

SUNDAY 1/10	MONDAY 1/11	TUESDAY 1/12	WEDNESDAY 1/13	THURSDAY 1/14	FRIDAY 1/15	SATURDAY 1/16
<b>BAPTISM OF THE LORD</b> 8:30 AM LITURGY 9:45 AM FAMILY OF FAITH (PRE-K - 8) MINISTRY OF CARE NIGHT'S WELCOME MTG. 11:00 AM LITURGY 2:00 PM GOD'S EARTH MINISTRY 6:30 PM FAMILY OF FAITH (9-12) SYG MEETING	12:00 PM ROSARY FOR PEACE 7:00 PM BIBLE STUDY	1:00 PM ARK OF ONE(S) LUNCHEON 7:30 PM .R.C.I.A.	7:00 PM LEADERSHIP MEETING R.C.I.A. INQUIRY	8:30 AM LITURGY 9:15 AM SCRIPTURE STUDY 6:30 PM MUSIC PRACTICE 7:00 PM BAPTISM CLASS	8:30 AM LITURGY	4:00 PM RECONCILIATION 5:30 PM LITURGY

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## FROM THE DESK OF THE PASTOR —

**Thank You** — I am most grateful and appreciative of the many cards, gifts and foods given to me during the Christmas Season. I am abundantly blessed in your generous spirit. And, in my mother Mary Ellen's name, thank you for your thoughtful and prayerful expressions of care!

**The Invitation and Call** — The church document entitled The Pastoral Care of the Sick says: "The concern that Christ showed for the bodily and spiritual welfare of those who are ill is continued by the Church. This ministry is the common responsibility of all Christians who should visit the sick and remember them in prayer." Perhaps you would be willing to be part of this ministry -- this ministry is intended for those parish members who are temporarily or long-term homebound (this is distinct from the ministry to the sick who are hospitalized). There will be an orientation/training session next Sunday, January 17th, from 12:30 - 2:00 P.M., facilitated by Father Bob and Denise Keese. Please call June at the Parish Office if you are interested in attending.

**The Little Sisters of the Poor** — This group of women religious, who have communities in many parts of our world, are dedicated to the care of the elderly sick. In our Diocese they provide care at Saint Joseph Home for the Aged in Richmond, and have done so for many decades. Often they have cared for our elderly sick and dying priests. Next weekend they will be here to solicit our prayerful and financial support.

**Attention Leadership Council Members** — We will meet as scheduled on Wednesday, January 13th, from 7:00 until 8:30 P.M.

**You were gracious, once again!** — Thank you for your warm welcome for Father John Grace last weekend, as he "subbed" for me in my post-surgery moments. For the Catholic Campus Ministry at Virginia Tech, which John directs, you offered \$1,612 in support — Thank You!

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*With heartfelt appreciation for the many Christmas cards and gifts received —*

*FR. BOB FRENCH*

**WE WELCOME TO OUR PARISH....** Lorraine Corlette; Peter Daly; Beth & Michael Deveau; and Jennifer & Tony Wargo, and their daughter, Olivia.

**A NIGHT'S WELCOME** — There will be a short training session on Sunday, January 10, for all persons who have signed up to help with ICC's week of A Night's Welcome [January 16-23]. Please plan to attend the session at 9:45 A.M. (between the 8:30 and 11:00 A.M. Liturgies). Thanks in advance for your support.

Please remember that all **BULLETIN NOTICES** must be received in writing by 12:00 Noon on Tuesday.

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*Parishioners and Staff of Immaculate Conception Church — Thank you for the beautiful funeral liturgy and reception for Lowell Thomas, husband and father. The many prayers, cards and expressions of sympathy have also been gratefully received. Your witness to your faith has helped to see us through this.*

*Barbara, Cena and Jackie*

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**Come, Share Your Master's Joy!** — For many years during the 1970's through the early 1990's, Fred White served our Parish as custodian/janitor. He was a kind, humble servant for our Parish; however, Fred died this past week. If you would like to send a card of care and compassion to his wife, Lili, and his daughters, Verna and Yvonne, please send it to: 2 Mitchell Road, Hampton 23669.

**Msgr. Bob Perkins**

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## Samaritan Fund Donations

The January 2/3 collection  
was \$3,110.97.

**Income Budget: \$709,400**

July 1, 2009 - June 30, 2010

### December Financial Information

### January Financial Information

	<u>Week of 12/20</u>	<u>Week of 12/25-31</u>	<u>Month of Dec.</u>	<u>Week of 1/03</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Env./checks	\$ 8,531.16	\$ 18,300.08	\$ 55,251.90	\$ 14,411.08	\$ 314,311.01
Loose	1,379.92	3,421.40	8,522.14	1,983.45	43,967.51
Other	0.00	10.00	17.50	362.00	2,533.00
YTD Interest					1,864.14
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 9,911.08</b>	<b>\$ 21,731.48</b>	<b>\$ 63,791.54</b>	<b>\$ 16,756.53</b>	<b>\$ 362,675.66</b>

Families using Envelopes/Checks in December: 414 out of 613

Families using Envelopes/Checks in January: 228 out of 618

## STEWARDSHIP

**JESUS, WHOM GOD CALLED "MY BELOVED SON," IS ALSO THE "SERVANT" OF WHOM ISAIAH SPEAKS IN THE FIRST READING. WE WHO ARE BAPTIZED IN CHRIST MUST FOLLOW HIS EXAMPLE AND USE OUR TIME AND RESOURCES IN THE SERVICE OF GOD AND NEIGHBOR.**

Today on the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord at the 11:00 A.M. Eucharist, we receive into the full communion of the Catholic Church, baptized Christians who have been preparing to complete their Christian initiation. Back in September we welcomed them as candidates, and today they join us at the Table of the Lord. Please welcome the following new members:

**AMY AGUILERA**, sponsored by Janice Mannen

**ANGELA KLINGINGER**, sponsored by Debbie Smith

**GLORIA KENNERLEY**, sponsored by Martin Cassidy

**HALEY WADE**, sponsored by Nan Anderson

Please keep them and their families in your prayers, and consider writing them a note letting them know that we are blessed by their presence.

**BAPTISM PREPARATION:** The next celebration of the Sacrament of Baptism will be at the January 23/24, 2010 Eucharists. Parents wishing to present their children (infant to age 6) for baptism must attend the preparation session on January 14 (7:00 -9:00 P.M.), as well as a walk-through (practice) on January 20. Please contact Charlene Foughner at [foughner@msn.com](mailto:foughner@msn.com) to receive preliminary information and to register for the pre-baptism gatherings.

**SAVE THE DATE ...** January 29 at 7:00 P.M., at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church — Engaging Children & Youth in Prayer & Liturgy through Music & Creative Planning, featuring Sarah Hart of OCP Music. This workshop will energize catechists, Children's Liturgy of the Word presiders, teachers, musicians and pastoral planners to empower young people to more fully participate in worship experiences, ritual prayers and the Eucharist. Call Carol Dufresne for additional information.

## Family of Faith — REMINDERS

- ◆ THIS Sunday, January 10 - Grades Pre-K through 8 meet from 9:45 to 10:45 A.M., and Grades 9 to 12 will meet from 6:30 - 8:00 P.M.
- ◆ Sunday, January 31 - All ages gather from 5:00 - 7:00 P.M.
- ◆ Every weekend - Stop by the Family of Faith table in the Commons after liturgies to pick up a new gospel weekly for Grades K-12.

## SCHEDULES — January 16/17

### Lectors

5:30 P.M. Michele Jones; Mike Stefanko

8:30 A.M. Leila Shirley; Jeremy Roca

11:00 A.M. Stanley Augustus; Sandra Keenan

### Lead Eucharistic Ministers

5:30 P.M. Renea Wise; Phil Wise

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

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

### Children's Liturgy

11:00 A.M. Collette Moody

### Coffee and Doughnuts

8:30 A.M. Susan Palmer; Lois Smith; Joe Lehman;  
Betty & George Palko

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

**Food Pantry** — Katherine & Sean Gibbons; Irene Lamb

**Morning Ministry** — Angela DeLong (1/11)

Muriel Baisden (1/14)

**R.C.I.A. — An Invitation to Faith:** *Do you have questions about the Catholic faith? ... Are you a baptized Christian who would like to become Catholic? ... Are you the spouse or friend of a Catholic and would like to better understand what is happening when Catholics gather for worship?* If you answered YES to any of the above questions, join us for a journey of faith in the Roman Catholic Church. Through the R.C.I.A., men and women journey to closer relationship with Jesus. We are invited to change our lives through study of Scripture, discussion of Catholic teaching, true and honest conversation about what the Catholic Church is all about. — We invite you to join the weekly R.C.I.A. inquiry gatherings on Wednesdays at 7:00 P.M. For more information, please contact Carol Dufresne (826-0393 or [icc.caroldufresne@verizon.net](mailto:icc.caroldufresne@verizon.net)).

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sat., 1/09 1 Jn 5:14-21 Jn 3:22-30  
Sun., 1/10 Is 42:1-4, 6-7 Acts 10:34-38  
Lk 3:15-16, 21-22  
Mon., 1/11 1 Sm 1:1-8 Mk 1:14-20  
Tues., 1/12 1 Sm 1:9-20 Mk 1:21-28  
Weds., 1/13 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20 Mk 1:29-39  
Thurs., 1/14 1 Sm 4:1-11 Mk 1:40-45  
Fri., 1/15 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22 Mk 2:1-12  
Sat., 1/16 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1 Mk 2:13-17  
Sun., 1/17 Is 62:1-5 1 Cor 12:4-11 Jn 2:1-11

## MASS INTENTIONS

5:30 P.M. *Agnes Yakymi*  
8:30 A.M. *John Clerico*  
11:00 A.M. *Maria Cavanna (+)*  
8:30 A.M. *Joseph (Sepp) Schaub (+)*  
8:30 A.M.  
5:30 P.M. *Lt. Col. (Ret.) Edward J. Kazarnowicz (+)*  
8:30 A.M. *Larry Santos*  
11:00 A.M. *Pearl Steiger (+)*

In Matthew 14:15-16, the disciples wanted Jesus to “dismiss the crowds so that they can go to the villages and buy food for themselves.” (Jesus) said to them, “There is no need for them to go away; give them some food yourselves.” — As modern-day disciples of Christ, let us continue to “feed the crowds.” **Donate non-perishable items to the Food Pantry today.**

**WHAT IS A GODPARENT?** In the Church’s understanding, the godparent represents the caring, support and participation of the community in the child’s Christian life. For that reason, at least one godparent must be a practicing Catholic over the age of sixteen, who has celebrated Confirmation and who receives the Eucharist regularly. The godparent should be someone whose faith life the parents want to hold up to the child as an example of how to live a good Christian life. The other godparent may be either a practicing Catholic or a baptized, practicing Christian of another faith who serves as a Christian witness.

**AN ARK OF ONE(S)** will have their first meeting of 2010 on Tuesday, January 12, at 1:00 P.M. This is a potluck luncheon, so please bring a dish to share.

***Does your child need a little more academic support? Would you like FREE assistance with SAT preparation? Could you benefit from fee waivers for the SAT and ACT exams that your child is taking?*** Educational Talent Search of Hampton University has openings in its free, federally funded program. All services are open to students in Grades 6-12. Assistance is also available to adults (not older than 27-years-old) who would like to enroll or reenroll in postsecondary education. Please call 727-5607 for more information.

The Mount Carmel Bus Company is currently accepting applications for the position of substitute school bus driver for **Our Lady of Mount Carmel School**. Qualified applicants must hold a current commercial driver’s license, have completed the VIRTUS Protecting God’s Children training and pass the Catholic Diocese of Richmond background screening protocol. Interested applicants may go to the school website, [www.olmc-school.com](http://www.olmc-school.com), and click on the OLMC Employment Opportunities link to download the application and instructions.

**SAINT MARY STAR OF THE SEA SCHOOL** (14 North Willard Avenue, Hampton) will host an Open House on Sunday, January 31, from 2:00 - 4:00 P.M. St. Mary’s serves students PK3 through 8th grade. For additional information, please call the school office at 723-6358.

**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.

**ADMISSIONS OPEN HOUSE** — **Sunday, January 31, 2:00 P.M. - 4:00 P.M.** — Peninsula Catholic High School will hold an Admissions Open House for prospective students and their families for the 2010 – 2011 school year. The program will provide an opportunity to see the facilities, meet students and staff, tour the school, learn about the school’s academic, athletic and co-curricular offerings, and get a glimpse into what the “PC Experience” is all about. The school is located at 600 Harpersville Road in Newport News and serves students in grades 8 through 12. For additional information, please call 596-7247, extension 11, or visit [www.peninsulacatholic.com](http://www.peninsulacatholic.com).