

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 for Sunday, April 27th and May 4th, 2025

I.C. Bible Study – Summer Schedule

Please note that I.C. Bible Study typically meets on the **second Thursday of each month**. Below is the schedule for this summer:

- **Thursday, May 8** – *Topic: “Numbers”* (Not the book of Numbers, but the significance of actual numbers in the Bible.)
- **Thursday, May 29** – *Topic: “Pentecost”* **This is an additional class** added to deepen our understanding of Pentecost.

Following that, we will continue our regular meetings on the second Thursday of each month:

- **Thursday, June 12**
- **Thursday, July 10**
- **Thursday, August 14**

Please mark your calendars!

Blessings,
Steve Falkenthal

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Religious Education Classes resume this Sunday, April 27th.

Registration for the 2025-2026 school year is now open. Registration forms will be sent home with students this Sunday, April 27th. Additional forms can be found in the Parish Office or on the bulletin board in the narthex. **All FAMILIES** must register for Religious Education classes including homeschool families.

Religious Education Teachers Needed

Teachers 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 that as you nurture the faith of the young, you will continue to learn and grow yourself as well!

No experience necessary! Full class planning resources are provided for all volunteers and supplemented with additional resources. If you feel called to volunteer, even just as a part-time substitute, please contact Melissa King at cre@louisacatholics.org

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Confirmation

Congratulations to the following teens who will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on Wednesday, April 30th at 7pm at Saint Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church. Georgia Brown, Jack Hubler, Lily Hubler, Hilayza Imbachi, Emaline Moore, Henry Rodriguez and Haileigh Hope Sparks.

First Communion

We wish to congratulate those who will celebrate their First Holy Communion on Sunday, May 4th! We are grateful to their parents and catechists who worked hard to prepare them for this very special day on their journey of faith! May the love of Jesus forever remain close to you as you receive Him in the Eucharist!

Yard Sale

The Louisa Catholic Women's Guild will be sponsoring their Annual Spring Yard Sale in St. Jude's Hall on Saturday May 3rd from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Donations for the Yard Sale will be accepted in the Hall from 12 noon to 3 p.m. on Wednesday April 30- Friday May 2. Outside spaces are available for \$20 — rain or shine. Refreshments will also be available for purchase.

Please contact Donna Gray or Sally Cool with any questions or with help donating large items. Email: dgray1984@gmail.com or c.coolone@hotmail.com

Mass Intentions Request

The celebration of the Holy Mass is a powerful way to pray for our loved ones, and we invite you to have a Mass offered for their intentions. Whether for a special occasion, a loved one's health, or in remembrance of the deceased, we are honored to include your intentions in our prayers.

Please submit your request by dropping it in the collection basket or emailing it to the parish office. (Office@louisacatholics.org)

We thank you for your continued generosity and prayers, and we look forward to offering Mass on behalf of your intentions.

April 26-May 10, 2025
<u>Saturday, April 26</u> SJ 10:00AM, First Penance SJ 11:00AM, Kathy Fridley Interment SJ 4:00PM, Confessions SJ 5:00 PM, Marion Walzel † <i>by: Kim & Mike Moyer</i> <u>Sunday, April 27</u> IC 8:35AM Divine Mercy Chaplet IC 9:00AM, Randy Reicher † <i>by: The IC Choir</i> SJ 11:00AM, Bob Bangel† <u>Monday, April 28</u> IC 5:30PM, Holy Hour <u>Tuesday, April 29</u> SJ 9:00AM, Rob Rihelin † <i>by: Rob Dixon</i> <u>Thursday, May 1</u> IC 9:00AM, John and Genevieve Fisher † <i>by: Gerald Fisher</i> <u>Friday, May 2</u> SJ 9:00AM, Alan Kinsler † <i>by: Rob Dixon</i> SJ 4:00 PM, Wedding Rehearsal <u>Saturday, May 3</u> SJ 9:00AM, For the Intentions of Frank Hogan <i>by: Rich and Lori Muoio</i> SJ 10:00AM, First Holy Communion Practice SJ 2:00PM, Wedding SJ 4:00PM, Confessions SJ 5:00PM, Nely Fernandez † <i>by: Ramon Fernandez</i> <u>Sunday, May 4</u> IC 8:30AM, Rosary IC 9:00AM, Diane Radke † <i>by: The Stack Family</i> SJ 10:00AM, May Crowning SJ 11:00AM, First Holy Communion SJ 12:00PM, Easter Music Program <u>Monday, May 5</u> IC 5:30PM, Holy Hour <u>Tuesday, May 6</u> SJ 9:00AM, The Intentions of Maureen Burns <i>by: Rich and Lori Muoio</i> <u>Wednesday, May 7</u> IC No Holy Hour <u>Thursday, May 8</u> IC 9:00AM, George Heino † <i>by: Steve and Joanne Falkenthal</i> <u>Saturday, May 10</u> SJ 4:00PM, Confessions SJ 5:00 PM, Louis and Catharine Kaldy † <i>by: Scott and Mary Jensen</i> SJ 6:30 PM, Hispanic Mass

Sacraments and Sacramentals

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

Tea Party

The Women’s Guild will be sponsoring a **Tea Party** at St. Jude on **Saturday, May 10th** at noon. Join us for a lovely *Full Afternoon Tea* with your friends and family. Each person’s *Tea* will consist of 4 types of finger sandwiches, 4 desserts, and 3 savories (such as scones and muffins). Traditional condiments such as butter and jams will be included, along with your choice of tea. Tickets are \$25. Because we are limited to 32 guests, reservations must be paid for (non-refundable) prior to May 7th. Tickets will go on sale to both parishes on April 26th & 27th. Treat your mom, aunt, sister, gal pals, etc., and yourself to an elegant experience. Please contact Diana Rivera to reserve your spot: 1-703-405-3720.

EASTER MUSIC PROGRAM

There will be an Easter Music Program at Saint Jude on Sunday, May 4th, immediately following the 11:00 AM Mass. This special event will feature beautiful, uplifting performances by the Parish choir, celebrating the joyous occasion of Easter. All are welcome to attend and enjoy the music. Make sure to stay after the Mass and be part of this memorable celebration of faith and song.

Social Ministry News

Lenten Rice Bowl Collection: Please return Rice Bowl kits. The boxes can be put in the collection at either Church.

Weekend Backpack Food Collection: Please continue to bring in non-perishable food items. Acceptable donations include individually packaged pasta, dried or canned fruits, cereals, canned meats / tuna, peanut butter, jelly, powdered milk, granola bars, pop tarts, and healthy snack bags. Thank you for your support.

Becky Chidester, Social Ministry Chair

May Crowning


Come join us Sunday, May 4th at 10:00AM at Saint Jude for the Crowning of our Blessed Mother. It is a beautiful way to show our love and honor for Mary.

Vacation Bible School

Mark your calendars! 2025 Vacation Bible School will be July 22 - 24 from 8:30AM -12:00NOON. More information will be coming soon. Many volunteers will be needed - please consider lending a hand.

EPIC

All rising 6th-8th grade students are invited to the annual diocesan EPIC Middle School Youth Rally this August 9, 2025, at Saint Joseph’s Villa, Richmond. Be inspired by the *EPIC* lives of young saints! From inflatables to Mass, talks to a service project, you won’t want to miss this *EPIC* summer day. Please contact Melissa King at CRE@louisacatholics.org for a registration form.



The month of May is dedicated to honoring the Virgin Mary. During the month of May, the rosary will be prayed on Sundays at 8:30am, before the 9:00am Mass at Immaculate Conception. Everyone is welcome to join.