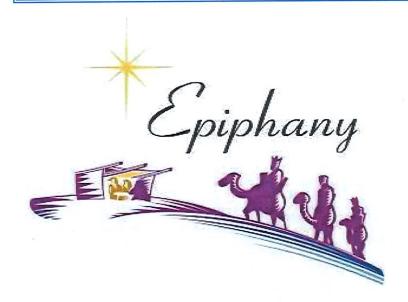
The Louisa Catholic Community "United in Faith, United in Love" Saint Jude Catholic Church, 1937 Davis Highway, Mineral, VA 23117

Immaculate Conception Church, 1107 Fredericks Hall Road, Bumpass, VA, 23024

Bulletin beginning Sunday January 5, 2025, The Epiphany of the Lord, and Sunday January 12, 2025, the Baptism of the Lord

Ann Marie Worosz, \$\Pi\$ 12/8/2024

It is with great sadness that we share the news of the passing of Ann Marie Worosz on December 8, 2024. Ann Marie's funeral Mass will be Friday, January 10, 2025 at 11:00 am at Saint Jude. Let us offer prayers of comfort for Tom and their children and grandchildren at this time of loss.



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A MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR

My dear Parishioners, as we begin the year 2025, I would like to take this opportunity to express my heartfelt gratitude to you all for your unwavering support, contributions, and sacrifices for our Parish community. Your selfless dedication to the growth and well-being of our Parish has been a source of inspiration and strength to me and to our entire community. Your commitment to living out the Gospel values of love, compassion, and service has created a bond of love among us that is truly a reflection of Christ's love for us. As we embark on this new year, I encourage you to continue with the same spirit of generosity, kindness, and faithfulness that has characterized our Parish community throughout 2024.

I offer my prayers for each of you and your loved ones, that this new year may bring you peace, good health, and God's protection. May we all be blessed with an abundance of joy, love, and happiness in the year ahead. May the Year 2025 be a great blessing for us all. Amen.

With gratitude and appreciation,

Fr. Calixtus (Pastor)

PILGRIMS OF HOPE, 2025 JUBILEE

What Is a Jubilee Year?

A Jubilee Year, observed every 25 years by the Universal Church, is a time for pilgrimage, repentance, forgiveness, and spiritual renewal. Rooted in the Hebrew tradition of Leviticus, the Jubilee originally involved the freeing of slaves and forgiving debts every 50 years. The Christian Jubilee began in 1300, established by Pope Boniface VIII, and has since been a special time of grace, offering the faithful an opportunity for plenary indulgence.

The theme for the 2025 Jubilee is "Pilgrims of Hope." As Pope Francis said, "We must fan the flame of hope... looking to the future with an open spirit, a trusting heart, and far-sighted vision." The Jubilee starts on December 24, 2024, with the Opening of the Holy Door at Saint Peter's Basilica and concludes on January 6, 2026, with the Feast of the Epiphany.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

EPIPHANY PLAY -

The performance will be on TODAY, January 5th after the 11:00 Mass

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 <u>TODAY</u> January 5th - please contact Melissa King <u>cre@louisacatholics.org</u> ASAP

Sacraments and Sacramentals

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 Stiengline † 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 & Bob Thompson

SJ: Epiphany Play, after 11:00 AM Mass

Monday, January 6

IC 5:30 PM, Holy Hour

Tuesday, January 7

SJ: 9:00 AM, Christa Marie Pearly Gilbreth † by: Lorraine Dewitt

Thursday, January 9

IC 9:00 AM, George E. Bellis† by: Ron and Mary Hohenstein

Saturday, January 11

SJ 9:00AM, RCIA

SJ 5:00 PM, Intentions of Elizabeth Moyer by: Kim and Mike Moyer

Sunday, January 12

IC 9:00AM, James S. McConchie† by: Ron and Mary Hohenstein

SJ: 11:00 AM, Betty Thompson Wiser†, by: Michele & Bob Thompson

Monday, January 13

IC 5:30 PM, Holy Hour

Tuesday, January 14

SJ 9:00 AM, Kathie Fridley † by: Larry and Judy Kavanagh

Thursday, January 16

IC 9:00 AM, James & Edith Stakem † by: Ron and Mary Hohenstein

Friday, January 17

SJ 2:00 PM Office Closed

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.

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. Calixtus or one of our Deacons, their numbers are in this bulletin.

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



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.



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.

E-Giving Through FAITHDIRECT:

The new year brings hope and promise, offering us the chance to expand our vital ministries, discover new ways to share the good news of Christ's love, and demonstrate His care and mercy to those in need within our community. To continue making a difference in 2025, we rely on online donations from compassionate individuals like you.

You can easily sign up using your computer, tablet, or phone at: www.https//faith.direct/VA1052 to give to Immaculate Conception www.https//faith.direct/VA1007 to give to Saint Jude.

Social Ministry News

The Social Ministry Committee is pleased to announce that we have been awarded a \$4,000 **Diocesan Rice Bowl Grant.** This grant will be given to the Louisa County Resource Council for the Children's Feeding Expansion Program.

This Program is an extension of the Weekend Children's Feeding Program. Backpacks are sent home from school each week filled with food items that help supplement food needs for these children over the weekend. We will continue to collect non-perishable food items such as individually packaged pastas, dried or canned fruits, cereals, canned meats / tuna, peanut butter, jelly, granola bars, pop tarts, and healthy snack bags.

SOUPER BOWL 2025

Our annual Soup collection is approaching! This collection will provide soup to the many needy in our community that struggle to put food on the table. The Food Bank shelves have also been depleted over the Holidays and food is needed. Check out store sales! We will begin collecting soups on **January 18 -19** and will end on Super Bowl Sunday, **February 9.** Acceptable soups include canned, bagged, and boxed. Monetary donations are welcome; if donating with a check, please make a note in the memo line "Souper" Bowl.