

Bulletin for Sunday, March 9th -March 16th 2025

2025 Annual Diocesan Appeal

with \$12,995 already donated, reaching 90% of the goal. Saint Jude's goal is \$22,390, with \$21,320 donated so far, which is 95% of the goal.



Sharing His Love with Others

Women's Guild College Scholarship

"The 2025 Louisa Catholic Women's Guild Scholarship Application is now posted to the church website. The Guild annually awards 2 separate \$1,000.00 scholarships and all high school students who are graduating in May/June 2025 including home schooled, are eligible to apply. Any post high school education be it a 2-year or 4-year college or a technical school are eligible. In addition to the application and questions you are required to obtain signed references, and your transcripts so please do not wait until the last minute. The deadline for applying this year is Friday, March 28th. Applications received by the office after this date will not be considered. If you have any questions please contact Wendy Smith at 540-223-1144."

Stations of the Cross During Lent

Tuesdays after the 9:00am Mass at Saint Jude

Thursdays after the 9:00am Mass at Immaculate Conception

Lenten Reconciliation Service

March 19, 2025 at 6:00pm at Saint Jude

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

First Communion Dates:

- **First Communion Retreat** - Saturday, April 12th - time TBD
 - **First Penance** - Saturday, April 26th at St. Jude - 10:00am
- First Communion** - Sunday, May 4th during the 11:00am Mass

Confirmation Date:

- **Confirmation** - Wednesday, April 30th at 7:00pm at St. Thomas Aquinas in Charlottesville

Confirmation practice - date and time TBD

2025/2026 Religious Education Teachers/Substitutes Needed

Do you want to do a good deed? Teach the young! Do you want to perform a holy act? Teach the young! Do you want to do a holy thing? Teach the young! Truly, now and for the future, among holy things, this is the holiest. ~ Saint John Bosco

Lead teachers, classroom aides and substitutes are needed for our **2025-2026 Religious Education Classes**. You can help our parish youth learn and grow in faith by becoming a catechist for Religious Education. An added benefit is as you nurture the faith of the young, you will continue to learn and grow yourself as well!

No teaching experience necessary! Full class planning resources are provided for all volunteers, and supplemented with additional resources. Volunteers must be Catholics in good standing and be VIRTUS compliant. If you feel called to volunteer please contact Melissa King at cre@louisacatholics.org.

Change in regular Mass schedule

Beginning next Saturday, March 15, we will be celebrating an additional Mass at St. Jude. From now on, there will be a Mass (completely in Spanish) every second Saturday of the month at 6:30 pm. Everyone is welcome to attend. The current Masses on Sundays at 11:00 am will no longer be bi-lingual. With this change, we are hoping for an increase in membership of Hispanics in our parish; as well as an increase in active involvement of Hispanics in our English Masses such as Acolytes, Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Ushers, Choir, Decorations, and even Sacristans. We hope the English speaking and Hispanic communities within our Parish will become even closer.


Comenzando con el próximo sábado, 15 de marzo, nuestra comunidad celebrará una Misa adicional en St. Jude. De ahora en adelante, habrá una Misa completamente en español cada segundo sábado del mes a las 6:30 de la tarde. No habrá más Misas bilingües. Con este cambio, esperamos se aumente el número de los feligreses hispanos, y su participación activa en todas las Misas como Monaguillos, Lectores, Ministros de la Eucaristía, Ujieres, Coro, Decoraciones, y Sacristanes. Esperamos que las comunidades americanas e hispanas logren una unión aún más cercana entre ellos.

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Worship	SJ Ron Brassard IC Amy Schnetzler, Kathy Fleser
Social Ministry	Becky Chidester
Music Coordinator	Becky Snyder

<u>Saturday, March 8</u>
SJ 9:00AM, RCIA
SJ 4:00PM, Confessions
SJ 5:00 PM, Billy Fleming † <i>by: Susan & Mike Arceneaux</i>
<u>Sunday, March 9</u>
IC 9:00AM, Mildred Failacci † <i>by: Dave Failacci</i>
SJ 11:00AM, For the Intentions of Patty Arvin <i>by: Michele & Bob Thompson</i>
<u>Monday, March 10</u>
IC 5:30PM, Holy Hour
SJ 6:00PM, Guild Meeting
<u>Tuesday, March 11</u>
SJ 9:00AM, Nathaniel Capps † <i>by: Katie Cunningham</i>
<u>Thursday, March 13</u>
IC 9:00AM, Joseph Shircliff † <i>by: Melissa King</i>
<u>Saturday, March 15</u>
SJ 9:00AM, RCIA
SJ 4:00PM, Confessions
SJ 5:00 PM, John Blomberg † <i>by: Laura and George Foussekis</i>
SJ 6:30 PM, Hispanic Mass
<u>Sunday, March 16</u>
IC 9:00AM, George Heino † <i>by: Gerry Heino</i>
SJ 11:00AM, Carol Pfeiffer † <i>by: Mary Birmingham</i>
<u>Monday, March 17</u>
IC 5:30PM, Holy Hour
<u>Tuesday, March 18</u>
SJ 9:00AM, Maureen O'Hara, Health and Healing <i>by: Rick and Eileen Perks</i>
<u>Wednesday, March 19</u>
SJ 6:00PM Lenten Reconciliation Service
<u>Thursday, March 20</u>
IC 9:00AM, Christopher Hawn Shriver † <i>by: Bob Shriver</i>
<u>Saturday, March 22</u>
SJ 9:00AM, RCIA
SJ 4:00PM, Confessions
SJ 5:00 PM, The Intentions of Rosa Maria Ibarra Ortega <i>by: Gissel Hein</i>

<u>If you are in need of a Sacrament:</u>
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

FISH FRY



The Knights of Columbus Sacred Hearts Council #11262 and the Louisa Catholic Women’s Guild will serve Friday Lenten Fish Dinners at St Jude Catholic Church on March 7, 14, 21, 28, and April 4 and 11. The dinners are \$12 each for adults and \$5 each for children. The menu is a choice of baked fish, fried fish or fried shrimp. Also included are hushpuppies, a choice of two sides (homemade coleslaw, homemade macaroni and cheese, applesauce or French fries); choice of coffee, iced tea and lemonade; and a homemade dessert. Extra fish or shrimp is \$4. Eat in is from 4:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. carry out from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m

Social Ministry News

LENTEN RICE BOWL COLLECTION

The annual Lenten Rice Bowl almsgiving collection begins on Ash Wednesday. This is a Catholic Relief Services (CRS) program that helps provide life saving support to more than120 countries. Participating in the Rice Bowl will help us engage daily with the spiritual pillars of Lent: prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. Our Parish applied for and received a \$4,000 grant from this program to support the Louisa County Children's Feeding Program. Twenty-five percent of donations to CRS Rice Bowl stay in our diocese, supporting hunger and poverty alleviation efforts. Rice Bowl kits are available in the Narthex at St Jude and in the back of the Church and Social Hall at Immaculate Conception. Please give what you can. We will collect the Rice Bowls during Holy week.

Used plastic Grocery Bags Needed: In addition to collecting non-perishable foods for the Children's Feeding Program, please collect and bring in used "plastic" bags from SMOKE FREE homes. The food bank uses these bags for packing.

Also, if you travel, please collect complimentary unopened toiletries. These items cannot be purchased with the Electronic Benefit Transfer cards and will be donated to Restoration Ministries. This Ministry supports families in the West Virginia Appalachia.

THANK YOU FOR ALL YOU DO FOR OUR NEEDY.
Becky Chidester, Social Ministry Chair

Mulch Sale Fundraiser
Support Scout Troops 3 and 1003

We invite you to support Scout Troops 3 and 1003 by purchasing bagged hardwood mulch after Mass on the weekends of March 15/16 and March 22/23.

Pricing:
3 Cubic Feet: \$5.75 (cash/check) or \$6.22 (credit card) per bag.

The mulch is beautifully packaged and sourced from Quail Ridge Products. For more information or to place an order, please see Steve Brown and the Scouts after Mass on the listed weekends. Thank you for your support!

Please remember, those who have recently died. Please keep them and their families in your prayers.

Bob Bangel †, February 26, 2025

Juana “Nely” Fernandez †, March 2, 2025