

# Ascension of the Lord

# June 1, 2025



## SAINT JUDE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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**Mass & Reconciliation Schedule**

**Daily Mass** Monday-Friday 8:00 am

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:**

Saturday: 3:30-4:30 pm

**Saturday Vigil Mass:** 5:00 pm

**Sunday Masses:** 7:00, 9:00, 11:00 am



**Business Manager:** Nikkole Cubbage

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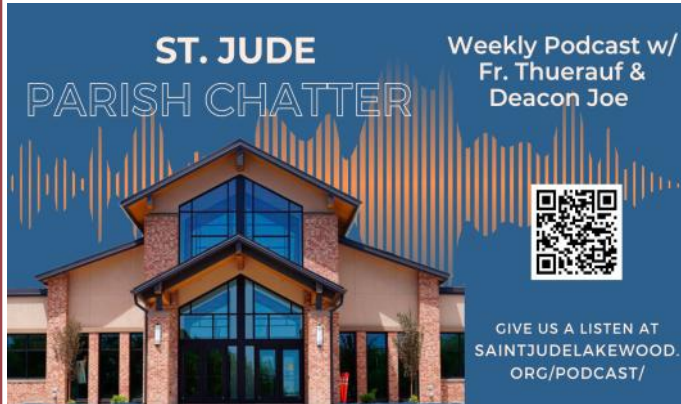
REPENTANCE  
*for the*  
FORGIVENESS  
OF SINS  
*will be*  
PREACHED  
IN HIS NAME  
*to all*  
NATIONS.

LUKE 24:47, NIV

**Mission Statement**

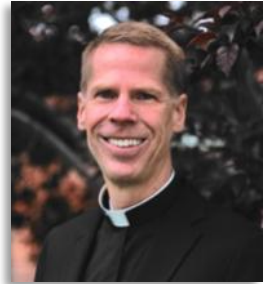
The Catholic Community of St. Jude is formed in faith in Jesus Christ. We seek to grow in our faith through the proclamation of God's Word and the celebration of the Sacraments. We are dedicated to love and care for all God's people in their physical and spiritual needs. The stewardship of our time, talent, and treasure is conducted in a way that shows our gratitude to God for His blessings.

Be sure to catch this week's episode of St. Jude Parish Chatter to wind up Season 3 podcasts. Fr. Thuerlauf and Deacon Joe interview one of our parishioners, Ed Gillcrist (and exchange some favorite "Dad" jokes), before discussing ministry work here at St. Jude.



Then, Parish Chatter will be on hiatus for the summer. Stream episodes you missed over the summer on our website: <https://saintjudelakewood.org/podcast/> Look for new episodes starting in September!

## Pastor's Blog



### The Ascension of the Lord He Leaves but He Stays

He could have stayed.

Imagine Jesus still walking the earth today – never growing old, teaching, performing miracles. We would have no need for faith – we would have Him!

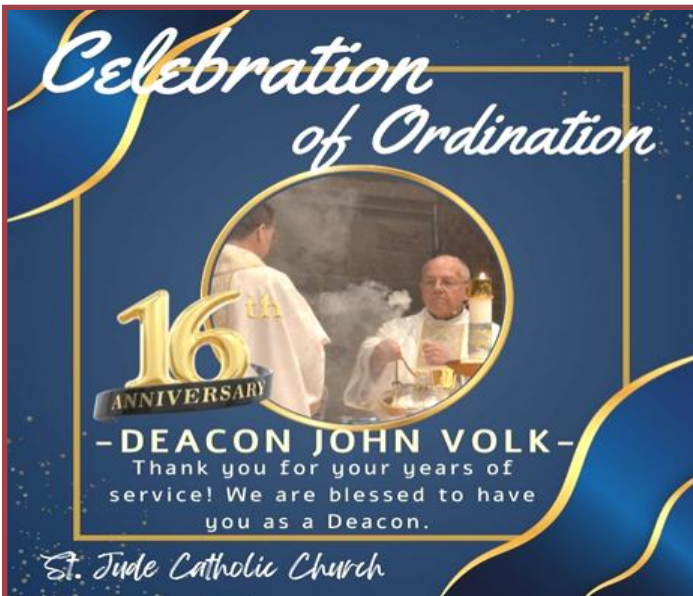
But God's plan was not to establish an earthly kingdom. "My kingdom is not of this world," Jesus told Pilate. He told his disciples, "You are not of the world, I chose you out of the world." He consoled the Apostles, "I am going to prepare a place for you." We love our lives here on earth, but we are restless. We are exiles, longing for our true home.

It was God's plan that Jesus return home. Before he ascended, he raised his nail-marked hands in blessing, then a cloud took him from the Apostles' sight; the same cloud that enveloped him at his Transfiguration; the same cloud that overshadowed Mary at his conception.

Pope Benedict unpacked this mystery so beautifully: "The departing Jesus does not make his way to some distant star...he enters into communion with the living God...he is present with us and for us now and forever. His going away is a new form of closeness, of continuing presence."

Jesus ascended with his wounds and mounted his heavenly throne. And there he pleads for us – continually offering his glorified body to the Father just as he offered his crucified body to Him on the cross. At every Mass, we participate in that offering. And he stays with us.

- Fr. Thuerlauf



### Saint Jude Rosary Garden A Hidden Treasure

We invite you to come spend time in prayer anytime. The garden is arranged to help lead you through the rosary and is a wonderful place for quiet and meditation.

## ADORE

Mondays  
4pm-7pm

First Fridays  
8:30am-4pm





# EVENTS/REMINDERS

JOIN US FOR A...

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*Party*

**04 JUNE** | **ST. JUDE YOUTH CENTER** | **6:30 PM**

All Middle and High School Students are invited!

**JULY 14 - 18**  
**9AM - NOON**

# TRUE NORTH VBS!

**REGISTRATION WEEKEND JUNE 7-8**

## Knights of Columbus Burrito Sales!

This Weekend  
May 31st & June 1st  
after all Masses

Take home some delicious burritos after all the Masses for only \$5 each. You have a choice of mild, half & half, or hot depending on how spicy you like them.



***All proceeds benefit the Knights of Columbus 16052 Charities.***



**Next Sunday is Donut Sunday!**

**June 8th**

(after all Sunday Masses)

Come ENJOY a donut and socialize with your fellow parishioners.

Hosted by Knights of Columbus Council 16052

# HIGHLIGHTED MINISTRIES

## Light of God Prayer Community

We meet every Thursday at 10:00 to 11:30 am in the Community Center Fireplace Room, focusing on Jesus Christ through prayer, song, & scripture through the Holy Spirit and His gifts. Come join us. For more information please call Marion @ 303-973-2613.



## Raphael Book Club

Come join us for a good book, discussion, and friendship. We meet every Thursday afternoon from 1:00-2:30 pm in the Fireplace Room. Contact Margie at 303-358-2752 for more information.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## Stewardship

As a Stewardship Parish, we budget 10% tithe of our offertory gifts toward charitable & worthy causes.

### Weekly Offertory Contributions

May 24/25 Collection \$11,031.50

Online Contributions \$14,849.67

**THANK YOU** for all your generous contributions!

### Electronic Offertory Giving

We invite you in joining many others at St Jude in setting up recurring eGiving through *Faith Direct*. Thanks to eGiving, your weekly or monthly offertory will be automatically taken care of.

Getting started is easy & secure! Use our QR Code or visit [faith.direct/CO846](https://faith.direct/CO846). You can also text to give a one-time donation for our weekly offertory text "\$ with the dollar amount" to 720-713-3363



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## Connecting Communities with Christ

**Special Collections** -This weekend, May 31 & June 1, St. Jude will continue our tithe as a Stewardship Parish and recognize **Catholic Communication Campaign**. This campaign engages and builds Catholic communities in the United States and developing countries using the internet, television, radio, and print media. Half of the funds will remain in our diocese to fund local communications efforts.

*We will tithe 10% of our weekend offertory toward this collection. If you wish to make an additional contribution or include "Catholic Communication Donation" on the memo of your check.*

## Pray The Rosary!

## Member Spotlight



### Knight of the Month April 2025 Dennis O. Voelker

Brother Dennis Voelker has been a member of the Knights of Columbus since February 1996 and is currently serving as an officer for St. Jude Parish

Council 16052 as the Outside Guard. Brother Dennis can be found at the St. Jude daily 8:00 AM Mass and from there he frequently takes communion to a local couple who are unable to get out. As a member of Council 16052 he often is available to help at many of the functions. For the recent past he has been a principal at the Family Breakfast, in charge of the sausage and ham cooking. Now he serves at the registration table, as well as for the Family Fish Bake. In the past, Brother Dennis was a regular at the Tootsie Roll sales and now helps at the peach sales, Parish Picnic, and many other Knights of Columbus functions. We congratulate Brother Dennis Voelker for being selected as Knight of the Month for April.

### Family of the Month, April 2025 Michael J. & Katie McDaniel

If you attend many of the St. Jude Knights of Columbus food events you will typically be served coffee and juice by our Family of the Month for March 2025. Brother Michael not only serves the drinks but is always there to assist with the food service and cleanup. Not far behind at the morning servings is Katie with a box of pizza for the committee members. Brother Michael has been a member of the Knights of Columbus since October 2014 and is a charter member of St. Jude Council 16052. He is a regular at the burrito sales, Parish picnic, peach sales and most other Council activities. When Michael is working on these activities, Katie is typically nearby to help. Katie is a regular at the St. Jude Adoration service as well as the daily 8:00 AM Mass. We congratulate Michael & Katie for being selected as Family of the Month.





# OF INTEREST



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### Catholic End-of-Life Care

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If you, or someone you know, might have a need for care or simply have questions, please call us today.

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### Young Adults!



Looking to connect with other Catholic young adults in the Denver area? Play pickup sports, make friends, get updated on local events, and encounter Our Lord at the heart of it all!

Join our GroupMe to get live updates by visiting [FirefallSports.org](http://FirefallSports.org)

ANNUAL  
CATHOLIC  
DAUGHTERS  
WOMEN'S  
RETREAT



**AUGUST  
23  
2025**

St. Jude Catholic Church  
Lakewood, CO

THIS ALL-DAY RETREAT WILL INCLUDE  
BREAKFAST & LUNCH, PRAYER,  
SPEAKERS, AND SMALL GROUP  
DISCUSSION. ALL WOMEN IN THE  
PARISH ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND  
THIS DAY OF FAITH AND FELLOWSHIP!

# SAVE THE DATE

St. Jude Music Ministry



## NEW MEMBERS WELCOME

Contact Ed Dill at the Parish Office if you are interested in  
joining one of our choirs.

# STAY CONNECTED

**911 Outreach Assistance** for members of our parish facing temporary financial setbacks within our area: financial assistance is often available for rent assistance, utilities, food, etc. Please arrange for an appointment by calling 303-882-2253.

## Update Family Parish Data

Do you have a change in your family, or have you moved, have a new phone number or a new email address? If you have any updates, please notify us at [mail@saintjudelakewood.org](mailto:mail@saintjudelakewood.org) or call the parish office at 303-988-6435.

## Bulletin, Pulpit, & Flocknote Announcements

**Bulletin Announcements** are due Monday one week prior to Sunday publication. Announcements are to be short due to limited space and are to be run one or two weeks prior to the event. Announcements for the bulletin are to be sent to [bulletin@saintjudelakewood.org](mailto:bulletin@saintjudelakewood.org)

**Pulpit & Flocknote Announcements** are to be short, up to 110 characters (two sentences). Please submit one week prior to Mass to Sharon [shensley@saintjudelakewood.org](mailto:shensley@saintjudelakewood.org)

## Sacraments

**Baptisms:** A pre-baptismal session is required for parents and godparents. Please call the office at 303-988-6435 before or after the child's birth, before you choose godparents, to register. **The next class is July 26th from 9am-12pm** in the Community Center lower level.

**Marriage:** Those who wish to be married at St. Jude Church must be registered in the parish for at least one year. Sons and daughters of registered parishioners may also be married here. A 10-month preparation period is required. Please call the office at 303-988-6435 and talk to Sharon Hensley.

**Anointing of the Sick:** In the case of serious illness in the family, please call the office immediately at 303-988-6435. Do not wait until death is imminent. (During hours when the office is closed, call the emergency line at 303-336-0582.)

**Funeral Arrangements:** Call the office 303-988-6435 and ask for Sharon Hensley.



# ORGANIZATIONS WITHIN ST. JUDE

## Catholic Daughters of the Americas #2035 Court Madonna of the

**Mountains** meets the first Saturday of every month in the Lower Level Community Center from 10:00 am to 11:30 am. It's an organization that helps parishes and communities through the religious and charitable apostolates of the Church. Our next meeting is **Sept 6th at 9:30 am** in the Community Center lower level. For information contact Sharon Hensley at 303-988-6435.



## Serra Club of Southwest Denver



The Serra Club promotes and affirms vocations to the ministerial priesthood and consecrated life in the church. We meet twice a month at Holy Name Parish on the 1st and 3rd Friday mornings. For more information about our Club or to have the Vocation Cross kit in your home for a month, you may contact Maureen McGee-O'Shea 303-988-6983 or Dixie Schulte 303-356-9592.



## Knights of Columbus Saint Jude Council #16052

The council meets on the 1st Tuesday for an Officer's Business meeting & the Membership Meeting is the 2nd Tuesday in the St. Benedict Room starting with a rosary at 7:00 pm. Questions, contact Jason McCracken, 970-290-3514 or [mccrackenjm@comcast.net](mailto:mccrackenjm@comcast.net)

## Volunteers of America Sack Lunch Sunday

Help feed the poor. Bring your lunches with 2 sandwiches per sack along with other typical lunch items—such as water or juice; fruit, vegetables and cookies or chips. **Our next lunch date will be June 29th.**



# ST. JUDE PARISH LIFE



## Welcome New Parishioners!

If you are new to our parish and have not registered, please pick up a registration form at our Welcome Desk in the gathering space. The committee will also give you a welcome bag! You can also go to the office during business hours or go online to [saintjudelakewood.org](http://saintjudelakewood.org) and register! *Don't forget to sign up on Flocknote!!*

## Scripture Readings June 2nd through 8th

**Monday:** Acts 19:1-8/Jn 16:29-33  
**Tuesday:** Acts 20:17-27/Jn 17:1-11a  
**Wednesday:** Acts 20:28-38/Jn 17:11b-19  
**Thursday:** Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/Jn 17:20-26  
**Friday:** Acts 25:13b-21/Jn 21:15-19  
**Saturday:** Acts 28:16-20, 30-31/Jn 21:20-25  
**Sunday:** Acts 2:1-11/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13/Jn 20:19-23

## Pray for the sick parishioners of our parish (Names will remain for one month)

Tom & Dot Malone, John Lee Hardiek, Lauren Utz, Lucille Bieda, Michelle Pullen, Georgie Huntington, Simon Madrid, Margaret Casias, Gary Landry, Patricia O'Donnell, Richard Landry, Roger Hively, Don Carlson, Patricia Roberge, Sharon Willis, Destinee Barron, Logan Graybill, Elizabeth Jean Boyd, Suanne Snyder, Daniel & Kathy Kolega, Christine Fourcade, Fran Langdon, Bob & Zita Zimmerman, John F. Smith, Deacon Mike Bunch, Gene & Lucille Beaudrie, Jerry & Sharon Hageman, Bridget Fitzpatrick, Dana Mullins, Douglas Sawyer, Katie Liedtke, Stephen Roberge, Alice Roberge, Sherri Droblich, Vicki Jacobson, Dennis Kotecki, Jean Kotecki, Cameron Cooper, Michael Klem, Catherine Cannon, Elizabeth Walker

## Pray for the deceased parishioners of our parish

+ Edward Weishaar, + Elaine Boh, + Lee Bonney

*Please contact the office if a parishioner needs to be added to our Prayer List for sick or deceased.*

## This Week at Saint Jude

JH-Joyful Heart; CH-Cheneniah; MC-Men's Choir

If no choir is listed, a cantor will lead the congregation.

Monday 2	Tuesday 3	Wednesday 4	Thursday 5	Friday 6	Saturday 7	Sunday 8
<b>8 am Mass - Anedo</b> 8:30 am Rosary 4 pm Adoration	<b>8 am Mass - Schaffer</b> 8:30 am Rosary	<b>8 am Mass - Nnamezie</b> 8:30 am Rosary 6:30 pm Youth Karaoke 6:45 pm 9AM Choir Rehearsal	<b>8 am Mass - Reycraft</b> 8:30 am Rosary 10 am Light of God Prayer group 1pm Raphael Book Club 7pm Joyful Heart Choir Rehearsal	<b>8 am Mass - Thuerauf</b> 8:30 am Rosary 8:30 am First Friday Adoration 3 pm Divine Mercy	3:30 pm Reconciliation <b>5 pm Mass - Thuerauf (JH)</b> VBS Registration after Mass	VBS Registration after all Masses KC Donut Sunday <b>7 am Mass - Thuerauf</b> <b>9 am Mass - Thuerauf</b> <b>11 am Mass - Nnamezie (CH)</b> 12:15 pm HS Youth Group

## Mass Intentions

+ Andy Simonson	For the intentions of Louie Montano on his birthday	+ Paul Bonnstetter	For the living and deceased members of the James & Karen Boma family	+ Tom & + Josephine Mullins	+ Harry Stevenson	+ Roger Lascille  For St. Jude Parishioners  + Alex Dymek & + Stefania Ostrow
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**Focolare Word of Life**  
 June 2025  
 "You give them something to eat."  
 Luke 9:13

 **In**  
**Memory**  
**of**  
**Alice Thompson**

**Come, Holy Spirit!**  
 Make your home  
 in our hearts  
 today and  
 everyday.



  
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**Serran Prayer for Vocations**  
 O God, who wills not the death of a sinner, but rather that he be converted and live, grant we beseech You, through the intercession of Blessed Mary ever Virgin, St. Joseph, her spouse, St. Junipero Serra and all the saints, an increase in laborers for your Church, fellow laborers with Christ, to spend and consume themselves for souls through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever. Amen.

Serra Club of Southwest Denver  
 Join us for breakfast on the 1st & 3rd  
 Friday, 7:30 am, St. Agnes Center, Holy  
 Name Parish, 3290 W. Milan Ave,  
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