



**The Shrine of the Infant Jesus of Prague**  
417 N. County Drive, Wakefield, VA 23888



**St. Jude Catholic Church**  
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**Church Office Hours: Monday—Friday 9AM—2PM**

**Mass Times/ Sacraments**

**Weekday Mass:** Tuesday & Wednesday 10:30AM Thursday 6:00PM (**St. Jude**)

First Friday of the month 10:00AM (**Shrine**)

Second Wednesday of the month 12:00 PM (Bon Secours-Southampton Medical Center)

**Weekend Mass:** Saturday 4:00 PM (**Shrine, Wakefield**)

Sunday 10:30AM (**St. Jude, Franklin**)

**Anointing of the Sick:** Every last weekend of the month after Mass

**Reconciliation:** 1st Friday of the Month after 10:00 AM Mass (**Shrine**)

1st Saturday of the Month after 4 PM Mass—or by appointment (**Shrine**)

Thursdays 5:00PM—6:00PM or by appointment (**St. Jude**)

**Adoration:** First Thursday of the Month 5:00PM-6:00PM (**St. Jude**)

First Friday of the Month after 10:00 AM Mass (**Shrine**)

**Sacraments: Contact the Parish office**

## Councils & Ministries

**Pastoral Council Chair:** Nita Holt calvinnitaholt@verizon.net

**Members:** Damian Dwyer Leisa Billups Gordon Tracy (Shrine) Danis Urban (Shrine)

***\*\*Pastoral Council Meetings Held 3rd Thursday of the Month\*\****

**Finance Council Chair:** Calvin Holt calvinjholt@msn.com

**Members:** Jim Sauerbier Mary McDaniel Kathleen Rockwell John Walters (Shrine)

***\*\*Finance Council meetings Held 2nd Thursday of the Month\*\****

**Funeral Ministry:** Mary McDaniel

**Choir Director:** Jesse Tupea \*\*\* **Choir Practice held Wednesdays at 6:30 PM** \*\*\*

**Prisons Ministry:** Michael Cuneo ***In need of Volunteers***

**Liturgy Committee Chair:** Mary Edwards

**Faith Formation:** Coordinators Vickie Dobbins/ Joe Dobbins

Email: jdobbins13@msn.com

**Virtus Coordinator:** Joe Dobbins

**RCIA & Adult Faith Formation:** Mary McDaniel

**Counting Team Director:** Teresa Preston

**Parish Life Committee:**

Wanda Beaulieu Tracy Howland Sierra Sunshine Frances Stewart Henry Wagner

**Youth Members**

Gaiden Orrick

**Maintenance Committee:**

Emile Vautrinot Mary Edwards Maria Sing Steve Poticyz

### **Social Media and Important Links:**

**To Report Abuse Allegations:** Report immediately to local law enforcement and the Attorney General's Clergy Abuse Hotline at 1(833)454-9064 & The Diocese (804)359-5661

**EthicsPoint" Hotline:**

For anonymous reporting of misconduct within the Diocese of Richmond. Toll-free # (844)-739-3210 or [www.richmonddiocese.org](http://www.richmonddiocese.org) and select "EthicsPoint."

### **Social Media**

Facebook: [www.facebook.com/stjudefranklin0552/](http://www.facebook.com/stjudefranklin0552/)

Flocknote: [StJudeCatholicFranklinVA7.flocknote.com](http://StJudeCatholicFranklinVA7.flocknote.com)



**Mass Intentions:**

**Shrine:**

Saturday 12/09 Mass offering is for the intentions of the Shrine Parishioners.

**St. Jude:**

Sunday 12/10 Mass offering is for the souls in Purgatory and the intentions of the St. Jude Parishioners.

**\*\* Weekday Mass Intentions are available: Contact the office for available dates.**

**We Remember in Our Prayers:**

**Please continue to pray for those at home or at a care facility:**

**Homebound:**

Elizabeth Williams	Anna Etters (Shrine)
Beth Cheatham	Robyn Robertson
Kathy Moore	Doreena Parson
Zachary Tupea	Genevive Hughes

**In Facility:**

Chris Collins      Barbara Howard

**Continued Request For Prayer:**

Kathy Moore      Dan Hohman  
Daniel Brand (son of Mary McDaniel)

Annette Hawkins

**Recent Requests For Prayer:**

Rita Mitchell (repose of the soul)  
Mitch Rabil (repose of the soul)  
Gloria Craven (repose of the soul)  
Nita Holt (in Hospital)

**NOTE: Please send requests for additions to prayer request to: [St\\_jude1@stjudefranklin.org](mailto:St_jude1@stjudefranklin.org)**

In the subject line please add prayer requests or call the office at 757-569-9600. Thank you!

**GET WELL CARDS:** Let's make sure any members of our church family who is facing a health related issue is remembered. It's a small gesture that makes a BIG impact. For additional info, please contact Frances Stewart at 757-742-6094



**Birthdays & Anniversaries**

**CELEBRATION !**

**Second Sunday each month after Mass**

Join the fun as we celebrate our parishioner's special day. Father will give a special blessing after Mass. There will be cake, drinks and other goodies in the Fellowship Hall. If the spirit moves you, please feel free to bring a snack of your choice, or your favorite dish. For more info, please contact Frances Stewart at 757-742-6094 .

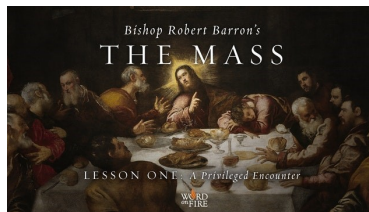


Please return your wrapped gift on or before December 17 with the tag.

Knights of Columbus will meet on Dec 12 at 7:00 PM.

Finance Council will meet on Dec 14 at Noon.

Parish Council will meet on Dec 14 at 7:00 PM.



Join us as we walk through the Mass with Bishop Barron in a new 6 week program beginning December 2 at 10:00 AM. Come and see that there is more to the Mass than you ever realized! ALL ARE WELCOME!! The next meetings are:

Dec. 9, 16, Jan 6, 13, and 20 at 10:00 AM.

There will be an Advent Penance Service at St. Jude 7:00 PM on December 15th.



**Religious Education:**

**Dec 10. 17 First Eucharist and Confirmation Class**

**All Classes are 9 :00AM-10:15 AM**

**Dec 24 & 31 Merry Christmas & Happy New Year NO CLASSES**

Contact Vicki or Joe Dobbins at [jdobbins13@msn.com](mailto:jdobbins13@msn.com) or (757) 334-8663 with any questions.

*Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults*

Please call Mary McDaniel for more information. 757-818-5922



**Offertory**

<b>St. Jude</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Wk. Budget</b>	<b>Diff.</b>	<b>MTD</b>	<b>Mo. Budget</b>	<b>Diff.</b>
12/03/2023	\$3,198	\$2,900	\$298	\$3,198	\$12,567	<\$9,369>
<b>Shrine</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Wk. Budget</b>	<b>Diff.</b>	<b>MTD</b>	<b>Mo. Budget</b>	<b>Diff.</b>
12/02/2023	\$395	\$462	<\$67>	\$395	\$2,000	<\$1,605>
<b>St. Jude R&amp;M</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>MTD</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Diff.</b>		
12/03/2023	\$250	\$250	\$1,667	<\$1,417>		

**Repair & Maintenance—Haiti Mission—Parish Social Ministry**

Envelopes are in the commons. Feel free to take some home to use.  
Please be sure to include your name when donating.

“Dare a man rob God: Yet you are robbing me! And you say, “How do we rob you?” In tithes and in offerings!” You are indeed accursed, for you, the whole nation, rob me. Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, That there may be food in my house, and try me in this, says the Lord of hosts: Shall I not open for you the floodgates of heaven to pour down blessing upon you without measure: For your sake I will forbid the locust to destroy your crops; and the vine in the field will not be barren, says the Lord of hosts. Then all nations will call you blessed, for you will be a delightful land, says the Lord of hosts. Malachi 3: 8-12

Woe to you scribes and Pharisees, you Frauds! You pay tithes on mint and herbs and seeds while neglecting the weightier matters of the Law, Justice and mercy and good faith. It is these you should have practices, without neglecting the others. Matthew 23:23.



John the Baptist was a striking messenger. Camel’s hair, locusts, and wild behavior drew a lot of attention!

God called the Israelites through the waters of the Red Sea into the desert to become his people. John did something similar. He drew people to the waters of baptism, a prefigurement of our sacramental Baptism. John is an image of the Church: “A voice of one crying in the desert.” (Mark 1:3) The Church, from century to century, calls with love to parched souls: “All you who are thirsty, come to the water!” (Isaiah 55:1)

Our parish joins the cry of John and the universal Church. In our Annual Diocesan Appeal, your parish calls to you with the same thirst of all the souls longing for the coming of Christ. With your sacrificial gifts, you can simultaneously help us satisfy the thirst of our community, while making more room in your own heart for the coming of God. By your prayers, you can help our call ring out loudly and call many souls to the Church. Souls are thirsting for Christ right here in our streets. They need the water that only God can give. Join our Annual Diocesan Appeal this Advent, and help our voice reach them in this thirsty corner of the country.



“A voice is calling.” Is Christ calling you to let Him manifest His love in you as a priest or consecrated religious? Talk to your priest or reach out to the Office of Vocations at (804) 359-5661 or via email: [vocations@richmonddiocese.org](mailto:vocations@richmonddiocese.org).

**Social Ministry**



Thank you for your generous contributions in the past. Several families have been helped over the past 8 months. But, there is still a high need for Social Ministry funds to help the poor in our community.

The Parish Social Ministry envelopes are available in the Commons. Please be generous in your contributions to help those in need.