



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 27, 2025

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Thank You Father Zach

On behalf of Father Peter and our entire parish community at St. Jude Church, I want to express our heartfelt gratitude for your dedicated ministry and presence with us this summer. Over the past two months, you have not only brought your spiritual gifts but have also been a source of comfort, wisdom, and encouragement to our dear parishioners and friends who have been lucky to encounter you.

Your homilies were insightful and inspiring, offering a deeper understanding of our faith. The way you connected the Word of God with our daily lives was truly impactful. We also deeply appreciated the way you engaged with the parishioners, whether through one-on-one conversations or simply being present in the parish community.

In addition, your involvement in the various liturgical celebrations and your commitment to the sacraments made a lasting impression. You've enriched our spiritual lives and shown us the love of Christ in ways that will continue to resonate long after your departure. We are grateful for your time and generous presence.

We have truly felt the absence of Father Peter during his time away for summer studies, and his presence has been missed by all members of our community. As we eagerly anticipate his return, we also want to take a moment to express how much we will miss you and hope you can make an effort to visit us as often as possible. In the coming weeks,

as Father Peter returns to us, please keep him and our parish in your thoughts and prayers. He is not only continuing his dedicated ministry but also overseeing some exciting and significant improvements to our parish facilities that will enhance our community's experience. His efforts reflect his commitment to our spiritual growth and well-being.

With sincere thanks and prayers,

St Jude Parishioner.



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

"And I tell you, ask and you shall receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you."

-Jesus

****Help Wanted:** We are currently in need of someone to clean the Parish Rectory twice a month. If interested in this position, please contact the Parish Office.**

Youth Spotlight! **Vincent Powell**

In life, you will come across many obstacles and challenges. God is with you through all of this. For example, if you are really trying to get through a tough time in your life, know that God is with you and has a plan for you. He knows exactly what will happen next for you. Sometimes it will be something you aren't very happy about. When something like this happens, try not to doubt his plan. Something good will come out of it, I promise. Writing this has me thinking of a certain bible verse. Philippians 4:13 "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me." This verse explains the topic perfectly. When you do things, God is with you to help. If you ever find yourself down about what is happening in your life, remember that God has a plan for you.

This can also be the case if something amazing happens to you. Say you are walking down the street, and someone gives you a compliment, just think God sent that person to you for a reason. Whether to brighten your day or just put a smile on your face, that is God's doing. He did this to strengthen you. So, go out today and really think about this bible verse. Include it in the rest of your life. When something happens in your life, remember it and trust God's plan.

Summer Hunger Campaign

This July kicks off our annual Summer Hunger campaign that helps to fund Catholic Charities Mobile Food Pantry Program. The Mobile Food Pantry reaches out to feed disadvantaged people facing poverty. We humbly ask you to consider a gift to help us continue to feed God's children. Donate today at: https://cc.dio.org/ways_to_give/donate or scan the QR code.



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!



We offer our deepest sympathy and prayers for the family and friends of Roberta "Bobbi" Hickey, a fellow parishioner. Bobbi passed away on 7/19/2025. Bobbi's funeral Mass will take place on Monday, July 28th, 2025 at 10am at the Church of St. Jude.

In addition, we also offer our deepest sympathy and prayers for the family and friends of Steve White, brother of Les White, a fellow parishioner. Steve passed away on 7/16/25 and there will be a celebration of his life for the family on 7/27/25 out of state.

Eternal rest grant unto these souls, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

CLOW

Please consider joining the line up to help teach the lessons on Sundays at the 10:30am Mass!
Contact Jennifer for more information!

Faith Formation Update

VBS Says Thank You!

I want to give a big thank you to those who donated items for VBS!

Sue Roth, Rosanna Stefano, Jean Allen, Zana Dahlkamp, Ashley Loyd, Nancy Calvert, Darla Roark, Beth Auxier, the Wuellners, Steve Decker, Michelle Bertrand, Bev Connolly, and those who donated without signing your name!

Thank you for your wonderful generosity!

Another form of charity was the giving of time!

Thank you so much to all my volunteers who came throughout the week to help!

Frances Tomashavich, Laci Maynerich, Kelly Capriotti, Lindsay Howard, Alicia Harney, Peggy Cochran, Carrie Zucco, Clem Uptmor, Carolyn Pemberton, Karen Johnson, Eleanor Schudel, Talia Daniels, Gianna Capriotti, Molly Zucco, Julia Powell, Laiken Batten, Blakey Howard, Taylor Uptmor, Ayden Doehring, Sophia Harney, Raeana Roth, Tinley Bialia, Aubrey Dyer, Brinley Amerson, and our older youth participants who stepped up to help lead their own crew: Cait Fitzsimmons, Madi Doehring, and Neela Keuchler.

The women that helped with making lunch everyday were such a huge help!

Barb Scheufele, Kathy Park, Lisa Reeves, Msrge Possley, Donna Day, and Connie Leach

Thank you to Linda Drewes for coordinating as well!

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.

PSR Teacher Needed!

We are in search of a teacher to take over the 6-8th grade class! Classes begin Wednesday, September 3 and are from 6:30-7:30pm.

We can be creative and have a team to teach so that everyone shares in the weekly lessons.

Please contact Jennifer Frericks if interested!

Summer Youth Group!

This week Peggy Cochran and Angie Powell joined the kids in making sheet cookies! I heard the night went a little long because the discussions were so great!



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!

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!

Faith Formation Schedule

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

Mass Intentions & Times († indicates deceased)

Saturday, July 26th:
 4:30 pm Mass (Int: Heidi Coe†)
Sunday, July 27th:
 8:00 am Mass (Int: The Britz Family)
 10:30 am Mass (Int: Isaac Weitekamp†)
Monday, July 28th:
 5:30 pm Mass (Int: Dan Connolly†)
Tuesday, July 29th:
 7:30 am Mass (Int: Hartzel & Mary Bruno)
Wednesday, July 30th:
 7:30 am Mass (Int: Dan Connolly†)
Thursday, July 31st:
 7:30 am Mass (Int: Roberta “Bobbi” Hickey†)
Friday, August 1st:
 7:30am Mass (Int: Rose Chineke†)
Saturday, August 2nd:
 4:30 pm Mass (Int: Dan Connolly†)
Sunday, August 3rd:
 8:00 am Mass (Int: Lynn Leach†)
 10:30 am Mass (Int: Karin O’Brien†)

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

	This Week	Year to date
Ordinary Env's	\$ 2,847.00	\$ 214,180.60
EFT-Ordinary		\$ 56,130.00
Renovation Fund Env's	\$ 70.00	\$ 49,524.00
EFT-Renovation Fund		\$ 3,379.00
Loose Checks	\$ 390.00	\$ 83,227.49
Loose Cash & Coin	\$ 516.95	\$ 29,641.16
Total this Week:	\$ 3,823.95	
Fiscal Year Total:		\$ 476,717.10

July/August Volunteers: Week #4

Monday, July 28th, Counting Day:

Team #4

Church Duster:

Michelle Bertrand

July Aluminum Cans Recycle:

Kevin Spurlock

July St. Martin de Porres Food:

Kevin Spurlock

August Aluminum Cans Recycle:

Will O'Brien

August St. Martin de Porres Food:

Jeannette Waters

Advertiser of the Week:

Rocket Fitness

Trent & Tracy Rodgers, Owners

(217) 498-1175

Located in the Rochester Village Center

www.rocketfitnesscenter.com

Liturgy Schedule

Saturday, August 2nd - 4:30 pm

Eucharistic Ministers: Fr. Zach, Fr. Peter, Dcn. Roth, and S. Roth

Lectors: B. Auxier and D. Day

Servers: R. Roth

Hospitality: K. Foster and H. & M. Bruno

Sacristans: I. Long

Sunday, August 3rd - 8:00 am

Eucharistic Ministers: Fr. Zach, Fr. Peter, Dcn. Walker, and V. Walker

Lectors: K. Blumhorst and L. DeGroot

Servers: B. Howard

Hospitality: D. & L. Wuellner and C. Vogt

Sacristan: Z. Dahlkamp

Sunday, August 3rd - 10:30 am

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

Lectors: A. Harney and E. Woehrmann

Servers: S. Harney and C. & C. Conway

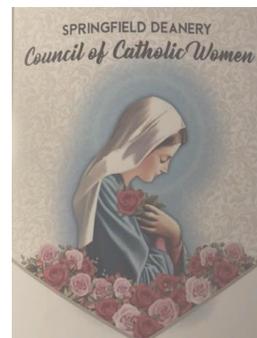
Hospitality: D. Roark and **NEEDED**

Sacristan: H. Crusen

CLOW: NEEDED!

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, 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

***Mary Barrow** – sister of Leigh Ann Szabados

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 Scheufele

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 Hendricksons

Carol Kirby – friend of Ginger Rentschler

Dale Laningham – friend of the Hendricksons

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 Hendricksons

Antonio Garcia & Dolores Pantoja Salgado – father & mother of Diego Garcia

***Sandy Paulek** – friend of Sara & 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

***Ron Wiggins** – friend of Larry & Frances Yocum

Vicki Will – sister-in-law of Brian Sommer

Connie & Marc Wilson – niece and nephew of Ginger Rentschler

