



## Stations of the Cross

Every Wednesday During Lent @ 6:40 PM

The Stations of the Cross, also known as the Via Crucis, is a profound devotion that invites the faithful to journey through the final moments of Christ's earthly life. This devotion, consisting of fourteen stations, allows us to meditate on the suffering and sacrifice of Jesus, deepening our understanding of His immense love for humanity. Each station serves as a poignant reminder of the trials He faced, encouraging us to confront our own struggles with faith and resilience.

Engaging in the Stations of the Cross offers numerous spiritual benefits. It provides an opportunity for personal reflection and repentance, allowing us to connect more deeply with Christ's passion. As we contemplate His journey, we are invited to recognize our own crosses and the redemptive power of suffering. This devotion is particularly cherished during Lent, as it fosters a spirit of penance and preparation for the celebration of Easter.

Moreover, the communal aspect of the Stations of the Cross fosters a sense of unity among participants. As we walk together in prayer, we share in the collective experience of Christ's passion, strengthening our bonds as a community of the children of God united under the Church of St. Jude. This shared journey not only enhances our

individual faith but also reinforces our commitment to support one another in our spiritual lives.

Ultimately, the Stations of the Cross remind us that through suffering, we can find hope, redemption, and the promise of resurrection. Embracing this devotion allows us to grow closer to Christ and to one another, illuminating our path with His love and grace.

Last Wednesday, attendance was low, and our PSR children were nearly alone, with only a few adults present. We encourage you to join us every Wednesday at 6:40 in the evening. It only takes about 20 minutes and can be one of the most beautiful and spiritually enriching experiences of your week!

*Fr. Peter*



### Men's Adult Faith Formation!

Catholicism 101 with Fr. Peter  
7:00pm, Thursdays during Lent  
March 20, 27 and April 3

No sign-up or payment needed- just show up!

**Homebound Ministry:** Do you know anyone who is homebound and would like a visit or who would like to receive Holy Communion? Please contact the Parish Office to schedule a visit for a homebound parishioner.

## Save the date!

Parish Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Lacrosse, WI

Friday - Saturday  
May 9-10, 2025

Call the Parish Office for additional info.



## Pregnancy Care Center's 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Spring Luncheon

Monday, March 31  
Doors open at 10:45pm  
RSVP plus \$30 is required  
Call 217-525-5630 or RSVP  
Lunch, Music, and Raffle Tickets!

## Fr. Patrick Cahill Memorial Scholarship

Attention Graduating High School Seniors:

If you are a graduating H.S. Senior in 2025 and are interested in some extra money for college, please apply for the Father Patrick Cahill Memorial Scholarship. To apply, contact the Saint Jude Parish Office or go online to the Springfield, IL Catholic Diocese website to apply. Please submit applications by Tuesday April 15, 2025.



## FISH FRY 2025

ST. JUDE PARISH CENTER  
MARCH 7, 14, 21 & 28  
APRIL 4 & 11

DINING ROOM: 5:00 - 7:30 PM  
DRIVE THRU 5:00 - 7:00 PM

### FISH DINNER

Fish (fried or baked)  
Baked Potato or Fries  
Coleslaw  
Drink (inside)  
Desert

APRIL SPECIAL  
2 Fish Taco Dinner (inside)

### KIDS MEAL

Hot Dog and  
Mac & Cheese

Proceeds support the charitable work of Knights of Columbus Council #9640



Volunteer Sign-up

Thank you!

"BEST FISH FRY IN SANGAMON COUNTY"



### DINING ROOM PERKS

ALL YOU CAN EAT FRIED FISH  
CUSTOM SAUCES & SEASONINGS

DINING ROOM FISH DINNER \$13

DRIVE THRU FISH DINNER \$12   
4-PACK SPECIAL \$44

KIDS MEALS \$6

## Coffee & Donuts & Fellowship



Join us on **March 23<sup>rd</sup>** after the 8am Mass for coffee, juice, donuts, fruit, and fellowship with other parishioners. Hope to see you there!

## Helping Hands in Christ

**Laundry Soap, Hand Soap, and Gently Used Towels**  
Please help us to help the homeless. Helping Hands in Christ is making March "Soap Month"!

We are reaching out to request a collection for our homeless. Several organizations have reached out and asked our help in collecting laundry soap, hand soap, and gently used towels. The parish has been integral in helping our community and we were hoping we could count on you once more. If you have items you would like to contribute, please bring them to the church and place in the box in the vestibule. Thanks in advance for your ongoing generosity and support.

We are also looking for additional members! If you have any questions, concerns, or any organizations that could use our help please reach out.

Respectfully,

Jim Havera

Call or text: 217-710-0955

Email: [jim.havera@outlook.com](mailto:jim.havera@outlook.com)

[jhavera\\_54@hotmail.com](mailto:jhavera_54@hotmail.com)

## Join in Prayer to End Abortion!

Join Beth Auxier, one of our Parish Respect for Life Chairs, to pray outside of Planned Parenthood. We are in need of more prayer warriors for this event.

**Thursday 3/20 from 2:30-3:30pm**

**Thursday 4/3 from 12-1pm**

**Tuesday 4/15 from 3-4pm**

Please contact Beth Auxier to sign-up for times to pray throughout the day to end abortions or you can contact the Right to Life Office at 217-523-2700 for additional information.

Your prayers are crucial to help end abortion!

# Faith Formation Update

## SAVE THE DATE!

Stations of the Cross Play  
Wednesday, April 16 at 6:40pm



## Rosary Wednesday!



Please join us in the church at 6pm each  
Wednesday that PSR is in session!



It is that time of the year to make plans for the National Youth Conference in Indianapolis. This event is ONLY for those who will be IN high school beginning the fall of 2025 (current 8<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> graders). The event is from Thursday 11/20-Sunday 11/22. If you have not received the detailed information via email and your youth is interested in joining us please contact Jennifer



On Tuesday, March 25, you are invited to join thousands of pro-life advocates, at the Illinois Pro-Life March.

The day begins with Mass at 10 a.m. at the Sangamon Auditorium on the campus of U of I Springfield.

All spots for Mass have been filled by the groups that have registered BUT you can go to this link [Attend the 2025 Mass for Life – Diocese of Springfield in Illinois](#) below to register and will be placed on a waitlist.

After the Mass, there is a rally at the capitol at noon and then a march around the capitol at 1 p.m. Adoration and Confession will also be available at the Cathedral from 1-5pm

They do want you to register for the rally and march as well using this link: [Illinois Pro-Life March](#).

## Easter Basket Collection!

We will be collecting items for our Easter Basket Project again! We hope to make 35 baskets for our homebound parishioners and those in nursing homes, but any extra supplies will be used to make extra baskets for additional nursing home residents. Last year we had enough that ALL residents of the nursing homes received one!

Here is our list of items:

- Travel size personal hygiene items**
- Non candy snacks AND Sugar Free Candy**
- Coloring supplies/word searches/sudoku books**
- Journal or diary**
- Writing supplies**
- Prayer cards/rosaries**
- Play dough/silly putty**
- Small stuffed animals**
- Baskets and grass**

We do ask that the items that will go into the baskets, be brand new. As long as the baskets are in great shape, those do not have to be brand new.

Please bring items to the church or parish center, and the final day for donations is Wednesday, April 9<sup>th</sup>. Warm/fuzzy socks

## HS Youth Group “Propelled”

If interested in joining us, please contact Jennifer or just join us and bring a friend!

ALL meetings, for now, are on Wednesdays from 7:45-8:45pm.

## Faith Formation Schedule

March 19:	Rosary Wednesday, 6pm PSR, 6:30-7:30pm Parent Meetings during class Stations of the Cross, 6:40pm Propelled (HS), 7:45-8:45pm
March 20:	Men's Adult Faith Formation, 7pm
March 26:	Rosary Wednesday, 6:00pm Stations of the Cross, 6:40pm NO PSR or Propelled- Spring Break
March 27:	Men's Adult Faith Formation, 7pm
April 1:	Confirmation at the Cathedral
April 2:	Rosary Wednesday, 6pm PSR, 6:30-7:30pm Stations of the Cross, 6:40pm First Reconciliation and PSR Reconciliation (pt 1) during class. Propelled (HS), 7:45-8:45pm
April 3:	Men's Adult Faith Formation, 7pm
April 9:	Rosary Wednesday, 6pm PSR, 6:30-7:30pm Stations of the Cross 6:40pm PSR Reconciliation (pt 2) during class. Propelled (HS), 7:45-8:45pm
April 13:	Play Dress Rehearsal, 4-5pm Pizza and Easter Baskets, 5-6:30pm Mission Trip Meeting 6:30-7:30pm
April 16:	Rosary Wednesday, 6pm PSR, 6:30-7:30pm Stations of the Cross Play and Reception, 6:40pm Propelled (HS), 7:45-8:45pm
April 23:	Rosary Wednesday, 6pm PSR, 6:30-7:30pm Propelled (HS), 7:45-8:45pm
April 30:	Rosary Wednesday, 6pm PSR, 6:30-7:30pm Propelled (HS), 7:45-8:45pm

### **CLOW**

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



Lessons are provided for you OR you can create your own following the readings!

Contact Jennifer if you'd like to help!

## Wednesday Night Update!

Our Kindergarten/First, Second, and 4-5<sup>th</sup> grader attended the Stations of the Cross! Our 3<sup>rd</sup> graders had class with Mrs. Frericks and learned about the Gifts of the Holy Spirit! Our 6-8<sup>th</sup> graders with the help of some 5<sup>th</sup> graders, continued to work hard on the play!



### **Propelled (High School Youth Group)**

We are busting at the seams! We are in the process of moving to a larger room because we are running out of room! A great problem to have!

We have really enjoyed having Fr. Peter join us each week and we are learning so much!



## Mass Intentions & Times († indicates deceased)

	<b>Saturday, March 15<sup>th</sup>:</b>
4:30 pm	Mass (Int: Margaret Jenkins)
	<b>Sunday, March 16<sup>th</sup>:</b>
8:00 am	Mass (Int: Bob Parnell†)
10:30 am	Mass (Int: Isaac Weitekamp†)
	<b>Monday, March 17<sup>th</sup>:</b>
5:30 pm	Mass (Int: Brent Manning†)
	<b>Tuesday, March 18<sup>th</sup>:</b>
7:30 am	Mass (Int: Ed Bedore†)
	<b>Wednesday, March 19<sup>th</sup>:</b>
7:30 am	Mass (Int: Pius Chineke†)
	<b>Thursday, March 20<sup>th</sup>:</b>
7:30 am	Mass (Int: Carolyn Carmichael†)
	<b>Friday, March 21<sup>st</sup>:</b>
7:30am	Mass (Int: Sharon Saner†)
	<b>Saturday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>:</b>
4:30 pm	Mass (Int: George Ginter†)
	<b>Sunday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>:</b>
8:00 am	Mass (Int: Len Howard†)
10:30 am	Mass (Int: Mary Thullen†)

## Liturgy Schedule

**Saturday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>- 4:30 pm**  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Fr. Peter & Deacon Walker  
**Lectors:** B. Auxier and **NEEDED**  
**Servers:** **NEEDED**  
**Hospitality:** R. & M. McClintock and J. Sponsler  
**Sacristan:** C. Mataya

**Sunday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>- 8:00 am**  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Fr. Peter & C. Vogt  
**Lectors:** D. Anderson and B. Yong  
**Servers:** B. Britz  
**Hospitality:** L. Drewes, L. McWard, & K. Park  
**Sacristan:** Z. Dahlkamp

**Sunday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>- 10:30 am**  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Fr. Peter & S. Kerley  
**Lectors:** A. Harney and P. Szabados  
**Servers:** S. Harney  
**Hospitality:** The Brewer Family  
**Sacristans:** H. Crusen  
**CLOW:** Gretchen Conway

## Sacrificial Giving, July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025

	This Week	Year to date
Ordinary Env's	\$ 4,027.00	\$ 150,170.60
EFT-Ordinary		\$ 48,930.00
Dev. Fund Env's	\$ 1,244.00	\$ 9,316.00
EFT-Dev. Fund		\$ 3,094.00
Loose Checks	\$ 1,380.00	\$ 52,626.01
Loose Cash & Coin	\$ 509.00	\$ 15,707.75
<b>Total this Week:</b>	<b>\$ 7,160.00</b>	
<b>Fiscal Year Total:</b>		<b>\$ 300,771.81</b>

### March 2025 Volunteers: Week #3

**Monday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, Counting Day:**

Team # 3

**Church Duster:**

Donna Day

**March Aluminum Cans Recycle:**

Wuellner Family

**March St. Martin de Porres Food:**

Horstman Family

### *Advertiser of the Week:*

*Waters Insurance Agency*

*Perry M. Waters*

*124 North John Street*

*Rochester, IL 62563*

*(217) 498-9309*

## Holy Week Schedule

### **Palm Sunday Weekend**

Saturday 4:30pm Mass

Sunday 8am and 10:30am Masses

### **Holy Monday**

7:30am Mass

### **Holy Tuesday**

7:30am Mass

### **Holy Wednesday**

7:30am Mass

Rosary, 6pm

Stations of the Cross Play, 6:40pm in the Parish Center

### **Maundy Thursday**

NO Morning Mass

6:30pm Mass

Night Watch 7:30-9:00pm in the Church

### **Good Friday**

NO Morning Mass

6:30pm Mass

### **Holy Saturday**

7:30pm Vigil

### **Easter Sunday**

8am and 10:30am Masses

## **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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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** – JoAnn Camille, Ann Carel, Evelyn Conboy, Shirley Crawford, Lenna DeGroot, Carrie Downey, Herta Duban, Helen Dulle, Gary Dumonceaux, Paul Harris, Jerry Jasinski, Janet Kalb, Jillian Kohlrus, Betty Limper, Andrea Miller, Scott Moss, Jim Nelson, Ginger Rentschler, Ray Roland, Rene Runions, Brittany and Steve Smith and family, Owen Smith and his family (Kristin, Paisley, and Adam), Frances Tomashavich, Al Urbanckas, Bill White, Patrick Witcik, Laurie White, 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  
**Maryann Bailey** – mother of Dean Bailey  
**Carolyn Binion** – friend of Paulette Dumonceaux  
**John Brunzman** – father of Laura Horstman  
**Steven Butts** - brother of Michelle Bullock  
**Suzanne Camp** – friend of Beth Yong  
**Virginia Chineke** – mother of Fr. Peter  
**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

**Steven Godar** - father of Dennis Godar  
**Jennifer Harbeck** - cousin of Brad Zack  
**Jennie Harling** - sister of Leanne Collings  
**Roger Helling** – brother of Gary Helling  
**Chad Kunkle** – friend of Pat & Steve Jones and Family  
**Jim Kirbach** – friend of the Hendricks  
**Dale Laningham** – friend of the Hendricks  
**Glen Limper** - son of Al & Betty Limper  
**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  
**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  
**Dolores Pantoja Salgado** – 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  
**\*Donna Richmiller**: mother of Jennifer Frericks  
**Sabrina Rice** – niece of Beth Auxier  
**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  
**Special Intentions** of Andy Mihelich  
**Special Intentions** of Barb Scoggins  
**Russ Steil**- father of Teresa O'Sullivan  
**Mary Stewart** – friend of Suzanne Moss  
**\*Frank Stroble** – friend of Hartzel & Mary Bruno  
**Tom Uzzo**- brother-in-law of Jane Molohon  
**Kathy Whitaker** – friend of Peggy Parnell  
**Mike Wilkin**- brother of Leigh Ann Szabados  
**Vicki Will** – sister-in-law of Brian Sommer  
**Connie & Marc Wilson** – niece and nephew of Ginger Rentschler



## **St. Jude's Novena**

May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be adored, glorified, loved, and preserved throughout the world now and forever. Sacred Heart of Jesus, pray for us. St. Jude, worker of miracles, pray for us. St. Jude, help of the hopeless, pray for

us. I will never forget thy graces and favors you obtain for me and I will do my utmost to spread devotion to you.

Pray an Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory Be. Say this prayer 9 times a day for 9 days.

Thank you, St. Jude, for Prayers Answered.



PLEASE JOIN US  
*Women's Fellowship Group*  
*Spring Meeting*

Tuesday, April 1

5:30 pm

St. Jude Parish Center

Sign up in the back of church, or scan the

QR code!

(\$5 donation suggested)



## **SDCCW invites women to Two-day Lenten Retreat**

All women of the diocese are invited to the Springfield Diocese Council of Catholic Women's (SDCCW) Lenten Retreat, taking place Tuesday, March 25 and Wednesday, March 26 at the Villa Maria Retreat Center in Springfield (1903 East Lake Shore Dr.). The retreat's theme is "Walking with Jesus through Holy Week." The two-day experience includes talks by Deacon Jeff Beals of our diocese, time for prayer, personal reflection, Mass, Confession, fellowship, and meals.

The retreat includes meals, refreshments, materials, and use of the facility. The cost is \$130 for an overnight stay, single occupancy or double occupancy, if available, upon request; \$70 for commuters, or \$60 Monday night, March 24 with no meals. Mail a check to Barb Leaf, SDCCW Treasurer, 5734 Oakdale Dr., Springfield, IL 62711. Include your name, address, phone number, email address, and dietary or other needs. Also, indicate which cost option you choose. Make your check payable to SDCCW. For questions, contact Mary Ann Sullivan at 217-822-1928.

