

SUNDAY 9/30	MONDAY 10/01	TUESDAY 10/02	WEDNESDAY 10/03	THURSDAY 10/04	FRIDAY 10/05	SATURDAY 10/06
TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 8:30 AM LITURGY 9:30 AM BLOOD DRIVE 9:45 AM ADULT FORMATION K-5 RELIG. ED. 11:00 AM LITURGY	12:00 PM PRAYER FOR PEACE 7:00 PM BIBLE STUDY	7:00 PM C.I.C.C.A. R.C.I.A.	12:00 PM HAPPY WANDERERS 6:30 PM I.C.C.W. - BOARD MTG. 7:00 PM 1ST RECONCILIATION - PARENT MTG. JUSTFAITH	8:30 AM LITURGY 9:15 AM SCRIPTURE STUDY 6:30 PM MUSIC PRACTICE 7:00 PM MINISTRY CHAIR MTG. SCRIPTURE FROM SCRATCH	8:30 AM LITURGY 9:15 AM WOMEN LISTENING TO WOMEN	11:00 AM BAG LUNCH PROGRAM 4:00 PM RECONCILIATION 5:30 PM LITURGY 6:30 PM B.P. SCREENING

FROM THE DESK OF THE PASTOR —

A Shock ! — At this week's Council of Priests' meeting, Bishop DiLorenzo made a statement about Christian Formation of young people throughout the Diocese of Richmond. He said that there are approximately 60,000 young people, ages 6-18 -- around 6,000 attend a Catholic grade school or high school; 24,000 young people are registered in a local parish religious education program. Therefore, to the knowledge of the Bishop and other Diocesan staff, **30,000** young people are not registered in some formal religious program outside the home ... **Half !** This percentage fairly accurately reflects our own statistics here at ICC, as I reported last week.

Msgr. Bob Perkins

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Congratulations to **Michael Tochukwu Nneji**, son of Emmanuel and Adleen Nneji, baptized last weekend.

The **SATURDAY BAG LUNCH PROGRAM** is in need of the following items: Cheese and/or peanut butter cracker packages, small boxes of raisins, juice boxes (no sugar added), small cans of fruit snacks (no sugar added), and individual pudding cups. If you would like to help make and/or deliver bag lunches to the elderly on the first Saturday of the month (October 6) at 11:00 A.M., please leave a message in the office for Sandy Mahony.

The **PARISH ADVOCATES FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES** are identifying existing barriers to full participation by parishioners in liturgical services. If you know anyone who is impaired and has special needs, please leave a message in the office for Paula Ogiba, Melody Leak-Kavota or Gladys Kopp.

ALTAR FLOWERS THIS WEEKEND are given by Karen Jennings in loving memory of the Brooks Family.

SALE OF FORMER RECTORY: On Thursday the deal was closed on the sale of our former Rectory on Tanglewood Drive. The selling price was \$260,000.00, but after the settlement charges, the Parish will net \$244,066.80. Since the Bishop's name is on all properties in the Diocese, the monies will be sent to Richmond first, and then the funds will be transferred to the Parish. After paying off the \$147,000.00 bridge loan we acquired when we purchased our new Rectory, we will be able to replenish our savings with the balance of \$97,066.80.

PARISH MINISTRY FAIR — *How are you sharing your time, talent and treasure with your Church family? We need you and the unique gifts that God has placed in you!* An ICC Ministry Fair will be held after all liturgies on October 27 and 28. Representatives of all our parish ministries will be on hand to share their experiences. **What is God calling you to do?**

All ministry chairpersons are invited to join Msgr. Perkins at 7:00 PM. on Thursday, October 4, in the "triple room" for a brief meeting to prepare for the Ministry Fair.

SCRIPTURE SERVICE at SENTARA NURSING HOME — **Saturday, October 6:** 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.

Income Budget: \$637,850

July 1, 2007 - June 30, 2008

September 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 9/23</u>	<u>Month of Sept.</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Env./checks	\$ 7,996.00	\$ 44,656.67	\$ 142,352.62
Loose	956.28	4,183.46	14,335.42
Other	175.00	1,546.26	2,075.50
YTD Interest			2,839.91
Total	\$ 9,127.28	\$ 50,386.39	\$ 161,603.45

Families using Envelopes/Checks in September: 413 out of 607

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

THE SIN OF THE RICH MAN IN TODAY'S PARABLE WAS NOT THAT HE WAS RICH, BUT THAT HE FAILED TO SHARE HIS WEALTH WITH THE BEGGAR AT HIS GATE. HE KNEW LAZARUS, PERHAPS WALKED BY HIM EVERY TIME HE CAME IN OR OUT, BUT DID NOTHING TO RELIEVE HIS SUFFERING. IS THERE A LAZARUS IN MY LIFE? WHAT AM I DOING TO HELP?

FAITH FORMATION — *We have Catechists for all of our Faith Formation classes!* **Preschool** classes will begin next Sunday, October 7, during the 11:00 A.M. liturgy; **Grades K-5** meet on Sundays from 9:45 A.M. - 10:45 A.M.; **Grades 6-10** meet from 7:00 P.M. to 8:30 P.M. every other Sunday. If you have any questions, please contact Manola at the Parish Office [826-0393 or icc.mjdobbs@verizon.net].

FIRST RECONCILIATION PREPARATION starts with a parent meeting at 7:00 P.M. this Wednesday, October 3. This meeting is for parents who wish to present their child for First Eucharist during the Easter season. Please call Manola if you have any questions.

"Texting With Jesus" MIDDLE SCHOOL RETREAT — Saturday, October 13; 12:30 - 6:00 P.M. — St. Jerome Church, 116 Denbigh Boulevard, Newport News — ICC will join other area Catholic Churches for a retreat for Middle School (Grades 6-8) youth. The retreat will include music, prayer, games and food. To register, contact Manola at the Parish Office.

BAPTISM PREPARATION: The next series of parent classes for those who wish to present a child for baptism will be held on October 11, 18 and 25. Diocesan and parish policies require that one parent be a practicing Catholic who is registered in the parish, and that parents attend the preparation process to reflect on the meaning of baptism and their role as the primary educators of their children in the faith. Please contact Carol Dufresne the Parish Office (826-0393) for more information or to enroll in the classes.

A current session listing and registration instructions for the **VIRTUS "Protecting God's Children for Adults"** program for the Richmond Diocese is available at www.richmonddiocese.org. All diocesan employees, clergy, religious, teachers, staff and all volunteers who regularly work with or are regularly involved with children or youth are required to attend a training session. *There is no charge for this training.* For information about VIRTUS or about required background checks (a simple form giving permission for Child Protective Services and the Virginia State Police to let us know that the volunteer has no record that would disqualify him/her from working with children), please call Carol Dufresne at the Parish Office.

SCHEDULES — October 6/7

Nursery

8:30 A.M. Joni Littreal; Franklyn Richards
11:00 A.M. Maureen Ezechukwu; Traci Frostman

Lectors

5:30 P.M. Ann Hart; Mark Rogers
8:30 A.M. Mike Stefanko; Lisa Lannom
11:00 A.M. Ann Ruggaber; Dan Ruggaber

Lead Eucharistic Ministers

5:30 P.M. Nina Butts; Olivia Foster
8:30 A.M. Barbara Thomas; Richard Thomas
11:00 A.M. Linda Carel; Denny Carel

Children's Liturgy

8:30 A.M. Annemarie Amante; Tony Romano
11:00 A.M. Allison de Guzman; Joachim de Guzman

Coffee and Doughnuts

8:30 A.M. Holly & Gregory Hall; Monica McDonald; Ginny & Frank Koninski
11:00 A.M. Gail Helmick; Carolyn & Mark Famiglietti; Ann Loucks; Judy Mitchell

Food Pantry — Veronica Hutfles

Morning Ministry — Molly Villano (10/01)
Dee Hoogstraten (10/04)

R.C.I.A. — There is still time to "Come and See." Are you wondering whether the Catholic Church is for you? Come and See.... We gather every Tuesday night in the "triple room" at 7:00 P.M.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sat., 9/29 Zec 2:5-9, 14-15 Lk 9:43-45
 Sun., 9/30 Am 6:1, 4-7 1 Tm 6:11-16 Lk 16:19-31
 Mon., 10/01 Zec 8:1-8 Lk 9:46-50
 Tues., 10/02 Zec 8:20-23 Mt 18:1-5, 10
 Weds., 10/03 Neh 2:1-8 Lk 9:57-62
 Thurs., 10/04 Neh 8:1-12 Lk 10:1-12
 Fri., 10/05 Bar 1:15-22 Lk 10:13-16
 Sat., 10/06 Bar 4:5-12, 27-29 Lk 10:17-24
 Sun., 10/07 Hb 1:2-3; 2:2-4 2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14
 Lk 17:5-10

MASS INTENTIONS

5:30 P.M. *Bill Check (+)*
Irma Fowler (+)
 8:30 A.M. *Elizabeth Sanders (+)*
 11:00 A.M. *James Oscar Leak (+)*
Angelina Cavanna
 8:30 A.M. *Kay Thornton*
 8:30 A.M.
 5:30 P.M. *Theresa & Luca Ercolini (+)*
Eugene Ercolani (+)
 8:30 A.M. *Gelacio de la Cruz, Jr. & Sr. (+)*
 11:00 A.M. *Peter Cavanna (+)*
Special Intentions

The **MINISTRY OF CARE** (hospital visitation) will hold their October workshop on Sunday, October 7, from 9:45 - 10:45 A.M. An invitation to attend this meeting is extended to anyone interested in participating. Please leave a message in the office for Ann Daiber for further information.

Next weekend the **SECOND COLLECTION** will be **for the RESERVE REPLACEMENT/CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND**. This collection will fund any major improvements that may be needed, as well as the replacement of any equipment that is beyond repair.

MAIL PICK-UP THIS WEEK: Schedules for Ministers of Care, Registering New Parishioners, and 8:30 A.M. and 11:00 A.M. Ushers/Greeters; and Funeral Calling Tree Updates.

COMMUNION PYXES: If you are no longer using a pyx for carrying holy communion to the sick, please return it to the sacristy so that others may use it.

“Y’all come” to **HAPPY WANDERERS’** free buffet meeting at 12:00 Noon on **Wednesday, October 3**, when the ‘Saurkraut’ Band will play Bavarian tunes. Bring your friends and an entrée to share.

FARM FRESH ABC REWARD PROGRAM — St. Mary Star of the Sea School extends their thanks for your continued support of this program and would again appreciate your participation this year. Please place your Farm Fresh cash register receipt stubs (bottom portion) in the basket in the “ticket booth.” Also being collected are Campbell’s soup labels and Box Tops. If you have any questions, please leave a message in the office for Kelly Bocwinski.

ANARK OF ONE(S) is a group of singles who meet monthly for a potluck lunch. Our fall lunch meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 9, at 1:00 P.M. For more information, please leave a message in the office for Ann Daiber.

ATTIC TREASURES WANTED! I.C.C.C.W. is again asking for donations for their **FALL BAZAAR**. Please bring gently used household items to the volunteer receptionist’s office **BEFORE** Friday, November 2 — **NO CLOTHING PLEASE**. If you have any questions, please leave a message in the office for Joan Hickey.

The **RED HAT SOCIETY “Purple Poppies”** have a number of events planned for the fall and winter. The next event will be to meet at Medik’s Market and shop at City Center in Newport News. [Please see the bulletin board for future events.] Membership is open to females of all ages. For more information or to R.S.V.P., please leave a message in the office for Deborah.

A **RACHEL’S VINEYARD RETREAT for HEALING** from the tragedy of abortion will be held on the weekend of October 5-7 at Richmond’s Benedictine Abbey. In this confidential setting you can let buried feelings of hurt, regret and shame come to the surface and be released. Contact Facilitators, Kay Marie and Joe Geiger at 804-330-3137 or KMGeiger@comcast.net. Learn more at www.rachelsvineyard.org.