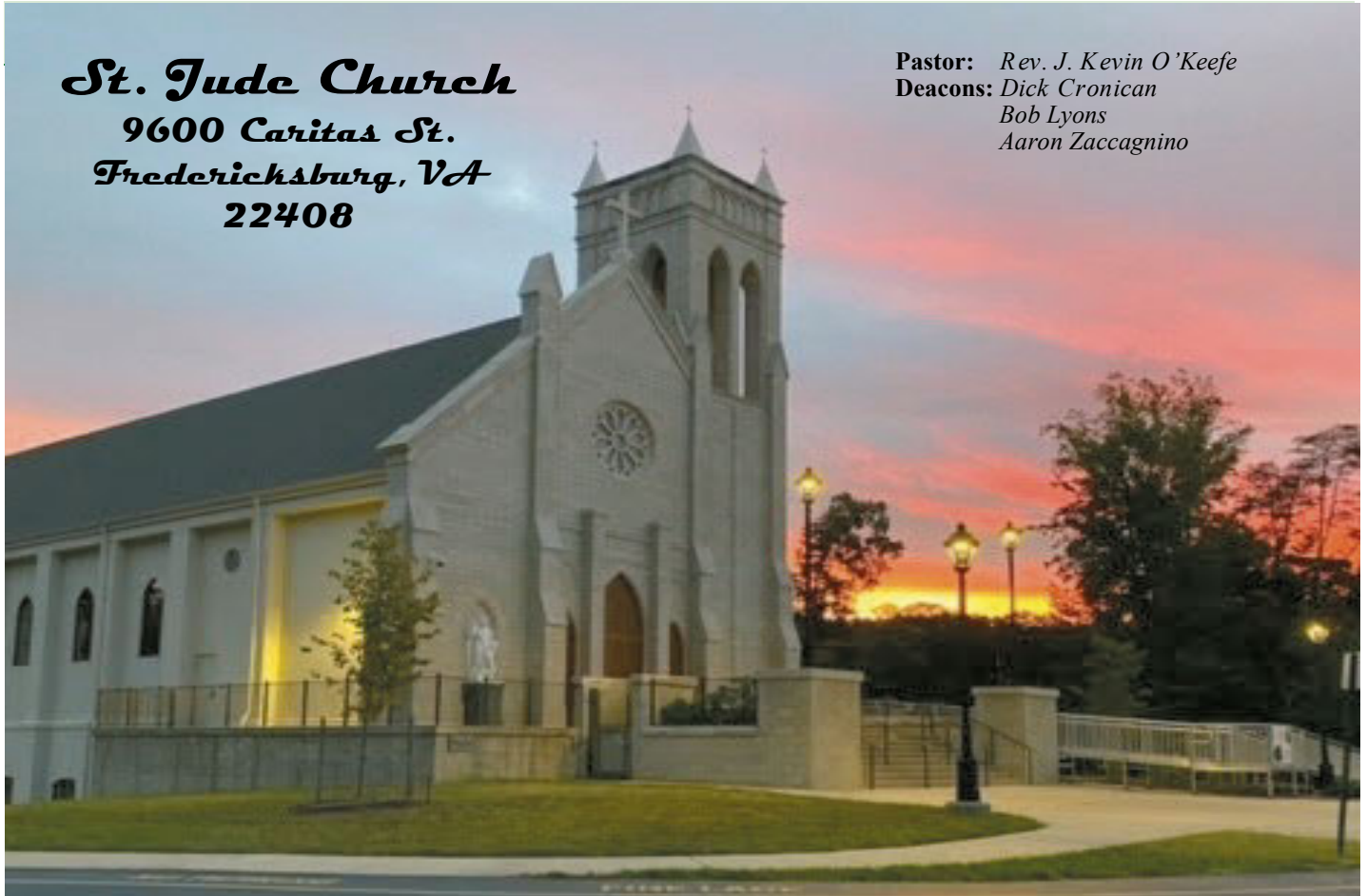


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February 11, 2024

The Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil 5:00 pm
Sunday 7:30, 9:30, 11:30 am
Daily Mass (Mon-Wed, Friday) 9:00 am
**Daily Masses and the 9:30 am Sunday Mass are livestreamed at
www.bit.ly/StJudeYoutube.*

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Tuesday 7:00 pm
Saturday 3:30-4:30 pm
By Appointment

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION/HOLY HOUR

Friday after 9:00 am Mass
Third Sunday of the month 3:00—4:00 pm

RECEPTION OF SACRAMENTS

Contact Parish Office

PARISH OFFICE

Telephone: 540-891-7350
Fax: 540-891-1810
St. Vincent de Paul: 540-898-8065
Parish Email: Info@StJudeChurch.us
Website: StJudeChurch.us
RE Email: religoused@stjudechurch.us

COMMUNION FOR HOMEBOUND

Contact Parish Office

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday—Friday, 8:30 am—4:30 pm
Closed on federal holidays

PARISH REGISTRATION

Please fill out a card, found in the church vestibule or in the office

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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CHOIR

Contact: David Brandao at davidb@stjudechurch.us

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WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, February 10	5:00 PM	Mass	Keri Hostetler
Sunday, February 11	7:30 AM	Mass	Peter & Marilyn Gagnon
	9:30 AM	Mass	All Parishioners
	11:30 AM	Mass	Suzanne Shuman +
Monday, February 12	9:00 AM	Mass	St. Vincent de Paul Volunteers
Tuesday, February 13	9:00 AM	Mass	Emily Sabol +
Wednesday, February 14	9:00 AM	Mass	Herman & Ann Schuchert +
	12:15 AM	Mass	Margaret Fearnely +
	7:30 PM	Mass	Sr. Jeanne d'Arc Paquette
Thursday, February 15	NO	MASS	
Friday, February 16	9:00 AM	Mass	Robert Weierbach +
Saturday, February 17	5:00 PM	Mass	Javier A Gibert
	7:00 PM	Mass (SP)	Tony & Bonnie Gibert
Sunday, February 18	7:30 AM	Mass	Noreen & Garrett Barry +
	9:30 AM	Mass	William & Jayne Woolf
	11:30 AM	Mass	All Parishioners



LET US PRAY...

Allison Peterson, JDM, Eva Maria Kress, Neal Weierbach, Tom Yench, NSF, Pam Cleveland, Jimmy Colangelo, Melissa Werning, Benjamin Desmet, Henry Hynolski, MTS, Sharon Walsh, BH, Tim Carney, JDC, Ida Mardi, John and Betty Power, Mary Jane Costa, Jacob Shornagel, Colleen Warner, JS, Stan Whisnant, L.E., Jacob Toulouse, Brenda Chemelewski, Renee St. Dennis, John and Peggy Colangelo, Dan Loehr, Fr. Stephen Schultz, Mary Stewart, Mary Roberts, Elijah, Charles, John & Mary Anne Buccigrossi, Douglas Tabada, Br. Mark Liggett, Clemencia Ferguson, Lillian Summerskill, Margaret Fearnley, Helen Porter, George Loy, Lisa LaCasse, Cathy Pruden, Monica Loya, Lori Loya, Father Larry, Tim O'Reilly, Roxanne Parks, Martin O'Keefe and Deacon Dick.

If you have a name to be put on the Prayer List or on the Prayer Chain, please call the office at 891-7350. Names on the bulletin Prayer List are published for 4 to 6 weeks, unless otherwise instructed.

Let us pray: A book for your prayer intentions is at the back of the church near the St. Jude alcove.

ASH WEDNESDAY
MASS TIMES

9:00 am, 12:15 pm, and
7:30 pm

January Donations

Income: \$84647.62

Mortgage Income: \$27,129.50

Expenses: \$107,337.17 (includes mortgage payment of \$48936.70)

Net gain: \$4,439.95

Charitable Works

The charitable works for February is Work Camp 2024. We are sending three St. Jude youth with St. Mary's and they need our financial support! Here is what a former WorkCampers had to say about the WorkCamp Experience:

"Work Camp allowed me to get closer to God and help out the community. I learned how to paint and help demolish and build a deck for a family in need. Because of Work Camp I have met friends, had fun and have grown in my Catholic faith." - Luke

"Work camp isn't all about work. There are outdoor games, music, dancing, and even a talent show! You also get to be part of a team with people you've never met before. Most importantly, you'll grow in your faith and be closer to Jesus. Don't miss the opportunity!" - Maria

"I still remember the words our contractor said as we headed over to start building the deck and ramp. 'You guys may think the project is to change the lives of the residents, but the real project is to change your hearts.' There really is no simple way to describe what WorkCamp is or how it changes the lives of those involved, but once our contractor said those words I decided I would spend my week praying for an end to abortion." - Ava

Parish Calendar

Monday, February 12; 5:30
Pizza and Dessert Party

Tuesday, February 13
Breakfast Club after 9:00 am Mass

Tuesday, February 13
Cenacle Prayer Group meets after 9am Mass

Tuesday, February 13; 6:30-7:45 pm
Men's Bible Study meets in Activity Center

Tuesday, February 13; 7:00 pm
Confession is available in the Church until the line ends

Wednesday, February 14
Ash Wednesday Mass times are 9:00 am, 12:15 pm and 7:30 pm

Wednesday, February 14
RE Classes **DO NOT** meet this week

Wednesday, February 14
Adult RE Classes **DO NOT** meet this week

Thursday, February 15; 7:00 pm
Divorce Support Group meets in the Activity Center. Text "Support" to 84576 for more information or see flyer

Friday, February 16
Adoration and Holy Hour after 9am Mass

Friday, February 16; 7:30 pm
Stations of the Cross in the Church

Saturday, February 17; 3:30-4:30 pm
Confession is available in the Church

Tuesday, February 20; 12:30 pm
St. Jude Women's Guild meets in the Activity Center

SPANISH MASS ANNOUNCEMENT

Beginning **Saturday, February 17**, St. Jude Church will offer a 7:00 PM Vigil Mass **IN SPANISH** every weekend. This decision is in response to the growing need for more Spanish liturgies in the Fredericksburg area.

Mardi Gras Pizza and Dessert Party

Monday, February 12, 5:30-7:30 pm
in the St. Jude Activity Center

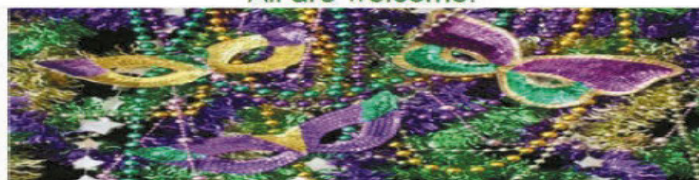
Join us for the last hurrah before Lent!
St. Jude will supply the pizza. Please bring your favorite salad, side dish or dessert to share.

The Kids' Baking Contest is back by popular demand!

In addition to the sweets adults bring, we invite young cooks to bake their favorite dessert at home. Party guests will judge which young pastry chef reigns supreme!

Age divisions: 5-10, 11-14, 15-17
(yes, parents, you can help the younger kids!)
Each division champion receives a \$10 Gift Card.

Tell a friend and bring a friend!
All are welcome!



2024 Bishop's Lenten Appeal

This weekend each household is asked to make a BLA pledge or gift. This appeal provides an opportunity to unite as a Catholic family to support programs, ministries and services helping tens of thousands of people. After reflecting upon God's blessings to you, please consider a pledge to the BLA. Each donation is vital to the success of the appeal and the important work that it funds. You may complete a pledge card at Mass, mail in your pledge, go online to www.arlingtondiocese.org/BLA or scan the QR code to make a gift.



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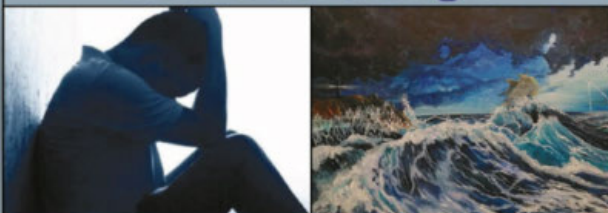
DIVINE MERCY SUPPORT GROUP FOR THE SEPARATED AND DIVORCED

You are not alone! Our group meets on the **THIRD THURSDAY** of the month at 7:00 pm in the Activity Center.

We help individuals grow in their Catholic faith while experiencing the pain of separation and divorce. Our goal is to offer support, hope, comfort, prayer and authentic Catholic teaching to its members. Our motto is **Jesus Christ, I trust in you!**

For more information, text the word "Support" to 84576.

Why Would a Loving God Allow Evil, Pain, and Suffering?



This multimedia presentation by Steve Hemler and Tony Gibert of the Catholic Apologetics Institute of North America (CAINA)



looks at how great Christian thinkers have dealt with the problem of evil and the mystery of suffering. This understanding will help us and those we love become better, rather than bitter, when facing the inevitable hardships and difficulties in life.



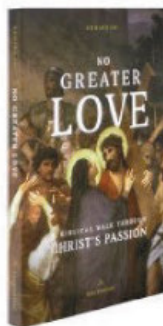
Monday, March 4, 7:00 pm

Activity Center at St. Jude Catholic Church
9600 Caritas Street, Fredericksburg, VA

Everyone welcome!

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENT:

Lent Daytime Adult Bible Study



Friday morning Bible Study: No Greater Love, A Biblical Walk Through Christ's Passion

This Bible Study class is a biblical pilgrimage that reveals Christ's amazing love for us. Best-selling author Edward Sri guides you through the last hours of Christ's life. Every step of the way, Old Testament prophecies, messianic expectations, biblical symbolism, and historical context shed light on the mystery of Christ's suffering and death. Experience a deeper understanding and appreciation of God's immeasurable and unconditional love for you—grow closer to Jesus than you ever have before.

Each class consists of a 30-minute video that explains a church teaching and shows Catholic sites to illustrate it. The video is followed by class conversation and discussion to answer questions and share insights.

There are no required class materials or cost for this 5-lesson class.

The schedule for Friday classes is from 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM.

Session 1: February 23

Sessions 2-5: March 1, 8, 15 and 22

Link to look at the course at Ascension Press: [No Greater Love: A Biblical Walk Through Christ's Passion - Ascension \(ascensionpress.com\)](https://www.ascensionpress.com/)



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LENTEN SERIES FOR PARISH ADULTS ALL ARE WELCOME!



Beginning

Wednesday February 21

Two Sessions: 5:00 or 6:30 PM

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One week will include a
Sacrament of Reconciliation
"Refresher Class."



Statement and Call to Action by Bishop Burbidge and Bishop Knestout on Assisted Suicide Legislation

February 5, 2024

Legislation to legalize physician assisted suicide is moving rapidly in this year's Virginia General Assembly session. The Senate and House have both taken steps to advance this lethal measure. Within the next week, floor debates in one or both chambers are likely to occur.

We are alarmed and deeply saddened by this development. Human life is sacred and must never be abandoned or discarded. At this critical moment, we implore the faithful across our two dioceses: Please contact your state Senator and Delegate. Urge them to reject assisted suicide legislation, using the alert provided by the Virginia Catholic Conference. To access the alert, [click here](#).

Every suicide is a tragedy. Assisted suicide facilitates tragedies and makes the most vulnerable even more vulnerable. Legalizing it would place the lives of people with disabilities, people with mental illnesses, the elderly, and those unable to afford healthcare – among others – at heightened risk of deadly harm.

In the few states where assisted suicide is legal, this troubling reality has already taken root. For example, insurance companies have denied coverage for cancer treatment and other life-saving procedures but offered to pay for cheaper suicide drugs instead. And in Oregon, only 3.3% of the patients who died by assisted suicide since its legalization in 1998 were referred for psychiatric evaluation.

People facing the end of life are in great need, and must be accompanied with great care and attentiveness. To address each of their needs and alleviate their suffering, patients deserve high quality medical, palliative, and hospice care – not suicide drugs.

Please tell the members of the Virginia General Assembly who represent you not to bring assisted suicide to our Commonwealth.

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Kids Corner

Prayer

God, you have the power to heal. Help me to trust you, even when I'm sick.

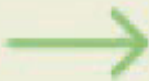
Mission for the Week

Visit the sick. Make a card. Take a treat to share. Give them something to read. Pray for them before you leave. You will brighten their day.

Sharing the Gospel

It is not fun to be sick. You miss your friends at school. You can't go outside to play. On top of being bored and lonely, you don't feel well at all. The man with leprosy in today's Gospel was sick a long, long time. He was really bored, lonely, and feeling awful. There was no medicine for leprosy. Jesus was the only one who could help him.

Now color
the picture!



Find and circle these words from today's Gospel:

LEPROSY
JESUS
POWER

WELL
WARNED
SHOW

GIFT
HEALED
WALKED

M	O	S	Y	T	E	D	A	G	U	R
A	L	E	P	R	O	S	Y	E	W	A
N	I	U	O	A	L	I	U	D	O	M
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