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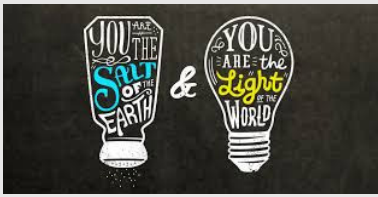
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CONFESSIONS/RECONCILIATION:
Saturdays: 5:00 – 5:20 PM
Sundays: 7:15 – 7:45 AM
and on request

HALL BOOKINGS
Parish secretary



FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: YEAR A

INTRODUCTION:

What happens to salt when put into food? It dissolves and makes the food tastier. Another question: What happens to a candle when we light it? It eats itself up in order to give light to the people in the room. The Lord tells us today: 'You are the salt of the earth.' He expects us to love others in an unselfish way. The same way salt dissolves unselfishly in the food.

GOSPEL: MT 5: 13 – 16

Jesus said to his disciples: "You are the salt of the earth. But if salt loses its taste, with what can it be seasoned? It is no longer good for anything but to be thrown out and trampled underfoot. You are the light of the world. A city set on a mountain cannot be hidden. Nor do they light a lamp and then put it under a bushel basket; it is set on a lampstand, where it gives light to all in the house. Just so, your light must shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your heavenly Father."

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE SICK

Wednesday 11 /01/2026 is the feast day of Our Lady of Lodes and is also a day of prayer for the sick. Fr Marek will visit the sick of our Parish. If anyone needs a visit please send the name to the Parish office.

2026 YEAR PLANS

All groups & sodalities, please start preparing your year plans for submission to the PPC ASAP. Your plans are to be incorporated into the PPC plans.

CATECHISM REGISTRATION AND CLASSES

Registration has taken place but there is still place for more children. Classes: Friday 13:30-15:00 & Sunday after Mass
Registration fees: R180 per child
Please contact Fr Marek or Sandra 079 9225566 if you have any questions.

ASH WEDNESDAY 18/02/2026

Please bring your old Palms to make Ashes. Put them in box in the Porch.
There will be three Masses on the day:
6:00am at RPP
17:30 at St Jude
18:30 at RPP.

SHROVE TUESDAY

On Tuesday 17/02/2026 at RPP Hall @18:30. Please bring the filling for pancakes.
Shrove Tuesday is a Christian festival on the Tuesday before the beginning of Lent (the 6-week period before Easter during which Christians traditionally pray, give to charity, and fast, or give up their favourite treats or bad habits), so Shrove Tuesday is a day to enjoy your favourite treats before the discipline of Lent.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Every Friday during lent starting on the. 20/02/2026
Times: St Jude 17:00 & RPP 18:00

List and dates for groups leading the prayers:

20/02 Catechism
27/02 CWA and Nurses Guild
06/03 SSV
13/03 Sacred Heart
20/03 Proclaimers
27/03 Children of Mary

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE PARISH

Next Sunday 15 February @ RPP hall after Mass. All groups and sodalities to present their annual reports for 1 Jan 2025 to 31 Dec 2025.

There will be only one Mass @ 8:00am at RPP on Sunday

BAPTISM CLASSES FOR BABIES

Will start soon. If you would like to have your children baptised, please contact Brenda on 0763796891 (RPP). Bryonni on 0828497844 (St Jude) or Fr Marek on 0639083333

SUNDAY PROCLAIMERS

There will be a very short meeting with the Sunday proclaimers after mass this Sunday 08/02/2025.

CATECHISM TEACHERS MEETING

On Saturday 14 February 2026 in the RPP hall @ 9am.



POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR FEBRUARY:

For children with incurable diseases:

Let us pray that children suffering from incurable diseases and their families receive the necessary medical care and support, never losing strength and hope.

PARISH DIARY & MEETINGS

Mon 09	18:00	Music Practice
Tue 10	10:00	Mass @ RPP
	18:30	PFC meeting @ RPP
Wed 11	06:00	Mass @ RPP
Thu 12	09:00	Mass @ RPP followed by adoration
	18:00	Benediction
Fri 13	17:30	Mass @ St Jude
Sat 14	09:00	Catechism teachers
	17:30	Mass @ RPP
Sun 15	08:00	Mass @ RPP
	09:00	AGM after Mass
		NO MASS AT ST JUDE

UPCOMING EVENTS

17/02 Tue Shrove Tuesday
18/02 Wed Ash Wednesday
20/02 Fri Stations of the Cross

SICK & ELDERLY

Please pray for the sick & elderly of the parish, family & friends especially: Nokuthula Kubheka, Penny Powell, Jean Smith, Dolly Bimbrish, Alvin Govender, Mavis Makhubo, Norman Browne, Khohli Kunene, Barbara Amod, Sebenzile Molefe, Netta Liebenberg, Mthokozisi Mthembu, Avenel Aarons, Siva Naidoo, Francesca Poonsamy, and Dolly Govender

SINCERE CONDOLENCES



To the family and friends of
Cecilia De Sousa (Amalia's and Martin's mom)
(passed away 31/01/2026).
She was 95 years old.

"Wishing you peace and comfort as you navigate this challenging time.

DATE	SACRISTAN	EMOHC	PROCLAIMER	MASS INTENTION	FR'S DINNER
07/02/2026	Celeste		Luiz / Nokwazi	Bryan Mark Govender R.I. P	Bhavna
08/02/2026	Nombuso	Fabian	Nonhlanhla / Brenda		
14/02/2026	Michelle		Evelyn / Choeleen	De Franca family Thanksgiving	Candida
15/02/2026	Ntokozi	Anton	Brenda / Lihle		