



## Prayer

### One of the Three Pillars of Lenten Spirituality

Prayer stands as one of the three pillars of Lenten spirituality, alongside fasting and almsgiving, inviting Catholics into a deeper communion with God. During this sacred season, prayer becomes a vital means of nurturing our relationship with the divine, allowing us to reflect on our lives, seek forgiveness, and open our hearts to the transformative power of God's love. As Pope Francis reminds us, "Prayer is the strength of the Christian," enabling us to confront our weaknesses and draw closer to the Almighty.

Living out prayer in our daily lives during Lent can take many forms. Setting aside specific times for personal prayer, such as morning or evening reflections, can help cultivate a consistent prayer life. Engaging in parish activities like the Lenten Men's Catechesis (by the way, our first night was awesome!), attending Stations of the Cross and taking active part in our parish social and pastoral initiatives like the Fish Fry, can deepen our connection to the Church and the entire community of faith. Also, making the sacrifice of attending daily Mass and utilizing resources like Scripture,

prayer books, or meditative practices can enrich our spiritual journey.

Moreover, prayer should inspire action. As we pray, we become more attuned to the needs of others, prompting us to engage in acts of charity and service. This connection between prayer and action embodies the essence of Lenten spirituality, leading us to live out our faith in tangible ways. By embracing prayer as a pillar of our Lenten journey, we prepare our hearts to celebrate the joy of Easter, transformed and renewed in spirit.

In this way, prayer not only nourishes our souls but also empowers us to be instruments of God's love in the world.

May we have a Blessed Lenten Journey. Amen.

*Fr. Peter*



## 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



**"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**

## 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.



## CATHOLICISM 101

### Men's Adult Faith Formation!

Catholicism 101 with Fr. Peter

7:00pm, Thursdays during Lent

March 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

**During Lent, there will be no First Friday Devotions.**

### 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!

### Diocesan Victim Assistance

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



PLEASE JOIN US FOR

## Pregnancy Care Center's 41st Annual Spring Luncheon

**Monday, March 31st, 2025**

**Northfield Inn- 3280 Northfield Drive, Springfield, IL**

*Doors open at 10:45 a.m.*

*Silent auction*

*Bake sale*

*\$10 raffle tickets for a chance to win \$200 cash*

*Buffet lunch at Noon*

*Musical Entertainment by Diane Dietz*

\$30 per person-reservations required

Please RSVP by calling the office at (217) 525-5630 or by using the QR code below by 3/24/25.



### Fr. Patrick Cahill Memorial Scholarship

Attention Graduating High School Seniors:

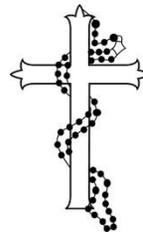
If you are a graduating H.S. Senior in 2025 and are interested in some extra money for college, please apply for the Father Patrick Cahill Memorial Scholarship. To apply, contact the Saint Jude Parish Office or go online to the Springfield, IL Catholic Diocese website to apply. Please submit applications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

### Please join us!

Each Wednesday of Lent we will offer the Rosary at 6pm and the Stations of the Cross at 6:40pm in the church.

The Stations of the Cross

Play will be on Wednesday, April 16 at 6:40pm in the Parish Center.



# 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.



# 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

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

## **Faith Formation Schedule**

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
April 1:	Confirmation at the Cathedral
April 2:	Rosary Wednesday, 6pm PSR, 6:30-7:30pm 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 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!

**Mass Intentions & Times († indicates deceased)**

**Saturday, March 8<sup>th</sup>:**  
 4:30 pm Mass (Int: George Ginter†)  
**Sunday, March 9<sup>th</sup>:**  
 8:00 am Mass (Int: Gary Leach†)  
 10:30 am Mass (Int: Evelyn Cannon†)  
**Monday, March 10<sup>th</sup>:**  
 5:30 pm Mass (Int: Hudson Auxier)  
**Tuesday, March 11<sup>th</sup>:**  
 7:30 am Mass (Int: Julie Carlisle†)  
**Wednesday, March 12<sup>th</sup>:**  
 7:30 am Mass (Int: Barb Sinkust†)  
**Thursday, March 13<sup>th</sup>:**  
 7:30 am Mass (Int: Jordan Ristau†)  
**Friday, March 14<sup>th</sup>:**  
 7:30am Mass (Int: Byron Hurley)  
**Saturday, March 15<sup>th</sup>:**  
 4:30 pm Mass (Int: Margaret Jenkins)  
**Sunday, March 16<sup>th</sup>:**  
 8:00 am Mass (Int: Bob Parnell†)  
 10:30 am Mass (Int: Isaac Weitekamp†)

**Liturgy Schedule**

**Saturday, March 15<sup>th</sup>- 4:30 pm**  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Fr. Peter & Deacon Walker  
**Lectors:** T. Bertrand & B. Auxier  
**Servers:** **NEEDED**  
**Hospitality:** R. & M. McClintock and F. Yocum  
**Sacristan:** C. Mataya

**Sunday, March 16<sup>th</sup>- 8:00 am**  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Fr. Peter & S. Garcia  
**Lectors:** B. Connolly and E. Van Dyke  
**Servers:** L. Garcia Van Dyke  
**Hospitality:** D. Anderson, L. McWard, & C. Vogt  
**Sacristan:** Z. Dahlkamp

**Sunday, March 16<sup>th</sup>- 10:30 am**  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Fr. Peter and S. Warren  
**Lectors:** L. Warren and T. O’Sullivan  
**Servers:** E. Woehrmann  
**Hospitality:** **NEEDED**  
**Sacristans:** H. Crusen  
**CLOW:**

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

	This Week	Year to date
Ordinary Env's	\$ 4,824.00	\$ 146,143.60
EFT-Ordinary	\$ 1,395.00	\$ 48,930.00
Dev. Fund Env's	\$ 647.00	\$ 8,072.00
EFT-Dev. Fund	\$ 100.00	\$ 3,094.00
Loose Checks	\$ 795.00	\$ 51,246.01
Loose Cash & Coin	\$ 589.00	\$ 15,198.75
<b>Total this Week:</b>	<b>\$ 8,350.00</b>	
<b>Fiscal Year Total:</b>		<b>\$ 293,611.81</b>

**SAVE THE DATE FOR.....**



**March Ladies Bunco**

**Date:** Wednesday, March 12<sup>th</sup>, 2025

**Time & Location:** 1:00pm-3:00pm in the Parish Center

**March 2025 Volunteers: Week #2**

**Monday, March 10<sup>th</sup>, Counting Day:**

Team #2

**Church Dusters:**

Laurie McWard & Zana Dahlkamp

**March Aluminum Cans Recycle:**

Wuellner Family

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

Horstman Family

**Advertiser of the Week:**

*United Community Bank*  
**“The Leader of Community Banking”**  
 301 N. Main, Chatham, IL  
 (217) 483-2491  
 UCBbank.com

**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!

## **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  
**Jody Frese** – sister-in-law of Barb Scheufeke  
**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.

# Mardi Gras Party!

Thank you to all my wonderful volunteers for serving, cleaning up, making cupcakes, and helping with the games! A very big thank goes to Jerry and Nancy Calvert, Sue Roth, and Zana Dahlkamp who prepared all the food. We couldn't do this without everyone's help so thank you so much for your time and talent! Finally, thank you to all who attended! It was so much fun to see everyone!!

