

SUNDAY 4/22	MONDAY 4/23	TUESDAY 4/24	WEDNESDAY 4/25	THURSDAY 4/26	FRIDAY 4/27	SATURDAY 4/28
THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER 8:30 AM LITURGY 9:45 AM ADULT FORMATION K-5 RELIG. ED. 11:00 AM LITURGY PRESCHOOL RELIG. ED. 5:30 PM WOMEN OF THE GOSPELS DINNER THEATER	12:00 PM ROSARY FOR PEACE 7:00 PM ADULT CONFIRMATION CLASS BIBLE STUDY	7:00 PM C.I.C.C.A. R.C.I.A. ROSARY SERVICE	7:00 PM JUSTFAITH	8:30 AM LITURGY 9:15 AM SCRIPTURE STUDY 7:00 PM FAITH IN ACTION SCRIPTURE FROM SCRATCH	8:30 AM LITURGY	5:30 PM LITURGY

FROM THE DESK OF THE PASTOR —

Greetings to All! The surgeon told me that my hip-joint replacement was successful — for which I am truly glad. While there have been some significant moments of pain, my rehabilitation seems to be progressing well according to the physical therapist. The day after surgery I was up from bed to begin walking once again. On Monday, April 16, I moved to St. Joseph's Home for the Aged [1503 Michael Road, Richmond 23229], which is served by the Little Sisters of the Poor. I am being well taken care of by the Sisters, the staff and the other residents. I continue a daily physical rehabilitation program. Please continue to remember me in your prayer. P.S. I just received a bundle of cards from the Parish — Thank you very much for your kind thoughts, prayers and remembrances. It helps in my healing!

The horrific massacre at Virginia Tech has touched my soul ... such senseless evil. I hold those who were killed, and their families, those who were injured, the other students, faculty and alumnae, and all Hokie families in my daily prayer.

Let Us Rejoice — This weekend Brenna Miller and Adam Jachymowski entered the Sacrament and Vocation of Marriage. May their Christian marriage be a reflection and sign of God's eternal love to us and our world. May they be blessed all the years and days ahead!

Msgr. Bob Perkins

ALTAR FLOWERS THIS WEEKEND

are in celebration of the marriage of Brenna Miller and Adam Jachymowski on April 21, and in memory of Brenna's grandmother, Joyce Miller, and her aunts, Donna and Katherine Kimrey.

*Out of the depths we cry to you, O God.
 We cry to you for our Tech brothers and sisters,
 Your sons and daughters.
 Give them strength of faith and courage of heart
 to uphold them in this time of sorrow.
 Give us Your love and compassion to give in turn
 to the students at Tech
 as they grieve for their fellow students
 and search for a healing of memories.
 Empower them with your Spirit, a Spirit
 that comforts them as they comfort one another.
 May the joy of their youth be restored to them
 in days ahead, and may their fire-tried faith
 be their strength in future years.
 With the students at Tech we trust your Son
 who bids us come to Him and be relieved
 of the heavy burdens of sadness, shock and grief.
 Out of the depths we cry to you, O God.
 O God, hear our prayers for these students.*

Our heartfelt thanks to Fr. Bob and the Immaculate Conception Community for your visits, prayers, cards, good wishes and phone calls during and after our stay in the hospital. God Bless You All.

Lucie and Karl Birkhofer

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Congratulations to **Daniel Raymond Rainone**, son of Ray and Tricia Rainone, baptized this weekend; and to **Samantha Ann Madden**, daughter of Michael and Helen Madden, baptized last weekend.

Dear Fellow Parishioners — We want to thank our ICCF Family for the beautiful cards, congratulations and best wishes that we received on the occasion of our 50th Wedding Anniversary.

Dick and Jean Mahoney

Income Budget: \$625,850

July 1, 2006 - June 30, 2007

April 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 4/15</u>	<u>Month of Apr.</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Env./checks	\$ 9,128.00	\$ 40,491.03	\$ 458,605.02
Loose	822.60	4,996.90	54,071.15
Other	153.89	262.36	8,251.37
YTD Interest			14,171.20
Total	\$ 10,104.49	\$ 45,750.29	\$ 535,098.74

Families using Envelopes/Checks in April: 404 out of 568

A Tithing 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

IN TODAY'S GOSPEL, JESUS TELLS PETER AGAIN AND AGAIN, "IF YOU LOVE ME, FEED MY SHEEP." HE SAYS THE SAME TO EACH OF US, "IF YOU LOVE ME, USE THE GIFTS I HAVE GIVEN YOU TO SERVE YOUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS."

HOW CATHOLICS STUDY SCRIPTURE:

Scripture teacher and author, Steven Binz, will discuss how Catholic reading and use of scripture differs from Bible based churches. The program will be offered at ICC on May 1 from 10:00 A.M. to Noon, and repeated from 7:00 to 9:00 P.M. Mr. Binz will also explain the Threshold method of Bible study. All are invited to deepen their experience with scripture by attending this program. Please sign up in the Commons this weekend or next weekend.

MEET THE NEOPHYTES (aka new Catholics) ...

Calvin Ruffin, a Newport News native, is 25 years old and manages a restaurant in Smithfield. He describes himself as nonchalant and easygoing. He went to a Catholic school and says he always wanted to be baptized and deepen his faith. Of the R.C.I.A., he says, "It was very enjoyable. You find out a lot about the Church and yourself. I would definitely recommend it to anyone curious about the Church." Calvin is sponsored by Mark Famiglietti.

Neal Sloan was born in Rantoul, Illinois, and has lived in this area since 1992. He and his wife, Carol, have three children. Neal is retired from the Air Force and is now employed as a defense contractor. His family is Catholic, and he said he really liked the emphasis on community. He says the R.C.I.A. was "... very educational. I learned the basis for the beliefs of the Catholic Church." Neal is sponsored by Kevin Woisard.

FIRST EUCHARIST

We welcome to the Table of the Lord for the first time this weekend: **Dylan Michael Parker**, son of Jimmy Parker, Jr. & Amber Mitchell, and grandson of Marguerite Parker.

THE BEST IS YET TO BE — All married couples are invited to a married couples' retreat with Steve and Mary Jo Hazard at Immaculate Conception May 18-19. Return the form enclosed in today's bulletin to Ann Ruggaber, or sign up in the Commons after liturgy the next three weekends.

CAN YOU HELP? Volunteers are needed for child care during the couples' retreat. If you are Virtus-trained and screened, and would be willing to help for all or part of the time so that couples with children can attend the retreat, please call Ann Ruggaber at the Parish Office.

JOIN THE JOURNEY — Sponsors are needed for adult confirmands. The commitment is from 7:00 P.M. to 8:30 P.M. on April 23 and 30, and May 7, 14 and 21. Confirmation for adults who are practicing Catholics will take place on May 27, Pentecost Sunday, at the 11:00 A.M. Mass. Call Ann Ruggaber if you would like to volunteer.

SCHEDULES — April 28/29

Nursery

- 8:30 A.M. Erin Davignon; Volunteer Needed
- 11:00 A.M. 2 Volunteers Needed

Lectors

- 5:30 P.M. Sandra Keenan; Dan Berry
- 8:30 A.M. Maria Peterson; Peter Drott
- 11:00 A.M. Buena Reese; John Dever

Lead Eucharistic Ministers

- 5:30 P.M. Jean Glenn; Olivia Foster
- 8:30 A.M. Barbara Thomas; Richard Thomas
- 11:00 A.M. Wanda McErlean; Mickey Annette

Children's Liturgy

- 8:30 A.M. Yvonne Randall; Dolores Saetre
- 11:00 A.M. Pat Kippie; Jean Paulus

Coffee and Doughnuts

- 8:30 A.M. Anne Keatts; Debbie Smith; Margarita Mercado; Rommy Amadi; Carla Mitchell
- 11:00 A.M. Judy Mitchell; Lisa Napier; Kevin Woisard

Food Pantry — Betty Davis; Marilys Randolph

Morning Ministry — Dick Mahoney (4/23)

Jan McPheter (4/26)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sat., 4/21 Acts 6:1-7 Jn 6:16-21
Sun., 4/22 Acts 5:27-32, 40-41 Rv 5:11-14
Jn 21:1-19
Mon., 4/23 Acts 6:8-15 Jn 6:22-29
Tues., 4/24 Acts 7:51 - 8:1 Jn 6:30-35
Weds., 4/25 Acts 8:1-8 Jn 6:35-40
Thurs., 4/26 Acts 8:26-40 Jn 6:44-51
Fri., 4/27 Acts 9:1-20 Jn 6:52-59
Sat., 4/28 Acts 9:31-42 Jn 6:60-69

Sun., 4/29 Acts 13:14, 43-52 Rv 7:9, 14-17
Jn 10:27-30

MASS INTENTIONS

5:30 P.M. Janet Dalton (+)
Jimmy Ammons (+)
8:30 A.M. Theodore F. Vantroba (+)
11:00 A.M. Special Intentions
Gerry & Harry Smith, Sr. (+)
Jack Smith, Sr. (+)

8:30 A.M. Don Villano (+)
8:30 P.M. David Doner (+)
5:30 P.M. Ken Crocker (+)
Arthur Taylor (+)
Allen Ashberry (+)
Carrie Piazza (+)
8:30 A.M. Frank Foy (+)
11:00 A.M. Art McElroy (+)

A MESSAGE FROM BISHOP DiLORENZO — THE UNEXPECTED TRAGEDY ON THE CAMPUS OF VIRGINIA TECH ON MONDAY WAS MOST DISTRESSING AND OUR HEARTS BREAK FOR THOSE WHO LOST DAUGHTERS AND SONS, AS WELL AS THE MEMBERS OF THE FACULTY WHO WERE KILLED. OUR PROFOUND SYMPATHY AND PRAYERS GO OUT TO THEIR PARENTS, EXTENDED FAMILY AND FRIENDS. WE ALSO KEEP IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ALL THE STUDENTS, THEIR PARENTS AND FAMILY MEMBERS WHO WERE INJURED.

AT THIS TIME I CANNOT HELP BUT THINK OF THE ENDLESS YEARS OF COMMITMENT OF LOVE AND CARE THESE PARENTS AND FAMILIES HAVE INVESTED IN THEIR CHILDREN ONLY TO HAVE IT ALL END THIS WAY. WE ARE ALL OVERWHELMED WITH SADNESS. WE TURN TO THE LORD ASKING HIM TO STRENGTHEN ALL OF US IN FAITH AND GIVE US THE COURAGE THAT WILL BE NECESSARY TO FACE THE DAYS AHEAD.

ROSARY SERVICE: Please join us for our monthly rosary service on Tuesday, April 24, at 7:00 P.M.

Due to ICCC's overwhelming response to our new **PARISH PICTORIAL DIRECTORY**, we have been given another day for photography! If you haven't signed up yet, May 22nd is now available. Signups will be available after all Masses next weekend, April 28/29.

MAIL PICK-UP THIS WEEK — 8:30 A.M. and 11:00 A.M. Coffee & Doughnut Servers, Food Pantry and Lectors.

Come Together as the People of Hampton — Faith and Diversity — Join us for a sunset Interfaith ceremony as we discover our past, our present and our future as a diverse community. Hampton's faith communities will celebrate their diversity through worship, music, dance and cultural performances. — Friday, April 27; Downtown Hampton's Mill Point Park; 6:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M.

Peninsula Catholic High School is accepting applications for the Benjamin J. Fiscella Scholarship for the 2007-2008 school year. The application and FACTS Grant and Aid Assessment may be obtained by calling the school at 596-7247, extension 15, or by going to the PCHS website (www.peninsulacatholic.com) under FINANCIAL. The deadline is May 1.

The **Diocesan Office of Pastoral Planning** seeks a research analyst to be responsible for collecting, organizing and analyzing data for planning purposes, and other materials and resources as needed in order to communicate with diocesan employees, pastors and parishioners. A Bachelor's Degree in Planning, Geography or a related field is required. Additional information on this position is available on the diocesan website (www.richmonddiocese.org). Interested applicants should submit letters of interest and diocesan applications to dmahanes@richmonddiocese.org, or mail to D. G Mahanes, Director of Human Resources, Catholic Diocese of Richmond, 811 Cathedral Place, Richmond 23220. The closing date is April 30.