



ST. JUDE

CATHOLIC CHURCH



“Be an Intentional Disciple”

EUCARISTIC 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.

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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.



Sunday December 28th, 2025

The Feast of the Holy Family of Joseph, Mary, and Jesus – JMJ: The School of Love in the History of Salvation

The Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph draws the Church into contemplation of God's plan of salvation as it unfolds not in abstraction, but within the concrete reality of family life. In the history of salvation, God chose a family as the first dwelling place of the Incarnate Word. This choice reveals that the family is not merely a social institution, but a sacred space where divine grace and human love meet.

The Holy Family stands firmly within Israel's covenant story in human history. Jesus is born of the house of David, fulfilling ancient promises. Mary, through her faithful "yes," becomes the new Eve who cooperates freely in God's redemptive plan. Joseph, the righteous guardian, embodies obedient faith rooted in the Law and the Prophets. In their shared life at Nazareth, the long hope of salvation history quietly takes flesh. God's redemption begins not with public power, but with trust, obedience, and self-giving love.

The hidden life of the Holy Family reveals that holiness is formed through daily fidelity to the words and promises of God. For nearly thirty years, Jesus grows in wisdom and grace within a

home marked by prayer, work, sacrifice, and mutual care. This sanctification of ordinary life gives lasting meaning to Christian discipleship – love expressed in patience, responsibility, and forgiveness becomes a path to holiness.

The Holy Family of Joseph, Mary, and Jesus affirms the dignity of human relationships. It teaches that authentic human flourishing arises where love is faithful, authority is exercised as service, and each person is valued. In today's broken world, the Holy Family offers a healing vision – one where families become schools of virtue, compassion, love, and solidarity.

For Catholics and all Christians today, this feast is both a reassurance and a mission. It reassures us that God works through imperfect families, and it commissions us to make our homes "domestic churches," living signs of hope where faith shapes daily life and love becomes a witness to God's saving presence in the world.

As we celebrate this Feast today, I commend all the families of our parishioners and friends into the saving intercession of the Holy Family of Joseph, Mary, and Jesus.

Fr. Peter Chineke





Deacon Tom with our newest disciple, Jace Boarman and parents Chad and Madison and Godparents Cambelle Oller and Bradley Stevens. Blessings to Jace Michael and his family as they begin this beautiful journey of faith.



Prayer to St. Jude

St. Jude, glorious Apostle, faithful servant and friend of Jesus, the name of the traitor has caused you to be forgotten by many, but the true Church invokes you universally as the Patron of things despaired of; pray for me, who am so miserable; pray for me, that finally I may receive the consolations and the succor of Heaven in all my necessities, tribulations and sufferings, particularly (here make your request), and that I may bless God with the Elect throughout Eternity. Amen.

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New Year's Eve Through a Catholic Lens

As the year draws to a close, Pope Francis has encouraged the faithful to approach this moment not only with celebration, but with **gratitude and hope**, following the example of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

- **Gratitude for the past year** – Whether the past 12 months brought joy, trials, or both, Catholics are invited to see God's hand in every moment, trusting that nothing is wasted in His plan.
- **Hope for the year ahead** – Like Mary, who trusted God's promises even in uncertainty, believers are called to step into the new year with faith that God's grace will guide them.
- **A different way of living the transition** – Faith transforms New Year's Eve from a mere countdown into a sacred pause, a time to reflect, pray, and renew one's commitment to love and service

Christmas Eve Mass



Mass Intentions & Times (†indicates deceased)

	<u>Saturday, December 27th</u>
4:30pm	Mass (Int: For the Parish Family)
	<u>Sunday, December 28th</u>
8:00am	Mass (Int: : Greg Park †)
10:30am	Mass (Int: Douglas Cearley†)
	<u>Monday, December 29th</u>
5:30pm	Mass (Int: Herb & Helen Dullet†)
	<u>Tuesday, December 30th</u>
7:15am	Mass (Int: Puis & Virginia Chineket†)
	<u>Wednesday, December 31st</u>
7:15am	Mass (Int: Wilma Lewis†)
	<u>Thursday, January 1st</u>
9:00am	Mass (Int: Harry Nicklest†)
	<u>Friday, January 2nd</u>
7:15am	Mass (Int: Greg Park†)
	<u>Saturday, January 3rd</u>
4:30pm	Mass (Int: Virginia Chineket†)
	<u>Sunday, January 4th</u>
8:00am	Mass (Int Dan Connolly†)
10:30am	Mass (Int: Evelyn Conboy†)

December Volunteers: Week #5

Monday, December 29th Counting Day:

Team #4

Church Dusters:

Barb Scheufele and Mary Jo Duesterhaus

December Aluminum Cans Recycle

Will Obrien

December St. Martin de Porres Food

Jay White

Rochester Estates – 4th Sunday of the Month

Eucharistic Minister:

Carriage Crossing – 4th Sunday of the Month

Eucharistic Minister

LITURGY SCHEDULE

Thursday, January 1st at 9:00am

Eucharistic Ministers: Fr. Peter, Z. Dahlkamp,

B. Scheufele, C. Manning

Lectors:

Servers:

Hospitality: B Yong,

Sacristan:

LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday, January 3rd at 4:30pm

Eucharistic Ministers: Fr. Peter, M. Bruno,

B. Scheufele, B. Auxier

Lectors: T. Bertrand, D. Day

Servers: A. and N. Horstman

Hospitality: J. Sponsler, L. & F. Yocom

Sacristan: Kay Foster

Sunday, January 4th at 8:00am

Eucharistic Ministers: Fr. Peter, L. DeGroot, J. & N. Calvert

Lectors: D. Anderson, D. Kuntzman

Servers: R. & E. Strawkas

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

Sacristan: Z. Dahlkamp

Sunday, January 4th at 10:30am

Eucharistic Ministers: Fr. Peter, Deacon Roth,

L. Fjelstul, S. Kerley

Lectors: E. Woehrmann, C. Schmit

Servers: E. Woehrmann, L. Batten, J. Powell

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

Sacristan: H. Crusen

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 Yocom 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 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
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
Leo J. Dougherty – brother-in-law of Frances Yocom
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
Brandon Harris – grandson of Les & LuAnn White
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 Hendricksons
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 Hendricksons
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 Yocom
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
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 Yocom The Schieferdecker family and Grant - cousins of Jim and Barb Scheufele
Jody Frese - sister - in - law of Barb and Jim Scheufele

