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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.

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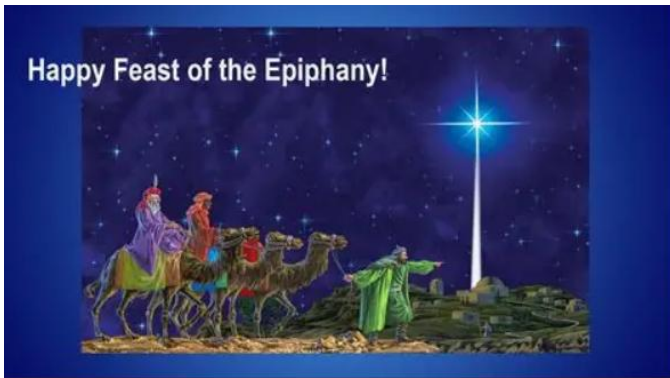
WEB SITES

Parish: 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.



Sunday January 4th^h, 2026

The Feast of the Epiphany of Our Lord Jesus Christ

The feast of the Epiphany of our Lord is traditionally celebrated on January 6, but here in the United States, the Bishops Conference has the permission to celebrate on the Sunday closest to January 6th and after the Feast of the Holy Family. This feast of Epiphany manifests Christ as the light of the nations, fulfilling ancient prophecies and inaugurating the universal call to salvation. In salvation history, the Magi's journey from the East – guided by a star brighter than earthly powers – marks the transition from Christ's revelation to Israel (shepherds at Bethlehem) to all peoples, as Isaiah foretold: "Nations shall come to your light" (Is 60:3). This epiphany, or "manifestation," reveals the Messiah not in Herod's palace but in a humble stable, where the Wise Men adore the newborn King, offering gold for kingship, frankincense for divinity, and myrrh for redemptive suffering.

The Epiphany illumines the path of faith and reason, the "two wings" lifting humanity to God. The star symbolizes Christ's grace drawing seekers amid trials – like Herod's deceit – urging perseverance in the pilgrimage of life. As Pope Benedict XVI

taught, the Magi embody the Church of the Gentiles, a procession through history to the Child who is "the way, truth, and life" (John 14:6).

Today, amid secular shadows, Epiphany challenges Christians to be epiphanies of light. That is, we are all called to be evangelists – evangelize boldly, reject power games, and offer lives as gifts. Families exchange Epiphany blessings, parishes bless homes with chalk (20+C+M+B+26), fostering missionary zeal. In the year of the Jubilee of hope, Pope Francis highlights the star's brightness – love that consumes self for others – as the sole path to joy.

Let the Epiphany renew us in the way we treat the people in our families, places of work and schools, communities and Churches. May Christ's light shines forth in our lives as individual, 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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Looking for a meaningful New Year's goal? Join us in committing to 10 Hail Mary's a day. Through daily prayer, we grow closer to God and lift our intentions together

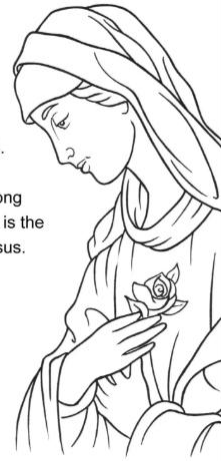
Hail Mary,

Full of Grace,
The Lord is with thee.

Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

Holy Mary,
Mother of God,
pray for us sinners
now, and at the
hour of our death.

Amen.



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



The Sew and Sew group will meet on **Wednesday, January 10th, from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM.** All are welcome to join for a day of fellowship and sewing

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.

Mass Intentions & Times (†indicates deceased)

	<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†)
	<u>Monday, January 5th</u>
5:30pm	Mass (Int: Gary Leach†)
	<u>Tuesday, January 6th</u>
7:15am	Mass (Int: Greg Park†)
	<u>Wednesday, January 7th</u>
7:15am	Mass (Int: Carole Downey†)
	<u>Thursday, January 8th</u>
7:15am	Mass (Int: Wilma Lewist)
	<u>Friday, January 9th</u>
7:15am	Mass (Int: Jim Nelson†)
	<u>Saturday, January 10th</u>
4:30pm	Mass (Int: Roberta “Bobbi” Hickey)
	<u>Sunday, January 11th</u>
8:00am	Mass (Int: Dan Connolly †)
	Mass (Int: Brent Manning†)

January Volunteers: Week #1

Monday, January 5th Counting Day:

Team #1

Church Dusters:

Barb Scheufele and Mary Jo Duesterhaus

January Aluminum Cans Recycle

Gleason Family

January St. Martin de Porres Food

Carlo Catalano

Rochester Estates – 1st Sunday of the Month

Eucharistic Minister: Deona Kuntzman

Carriage Crossing – 1st Sunday of the Month

Eucharistic Minister: Dottie Anderson

LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday, January 3rd at 4:30pm

Eucharistic Ministers: Visting priest, M. Bruno,
B. Auxier, B. Scheufele

Lectors: T. Bertrand, D. Day

Servers: A. & N. Horstman

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

Sacristan: Kay Foster

Sunday, January 4th at 8:00am

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

Lectors: D. Anderson, D. Kuntzman

Servers: R. & E. Strawkas

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

Sacristan: Helen Crusan

Sunday, January 4th at 10:30am

Eucharistic Ministers: Fr. Delano, Dcn. Roth,
L. Fjelstul, S. Kerley

Lectors: Erik Woehrmann, C. Schmit

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

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

Sacristan: Helen Crusan

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 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 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 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
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 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
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 Yocum The Schieferdecker family and Grant - cousins of Jim and Barb Scheufele
Jody Frese - sister - in - law of Barb and Jim Scheufele
Richard Young-Beth Young

