successor of Saint Peter. Perhaps, when facing important decisions, they will recall the beauty of belonging to a Church greater than themselves. Perhaps some will hear a call to priesthood, religious life, marriage, missionary service, or courageous lay leadership. Whatever their calls become, the graces will be immense and incredible.

This opportunity of a lifetime was also an investment in the future of our parish and the universal Church. These young pilgrims are not merely the Church of tomorrow. They are already living members of the Body of Christ today. Their faith, enthusiasm, questions, and witness renew all of us. Watching their chaperones (adult parishioners) stand with and by them and make these encounters with them in the heart of the Church this week is an experience I will forever be grateful to God and our parish for.

My prayer is that this pilgrimage will deepen their love for Jesus Christ, strengthen their fidelity to the Church, and inspire them to become joyful disciples of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. May the seeds planted in Rome grow into lives of holiness, service, courage, and enduring faith for our families, our Church of St. Jude, our communities, and the beautiful world the Lord has entrusted to us. Amen.

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.

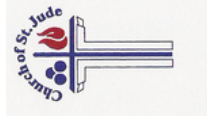
I promise thee, O blessed Jude, to be ever mindful of this great favour, to always honour thee as my special and powerful patron, and to gratefully encourage devotion to thee.

Amen.

Church of St. Jude, Rochester, IL

Annual Financial Report to the Parish

From July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2026



Parish Receipts:

Contributions:	\$423,426.37
Other sources of support:	\$11,553.70
Farm Income:	\$30,025
Interest from Dio. Savings:	\$18,106.72
Restricted income:	\$17,884.79
Total Receipts	\$501,006.58

Diocesan Receipts:

Catholic Times:	\$2,289
Second Collections:	\$15,487

Diocesan Parish Savings Account \$1,865,713.41

All Bank Accounts

General Account	\$38,903
Redmond Farm Account	\$1,779
Poor Account	\$20,694.91
Youth Mission Trip Account	\$20,836.48
Mass Stipend Account	\$2,602.75

Parish Disbursements:

Salaries	\$212,156.60
Fringe Benefits	\$65,844.77
Payroll Expense	\$91,332.44
Contractual Services	\$36,556.48
Utilities	\$46,163.35
Insurance	\$18,596
Repairs & Maintenance	\$3,843.80
Equipment & Furniture	\$566.54
Leasing & Rentals	\$205.86
Supplies	\$47,361.16
Professional Development	\$2,748
Real Estate Taxes	\$668.66
Charitable Contribution	\$8,943.82
Hospitality Expense	\$15,080.05
Transportation, travel & auto	\$6,004.65
Religious Ed./PSR	\$37,416.61
Parish org. expense	\$873.94
Marketing & advertising	\$1,037.25
Permits, fees & licenses	\$3,051.52
Misc. expense	\$12,895.67
	\$611,337.17

Diocesan Disbursements

Tithing Expense	\$53,297
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Total Expenses

\$664,634.17



The Church of St. Jude

...a community of fervent disciples of Jesus Christ in Rochester, IL.

Dear Parishioners of St. Jude,

August 6, 2065

GREETINGS AND BLESSINGS FROM ASSISI

Enclosed on the backside of this letter is our Parish Financial Report for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026.

Another great physical year has passed, and it has been an absolute blessing working with such a great team of men and women in our parish office and various councils and committees of our dear Church of St. Jude. Our finance council has done a great job of guiding us through another year of many blessings. They have been reliable and dependable, especially for someone like me who knows little or nothing in the finance world. Our dear deacons and parish office staff have been incredibly helpful as well. May God continue to bless them with good health and a renewed desire for service in our Church.

This second year of our pastorate has been the great success it is because of the incredible men, women, youth, and children in the pews have lived their lives with faith, hope and love for God and our Church of St. Jude. I am proud to be your pastor and blessed for the opportunity to keep growing in my faith with you. THANK YOU for your generosity and support in all we achieved this past fiscal year.

Fiscal Year 2025-2025 was a blessing. However, Fiscal Year 2026-2027 will be a greater blessing. I know this to be true because of the men and women, youth and children that make up our parish family. May the Lord continue to bless you and may our Dear Patron - St. Jude, continue to intercede for you. Amen.

With Love and Gratitude,
Fr. Peter Chineke - Pastor

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.



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



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.

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!



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

Bunco!

August Bunco will be Wednesday, August 12th from 1:00-3:00 pm in the Parish Center. Please join us!



Mass Intentions & Times († indicates deceased)

	<u>Saturday, August 8th</u>
4:30pm Mass	Deceased members of the Gorackowski Family †
	<u>Sunday, August 9th</u>
8:00am Mass	Parish Family
10:30am Mass	Deceased members of the Brandis Family †
	<u>Monday, August 10th</u>
5:30pm Mass	Megan Soaga
	<u>Tuesday, August 11th</u>
7:15am Mass	Greg Park †
	<u>Wednesday, August 12th</u>
7:15am Mass	Wilma Lewis †
	<u>Thursday, August 13th</u>
7:15am Mass	Greg Park †
	<u>Friday, August 14th</u>
7:15am Mass	Greg Park †
	<u>Saturday, August 15th</u>
4:30pm Mass	Parish Family
	<u>Sunday, August 16th</u>
8:00am Mass	Bernard Hammel †
10:30am Mass	Debra Geist †

August Volunteers

Monday, August 10th Counting Day: Team 2

Monday, August 17th Counting Day: Team 3

Church Dusters August Week 2:

Laurie McWard & Zana Dahlkamp

Church Dusters August Week 3:

Donna Day

August Aluminum Can Recycling: Jan Pietras

August Food Pantry Collection: Diane Bortmess

Hearts in Christ Collection: Linda Drewes

Rochester Estates - 2nd Sunday of August:

Eucharistic Minister: Mary & Hartzel Bruno

Rochester Estates - 3rd Sunday of August:

Eucharistic Minister: Zana Dahlkamp

Carriage Crossing - 2nd Sunday of August:

Eucharistic Minister: Beth Auxier

Carriage Crossing - 3rd Sunday of August:

Eucharistic Minister: Christopher Schmit

Next Weekend Schedule

LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday, August 15th at 4:30 p.m.

Eucharistic Ministers: Father, B. Auxier, I. Long, B. Scheufele

Lectors: Thomas Bertrand & Emily Prather

Servers: C. Fitzsimmons, A. & N. Horstman, D. Sommer

Hospitality: K. Foster, M. & R. McClintock, J. Sponslor

Sacristan: Carol Mataya

Sunday, August 16th at 8:00 a.m.

Eucharistic Ministers: Father, J. & N. Calvert, D. Kuntzman

Lectors: Bev Connolly & Josephine Hendricks

Servers: C. Fitzsimmons, J. Hendricks, E. & R. Strawkas

Hospitality: L. McWard, D. & L. Wuellner

Sacristan: Zana Dahlkamp

Sunday, August 16th at 10:30 a.m.

Eucharistic Ministers: Father, H. Cursen, M. Maynerich

Lectors: Sarah Kerley & Erik Woehrmann

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

Hospitality: C. & T. bax, C. Manning

Sacristan: Sue Roth

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



Sacrificial Giving

Week 6 of FY2026-2027

ACCOUNT	THIS WEEK	YTD
Sunday Envelopes	\$5,381	\$37,954
Renovation	\$1,261	\$2,774
Poor Account	\$41.01	\$305.26
Youth Mission Account	\$78	\$1,872
Co-op Appeal	\$965	\$4,124
Votives	\$7	\$63
Assumption of Mary	\$5	\$30
Loose cash	\$652	\$2,372.45
Total	\$8,390.01	\$49,494.71

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