



CHURCH OF SAINT JUDE

ROMAN CATHOLIC COMMUNITY



633 S. Walnut Street, P.O. Box 47, Rochester, IL 62563-0047

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

As a **People of God**, under the guidance of the Roman Catholic Church and the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois, we seek to proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ through Worship, Service, Formation, and Living the values of Christ in the community. As a **community of Faith**, we are open to God's Spirit and the future challenges of Christian life. We **welcome all** who seek God and embrace those who need healing in their lives. **Let us Journey Together. (St. Jude Pray for us!)**

“Be an Intentional Disciple”

PASTORAL LEADERSHIP

Parish Office Manager	Sara Garcia
Deacon	Deacon Tom (Vicki) Walker
(Retired) Deacon	Deacon Ray (Sue) Roth
Director of Religious Education	Jennifer Frericks
Director of Safe Environment	Stacey Harrison
Director of Homebound Ministry	Frances Yocum
Physical Plant Director	Dean Bailey
Music Ministry	Sue Lutz
Art & Environment Committee	Evelyn Deimel
Building & Grounds Committee	Steve Warren
Respect Life	Beth Auxier & Isabel Long
Social Concerns	Jim Havera and Kate Carroll
Martha's Group	Donna Day, Linda Drewes & Connie Leach
Sacristy Linens:	Lenna Degroot, Mary Ann Egizio, Edna Saputo
Baptismal Garments	Ruth Ann Helling
Pastor	Reverend Peter Chineke

Pastoral Council: Erik Woehrmann (Chair)
Peggy Cochran (Vice Chair), Kellie Brewer,
Mary Bruno, Brent Leach,
Sue Martyn, Cathy Manning, Dan Ryan,
Mike Mankowski, Christopher Schmit
Deacon Tom Walker and Fr. Peter Chineke.
(Beth Auxier: Recording Secretary)

Pastoral Council Youth Representatives:
Paige Szabados and Eleanor Schudel

Finance Council: Jim Lauwerens (Chair)
Janet Foster, Barry Houmes, Brian Brewer,
Mike McNicholas, Bev Connolly, Sarah Kerley
and Fr. Peter Chineke.

Knights of Columbus Council # 9640

Mark Schudel, Grand Knight
Meet at 7:00 p.m. on Third Tuesday of each Month.



Eucharistic Celebrations

Saturday: Vigil: 4:30 p.m.
Sunday: 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.
Monday 5:30 p.m. Tuesday thru Friday 7:30 a.m.
Holy Days: 7:00 a.m. and 6:45 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. - 12 Noon, 1 p.m. - 4 p.m.
Friday: 9:00 a.m. - 12 Noon, 1 p.m. - 3 p.m.

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July 13, 2025

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Do You Have a Patron Saint?

The communion of saints is one of the most beautiful and comforting truths of our Catholic faith. It refers to a community of holy men and women who lived virtuous lives on earth and, upon death, were granted the privilege of the beatific vision. The term "beatific vision," as described by St. Thomas Aquinas, represents the glorious experience of living with Christ and seeing Him in His divine glory. Through the communion of saints, we—children of God living here on earth—benefit from the intercessory prayers of those who have attained eternal blessedness. Their prayers are immensely powerful because they are in close communion with God. Therefore, when we ask the saints to pray for us, we are essentially asking our brothers and sisters in heaven to help us communicate with God, as they are closer to Him than we are.

Asking saints to pray for us is helpful, but choosing specific saints to intercede on our behalf is even more helpful. When we select particular saints, we are more likely to learn about their lives, discuss their virtues, and build spiritual friendships with them. These saints serve as our patrons and inspire us as models of the Christian life. The Church encourages us to choose patron saints that represent individuals, families, parishes, dioceses, communities, states, and nations.

For example, the Patron Saint of the United States is Mother Mary, honored under her title of the Immaculate Conception since 1846. The Patron Saint of Nigeria is St. Patrick, recognized since

1961. In the State of Illinois, the Patron Saint is St. Frances Xavier Cabrini. The Patron Saint of the Diocese of Springfield is also Mother Mary, under her title of the Immaculate Conception, similar to that of the United States. My family's Patron Saint is Mother Mary, known as Perpetual Help. Personally, I have a list of patron saints – because I need a lot of help – smiles.

You can have more than one patron saint. Please choose holy men and women of God in heaven with whom you wish to establish a spiritual relationship as your patron saints. They can intercede for you before God. I will soon be asking people at random about their patron saints. It's time to grow in faith with the saints.

Fr. Peter

Memorial Mass

There will be a Memorial Mass for Father Peter's Mother - Ezinne Virginia Chineke which will take place at St Jude Church, Rochester, IL. On Friday, August 8, 2025, at 6:00 pm. The Mass will be followed by a memorial dinner at the Parish Center. Father Peter invites our parishioners and friends to come pray with him.

St. Jude's Parish Quote of the Week

**"You shall love the Lord,
your God , with all your heart,
with all your being, with all
your strength, and with all
your mind, and your neighbor
as yourself**

-Jesus

Youth Spotlight!

Eleanor Schudel

Being Catholic is more than only going to mass on Sundays and praying by yourself right before bed. You have to let God into your everyday words and actions. A verse that has helped me see this is James 1:22 "Do not deceive yourselves by just listening to his word; instead, put it into practice."

This year's lent is when I really started focusing on hearing His words and putting action into them. I decided I would go to daily mass before school everyday. I started asking classmates if they would like to go with me and eventually it became a group who would constantly go. Also during lent I started reading the Bible every night and I would share with my boyfriend what I learned from that verse. During the day I made it a point to pray whenever I felt like I needed to, either for someone else or myself.

I learned that bringing God to others and making Him a center point in my own life, brings me joy, fulfillment, and confidence. I feel the force of His love and the security that He brings to life. Trying to live like God, through actions, has truly strengthened my faith.

Coffee and Donuts

Please join us for coffee and donuts at our next gathering on July 27th at 9am.



Pre-Jordan



There is a Pre-Jordan Class scheduled for Tuesday, July 15th, at 5:30pm for those seeking Baptism. If you are interested or have questions about this class, please contact Deacon Tom Walker or the Parish Office.

Cursillo



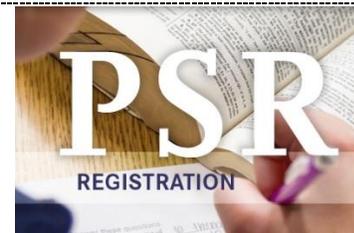
A wonderful 3-day faith-filled experience for adults! If interested, please talk to Joe and Kristin Kohlrus. You can reach them at (217) 652-5393 or (217) 971-7765.

CLOW



Please consider joining the line up to help teach the lessons on Sundays at the 10:30am Mass!

Contact Jennifer for more information!



Don't forget to register for PSR!

If you need the link for registration please contact Jennifer Frericks or look for the link on our parish Facebook account.

Faith Formation Update

Summer Youth Group!



This week Jennifer was on vacation so Peggy Cochran and Angie Powell led the group in activities and discussions!

Our next meeting is July 15.

July 22 will be run by Peggy Cochran and Angie Powell.

These meetings are open to all current 8th-12th graders! Please contact Jennifer Frericks to be added to the Band App so you can have up to date information!

Join us Tuesdays from 6-8pm!

We will return to Wednesdays, beginning August 20th but with a slight change!

The high schoolers love the format the summer has taken. So to incorporate more "game time" they will be invited to come to the church beginning at 7pm and have that time from 7-8pm to play games then from 8-9pm we will enter our "Jesus Time" where we do our highs and lows and introduce the discussion question for the week!

Faith Formation Schedule

July 15: HS Youth Group, 6-8pm
July 21-25: VBS
July 22: HS Youth Group, 6-8pm
July 27: VBS Mass Presentation TENTATIVE
July 29: HS Youth Group, 6-8pm



Aug. 5: HS Youth Group, 6-8pm
Aug 12: HS Youth Group, 6-8pm
Aug. 14: Youth Group Dinner
Aug. 20: HS Youth Group resumes Wednesday Hours, 7-9pm

Youth Group Dinner....for the Parish!



We are in the process of planning for NCYC and beginning to look at next summer. Rome is still being discussed so summer 2026 plans are still in limbo. BUT, we are need to begin fundraising for whatever is in store for us!

With that said, we will still hold an event on August 14th but we NOT be selling tickets.

The object of the night will be to share in more depth our CHWC experience and to share what NCYC entails.

This will be a donation only event, so we will ask to only give what you feel comfortable. If that is nothing, that is fine too.... BUT come and listen and watch!

We will do our normal parish sign up as the time approaches and will have more information in the coming weeks!

NCYC!

National Catholic Youth Conference is November 20-23 in Indianapolis. It's a great experience for our high school youth! Contact Jennifer for more details!

Jennifer's Summer Hours!

Tuesdays' hours are 1-8pm
Thursdays' hours will be 9a-4pm

I will be in the office 8am-1pm daily during the week of VBS!

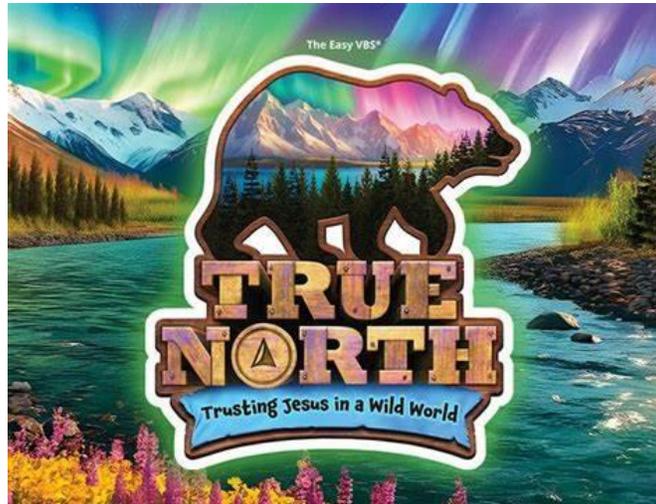
VBS Youth Volunteers Needed!



True North VBS is July 21-15 and 9-11:30am daily. If you have a youth (6th grade and up) that is interested in helping as a station assistant or crew leader, register them through the same form as the participants!

St. Jude TRUE NORTH VBS

Monday, July 21-Friday, July 25
9:00-11:30am



We will have the same format as in the past, but in the morning! So, our Pre-K students-5th graders will partake in games, crafts, videos, Bible lessons, and snacks each day!

On our last day, we will end in our traditional water gun fight, weather permitting!

This event is open to Pre-K through 5th Grade. All children 6th grade and older can volunteer to help as well!

We ask that all Pre-K children be potty trained. If that is not possible then a parent needs to attend with that child.

There is no cost to VBS, but we do ask for donations. You can help by donating needed items for VBS (that list will be out soon) OR you can donate money to help cover the costs!

Anything is much appreciated and helps us to put on a great week for the children!

Childcare for those who need the extra assistance is available from 8:00-9:00am and from 11:30am-1:00pm. You will need to register in advance and the cost for this childcare is \$5 a day per child to help with the additional costs of meals.

Register Now!



Mass Intentions & Times († indicates deceased)

Saturday, July 12th:
 4:30 pm Mass (Int: Al Urbanckas†)
Sunday, July 13th:
 8:00 am Mass (Int: Bernice Van Dyke†)
 10:30 am Mass (Int: Doris Ray†)
Monday, July 14th:
 5:30 pm Mass (Int: Megan Soaga)
Tuesday, July 15th:
 7:30 am Mass (Int: Dan Connolly†)
Wednesday, July 16th:
 7:30 am Mass (Int: Ed Bedore†)
Thursday, July 17th:
 7:30 am Mass (Int: Bob Aplington†)
Friday, July 18th:
 7:30am Mass (Int: Isaac Weitekamp†)
Saturday, July 19th:
 4:30 pm Mass (Int: Dan Connolly†)
Sunday, July 20th:
 8:00 am Mass (Int: Sharon Saner†)
 10:30 am Mass (Int: Bob Parnell†)

Sacrificial Giving, July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026

	This Week	Year to date
Ordinary Env's	\$ 3,240.00	\$ 206,832.60
EFT-Ordinary		\$ 56,130.00
Renovation Fund Env's	\$ 1,339.00	\$ 49,023.00
EFT-Renovation Fund		\$ 3,379.00
Loose Checks	\$ 6,545.00	\$ 73,952.49
Loose Cash & Coin	\$ 494.00	\$ 28,517.21
Total this Week:	\$ 11,618.00	
Fiscal Year Total:		\$ 458,469.15

July Volunteers: Week #2

Monday, July 14th, Counting Day:

Team #2

Church Dusters:

Laurie McWard & Zana Dahlkamp

July Aluminum Cans Recycle:

Kevin Spurlock

July St. Martin de Porres Food:

Kevin Spurlock

Advertiser of the Week:

American Bank of Freedom

133 North John

Rochester, IL 62563

(217) 498-7111

www.americanbankoffreedom.bank

Liturgy Schedule

Saturday, July 19th- 4:30 pm

Eucharistic Ministers: Fr. Zach, Dcn. Walker, V. Waker, and B. Scheufele

Lectors: T. Bertrand and J. Kohlrus

Servers: A. & N. Horstman

Hospitality: H. & M. Bruno, K. Foster, and J. Sponsler

Sacristans: Dcn. Walker

Sunday, July 20th- 8:00 am

Eucharistic Ministers: Fr. Zach, J. & N. Calvert, and C. Vogt

Lectors: K. Blumhorst and B. Connolly

Servers: J. & B. Britz

Hospitality: Z. Dahlkamp, K. Park, and B. Yong

Sacristan: E. Van Dyke

Sunday, July 20th- 10:30 am

Eucharistic Ministers: Fr. Zach, L. Fjelstul, D. Kuntzman, and S. Kerley

Lectors: E. & M. Schudel

Servers: C. & C. Conway

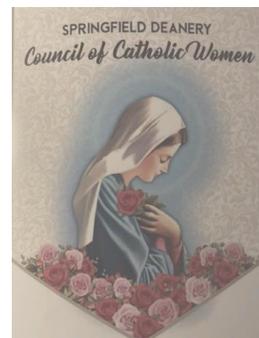
Hospitality: D. Roark and **NEEDED**

Sacristan: H. Crusen

CLOW: Sarah Kerley- 20th

Save The Date!

Saturday, August 2nd at 10:00am



Springfield Deanery,
 Council of Catholic Women Meeting.

Knights of Columbus Hall, 320 E. State St.,
 Jacksonville, IL

Free parking behind the KC Hall and across the street and hosted by the Our Saviour Parish Altar & Rosary Society.

Lunch will be served with a \$5 suggested donation.

Door Prizes

Our speaker is Mike Armstrong and he will be speaking about Creation Care of the Earth.

Please RSVP by July 26th to Spfld Deanery
 President Deborah Pilapil, 217-361-7165,
 voice/text.

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 Estates.

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, Lenna DeGroot, Evelyn Deimel, Carrie Downey, Herta Duban, Gary Dumonceaux, Paul Harris, ***Bobbi Hickey**, Jerry Jasinski, Jillian Kohlrus, Kristin Kohlrus, Betty Limper, ***Marilyn Merkley**, Andrea Miller, Scott 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, Patrick Witcik, Ehren Woehrmann, and Ron Wojcicki.

*** = new this week**

Pray for Family and Friends of Parishioners

Mary Aplington – sister of Beth Yong
John Aplington – brother of Beth Yong
Carolyn Binion – friend of Paulette Dumonceaux
Gene Blade – friend of Pat Carlisle
Tamie Bottoms-Smith – cousin of Char Weitekamp
John Brunsman – father of Laura Horstman
Steven Butts - brother of Michelle Bullock
Suzanne Camp – friend of Beth Yong
Atticus Cassidy – cousin of Steve Decker
Leo Conway – father of Gary Conway
Judy Conway - friend of Maggie Patterson
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
Alison Donoho – friend of Jane and Harry Hendrickson
Sarah Egizio – daughter-in-law of Mary Ann Egizio
Frank Emerson- brother-in-law of Jean McDonald

Lynne (Auxier) Feece – sister-in-law of Beth Auxier
Cindy Frericks- mother-in-law of Jennifer Frericks
Ken Frericks- father-in-law of Jennifer Frericks
Jody Frese – sister-in-law of Barb Scheufeke
Lauren Friedmeyer & her baby, Nellie – granddaughter & great granddaughter of Bill & Laurie White
Gary Garrison – brother-in-law of Kathleen Klee
Steven Godar - father of Dennis Godar
Jennifer Harbeck - cousin of Brad Zack
Brandon Harris – grandson of Les & LuAnn White
Chad Kunkle – friend of Pat & Steve Jones and Family
Jim Kirbach – friend of the Hendricks
Carol Kirby – friend of Ginger Rentschler
Dale Laningham – friend of the Hendricks
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
Mark Maxwell – brother-in-law of Beth Auxier
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 – sister of Carolyn Carmichael and 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 Hendricks
Antonio Garcia & Dolores Pantoja Salgado – father & mother of Diego Garcia
Ann Pardieck – family friend of Hartzel & Mary Bruno
Emily Parnell – daughter-in-law of Peggy Parnell
Mike Patterson – father of Lori Farris
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
Bud Saputo- brother of Vito and Edna Saputo
Joe Saputo – brother of Vito & Edna Saputo
Jeannette Scheifinger – cousin of Phil & Emma Van Dyke
Rose Serrano – sister 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
Special Intentions of Sara Garcia's friend, Stephenie McDevitt's Infant Granddaughter
Marlene Spurgeon – friend of Pat Carlisle
Russ Steil- father of Teresa O'Sullivan
Mary Stewart – friend of Suzanne Moss
Georgann Turner – sister of Kathleen Klee
Kathy Whitaker – friend of Peggy Parnell
Steve White – brother of Les White
Mike Wilkin- brother of Leigh Ann Szabados
Vicki Will – sister-in-law of Brian Sommer
Connie & Marc Wilson – niece and nephew of Ginger Rentschler

