

**20th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**August 17, 2025**

# SAINT JUDE

## CATHOLIC CHURCH

**Pastor:**

Rev. Jason Thuerlauf

**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



### Our Staff

**Business Manager:** Jeff Ruskamp

**Ministry Coordinator:** Sharon Hensley

**Director of Family Evangelization:** Mary Richards

**Music Coordinator:** Ed Dill

**Receptionist:** Henrietta Rupp

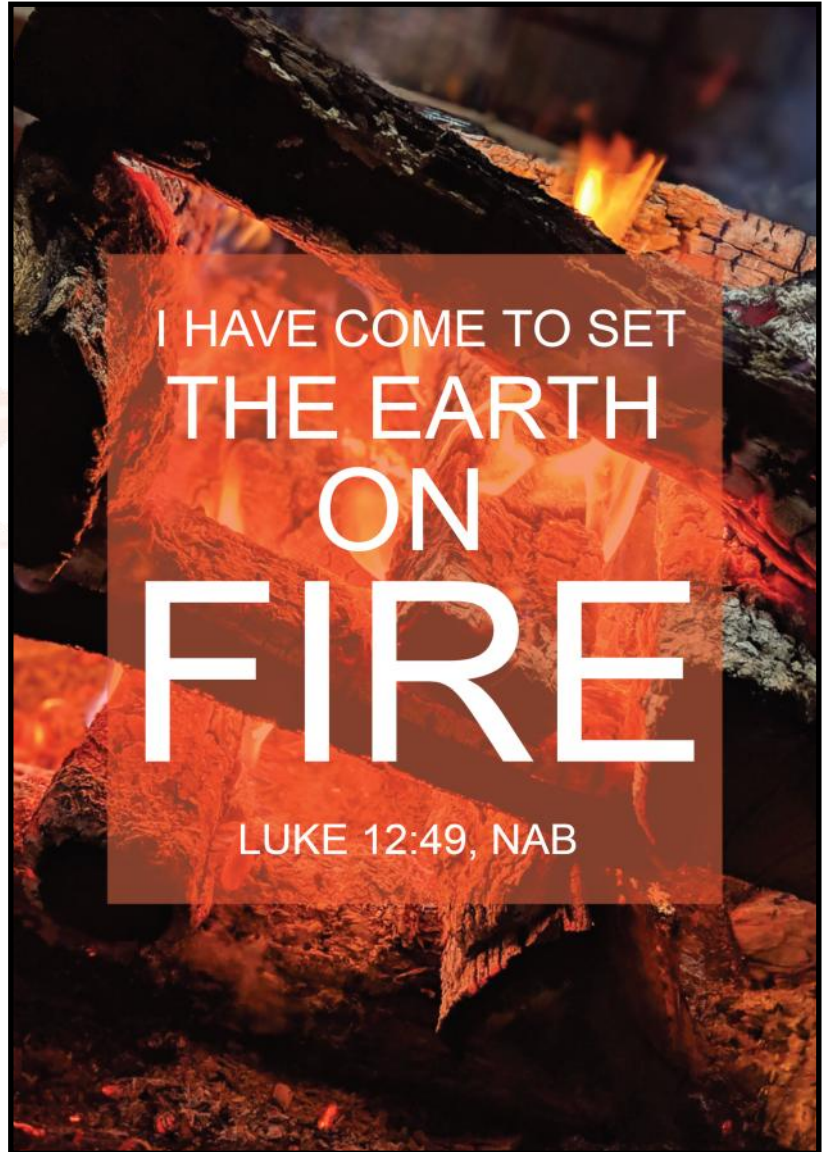
**Special Education Coordinator:** Diane Schreiber

**RE Resource Coordinator & Hospitality:** Liz Perry

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**Security:** Dennis Staff



I HAVE COME TO SET  
THE EARTH  
ON  
FIRE

LUKE 12:49, NAB

**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.

### Interested in Being Catholic?

On **Wednesday, August 20**, we will have our next introduction to the faith class for anyone wishing to find out more about joining the Catholic Church. Our focus this month is Prayer. The gathering will be from 6:30 to 7:30 pm in the Community Center lower level. If you know of anyone that might be interested, please call the parish office at 303-988-6435 and ask for Sharon.



## Pastor's Blog



### The Woman Clothed with the Sun

No tomb contains the remains of the Blessed Mother. There is not a single relic of Mary's body.

This week we celebrated the Assumption of Our Blessed Mother into Heaven.

One of the consequences of original sin is the corruption of the body. Mary was conceived without Original Sin so, like Jesus, she would not experience such bodily corruption. The church affirms that Mary, at the end of her time on earth, was taken body and soul into heaven. Whether she died first is left open for us but most theologians and saints throughout the centuries affirm that Mary did experience death – not as a penalty for sin but in conformity to her son, who himself willingly experienced death on our behalf.

The readings were rich. They gave us the image of the Ark being brought by David to its resting place in the Temple. Mary, the Ark of the New Covenant, is brought by Jesus to her final resting place in Heaven. We saw the queen take her place next to her King. We saw the woman clothed with the sun appearing in Heaven.

Mary's Assumption shows us our own destiny – to be joined body and soul with the saints in glory. What we hope to experience at the end of time, Mary experienced at the end of her earthly life.

Pray for us O Holy Mother of God, that we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

- Fr. Thuerlauf

### Registration Opens for Religious Education & Youth Groups August 16 & 17

- Seeds of Faith (Preschool & Kindergarten)
- Religious Education (1<sup>st</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> grade)
- Middle School Youth Group (6<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> grade)
- High School Youth Group (9<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> grade)
- Sacrament Preparation & Special Education

*See us in the gathering space after all masses!*

For more information contact Mary Richards at [mrichards@saintjudelakewood.org](mailto:mrichards@saintjudelakewood.org) or (303)988-6435

### 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



# EVENTS/REMINDERS



Catholic Daughters  
Court Sts. Peter & Paul  
Court Madonna of the Mountains

## ANNUAL RETREAT

*Jubilee of Hope*

**23 AUG 2025 | 8:30A - 5:00P**  
**KEYNOTE SPEAKER: FR. JASON THUERAUF**  
**CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST & LUNCH INCLUDED**

St. Jude Church 9405 W Florida Ave, Lakewood, CO

\$40 for CDA members  
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 Scholarships available

**MORE** Information & Registration  
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 madmarytappe@yahoo.com



## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FAMILY APPRECIATION DINNER

**Saturday, August 16th  
After the 5 pm Mass**

The Knights of Columbus appreciate the support of St. Jude Parish. There is no cost for this meal!



## ST. JOHN VIANNEY THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY LAY DIVISION

### 2-YR Catechetical School

The 2nd year of Catechetical School begins on **Monday, September 8th at 6:30pm**. If you completed the first year and have not signed up yet, there is still time! Visit [sjvlaydivision.org](http://sjvlaydivision.org) or call 303.715.3195 to register.

## ST. JUDE PARISH CHATTER


**IS ON SUMMER BREAK!**

Catch up on past episodes by visiting our YouTube channel at <https://www.youtube.com/@st.judecatholicchurch5052>

# 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 @



Thanks to Deacon Joe & Sharon Hensley for hosting the Vocations Cross kit for the month of July. If you would like to pray for vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and religious life, contact Maureen McGee O'Shea at 303-668-3498.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## Stewardship

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

### Weekly Offertory Contributions

August 9th & 10th Collection	\$18,551.22
Online August 4th	\$16,404.31

**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](https://faith.direct/CO846).

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## Altar Server Training

**Calling all Youth Who have Made their First Communion!**

St Jude will be having a training/information

session on **Saturday, September 20th from 10am - 11:30am** in the St. Benedict Room (church basement) followed by a pizza lunch in the Community Center lower level. This training is for current altar servers AND those interested in joining or would simply like more information. The altar server ministry is open to all children and youth of our parish who have received the Sacrament of First Holy Communion. Come and learn more about this great way to participate in the Mass.



## Save the Date for the Parish Picnic!

**Sunday, September 7, 2024**

**12:00 - 3:00 pm**

**Food, Friends, Games, Fun!**

**Please sign up in the back of church to help. It takes a lot of people.**

### How about YOU!?

- Help set up or take down for the picnic.
- Bring a salad, side dish, or dessert.
- Help run a game
- Donate 2 liter sodas for Pop Toss
- Help set up the big tent on Thursday night, September 4, 2024 before the picnic.

**Saint Francis Sewing Circle will be offering tickets after all Masses on August 23rd and 24th.**

These prizes will be on display and tickets will be available for a donation of \$1 per ticket or \$5 for six tickets. The drawing will be at the Picnic on September 7<sup>th</sup>, you do not need to be present to win! Please help us make this a success! All proceeds will go to the St Jude Picnic.

**See you at the Picnic!**



# OF INTEREST

## Member Spotlight

### Knight of the Month, June 2025

#### Stephen E. Bugay

Brother Stephen E. Bugay joined the Knights of Columbus in August 2022 and is currently the Recorder for Council 16052. As such, he acts as a secretary maintaining a true record of all actions of the council including keeping a record of Council meetings. Stephen can always be counted on to attend and participate in most of the Council's activities including Holy Hour Adoration, Donut Sundays, Burrito sales and many others. Recently, Brother Stephen has been the meat guru at the Family Breakfasts. He has mastered the delicate cooking of the sausages in an oven with non-uniform temperature and time requirements. His on-time delivery of a well-cooked product is very much appreciated. Now that the Peach Sales are in full swing, Stephen will be there helping with taking orders and working with the load when peaches are delivered. We congratulate Brother Stephen E. Bugay for being selected as Knight of the Month for June 2025.



### Family of the Month, June 2025

#### Jason P. & Maria McCracken

Brother Jason P. McCracken joined the Knights of Columbus in March of 2016 and is currently the Grand Knight for Council No. 16052. Included in the 17 Duties of the Grand Knight, he appoints the Chaplin, Membership Director, Program Director, and standing committees. Brother Jason is present at most all Council and Parish functions and activities including the Parish Picnic, Peach Sales, Burrito Sales, and many others. At the Family Breakfast, he is on the pancake and French toast team working from early in the morning until the last Mass. Maria can be found, along with Jason, at the 5:00 PM Saturday Mass along with their daughter who is on the altar serving. Maria has also helped at the Vacation Bible School and retreats for Elementary school children. This is the fourth time that the McCracken Family has been recognized as Family of the Month. Congratulations on being named Family of the Month for June 2025.

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### Divine Mercy Chaplet

Come join us and pray the  
**Divine Mercy Chaplet** on Fridays  
at 3:00 pm in the Church.

### Happy 50th Wedding Anniversary to Deacon Joe & Sharon Hensley



**August 9, 1975**

# 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 at [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 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.



## 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 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](http://saintjudelakewood.org) and register! *Don't forget to sign up on Flocknote!!*

## Scripture Readings August 18th through 24th

**Monday:** Jgs 2:11-19/Mt 19:16-22  
**Tuesday:** Jgs 6:11-24a/Mt 19:23-30  
**Wednesday:** Jgs 9:6-15/Mt 20:1-16  
**Thursday:** Jgs 11:29-39a/Mt 22:1-14  
**Friday:** Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22/Mt 22:34-40  
**Saturday:** Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17/Mt 23:1-12  
**Sunday:** Is 66:18-21/Heb 12:5-7, 11-13/Lk 13:22-30

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

Jan Schlener, George Huntington, Michelle Pullen, Nikki Shields, Lauren Utz, David Prado, Logan Graybill, Susan Willis, 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, Loretta Hackett, Dan Keller, Gaelan Boma, Richard Godinez, Patricia O'Donnell, Gary Landry, Simon Madrid, Richard Noah, Jody Trujillo, Viet Pham, Dale Kehl

## Pray for the deceased parishioners of our parish

+ Joseph Thuy Anh Tran, + Dennis Kwak

*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; DC-Deo Cantus


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

Monday 18	Tuesday 19	Wednesday 20	Thursday 21	Friday 22	Saturday 23	Sunday 24
<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 OCIA Inquiry class	<b>8 am Mass - Zimmerschied</b> 8:30 am Rosary 10 am Light of God Prayer Group 1 pm Raphael Book Club 7:30 pm Joyful Heart Choir Rehearsal	<b>8 am Mass - Nnamezie</b> 8:30 am Rosary 3 pm Divine Mercy	9 am Catholic Daughters Retreat 3:30 pm Reconciliation <b>5 pm Mass - Thuerlauf (JH)</b> 6 pm RE/Youth Registration 6 pm St. Francis Circle Quilt Drawing Ticket sales	RE/Youth group Registration after all the Masses St. Francis Circle Quilt Drawing Ticket sales after all Masses <b>7 am Mass - Thuerlauf</b> <b>9 am Mass - Thuerlauf (DC)</b> <b>11 am Mass - Thuerlauf (CH)</b>

## Mass Intentions

+ William McNicholas	+ Max Hafner	Living & deceased members of the Dorthy & John Deacon family	+ Jim Manwaring	For the intentions of Deacon Joe & Sharon Hensley	+ Alice Trujillo	For St. Jude Parishioners + Hector Fuentes & + Burk Kalman + Richie Tafoya
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 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  
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 "May she rest in peace."**


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**who will  
 fill my  
 shoes**



**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  
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 Name Parish, 3290 W. Milan Ave,  
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