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**ST. JUDE**  
CATHOLIC CHURCH

*"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**

Monday: ..... 5:30 p.m.  
Tuesday thru Friday ..... 7:30 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**

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

### **OFFICE TELEPHONE NUMBER**

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### **PARISH STAFF E-MAIL ADDRESSES**

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### **WEB SITES**

Parish: [www.churchofstjude.com](http://www.churchofstjude.com)



### **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.



## December 21st, 2025

### 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent

A Sacred Countdown to the Incarnation – The Six “O” Antiphons

The Six “O” Antiphons, prayed from December 17 to December 22 at Evening Prayer, form the Church’s most intense spiritual preparation for Christmas. Each antiphon begins with a cry of longing – “O” – echoing humanity’s deepest desire for God to come near. They are not merely ancient texts but a living plea rising from the heart of the Church on the threshold of the Nativity.

December 17: O Sapientia – Christ the Eternal Wisdom In invoking Christ as Wisdom, the Church professes that creation is not chaos but ordered by divine love. This antiphon calls believers to trust God’s design, even when life seems fragmented or uncertain.

December 18: O Adonai – Christ the Lord and Lawgiver Remembering the God who spoke from the burning bush, this antiphon reveals Christ as the fulfillment of the Law. He does not abolish God’s commands but incarnates them in mercy and truth.

December 19: O Radix Jesse – Christ the Promised Messiah Rooted in David’s lineage, Christ enters history not as an idea but as a person born into a family. This antiphon reassures us that God keeps His promises, even across centuries of waiting.

December 20: O Clavis David – Christ the Liberator Christ is the Key who opens what no power can shut. He unlocks prisons of sin, fear, and despair, offering true freedom to those who feel bound.

December 21: O Oriens – Christ the Light of the World Prayed near the darkest days of winter, this antiphon proclaims that no night is final. Christ rises as the Dawn who dispels spiritual darkness and death.


December 22: O Rex Gentium – Christ the King of All Nations Christ unites divided peoples into one body. He is the cornerstone of peace in a fractured world, gathering all into communion.

A Final Cry of Hope Hidden within these antiphons is the promise “Ero cras” – “Tomorrow, I will come.” The Church waits, not in fear, but in radiant hope, confident that Emmanuel is near.

A Blessed Waiting Full of Hope and Peace to You and Yours.

*Fr. Peter*

**S. Jude's Novena**



May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be adored, glorified, loved, and preserved throughout the world now and forever. Sacred Heart of Jesus, pray for us. St. Jude, worker of miracles, pray for us. St. Jude, help of the hopeless, pray for us. I will never forget thy graces and favors you obtain for me and I will do my utmost to spread devotion to you.

Pray an Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory Be.  
Say this prayer 9 times a day for 9 days.

**Thank you, St. Jude, for Prayers Answered.**



## Christmas Mass Schedule

**Christmas Eve – December 24**

**4:30 PM Mass:** Very light incense

**10:00 PM Mass:** Light incense

**Christmas Day – December 25**

**9:00 AM Mass:** No incense

Please be advised that St. Jude's office will be closed in observance of the upcoming holidays on the following dates:

**Christmas Holiday:** Wednesday, December 24 through Friday, December 26

**New Year's Holiday:** Wednesday, December 31 through Friday, January 2

Normal office operations will resume following each holiday closure. We appreciate your cooperation and wish you and your family a joyful holiday season.

Sincerely,  
**St. Jude's Office**



### **Coffee & Donuts in the Parish Center**

Join us for coffee and donuts **after the 8:00 AM**

**Mass on the following dates: December 21, 2025  
January 4, 2026 January 18, 2026 .All are  
welcome!**

### **Volunteer for Ministries**

On the table in the entrance of the church are liturgy schedules for the weekend of December 27 and 28, and New Years Day, January 1 (a Holy Day of Obligation). Please check your schedules and if available to help us, sign up.

**Any teens interested in CHWC June 14-20<sup>th</sup> in Montague, Michigan need to reach out to Peggy or Alicia!**

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

**Saturday, December 20<sup>th</sup>**  
4:30pm Mass (Int: For the Parish Family)  
**Sunday, December 21<sup>st</sup>**  
8:00am Mass (Int: Dan Connolly †)  
10:30am Mass (Int: Brent Manning†)  
**Monday, December 22<sup>nd</sup>**  
5:30pm Mass (Int: Gil Deimelt†)  
**Tuesday, December 23<sup>rd</sup>**  
7:15am Mass (Int: Fr. Dave Peter†)  
**Wednesday, December 24<sup>th</sup>**  
4:30pm Mass (Int: For the Parish Family)  
10:00pm Mass (Int: Bill and Gwen Berutti†)  
**Thursday, December 25<sup>th</sup>**  
9:00am Mass (Int: Fr. David Peter†)  
**Friday, December 26<sup>th</sup>**  
7:15am Mass (Int: Pius & Virginia Chineke †)  
**Saturday, December 27<sup>th</sup>**  
4:30pm Mass (Int: For the Parish Family)  
**Sunday, December 28<sup>th</sup>**  
8:00am Mass (Int: Greg Park†)  
10:30am Mass (Int: Douglas Cearley†)

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**December Volunteers: Week #4**

**Monday, December 22<sup>nd</sup> Counting Day:**

Team #4

**Church Dusters:**

Michelle Bertrand

**December Aluminum Cans Recycle**

Will Obrien

**December St. Martin de Porres Food**

Jay White

**Rochester Estates – 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Month**

Eucharistic Minister:

**Carriage Crossing – 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Month**

Eucharistic Minister

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**LITURGY SCHEDULE**

**Wednesday, December 24<sup>th</sup> at 4:30pm**

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Fr. Peter, Visiting Priest,  
Deacon Roth, Deacon Walker, V. Walker,  
Z. Dahlkamp

**Lectors:** J. and Harry Hendrickson,

**Servers:** A. & N. Horstman, L. Batten, R. Roth,  
C. & C. Conway

**Hospitality:** L. & F. Yocum, B. Auxier, C. Mataya

**Sacristan:** S. Roth

**Wednesday, December 24<sup>th</sup> at 10:00pm**

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Fr. Peter, Visiting Priest,

Deacon Roth, D. Roark

**Lectors:** M. Mankowski, O. Rench

**Servers:** D., M. & T Mankowski, C. Clements

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

**Sacristan:** I. Long

**Thursday, December 25<sup>th</sup> at 9:00am**

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Fr. Peter, Visiting Priest,  
H. Crusen, Z. Dahlkamp

**Lectors:** A. Harney, E. Schudel

**Servers:** A. & M. Zucco, S. Harney, J. Powell, L.  
Schudel, R. Roth

**Hospitality:** B Yong, K. Foster

**Sacristan:**

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**LITURGY SCHEDULE**

**Saturday, December 27<sup>th</sup> at 4:30pm**

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Fr. Peter, Zana Dahlkamp,  
B. Scheufele

**Lectors:** NEED TWO

**Servers:** A. and N. Horstman

**Hospitality:** J. Foster, C. Mataya

**Sacristan:** NEEDED

**Sunday, December 28<sup>th</sup> at 8:00am**

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Fr. Peter,  
**Lectors:** J. Hendricks, NEED ONE MORE

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

**Hospitality:** B. Yong

**Sacristan:** Z. Dahlkamp

**Sunday, December 28<sup>th</sup> at 10:30am**

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Fr. Peter, H. Crusen,  
C. Manning

**Lectors:** E. Woehrman, s. Kerley

**Servers:** N. and R. Houmes

**Hospitality:** D. Roark, C. & T. Bax

**Sacristan:** NEEDED

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**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 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 Carell, Morgan Culbertson, Carrie Downey, Herta Duban, Gary Dumonceaux, Kaitlyn Galman, Henry Gartner, Noah Harney, Paul Harris, Jerry Jasinski, Betty Limper, Marilyn Merkley, Andrea Miller, Scott Moss, Suzanne 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, **\*Jill Whitney**, Patrick Witcik, and Ehren Woehrmann

**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  
**Tamie Bottoms-Smith** – cousin of Char Weitekamp  
**John Brunsman** – father of Laura Horstman  
**Steven Butts** - brother of Michelle Bullock  
**Atticus Cassidy** – cousin of Steve Decker  
**Leo Conway** – father of Gary Conway  
**Eddie Cook** – friend of Lenna DeGroot family  
**Linda Curtis** – sister of Connie Leach  
**Bill Davis** – friend of Donald & Lou Ellen Markovitch  
**Kelly Diaz** – niece of Stan & Mary Jo Duesterhaus  
**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  
**Jason & Molly Everitt & Family** – nephew & niece of Lenna DeGroot  
**Lynne (Auxier) Feece** – sister-in-law of Beth Auxier  
**Carole Fulcher** - friend of Pat Carlisle  
**Cindy Frericks**- mother-in-law of Jennifer Frericks  
**Ken Frericks**- father-in-law of Jennifer Frericks  
**Lauren Friedmeyer & her baby, Nellie** – granddaughter & great granddaughter of Bill & Laurie White  
**Jennifer Harbeck** - cousin of Brad Zack  
**Oaklynn Harrison** – granddaughter of Stacey Harrison  
**Missy Houmes** - sister of Barry Houmes  
**Chad Kunkle** – friend of Pat & Steve Jones and Family  
**Jim Kirbach** – friend of the Hendrickses  
**Carol Kirby** – friend of Ginger Rentschler  
**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  
**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** – 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  
**Emily Parnell** – daughter-in-law of Peggy Parnell  
**Father Zach Patibandla** – our 2025 summer priest  
**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  
**\*Joe Rupnick** – friend of Hartzel & Mary Bruno  
**Bud Saputo**- brother of Vito and Edna Saputo  
**Joe Saputo** – brother of Vito & Edna Saputo  
**\*Sue Speary** – friend 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  
**Marlene Spurgeon** – friend of Pat Carlisle  
**Russ Steil**- father of Teresa O'Sullivan  
**Mary Stewart** – friend of Suzanne Moss  
**Ron & Kim Thompson** – friends of Emma Van Dyke  
**Judy Waidman** – aunt of Jim and Christina Lauwerens  
**Kathy Whitaker** – friend of Peggy Parnell  
**Vicki Will** – sister-in-law of Brian Sommer  
**Connie & Marc Wilson** – niece and nephew of Ginger Rentschler  
**Sharon White**- Laurie White Sister  
**Tommy Regan**- Friend of Frances Yocum  
The Schieferdecker family and Grant - cousins of Jim and Barb Scheufele  
Jody Frese - sister - in - law of Barb and Jim Scheufele

**Christmas Friends**

This is our final Christmas Friends report of the year. We, the Parishioners of the Church of St. Jude, provided gifts for 67 children and 33 food baskets for the families of St. Patrick's School. Gifts were provided for 62 adults of the Avenue's Nursing Home. Lastly, we need to extend our gratitude to Kellie Brewer who works with the school and the facility getting the names and needs/wants of all the children and adults. Again, Thank you everyone for your generosity.

## Christmas Ministry Schedule

	Eucharistic Minister	Lector	Server	Hospitality	Sacristan
<b>Wednesday, Dec 24</b> <b>4:30 PM</b>	Fr. Peter Visiting priest Deacon Tom Deacon Ray Vicki Walker Zana Dahlkamp	Jane Hendrickson Harry Hendrickson	Aidan and Norah Horstman Laiken Batten Raeana Roth Camden and Carter Conway	Beth Auxier Larry Yocum Francis Yocum Carol Mataya	Sue Roth
<b>Wednesday Dec 24,</b> <b>10:00 PM</b>	Fr. Peter Visiting priest Deacon Ray Darla Roark	Mike Mankowski Olivia Rench	David Mankowski Tommy Mankowski Megan Mankowski Charlotte Clements	Steve Decker Debbie Decker Darla Roark	Isabel Long
<b>Thursday, Dec 25</b> <b>9:00 AM</b>	Fr. Peter Visiting priest Zana Dahlkamp Helen Crusen	Alicia Harney Eleanor Schudel	Adele Zucco Molly Zucco Sophia Harney Lincoln Schudel Julia Powell	Beth Yong Kay Foster	Helen Crusen