

70 ½ or Older? Making Year End Tax plans?

The Holy Spirit brought the early Church alive by giving individuals gifts that would sustain the Church. By sharing your gifts, you can keep the church alive for years to come. Don't miss the chance to make an IRA Qualified Charitable Distribution gift this year! If you are 70 ½ or older please consider making an IRA Qualified Charitable Distribution before December 31. You can make a gift up to \$105,000 directly from your IRA to our parish. For more information about how you and the Church can benefit from an IRA qualified charitable contribution, contact your IRA administrator, or tax preparer.



The Parish Office & both Churches have one new mailing address. Please update your address book. All

mail for both churches must be sent to 1937 Davis Highway, Mineral, Virginia 23117. Do you use bill pay for church donations? Log on to your bank and update this mailing address. Thank-you!

Website	www.louisacatholics.org
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Community Life	SJ Rosemarie Ayers IC Karen Donnelly
Worship	SJ Ron Brassard IC Amy Schnetzler, Kathy Fleser
Social Ministry	SJ & IC Becky Chidester
Music Coordinator	SJ Lauren Cunningham Headley IC Becky Snyder

Catholic Homeschool Fun!

New to homeschooling this coming spring semester, or , a homeschool veteran? Looking to build lasting friendships for your kids/teens (and you?) through a la carte weekly social, religious and or academic enrichment activities, plus graduation? Look no further -check out Mayflower Homeschoolers @ www.mayflowerhomeschoolers.org!

Mayflower Homeschoolers is Roman Catholic multi-chapter homeschool support group under the patronage of Our Lady of Fatima.

The Louisa Catholic Community “United in Faith, United in Love”

Saint Jude Catholic Church, 1937 Davis Highway, Mineral, VA 23117 and
Immaculate Conception Church, 1107 Fredericks Hall Road, Bumpass, VA, 23024
Bulletin for: Sunday December 22nd and December 29^h, 2024

THANK YOU

On behalf of the entire Saint Jude Parish community, we would like to express our heartfelt gratitude to everyone who made the Jubilee Celebration Mass and Reception a joyous and memorable occasion.

A special thank you to Bishop Barry Knestout for his presence and leadership during the Mass. We are deeply grateful for the support and spiritual guidance from all of the clergy who celebrated with us. Your dedication enriches our faith and brings us closer together as a parish family.

We extend our sincere appreciation to the choirs of both Saint Jude and Immaculate Conception for filling our hearts with beautiful music, lifting our spirits, and enhancing the liturgy with their talents. Your voices truly touched us all.

A heartfelt thank you to the Jubilee Committee, whose tireless efforts and dedication made this event possible. We could not have done it without your hard work, organization, and commitment. Your passion for our parish and its mission is inspiring, and this celebration stands as a testament to your unwavering devotion.

Thank you to everyone who joined us, prayed with us, and contributed in any way. Together, we celebrate this milestone and continue to look forward to the blessings and growth of Saint Jude Parish.

Christmas Mass Schedule

- 7:00 PM, December 24th, Saint Jude
 - 9:00 PM, December 24th, Immaculate Conception
 - 10:00 am, December 25th, Saint Jude (note time)
- **No Mass** on Tuesday, December 24th at SJ
- **No Mass** on Thursday, December 28^h at IC

Solemnity Of Mary, The Mother of God

Mass Schedule

- 5:00 PM, December 31st, Immaculate Conception
- 9:00 AM, January 1st, Saint Jude

OFFICE CLOSED

The Parish Office will close at 4:00PM on Friday, December 20th, reopen on Monday, December 30th. at 9:00AM.

The Parish Office will close at Noon on Tuesday, December 31st and reopen Thursday, January 2, 2025.

Dedicated to helping you heal

Virtual Support Group for those who have suffered abuse by clergy or lay personnel residing in the Catholic Diocese of Richmond.

We invite you to join the group on the first Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m. These gatherings, led by an independent facilitator, will offer a safe environment for participants to connect, share experiences, support, and heal.

Spouses and affected community members are also welcome.

Questions? Email vac@richmonddiocese.org



QR code for joining the virtual support group.

Saturday, December 21
 SJ 4:00 PM, Confessions, Church
 SJ 5:00 PM, Marcella Chandler Bloomberg † by: George & Laura Foussekis

Sunday, December 22
 IC 9:00 AM, Judy Brennan †, by: Jim and Jane Bono
 SJ 11:00 AM, Kathie Fridley †, by: The Women's Guild

Tuesday, December 24
 SJ 9:00 AM, NO MORNING MASS
 SJ 7:00 PM, Christmas Eve Mass
 IC 9:00PM, Christmas Eve Mass

Wednesday, December 25
 SJ 10:00 AM, Christmas Mass

Thursday, December 26
 IC 9:00AM, NO MORNING MASS

Saturday, December 28
 SJ 4:00 PM, Confessions, Church
 SJ 5:00 PM, Jerry and Darlene Gerwitz † by: Mike and Sue Handrahan

Sunday, December 29
 IC 9:00 AM, Lucia Hayden † by: The Arkwright Family
 SJ 11:00 AM, Claire Woodward † by: Scott & Mary Jensen
 SJ 12:30-3:00PM, Cupcake Wars

Monday, December 30
 IC 5:30 PM, Holy Hour

Tuesday, December 31
 SJ 9:00 AM, NO MASS
 IC 5:00 PM, Solemnity of Mary, The Mother of God

Wednesday, January 1
 SJ 9:00AM, Solemnity of Mary, The Mother of God

Thursday, January 2
 IC 9:00AM, The Intentions of Frank Hogan, by: Rich & Lori Muoio

Friday, January 3
 SJ 9:00AM, The Intentions of Jeanne Argy, by: Rich & Lori Muoio

Saturday, January 4
 SJ: 9:00 AM, The Intentions of Maureen Burns, by: Rich & Lori Muoio
 SJ:9:00 AM, RCIA
 SJ: 10:00AM, Epiphany Play Practice
 SJ 4:00 PM, Confessions, Church
 SJ 5:00 PM, Mike Stienline † by: Mike & Sue Handrahan

Sunday, January 5
 IC 9:00 AM, The Intentions of Patricia Muoio, by: Rich & Lori Muoio
 SJ 11:00 AM, Kitty Nagle †, by: Dick Nagle, Michele and Bob Thompson
 SJ After 11:00AM Mass, Epiphany Play

If you are in need of a Sacrament:
Baptism, please call or write the parish office to schedule a baptism. First time parents, must meet with Fr. Calixtus, and then a date can be set.


First Communion Please contact our Coordinator of Religious Education, Melissa King, for details.


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

Anointing of the Sick, call the parish office to speak with Fr. Calixtus to schedule.

Marriage, engaged couples should approach their priest first to begin planning a wedding! Please call the office to schedule a meeting with Fr. Cal or one of our Deacons, their numbers are in this bulletin.

Hospital visits If you or a member of your family want Fr. Cal to know about a hospital stay, call the parish office.

 Please join us when we say the Holy Rosary before Daily Masses. Please arrive by 8:30, Mass is at 9:00am; Tuesdays at Saint Jude, and Thursdays at Immaculate Conception. All are welcome!

 **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:**
At Saint Jude, 10:00 am on the second Wednesday of the Month.
At Immaculate Conception, 5:30 PM each Monday evening, and on the first Wednesday of the month.

No classes - Sunday, December 22nd and Sunday, December 29th
Classes resume Sunday, January 5th

CUPCAKE WARS - Sunday, December 29th from 12:30-3:00pm (Grades K-12)
 Cupcake wars is a cupcake decorating competition. Competitors will be given a theme and must decorate their cupcake accordingly. Participants may work independently or as teams. Pizza and snacks will be provided - in addition to the cupcakes. We will end the afternoon with a friendly game of Trivia. All parish youth - and their friends - are welcome to attend. Please RSVP (cre@louisacatholics.org) so we can have enough cupcakes and pizza available.

EPIPHANY PLAY - Practice will be held on **Saturday, January 4th at 10:00am.**

The performance will be on **Sunday, January 5th after the 11:00 Mass**
 Signup sheet for the Epiphany Play can be found on the right-hand side of the Narthex. Please sign up if you plan to participate!

DIOCESAN YOUTH CONFERENCE - February 7-9, 2025 in Richmond
(This event is open to 8th grade and High School students ONLY)
Last day to register is January 5th - please contact Melissa King
(cre@louisacatholics.org ASAP if you wish to attend.

Immaculate Conception

Eucharistic Ministers are needed at Immaculate Conception. Please prayerfully discern the Lord's calling to this rewarding ministry. Training will be provided. See Kathy Fleser for further information.

Next Bulletin will be published January 3, 2025

Deadlines :

Bulletin Entries: Due Sunday, December 29, 2024

Please send them to: office@louisacatholics.org

E-Giving Through FAITHDIRECT: Saint Jude and Immaculate Conception offer our parishioners secure online giving through FaithDirect. You can use your computer, tablet or phone to sign up at: www.https://faith.direct/VA1052 to give to Immaculate Conception OR www.https://faith.direct/VA1007 to give to Saint Jude. OR call Faith Direct customer service at 866-507-8757. Many giving and reporting options are available.

