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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.





16TH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME, JULY 20, 2025



MASS INTENTIONS SATURDAY JULY 19 8:00 AM People of St. Jude Confession (until 4:45PM) 4:00 PM 5:00 PM Barbara Loring SUNDAY JULY 20 9:00 AM John Moser 11:00 AM Maureen Sturm **MONDAY** JULY 21 8:00 AM Marion & Pasquale Palma TUESDAY JULY 22 8:00 AM Marion & Pasquale Palma WEDNESDAY JULY 23 8:00 AM Jay Mena THURSDAY JULY 24 8:00 AM MaryAnn Rosenbaum FRIDAY JULY 25 8:00 AM Jay Mena JULY 26 SATURDAY 8:00 AM People of Saint Jude Confessions (until 4:45PM) 4:00 PM 5:00 PM Josephine Gianni SUNDAY JULY 27 9:00 AM Jadwiga Szymala 11:00 AM Marion Elizabeth Lester



Due to Banking Rules, in the future, all checks made out to St. Jude's must be spelled out as:

St. Jude Roman Catholic Church (no abbreviations).

We are sorry for the inconvenience.

MASSES ONLINE

We stream our morning masses online.

Weekdays: 8:00AM Sunday: 9:00AM



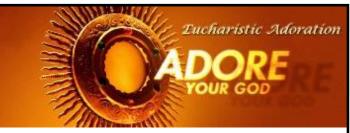


For those who, for any reason, cannot participate in the mass in person, join us online! You can find us on Facebook, YouTube and our website:

WWW.JUDECHURCH.ORG/LIVE-STREAM



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 Hopatcona"



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 and welcome!

The church is open for visitors during office hours: *Monday—Friday*, *9AM-3PM*.

A FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON THE SUNDAY READING HIS WORD TODAY

'Now that you have come this close to your servant, let me bring you a little food, that you may refresh yourselves, and afterward you may go on your way'. ... The Lord said to Martha in reply, 'Martha, Martha, you are anxious and worried about many things. There is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part and it will not be taken from her."

The word of God focuses on the great gift of hospitality. We put it into practice when we welcome someone into the circle of our lives. Abraham was blessed, Martha gave of herself and we combine their action with the reflection offered to Mary. The Lord was present to all three.

I ask myself what is the one important thing I am lacking. May I be like Martha serving the Lord and others, and like Mary bringing others to Him, listening to Him speak.

A BRIEF SYNOPSIS OF THE SUNDAY READINGS

.First Reading: Genesis 18:1-10a

The Lord appeared to Abraham, who saw three men standing near his tent. Sensing they were messengers, he hurriedly brought them food and water to refresh themselves. Upon leaving, the men told him that they would visit in a year, at which time his childless wife Sarah would have a son.

Second Reading: Colossians 1:24-28

Paul discusses the suffering Christ endured for his Church. He describes his willingness to also endure suffering in Jesus' name. Paul hopes that through his sacrifices, many people will become complete in Jesus.

Gospel: Luke 10:38-42

Jesus was welcomed into the home of a woman named Martha. She complained to Jesus that her sister Mary sat listening to him instead of helping with the tasks of entertaining. Jesus told Martha that her sister had chosen the more important task, and should be allowed to listen.



Fundraising Committee

The Fundraising Committee is a standing committee with goals of raising funds for different needs of the parish through organizing events. The chairperson of the committee is <u>Jimmy O'Brien</u>. have questions about any event, or you would like to enrich the committee with your own ideas, call: <u>973-398-6377</u> extn #7

PROCEEDS GO TO ST. JUDE'S FOR FUTURE PROJECTS!

SAVE THE DATE

Save the Date
St. Jude's 65th Anniversary Celebration!

Mark your calendars! On Saturday, November 15, we will celebrate 65 years of faith, community, and blessings at St. Jude Church. We're making up for lost time with an evening of fun, entertainment, delicious food, and joyful fellowship. All are welcome—don't miss this special celebration of our parish family!



MEN'S Free Speech 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 will be July 26th. All are welcome!



Security Ministry

Serving as a Security Specialist helps ensure the church provides the safest possible environment for children and adults attending our church. If you have skills in document writing, product procurement, project management, general contracting, or physical/cyber security then we could use your support. If you have no such experience but are still interesting in helping, then please give us a shout. To learn more or to volunteer contact us at:

safety@judechurch.org

PROTECT YOUR PARISH FAMILY If you see something say something!

REPORT SUSPICOUS ACTIVITY



973-398-6377, option 8 or scan QR code (right) & submit a brief report:

Dial 911
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Line Dancing with

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

WOMEN'S SHARING GROUP.

meets every third Thursday of the month. The meeting next month is on Aug. 21st in the Meeting Room of the Church from 7:00PM to 8:00PM.

If interested please call Kathy Friel at 973-398-8728.



Rosary & Altar Society

The Rosary & Altar Society is ladies confraternity. It's main mission is working to spread devotion to the Blessed Mother while assisting the parish and community through spiritual, social, and service activities and events, the corporal & spiritual works of mercy in action. If you would like to join the group, join them during their monthly meetings (more information below).

MEETINGS

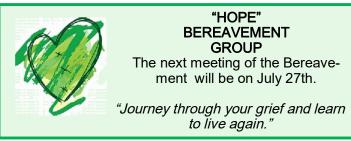
The Rosary Altar Society meetings are on the first Tuesday of every month at 7:00 PM. Everyone is welcome to join us in saying the rosary! You may also stay for the meeting if you wish.

The Rosary and Altar Society cordially invites you to join them every first Saturday of the month for mass at 8:00AM 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.

Altar Flowers
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John Moser







The Pro Life Group meets every fourth Tuesday of the month in the Church meeting room at 7:00PM.

All are welcome.



Knights of Columbus



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:

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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.

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.

10 SIGNS OF A SAFE PROGRAM FOR CHILDREN & YOUTH

- Screening of staff / volunteers.
- 2. Adults trained in safe environment strategies and signs of abuse.
- 3. Code of conduct enforced.
- 4. Open Communication between parents and staff / staff and children / children and parents.
- 5. Parents always Welcome.
- 6. Children educated in right relationships & what to do if a relationship isn't right.
- 7. All children treated with Dignity and Respect.
- 8 Clear Rules and Expectations. consistent reinforcement / consequences
- 9. Adequate supervision of youth. team approach—accountability—no 1:1 isolation
- 10. All abuse is reported.

IMPORTANT

Guidelines for Protecting Yourself from Scams and Fraud

In today's digital age, scammers are becoming more sophisticated in their attempts to deceive people through emails, social media, and text messages. It is important to stay vigilant and protect yourself from potential fraud, especially when it comes to sensitive financial information or personal details. Below are some essential guidelines to help you identify and avoid common scams, and ensure the safety of both you and your parish community.

Some Guidelines:

- •Never respond to a suspect email. If you are not sure, **Do Not Respond** to the Email call the person and speak to them personally to verify.
- Watch out for fake accounts, impersonators, and direct messages in social media applications.
- •Watch out for fake text messages claiming to need favors or gift cards (some people report that cell phone numbers printed in Bulletins are susceptible to fake texts)
- •All emails about any type of financial transaction must be confirmed verbally with the parties involved.
- •Always look carefully at the email address, even that might look close to the real one.
- •Any request for change in direct deposit, "a favor," gift cards, money, personal information, etc. is generally a scam.
- Please report any Parish related suspected scams to technology@patersondiocese.org.
- •Report any unusual activity to your local police.
- •The diocese will never send you an email that is not from **@patersondiocese.org**, and Saint Jude church will never send you an email that is not from **@stjudehopatcong.org**

Parish Center Rentals

The St Jude Parish Center is available for rent! If you are searching for a place to host your <u>party</u> or a <u>special event</u>, our Rental Committee is there to assist. If you have any questions, please, call (973)-398-6377 ext.5, or scan the QR code (left).

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THE BEACON goes online!

The stories of our faith community find a new home at **BEACONNJ.ORG**

The Diocese of Paterson recently announced the conclusion of the print version of The Beacon. This is not the end of the story. The Beacon is happening in your local shines even more brightly in a new form: BEA-

CONNJ.ORG, where the important stories of our faith community continue to be passed along. Here, you can find the same great coverage of your faith community and new website features that enrich the storytelling experience.

Visit the website often for the **EVENTS**. latest news, columns from Bishop Sweeney, event information, and more! The new form of The Beacon is accessible and interactive. Be part of this new chapter in Beacon's new digital form. The Beacon story.

For weekly updates, subscribe to our newsletter, The Beacon and Beyond: **BEACONNJ.ORG/** SUBSCRIBE.

In the Community section, share and experience what parish, school, and religious community with readersubmitted articles and pho-

BEACONNJ.ORG/ COMMUNITY.

Beaconni.org also features a new "What To Do!" calendar events page where submissions are welcome! Visit **BEACONNJ.ORG/**

These website features can also be found by navigating the menus of beaconnj.org. We hope you will enjoy The

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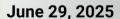


Local pilgrimages THIS SUMMER

Ready to gain more plenary indulgences for yourself and deceased loved ones? Ready to walk, pray, and share fellowship with Bishop Sweeney and other faithful?



St. Luke, Long Valley



Feast of Ss. Peter & Paul

- 5 p.m. Pilgrimage
- 6 p.m. Mass
- Light dinner



St. James, Montague

July 25, 2025

Feast of St. James

- 9 a.m. Pilgrimage
- 10 a.m. Mass
- Refreshments



St. Bernard, Wharton

August 17, 2025

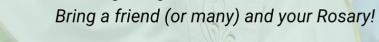
Feast of St. Bernard

- 9:30 a.m. Pilgrimage
- 10:30 a.m. Mass
- BBQ lunch

Each Pilgrimage Walk is about 1 -1.5 miles. Bring a friend (or many) and your Rosary!

REGISTER HERE





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They are in desperate need on nonperishable items including personal hygiene products such as body wash, shampoo, mouthwash tooth paste etc. You may bring your donations to the Borough Hall vestibule. Please be generous to the needy of our town.



You can always call us: 973-398-6377

- 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 years 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 CCD
Carol Belvedere	Front Desk Manager
Henry Schmidt	Parish Trustee
Chad Bennett	Bookkeeper
Bernie Visto	Organist
Taya Shumerina	Organist
Edie Vieth	Cantor
	Cantor
Jimmie O'Brien	Parish Events
Frank Wimbush	RCIA
Rob Bond	Security Ministry

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.

lopes, we can arrange to have them sent them day during the 11:00AM Mass., unless otherto you.

share fully in our spiritual and social life.

If you change your address or telephone num- MARRIAGE - Arrangements should be made at our Online Giving. If you are not receiving them, To arrange for Pre-Cana, please call the please call the Rectory

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

(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 gency extension to speak with the Pastor. mass

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

Sacraments:

Also, if you are not receiving collection enve- BAPTISMS is performed every 2nd & 4th Sunwise specified. Parents are asked to call the live@stjudehopatcong.org rectory to register. The Baptismal preparation Our Parish Family invites all of its members to meeting on the first Monday of the month at 7:30PM.

ber, please contact us. All parishioners are re- the Rectory no less than 6 months before the quested to use the regular Sunday envelopes or marriage date and prior to any social planning. Rectory.

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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.

Sunday Masses During Pandemic: 5:00PM 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 emer-

Other contacts

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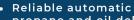
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