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When I am weak,  
then am I  
**STRONG**

2 Corinthians 12:10

## Welcome to Saint Jude

We are a Roman Catholic Parish, which gathers believers in Jesus Christ in Hopatcong and surrounding areas. Our Pastor is **Fr. Peter Wierzbicki**. We belong to the Diocese of Paterson, New Jersey. Our Bishop is **Bishop Kevin Sweeney**.

If you are moving to the Hopatcong area, we cordially invite you to make Saint Jude your parish.



# † 14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, JULY 04, 2021 †



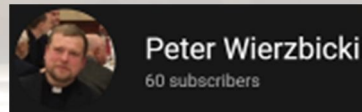
## MASS INTENTIONS OF THE WEEK

<b>SATURDAY</b> 8:00 AM 4:00 PM 5:00 PM	<b>JULY 3</b> People of St. Jude Confession (until 4:45) Maureen Schmidt
<b>SUNDAY</b> 9:00 AM 11:00 AM	<b>JULY 4</b> Tom Gaffney 1st Anniversary People of St. Jude
<b>MONDAY</b> 8:00 AM	<b>JULY 5</b> Special Intention for Franciszek Jarosz
<b>TUESDAY</b> 8:00 AM	<b>JULY 6</b> Special Intention for Joseph D'Amelio
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> 8:00 AM	<b>JULY 7</b> Michele Aue
<b>THURSDAY</b> 8:00 AM	<b>JULY 8</b> Ronald Marx, Jr.
<b>FRIDAY</b> 8:00 AM	<b>JULY 9</b> Marian Sobczak
<b>SATURDAY</b> 8:00 AM 4:00 PM 5:00 PM	<b>JULY 10</b> People of St. Jude Confession (until 4:45) Rosemarie Juskus
<b>SUNDAY</b> 9:00 AM 11:00 AM	<b>JULY 11</b> Anthony Grillo Bill, Shirley, David Ondricki

## RETURNING TO MASS

- For all of those in good health, the dispensation from the obligation to participate in Sunday Eucharist is lifted effective on the Vigil of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, June 5, 2021.
- All who are healthy and who do not regularly come in contact with those who have serious underlying medical conditions are encouraged to take part in Mass in-person.
- Those who are particularly vulnerable to the coronavirus who are not vaccinated (and especially those with underlying medical conditions) may follow Mass at home via the livestream (St. Jude will continue live streaming).
- A person with a cough or fever of any kind should not take part in Mass in-person.
- Occupancy restrictions for social distancing purposes are lifted (Executive Order of the Governor, 242 - May 24, 2021). **Masks are not required for those who are vaccinated.**
- The Precious Blood in the chalice will not be made available yet.
- The Holy Water will return to our Church and be available to the people.
- You are encouraged to bring hand sanitizer to use before the reception of Holy Communion.
- You are encouraged to receive Holy Communion in the hand.

More information can be found on our website  
[www.stjudehopatcong.org](http://www.stjudehopatcong.org)



## Masses online

For those who for any reason cannot participate in the mass in person, we offer an online mass live.

They are streamed online at 8:00 AM during the week, and 9:00

## AM on Sunday.

The link to watch it online can be found on our website: [STJUDEHOPATCONG.ORG](http://STJUDEHOPATCONG.ORG) Because we use YouTube as the streaming platform, you can find Fr. Peter's on YouTube.com by searching „Peter Wierzbicki”.

It is also a very versatile website. You can watch the streaming of the mass from St Jude, on almost any device with the screen and the Internet connection.

### First Reading: Ezekiel 2:2-5

Ezekiel is moved to respond to the call of God and to accentuate his teaching with a direct reference to the Word of God.

### Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 12:7-10

Paul had questioned the value of his suffering, and God replied, "My grace is enough for you, for strength is made perfect in weakness." Paul then realized that although he was weak against persecution, he was strong in faith.

### Gospel: Mark 6:1-6a

Jesus could do little for those in his own part of the country, for their lack of faith in him was so great. Therefore, he spent much of his time teaching in neighboring villages instead.

### A FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON THE SUNDAY READINGS HIS WORD TODAY

*by Rev. William J. Reilly*

**As the Lord spoke to me, the spirit entered into me and set me on my feet, and I heard the one who was speaking to me say, 'Son of man, I am sending you to the Israelites, rebels who have rebelled against me... and whether they heed or resist – they shall know that a prophet has been among them.'**

As we commemorate our nation's independence we recall that it was rebels addressing the oppression of another country, who decided to resist what was wrong and seek independence. Our imperfect society needs such people to teach us the right way, returning to the ways of the Lord, to promote equal justice and peace for all.

In his letter to the church and the world from last October, Pope Francis has asked us to reflect on the steps we must take of solidarity and fraternity for all people. We are called to listen and learn, discern and decide what steps we take individually and collectively to achieve what God's plan is for all people.

On this Independence Day, liberty and justice for all, began when the 'rebels' said we must do something. What more needs to be done? Do I really want to welcome, protect, promote and integrate others into my own world?



### Our Bishops Speak

While it is always necessary to work to reduce the number of abortions by providing alternatives and help to vulnerable parents and children, Catholic teaching calls all Catholics to work actively to restrain, restrict and bring to an end the destruction of unborn human life. As the Church carries out its central responsibility to teach clearly and help form consciences, and as Catholic legislators seek to act in accord with their own consciences, it is essential to remember that conscience must be consistent with fundamental moral principles. As members of the Church, all Catholics are obliged to shape our consciences in accord with the moral teaching of the Church." -- Statement on Responsibilities of Catholics in Public Life, March 10, 2006

### THE YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH PRAYER



To you, O blessed Joseph, do we come in our afflictions, and having implored the help of your most holy Spouse, we confidently invoke your patronage also. Through that charity which bound you to the Immaculate Virgin Mother of God and through the paternal love with which you embraced the Child Jesus, we humbly beg you graciously to

regard the inheritance which Jesus Christ has purchased by his Blood, and with your power and strength to aid us in our necessities. O most watchful guardian of the Holy Family, defend the chosen children of Jesus Christ; O most loving father, ward off from us every contagion of error and corrupting influence; O our most mighty protector, be kind to us and from heaven assist us in our struggle with the power of darkness. As once you rescued the Child Jesus from deadly peril, so now protect God's Holy Church from the snares of the enemy and from all adversity; shield, too, each one of us by your constant protection, so that, supported by your example and your aid, we may be able to live piously, to die in holiness, and to obtain eternal happiness in heaven. Amen.



## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Volunteers are needed to help with maintaining the church grounds. If you can help, please call Doc at (973) 398-6047. If *no answer, please leave a message* and Doc will get back to you.

## USHERS

We are in need of ushers. If you would like to become one, and serve as an usher during the mass, please contact our office (973) 398-6377. Ushering is open to men and women.

## ROSARY & ALTAR SOCIETY

Rosary Altar Society: The ladies of the Rosary Altar Society meet on the first Tuesday of every month at 7:30 PM (except January and February). We begin in the church for the Rosary and announcements, and then proceed to the Meeting Room for refreshments. All women of the parish are invited to attend.

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



Registration for Faith Formation is now beginning for the 2021-2022 year. You may obtain the registration form by going on our website ([www.stjudehopatcong.org](http://www.stjudehopatcong.org)) or by calling the Religious Education Office (973-398-6377).

If you are new to the parish, you will need to register and submit a copy of your child(ren) baptismal certificate, Classes will be in person this year.

## Knights of Columbus Council 9914 SCHOLARSHIP CONTEST



Any High School Senior who is a practicing Catholic at St. Jude's Church is invited to submit an essay for consideration in our annual Scholarship Contest.

The topic of the essay is *"What my Catholic Faith means to me"*. The essay should be at least 250 words and answer the question raised in the topic.

If you have any questions or when you are ready to submit the essay, please contact Michael Coolican, Scott Cawood or Manny Fernandes. The deadline for entering your essay is July 31st.

Michael Coolican	973-770-9651
Scott Cawood	908-684-2467
Manny Fernandes	973-398-5534

## Give Online Help Keep the Lights On!

Please, continue on donating to Saint Jude. Just like you, our utility bills and other fixed expenses (insurance, salaries, etc.). Right now we are slowly opening our parish for the public, but the collection is still low and not covering all the expenses the parish has to cover. If it is within your means please consider setting up a recurring weekly donation to support the Parish via *WeShare*.



If you prefer to give your donation in envelopes, you can drop them in our mailbox. Mailbox is checked a couple times a day.

*God Bless*

*You*

*Fr. Peter*

*Wierzbicki*



To John Armeno and Linda Smith for becoming Hopatcong Seniors of the year. Their hard work and dedication to the Hopatcong Community and the Hopatcong Seniors is well deserved.

THIS RECTORY WILL BE  
CLOSED ON JULY 5TH  
IN OBSERVENCE OF THE 4TH OF  
JULY. WE WILL REOPEN ON JULY 7TH.

## Diocesan-wide Corpus Christi Food Drive

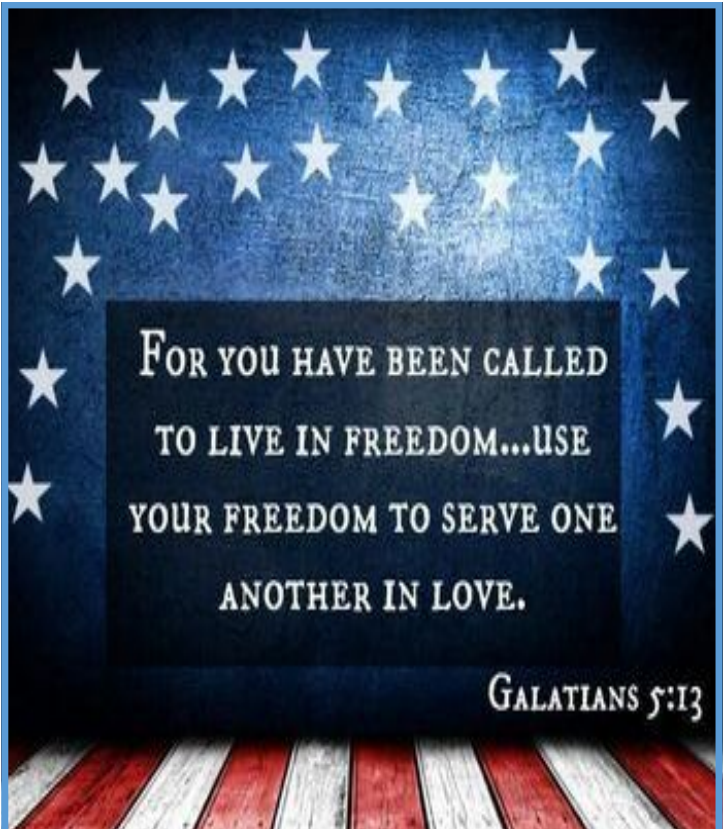


This weekend we celebrate the Feast of Corpus Christi and Bishop Sweeney is asking all parishes to participate in our Diocesan-wide Corpus Christi Food Drive.

This year, the drive has gone virtual, and you can shop online and have items directly shipped to Catholic Charities Food Pantries.

Visit [www.ccpaterson.org/corpus](http://www.ccpaterson.org/corpus) to make a monetary donation or for more information about this important effort. Here you can find our parish and shop for items of great need.

You may also email: [Info@ccpaterson.org](mailto:Info@ccpaterson.org) or call 973-279-7100 ext. 2038 with any questions or to donate food directly to Catholic Charities Food Pantries.



## VOLLEYBALL/ PING PONG MONDAYS



Starting Monday June 7th at 6pm Volleyball Games and Ping Pong games will be played all summer behind St Jude's Parish Center. The games are all for fun. All are invited. Activities are sponsored by our Knights of Columbus.

## PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THOSE WHO ARE SICK

+Peter Alles, Matthew Bailey, Charles Battersby, Ann Bauer, James Bonavota, Ann Bonda, Tom Brown, Nancy Buckler, Kyle Bussey, Ethel Butler, Jordyn Cameron, Toni Castoro, Amanda Church, Lenny Colello, Sr., Cathy Collins, Linda Corcoran, Shannon & Reggie Crowley, Claudia Davis, Joseph D'Amelio, Liliana DiFillippi, Edward & Mary DiGangi, Richard Ferris, Dylan Flinchum, Will Garcia, Beverly Gilmore, Katie Gowy, Jodie Grillo, Herbert Grobe, Susan Helfrich, Mary Hassenius, Linda Hill, Irene Hogan, Mark Joanna, Terri Kellerman, Al Kostenholz, Charlie La Capria, Cheryl Lotito, Theresa Leggio, Erin Loescher, Joan Major, Peggy McGarry, Claire Miller, Anthony Monetti, Maryann Moore, Arthur Morelli, Kim Olenic, Joanne Orr, Yvonne Paquing, John Pizzimenti, Jeff Poyer, Richard Ratti, Cathy Ricciuto, Donna Ross, Mary Rushka, Paul Sansevere, Lola Scala, Catherine Sorace, William Stelmach, Nancy Tevis, Natalie Thompson, Anne Marie Truncali, Grzegorz Wierzbicki, Florence White, Joyce Williams.

## HELP THOSE IN NEED



The Pandemic has hit all of us pretty hard some more than others.

Since we no longer have a food pantry we have been relying on gift cards donated by parishioners in the past several years. Because of the demand we are running out of certificates.

Therefore, we are asking parishioners to please help us out by donating Shop Rite certificates, gift cards, 3 in 1 certificates and Walmart. Please help us to help those in need.

If any person may have been abused by any priest, they should immediately contact their local County Prosecutor's Office and the Diocese's Victims Assistance Coordinator:

Dr. Ken McNiel at 973-879-1489.

You may also be in touch with either of the Diocesan Response Officers:

Rev. Msgr. T. Mark Condon Vicar General and Moderator of the Curia, 973-777-8818 Ext. 205

or Sister Joan Daniel Healy, S.C.C., Chancellor/Delegate for Religious, 973-777-8818 Ext.248.

The entire text of the Policy of the Diocese of Paterson in Response to Complaints of Sexual Abuse is available on the diocesan Web site:

[www.patersondiocese.org](http://www.patersondiocese.org)

## 10 SIGNS OF A SAFE PROGRAM FOR CHILDREN & YOUTH

1. **Screening** of staff / volunteers.
2. Adults trained in **safe environment strategies** and signs of abuse .
3. **Code of conduct** enforced.
4. **Open Communication** between parents and staff / staff and children / children and parents.
5. **Parents** always **Welcome**.
6. Children educated in **right relationships & what to do if a relationship isn't right**.
7. All children treated with **Dignity and Respect**.
8. **Clear Rules and Expectations**. consistent reinforcement / consequences
9. **Adequate supervision of youth**. team approach—accountability—no 1:1 isolation
10. All **abuse** is **reported**.



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# Business Hours

<b>Monday</b>	<b>9:00</b>	to	<b>3:00</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>CLOSED</b>	to	<b>CLOSED</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>9:00</b>	to	<b>3:00</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>9:00</b>	to	<b>3:00</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>CLOSED</b>	to	<b>CLOSED</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>CLOSED</b>	to	<b>CLOSED</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>CLOSED</b>	to	<b>CLOSED</b>

**973-398-6377**

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

## RECTORY IS FINALLY OPEN

Notice the new hours of operation.

If you would like to visit, please, call the office first to **schedule an appointment**, and wear your mask while in the office.

Also, the door will be locked at all times, as we cannot allow more than one person at once in the office.

Wear your mask at all times (cover your mouth and nose), keep distance, and in case of having any kind of symptoms, stay home and call the office instead.

Please, don't prepare for long talks, as there may be more people waiting in line to get to the office.

We reserve the right to refuse admission to anyone who show symptoms of Coronavirus or do not follow the State's and Church's rules about COVID-19.

### Our Staff:

Rev. Peter Wierzbicki.....*Pastor*  
 Rev. Mr. Tom Friel.....*Deacon*  
 Mrs. Kathleen Barger.....*Administrative Assistant*  
 Mrs. Lillian Colello.....*Coordinator of Religious Education and Confirmation Program*  
 Mrs. Lillian Colello ..... Liturgy Coordinator  
 Mr. Henry Schmidt.....Parish Trustee  
 Mr. Sylvester Plewa.....Parish Trustee  
 Mr. Marcin Kochanowicz ..... Musician  
 Edie Vieth.....Cantor  
 John Armeno.....Cantor

### 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. Also, if you are not receiving collection envelopes, we can arrange to have them sent them to 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 number, please contact us. All parishioners are requested to use the regular Sunday envelopes or our Online Giving. If you are not receiving them,

please call the Rectory

### Parish Center Rental

If you would like to rent a Parish Hall, please call Debbie at (973) 650-8164.

The typical maximum head count is 225 people for dinner seating.

For more information email our hall rental committee: [rental@stjudehopatcong.org](mailto:rental@stjudehopatcong.org)

### Eucharistic Liturgies

**Sunday Masses During Pandemic:** 5:00PM.

(Saturday Vigil Mass) 9AM and 11AM

**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

**Novena to St. Jude:** Wednesday after the Mass

**Adoration:** every Thursday after the mass until 3PM

**Litany to Our Lady:** after every morning Mass in May

**Litany to the Heart of Jesus:** after every morning Mass in June

**Rosary:** after each daily Mass in October

**Remember to always check the bulletin and**

**listen to the announcements for any changes and times for special liturgies.**

### Sacraments:

**BAPTISMS** are usually celebrated on the 3rd Sunday of the month after the 11AM Mass. Parents are asked to call the rectory about the Baptismal preparation meeting on the first Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m.

**MARRIAGE** - Arrangements should be made at the Rectory no less than 6 months before the marriage date and prior to any social planning. To arrange for Pre-Cana instructions, please call the Rectory.

**R.C.I.A. RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF 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.

**VISITATION OF THE SICK AND ELDERLY** - 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. Please call the Rectory for the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick.

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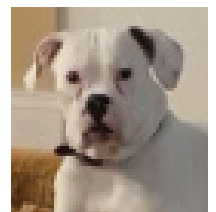
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