

Fourth Sunday of Advent December 22, 2024



The Shrine of the Infant Jesus of Prague
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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, Wakefield**)

Second Wednesday of the month and Holy Days of Obligation 12:00 Noon
(**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**)

Last Sunday of the Month from 9:00AM—10:00AM (**St. Jude**)

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: Maria Sing **Assistant Chair:** Joe Dobbins

Members: Gordon Tracy (Shrine) Danis Urban (Shrine) Anthony Ona Sofia Tupea
Nick Moegenberg Leisa Billups

Finance Council Chair: Calvin Holt calvinholt@msn.com

Members: Mary McDaniel Kathleen Rockwell Mike Kelly John Walters (Shrine)

Funeral Ministry: Mary McDaniel

Choir Director: Kolopa Tupea

Prisons Ministry: Michael Cuneo

Liturgy Committee Chair: Mary Edwards

Altar Flowers: Mirna Misseri, the St. Jude Choir & the Tupea family

Faith Formation Coordinators: Vickie Dobbins/ Joe Dobbins Email: jdobbins13@msn.com

Virtus Coordinator: Joe Dobbins

OCIA & Adult Faith Formation: Mary McDaniel

Counting Team Director: Teresa Preston

Parish Life Committee: Frances Stewart

Maintenance Committee: Emile Vautrinot Mary Edwards Maria Sing

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 12/21 Mass offering is for the intentions of the Shrine Parishioners.

St. Jude:

Sunday 12/22 Mass offering is for the repose of the souls of Mike Scarbel and Al Marcotte and the intentions of the St. Jude Parishioners.

We Remember in Our Prayers:

Karen Capps Marilyn Tench
Delores Beaver Pat Whitfield
Brian Williams Jesse Tupea

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

Homebound:

Elizabeth Williams Anna Etters
Beth Cheatham Robyn Robertson
Genevive Hughes Susan Griggs
Karen Capps Delores Beaver

Continued Request For Prayer:

Kathy Moore Dan Hohman
Josephine Owney Tom Collick
Annette Hawkins Vera Dawson
W.C. Gaunce Paul Brand
Daniel Brand Jean Walters
Marilyn Tench Nita Holt
Melissa Scott (niece of Kathy Moore)

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 304-871-0018

Never miss Mass again. There is an app available for free to find the church nearest to you. Masstimes.org



Birthdays & Anniversaries CELEBRATION !

Second Sunday each month after Mass

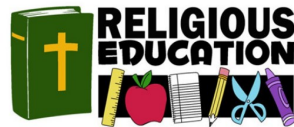
Join the fun with our monthly celebrants! Father will give a special blessing after Mass, followed by cake, drinks and other goodies in the Fellowship Hall. If the spirit moves you, please bring a favorite dish or snack of your choice. For more information, please call Fran Stewart at 304-871-0018

Knights of Columbus will meet on **Jan 14, at 7:00 PM** in the social hall at St. Jude.



Parish Council will meet on **Jan. 16 at 7:00 PM** in the social hall at St. Jude.

Finance Council will meet on **Jan. 23 at 11:30 AM** in the social hall at St. Jude.



Come and join us for faith, fellowship and fun as we continue our journey with Jesus' life, death and resurrection!

Please contact Vicki or Joe Dobbins at jdobbins13@msn.com or (757) 334-8663 with any questions.

Religious Education Calendar 2024-2025

December 22 **First Eucharist Class***

December 29 **NO CLASS—Merry Christmas & Happy New Year!**

***Classes are held from 9 AM — 10:15 AM in the classroom**

There will be NO weekday Mass December 26.



Order of Christian Initiation for Adults

Please call Mary McDaniel for more Information 757-818-5922



Christmas Mass Schedule

Vigil of the Nativity of the Lord

Tuesday 12/24 Mass at the Shrine 4:00 PM

Mass at St. Jude 7:00 PM

Christmas Day

Wednesday 12/25 Mass at St. Jude 10:30 AM

Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God

A Holy Day of Obligation

Wednesday 01/01/25 Mass at the Shrine 10:00 AM

Southampton Hospital Noon

St. Jude 7:00 PM

Offertory collections

St. Jude	Actual	Wk. Budget	Diff.	MTD	Mo. Budget	Diff.
12/15/2024	\$4,986	\$2,981	\$2,005	\$10,633	\$12,917	(\$2,284)
Shrine	Actual	Wk. Budget	Diff.	MTD	Mo. Budget	Diff.
12/14/2024	\$787	\$407	\$380	\$2,413	\$1,765	\$648
St. Jude R&M	Actual	MTD	Budget	Diff.		
12/15/2024	\$320	\$1,005	\$1,834	(\$828)		

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.

ST. JUDE PARISHIONERS.

Please see the spread sheet posted on the bulletin board in the commons. It lists all the expenses paid from July 2024 to November 2024 verses the offertory funds donated during that time by month.

A donation to your church can reduce your income taxes. Taxpayers of any age can claim an itemized deduction for donations to charities. However, many people stopped *itemizing* deductions around 2018 when the tax law greatly increased the *standard* deduction. However, if you are at least age 70½ and have an Individual Retirement Account (IRA), you are allowed to make a direct transfer (called a **Qualified Charitable Distribution** or QCD) from that account to a charity, and that amount *will not be included* in your reportable income. Ordinarily, any amount you withdraw from a regular IRA is fully taxable income, but this special kind of QCD transfer will reduce your income and therefore reduce your tax, even if you take the standard deduction. It also can help reduce state income taxes when your federal gross income amount is copied onto your state tax form.

This QCD transfer technique is especially valuable for people who must take money out from their IRA to meet the Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) rules. Interested? Just contact your financial institution and they will help you follow the correct process for converting all or part of your RMD to a QCD. By the way, this process works for an IRA only, not for a 401-k or 403-b account. However, most people are able to rollover one of these accounts into an IRA.

