

SUNDAY 2/11	MONDAY 2/12	TUESDAY 2/13	WEDNESDAY 2/14	THURSDAY 2/15	FRIDAY 2/16	SATURDAY 2/17
SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 8:30 AM LITURGY 9:45 AM ADULT FORMATION K-5 RELIG. ED. 11:00 AM LITURGY PRESCHOOL RELIG. ED. 7:00 PM CONFIRMATION CLASS 6-10 RELIG. ED.	12:00 PM PRAYER FOR PEACE 1:00 PM ALZHEIMER'S MEETING 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 9:15 AM SCRIPTURE STUDY 11:00 AM YOUNG-AT-HEART 6:30 PM MUSIC PRACTICE 7:00 PM BAPTISM CLASS SCRIPTURE FR. SCRATCH SOCIAL MINISTRY MTG. 7:30 PM ADULT FAITH FORMATION EMPOWER HPT. RDS.	8:30 AM LITURGY	5:30 PM LITURGY

FROM THE DESK OF THE PASTOR —

Why We Do What We Do — at Eucharist —

Several people have asked me if the two-part teaching on the Eucharist, last weekend and this weekend, was recorded. Yes -- on cassette tape and computer disc. You may call the Parish Office to borrow and listen.

Turn Away from Sin — Be Faithful to the Gospel — This is our challenge every day and every season, but the Church annually uses the Season of Lent to help us regain our vision as Christians. Ash Wednesday begins the season on February 21st. Our liturgy schedule is as follows:

8:30 A.M. Celebration of Eucharist with the Distribution of Ashes

12:00 Noon Liturgy of God's Word with the Distribution of Ashes

7:00 P.M. Liturgy of God's Word with the Distribution of Ashes

“Long Have I Waited for Your Coming Home to Me!” Hosea the Prophet speaks for God to his people and to us. One of the ways of “coming home” to God is through the Sacrament of Penance (reconciliation, confession). What is this sacred encounter about? We admit and own the fact that we have not lived our baptism; we have not lived as sons and daughters of God, not treated others with such dignity; we have developed patterns of selfishness and/or neglect for others. We come to our senses and by the Grace of God begin our return. The Sacrament of Penance is a sacred door opened to us that leads into the Heart of God. Let us not be hindered by how often we have done wrong; the format of the sacrament; or how long it has been since we availed ourselves of the sacrament. — Beginning the 1st Saturday of Lent, February 24, I will be available for the celebration of the sacrament each Saturday from 4:00 P.M. to 4:45 P.M.

Msgr. Bob Perkins

WE WELCOME TO OUR PARISH.... Concepcion & Arnulfo **Aspili**, and their children, Mark & Christia; Jocelyn & Phillip **Bullard**; and Gabriel Chaves. **Welcome!**

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD:

Would you like to share your faith, make the Gospels come alive, and help children get involved in the Bible? ... Then Children's Liturgy of the Word is the ministry for you. Leaders and helpers are needed for both the 8:30 A.M. and (especially) the 11:00 A.M. Masses. Volunteers are scheduled about once a month for the Mass time of their choice. If you can assist in this ministry, please call or Manola Dobbs at the Parish Office (826-0393).

GODPARENTS FOR BAPTISM: The Church views the godparent as the representative of the community of believers. The godparent speaks for all of us, promising our support and prayers to the parents as they undertake the task of forming new Christians. For that reason Church law requires that at least one godparent be a practicing Catholic in good standing — one whose faith life will be an example to the child. The second godparent may be a baptized person who practices another Christian religion. If you have any doubts about whether your choices for godparents are eligible, check with Ann Ruggaber or Msgr. Bob first, or call the Parish Office and request the baptism information packet.

Dear Fellow-Parishioners,

Thank you for all of your prayers, cards and expressions of sympathy and support at the recent death of my mother, Anna Dallmeier, in Germany. God Bless you all.

Ella Gregory

Income Budget: \$625,850

July 1, 2006 - June 30, 2007

February Financial Information

Weekly Income	10%	5%
\$100	\$10.00	\$ 5.00
200	20.00	10.00
300	30.00	15.00
400	40.00	20.00
500	50.00	25.00

	<u>Week of 2/04</u>	<u>Month of Feb.</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Env./checks	\$ 15,729.90	\$ 15,729.90	\$ 342,047.41
Loose	1,497.79	1,497.79	40,723.45
Other	113.99	113.99	7,094.29
YTD Interest			9,911.09
Total	\$ 17,341.68	\$ 17,341.68	\$ 399,776.24

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.

Families using Envelopes/Checks in February: 291 out of 567

STEWARDSHIP

THE WORDS OF THE PSALMIST ECHO THE THEME OF ALL OF TODAY'S READINGS. "HAPPY ARE THEY WHO HOPE IN THE LORD." AS GOOD STEWARDS, FIRMLY GROUNDED IN THAT HOPE, MAY WE BEAR FRUIT IN DUE SEASON — ASSISTING THE POOR, FEEDING THE HUNGRY, AND CONSOLING THE SORROWFUL WHENEVER WE HAVE THE CHANCE.

LENTEN FRIDAYS — Our annual Soup, Speaker and Table Talk series begins on Friday, February 23. Speakers this year include Carol Dufresne, Catholic Campus Minister at Hampton University; Fr. Bob French; Rev. Peg Buelow, Rector of St. Mark's Episcopal Church; and Barbara Hughes, author and Pastoral Counselor. Each will take as a starting point a section of our parish Lenten reading selection, **LANDSCAPES OF THE SOUL**. [If you do not yet have a copy, see Ann Ruggaber at the Parish Office.] Soup will be served each Friday of Lent at 6:30 P.M., with the program following. The last Friday will feature a live presentation of the Stations of the Cross by our Senior Youth Group.

ECUMENISM: Each parish is asked to appoint one or more Parish Ecumenical Representatives. The representative(s) will participate in regional training and attend quarterly meetings, bringing back to the parish any information or issues regarding ecumenical relationships. If you are interested in this area of ministry, please contact Ann Ruggaber.

REMINDER — The Diocese requires that every volunteer who works with children or youth attend the **VIRTUS "Protecting God's Children for Adults" Program**, a three-hour training class on awareness of child sexual abuse. [There is no charge for this training.] A current session listing and registration instructions are available at www.richmonddiocese.org.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND

The February 3/4 collection was \$2,811.00.

FAITH FORMATION CLASSES will not meet next Sunday, due to the Presidents' Day holiday. All classes will resume on February 25.

ADULT CONFIRMATION: Adults who are practicing Catholics, but have not celebrated Confirmation, are invited to prepare to celebrate the sacrament on Pentecost Sunday, May 27. Meetings will be held on six consecutive Monday evenings, beginning April 16. Please call Ann Ruggaber at the Parish Office (826-0393) for more information or to make an appointment to begin the process.

SCHEDULES — February 17/18

Nursery

8:30 A.M. Shauna Cannella; Yvette Goolsby
11:00 A.M. Ann Dunn; Anne Lombardi

Lectors

5:30 P.M. Dave Okerblom; Joni Littreal
8:30 A.M. John Jerkins; Manola Dobbs
11:00 A.M. Sandra Keenan; Russell Kassel

Lead Eucharistic Ministers

5:30 P.M. Stephen Cowles; Gayle Cowles
8:30 A.M. Richard Thomas; Barbara Thomas
11:00 A.M. Mickey Annette; Wanda McErlean

Children's Liturgy

8:30 A.M. Robin Weisbrod; Pat Uniszkievicz
11:00 A.M. Amy Blount; Allison de Guzman

Coffee and Doughnuts

8:30 A.M. Pat & Steve Uniszkievicz; Charly Talton
11:00 A.M. Kelly Sibley; Hudgins Family; Restituto Family

Food Pantry — Courtney Connor & Thea Evans; Joan Davis

Morning Ministry — Dick Mahoney (2/12)
Dee Hoogstraten (2/15)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sat., 2/10 Gn 3:9-24 Mk 8:1-10
Sun., 2/11 Jer 17:5-8 1 Cor 15:12, 16-20
Lk 6:17, 20-26

Mon., 2/12 Gn 4:1-15, 25 Mk 8:11-13
Tues., 2/13 Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10 Mk 8:14-21
Weds., 2/14 Gn 8:6-13, 20-22 Mk 8:22-26
Thurs., 2/15 Gn 9:1-13 Mk 8:27-33
Fri., 2/16 Gn 11:1-9 Mk 8:34 - 9:1
Sat., 2/17 Heb 11:1-7 Mk 9:2-13

Sun., 2/18 1 Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23
1 Cor 15:45-49 Lk 6:27-38

MASS INTENTIONS

5:30 P.M. *Benfante Family (+)*
8:30 A.M. *Iva Welch (+)*
11:00 A.M. *Bob Gourley (+)*
Peter & Maria Cavanna (+)

8:30 A.M.
8:30 A.M.
5:30 P.M. *Mariana Ammons (+)*
Albert Lancianese (+)

8:30 A.M.
11:00 A.M. *Lamercie Aurubin (+)*

FLOWERS FOR THE ALTAR AREA: As a way of sharing with the gathered community a special celebration or memorial remembrance, you are invited to provide flower arrangements for the worship space. Please contact Ann Hart or June at the Parish Office to coordinate such a gift.

The **MINISTERS OF CARE** will have their monthly workshop meeting next Sunday, February 18, from 9:45 to 10:45 A.M. Carol Dufresne, Campus Minister at Hampton and Norfolk State Universities, will be the guest speaker.

AN ARK OF ONE(S) will have their next potluck lunch meeting this Tuesday, February 13, at 1:00 P.M. The plan for Mexican take-out food has been cancelled -- just bring any food that appeals to you. For further information, please leave a message in the office for Ann Daiber.

WOMEN NEEDED (any age) ... to be a part of the dramatic presentation, **“Women of the Gospel, Named and Un-named.”** No previous acting or dancing experience is required -- just the desire to have fun. The next meeting for anyone who is interested, or would just like more information will be on Sunday, February 25, at 12:00 Noon.

PENINSULA CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL will hold an Admissions Open House for prospective students and their families for the 2007-2008 school year on Sunday, February 25, from 2:00 to 4:00 P.M. For additional information, visit their webside at www.peninsulacatholic.com, or call 596-7247, extension 22.

2007 HOLY FAMILY RETREAT: “A Call To Be Holy” — MEN’S WEEKEND — February 16-18. The cost is \$120.00 and includes two overnight lodgings and five meals. For more information, call or e-mail Holy Family Retreat (722-3997 or HolyFRetreat@aol.com).

A **RACHEL’S VINEYARD RETREAT** will be held on the weekend of March 2-4 at the Benedictine Abbey in Richmond. This weekend is open to any woman or man who is hurting from the abortion experience. The retreat offers a path to healing and reconciliation during this process of Scriptural Meditations and Prayer Exercises. Call (confidentially) Post-Abortion Healing Facilitators, Kay Marie and Joe Geiger at 804-330-3137. Learn more at www.rachelsvineyard.org.

ALZHEIMER’S SUPPORT GROUP: The next meeting will be held at 1:00 P.M. this Monday, February 12, at ICC. If you need more information, call Judy Hutchinson at the Peninsula Agency on Aging at 873-0541.

MAN TO MAN SUPPORT GROUP — For men with prostate cancer — Meets the second Tuesday of each month from 7:00 - 8:30 P.M. at the Sentara Cancer Institute, 3000 Coliseum Drive, Suite 100. For more information, call 827-2438.