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tember 21st beginning with 9:00AM Mass and following with a Family Gathering in the Parish Center.

MASSES ONLINE

We stream our morning masses online.

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

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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:

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"Saint Jude Hopatcong"



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 READINGS

"First of all, I ask that supplications, prayers, petitions and thanksgiving be offered for everyone, for kings and all in authority, so that we may lead a quiet and tranquil life in all devotion and dignity. This is good and pleasing to God our savior, who wills everyone to be saved and to come to knowledge of the truth."

Paul continues: 'It is my wish, then, that in every place the men should pray, lifting up holy hands, without anger or argument.'

We learn two important things in these few verses, God's wish for us and how we are to respond in prayer. He wants to save us, the reason Jesus came to us, and we need to say 'yes' by our prayer and way of life. Prayer of praise, gratitude, repentance and petition are our way of responding

A BRIEF SYNOPSIS OF THE SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: Amos 8:4-7

The prophet Amos expressed disgust over people who take advantage of the poor. He describes businessmen scheming to cheat the poor, then declares that God will "never forget the things they have done."

Second Reading: 1 Timothy 2:1-8

Paul urges the Christians to pray for all people, especially those in authority. Paul even asked them to pray for the kings who denounced Christ's teachings, because God wants all people to be saved through Jesus.

Gospel: Luke 16:1-13

Jesus tells a story about a servant who tries to cheat his employer. The owner is impressed because he would do the same thing himself. Jesus then describes the importance of being trustworthy in small matters, as well as in greater ones. He then states that no one can serve two masters faithfully, so people cannot give themselves completely to both God and money.





If you would like to buy a ticket online, please visit:

https://www.judechurch.org/ news/65th-jubilee-celebrationdinner

You can also scan the QR code if that's easier for you:



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>

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I swear, I was just going to take a little sniff at the food... and suddenly, WHAM! It was in my mouth



Rosary & Altar Society

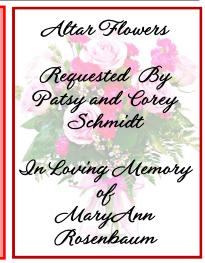
The Rosary & Altar Society is ladies confraternity. It's main mission is working to spread devotion to the Blessed Mother while assisting the parish and community through spiritual, social, and service activities and events, the corporal & spiritual works of mercy in action. If you would like to join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





WOMEN'S SHARING GROUP.

meets every third Thursday of the month. The meeting next month is on October 16 in the Meeting Room of the Church from 7:00PM to 8:00PM.

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





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 September 27th. 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 <u>Frank</u> at: **Fwimbush@stjudehopatcong.org**



GOLD AND SILVER WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Couples, were you married in 2000, 1975 or 1965?

The Diocese of Paterson invites you to celebrate your 60+, 50th or 25th wedding anniversary during a special Mass to be offered at the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist in Paterson, NJ. Bishop Sweeney will serve as main celebrant on this joyful occasion to be held:

Sunday, November 16, 2025 at 3:00pm.

Arrangements can be made by contacting your parish office.



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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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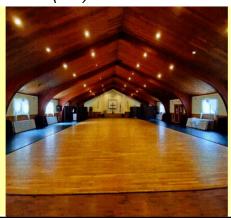


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Diocesan Ministries Appeal 2025

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The diocesan Ministries Appeal supports the work of our dozens of Catholic Charities programs and ministries throughout our Diocese, priest's healthcare needs, Nazareth Village' our diocesan priests' retirement residence, urban Catholic education and seminarian formation. These are all vital ministries that transform lives for the better so please make a pledge today. Thank you in advance for your support.



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Vigil hours: (i.e., 7 am to 7 pm daily) Local contact: (Frances M. Spilman, 917-

608-6078, 44lifeus@gmail.com)

Learn more ... get involved ... and sign up for prayer times by visiting our campaign at the web address shown below

40 Days for Life

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** in case of Emergencies





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

All are welcome.



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!

FIRST AID TRAINING © SAINT JUDE HOPATEONS

Get basic first-aid training at Saint Jude for only \$10. Two dates (pick one), Monday 6-October and Monday-20-Oct. Scan the QR-Code to register. TOPICS Include: Bleed Control, Fractures and Splinting, Heat/Cold Exposure, Burns, Strokes, Diabetes, Poisoning / Overdoses, Seizures, Bites & Stings



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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

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- Ext. 2 Office Hours
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- 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
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Karlene Yaple	Cantor
Jimmie O'Brien	Parish Events
Frank Wimbush	RCIA,
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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.

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

If you change your address or telephone num- MARRIAGE - Arrangements should be made at 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. 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

Sunday Masses During Pandemic: 5:00PM VISITATION OF THE SICK AND ELDERLY -(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@judechurch.org rectory to register. The Baptismal preparation meeting on the first Monday of the month at 7:30PM.

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.

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-

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