

SUNDAY 5/04	MONDAY 5/05	TUESDAY 5/06	WEDNESDAY 5/07	THURSDAY 5/08	FRIDAY 5/09	SATURDAY 5/10
FEAST OF THE ASCENSION 8:30 AM LITURGY 9:30 AM B.P. SCREENING 9:45 AM ADULT FORMATION CATECHIST BRUNCH 11:00 AM LITURGY 12:00 PM ANOINTING OF THE SICK B.P. SCREENING 1:00 PM ADULT CONFIRMATION CLASS 6:30 PM SYG MEETING	12:00 PM ROSARY FOR PEACE 7:00 PM BIBLE STUDY	7:00 PM C.I.C.C.A. R.C.I.A.	12:00 PM HAPPY WANDERERS 7:00 PM DIVERSITY WORKSHOP	8:30 AM LITURGY 9:15 AM SCRIPTURE STUDY 6:30 PM MUSIC PRACTICE 7:00 PM SCRIPTURE FROM SCRATCH	8:30 AM LITURGY 9:15 AM WOMEN LISTENING TO WOMEN	4:00 PM RECONCILIATION 5:30 PM LITURGY

FROM THE DESK OF THE PASTOR —

A Planning Proposal — After several months of meetings within each of the Peninsula parishes and as a regional planning group, a proposal will soon be sent to Bishop DiLorenzo and the Diocesan Planning Commission regarding the future of the Church in this area of Tidewater. Parishes will be “linked” or “clustered” and charged to share staff, priests, physical facilities -- perhaps finances as needed, and parish activities/ministries. As a region the following alignment is proposed: St. Jerome in Denbigh with St. Joan of Arc in Yorktown; Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Newport News, with Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha, Poquoson; St. Joseph, Buckroe, with St. Rose and St. Mary Star of the Sea, Hampton; and **Immaculate Conception** with St. Vincent, in downtown Newport News. If and when accepted by the Bishop, a year-long process to implement the plan will begin. This could be an exciting, new era for the Church, if we enter it with a spirit of openness and excitement — Come O Holy Spirit!

Let Us “Color” Our Church — Next weekend we celebrate the Feast of Pentecost, and the liturgical color is red -- so consider wearing something red.

At the Saturday evening eucharist, we will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation with four adults.

At the 11:00 A.M. eucharist, we will celebrate the 50th Anniversary of Priestly Ordination with the founding Pastor of our Parish, Father Robert McEleney.

A SPIRIT-FILLED WEEKEND LET IT BE!

May She Be With God and God’s Holy Ones
 — Sally Hundley, the mother of Oogie Hundley, died this week. Please remember Sally in your prayer, and perhaps send a card to Oogie and his wife, Frannie Colligan, at: 24 Watergate Terrace, Newport News 23606.

Msgr. Bob Perkins

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.

WE WELCOME TO OUR PARISH.... Merrick & Christy **Baroni**, and their son, Merrick; Michael & Cynthia **Nisbet**, and their children, Jessica & David; and Maureen **Thompson**, and her children, Teresa, Antonia & Jeffrey. Welcome!

AN ARK OF ONE(S) will not have a meeting in May. The group’s next luncheon meeting will be held on June 10, at 1:00 P.M.

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 contact Manola Dobbs at the Parish Office (826-0393 or icc.mjdobbs@verizon.net). Volunteers will be trained in the procedures for recommending that financial assistance be given.

ANNUAL PARISH PICNIC
 — Sunday, June 1 — 2:00 - 5:00 P.M. —

Enjoy pulled pork, hot dogs, hamburgers, beverages and desserts. There will be live music and fun for the kids -- *rain or shine*. Sign up after Mass. Bring a side dish to share; everything else will be provided.

Income Budget: \$637,850

July 1, 2007 - June 30, 2008

April Financial Information

	<u>Week of 4/20</u>	<u>Week of 4/27</u>	<u>Month of Apr.</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Env./checks	\$ 9,351.08	\$ 8,958.08	\$ 44,900.24	\$ 509,503.78
Loose	945.99	1,225.87	4,871.33	57,406.43
Other	135.00	211.00	429.00	3,882.50
YTD Interest				12,348.63
Total	\$ 10,432.07	\$ 10,394.95	\$ 50,200.57	\$ 583,141.34

Members using Envelopes/Checks in April: 435 out of 622

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.

TO CATECHISTS: Christian Formation is completed for this year. **THANK YOU TO ALL OF YOU FROM MSGR. BOB, THE STAFF AND PARENTS.** You have taught our children, youth and adults by teaching and proclaiming the Word (scripture). You have used your time, talent and treasure to teach our children, youth and adults, and to benefit our Parish and the wider community. We hope to see you again next year.

The CATECHIST APPRECIATION BRUNCH is being held today (May 4) between the Masses in the Commons. This is the Parish's way of honoring all of you who worked with the children, teenagers and adults this year — Catechists, Catechists' Aides, Catechists' Substitutes and Parent Helpers. The **CATECHIST BLESSING** will be today during the 8:30 A.M. and 11:00 A.M. Liturgies. The Parish takes this time to bless our Catechists for all the work they have done.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION FOR CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES: All Confirmation candidates, sponsors and families are invited to the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Thursday, May 8, at 6:00 P.M. Please contact Manola to let her know if you will attend.

HOW ARE YOU CALLED TO SPREAD THE GOOD NEWS? Perhaps during the summer, you may want to consider spending some time discerning this question. Are you being called by God and the community to share your gifts as an R.C.I.A. Sponsor, Catechist, Adult Faith Formation Team Member or Children's Liturgy Leader? Please feel free to call Carol Dufresne if you would like to speak about your discernment process.

MONDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY and SCRIPTURE FROM SCRATCH on Thursday evenings resumes this week.

ADULT CONFIRMATION: Please remember to keep our Adult Confirmands in your prayers — **STEVEN MINGEE, PATRICK NGUYEN, JASMINE OLIVERAS and MAGGIE THAYER** — They will be confirmed on Saturday, May 10, at the 5:30 P.M. Liturgy.

SCHEDULES — May 10/11**Nursery**

11:00 A.M. Krista Barajas; Volunteer Needed;
Gina Brase

Lectors

5:30 P.M. Ann Hart; Stanley Augustus

8:30 A.M. Tina Meyer; John Meyer

11:00 A.M. John Doyle; Julie Mannen

Lead Eucharistic Ministers

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

8:30 A.M. Laurene Sproston; Marvin Sproston

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

Children's Liturgy

8:30 A.M. Ann Daiber; Lyndsay Ealey

11:00 A.M. Tricia Rainone; Stephanie Keatts

Coffee and Doughnuts

8:30 A.M. Anne Keatts; Monica McDonald;
Deanna & Walt Johnson; Marianne &
Randy Fantas

11:00 A.M. Charlene & Tom Foughner; Wertman
Family; Josh Fordham; Jake Hansen

Food Pantry — Katherine & Sean Gibbons; Shannon
& Kevin Harlow

Morning Ministry — Volunteer Needed (5/05)

Deborah Reese (5/08)

ADULT FORMATION: Sunday classes will be in recess until fall after today's meeting. Watch the bulletin for information on summer programs. Summer is an ideal time to catch up on reading by stopping by the parish library and the magazine rack. There is also an excellent selection of videos on theology, scripture and social issues.

FIRST HOLY EUCHARIST will be celebrated on May 17 at the 5:30 P.M. Liturgy, and on May 25 at the 11:00 A.M. Liturgy. Please contact Manola if you have any questions.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

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

Mon., 5/05 Acts 19:1-8 Jn 16:29-33
Tues., 5/06 Acts 20:17-27 Jn 17:1-11
Weds., 5/07 Acts 20:28-38 Jn 17:11-19
Thurs., 5/08 Acts 22:30; 23:6-11 Jn 17:20-26
Fri., 5/09 Acts 25:13-21 Jn 21:15-19
Sat., 5/10 Acts 28:16-20, 30-31 Jn 21:20-25

Sun., 5/11 Acts 2:1-11 1 Cor 12:3-7, 12-13
Jn 20:19-23

MASS INTENTIONS

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

8:30 A.M.
8:30 A.M.
5:30 P.M. *Carrie Piazza (+)*
Mary Pardi (+)
8:30 A.M. *Jeff Neubauer (+)*
11:00 A.M. *Maria Cavanna (+)*
Margaret L. Hudgins (+)

The Peninsula Chapter of **THE COMPASSIONATE FRIENDS (TCF)** is a bereavement support group for parents whose children of any age have died. Meetings are held on the first Monday of each month at 7:30 P.M. at St. Luke's United Methodist Church, 300 Ella Taylor Road, Grafton. Their Credo is, "*WE NEED NOT WALK ALONE; THE LOSS AND LOVE OF OUR CHILDREN UNITES US ...*"

The next **SYG MEETING** will be held on Sunday (May 4) at 6:30 P.M. Please bring a snack to share.

THANK YOU TO ALL whose support made the I.C.C.C.W. Spring Bazaar last weekend such a success. The money raised will help buy food for the Parish Food Pantry, as well as fund spiritual events for the women of the Parish.

All are invited to the **HAPPY WANDERERS** gathering at 12:00 Noon on Wednesday, May 7, for a buffet and performance by Blue Grass musicians. Bring a friend, a covered-dish to share and pocket change for the performers.

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.

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].

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.

The **LEUKEMIA/LYMPHOMA SUPPORT GROUP** meets from 7:00 to 8:30 P.M. on the first Tuesday of each month at the Sentara Cancer Institute, 3000 Coliseum Drive, Suite 100. Family and friends are welcome. For more information about the group, please call 827-2438.