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"Many are invited, but few are chosen."

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.



✠ TWENTY EIGHTH IN ORDINARY OCTOBER 15, 2023 ✠

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY 8:00 AM 4:00 PM 5:00 PM	OCTOBER 14 People of St. Jude <i>Confessions (until 4:45PM)</i> Jacqueline Barata
SUNDAY 9:00 AM 11:00 AM	OCTOBER 15 Lenny Colello Gordon Lightfoot
MONDAY 8:00 AM	OCTOBER 16 Deceased members of the Coppla Family
TUESDAY 8:00 AM	OCTOBER 17 Deceased members of the Coolican Family
WEDNESDAY 8:00 AM <i>After the Mass</i>	OCTOBER 18 Deceased members of the Davis Family <i>Adoration</i>
THURSDAY 8:00 AM	OCTOBER 19 Deceased members of the Felber Family
FRIDAY 8:00 AM	OCTOBER 20 Anthony Ciccone
SATURDAY 8:00 AM 4:00 PM 5:00 PM	OCTOBER 21 People of St. Jude <i>Confessions (until 4:45PM)</i> Alivia Pandorf
SUNDAY 9:00 AM 11:00 AM	OCTOBER 22 Alice, Richard & Joan Hoer John Migliaccio

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.



ADULTS CHOIR

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



CHILDREN'S CHOIR

We are looking for more Kids to join our children's choir. Please consider signing up your child. The more kids the better the sound.



MASSES ONLINE

We stream our morning masses online.

Weekdays: 8:00AM

Sunday: 9:00AM

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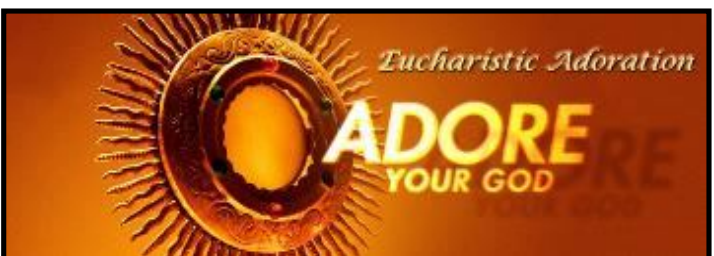
During Holy Week we are going to stream all the Holy Week (Monday—Friday) Liturgies, 8PM Easter Vigil, and Easter Sunday 10AM Masses.

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.

WWW.STJUDEHOPATCONG.ORG

YouTube and Facebook can be accessed from any computer, Smart TV, cell phone (iPhones and Androids), tablet (iPads and Android devices). Find a YouTube or Facebook app on your device and search for "Saint Jude Hopatcong"

YouTube



ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Every Wednesday, after the morning mass, we have an opportunity to participate in an Adoration. 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).

FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON THE SUNDAY READINGS

"I know how to live in humble circumstances; I know also how to live with abundance. In every circumstance and in all things I have learned the secret of being well fed and of going hungry, of living in abundance and of being in need. I can do all things in him who strengthens me...My God will fully supply whatever you need....Go out, therefore into the main roads and invite to the feast whomever you find."

We live as a truly blessed people. Whatever we have is a gift from God. As Paul speaks to us today, it is a special moment to ask what do I really need, but also what do I have that I can do without. In our area many storage facilities have opened to provide space for the many possessions we do not readily use. For some there is need for temporary storage, but for so many, the storage will go on permanently.

Besides observing these facilities, please note there are so many struggling and in need. It allows us to consider what do I have that I can share with someone else? We are assured that God will supply with necessities. What shall I do with my excess? The gospel tells us to go out and invite someone else to the feast. There are countless opportunities to provide clothing, furniture, and groceries to less fortunate who are our neighbors.

Why not use as a mantra this week the words of St. Paul, 'I can do all things in Him who strengthens me.'

A BRIEF SYNOPSIS OF THE SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: Isaiah 25:6-10a

This passage describes the new Jerusalem as a heavenly banquet on the mountain with the Lord God wiping away all tears.

Second Reading: Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20

In simple, direct words, Paul thanks the Philippians for alleviating his hardships. He stresses, though, that he is as accustomed to poverty as to abundance and finds all his strength in Christ.

Gospel: Matthew 22:1-14

Once more speaking to the chief priests and the elders, Jesus relates the parable of the wedding banquet. A King, preparing a wedding banquet for his son, summons all the invited guests. When, after several invitations, no guests arrive, the King commands his servants to "go out into the byroads and invite anyone you come upon." Again, Jesus warns the elders, "the invited are many, the elect are few."

SUNDAY COLLECTION



Sunday Collection for

October 8:

First Collection:

\$2612.00

Second Collection:

\$1112.00

Grand Total:

\$3724.00

FAITH FORMATION HIGHLIGHTS

Mrs. Wolfe's 3rd grade class made edible rosaries in honor of Our Lady of the Holy Rosary



"HOPE" BEREAVEMENT ROUP

The meeting of Hope today in the Meeting Room at 12:00PM.

The next meeting will be on October 29, 2023. All are welcome!





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:

mannyferandes@stjudehopatcong.org



Our Lady of Sorrows: A Brief History

The devotion dates back to the early Church, when St. John stood by Mary at the foot of the cross, witnessing her sorrow as Jesus died

The prophecy of Simeon, who told Mary that a sword would pierce her soul when she presented Jesus in the temple, also foreshadowed her sorrow

In the 13th century, seven young men in Tuscany founded the Servite Order, dedicated to meditating on the seven sorrows of Mary, and popularized the rosary, scapular, and novena of her sorrows.

In the 15th and 17th centuries, two feasts in honor of Mary's sorrows were established, one on the Friday before Palm Sunday and the other on September 15, the current date.

The devotion to Our Lady of Sorrows expresses the compassion and solidarity of the Church with Mary, who shared in the passion and death of her Son, and who intercedes for us in our trials.

LOCAL ALCOHOLIC ANONYMOUS MEETINGS Hopatcong has 4 Alcoholics Anonymous meetings per week

Saturday:	11:00 AM
Saturday Evening:	7:00 PM
Sunday :	9:00 AM
Sunday Evening:	5:00 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

On October 28th there will be a candlelight procession from the Church up to the statue



of St. Jude by the parish center. The procession will take place after the 5:00 Mass in honor of the feast day of St. Jude. Please join us
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.

Pride in Our Priests Dinner



Each year the Paterson Knights of Columbus honor the Priests of our Diocese at this wonderful Gala Event. This Gala is open to everyone. Please consider supporting our Pastor, Father Peter by joining us for this wonderful event.

Monday, November 20, 2023

Cocktail Hour Begins at 6:00 PM.

Dinner served at 7:00 PM

\$55.00 per person
at

The Hanover Manor

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Reservation Deadline, November 6th.

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.



LINE DANCING WITH STOMPIN' SUE

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



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 very low of Shop Rite, Walgreens, and Walmart cards. If you can help us, it would be greatly appreciated.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THOSE WHO ARE SICK

Matthew Bailey, Charles Battersby, Ann Bauer, James Bonavota, Ann Bonda, Tom Brown, Kyle Bussey, Ethel Butler, Jordyn Cameron, Toni Castoro, William Cerra, Amanda Church, Matthew Clemente, Lenny Colello, Jr., Cathy Collins, Linda Corcoran, Richard Costa, Shannon & Reggie Crowley, Claudia Davis, Joseph D'Amelio, Mike DeCroce, Fred Denhardt, Liliana DiFilippi, Edward DiGangi, Frank Dupress, Aine Ferguson, Richard Ferris, Dolores Ferris, Charisse Forkey, Maria Ines Garcia, 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, Trey Mooney, Maryann Moore, Arthur Morelli, Dan Murphy, Tom Neidbala, Jimmy O'Brien, Margery & Daniel O'Donnell, Kim Olenic, Joanne Orr, Yvonne Paquing, Bob Pecarific, Jason Perez, Edward Pinkerman, Jeff Poyer, Lupita Pryor, Richard Ratti, Anthony Recantine, 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, Kaylee Thornburg, Anne Marie Truncali, Grzegorz Wierzbicki, Joyce Williams, Barbara Wulff.



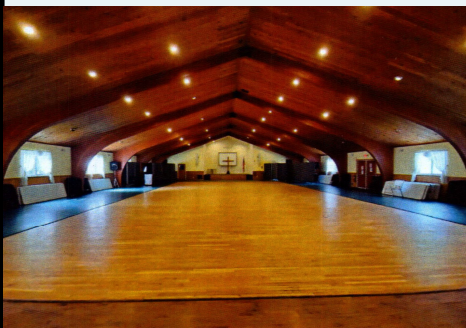
Morris Catholic High School in Denville, NJ, is accepting applications for the Class of 2028 and transfer students for this academic year. Learn more about Morris Catholic by attending one of our fall Open Houses:

Wednesday, October 4, 6:30-8:30 PM
Sunday, October 22, 2-4 pm

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FREE SPEECH MEN'S GROUP



The group meets every 4th Saturday of the month after the 8:00AM Mass in the Church meeting room. The next meeting for the group is Saturday, October 28th. All are welcome

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.

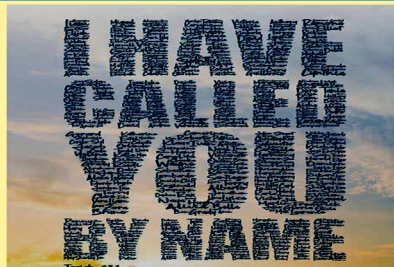
If any of this pertains to you, please join us. In-person anonymous meetings, Our Lady of the Lake, Sparta Saturday from 7:30PM to :30PM and on Monday evenings 6:30-7:30PM at Our Lady Queen of Peace Church, 209 South, Route 206, Branchville, NJ

The Rosary and Altar Society

..... cordially invites you to join them every first Saturday of the month for the 8:00AM Mass followed by the recitation of the Rosary.



As Mary revealed to the children of Fatima that "all those who on the First Saturday of 5 consecutive months shall confess, receive Holy Communion, recite 5 decades of the rosary, and keep me company for 15 minutes while meditating on the 15 mysteries of the Rosary, with the intention of making reparation to me, I promise to assist them at the hour of their death with the graces necessary for salvation.



The Diocesan Ministries Appeal serves thousands of people who rely on our support. Your gift plays a vital role in the work of dozens of Catholic Charities' programs. It also supports seminarian education, Catholic urban education, Nazareth Village and retired priests' needs. In addition, each parish receives half of all funds received over their parish goals, with over \$900,00.00 returned last year to parishes— and over \$4.3 million in 5 years! Please join us by helping those in need throughout our diocese and supporting our own parish. May God bless you for your participation in this worthwhile cause.



EMBARK "As the Father has sent me, so I send you" John 20:21

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10am-5pm
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Keynote Speaker:
Bishop Joseph Espallat



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or scan the QR code.



NJ Right to Life will be conducting ticket sales Oct. 14 & 15 @ St. Jude's for their raffle of 4 prizes: a 2024 Volvo SUV, & 3 ShopRite certificates: 1 for \$1,000, 1 for \$750 & 1 for \$500. Each ticket gives you 4 chances to win. Most importantly, you are helping NJ Right to Life protect our vulnerable unborn infants, our elderly, disabled & handicapped. Please help. Thank you.



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- Ext. 1 – Mass Schedule
- Ext. 2 – Office Hours
- Ext. 3 – Parish Office
- Ext. 4 – Lillian & Religious Education
- Ext. 5 – Parish Hall Rentals
- Ext. 6 – Deacon Tom & Baptismal classes
- Ext. 7 – Jimmy & Parish Events
- Ext. 8 – Security Ministry
- Ext. 9 – Fr. Peter & Emergencies



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*
Lillian Colello.....*Administrative Assistant*
& *Coordinator of Religious Education and Confirmation Program*
Henry Schmidt.....*Parish Trustee*
Sylwester Plewa.....*Parish Trustee*
Chad Bennett.....*Bookkeeper*
Marcin Kochanowicz.....*Organist*
Taya Shumerina.....*Organist*
Edie Vieth.....*Cantor*
Karlene Yaple.....*Cantor*
Jimmie O'Brien.....*Parish Events*
Frank Wimbush.....*RCIA*
Rob Bond.....*Security Ministry*

Parish Center Rental

If you would like to rent a Parish Hall, please call office at 973-398-6377 ext. 5

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

Eucharistic Liturgies

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

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

Adoration: every Wednesday after the morning mass

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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:

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YouTube: www.youtube.com/c/SaintJudeChurchHopatcong

Questions and requests for livestreaming:

live@stjudehopatcong.org

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

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 7:30PM.

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, please call the Rectory.



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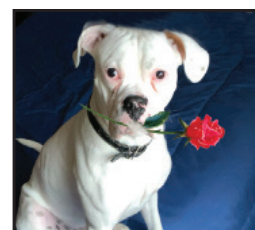
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