



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.

Office Telephone Numbers

Parish Office 217-498-9197

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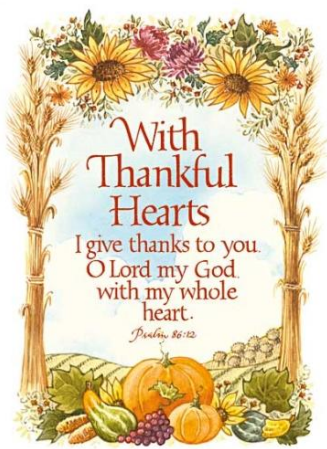
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November 23rd, 2025
34th Sunday in Ordinary Time

**THANKSGIVING FOR ALL. HARVEST
 FEAST FOR US
 WHAT ARE WE THANKFUL FOR?**

The Thanksgiving we celebrate here in the United States is rooted in a profound human instinct to recognize the hand of God in the ordinary rhythms of life. Historically, the 1621 gathering between the Pilgrims and the Wampanoag people was not merely a harvest feast but an act of humble gratitude. After a brutal winter, scarcity, and deep uncertainty, the early settlers (the first immigrants) paused to acknowledge that their survival in a foreign land – fragile and imperfect as it was – had come through God’s providence and the generosity of their Native neighbors. Though history is complex and often painful, the spiritual impulse underlying that first Thanksgiving remains an invitation to reflect on dependence, grace, and reconciliation.

For Christians (Catholics and non-Catholic believers in Christ) in the United States, Thanksgiving is more than a national tradition. It mirrors the scriptural call to give thanks “in all circumstances” (1 Thess. 5:18). Gratitude is not simply an emotion but a discipline that opens the heart to God’s presence. When we pause to count our blessings – family, community, opportunities, faith, and even the trials and challenges that have strengthened us – we

imitate the Psalmist who proclaims, “Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his mercy endures forever.”

As children of God in the Christian faith, Thanksgiving reminds us that everything we possess is gift. Like the immigrants who came with empty hands and open hearts, Christians today are invited to recognize our dependence on God’s daily provision. Gratitude softens pride, challenges bigotry, heals divisions, and restores healthy conscience. It calls us to generosity, hospitality, and compassion toward those who struggle – the sick, the poor, the abandoned, the neglected, the persecuted, those who are running from poverty and dangerous governments.

In this way, American Thanksgiving becomes not only a memory of history but a living spiritual practice – an annual call to humility, unity, and renewed trust in God’s unfailing care.

May we have a blessed Thanksgiving starting with our parish harvest feast this afternoon.

Fr. Peter

S. 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.

MINISTERS FOR THE CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S MASSES

It's hard to believe but the Christmas holiday season is just around the corner. We know that a lot of folks will be traveling for the holidays so rather than randomly scheduling ministers for the Masses, we are asking that you sign up for any ministries you might be able to serve. There are signup sheets on the table as you enter the Church. Please be generous with your time so that our Masses will be the most beautiful and prayerful possible. Thank you in advance.



Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator

This is the liaison between the diocese and anyone with an allegation of sexual abuse of a minor.

217-321-1155

The new Lector workbooks for the 25/26 liturgical year are ready for pick up in the sacristy. If you are a Lector, please stop by and pick one up after Mass. When you take one of the workbooks, please scratch your name off the list that is with the books so that we can track who has picked one up. Thank you for being a part of the important ministry of Lector.

CHRISTMAS FRIENDS ADOPTION

We had a successful "adoption" of Christmas Friends during our first week.

However, there are more adoptions that need to take place. We have the following still available:

30 Nursing home individuals.

7 Food baskets.

8 Students.

If you have not "adopted" a name you may do so after mass at the entrance of the church.

You may also adopt by e-mail at twalker@dio.org



THANKSGIVING DAY MASS

There will be a Thanksgiving Day Mass at 9:00 am. Please join us as we begin our day of Thanksgiving by celebrating Mass together.



Sunday following 8am Mass:
December 7th, 2025.



Job Opening – Parish Secretary

St. Jude Catholic Church in Rochester is looking for a Parish Secretary. If you are interested, please contact the parish office at (217) 498-9197 to obtain the job description and schedule an interview.

Youth Trip to Rome

This August some of our youth will be traveling to Rome to visit Pope Leo XIV. To help offset some of their expenses, we will be holding several monthly 50/50 raffles. Tickets will be sold after each of the Masses, one ticket for \$2.00 or seven tickets for \$5.00. Each monthly drawing will be held after the 10:30 Mass on the last Sunday of the month. This drawing will determine the lucky winner for that month. Tickets will be sold beginning in December and will be repeated each month through July. We look forward to your participation each month in this easy fundraiser.

This week in PSR, our classrooms were full of grace and gratitude!

Kindergarten and 1st grade thanked God for His many gifts as they learned about Thanksgiving.

2nd grade focused on how Jesus washes away our sins through Confession.

3rd grade discovered that being filled with the Holy Spirit gives us strength from God.

4th and 5th grade learned about the family of Jesus and how our Savior came into the world humbly and with great purpose.

6th–8th grade dug deeper into our Catholic faith and how Jesus is inviting each of us into a closer relationship with Him.

No classes next week due to Thanksgiving break!



	
NOVEMBER PSR SCHEDULE	
5	K-8 CLASS 6:30-7:30 PM/VETERANS DAY CELEBRATION 6:40 PM
12	K-8 CLASS 6:30-7:30 PM
19	K-8 CLASS 6:30-7:30 PM/2ND AND 3 RD GRADE PARENT MEETINGS
25	NO CLASSES- THANKSGIVING BREAK



**RAZZO'S
FAMILY PIZZERIA**

**PACK THE HOUSE
NIGHT FOR
ST JUDE YOUTH MINISTRY**

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 8
4-9 PM**

A portion of all Dine in, Carry Out, Delivery, and Gift Card sales
will go towards Church of St Jude Youth Ministry Summer
Mission Trip!

Mass Intentions & Times († indicates deceased)

	Saturday, November 22nd:
4:30 pm	Mass (Int: Parish Family †)
	Sunday, November 23rd:
8:00 am	Mass (Int: Gil Deimel †)
10:30 am	Mass (Int: Virginia Chineke †)
5:30pm	Monday, November 24th: Ecumenical Service
	Tuesday, November 25th:
7:15 am	Mass (Int: Fr. Peter Chineke)
	Wednesday, November 26th:
7:15 am	Mass (Int: Dan Connolly †)
	Thursday, November 27th:
7:15am	Mass (Int: Harry Nickles †)
	Friday, November 28th:
7:15am	Mass (Int: Dan Commolly †)
	Saturday, November 29th:
4:30 pm	Mass (Int: Raymond and Mary Ann Ruppel †)
	Sunday, November 30th:
8:00 am	Mass (Int: Lynn Leach †)
10:30 am	Mass (Int: Brent Manning †)

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

	This Week	Year to date
Ordinary Env's	\$ 2,881.00	\$ 65,230.00
EFT-Ordinary		\$ 5,350.00
Renovation Fund Env's	\$ 703.00	\$ 6,284.00
EFT-Renovation Fund		\$ 245.00
Loose Checks	\$ 560.00	\$ 25,656.00
Loose Cash & Coin	\$ 545.30	\$ 8,225.53
Total this Week:	\$ 4,689.30	
Fiscal Year Total:		\$ 116,112.63

November Volunteers: Week #2

Monday, November 24th, Counting Day:

Team #4

Church Dusters:

Laurie McWard & Zana Dahlkamp

November Aluminum Cans Recycle:

Steve Jones

November St. Martin de Porres Food:

Woehrmann Family

Rochester Estates' 2nd Sunday of the Month

Eucharistic Minister:

Mary & Hartzel Bruno

Carriage Crossing's 2nd Sunday of the Month

Eucharistic Minister:

Beth Auxier

Liturgy Schedule

Saturday, November 29th - 4:30 pm

Eucharistic Ministers: Fr. Peter, Dcn. Roth, Sue Roth J. Kohlrus

Lectors: D. Day, M. Mankowski

Servers: R. Roth

Hospitality: K. Foster, M. and R. McClintock

Sacristans: I. Long

Saturday, November 30th - 8:00 am

Eucharistic Ministers: Fr. Peter, J and N Calvert, B. Connolly

Lectors: H. and J. Hendrickson

Servers: B. and J Britz

Hospitality: A. and O. Rench and B. Young

Sacristans: Z. Dahlkamp

Sunday, November 30th - 10:30 am

Eucharistic Ministers: Fr. Peter, D. Kuntzman, C. Manning and S. Warren.

Lectors: L. Warren, E Woehrmann

Servers: A. Doehring

Hospitality: T. and C. Bax, D Roark

Sacristans: H. Crusen

Advertiser of the Week:



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Prayer for the Sick

O glorious Saint Camillus, special patron of the sick poor, who who for forty years, with truly heroic charity, did devote yourself to the relief of their temporal and spiritual necessities, be pleased to assist them now even more generously, since you are blessed in heaven and they have been committed by Holy Church to your powerful protection.

Obtain for them from Almighty God the healing of all their maladies, or, at least, the spirit of Christian patience and resignation that may sanctify them and comfort them in the hour of their passing to eternity; at the same time obtain for us the precious grace of living and dying after your example in the practice of divine love. Amen.

Our Father, Hail Mary,
Glory be to the Father.



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 Estate

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 Carell, Morgan Culbertson, Carrie Downey, Herta Duban, Gary Dumonceaux, Kaitlyn Galman, Henry Gartner, Noah Harney, Paul Harris, Jerry Jasinski, Betty Limper, Marilyn Merkley, Andrea Miller, Scott Moss, Suzanne 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, ***Jill Whitney**, Patrick Witcik, and Ehren Woehrmann

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
Tamie Bottoms-Smith – cousin of Char Weitekamp
John Brunsman – father of Laura Horstman
Steven Butts - brother of Michelle Bullock
Atticus Cassidy – cousin of Steve Decker
Leo Conway – father of Gary Conway
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
Leo J. Dougherty – brother-in-law of Frances Yocum
Sarah Egizio – daughter-in-law of Mary Ann Egizio
Frank Emerson- brother-in-law of Jean McDonald

Jason & Molly Everitt & Family – nephew & niece of Lenna DeGroot

Lynne (Auxier) Feece – sister-in-law of Beth Auxier

Carole Fulcher - friend of Pat Carlisle

Cindy Frericks- mother-in-law of Jennifer Frericks

Ken Frericks- father-in-law of Jennifer Frericks

Lauren Friedmeyer & her baby, Nellie – granddaughter & great granddaughter of Bill & Laurie White

Jennifer Harbeck - cousin of Brad Zack

Brandon Harris – grandson of Les & LuAnn White

Oaklynn Harrison – granddaughter of Stacey Harrison

Missy Houmes - sister of Barry Houmes

Chad Kunkle – friend of Pat & Steve Jones and Family

Jim Kirbach – friend of the Hendrickses

Carol Kirby – friend of Ginger Rentschler

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

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 – 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 Hendrickses

Emily Parnell – daughter-in-law of Peggy Parnell

Father Zach Patibandla – our 2025 summer priest

Mike Patterson – father of Lori Farris

Mary Poeling – cousin of Maggie Patterson

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

***Joe Rupnick** – friend of Hartzel & Mary Bruno

Bud Saputo- brother of Vito and Edna Saputo

Joe Saputo – brother of Vito & Edna Saputo

***Sue Speary** – friend 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

Marlene Spurgeon – friend of Pat Carlisle

Russ Steil- father of Teresa O'Sullivan

Mary Stewart – friend of Suzanne Moss

Ron & Kim Thompson – friends of Emma Van Dyke

Judy Waidman – aunt of Jim and Christina Lauwerens

Kathy Whitaker – friend of Peggy Parnell

Vicki Will – sister-in-law of Brian Sommer

Connie & Marc Wilson – niece and nephew of Ginger Rentschler

Tommy Regan- Friend of Frances Yocum