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“THIS IS MY CHOSEN SON. LISTEN TO HIM.”



Welcome to Saint Jude

We are a Roman Catholic Parish, which gathers believers in Jesus Christ in Hopatcong and surrounding areas. Our Pastor is Fr. Peter Wierzbicki. We belong to the Diocese of Paterson, New Jersey. Our Bishop is Bishop Kevin Sweeney.

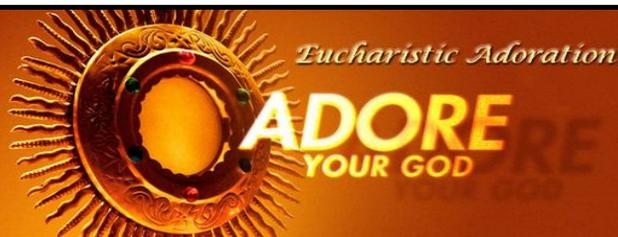
If you are moving to the Hopatcong area, we cordially invite you to make Saint Jude your parish.



† SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT, MARCH 13, 2022 †

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY	March 12
8:00 AM	Joseph Romano
4:00 PM	<i>Confession (util 4:45PM)</i>
5:00 PM	Leo Rosenbaum
SUNDAY	March 13
9:00 AM	Maureen Schmidt
11:00 AM	Ernestine Costa
MONDAY	March 14
8:00 AM	Patrick & Elvira Capone
7:00 PM	<i>Confessions until 8:30 PM</i>
TUESDAY	March 15
8:00 AM	People of St. Jude
<i>After the Mass</i>	<i>The Adoration</i>
WEDNESDAY	March 16
8:00 AM	Joseph Cinotti
THURSDAY	MARCH 17
8:00 AM	Marianne Gasparino
FRIDAY	MARCH 18
8:00 AM	Mary Mancini
7:00 PM	<i>Stations of the Cross</i>
SATURDAY	March 19
8:00 AM	Louise D'Amelio
4:00 PM	<i>Confession (until 4:15PM)</i>
5:00 PM	Fr. Joe Buzzerio
SUNDAY	March 20
9:00 AM	Anthony Sisco
11:00 AM	Gerald Job



YEAR OF THE EUCHARIST AT SAINT JUDE

In observance of the Year of the Eucharist we would like to introduce to the parish family the Holy Hour. Every Tuesday, after the morning mass, we will be able to participate in an Adoration when we are going to pray with the Morning Prayer, taken from the Liturgy of the Hours, and a special devotional prayer to Saint Jude. All people are invited.

Also, starting this week (Jan. 10), the church will be open for visitors during the office hours (Mon-Fri 9AM-3PM). Please, use the side door to enter our church.

Lent at Saint Jude

Friday:

8:00AM – Mass (live streamed)

7:00PM – The Stations of the Cross

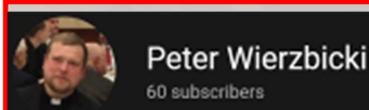
(livestreamed)

Monday:

Welcome Home to Healing Confession

March 7 through April 4

7:00 PM to 8:30 PM



Peter Wierzbicki
60 subscribers



Masses online

For those who for any reason cannot participate in the mass in person, we offer an online mass live. They are streamed online at 8:00 AM during the week, and 9:00 AM on Sunday.

Links to watch the Mass online can be found on our website: STJUDEHOPATCONG.ORG You can also go directly to Facebook or You tube and search for „Saint Jude Hopatcong”. You tube and Facebook can be watched on any computer, Smart TV (any new TV), cell phone (iPhones and Androids), tablet (iPads and Android devices). The only thing you need is an access to the Internet.

A FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON THE SUNDAY READING HIS WORD TODAY

by Rev. William J. Reilly
March 20, 2022

“When the Lord saw him coming over to look more closely, God called out to him from the bush: ‘Moses! Moses!’, He answered, ‘Here I am.’ God said: ‘Come no nearer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place where you stand is holy ground. I am the God of your fathers.’... ‘Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.’”

Moses, taking care of his flock, noticed the bush burning like an eternal flame. Curiosity drew him closer and the voice spoke. Stop, remove your sandals, for this is holy ground. God reveals Himself in different ways – the bush, the mountain of transfiguration. Where can I find Him today in my Lenten journey?

He continues to reveal Himself and His love for us as we read and reflect upon His word, as we observe practices of prayer, sacrifice and good works. Unlike the meeting at Horeb, He summons us to come closer. Remove whatever obstacles that get in our way to be with the Lord. I am called to live this Lent in new and deeper ways.

My mantra for this week: Moses response, “Here I am.”

A BRIEF SYNOPSIS OF THE SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: Exodus 3:1-8a, 13-15

Moses came upon a burning bush, when God called out to him. God told Moses that he had seen the suffering of his people in Egypt, and intended to lead them from their captors to a land of milk and honey. Moses asked what he should say if the Israelites should ask what God wished to be called. God replied, “I am who am.”

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12

Paul describes how the people were led into the desert by Moses, yet many of them were struck down by God. He warns that this should serve

as an example not to give in to wicked desires or we may suffer the same downfall.

Gospel: Luke 13:1-9

Jesus says that an individual's misfortune does not mean that their sins were greater than someone else's. He warns that without repenting, all sinners will meet the same end. He tells of a barren fig tree whose owner planned to cut it down. But a servant offered to give it special care for one year, and destroy it should it remain barren. This symbolizes God's patience toward us.

Help Keep the Lights On!

Please, continue on donating to Saint Jude. Just like you, our utility bills and other fixed expenses (insurance, salaries, etc.). Right now we are slowly opening our parish for the public, but the collection is still low and not covering all the expenses the parish has to cover. If it is within your means please consider setting up a recurring weekly donation to support the Parish via *WeShare*.

If you prefer to give your donation in envelopes, you can drop them in our mailbox. Mailbox is checked a couple times a day.



DAYS OF FASTING DURING LENT

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence for Catholics. In addition, **Fridays during Lent** are obligatory days of abstinence.

For members of the Latin Catholic Church, the norms on fasting are obligatory from **age 18 until age 59**. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal.

The norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding upon members of the Latin Catholic Church from age 14 onwards. If possible, the fast on Good Friday is continued until the Easter Vigil (on Holy Saturday night) as the "paschal fast" to honor the suffering and death of the Lord Jesus, and to prepare ourselves to share more fully and to celebrate more readily his Resurrection.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



Religious Education classes will resume again on March 13th. We will begin with mandatory family Mass and then we will all proceed up to the Parish Center for Family discussion and breakfast. Please follow our schedule as usual for the remainder of the year.

HOPE BEREVEMENT GROUP

The next meeting of the bereavement group, Hope, will be on, at 12:30PM in the Meeting Room.

ROSARY & ALTAR SOCIETY

The Rosary Altar Society meetings are on the first Tuesday of every month of the month at 7:30 PM.

The March meeting of the Rosary Society will be on March 8th.

HELP THOSE IN NEED



The Pandemic has hit all of us pretty hard some more than others. Since we no longer have a food pantry we have been relying on gift cards donated by parishioners. Our Shop Rite certificates are running low and we are still in need of Walgreens, Walmart and 3 in 1 certificates. If you can help us with those it would be greatly appreciated.

ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED

If you are in 3rd grade or older (boys and girls) and would like to become an altar server, please call Mrs. Colello at (973) 398-6377.

FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

The committee is looking for a few people to help out. Please, call Jimmy if you want to be a part of this great group 973-945-7522.

LINE DANCING WITH STOMPIN' SUE



Tuesdays from 7-10 pm
St. Jude's Parish Center
Admission \$10.00

For more information call or text Sue at 862-312-3971.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



All Catholic men 18 and above are invited to join our Knights of Columbus Parish Council.

Help us to help our Church and our community.

For any questions email Manny at mannyfernandes@stjudehopatcong.org

Sausage and Pepper Sandwich fundraiser is on Sunday April 10th.

Details to follow.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THOSE WHO ARE SICK

Matthew Bailey, Charles Battersby, Ann Bauer, James Bonavota, Ann Bonda, Nancy Buckler, Kyle Bussey, Ethel Butler, Jordyn Cameron, Toni Castoro, William Cerra, Amanda Church,, Sr., Cathy Collins, Linda Corcoran, Shannon & Reggie Crowley, Claudia Davis, Joseph D'Amelio, Liliana Di-Fillippi, Edward DiGangi, Richard Ferris, Charisse Forkey, Will Garcia, Beverly Gilmore, Fr. George Gothie, Katie Gowey, Jean Grillo, Jodie Grillo, Susan Helfrich, Mary Hessenius, Linda Hill, Andrea Jones, Avery Jones, Danny Kavanaugh, Terri Kellerman, Charlie La Capria, Cheryl Lotito, Theresa Leggio, Sheperd Lobdel, Erin Loescher, Richard Macari, Joan Major, Tyler Mahler, Roger Manter, Joanna Mark, Pat McDonald, Patty Meduri, Claire Miller, Anthony Monetti, Maryann Moore, Arthur Morelli, Abbie Nicosia, Margery & Daniel O'Donnell, Kim Olenic, Joanne Orr, Yvonne Paquing, Danny Palma, Jeff Poyer, Richard Ratti, Cathy Ricciuto, Denise Rogalski, Mary Rushka, Eleanor Schaeffer, Paul Sansevere, Lola Scala, Joanne Scully, Evelyn Sisco, Catherine Sorace, William Stelmach, Nancy Tevis, Natalie Thompson, Anne Marie Truncali, Grzegorz Wierzbicki, Joyce Williams, Barbara Wulff.

WANTED

Dear Saint Jude Parishioners.

We are looking for one or more volunteers that are skilled in finish carpentry. Specifically installing trim around doors. We estimate 10-12 doors will need to be trimmed-out. The work would likely not occur until May, at the earliest.

The parish would pay for all materials. We will work with your schedule.

If you have the finish carpentry skills and are able to help, please reply with your contact information. (Name, Phone, Email).

Thanks
Rob Bond
on behalf of the Saint Jude
Security Project Team.

CATECHETICAL LEADERSHIP ASSOCIATION OF THE DIOCESE OF PATERSON



Pope Francis has asked all the members of the Catholic Church to enter into conversations with others. The reason for these conversations is to listen to each other and to others who may not always feel invited or included by the Church.

This survey is one of the ways that the Roman Catholic Diocese of Paterson is seeking input.

We would appreciate your participation by answering 12 questions, with space for open comments if you wish. You may answer or skip any questions you like, especially if you feel they do not apply to you.

Go to: <https://rcdop.org/synod-public-form>

RETIREMENT PLANNING SOLUTIONS



Hosted by our Knights of Columbus Council 9914, our Field and General Agent will be presenting **Retirement Planning Solutions** for our parishioners on our Fraternal Benefits night March 24th at 7:00pm in the Parish Center.

Please join us for an informative evening you will find useful for your financial success in achieving retirement.

Please contact our field agent Frank DeLorenzo at 908-452-6794 if you would like to submit or have questions before our session.

Hope to see you there!

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Vigil location: Outside 196 Speedwell Avenue, Morristown, NJ

Vigil hours: (i.e., 7 am to 7 pm daily)

Local contact: Frances M. Spilman, 973-627-1654,

E-mail: 44lifeus@gmail.com

Learn more ... get involved ... and sign up for prayer times by visiting our campaign at this web address:

<https://www.40daysforlife.com/en/>



**Diocesan Ministries
 Appeal 2021**

DIOCESE OF PATERSON

Bishop thanks everyone for donating into the Diocesan Ministries Appeal. Our goal was \$14,025 and we pledged \$19,237.

The Appeal helps so many of our brothers and sisters in need throughout our Diocese, especially those whose lives have been impacted by the pandemic. During this difficult time, You responded with love and compassion to many who faced immense challenges. You were and are true "Beacons of Hope" to God's people.

Thank You from the bottom of my heart.

Fr. Peter Wierzbicki

Position Available at Assumption College for Sisters (Denville):

Adjunct Position

Fall Semester August 23-December 16

Ps 101 General Psychology 3 credits

This is a basic course in the history, theories, principles, and methods of the psychological study of human behavior. Topics will include a brief history of psychology, critical thinking, human development, motivation, emotion and stress, personality, social psychology, and psychopathology as examined through the biopsychosocial perspective.

Applicant must possess a Master's degree in Psychology.

Send resume to Sister Joseph at president@acs350.org



**Hopatcong Woman's
 Club Careers
 Development award**



Are you interested in furthering your education and updating your skills? The Hopatcong Woman's Club is offering a careers Development award in the amount of \$750.00 to a female Hopatcong resident who is planning on returning to school. The applicant must be 25 years or older. Anyone eligible please contact Toby Nelson tob294ever@aol.com for an application. The completed form must be received by May 1, 2022.

Business Hours

Monday	9:00	to	3:00
Tuesday	9:00	to	3:00
Wednesday	9:00	to	3:00
Thursday	9:00	to	3:00
Friday	9:00	to	3:00
Saturday	CLOSED	to	CLOSED
Sunday	CLOSED	to	CLOSED

973-398-6377

1. Anyone baptized in the Roman Catholic faith who wishes to become a Member of Saint Jude in Hopatcong is asked to come to the parish office for registration.
2. Certificate of Good Standing for Godparents or Confirmation Witnesses stating that a given person is a believer and practicing Catholic will be issued at the parish office after three months of belonging to the parish community and fulfilling the obligations towards the parish.
3. All Catholics in our parish are obliged to participate in Sunday and holiday Masses and support our parish by making donations to the church using the envelopes received by mail.
4. Any person 25 year old and older need to be registered under their own name to get the status of a parishioner of Saint Jude regardless of whether he lives with his parents or alone.
5. Families who have changed their address are asked to inform the parish office in order to update their address details.

Our Staff:

Rev. Peter Wierzbicki.....*Pastor*
 Rev. Mr. Tom Friel.....*Deacon*
 Mrs. Lillian Colello.....*Administrative Assistant & Coordinator of Religious Education and Confirmation Program*
 Mr. Henry Schmidt.....Parish Trustee
 Mr. Sylwester Plewa.....Parish Trustee
 Mr. Marcin Kochanowicz.....Organist
 Edie Vieth.....Cantor
 Victoria Plewa.....Cantor

How to register:

If you are new to the parish or have not previously registered in the parish, please do so by calling the office at **973-398-6377** for a registration form. Also, if you are not receiving collection envelopes, we can arrange to have them sent them to you.

Our Parish Family invites all of its members to share fully in our spiritual and social life.

If you change your address or telephone number, please contact us. All parishioners are requested to use the regular Sunday envelopes or our Online Giving. If you are not receiving them, please call the Rectory

Parish Center Rental

If you would like to rent a Parish Hall, please call Debbie at (973) 650-8164.

The typical maximum head count is 225 people for dinner seating.

For more information email our hall rental committee: rental@stjudehopatcong.org

Eucharistic Liturgies

Sunday Masses During Pandemic: 5:00PM. (Saturday Vigil Mass) 9AM and 11AM

Weekday Masses (Mon - Sat) 8:00 a.m.

Holy Days of Obligation To be announced

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) Saturday 4:00 - 4:45 p.m. or by appointment

Novena to St. Jude: Wednesday after the Mass
Adoration: every Thursday after the mass until 3PM

Litany to Our Lady: after every morning Mass in May

Litany to the Heart of Jesus: after every morning Mass in June

Rosary: after each daily Mass in October

Remember to always check the bulletin and listen to the announcements for any changes and times for special liturgies.

Sacraments:

BAPTISMS are usually celebrated on the 3rd Sunday of the month after the 11AM Mass. Parents are asked to call the rectory about the Baptismal preparation meeting on the first Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m.

MARRIAGE - Arrangements should be made at the Rectory no less than 6 months before the marriage date and prior to any social planning. To arrange for Pre-Cana instructions, please call the Rectory.

R.C.I.A. RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS - Persons interested in learning of the Catholic faith, and any adult person who needs to receive Baptism, Eucharist or Confirmation. If you need information regarding this, please contact the Rectory.

VISITATION OF THE SICK AND ELDERLY - Please keep us informed so that we can be attentive to those who are ill at home or in the hospital. Communion is brought upon request to the home. For the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick, please call the Rectory and dial the emergency extension to speak with the Pastor.

Other contacts

Official Website:

<https://stjudehopatcong.org/>

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