### 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time August 3, 2025

# SAINT, JUDE CATHOLIC CHURCH



Rev. Jason Thuerauf

#### **Deacons:**

Deacon Joe Hensley Deacon John Volk

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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: Jeff Ruskamp Ministry Coordinator: Sharon Hensley

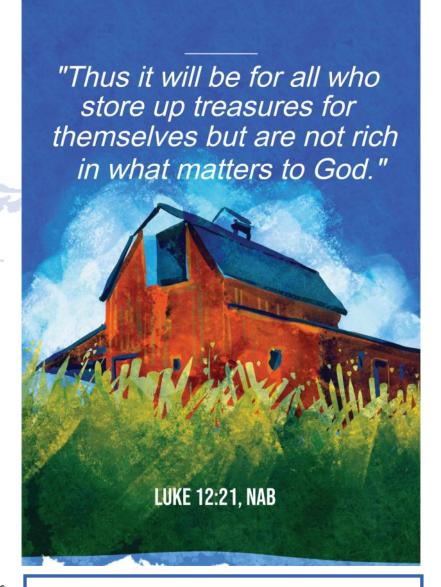
**Director of Family Evangelization:** Mary Richards

Music Coordinator: Ed Dill **Receptionist:** Henrietta Rupp

**Special Education Coordinator:** Diane Schreiber **RE Resource Coordinator & Hospitality:** Liz Perry

Facility Maintenance: Rudy Ramirez Facility Maintenance: Mark Cubbage

Security: Dennis Staff



#### 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.





### Jeff Ruskamp St. Jude Business Manager

Hi there! My name is Jeff Ruskamp. I grew up on a cattle ranch in small town Nebraska and graduated college in 2012 from the University of Nebraska at Omaha. After college, I joined a religious community in Peru, where I lived for six years. In 2019, I moved to Denver and served at Christ in the City as a Missionary Formator until recently. I'm currently studying accounting with the goal of becoming a CPA. I'm grateful to be part of the community here at St. Jude and join in the mission!



### Coming Next Weekend: Second Collection for Retired and Infirm Priests

Next weekend, we will take up a special second collection to support the retired priests of our Archdiocese. These men have dedicated their lives to serving our faith communities—now it's our turn to care for them. Your gift helps provide for their housing, healthcare, and other essential needs.

Please visit <u>archden.org/retiredpriests</u> or call 303-867-0614 to give. Thank you for your compassion and generosity!

## Pray the Rosary!





#### Save Room for Dessert

I hate buffets. The salads always look so tempting and soon my plate starts to fill. If I'm careful, I have left enough room for the main dish – also delicious and it easily fills up what's left of my plate. Then comes dessert – the best of all. Sadly, my plate is now full, and I miss out on the best part.

Our readings this weekend can be summarized in four short words: "save room for dessert."

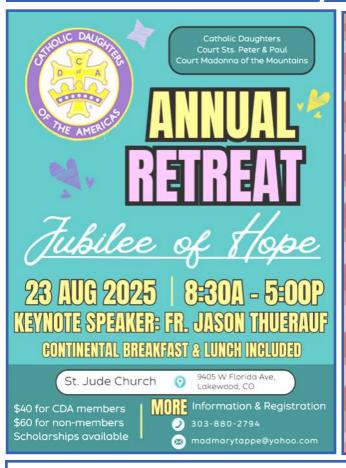
Life is short. Eternity is forever. We were created for eternal life with God. This life is just a brief period of exile spent preparing for our true home. Death is not a finish line; it is a door. How we spend this brief time on earth determines how we will spend eternity. If we fill up on life thinking this is all there is, we will not have room for the best part. If we spend this life in love and self-gift, our life will naturally flow into eternal life with God who is perfect love and self-gift. If we spend this life saying no to love and self-gift, we will spend eternity with the one who first said, "I will not serve." We spend this life either being formed into the image of our Heavenly Father - or into the image of the Father of Lies.

Lord, let us know the brevity of our lives that we may gain wisdom of heart...and save room for dessert.

- Fr. Thuerauf



## EVENTS/REMINDERS





### St Jude Special Education Program

Special Ed is designed to help the Developmentally Disabled learn about Jesus. We work with the students to prepare them to receive the Sacraments and learn how to live as a Christian in today's world. The class is designed to meet the needs of each student individually. We try to keep a 1:1 or 1:2 teacher/student ratio. Material for each student is selected on their learning needs and at their level of understanding. Students that have received all their Sacraments go over the Sunday Gospels (they read the gospel for the upcoming Sunday). Others choose to study the saints, the Rosary, Mary, etc. We start with large group where we each (student/teachers) share who they would like to pray for. Then we say the Our Father, Hail Mary and the Glory Be, and we break up into individual class or small groups to go over the day's lesson.

We meet on Tuesday nights from 6:30pm to 7:30pm, in the lower level of the Community Center. For more information please contact Diane Schreiber 303-980-5504

## 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 @

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **Stewardship**

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

### **Weekly Offertory Contributions**

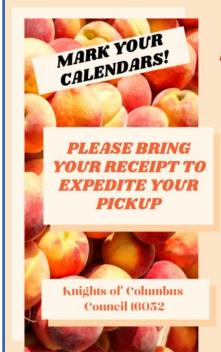
July 26/27 Collection \$13,495.42 Online July 15 \$14,330.61

**THANK YOU** for all your generous contributions! **Electronic Offertory Giving** Checkout eGiving through *Faith Direct*, it is the most convenient & secure way for you to make your weekly offering to St. Jude.

To sign up for recurring donations scan our QR Code or visit faith.direct/CO846.

To give a one-time donation for our weekly offertory text "\$ with the dollar amount" to 720-713-3363.





Peach Pickup Weekend August 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>

Pickup at the Youth Center

August 9th 1 pm-7 pm

August 10th 7:30 am-2 pm



## **YOUTH EVENTS!**

### MASS & BURRITOS HIGH SCHOOL

JULY 21 @ 8:00AM - 10:00AM ST. JUDE CHURCH

### KICKBALL & 'SMORES MIDDLE SCHOOL \$ HIGH SCHOOL

JULY 23 @ 6:30PM - 8:30PM ST. JUDE YOUTH CENTER

## WATER GAMES MIDDLE SCHOOL

AUGUST 6 @ 6:30PM-8:00PM ST. JUDE YOUTH CENTER

### MOVIE NIGHT HIGH SCHOOL

AUGUST 10 @ 6:30PM-8:30PM ST. JUDE YOUTH CENTER

### MOVIE NIGHT MIDDLE SCHOOL

AUGUST 13 @ 6:30 - 8:00PM ST. JUDE YOUTH CENTER

## END OF SUMMER PARTY MIDDLE SCHOOL & HIGH SCHOOL

AUGUST 17 @ 12:15PM - 2:15PM ST. JUDE YOUTH CENTER



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### OF INTEREST



### Family of the Month, May 2025 Dennis E. and Edie Staff

If you come to many of the St. Jude Church services, the PA system is operated by Brother Dennis Staff. A frequent Eucharistic Minister at many of the Masses is Edie Staff. The Staff team are typically attending the Parish and Knights of Columbus Council functions and, in many, helping out where needed. Dennis is currently a security guard at the parish and opens the parking lot gate before and after weekend Masses. He serves as the Parish sacristan. He and Edie participate in the Militia Immaculata. Edie is a member of St. Francis Circle and works with the Rosary Makers group. She also is part of the funeral ministry. Brother Dennis has been a member of the Knights of Columbus since



November 2008 and we congratulate Brother Dennis & Edie Staff for being selected as Family of the Month for May 2025.

### Knight of the Month, May 2025 Jonathan Wehri.

Brother Jonathan Wehri's services to the Parish and Council have recently been recognized in the Council's selecting him to be our Outside Guard. Brother Jonathan and his family can typically be found at the 5:00 PM Saturday Mass at St. Jude. He has taken the lead and spent many hours keeping the Parish Rosary Garden Park well maintained and open to the parishioners. During many of the Council activities and functions, Brother Jonathan is there helping whether it's the Family Breakfast, Burrito Sales, Lenten Fish Bakes, Peach Sales, and many others. Brother Jonathan Wehri has been a member of the Knights of Columbus since January 2018, and we congratulate him for

being selected as the Knight of the Month for May 2025.





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## 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 <a href="mail@saintjudelakewood.org">mail@saintjudelakewood.org</a> 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

**Pulpit & Flocknote Announcements** are to be short, up to 110 characters (two sentences). Please submit one week prior to Mass to Sharon at

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 September 27th 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.

## Knights of Columbus Saint Jude

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 McCraken, 970-290-3514 or mccrackenjm@comcast.net

**Council #16052** 

The council meets on the 1st Tuesday for an

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.

### 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 August 31st.

## 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 and register! Don't forget to sign up on Flocknote!!

## Scripture Readings August 4th through 10th

**Monday**: Nm 11:4b-15/Mt 14:13-21 **Tuesday**: Nm 12:1-13/Mt 14:22-36

Wednesday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/2 Pt 1:16-19/Lk 9:28b-36

Thursday: Nm 20:1-13/Mt 16:13-23 Friday: Dt 4:32-40/Mt 16:24-28 Saturday: Dt 6:4-13/Mt 17:14-20

Sunday: Wis 18:6-9/Heb 11:1-2, 8-19/Lk 12:32-48

#### Pray for the sick parishioners of our parish

(Names will remain for one month)

Madison Mauch, Patricia Roberge, Stephen Roberge, Alice Roberge, Sherri Drobnich, Vicki Jacobson, Dennis Kotecki, Jean Kotecki, Cameron Cooper, Michael Klem, Catherine Cannon, Dale Kehl, Elizabeth Walker, Erin Rapp, Iliana, Agnes Visnyei, Shirley Makowski, John Gemberling, Jan Schlener, George Huntington, Michelle Pullen, Nikki Shields, Lauren Utz, David Prado, Logan Graybill, Susan Willis, Richard Godinez, Patricia O'Donnell, Gary Landry, Suanne Synder, Elizabeth Jean Boyd, Bob & Zita Zimmerman, Christine Fourcade, Tom & Dot Malone, Trish Landy, Deacon Mike Bunch, Gene & Lucille Beaudrie, Jerry & Sharon Hageman, Bridget Fitzpatrick, Dana Mullins, Douglas Sawyer,

Katie Liedtke, Don Carlson

#### Pray for the deceased parishioners of our parish

+ Emanuel Nnamezie

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

+ Alice Trujillo

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Monday 4	Tuesday 5	Wednesday 6	Thursday 7	Friday 8	Saturday 9	Sunday 10
8 am Mass - Anedo 8:30 am Rosary 4 pm Adoration 6 pm Knights of Columbus Silver Rose Ceremony	8 am Mass - Schaffer 8:30 am Rosary	8 am Mass - Nnamezie 8:30 am Rosary 6:30 pm MS Youth Group Water Games	<b>Reycraft</b> 8:30 am Rosary 10 am Light of God	8 am Mass - Nnamezie 8:30 am Rosary 3 pm Divine Mercy	1 pm KC Peach Distribution 3:30 pm Reconciliation 5 pm Mass - Thuerauf	7:30 am KC Peach Distribution KC Donut Sunday 7 am Mass - Thuerauf 9 am Mass - Thuerauf 11 am Mass - Thuerauf 6:30 pm HS Youth Group Movie Night
Mass Inten	tions					
For the intentions of James Byers, Jr.	All the Souls	+ Janice Green	For the living and deceased members of the	+ Paul Bonnstetter	For St. Jude Parishioners	+ Elaine Boh + W. Alex Dymek & + Stefania Ostrow

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Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court Madonna of the Mountains #2035 Unity and Charity

**Focolare** Word of Life August 2025 "Lord, it is good for us to be here."

~ Mt 17:4

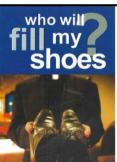


In Memory of

Alice Thompson



In memory of **Margaret Tallman** "May she rest in peace."

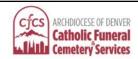


#### **Serran Prayer for Vocations**

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, Sheridan 80110



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