

**Christ the King Sunday**

**November 23, 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

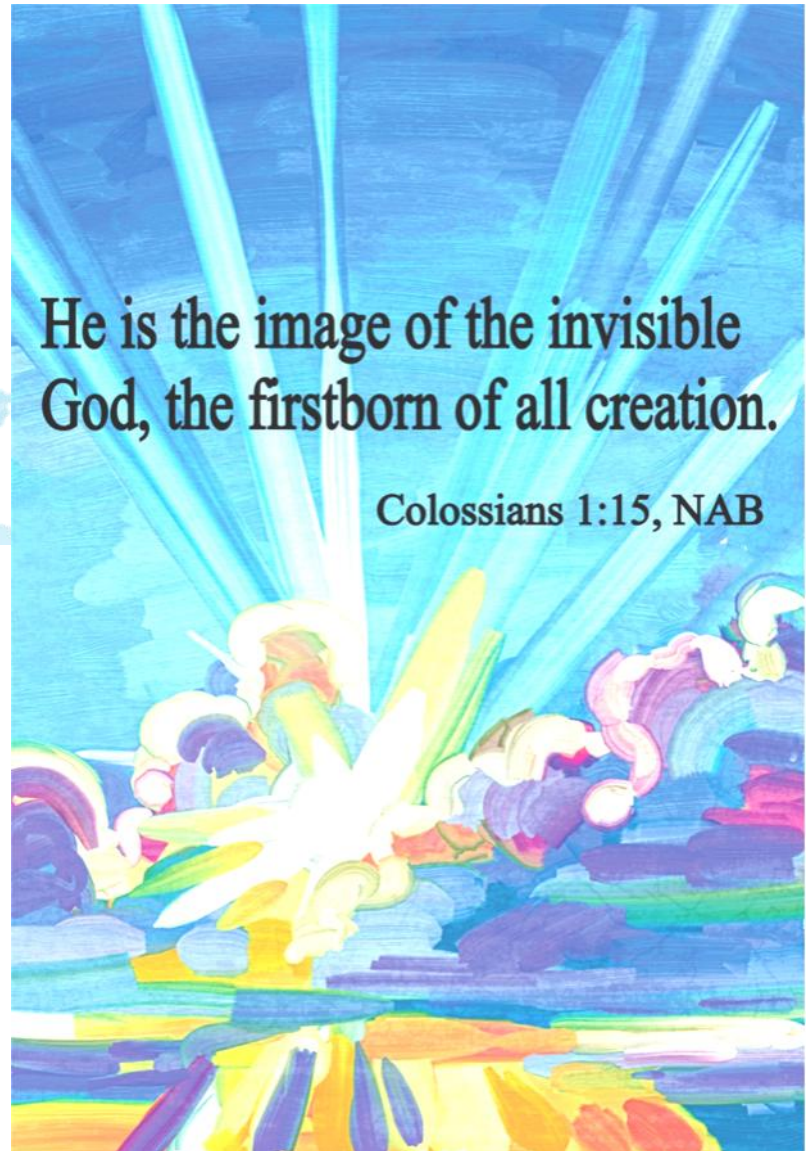
**Special Education Coordinator:** Diane Schreiber

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

**Facility Maintenance:** Rudy Ramirez

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**Security:** Dennis Staff



He is the image of the invisible  
God, the firstborn of all creation.

Colossians 1:15, 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.

**The Parish Office will be closed November 27th & 28th in observance of Thanksgiving**

St. Jude continues its tradition of blessing your Thanksgiving Day bread, wine, and other food items before Thanksgiving Day Mass begins at 8:00 am. Please bring your items to place on the sanctuary step prior to the start of Mass.



### Advent Candles



Candles for your home Advent wreaths will be available in the gathering space on Thanksgiving Day and the weekend of November 29th and 30th. The suggested donation for these candles is \$5.

### December 8th is the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

St. Jude will celebrate this Holy Day of Obligation with Mass on Monday, **December 8th** at 8 am and 6:30 pm.

Please note: Adoration will end early at 6 pm in order to prepare for evening Mass. There will not be a vigil Mass the night before.



### Baptisms

*Welcome to the Church!*

*Sarah Madeley Chacón Ochoa  
Emmanuel Andrés Contreras Ochoa  
Baptized November 16, 2025 by  
Deacon John Volk*

## Pastor's Blog

### Christ the King



The liturgical year ends today with the Feast of Christ the King. Next Sunday is the First Sunday of Advent. Today was the last Sunday that we read from Cycle "C" and next Sunday we will begin reading from Cycle "A". As we conclude the annual liturgical cycle, I want to unpack the meaning of acknowledging Jesus as "Christ the King."

In 1925 Pope Pius XI felt that an observance was necessary to consider the supremacy of Jesus. The growing secularism and nationalism of the 1920's prompted his declaration. The Feast of Christ the King was celebrated throughout the Catholic world immediately after its inception, but in a particular way the Mexican confessors championed the promotion. The persecution against Catholics in Mexico began at almost the same time that the Christ the King annual celebration was inaugurated. (For a good movie on the plight of the Cristeros in Mexico, consider watching "For Greater Glory.") As a result, many of those who were faithful to Christ in the persecution used the slogan, "Long live Christ the King!" ("¡Que vive Cristo Rey!") Remember Saint Miguel Pro's beautiful cry of proclaiming Christ the King as he was shot for his faith in Mexico. His martyrdom was recorded by the media who were invited by the Mexican Federal Government to witness his execution. Such a holy proclamation of faith should inspire us to likewise proclaim with our lives that Jesus Christ is the King even when the secularists want to silence us!

- Fr. Thuerlauf

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# EVENTS/REMINDERS

## GIFT WRAPPING FUNDRAISER

WEEKEND OF DECEMBER 6 & 7

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 Giving

### Stewardship

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

### Weekly Offertory Contributions

November 15/16 \$15,358.78

Online giving \$18,341.70

THANK YOU for all your generous contributions!

### Electronic Offertory

**Giving** Checkout eGiving through ParishSoft Giving, it is the most convenient & secure way for you to make your weekly offering to St. Jude. Text **GIVE** to 720-713-3363 to make a secure donation now. Visit <https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/saintjudelakewood>



or scan the QR code to register a new account today!

## HIGHLIGHTED MINISTRIES



### Christian Service Committee

The CSC coordinates the Holiday Assistance Program at Thanksgiving, Christmas and Easter. **New members are always welcome!** We meet on the first Monday of every month from Sept

-May at 8:45 am. **Our next meeting is Monday, December 1st** in the St. Benedict Room. Any questions, call Tim and Amber Sandhoff at 702-241-2380.



### Fellowship of Light

We meet September through May in the St Benedict room every Wednesday, from 9:00 am -11:00 am. **Our next meeting is November 26th in the St. Benedict Room (church basement).** All are welcome. Questions? Call Maria La Breche at 303-986-2017.

### 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.



### Divine Mercy Chaplet

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

# STATE OF THE PARISH REPORT

## Sacraments & Faith Formation

7/1/24 to 6/30/25

|              |    |
|--------------|----|
| Baptisms     | 26 |
| Confirmation | 23 |
| Deaths       | 54 |
| Marriages    | 8  |
| Students     | 93 |

## Attendance at St. Jude is Growing

Every year we are asked by the Archdiocese of Denver to count our attendance in October.

| October | 2025 | 2024 | 2023 | 2022 |
|---------|------|------|------|------|
| Average | 1063 | 1009 | 920  | 878  |

## Financial Report

### Statement of Activities Summary

|                                                 | Fiscal Year End<br>06/30/2025 | Fiscal Year End<br>06/30/2024 |
|-------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| <b>Income</b>                                   |                               |                               |
| Offeratory                                      | \$1,428,453                   | \$1,383,994                   |
| Gifts & Fundraising*                            | \$91,223                      | \$13,295                      |
| Programs (RE, SPED, OCIA, Stole Fees, Outreach) | \$38,892                      | \$35,969                      |
| Interest & Investment Income                    | \$36,171                      | \$47,206                      |
| Rental Income & Bulletin Sponsorship            | \$34,301                      | \$32,200                      |
| Other income                                    | \$38,805                      | \$98,655                      |
| <b>TOTAL INCOME</b>                             | <b>\$1,667,845</b>            | <b>\$1,611,319</b>            |
| <b>Expenses</b>                                 |                               |                               |
| Salaries and Benefits                           | \$486,776                     | \$448,072                     |
| Facilities & Maintenance                        | \$337,311                     | \$289,031                     |
| Administrative (Office/AOD Assessments)         | \$212,418                     | \$273,956                     |
| Capital Expenses**                              | \$182,027                     | \$298,872                     |
| Tithing & Outreach                              | \$101,569                     | \$137,518                     |
| Programs (RE, SPED, OCIA)                       | \$37,098                      | \$31,288                      |
| Liturgical                                      | \$34,567                      | \$34,756                      |
| Other Expenses                                  | \$15,968                      | \$65,166                      |
| <b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>                           | <b>\$1,407,734</b>            | <b>\$1,578,659</b>            |
| <b>Income - Expenses</b>                        | <b>\$260,111</b>              | <b>\$32,660</b>               |

\* \$27,018 was raised for the Sacred Heart/Immaculate Heart Statues

\*\* Capital expenses are included in Statement of Activities for reference to the following projects. They are contained as assets on the balance sheet.

|                                  |                  |
|----------------------------------|------------------|
| Organ Repair                     | \$67,650         |
| Community Center Ovens           | \$14,360         |
| Sacred/Immaculate Heart Statues  | \$30,063         |
| Parking Lot Maintenance          | \$24,628         |
| AHU Replacement (Remaining Cost) | \$45,326         |
| <b>Total Capital Expenses</b>    | <b>\$182,027</b> |

# SURVEY RESULTS

## ST. JUDE CATHOLIC CHURCH 2025 SURVEY RESULTS

This year, we asked you to respond to questions in 4 main categories: Spiritual Life, Sacramental Life, Stewardship, and Corporal Works. You rated your responses 1 through 5 to indicate whether you agreed or disagreed with the statements. Here are the highlights from the survey responses.

We received 245 total responses, reflecting roughly 20% of our registered families.

### WHO RETURNED SURVEYS?



70% Female  
30% Male  
63% Married  
20% Widowed  
11% Single  
6% Divorced/Separated

### WHAT YOU LIKED

Question: The church feels like a sacred space where I can experience God.

Disagree (1-3)  
10%



Agree (4-5)  
90%

Question: St. Jude makes good use of the gifts offered to the church.

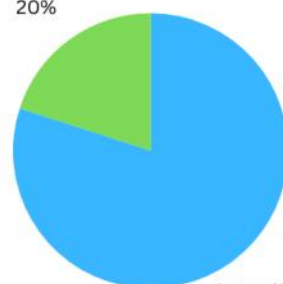
Disagree (1-2)  
5%



Agree (3-5)  
95%

Question: I am satisfied with Mass times at St. Jude

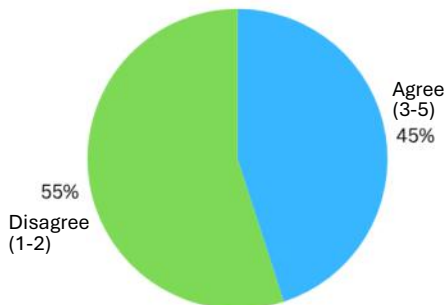
Disagree (1-2)  
20%



Agree (3-5)  
80%

### WHAT SHOULD WE CONSIDER?

Question: I am active in service to others at St. Jude.



Agree  
(3-5)  
45%

55%  
Disagree  
(1-2)

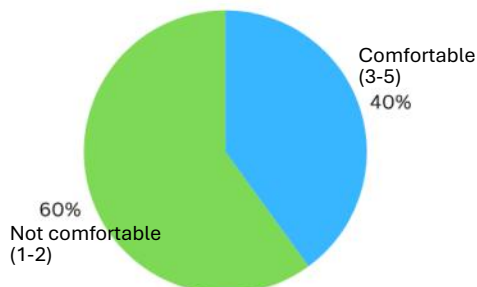
Question: It is time to update the parish directory (last done in 2017).

Disagree (1-2)  
8%



Agree (3-5)  
92%

Questions about technology included the podcast, Flocknote, & electronic giving reflected how comfortable you are with them.



Comfortable  
(3-5)  
40%

60%  
Not comfortable  
(1-2)

### TOP COMMENT THEMES

#### What are we doing good

- Father, deacons and parish staff do a great job!
- We have amazing ministries and opportunities
- St. Jude is a wonderful parish

#### What can we do better

- How can I be more active in service to others?
- Could we offer more times (or priests) for confession?
- Explaining technology & grow in its use for good



# 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 January 24, 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.



## The Christian Service Committee Ministry

CSC members will be distributing names for their annual Adopt-a-Family ministry

beginning Thanksgiving Day after the 8am Mass and continuing until December 6th and 7th, until all the names are gone. Please join us in helping families that might not have a happy Christmas without your help! You are asked to drop off your gifts to the parish office no later than December 8th. We are continuing to collect non-perishable, non-expired food items and hams until December 8th as well.

## MUSIC FOR ADVENT

### Changes for the Liturgical Season

Just as each of Earth's seasons is characterized by distinct manifestations of God's beauty, each liturgical season of the church year provides different opportunities for spiritual enrichment and growth. Beginning this Advent, one way we will mark the changes of the liturgical seasons is by singing different melodies for the Mass Ordinaries (Gloria, Holy, etc.). From Advent until Lent, we will sing the Mass of Renewal, which has been used at St. Jude in the past. During Lent, we will sing the Latin chants that connect us musically to the universal church. From Easter Sunday through Corpus Christi, we will return to the Mass of Saint Ann, which we have sung at St. Jude for many years. We invite you to continue your amazing participation in sung prayer that so greatly enhances our liturgies! In order to help everyone feel more comfortable with the new melodies, we have created a YouTube playlist of recordings of the Mass of Renewal, which can be found at <https://tinyurl.com/stjuderenewal>.

# 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 November 24th through 30th

**Monday:** Dn 1:1-6, 8-20/Lk 21:1-4  
**Tuesday:** Dn 2:31-45/Lk 21:5-11  
**Wednesday:** Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28/Lk 21:12-19  
**Thursday:** Dn 6:12-28/Lk 21:20-28  
**Friday:** Dn 7:2-14/Lk 21:29-33  
**Saturday:** Dn 7:15-27/Lk 21:34-36  
**Sunday:** Is 2:1-5/Rom 13:11-14/Mt 24:37-44

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

Deacon Mike Bunch, Gene & Lucille Beaudrie, Jerry & Sharon Hageman, Bridget Fitzpatrick, Dana Mullins, Douglas Sawyer, Katie Liedtke, Donna Zingleman, Jean Boyd, Mary Ann Eisenhart, Bob & Zita Zimmerman, Christine Fourcade, Dale & Rosemary Kehl, Nikkole Cubbage, Diane Nordquist, Frank M. Powell, Jr., Mary Ellen Peters, Gayle Zimmerman, Kathy Campe, Natalie Larson, Theresa Sager, Stephen Roberge, Alice Roberge, Sherry Drobnitch, Vicky Jacobson, Michael Klem, Jean & Dennis Kotecki, Madison Mauch, Tom & Dot Malone, Gary Landry, Richard Godinez, Mary Aymami, Don Carlson, Lucyna Dinces, Joanne Mages, Donna Zingleman, Elizabeth Walker

## Pray for the deceased parishioners of our parish

+ Susan Hall, + Marilyn Utz

*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 24                                                                       | Tuesday 25                                                                                               | Wednesday 26                                                          | Thursday 27                                                                                                                                              | Friday 28                                                                            | Saturday 29                                          | Sunday 30                                                                                                                                                                   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 8 am Mass - Anedo<br>8:30 am Rosary<br>4 pm Adoration<br>No Catechetical School | 8 am Mass - Zimmershied<br>8:30 am Rosary<br>6:30 pm Special Ed class<br>7 pm Deo Cantus Choir Rehearsal | 8 am Mass - Zimmershied<br>8:30 am Rosary<br>9 am Fellowship of Light | Parish Office Closed<br>8 am Mass - Zimmershied<br>8:30 am Rosary<br> | Parish Office Closed<br>8 am Mass - Zimmershied<br>8:30 am Rosary<br>No Divine Mercy | 3:30 pm Reconciliation<br>5 pm Mass - Thuerlauf (JH) | 7 am Mass - Thuerlauf<br>9 am Mass - Thuerlauf<br>10 am Christmas Pageant Rehearsal<br>11 am Mass w/ Children's Liturgy-Thuerlauf (CH)<br>12:15 pm HS Youth Ministry Social |

## Mass Intentions

|                                        |                  |              |                                   |               |                 |                                                                   |
|----------------------------------------|------------------|--------------|-----------------------------------|---------------|-----------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
| For the intentions of the Green family | + Dominic Alicie | + Joe Garcia | + W. Alex Dymek & Stefania Ostrow | + Janet Lowry | + Patty Christy | + Richard Robertson<br>For St. Jude Parishioners<br>+ Mike Klebba |
|----------------------------------------|------------------|--------------|-----------------------------------|---------------|-----------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|



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*"Blessed are the  
 peacemakers, for they will  
 be called children of God."  
 (Mt 5:9)*

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

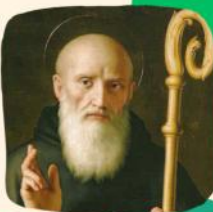
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 NOVEMBER  
 BIRTHDAY  
 DEACON JOE!**

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

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 Court Madonna of the  
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