



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 January 11th, 2026

The Feast of the Baptism of the Lord

Today, the Sunday we celebrate the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord marks the official end of the Christmas season. This feast unveils Christ's public mission at the Jordan, where heaven opens to affirm the beloved Son (Matthew 3:17). In salvation history, Jesus – sinless Lamb – queues with repentant sinners for John's baptism of penance, not for personal purification but to "fulfil all righteousness," inaugurating his obedience to the Father's will unto death. As the Catechism teaches, this theophany echoes Isaiah's Suffering Servant: heavens reopen (closed by Adam's sin), waters sanctify as prelude to new creation, and the Spirit rests upon Him as source for all. John's ritual baptism, a gesture of humility and conversion, foreshadows sacramental Baptism instituted by Christ's Passover, assimilating believers to His death and resurrection.

The celebration of the event of the Baptism of the Lord reveals Baptism as "birth into new life in Christ," gateway to the Spirit and Church, freeing from sin and incorporating into the Son's sonship. "Through Baptism the Christian... must enter into this mystery of humble self-abasement," rising to "walk in newness of life" (Rom 6:4).

Today, amid worldly "expectation" for renewal, the feast of the Baptism of the Lord urges **baptismal remembrance**. We must know our baptismal dates, renew our baptismal promises, and live as beloved children of God. Pope Benedict XVI highlighted Jesus' humility amid crowds, modeling conversion from selfishness. Pope Francis calls it rebirth, strength for hope's pilgrimage. In Jubilee 2025, John's cry – "begin again" – echoes: immerse in

Christ's mercy, baptize with Spirit and fire, evangelize peripheries – the people on the margins of life – the poor, the persecuted, the abandoned, the sick, the helpless immigrants and the neglected aged.

May this feast ignite our zeal for the Gospel and life of Christ. Let us pray, build faith, show mercy. As the Father proclaims delight, may we, Spirit-empowered, manifest Christ's light daily in our lives, families, and communities. Amen.

Fr. Peter Chineke





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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Our website will be undergoing general maintenance for the next few weeks. Just a heads-up as we prepare to start fresh for the New Year!

Lasagna Fundraiser – Take & Bake

The teens going on the Catholic Heart Work Camp mission trip are teaming up with the teens going on the Rome Pilgrimage for the annual Take & Bake Lasagna Fundraiser. Orders may be placed in one of three ways:

- Directly from a participating teen
- Using the order form at the back of church
- By contacting Kay Foster at 217-494-2984 Orders will be accepted through **Friday, January 23**. Lasagnas ordered using the church order form may be picked up after any Mass on **January 31 or February 1**. Orders placed through individual participants will be delivered by that participant. **Pricing:**

- Large sausage, veggie, or cheese – \$22
- Large sausage (gluten-free) – \$25
- Small sausage, veggie, or cheese – \$10

Thank you for supporting our teens!

Donut Sunday

Please join us for fellowship, donuts, fruit, juice,

milk, and coffee on the following dates:

January 18th, February 1st, and February 15th.

We look forward to seeing you!

Job Opening: Live Stream Mass Coordinator

St. Jude's Catholic Church is seeking a reliable and detail-oriented individual to assist with **live streaming weekend Masses**. Responsibilities include setting up equipment, managing the live broadcast, and ensuring quality audio and video for our online parish community. Technical experience is helpful, but training will be provided.

If you are interested or would like more information, please contact the parish office.

January Bunco Reminder

January Bunco will be held on **Wednesday, January 14th**, from **1:00–3:00 PM** in the **Parish Center**.

All are welcome—come enjoy an afternoon of fun and fellowship!

Mass Intentions & Times (†indicates deceased)

Saturday, January 10th	
4:30pm	Mass (Int: Roberta "Bobbi" Hickey†)
Sunday, January 11th	
8:00am	Mass (Int: Dan Connolly†)
10:30am	Mass (Int: Brent Manning†)
Monday, January 12th	
5:30pm	Mass (Int: Veronica DeRosat†)
Tuesday, January 13th	
7:15am	Mass (Int: Greg Park†)
Wednesday, January 14th	
7:15am	Mass (Int: Virginia Chineket†)
Thursday, January 15th	
7:15am	Mass (Int: Fr. Joe Ring†)
Friday, January 16th	
7:15am	Mass (Int: William Mahler†)
Saturday, January 17th	
4:30pm	Mass (Int: Delbert Collings† and Carolyn Carmichael†)
Sunday, January 18th	
8:00am	Mass (Int: Deceased Members of the Richard Helling Family †)
	Mass (Int: For the people)

January Volunteers:

Monday, January 12th Counting Day:

Team #2

Church Dusters:

Laurie McWard and Zana Dahlkamp

January Aluminum Cans Recycle

Gleason Family

January St. Martin de Porres Food

Carlo Catalano

Rochester Estates – 2nd Sunday of the Month

Eucharistic Minister: Mary & Hartzel Bruno

Carriage Crossing – 2nd Sunday of the Month

Eucharistic Minister: Beth Auxier

Next Week Schedule

LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday, January 17th at 4:30pm

Eucharistic Ministers: Fr. Peter, Dcn. Roth, B. Scheufele, Still Needed

Lectors: I. Long, D. Day

Servers: A. & N. Horstman

Hospitality: J. Sponslor, M. & H. Bruno

Sacristan: Sue Roth

Sunday, January 18th at 8:00am

Eucharistic Ministers: Fr. Peter, Dcn. Roth, L. DeGroot, Still Needed

Lectors: D. Kuntzman, Still Needed

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

Hospitality: D. Anderson, K. Park, B. Yong

Sacristan: Zana Dahlkamp

Sunday, January 18th at 10:30am

Eucharistic Ministers: Fr. Peter, Dcn. Walker, H. Crussen, C. Manning

Lectors: V. Walker, S. Kerley

Servers: N. & R. Houmes

Hospitality: A. & O. Rensch, T. Bax

Sacristan: Darla Roark

St. Jude's welcomes visiting priests to celebrate Mass. We appreciate their generosity and support of our parish family and invite you to warmly welcome them and introduce yourself.



To keep our prayer list current, names will be removed after 30 days. Please contact the office if you would like a name to remain on the list or be removed sooner.

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 Patibanda – 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

Lorine Wallin-Friend of Helling Family

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

Richard Young-Beth Yong

Burning of Palms for Ash Wednesday

As we prepare for the holy season of Lent, we invite parishioners to bring in the blessed palms from last year's Palm Sunday Masses. These blessed palms will be burnt for the ashes used on **Ash Wednesday**. Please place your palms in the designated basket at the entrance of the Church.

We will be burning the palms on Tuesday Feb 17th. Please watch the bulletin for further information about The **Burning of Palms Rite**.

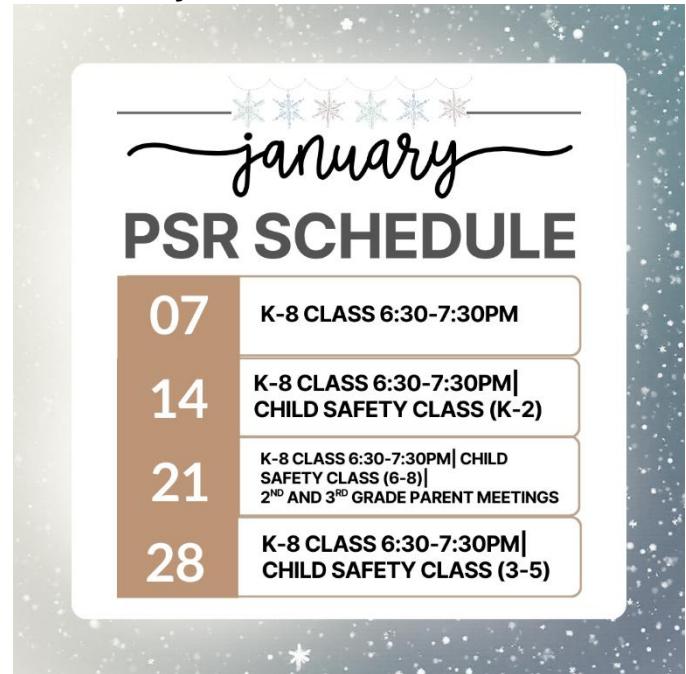
Family Corner

At my children's baptisms, nothing went as planned. At my daughter's, she was unknowingly patient zero of a stomach flu that would take down half our family that Thanksgiving weekend. At my son's baptism, we were masked up due to the pandemic, and he was older than we had once imagined he would be. We had delayed after a season of drifting and falling away, unsure of timing, unsure of ourselves and where we stood with our faith. Yet that day became even more meaningful because it was the last time my mom would be in that particular church before her passing, and where we would actually end up having her funeral Mass. What could have felt imperfect or overdue is now held in our hearts as sacred, layered with grace we could not have predicted.

The Feast of the Baptism of the Lord speaks so powerfully to families. When Jesus steps into the waters of the Jordan, He takes something simple and familiar and turns it into a channel of grace. In baptism, we are washed clean, claimed as God's own, and welcomed into the Body of Christ. It is the beginning of a lifelong journey of faith, one meant to be lived and nurtured within families and within the Church community, even through illness, uncertainty, and seasons of struggle.

Through ordinary water, God offers extraordinary gifts: renewal, blessing, and hope. For families, grandparents, and guardians, baptism is both a moment and a mission, a call to keep returning to the faith we promise to pass on. As we celebrate the Baptism of the Lord, may we be reminded that God works through our real lives, not our perfect ones, and that He is always ready to pour new life and grace upon us, again and again.

PSR January At a Glance



Intentional Discipleship

On the weekend of January 24th and 25th we will be recognizing those in our community who have answered the call to Intentional Discipleship by serving as **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**. We have received the Bishop's mandate that allows these individuals to assist in the distribution of Holy Communion at Mass and to take Holy Communion to the sick and shut ins of our parish. These individuals will be commissioned at each of the Masses that weekend.

Those individuals who answered the call to Intentional Discipleship by serving in the ministries of **Hospitality, Lectors and Sacristans** will be recognized and blessed at each of the Masses that same weekend.

Each of these individuals is a great blessing to our parish family. It is with great joy that our parish family celebrates their Commissioning or Blessing with them.