



The Shrine of the Infant Jesus of Prague
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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 Please contact the office if you can help***

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 and select "EthicsPoint."

Social Media

Facebook: www.facebook.com/stjudefranklin0552/

Flocknote: StJudeCatholicFranklinVA7.flocknote.com

Mass Intentions:

Shrine:

Saturday 12/30 Mass offering is for the repose of the soul of Father Charles Siglio and the intentions of the Shrine Parishioners.

St. Jude:

Sunday 12/31 Mass offering is for 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
- Zachary Tupea Genevive Hughes

In Facility:

Chris Collins

Continued Request For Prayer:

- Kathy Moore Dan Hohman
- Daniel Brand (son of Mary McDaniel)
- Annette Hawkins Barbara Howard

Recent Requests For Prayer:

- Rita Mitchell (repose of the soul)
- Mitch Rabil (repose of the soul)
- Gloria Craven (repose of the soul)
- Doreena Parson (repose of the soul)

NOTE: Please send requests for additions to prayer request to:

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 .



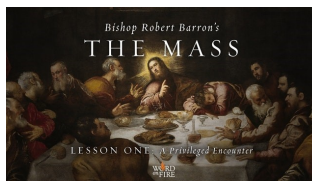
Christmas Mass Schedule

January 1st New Years Day Mass at St. Jude at 10:30

The office will be closed January 1, 2024.

Knights of Columbus will meet on Jan 9, 2024 at 7:00 PM.

Finance Council will meet on Jan 16, 2024 at Noon.



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: Jan 6, 13, 20, and 27 at 10:00 AM.



Religious Education:

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 or (757) 334-8663 with any questions.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

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

Offertory



<u>St. Jude</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Wk. Budget</u>	<u>Diff.</u>	<u>MTD</u>	<u>Mo. Budget</u>	<u>Diff.</u>
12/24-25/2023	\$10,034	\$2,900	\$7,134	\$20,760	\$12,567	\$8,193
<u>Shrine</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Wk. Budget</u>	<u>Diff.</u>	<u>MTD</u>	<u>Mo. Budget</u>	<u>Diff.</u>
12/23-25/2023	\$790	\$462	\$247	\$1,999	\$2,000	<\$1>
<u>St. Jude R&M</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>MTD</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Diff.</u>		
12/24-25/2023	\$50	\$551	\$1,667	<\$1,115>		

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.

Jesus sat down opposite the place where the offerings were put and watched the crowd putting their money into the temple treasury. Many rich people threw in large amounts.

But a poor widow came and put in two very small copper coins, worth only a few cents.

Calling his disciples to him, Jesus said, “Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put more into the treasury than all the others. They all gave out of their wealth; but she, out of her poverty, put in everything—all she had to live on.” Mark 12:41-44

Honor the LORD with your wealth, with the first fruits of all your crops; then your barns will be filled to overflowing, and your vats will brim over with new wine. Proverbs 3:9-10



A special plea

For today’s celebration of the Feast of the Holy Family, the Church offers us the story of Jesus’ presentation in the Temple. Luke narrates the memorable encounters of Mary, Joseph, and Jesus with Simeon and Anna. Luke also mentions “fulfilling the law of the Lord” five times in this short story.

Many people, inside and outside the Catholic Church, complain that the Church is “rules, rules, rules.” The Church does have rules. Living a moral life is not easy, after all, and the Church’s rules act as a compass. The Church lists five precepts for the bare minimum of what it means to grow in the spiritual life. Among them is the precept that we “Provide for the needs of the Church” (CCC para. 2043). The Annual Appeal represents an easy, convenient, and highly effective way to fulfill this obligation. The needs of our community of faith are many. Ask yourself, “Have I responded to God as generously as possible in this Christmas season?”

[“I am a shield to you; Your reward shall be very great.”](#) If you feel God is offering you the gift of a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life as a sister, brother, or consecrated virgin, “The Lord lift up His countenance on you, and gives you peace.” His peace will be fully felt when you are living the vocation that he has called you to. If Christ may be lifting you up to faithful service 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.



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.