



Ash Wednesday and Lent

Ash Wednesday marks the solemn beginning of Lent, a sacred season that invites the faithful into a profound journey of reflection, penance, and renewal. As ashes are imposed on our foreheads, we are reminded of our mortality and the call to repentance. This ritual, steeped in tradition, serves as a powerful symbol of our human frailty and our need for God's mercy. The ashes, a sign of sorrow for sin, echo the words of Scripture: "Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return" (Genesis 3:19). This stark reminder compels us to confront our lives and recognize the areas where we have strayed from God's path. On this Ash Wednesday, March 6, 2025, we shall have Masses at 7:00am, 12:15pm, and 6:30pm.

Lent is not merely a time of giving up luxuries; it is an opportunity for spiritual renewal and transformation. The Church encourages the faithful to engage in three pillars of Lenten observance: **prayer, fasting, and almsgiving**. Through prayer, we deepen our relationship with God, seeking His guidance and strength to overcome our weaknesses. Fasting serves as a form of penance, helping us to detach from worldly distractions and focus on the spiritual nourishment that comes from Christ alone. Almsgiving, on the other hand, calls us to extend our love and compassion to those in need, embodying the Gospel message of charity and service.

As we begin this 40-day journey, we are invited to reflect on our baptismal promises and renew our

commitment to living as disciples of Christ. During this time, let us make it a priority to support the renovation project of our parish church. This renovation is long overdue and aims to foster spiritual growth while enhancing the aesthetics of our church and campus. The project includes the reorientation of the sanctuary, installation of a bell system, repair of our parking lot, and upgrades to our sound system. As we pray and discern how to make our Lenten journey meaningful and productive, let us commit to attending the Stations of the Cross every Wednesday at 6:40 PM and participating in our fish fry ministry every Friday evening.

May God bless our Lenten journey. Amen.

Fr. Peter



Please place all palm branch donations in the basket at the back of church by Tuesday, 3/4/25, for Ash Wednesday services.



We offer our deepest sympathy and prayers for the family and friends of Gil Deimel and Rita Spannagel.

Gil Deimel was a fellow parishioner and KC Member. He passed away on 2/22/2025. Gil's wake and funeral services took place this past Friday and Saturday at the Church of St. Jude.

Rita Spannagel, mother of Jill Whitney, a fellow parishioner. She passed away on 2/22/2025. Rita's visitation and funeral services took place this past Friday at the St. Louis Catholic Church in Nokomis.

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.

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 information.



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.

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 3/6 from 1:30-2:30pm

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!



Men's Adult Faith Formation!

Catholicism 101 with Fr. Peter

7:00pm, Thursdays during Lent

March 6, 13, 20, 27 and April 3

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

NEW MASS SCHEDULE!

Mondays: 5:30pm

Tuesdays-Fridays: 7:30am

First Fridays of the month will have additional Mass in the evening at 5:30pm for First Friday Devotion.

The devotion begins at 4:30pm with Exposition, Adoration and Confessions until Mass begins at 5:30 PM.



ASH WEDNESDAY Mass Schedule

7:00am

12:15pm

6:30pm



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

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 8th-11th 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 9th. 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.

Wednesday Night Update!

Our Kindergarten/First Grade Class learned about Baptism with Fr. Peter. Our Second graders are working hard on being ready for their First Reconciliation and have begun practicing in the Church. Our Third graders learned about the Gifts of the Holy Spirit. Our Fourth/Fifth Graders continued their series on Bible Battles learning about no matter what our sins our, God will always forgive us. Our 6-8th graders with the help of some 5th Graders continued prepping for their play!



Mardi Gras FINAL CHANCE TO RSVP!



Please join us for our annual Parish Mardi Gras Party on **Tuesday, March 4th**. The party is **5:30-7:30pm!** As always, we will have dinner, desserts, games, a parade, and lots of fun!

Please RSVP your family for this fun night by signing up in the back of the church, at PSR, or by contacting Jennifer!

Faith Formation Schedule

- March 4: Parish Mardi Gras Party, 5:30-7:30pm
- March 5th: Ash Wednesday Masses
Rosary Wednesday, 6pm
NO PSR
Propelled will meet following the 6:30pm Mass
- March 6: Men's Adult Faith Formation, 7pm
- March 12: Rosary Wednesday, 6pm
PSR, 6:30-7:30pm
Propelled (HS), 7:45-8:45pm
- March 13: Men's Adult Faith Formation, 7pm
- March 19: Rosary Wednesday, 6pm
PSR, 6:30-7:30pm
Parent Meetings during class
Propelled (HS), 7:45-8:45pm
- March 20: Men's Adult Faith Formation, 7pm
- March 26: NO Rosary Wednesday, PSR, or Propelled due to Spring Break
- March 27: Men's Adult Faith Formation, 7pm

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!

Mass Intentions & Times († indicates deceased)

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| | Saturday, March 1st: |
| 4:30 pm | Mass (Int: Bernard Jenkins) |
| | Sunday, March 2nd: |
| 8:00 am | Mass (Int: For the People) |
| 10:30 am | Mass (Int: Ed Bedore†) |
| | Monday, March 3rd: |
| 5:30 pm | Mass (Int: Virginia Bartletti†) |
| | Tuesday, March 4th: |
| 7:30 am | Mass (Int: Debbie Schmidt†) |
| | Wednesday, March 5th: |
| 7:00 am | Mass (Int: Bishop Paprocki) |
| 12:15pm | Mass (Int: Virginia Chineke) |
| 6:30pm | Mass (Int: For the People) |
| | Thursday, March 6th: |
| 7:30 am | Mass (Int: Kathy Blasko†) |
| | Friday, March 7th: |
| 4:30 pm | Exposition, Adoration, & Confessions |
| 5:30 pm | Mass (Int: Sharon Saner†) |
| | Saturday, March 8th: |
| 4:30 pm | Mass (Int: George Ginter†) |
| | Sunday, March 9th: |
| 8:00 am | Mass (Int: Gary Leach†) |
| 10:30 am | Mass (Int: Evelyn Cannon†) |

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

| | This Week | Year to date |
|---------------------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| Ordinary Env's | \$ 3,431.00 | \$ 141,319.60 |
| EFT-Ordinary | \$ 1,475.00 | \$ 47,535.00 |
| Dev. Fund Env's | | \$ 7,425.00 |
| EFT-Dev. Fund | \$ 113.00 | \$ 2,994.00 |
| Loose Checks | \$ 390.00 | \$ 50,451.01 |
| Loose Cash & Coin | \$ 444.98 | \$ 14,609.75 |
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| Total this Week: | \$ 5,853.98 | |
| Fiscal Year Total: | | \$ 285,261.81 |

March 2025 Volunteers: Week #1

Monday, March 3, Counting Day:

Team #1

Church Dusters:

Barb Schuefele and Mary Jo Duesterhaus

March Aluminum Cans Recycle:

Wuellner Family

March St. Martin de Porres Food:

Horstman Family

Advertiser of the Week:

Ron Furman & Sons Paving
3600 N. Dirksen Parkway
Springfield, IL
(217) 528-9407

Liturgy Schedule

Wednesday, March 5th – 7:00am

Euch. Min.: Fr. Peter, Dcn. Roth, C. Vogt, **NEEDED**

Lectors: B. Yong and E. Woehrmann

Servers: **NEEDED**

Hospitality: Z. Dahlkamp

Sacristan: Z. Dahlkamp

Wednesday, March 5th- 12:15 pm

Euch. Min.: Fr. Peter, F. Yocum, S. Warren, **NEEDED**

Lectors: L. Warren and **NEEDED**

Hospitality: L. Drewes and **NEEDED**

Sacristan: E. Van Dyke

Wednesday, March 5th- 6:30 pm

Euch. Min.: Fr. Peter, Dcn. Walker, and **NEEDED**

Lectors: J. Kohlrus and A. Harney

Servers: S. Harney and D. Sommer

Hospitality: D. Roark and H. & M. Bruno

Sacristan: **NEEDED**

Saturday, March 8th- 4:30 pm

Euch. Min.: Fr. Peter, J. Biesiada, B. Scheufele, and F. Yocum

Lectors: D. Day and I. Long

Servers: **NEEDED**

Hospitality: K. Foster, M. & R. McClintock, and J. Sponsler

Sacristan: C. Mataya

Sunday, March 9th- 8:00 am

Euch. Min.: Fr. Peter, D. Anderson, D. & B. Connolly

Lectors: J. & H. Hendrickson

Servers: J. Britz and L. Garcia Van Dyke

Hospitality: Z. Dahlkamp, L. Drewes, and K. Park

Sacristan: E. Van Dyke

Sunday, March 9th- 10:30 am

Euch. Min.: Fr. Peter, Dcn. Walker, V. Walker, and S. Kerley

Lectors: M. & E. Schudel

Servers: A. Doehring

Hospitality: D. Roark and **NEEDED**

Sacristans: H. Crusen

CLOW: Beth Auxier

Calling all Singers!



St. Jude Choir practices weekly on Sunday at 9:15 in the church.

Sue Lutz, our parish music director, is looking for you to come and sing!

Diocesan Victim Assistance

To report an allegation of sexual abuse of a minor. Victim Assistance Diocesan Hotline: (217) 321-1155

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 – 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 Brunsman – 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

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
Mark Hill – friend of Hartzel and Mary Bruno
Chad Kunkle – friend of Pat & Steve Jones and Family
Jim Kirbach – friend of the Hendricksons
Dale Laningham – friend of the Hendricksons
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 Hendricksons
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
Ozzie Ostrowski – grandson of Marty & Debby Coe
Ariella Rentschler – granddaughter of Ginger Rentschler

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
Gary Schmidt – friend of Hartzel & Mary Bruno
Special Intentions of Andy Mihelich
Special Intentions of Barb Scoggins
Russ Steil- father of Teresa O'Sullivan
Mary Stewart – friend of Suzanne Moss
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



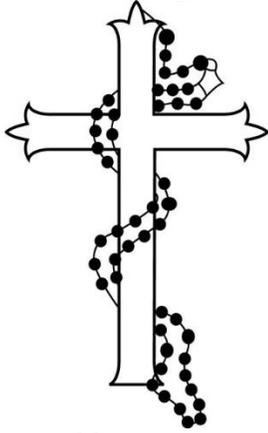
St. Jude's Novena

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.

Lenten Rosary Schedule



We hope to offer the Rosary each Wednesday during the season of Lent at 6:00pm.

We will tentatively schedule the Rosary for March 26th, but with that being the week of Rochester Spring Break that may change.

Lenten STATIONS OF THE CROSS



THE STATIONS OF THE CROSS WILL BE OFFERED EACH WEDNESDAY OF LENT AT 6:40PM IN THE CHURCH.

THE FINAL NIGHT OF THE STATIONS OF THE CROSS WILL TAKE PLACE IN THE PARISH CENTER WITH THE PRODUCTION OF THE STATIONS OF THE CROSS SHADOW PLAY AT 6:40PM, WEDNESDAY, APRIL 16TH.



HOLY WEEK

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

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

Birthday and Anniversary List !!