



SAINT JUDE

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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.



† FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT, MARCH 26, 2023 †

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY 8:00 AM 4:00 PM 5:00 PM	MARCH 25 Louis D'Amelio Confession (until 4:45PM) Marian & Pasquale Palma
SUNDAY 9:00 AM 11:00 AM	MARCH 26 Anthony Sisco Barbara Jones
MONDAY 8:00 AM 7:00 PM	MARCH 27 People of St. Jude Confession (until 8:30PM)
TUESDAY 8:00 AM	MARCH 28 Loretta Frienzi & Geri Hoskin
WEDNESDAY 8:00 AM <i>After the Mass</i>	MARCH 29 Joseph Colavita <i>Adoration</i>
THURSDAY 8:00 AM	MARCH 30 Frank Nutley
FRIDAY 8:00 AM 7:00 PM	MARCH 31 Silvio Diaz Stations of the Cross
SATURDAY 8:00 AM 4:00 PM 5:00 PM	APRIL 1 People of St. Jude <i>Confession (until 4:45PM)</i> Kathy Barger
SUNDAY 9:00 AM 11:00 AM	APRIL 2 Lenny Colello Lorraine Calabro



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 Wednesday**, after the morning mass, we will have an opportunity 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, the church is open for visitors during the office hours (Mon-Fri 9AM-3PM).

MASSES ONLINE

We stream our morning masses online.

Weekdays: 8:00AM

Sunday: 9:00AM

For those who, for any reason, cannot participate in the mass in person, join us online.

You can find us on Facebook, YouTube and our website: STJUDEHOPATCONG.ORG

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FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

Family Faith Formation in Parish Center following the 9:00AM Mass.

Reminder: 1st Reconciliation will on Saturday, March 25, 2023 at 10:30AM in the Church.

There will be no Awakenings Classes for the remaining year.



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 We Share.

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

A FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON THE SUNDAY READINGS

"Thus says the Lord God: O my people, I will open your graves and have you rise from them, and bring you back to the land of Israel. Then you shall know that I am the Lord... O my people! I will put my spirit in you that you may live, and I will settle you upon the land; thus you shall know that I am the Lord. I have promised, and I will do it, says the Lord."

Lent offers us the opportunity to consider the death of the Lord, but also the glory of new life, the resurrection. The prophet Ezekiel has God speaking to us of our promised resurrection from the grave which awaits us all. What he wrote centuries before Christ and the resurrection of Jesus' friend Lazarus, is a promise for us all.

We avoid speaking about death, yet know that we are to die and rise to receive our just reward.

It is that promised spirit who fills us today to offer us the gift of life. Jesus is the resurrection and the life. We are comforted by Jesus' words, 'Father I thank you for hearing my prayer, I know that you always hear me... I have said this that they may believe that you sent me.'

Jesus wishes that we may live, but His life follows death..

CHILDREN'S CHOIR



Anyone still interested in joining please call the Rectory. We will be planning soon for Easter.

ADULTS CHOIR



We would like to invite volunteers to join our choir. If interested talk to **Edie** or **Marcin** before or after Masses.

A BRIEF SYNOPSIS OF THE SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: Ezekiel 37:12-14

This reading is a loving promise that the Lord will put His spirit into his people and will let them live.

Second Reading: Romans 8:8-11

Paul reminds the Romans that they are not people of the flesh but people of the Spirit because the Spirit of God dwells in them.

Gospel: John 11:1-45

In great detail, John tells the story of the raising of Lazarus to life. Upon learning of the death of Lazarus, his dear friend, Jesus goes to comfort Martha and Mary. After proclaiming, "I am the Resurrection and the Life", Jesus goes to the tomb of Lazarus and restores him to life.



WELCOME HOME TO HEALING

Monday evenings in Lent: February 27 - March 27, from 7pm – 8:30pm

You are invited to celebrate the gift of forgiveness in the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession). Throughout the Diocese of Paterson, New Jersey, every Church will make available the opportunity for Confession.

For more information, visit www.WelcomeHomeToHealing.org





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12:30pm - Church Meeting Room

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Free to all – Families invited

Questions? Call JoAnn
973-214-9305

LINE DANCING WITH STOMPIN' SUE



The regular line dancing is held on
Tuesday, from 7:00PM to 10:00PM.
Everyone is welcome

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THOSE WHO ARE SICK

Matthew Bailey, Charles Battersby, Ann Bauer, James Bonavota, Ann Bonda, Kyle Bussey, Ethel Butler, Jordyn Cameron, Toni Castoro, William Cerra, Amanda Church, Matthew Clemente, Joseph Colavita, Lenny Colello, Jr., Cathy Collins, Linda Corcoran, Richard Costa, Shannon & Reggie Crowley, Claudia Davis, Joseph D'Amelio, Fred Denhardt, Liliana DiFillippi, Edward DiGangi, Aine Ferguson, Richard Ferris, Dolores Ferris, Charisse Forkey, Will Garcia, Andy Gervasi, Stephen Gravatt, Alan & Denise Gilbert, Beverly Gilmore, Fr. George Gothie, Katie Gowey, Jean Grillo, Jodie Grillo, , Linda Hill, Max Howa, 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, Jimmy O'Brien, Margery & Daniel O'Donnell, Kim Olenic, Joanne Orr, Yvonne Paquing, Bob Pecarific, Edward Pinkerrman, Jeff Poyer, Lupita Pryor, Richard Ratti, Cathy Ricciuto, Jacob & Jaxson Rivera, Denise Rogalski, Mary Rushka, Sammy Sanchez, Paul Sansevere, Lola Scala, Joanne Scully, Michael Slattery, Catherine Sorace, William Stelmach, Nancy Tevis, Natalie Thompson, Anne Marie Truncali, Grzegorz Wierzbicki, Joyce Williams, Barbara Wulff.



HEALING AFTER ABORTION

Do you know of someone who is carrying the grief of a past abortion? There is always hope. The pain and sorrow of abortion does not need to endure for a lifetime. A "Day of Prayer & Healing" offers the opportunity to experience the love and mercy of God and to respond to His invitation to begin the journey of healing the wound of abortion. Upcoming dates in the NYC area are: Nov. 5, Jan. 14, March 11, and May 20th in English., and May 6 in Spanish. For more dates, locations, and confidential registration, or just to talk to a Sister, please call the Sisters of Life at (866) 575- 0075 (toll free) or reach by email:

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SELF DEFENSE CLASS



Every Wednesday night in the *Parish Center* from 6:30 to 8:00 PM.

Call Mike at 973-229-9881 for more information. Proceeds go to the Church.

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

HOPE BEREAVEMENT ROUP



The next meeting of Hope will be on March 19th in the Meeting Room at 12:00PM. All are welcome.

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. Currently we are all out of Shop Rite, Walgreens, and Walmart cards. If you can help us, it would be greatly appreciated.

EASTER SUNDAY flowers



Beautiful Easter flowers decorate our altar each year due to the hard work of the Rosarians. Once again the Rosary & Altar Society will be asking for donations to make this possible. They will be at all the doors on **April 1st** after all the Masses. Please be generous.

CATHOLIC IN RECOVERY

Has your faith walk with Jesus been impaired due to your or another's behavior, compulsion or addiction? Do you have trouble letting go of vices that keep you from focusing on God? These actions inhibit our freedom, making us less able to follow God's will. 12 step Recovery is about addressing these addictions, compulsions and attachments that lead us away from our God-given identity as His children.

If any of this pertains to you, please join us. In-person anonymous meetings, Monday evenings 6:30-7:30PM at Our Lady Queen of Peace Church, 209 South, Route 206, Branchville, NJ

Sign Up!

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SIGN-UP SHEETS WILL BE AVAILABLE IN THE ALTAR SERVERS' SACRISTY, STARTING THIS WEEKEND, FOR HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SUNDAY MASSES. PLEASE SIGN-UP AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

B-B-B-BAD



BAD TO THE BONE!!!

LOCAL ALCOHOLIC ANONYMOUS MEETINGS

Hopatcong has 4 Alcoholics Anonymous meetings per week.

Saturday 11 AM
Saturday evening 7 PM
Sunday 9 AM
Sunday evening at 5 PM

All the meetings are on Lakeside Blvd in the lower level of the Senior Center.

What is so unique about this group? The Hopatcong's group is 42 years old and was started at Saint Jude Church when Father Ryan was the Pastor.

ROSARY & ALTAR SOCIETY



The Rosary Altar Society meetings are on the first Tuesday of every month at 7:00 PM. Everyone is welcome to join us in saying the rosary. You may also stay for the meeting if you wish.

PART-TIME HELP WANTED:



Bon Venture Services, our church bulletin company, is seeking part-time help in their Shipping Department. Tuesday and Wednesday, 16 to 20 hours per week. May require lifting 40 pound packages occasionally.

Anyone interested in applying please email:
tim@bonventure.net
Many thanks!

22ND ANNUAL CARING BASKET GALA

Assumption College for Sisters cordially invites you to attend the 22nd Annual Caring Basket Gala on March 30, 2023, at the Hanover Marriott, Whippany, NJ. From 6:30 –9:30 pm. Proceeds fund 20 scholarships for international Sisters students at Assumption College for Sisters.

This year's honorees are Most Rev. Kevin Sweeney, Janet and Peter Simon, and Sole and Andrew Anselmi.

The gala features unique auction items and a scholarship raffle.

For reservations and ways to participate:

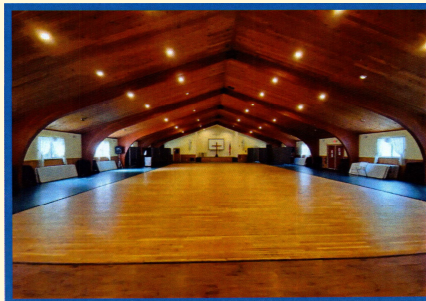
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Anyone eligible contact Toby Nelson, Coordinator of the Career Development Award at to-b294ever@aol.com for an application.. The completed form must be received by May 1, 2023.



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Friday	9:00	to	3:00
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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*
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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 will now be performed every Sunday during the 11:00AM Mass., unless otherwise specified.. Parents are asked to call the rectory to register. 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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