

SUNDAY 11/18	MONDAY 11/19	TUESDAY 11/20	WEDNESDAY 11/21	THURSDAY 11/22	FRIDAY 11/23	SATURDAY 11/24
THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 8:30 AM LITURGY 9:30 AM FLU SHOTS 9:45 AM ADULT FORMATION K-5 RELIG. ED. 11:00 AM LITURGY 12:15 PM SOCIAL MINISTRY MTG. 7:00 PM 6-10 RELIG. ED.	12:00 PM PRAYER FOR PEACE 7:00 PM WOMEN LISTENING TO WOMEN			THANKSGIVING 9:00 AM LITURGY [PARISH OFFICES CLOSED]	[PARISH OFFICES CLOSED]	4:00 PM RECONCILIATION 5:30 PM LITURGY

FROM THE DESK OF THE PASTOR —

Comfort My People — This past week Joe and Jean Paulus, long-time, active members of the Parish, experienced the death of both Joe's mother, Marian Paulus, and Jean's mother, Marie Thomas. Please keep Jean, Joe and their family in your prayers. Perhaps you would like to send a card of support and prayer: 100 Spinnaker Way, Williamsburg 23185.

Thanksgiving Event Revived ! — Enough interest has been shown to revive the Parish Thanksgiving Dinner -- so let's dine together! All who come will help make it a community meal — so think about cooking a turkey (provided by the Parish); or making mashed potatoes or sweets, dressing, gravy, rolls, vegetables, desserts. Sign up in the Commons this weekend. Bring adult or kid games too — a T.V. set will be set up for after-dinner football fans.

Thanksgiving Eucharist — 9:00 A.M.

Thanksgiving Dinner — Begins 1:00 P.M.

Parish Feast Day — The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of Mary is our parish "feast day" and is also a holy day. Saturday morning, December 8th, at 8:30 A.M., we will celebrate who we are as part of the Body of Christ and the local parish. After this eucharist, the Parish Life Committee will be hosting a breakfast. A sign up for breakfast will be posted soon.

Decorating the House of the Church — Ten people have come forward to begin a parish Art & Environment Committee — wow! And, all of them attended a workshop this weekend at St. Nicholas Church in Virginia Beach. A theme was "Going Beyond Plants Around the Altar."

A Reformed **Stewardship Committee** is evolving and has met three times. The role is to help us understand and live "stewardship as a way of life" — sharing our time, talents and treasures for the glory of God!

"You Are A Priest Forever" — I am celebrating the 36th year of forever on Tuesday, November 27th. I invite you to a simple anniversary of priesthood eucharist that night at 7:00 P.M. In you, the People of God at Immaculate Conception, I am very blessed, and it is my privilege to serve you.

Thank You to all who sent birthday greetings and wishes and gifts.

Msgr. Bob Perkins

ALTAR FLOWERS THIS WEEKEND are in loving memory of *Paul Guerette from Jackie, Mike and Pam.*

A NIGHT'S WELCOME — Our parish support to the wonderful ministry of feeding, housing and supporting the homeless women, men and children of our community will soon be upon us. We will once again provide shelter from 7:00 P.M. to 7:00 A.M. the week of **December 1 - 8**. *With your help* we will serve two hot meals and provide a warm, hospitable environment to our guests. Signups for the necessary duties will be held this weekend. Please give this rewarding ministry prayerful consideration. Thanks in advance for your support.

The **MINISTERS OF CARE** will have a workshop on Sunday, December 2, from 9:45 to 10:45 A.M. in the "triple room".

Income Budget: \$637,850

July 1, 2007 - June 30, 2008

November 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 11/11</u>	<u>Month of Nov.</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Env./checks	\$ 10,391.00	\$ 28,616.15	\$ 222,828.72
Loose	1,164.88	3,207.33	23,308.16
Other	0.00	2.50	2,229.50
YTD Interest			5,548.80
Total	\$ 11,555.88	\$ 31,825.98	\$ 253,915.18

Families using Envelopes/Checks in November: 368 out of 619

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

TODAY'S READINGS PAINT A SOMEWHAT FRIGHTENING PICTURE OF THE END OF TIME. BUT THE GOSPEL ENDS WITH THE ASSURANCE TO FAITHFUL STEWARDS THAT THOSE WHO PERSEVERE WILL BE SAVED.

MONDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY will not meet on November 19. The study of Jerusalem, the Holy City, will begin on Monday, November 26. Jerusalem is called the city of peace, but it has been torn by warfare from the time of David to the current Middle East crisis. Come and study the origins of Jerusalem in Israel's history; learn Jerusalem's importance as the city of Jesus' final pilgrimage and the founding city of the Church. Enjoy a virtual pilgrimage to Jerusalem through study, reflection and prayer on these biblical texts.

Has God blessed you with a special talent for working with children? Have you been endowed with a good measure of patience? If you have answered 'yes' to these questions, please consider volunteering in our **PARISH NURSERY** one Sunday during the 8:30 or 11:00 A.M. Eucharistic liturgies. The parents and the children of our Parish would greatly appreciate your service. Please pick up a green packet in the Nursery (containing the necessary forms for the Diocesan-required background checks), and return the completed forms to Carol Dufresne at the Parish Office -- feel free to contact Carol for further information.

VIRTUS TRAINING is required for all volunteers who work with children and youth on a regular basis. The Diocese requires participation in a VIRTUS "Protecting God's Children for Adults" session. This is a three-hour training class on awareness of child sexual abuse and how to identify and report sexual abuse of children and teens. VIRTUS will be offered at Immaculate Conception on Monday, December 10, at 6:00 P.M. You may register for this or any other VIRTUS session in the Diocese by going online to virtusonline.org and following the prompts. If you have any questions, please contact Carol Dufresne.

FAITH FORMATION CLASSES will not be held next Sunday, November 25, and will resume as follows: Preschool during the 11:00 A.M. liturgy on December 2; K-5 from 9:45 - 10:45 A.M. on December 2 — 6-10 will help with "A Night's Welcome" [check with your catechists for assignments]. If you have questions, contact Manola at the Parish Office (826-0393 or icc.mjdobbs@verizon.net).

CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES will prepare soup for "A Night's Welcome" on Sunday, December 2. All Confirmands should plan to meet at 12:30 P.M. Contact Manola during parish office hours [9:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.] if you have questions.

SCHEDULES — November 24/25

Lectors

Thanksgiving

9:00 A.M. Ed Hartman; Manola Dobbs

5:30 P.M. Lydia Huey; Dave Okerblom

8:30 A.M. Chris Malami; Manola Dobbs

11:00 A.M. Mark Rogers; Cheryl Carnevale

Lead Eucharistic Ministers

Thanksgiving

9:00 A.M. Barbara Thomas; Richard Thomas

5:30 P.M. Virginia Buck; Annette Myer

8:30 A.M. Barbara Thomas; Richard Thomas

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

Children's Liturgy

8:30 A.M. Annemarie Amante; Lyndsay Ealey

11:00 A.M. Tricia Rainone; Jean Paulus

Coffee and Doughnuts

8:30 A.M. Holly & Gregory Hall; Monica

McDonald; Ginny & Frank Koninski

11:00 A.M. Carole Birdsong; Christa Graham; Ana

Korrasik; Kevin Woisard

Food Pantry — Kathy & Patrick Nugent; Elisabeth Palmer

Morning Ministry — Paula Lehmann (11/19)

SCRIPTURE FROM SCRATCH II HOLIDAY SCHEDULE — In observance of Thanksgiving, the group will not meet on November 22 and 29; in observance of Christmas, there will be no meetings on December 20 and 27, and January 3, 2008.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK**MASS INTENTIONS**

Sat., 11/17 Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9 Lk 18:1-8
 Sun., 11/18 Mal 3:19-20 2 Thes 3:7-12 Lk 21:5-19

Mon., 11/19 2 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63 Lk 18:35-43
 Tues., 11/20 2 Mc 6:18-31 Lk 19:1-10
 Weds., 11/21 2 Mc 7:1, 20-31 Lk 19:11-28
 Thurs., 11/22 1 Mc 2:15-29 Lk 19:41-44
 Fri., 11/23 1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59 Lk 19:45-58
 Sat., 11/24 1 Mc 6:1-13 Lk 20:27-40
 Sun., 11/25 2 Sm 5:1-3 Col 1:12-20 Lk 23:35-43

5:30 P.M. *Stanley Wilga (+)*
 8:30 A.M. *Alexander Augustine (+)*
Josephine Gannon
 11:00 A.M.

9:00 A.M.
 8:30 A.M.
 5:30 P.M. *Lena Lancianese (+)*
 8:30 A.M. *Isaac Evans (+)*
 11:00 A.M. *Marian Paulus (+)*

Mr. Nice Guy? ... Or a Rebel with a Cause? — The Message of Jesus in the Gospel of Matthew: Advent is soon upon us, and with this new liturgical year, we will focus on the Gospel of Matthew which begins and ends with that crucial message: Emmanuel has come and God is indeed with us! Comforted with this gentle reminder, we are also challenged by the radical demands that Jesus expects from his disciples. Following in the footsteps of Moses and other prophetic voices, Jesus proclaims the Good News of God’s love and forgiveness, and at the same time, offers a revolutionary way to live: “Turn the other cheek! Love your enemies! Be reconciled!” The ongoing challenge to live and love and forgive as Jesus did, remains at the heart of what it means to be Church, the Body of Christ! — Come and join us as we reflect upon the mission and message of Jesus, God’s beloved Son, who comforts us and turns our lives inside out and upside down! *Fr. Kevin O’Brien, a scripture scholar in our Diocese and an excellent teacher, will be at ICC for a one-night session on the Gospel of Matthew — Thursday, November 29th — 7:00 - 9:00 P.M.*

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.

WE WELCOME TO OUR PARISH.... Jennifer & Jesse **Brown**; Diana & Philip **Reed**, and their daughter, Lauren; and Maria **Torres**, and her children, Daniela, Alexander & Gabriela. **Welcome!**

SENIOR YOUTH GROUP (SYG) — Because of the generous support of our parish family and the I.C.C.W. ladies, the following individuals attended the National Catholic Youth Convention in Columbus, Ohio, on November 8-11: Daniel, Joseph and William Amante, Kirsten Brase, John Justiniano, Renee Mannen, Kelley Snape and Victoria Ziemba. Chaperones were Michelle Justiniano and Polly Milby.

Team ICC members who played in the the **Annual Region 4 Basketball Tournament** this past Saturday were Gina Brase, Amanda Cole, Garvis Kavota, Connor MacDonald, Brandon McDonald, Rose Miner and Steven Sloan. Thank you to Mr. James McDonald for taking the time to work with our young people, and to Peninsula Catholic High School for the use of their facilities.

MAIL PICK-UP THIS WEEK: Food Pantry, Lectors and Ministers of Care.

VOLUNTEER WANTED to drive a parishioner from Michael’s Woods to a weekend liturgy once a month — Please leave a message in the office for Terri Weaver for more information. *Thank you for your kindness.*

I.C.C.W. is collecting small toiletry items for A Night’s Welcome. Items needed include shaving cream, razors, cotton swabs, deodorant, combs, nail files and clippers, facial tissues, etc. Please place items in the large box in the lobby.

CLOTHE THE NEEDY — The Parish Life Committee is collecting [until December 1st] gently worn, clean winter coats, sweaters, scarves and gloves (men’s, women’s, children’s), and new socks and t-shirts (white, XXL) for our homeless friends. A box is set up in the Commons area for your generous gifts of love.

OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL SCHOOL is sponsoring its Annual Christmas Craft Fair on December 1, from 9:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M., with all proceeds to benefit the OLMC School Scholarship Fund. For details, call 596-2754, extension 221.