



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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September 28th, 2025

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Raising Our Children Right


With everything going on in our world today, it is easy to blame the larger society (school, workplace, government, private and public institutions of all kinds) for how miserable and wayward many of our children have become. Some are lost socially, or spiritually, or morally, or mentally, or completely and unable to function. Others are lost but still functioning barely enough to be counted in the family. Still, some of our family and friends are physically alive today but lost in one kind of deadly addiction or the other. We still have others who have lost their lives due to causes that could have been prevented by parents during upbringing. Recently, I found this incident on social media and decided to share it here.

“A man sentenced to death was about to be executed, before dying, he asked for only one thing, a pencil and a sheet of paper. Silence filled the cell as he wrote with deep concentration, minutes later, he handed the letter to the guard and said: Give this to my mother, in the letter he wrote "Mother, if justice were fair, I wouldn't be the only one to be punished, you would be here with me as

well”. Do you remember when I stole a boy's bicycle, instead of correcting me you helped me hide it? When I took money from the neighbor you went with me to spend it? Do you remember when Dad tried to teach me what was right, you said he was too hard on me, I was just a child, I needed limits not support to do wrong. Today I am here, paying the price for everything I did but I forgive you. I only hope this letter reaches as many parents so they understand that saying no to a child can sometimes be the greatest act of love. Thank you for giving me life and for helping me lose it. Sincerely, Your condemned son”

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.

YOU are invited to the **TWO HEARTS** Pregnancy Resource Center

AUTUMN BBQ FUNDRAISER!

Two Hearts
Pregnancy Resource Center



Proceeds from
our **TWO HEARTS**
fundraisers allow us
to offer vital pregnancy
resource services to new
Mothers-to-Be!



CHRIST THE KING COMMUNITY CENTER
1930 BARBERRY DRIVE
SPRINGFIELD

TUESDAY: 09/30/25



5:00PM - 7:00PM

**'To-Go' ORDERS AT THE DOOR,
OR JOIN US FOR INSIDE DINING**

2026 LIFE Calendar Debut!

TWO HEARTS PREGNANCY RESOURCE CENTER
519 North Bruns Lane ~ Springfield, IL 62702 ~ 217.670.1115

GET VACCINATED, IT'S SIMPLE!

FLU SHOT – *Once a year, every year.*

SANGAMON COUNTY
Department of Public Health

2833 South Grand Avenue East • Springfield, IL 62703
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PROTECT THOSE YOU LOVE & YOURSELF

FLU SHOT CLINIC 2025

**Tuesday October 7th
9:00am to 11:00am**

**Church of St. Jude Parish Center
633 W. Walnut, Rochester**

Free with Insurance card:

Aetna, Blue Cross, Cigna, Humana, Health Alliance,
HFS, Meridian, Medicare, Medicaid, Molina
are accepted insurance

Cost without insurance is \$42 for standard and \$100 for Hi-Dose vaccine

Must have Insurance card at time of vaccination.

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

Save the Date

Feast of St Francis This feast commemorates the life of St Francis, who was born in the 12th century and is the patron saint of animals and the environment. He is remembered for his generosity to the poor and his willingness to minister to the lepers. In celebration of this feast, there will be a **BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS** on Saturday, Oct 4 at 10:00AM in the parish parking lot.



Thank You Jan Pietras and all the
volunteers for a wonderful Parish Feast!
Already looking forward to the next one!



Life chain Sunday

Sunday October 5th, 2025

Beth Auxier will be there to pray near Little
Flower from 3:00 to 3:30!

FAITH FORMATION UPDATES

Rochester Homecoming Parade

It's a Great Day to Be A ROCKET!

This year's parade will be on Wednesday, October 8, 2025, at 5:30 pm. The theme this year is: **"Blasting off with Rocket Pride: from Launchpad to Legacy"** (Think outer space, astronauts, rocket fuel, aliens, stars/planets etc...)

St Jude's will be putting a float in the parade this year!!!!

Planning for our float has just started. If you have any ideas for the float, please let Father Peter or Deacon Ray know. We will need people to ride on the float (and throw candy!!) We would love to have folks of every age – families with little ones, teens, grandparents, – There is a place for **EVERYONE**.
Go Rockets!!!!!!!!!!

Mark Schudel came and discussed the pancake breakfast fundraiser for those going to Rome. Then we discussed the Bible verse from 1 Peter 5:8-9 "8 Be alert and of sober mind. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour. 9 Resist him, standing firm in the faith, because you know that the family of believers throughout the world is undergoing the same kind of sufferings"




Check out the October at a Glance Calendar for upcoming dates!

This week, our Kindergarten and 1st graders learned about God's promise to Noah. Our 2nd graders learned about the 7 Sacraments and how each of them shape our Catholic identity. Our 3rd graders continued to learn about the Sacraments, what makes Sunday special, and how to listen to God at Mass, and learned about St. Padre Pio. Our 4th-8th graders had Altar Server Training and learned about this important ministry within our church!

Trunk or Treat: We're excited to announce that our annual Trunk or Treat will be held on Wednesday, October 29th immediately following PSR!

This fun tradition gives our children a chance to celebrate together in a safe, family-friendly environment, but we need your help to make it happen!

We're looking for parents, parishioners, and high schoolers to host a Trunk! Just park your car, pop your trunk, and hand out candy as the children parade by in costume. Decorating your trunk is totally optional, but it definitely adds to the fun! If you'd like to host a trunk and hand out treats, please let Alicia know by Tuesday, October 22nd, so we can plan accordingly. Sign up in the back of church to host a Trunk or email Alicia at PSR@churchofstjude.com!



OCTOBER PSR SCHEDULE

1	K-8 CLASS 6:30-7:30 PM
8	NO CLASSES-ROCHESTER HOMECOMING PARADE
15	K-8 CLASS 6:30-7:30 PM 2 ND AND 3 RD GRADE PARENT MEETING IN CLASSROOM
22	K-8 CLASS 6:30-7:30 PM
29	K-8 CLASS 6:30-7:30 PM TRUNK OR TREAT FOLLOWING PSR

Mass Intentions & Times († indicates deceased)

<u>Saturday, September 27th:</u>	
4:30 pm	Mass (Int: Evelyn Conboy†)
<u>Sunday, September 28th:</u>	
8:00 am	Mass (Int: Bob Parnell†)
10:30 am	Mass (Int: Isaac Weitekamp†)
<u>Monday, September 29th:</u>	
5:30 pm	Mass (Int: Herb & Helen Dulle†)
<u>Tuesday, September 30th:</u>	
7:15 am	Mass (Int: Lynn Leach†)
<u>Wednesday, October 1st:</u>	
7:15 am	Mass (Int: Pius & Virginia Chineke†)
<u>Thursday, October 2nd:</u>	
7:15am	Mass (Int: Dan Connolly†)
<u>Friday, October 3rd:</u>	
7:15am	Mass (Int: Joe Marucco†)
<u>Saturday, October 4th:</u>	
4:30 pm	Mass (Int: Billy Cox†)
<u>Sunday, October 5th:</u>	
8:00 am	Mass (Int: Gil Deimel†)
10:30 am	Mass (Int: Virginia Bartletti†)

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

	<u>This Week</u>	<u>Year to date</u>
Ordinary Env's	\$ 1,540.00	\$ 44,694.00
EFT-Ordinary		\$ 3,945.00
Renovation Fund Env's	\$ 25.00	\$ 3,911.00
EFT-Renovation Fund		\$ 170.00
Loose Checks	\$ 180.00	\$ 22,075.00
Loose Cash & Coin	\$ 17.20	\$ 5,482.63
Total this Week:	\$ 1,762.20	
Fiscal Year Total:		\$ 85,399.73

September/October Volunteers: Week #5

Monday, September 29th, Counting Day:

Team #3

Church Duster:

Michelle Bertrand

September Aluminum Cans Recycle:

Del Reeves

September St. Martin de Porres Food:

Jerry Calvert

October Aluminum Cans Recycle:

Scott Settles

October St. Martin de Porres Food:

Hartzel & Mary Bruno

Liturgy Schedule

Saturday, October 4th - 4:30 pm

Eucharistic Ministers: Fr. Peter, C. Mataya, B. Auxier, and M. Bruno

Lectors: M. Mankowski and D. DayT

Servers: D. Sommer

Hospitality: D & J. Kratz and K. Foster

Sacristans: I. Long

Saturday, October 5th - 8:00 am

Eucharistic Ministers: Fr. Peter, D. Anderson, and J. & N. Calvert

Lectors: J. Hendricks & O. Rench

Servers: R. & E. Strawkas

Hospitality: C. Vogt, Y. Brandis, and K. Park

Sacristans: Z. Dahlkamp

Saturday, October 5th - 10:30 am

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

Lectors: S. Nelson and C. Schmit

Servers: S. Harney

Hospitality: T. Bax, C. Manning, and D. Roark

Sacristans: **NEEDED**

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.

Advertiser of the Week:

Waters Insurance Agency

124 North John Street

Rochester, IL 62563

(217) 498-9309

**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, Carrie Downey, Herta Duban, Gary Dumonceaux, 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, Patrick Witcik, Ehren Woehrmann, and Ron Wojcicki.

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
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
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
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
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
Oaklynn Harrison – granddaughter of Stacey Harrison
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
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 Hendricksons
Ann Pardieck – family friend of Hartzel & Mary Bruno
Emily Parnell – daughter-in-law of Peggy Parnell
Father Zach Patibandla – friend of Emma & Phil Van Dyke

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
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
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
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



Prayer for the Sick

O glorious Saint Camillus, special patron of the sick poor, 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.*



Presented by Knights of Columbus 9640

All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast

OCTOBER 18, 2025 | 8:30 AM - 1:00 PM

\$10 Tickets, 1 Person per Ticket

*All proceeds to support our youth pilgrimage
to Rome to meet the first American Pope*

ST. JUDE PARISH CENTER

Pancakes

Sausage

Coffee and Drinks

Friends and Fellowship



Tickets available for
purchase from youth group
members, after masses & in
the parish office