

# *Saint Jude Catholic Parish & Immaculate Conception Church*

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**Bulletin for the weeks Beginning Sunday December 10<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

**The Second and Third Sundays of Advent**



## Advent Liturgies

Sacrament of Penance, with private Confessions

Sunday, December 10th at 4:00PM and

All Saturdays at 4:00 PM, at Saint Jude

## Christmas Masses

Sunday evening, December 24th

The Vigil Mass for Christmas 7:00 PM Saint Jude

The “Midnight” Mass for Christmas 9:00 PM at Immaculate Conception

Monday Morning, December 25th

The Mass for Christmas Day 10:00 AM at Saint Jude

### Our Parish Upcoming Special Events

**Sunday, December 10**

- **4:00 PM, Advent Confessions, Saint Jude**

**Monday, December 11,**

- **5:30 PM, Women’s Guild Mtg, Christmas Dinner/ Party, Saint Jude.**

**Wednesday, December 13**

- **8:30-1:00 Blood Drive, Saint Jude**

**Sunday, December 17**

- **4:00 PM, Lessons and Carols, Saint Jude**



### **Misa de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe** **(9 de diciembre de 2023)**

Este es un mensaje de agradecimiento por la colaboración que muchos brindaron al desarrollo de la fiesta de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe. Queremos dar gracias especialmente al liderato del Ministerio Hispano, a las personas que organizaron el programa de los niños, el Coro de Precious Blood Catholic Church en Culpeper, los que ayudaron con la comida y bebidas durante la recepción, aquellos que nos apoyaron con ayuda económica, y todos los que ofrecieron sus hogares para la Novena a Guadalupe.

**The Festival of Lessons and Carols** is a service of Scripture and song that dates to the late 19th century. In this service, we listen to nine Scripture lessons which recount the Fall, the promise of a Messiah, the Incarnation, and the Great Commission to preach the Good News. Each lesson is followed by a carol or other song that reflects on the lesson's message and a brief prayer.

~ **Our parish will host Lessons and Carols at 4:00 PM, Sunday, December 17th (Gaudete Sunday), at Saint Jude, Church, followed by light refreshments. Please join us!**

### **Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe (December 9, 2023)**

We wish to acknowledge those who participated in the development of the feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe. We are specially thankful to the Hispanic Ministry leadership, the organizers of the children’s play, the Precious Blood Catholic Church Choir from Culpeper, those who helped with food and drinks during the reception, those who provided financial support, and those who opened their homes for the Novena to Guadalupe.

## Celebrations of the Holy Eucharist and other Liturgies December 9<sup>th</sup> through the 25<sup>th</sup>, 2023

*The Rosary is recited starting at 8:30am before the Daily Mass at each Church*

### Saint Jude

**Saturday, December 9, at 5:00 PM**

**5:00 PM Vigil - Carroll Anne Hynes †**

*By: George and Laura Foussekis*

**6:00 PM - Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass**

**Sunday, December 10, at 11:00 am**

Kevin Birmingham †

*By: Scott and Mary Jensen*

**Tuesday, December 12, at 9:00 am**

Our Lady of Guadalupe

Pamela Cibula †

*By: The Wilson Family*

**Wednesday, December 13, 10:00 am**

No Holy Hour Today

**Saturday, December 16, at 5:00 PM**

Marion Walzel †

*By: Kim and Mike Moyer*

**Sunday, December 17, at 11:00 am**

Margaret Heffernan †

*By: Michael McGinley*

**Tuesday, December 19, at 9:00**

Gerald David O'Neil, Jr. †

*By: Ron and Mary Hohenstein*

**Saturday, December 23, at 5:00 PM**

The Walsh Family, (Churck, Betty, Kathi & Mike) †

*By: The Witmer Family*

**Sunday, December 24,**

**11:00 AM - John and Margaret Hoagland †**

*By: Scott and Mary Jensen*

**7:00 PM, Vigil Mass of the Nativity of the Lord  
Pro Populo *for the People***

**Monday, December 25, at 10:00 am (note Time)**

The Nativity of the Lord Christmas Day

*Pro Populo for the People*



### Come to Adoration and Benediction and the Sacrament of Confession

At Immaculate Conception, at 5:30 PM on the first Monday of every month. At Saint Jude, at 10:00 AM on the second and fourth Wednesday of the month. Fr. Calixtus will be available to hear confessions. All are welcome. **And there will be a communal Confession with several priest confessors at Saint Jude on Sunday, December 10th at 4:00 PM.**

### Immaculate Conception

**Sunday, December 10, at 9:00 am**

Joseph P. Staley †

*By Tom and Peggy Heeke*

**Monday, December 11, at 5:30 PM**

Holy Hour

**Thursday, December 14, at 9:00 am**

Saint John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor of the Church

Thomas Clune †

**Sunday, December 17, at 9:00 am**

Anthony Vincent DeStephano †

*By: Ron and Mary Hohenstein*

**Monday, December 18, at 5:30**

Holy Hour

**Thursday, December 21, at 9:00**

Saint Andrew, Apostle

Rexene Sabelhaus †

**Sunday, December 24**

**9:00am, Mass - Nettie Olbert †**

**9:00 PM, Vigil Mass of The Nativity of the Lord  
Pro Populo - *for the People***

### **If you are in need of a Sacrament:**

**Baptism**, first time parents must meet with a member of our Clergy Staff, and then a date can be set for your child's Baptism. Call the Parish Office at 540-894-4266.

**Reconciliation** (Confessions) are normally available **every Saturday from 4:00-4:50 PM at Saint Jude**, or by appointment.

**Anointing of the Sick**, call the parish office to speak with Clergy Staff to schedule.

**Marriage**, engaged couples should approach their priest first to begin planning a wedding! Please call the office to schedule a meeting with a member of the Clergy Staff: Fr. Calixtus, Dn. Fursman, or Dn. Benet.

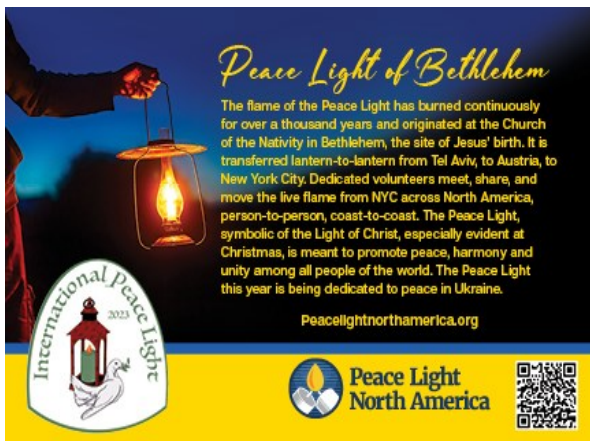
**Hospital visits** If you or a member of your family will have a hospital stay and want communion or a visit, call the parish office, and tell a member of the parish staff what hospital you are in, how long you expect to be there, etc. so that the visit can be arranged. Also, tell the hospital staff that you are Catholic; then a local priest or Eucharistic Minister will bring you Communion.



**ANGEL Trees and Assistance for the Needy:** We are happy to announce that all of the children on the Angel Tree have been sponsored ! WRAPPED Angel Tree gifts are due **TODAY** to their respective Church. If you have any questions please contact Becky Chidester (703) 582 - 0827 . Additionally, these Angel families are given a Food Lion gift card to buy food of their choosing for the Holidays. The Assistance For The Needy envelope attached to the Bulletin funds the purchase of these cards. Thank you for your compassion and generosity to the needy "Angels" in our Community.

**If you can, please donate non-perishable food items to support the Weekend Children's Feeding Program.** During the Angel Tree event, our standard needs remain. Child friendly Backpacks are sent home from school each week filled with child friendly, nutritious, easy to prepare foods. This helps ensure that children will have food over the weekend and return to school ready to learn. Needed food items include: individually packaged pastas, dried or canned fruits, cereals, canned meats/tuna, peanut butter, jelly, powdered milk, granola bars, pop tarts, healthy snack bags. No child should be hungry. Thank you for your compassion and generosity to the needy "Angels" and children in our Community.

Also, if you travel, please collect the complimentary toiletries provided by hotels and motels. These small items are a tremendous benefit to anyone who finds themselves in temporary housing. Place your donations in the Social Ministry boxes at either church. They will be taken to a local shelter to be distributed to those in need. Needed: Clean plastic grocery bags from a smoke free home, place them in the Food Bank box in the parish hall. Thank you in advance for your generosity! Becky Chidester, Chair, Social Ministry Committee



The Peace Light is a continuous flame originating in the grotto of Jesus' birth in Bethlehem. It is shared person to person throughout the world with a message of peace and friendship. Peace Light North America is dedicated to distribution of the Peace Light from Bethlehem throughout the North American continent. Our own Cub Pack 183 learned about the opportunity and the Sanctuary or Tabernacle light at Saint Jude has been lit by the Peace Light this year, and will be shared with Immaculate Conception so that their Sanctuary light will also be lit by the flame from the grotto of Jesus' birth too. Learn more about the International Peace Light at this website: [PeacelightNorthAmerica.org](http://PeacelightNorthAmerica.org)

Larry Kavanagh, a parishioner who has presented many Adult Enrichment Topics, had some Advent devotion time ideas to share. The Faith ND website, operated by the University of Notre Dame, is offering a series of short videos, a new one every day of Advent, titled "Spiritual Stories." Each day's presentation will be a shared spiritually uplifting event. One of the videos will feature a story from Larry Kavanagh. This episode will be on the Faith ND on December 15. To watch, subscribe to Faith ND, go to <http://faith.nd.edu/signup> All you have to give them is your name and an email address, no credit cards or anything else. It is part of the University's community outreach program.

Larry's Adult Enrichment presentations at St. Jude and IC, have been published in a book. The book itself is partly serious and partly fun. It is titled "Soft Sermons with Wine and Cheese." At the start of each chapter, there is a suggested wine and cheese combination for you to try to enhance the pleasure of reading the chapter. Some of the topics are Biblical, some historic, some scientific, and some whimsical. They are meant to be entertaining as well as educational. They are also meant to be something that a non-Catholic could read and get a better feeling about a Catholic viewpoint on things. The book can be available only at Amazon.com, and it comes in Kindle, paperback, and hard cover forms. Just go to Amazon.com and search Larry Kavanagh or by the name of the book. Soft Sermons with Wine and Cheese, there is a cost, the book is priced mainly to cover the Amazon cost. However, if by some miracle it actually makes a profit, Larry assures us, our churches will share the benefit. Happy Advent to all, from Larry Kavanagh

The Parish Website has been updated!  
Please visit [www.louisacatholics.org](http://www.louisacatholics.org)  
to see its new look!

**Counter Schedule:**

**December 10**  
SJ: Dave Frampton, Mark Richey, Linda Kuykendall

**December 17**  
SJ: John & Ellen Casale, Shirley Willis

**December 24**  
SJ: Dan & Chrissy Schoenster, Sally Cool

**IC Usher Schedule**

**December 10**  
Church: Mike Conlon, Andy Droppleman

Hall: Steve Fakenthal, Bill Fleser

**December 17**  
Church: Steve Donnelly, Gary Weisbrod

Hall: Ray DeCarli, Walt Michalski

**December 24**  
Church: Adam Moore, Joe Dipeitro

Hall: Tom Heeke, Rick Ross

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Pastoral Council	SJ Scott Jensen IC Wayne Gordon
Community Life	SJ Rosemarie Ayers, IC Karen Donnelly
Worship	SJ Ron Brassard IC To be announced
Social Ministry	SJ & IC Becky Chidester

The Parish Office is at Saint Jude in Mineral.  
We are open from 9:00-4:00, Monday-Friday.  
Please send items for the Bulletin and Mass Intentions in writing to: [office@louisacatholicc.org](mailto:office@louisacatholicc.org).

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 **Knights Corner:** Congratulations to Father Cal and Vinnie and Elena Luther for being selected as Knight and Family of the Month respectively. Our officers meeting will be December 17th due to Christmas. Merry Christmas from the Knights. We wish you all a happy new year.

 The Knights are sponsoring an ARC Blood Drive on Wednesday, December 13th, in Saint Jude Parish Hall. The hours are 8:30-1:30. Please go online to: <https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/donation-time> to make an appointment. Thank-you, for giving the gift of life!

**E-Giving Through FAITHDIRECT:** Saint Jude and Immaculate Conception offer our parishioners a way to support the financial needs of our parish family through secure online giving. Online giving allows you to give weekly, monthly, or a special one time gift. Please prayerfully consider signing up and supporting your church's mission.

**Sign up to donate to Saint Jude:**  
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