

SUNDAY 1/06	MONDAY 1/07	TUESDAY 1/08	WEDNESDAY 1/09	THURSDAY 1/10	FRIDAY 1/11	SATURDAY 1/12
EPIPHANY OF THE LORD 8:30 AM LITURGY 9:30 AM ANOINTING OF THE SICK B.P. SCREENING 9:45 AM K-5 RELIG. ED. 11:00 AM LITURGY 12:00 PM B.P. SCREENING 7:00 PM CONFIRMATION CLASS 6-10 RELIG. ED.	12:00 PM ROSARY FOR PEACE 7:00 PM BIBLE STUDY	1:00 PM ARK OF ONE(S) LUNCHEON 7:00 PM C.I.C.C.A. R.C.I.A.	7:00 PM JUSTFAITH	8:30 AM LITURGY 6:30 PM MUSIC PRACTICE 7:00 PM BAPTISM CLASS SCRIPTURE FROM SCRATCH	8:30 AM LITURGY	9:00 AM CPR CLASS 4:00 PM RECONCILIATION 5:30 PM LITURGY

FROM THE DESK OF THE PASTOR —

Birthdays Thanks! “When the mail first arrived and a ‘bundle’ of pieces were stamped ‘Hampton,’ I was flabbergasted and asked, ‘Who do I know in Hampton besides my son?’ I am delightfully surprised and appreciative of the many 85th birthday cards I received - - Thank You! And I appreciate the kind words you offered about Bob.” — From Mary E. Perkins, Father Bob’s mother.

Christmas Blessings — I send out a very “hearty thanks” from myself and all the staff. To everyone who sent greeting cards, offered gifts, baked sweets, shared fruits -- you abundantly blessed us. As we continue to try to serve you, please keep us in your prayer.

An Ecumenical Invite — Shortly before Christmas I received an invitation to preach at an ecumenical prayer service on Sunday, January 20th, at 7:00 P.M. As well, our Parish is invited to join Emmanuel Episcopal Church, Hampton Christian Church and Saint Mark’s United Methodist Church that night as the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity begins. Let us join our brothers and sisters in Christ for prayer and perhaps to begin some new inter-church relationships/activities.

January 20, 7:00 P.M., at Emmanuel Episcopal Church, 179 East Mercury Boulevard, Hampton — If you plan to attend, please call our secretary, June Armstrong, and let her know so that we might let our hosts know the number who will participate.

Thanks Is Owed! — To Bob & Bev Amante, who put together our post-8:00 P.M. Christmas Eve festivities. Good homemade cookies, a nice variety of drinks, and great people. A yearly tradition?? To our Music Ministry Group, who helped us pray in hearty song and carols. A special thanks to Teresa Yoder and Arnel Senson. To the Art and Environment Committee and a few “extra hands” (Jeremy Roca, Ann & Stanley Augustus, and Harold Batchelor) who created a beautiful and festive environment.

Msgr. Bob Perkins

A sincere Thank You for the cards, gifts and well wishes extended to me by so many parishioners. I greatly appreciate your thoughtfulness, and wish all of you much peace, happiness and good health in this New Year.

Fr. Bob French

AN ARK OF ONE(S) will have a 12th day of Christmas lunch on January 8, at 1:00 P.M. This is a potluck luncheon, so bring a dish to share. Hope to see you there this Tuesday in Room A-4/5.

WE WELCOME TO OUR PARISH.... Catherine Corley; Denise Grandoit; and Miguel and Maria Muñoz. Welcome!

BAPTISM SESSIONS: The next baptism dates are January 26/27 and March 29/30, 2008. All parents who are interested in having their children baptized at Immaculate Conception on these dates must attend one of the next two series of baptism preparation sessions. The preparation sessions will be held at 7:00 P.M. on [Thursdays] January 10, 17 and 24 and on February 21 and 28, and March 6. For more information or to register, please contact Carol Dufresne at the Parish Office [icc.caroldufresne@verizon.net or 826-0393].

COMMUNION PYXES: If you are no longer using a pyx for carrying holy communion to the sick, please return it to the sacristy so that others may use it.

Last chance to sign up for the **April 8 to 16 “Places of the Gospel” Trip to the Holy Land** with Fr. French and Msgr. McCarron. To reserve space or for information, call Mary Ann Steigelman at 595-0385 (extension 118) or 596-5772.

Income Budget: \$637,850

July 1, 2007 - June 30, 2008

December Financial Information

	<u>Week of 12/23</u>	<u>Week of 12/31</u>	<u>Month of Dec.</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Env./checks	\$ 8,575.00	\$ 16,037.35	\$ 64,257.49	\$ 306,844.21
Loose	1,094.75	3,870.75	8,267.93	33,743.99
Other		35.00	45.00	2,277.00
YTD Interest				7,319.12
Total	\$ 9,669.75	\$ 19,943.10	\$ 72,570.42	\$ 350,184.32

Members using Envelopes/Checks in December: 447 out of 627

A **Tithe** is 10% of one's gross income. That 10% is divided: 5% is placed in the Sunday collection for the ministries and operations of the Parish. The **other** 5% is donated to diocesan collections, local appeals for the needy, disaster relief, favorite charities, and Catholic school tuition. Above all, **Tithing** is an act of faith on the part of a believing person.

STEWARDSHIP

TODAY WE REMEMBER THE THREE WISE MEN FROM THE EAST WHO CAME TO PAY HOMAGE TO THE INFANT JESUS, BRINGING HIM RICH GIFTS OF GOLD, FRANKINCENSE AND MYRRH. THE GIFTS WE BRING — OUR TIME AND SERVICE AND SOME SHARE OF WHAT WE EARN FOR THE WORK WE DO — ARE EQUALLY PRECIOUS IN HIS SIGHT.

Join the **Thursday Morning SCRIPTURE STUDY GROUP** as they attend Friday evening Shabbat services at Rodef Shalom Temple in Hampton on Friday, January 11. Rabbi Dror has offered to meet with the group at 5:30 P.M. before the service to answer questions and to share her story. All are welcome. Please contact Carol Dufresne (826-0393 or icc.caroldufresne@verizon.net) if you are not a member of the "infamous" Thursday morning group and you would like to attend on January 11. *The group will not meet on January 10, and will resume study on Thursday, January 17, at 9:15 A.M.*

CPR TRAINING: January 12, 2008 — Should CPR be performed on a person who is unconscious? ... When should CPR not be performed? ... Are there special considerations that must be made in the event that someone who has had bypass surgery requires CPR? ... Can a person kill someone if he/she does CPR incorrectly? ... Come learn the answers to these and other questions at a cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) training session that will be held on January 12, 2008 from 9:00 A.M. to 12:00 Noon. This training is open to all. Children's Liturgy of the Word volunteers, Catechists and Ushers who have not yet had CPR training are expected to attend. Please call Carol Dufresne to register.

The **YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY** will kick off the 2008 New Year with brunch on Sunday, January 13. All will gather after the 11:00 A.M. Eucharist to go to the Golden Corral.

PATHWAYS participants will meet on Monday, January 14, at 7:00 P.M. in the "triple room." The complete companion booklet will be viewed on the video, **GETTING STARTED AS A CATECHIST**. This is required for all those in the Youth and Children's Tracks. Watch your e-mails and regular mail for reminders; leave a message in the office for Nancy Dixon for further information.

SCHEDULES — January 12/13

Lectors

5:30 P.M. Ann Ruggaber; Dan Ruggaber

8:30 A.M. Michele Jones; Mike Mannen

11:00 A.M. Ann Hart; Dave Okerblom

Lead Eucharistic Ministers

5:30 P.M. Nina Butts; Olivia Foster

8:30 A.M. Gayle Fronkier; Jim Fronkier

11:00 A.M. Linda Carel; Denny Carel

Children's Liturgy

8:30 A.M. Yvonne Randall; Pat Uniszkievicz

11:00 A.M. Tricia Rainone; Jeremy Roca

Coffee and Doughnuts

8:30 A.M. Holly & Gregory Hall; Ginny & Frank Koninski; Monica McDonald

11:00 A.M. Kelly Sibley; Hudgins Family; Restituto Family

Food Pantry — Patty & Kevin Woisard; Renea & Phil Wise

Morning Ministry — Marie-Claude David (1/07)

Deborah Reese (1/10)

If you have three hours to share on a Monday or Thursday morning (9:00 A.M. - 12:00 Noon), consider volunteering for the **PARISH MORNING OUTREACH MINISTRY**. Volunteers handle the requests of those who come to us for financial assistance. This assistance is coordinated with other social service offices of the City and area churches. If you would like to help out, please call Manola Dobbs at the Parish Office (826-0393). Volunteers will be trained in the procedures for recommending that financial assistance be given.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sat., 1/05 1 Jn 3:11-21 Jn 1:43-51
Sun., 1/06 Is 60:1-6 Eph 3:2-3, 5-6 Mt 2:1-12

Mon., 1/07 1 Jn 3:22 - 4:6 Mt 4:12-17, 23-25
Tues., 1/08 1 Jn 4:7-10 Mk 6:34-44
Weds., 1/09 1 Jn 4:11-18 Mk 6:45-52
Thurs., 1/10 1 Jn 4:19 - 5:4 Lk 4:14-22
Fri., 1/11 1 Jn 5:5-13 Lk 5:12-16
Sat., 1/12 1 Jn 5:14-21 Jn 3:22-30
Sun., 1/13 Is 42:1-4, 6-7 Acts 10:34-38 Mt 3:13-17

MASS INTENTIONS

5:30 P.M. *Luca & Theresa Ercolini (+)*
8:30 A.M. *Edward J. Kazarnowicz (+)*
11:00 A.M.

8:30 A.M.
8:30 A.M.
5:30 P.M. *Maria Cavanna (+)*
8:30 A.M.
11:00 A.M. *Patricia Caminiti (+)*

Virginia Catholic Conference E-Mail Network — PLEASE JOIN. The Virginia Catholic Conference, which engages in legislative advocacy on behalf of our Commonwealth's two Catholic bishops and their dioceses, has created an e-mail advocacy network, so that those who wish to contact their state and federal lawmakers about respect-life, social-justice, family and education issues can receive regular alerts and updates on legislation considered by the Virginia General Assembly and the U.S. Congress. In designating today as "Virginia Catholic Conference Sign-Up Sunday" and asking every parish in our Diocese to help expand this network, Bishop DiLorenzo has emphasized the vital responsibility that every Catholic shares in "building a culture of life, providing for the poorest and most vulnerable in our midst, and enhancing family life." *To sign up for alerts and updates on initiatives supported by the Virginia bishops, please visit www.vacatholic.org, click the "Join the Network!" button, and complete the short electronic form provided.* Your free membership will enable you to communicate directly with your legislators without looking up their addresses or composing time-consuming letters, and your contact information will not be shared with others.

MAIL PICK-UP THIS WEEK: Altar Linens; 8:30 A.M. & 11:00 A.M. Coffee & Doughnut Servers; Food Pantry; Lectors; Registering New Parishioners; and 8:30 A.M. Ushers/Greeters.

GATHERING OF WOMEN — Sponsored by I.C.C.C.W. — Monday, February 4; from 6:00 P.M. - 9:00 P.M. — Cost: \$15.00 for dinner and speaker — Tickets will be sold after all Masses from January 12-27.

The **SATURDAY BAG LUNCH PROGRAM** is in need of the following items: Cheese and/or peanut butter cracker packages, small boxes of raisins, juice boxes (no sugar added), small cans of fruit snacks (no sugar added), and individual pudding cups.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP (for family and friends who have lost a loved one) — Meets the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month from 5:00 - 6:30 P.M. in the first floor conference rooms at Sentara CarePlex Hospital, 3000 Coliseum Drive. For more information, call 827-2438.

The **RED HAT SOCIETY "Purple Poppies"** will gather at the New Garden Buffet in Riverdale Shopping Center at 12:30 P.M. on Sunday, January 27. All ladies are invited. Bring events and show notices to help plan spring and summer activities.

FARM FRESH ABC REWARD PROGRAM — Please continue to place your Farm Fresh cash register receipt stubs (bottom portion) in the basket in the "ticket booth." St. Mary Star of the Sea School extends their thanks for your continued support of this program. Also being collected are Campbell's soup labels and Box Tops.

REMINDER NOTE: Please remember that all bulletin announcements must be received in writing by 12:00 Noon on Tuesday. Announcements may be placed in the "bulletin box" in the Commons, or sent via e-mail or fax. Thank You!