

SUNDAY 4/27	MONDAY 4/28	TUESDAY 4/29	WEDNESDAY 4/30	THURSDAY 5/01	FRIDAY 5/02	SATURDAY 5/03
SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER 8:30 AM LITURGY 9:45 AM ADULT FORMATION K-5 RELIG. ED 11:00 AM LITURGY 12:00 PM PLANNING MEETING - CATECHIST BRUNCH 1:00 PM ADULT CONFIRMATION CLASS 7:00 PM CONFIRMATION CLASS 6-10 RELIG. ED.	12:00 PM PRAYER FOR PEACE	7:00 PM C.I.C.C.A. FINANCE COUNCIL MEETING R.C.I.A. ROSARY SERVICE	7:00 PM DIVERSITY WORKSHOP FIRST EUCHARIST PARENT MTG.	9:15 AM SCRIPTURE STUDY 11:00 A.M. Fr. French's 45th Anniversary Liturgy and Covered-Dish 6:30 PM MUSIC PRACTICE 7:00 PM REFLECTION SESSION	8:30 AM LITURGY	1:00 AM BAG LUNCH PROGRAM 4:00 PM RECONCILIATION 5:30 PM LITURGY 6:30 PM B.P. SCREENING

FROM THE DESK OF THE PASTOR —

45 Years A Priest — Fr. Bob French invites you to celebrate with him his 45th Anniversary of Ordination this Thursday, May 1st, at an 11:00 A.M. Liturgy at Immaculate Conception. After the Mass there will be a covered-dish luncheon (please sign up or call the Parish Office by noon on May 29th). — Pray for vocations to the priesthood to replace the generation that is advancing, hopefully, in wisdom, certainly in age, and -- please God -- in grace. [*Because of this celebration, there is no 8:30 A.M. Eucharist.*]

Feast Day Change — Thursday, May 1, would have been the Feast of the Ascension of Jesus; however, Bishop DiLorenzo and many other bishops have transferred this holy day to the following weekend, May 3/4. Therefore, Thursday, May 1, is not a holy day of obligation.

Let Us Decorate The Church — On the Feast of Pentecost, May 10/11, the Church color is red. For this festive celebration, please wear something red to eucharist.

A Jubilee Celebration — Father Robert McEleney, who was the founding Pastor of Immaculate Conception Church, serving here from 1968-1979, is celebrating his 50th Anniversary of priestly ordination in May. I have invited Fr. Bob to celebrate this anniversary here at ICC on May 11th at the 11:00 A.M. eucharist. As a parish, let us join Father McEleney in giving praise to God for his gift of priesthood. If you wish to sign the large poster anniversary card, please do so after the eucharist this weekend or next. And, if you wish to make an offering to Fr. McEleney, there will be a decorative basket on the table as you leave the Church.

Let Us Celebrate an accomplishment of one of our teenagers — Last Sunday, Steven Sloan achieved the rank of Eagle Scout.

Ministry Position: Come Share Your Faith — The Church of the Immaculate Conception is seeking a part-time Minister of Christian Formation (1/2 - 3/4 time). The Minister will direct the Christian Formation Program – K-12 for about 225 children; direct the First Eucharist and First Reconciliation Sacrament Programs; and direct the Confirmation Program (10-20 teens).

Two years of previous experience are necessary, with required qualifications according to Diocesan standards. Salary will be based upon the new Diocesan Compensation Guidelines.

Send letters of interest and personnel résumés no later than May 1, 2008, to: Msgr. Robert M. Perkins, 2150 Cunningham Drive, Hampton, VA 23666.

May He Rest In Peace — Charla Diggs' father, Russell Ruffin, died this past week in Maryland. Please keep Charla, her husband, Nick, and the family in your prayers. If you would like to write a note of compassion and prayer: 865 Marie Court - #2, Newport News 23601.

Msgr. Bob Perkins

BAPTISM: The Sacrament of Baptism will be celebrated on June 7/8 and September 6/7. To prepare to welcome children into our Catholic Community, parents are required to attend a series of three classes prior to the Baptism. The next series of classes will be held on May 22, May 29 and June 5; all classes will begin at 7:00 P.M. For more information or to register, contact Carol Dufresne [icc.caroldufresne@verizon.net or 826-0393].

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

NO FINANCIAL
INFORMATION
AVAILABLE
THIS WEEK.

*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

THOSE WHO OBEY THE COMMANDMENTS, JESUS SAYS IN TODAY'S GOSPEL, ARE THE ONES WHO REALLY LOVE HIM. DOES MY STEWARDSHIP REVEAL MY LOVE FOR JESUS?

CATECHIST APPRECIATION — There will be a Catechist Blessing during the 8:30 and 11:00 A.M. Liturgies on **May 4**. The **Catechist Appreciation Brunch** will be held in the Commons at **9:45 A.M.** (between the Masses). This is our (parents and staff) way of honoring all of you — Catechists, Catechists' Aides, Catechists' Substitutes and Parent Helpers, who worked with the children, teenagers and adults this year. We hope you and your families will be able to attend. Please contact Manola at the Parish Office (826-0393 or icc.mjdobbs@verizon.net) by Thursday, May 1, to let us know if you will be able to attend the **CATECHIST BLESSING**, as well as the **CATECHIST APPRECIATION BRUNCH**.

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION classes resume this evening (Sunday) at 7:00 P.M. If you have not sent in your letter requesting Confirmation, please do so at your earliest opportunity — *Confirmation request letters were due on April 13*.

All **FAITH FORMATION CLASSES** will be held today (April 27) — Preschool during the 11:00 A.M. Liturgy; Kindergarten - Fifth Grade from 9:45 A.M. to 10:45 A.M.; Sixth Grade - Tenth Grade from 7:00 P.M. to 8:30 P.M. [last class for the year].

FIRST EUCHARIST — The third and final family meeting for parents and children who plan to receive their First Eucharist this Spring will be held on Wednesday, April 30, at 7:00 P.M. If you have any questions, please contact Manola.

R.C.I.A. — The final R.C.I.A. session will be held on Tuesday, May 6, at 7:00 P.M.

ADULT CONFIRMATION: As we celebrate the Feast of Pentecost and the Anniversary of our founding Pastor, Fr. McEleney, we ask you to please be in prayer for the following members of our Parish who are preparing to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation on May 10 at the 5:30 P.M. Liturgy — **STEVEN MINGEE, PATRICK NGUYEN, JASMINE OLIVERAS and MAGGIE THAYER.**

SCHEDULES — May 3/4

Lectors

5:30 P.M. Terri Weaver; Dan Berry

8:30 A.M. Lydia Huey; Mark Rogers

11:00 A.M. Michele Jones; Mike Mannen

Lead Eucharistic Ministers

5:30 P.M. Gayle Cowles; Steve Cowles

8:30 A.M. Lori Stefanko; Martha Campbell

11:00 A.M. Kim Kosin; Norman Kosin

Children's Liturgy

8:30 A.M. Rick Jones; Pat Uniszkievicz

11:00 A.M. Allison de Guzman; Joachim de Guzman

Coffee and Doughnuts

8:30 A.M. Arlene & Ben Guenther; Mike Stefanko; Mary Middleton; Greta Kruger

11:00 A.M. Gail Helmick; Carolyn & Mark Famiglietti; Judy Mitchell; Peg Crocker

Food Pantry — Veronica Hutfles; Carolyn Holland

Morning Ministry — Deborah Reese (4/28)

Dee Hoogstraten (5/01)

LITURGICAL MINISTERS CONFERENCE:

Are you a baptized, confirmed Catholic who is feeling called to participate more fully in the Eucharistic Liturgy? Perhaps you should consider serving in a liturgical ministry (Eucharistic Ministers, R.C.I.A., Ushers/Greeters, Children's Liturgy of the Word, Lectors.) Or are you reflecting upon whether this is still where God is calling you to serve? In order to assist you in your prayerful discernment, consider attending the Liturgical Ministers Conference at St. Joan of Arc in Yorktown on Friday, May 2 [7:00 P.M. - 9:00 P.M.], and Saturday, May 3 [9:00 A.M. - 12:00 Noon]. Call Carol at the Parish Office for more information.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sat., 4/26 Acts 16:1-10 Jn 15:18-21
Sun., 4/27 Acts 8:5-8, 14-17 1 Pt 3:15-18 Jn 14:15-21

Mon., 4/28 Acts 16:11-15 Jn 15:26 - 16:4
Tues., 4/29 Acts 16:22-34 Jn 16:5-11
Weds., 4/30 Acts 17:15, 22 - 18:1 Jn 16:12-15
Thurs., 5/01 Acts 18:1-8 Jn 16:16-20
Fri., 5/02 Acts 18:9-18 Jn 16:20-23
Sat., 5/03 Acts 18:23-28 Jn 16:23-28
Sun., 5/04 Acts 1:1-11 Eph 1:17-23 Mt 28:16-20

MASS INTENTIONS

5:30 P.M. *Don Villano* (+)
8:30 A.M.
11:00 A.M. *Ken Crocker* (+)
J. J. Janovich

8:30 A.M. *Stellwag Family* (+)
8:30 A.M. *Robert Bulle* (+)
5:30 P.M. *Elly Rembish*
8:30 A.M. *J. J. Janovich*
11:00 A.M. *Stephen Schauer* (+)

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.

ROSARY SERVICE: Our monthly rosary service will be held on Tuesday, April 29, at 7:00 P.M. Please join us in honoring Our Blessed Mother.

MAIL PICK-UP THIS WEEK: 8:30 A.M. & 11:00 A.M. Coffee & Doughnut Servers, Food Pantry, Lectors, Lead Eucharistic Ministers and Liturgy Coordinators.

WE WELCOME TO OUR PARISH.... Brian **Barraca**; Angela & John **DeLong**, and their daughters, Sydney & Jordyn; Carolyn **Holland**; and Madeleine & Peter **Nguyen**, and their children, Patrick & Priscilla. **Welcome!**

SETON MANOR HEALTH FAIR — Friday, May 9; 10:00 A.M. - 12:00 Noon — 215 Marcella Road — Blood pressure checks, blood sugar checks, balance screening, chair massages and many other FREE services — If you have any questions, please call 827-6512.

ST. MARY STAR OF THE SEA SCHOOL (14 N. Willard Avenue, Hampton) will host an Open House on Tuesday, May 6th, from 9:00 to 11:00 A.M. and again at 7:00 P.M. St. Mary's serves students PK3 through 8th grade. For additional information, please call the school office at 723-6358.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES at the Church of St. Bede in Williamsburg: Director of Religious Education to be responsible for a comprehensive parish religious education program for Grades K-8 in a collaborative manner; Director of Youth Ministry to direct a comprehensive Youth Ministry program, including catechesis and Confirmation for Grades 9-12 in a collaborative manner; Adult Faith Director to direct, facilitate and conduct numerous adult faith activities and programs in the parish, including R.C.I.A., scriptural study and other adult formation programs in a collaborative manner; and Development/Stewardship Coordinator to coordinate and implement a stewardship program for the parish, including education of stewardship on time, talent and treasure with a concentration on the treasure component in a collaborative manner. Please send résumés to: Fr. Rob Cole, P. O. Box 5400, Williamsburg, VA 23188 by May 15.

SCRIPTURE SERVICE at COLISEUM PARK NURSING HOME — **Saturday, May 3:** Those willing to assist wheelchair-bound residents to and from their rooms for the scripture service should arrive at the nursing home at 10:00 A.M. Please leave a message in the office for John Meyer if you have any questions.

The **SATURDAY BAG LUNCH PROGRAM** is in need of the following items: Small boxes of raisins, juice boxes, individual packages of cookies, cheese and/or peanut butter cracker packages, and small cans of fruit snacks. If you would like more information or would like to help make and/or deliver bag lunches to the elderly on the first Saturday of the month (May 3) at 11:00 A.M., please leave a message in the office for Carla Winters.