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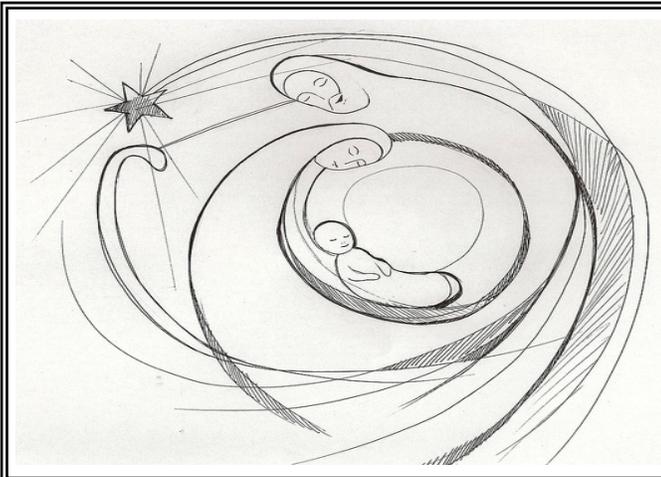
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Growing in Christ and Living Our Faith through Relationships



December 29, 2013 – The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

Readings: Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14–Colossians 3:12-21–Matthew 2:13-15, 19-23

OFFICE HOURS: 8:30am-2:00pm Monday
8:30am-4:30pm Tuesday–Friday
(Closed: 12:20–12:50pm daily)

LITURGY SCHEDULE:

Monday–Friday: Mass times on page 2
Saturday: 5:30pm
Sunday: 9:00am, 11:30am & 4:30pm – English
1:30pm- Español
Nursery: 9:00am, 11:30am & 1:30pm

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Saturday 4:30–5:00pm or by appointment
Sunday 12:45-1:15pm (Español) or by appointment



IT'S TIME FOR "YOUR FAMILY" AND "OUR PARISH FAMILY" TO CELEBRATE THE FEAST OF "THE HOLY FAMILY," into which our Lord Jesus Christ was born. Just like us, Jesus was born into a family. The family we grow up in makes a difference in who we become. Won't you gather with "your family" and "our parish family" around the stable here at Incarnation to ponder anew how "The Holy Family" has made a difference in who you are becoming. Our annual Children's Nativity Play & Party is Sunday, December 29, *The Feast of the Holy Family*, at 3:00pm in the Parish Hall. We'll commemorate the birth of the Christ child, sing traditional carols, create crafts, and celebrate with festive treats! *All are invited!!!*

CELEBRATION OF FIRST RECONCILIATION: Please pray for our children and their families as children in our 2nd grade sacramental prep program celebrate the Sacrament of First Reconciliation on January 4 during a communal penance/reconciliation service. Children will gather in the Parish Activities Center (PAC) at 9:00am to watch a short video, *A Child's First Penance*, decorate candles, and get their hearts focused on God's awesome gift of forgiveness. The celebration will occur at 10:00am in the Worship Center. (Parents, don't forget to bring the "*Together in Jesus*" workbooks you've been working on so diligently with your children. Kindly call Nancy at the Parish Office to reserve Nursery for younger children.)



Christmas Mass Schedule

No Nursery available Dec. 24 through January 1

The Parish Office will close at noon on Tuesday, December 31 and reopen on Thursday, January 2.

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God–Wednesday, January 1

Holy Day Vigil Mass: December 31, 5:30pm

Holy Day Mass: 10:00am & 12:30pm (Spanish)

Solemnity of the Epiphany– Sunday, January 5

Regular Weekend Liturgies: Saturday 5:30pm, Sunday 9:00am & 11:30am, 1:30pm(Spanish), 4:30pm

Christmas Season concludes with the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord Sunday, January 12.

...a new impulse of spiritual life may be expected from increased veneration of the Word of God, which "stands forever" (Isaiah 40:8; cf. I Peter 1:23-25).

--Vatican II,

Dogmatic Constitution on Divine Revelation #26

The Center for Marriage, Family, and Life is offering a **FREE** day in which to explore the counter-cultural message of Natural Family Planning that the Church continually supports in the face of rising abortions, use of contraceptives, and sterilization procedures in the country. There is **no cost to attend, lunch is provided free of charge, and free childcare** will be available.

Saturday, January 18, 10:00am 2:00pm
Diocesan Pastoral Center
7800 Carousel Lane
Richmond, Virginia 23294

- See more at: http://www.cdrcmf.org/ai1ec_event/free-natural-family-planning-day-fair/?instance_id=



We celebrate the life of our parish!

Please let us know if you are new to the parish, are moving from it, are celebrating a significant event or are in need of prayers.



WINE SUNDAY: We are very low in Mass wine. A reminder that several times a year, we ask each parish household to help replenish the supply of wine used at our Masses, by donating a

bottle of RED WINE. You may bring it when you come to Liturgy, or drop it off at the Parish Office through the week. We ask that you **DO NOT** bring white, rosé, or sweet wines. Thank you.

HOLY FAMILIES

The lovely gospel accounts that we revel in during these days of Christmastime hold up for us the image of Jesus, Mary and Joseph, the Holy Family of Nazareth. And so we celebrate the Holy Family on the Sunday after Christmas Day. It's easy to gaze on the images in the Christmas crib and recognize the holiness of the newborn Jesus, his mother and his guardian. It may be harder to look at your own children or parents or brothers and sisters and see reflections of that same holiness in them. After all, living together, you see each other's bad sides as well as the good, the warts as well as the dimples.

But if we truly believe in what we are celebrating, the incarnation of God in the flesh, and the fact that Jesus saved us by his death and resurrection into which we are baptized, then we must cultivate the ability to see a reflection of the baby Jesus' holiness in each child in our own families, to see the holiness of Mary and of Joseph reflected in ourselves as parents and in our own parents.

Maybe it will help to remember not just the gurgling baby Jesus in the crib, but also the toddler Jesus at age two—in his own version of the "terrible twos." Or to meditate on Mary and Joseph changing diapers and picking up the ancient Palestinian version of Cheerios from the kitchen floor—and the living room floor and the bedroom floor and. . . . The gospels are silent about Jesus' childhood, but truly human as well as truly God, Jesus no doubt had nosebleeds and skinned knees, tried dangerous stunts, didn't get enough sleep sometimes and so was cranky. Maybe there were even battles over homework. (Jesus would have studied Hebrew and the scriptures.)

And think of Jesus as a teenager. We get a glimpse of him in the gospel of Matthew at age twelve, wandering off in Jerusalem, causing Mary and Joseph to panic. Of course he didn't have the opportunity to take driver's ed or ask for the car keys, but there were a myriad of other but similar parent-teen encounters, to be sure.

Some may find such speculation to be sacrilegious. "Jesus is perfect," they'll object. "Jesus is God!" How very true. And Jesus was a baby, a teenager, a young adult, too. True God, true man. And maybe, just maybe one of the delights of this Christmas season is that some of the small quirky things about us as human beings—the terrible twos, the teenage struggle for independence, parents' angst about their child—maybe all of these are holy and part of what it means to grow toward perfection. Glory in heaven and peace on earth, now and forever!

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WORSHIP

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MASS INTENTIONS: December 28–January 5

Saturday	28:	5:30	Mary Jo DeCarlo (Karen Lansing)
Sunday	29:	9:00	Kevin O'Leary (O'Leary Family)
		11:30	Peter Strzepek (Strzepek Family)
		1:30	Missa Pro Populo
		4:30	Missa Pro Populo
Monday	30:	12:15	The Rives
Tuesday	31:	5:30	Missa Pro Populo
Wed'day	1:	10:00	Missa Pro Populo
		12:30	Missa Pro Populo
Thursday	2:	12:15	Missa Pro Populo
Friday	3:	12:15	Missa Pro Populo
Saturday	4:	5:30	Fr. Bill LaFratta (Pat & Jim McCormick-Goodhart)
Sunday	5:	9:00	Sr. Elizabeth Bain (Pat & Mike Crawford)
		11:30	Margaret Kessler (Karen & James Lario)
		1:30	Missa Pro Populo
		4:30	Tif Reynolds (Special Intention) (Al Reynolds)



*Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Thursday, 1:00 – 9:00pm*

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET: All are welcome to pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet every Sunday morning at 10:45am in the Worship Center. Please bring your favorite rosary.



The annual blessing and distribution of our Parish Calendars will take place at all the Liturgies on December 31 and January 1.

FINANCIAL RESOURCES

For the weekends of December 21/22, December 28/29, and January 4/5 will be reported in the bulletin on January 11/12.

We thank all parishioners who have so generously supported our Parish. As the calendar year comes to a close, we appreciate all gifts, large and small to our General Offertory, Debt Reduction, Outreach Ministry and Haiti Ministry. Please note that checks need to be dated by December 31 to be reflected in the 2013 tax year.

**Notice – 2014 Offertory Envelopes – Notice**

Parishioners may pick-up their 2014 Offertory envelopes (individually boxed set) in the Narthex.

CHRISTIAN FORMATION

Nancy Brinkac: nancyb@incarnationparish.org

My prayer for all of our families is that you grow in the love of Christ by seeing His grace in every loving act you do or see others doing this Christmas season!

REMINDER: No CF Dec. 29. All classes resume Jan. 5.

"**The Great Adventure Bible Timeline**" and "**Matthew**" DVD Bible studies series will not meet Tues., Dec. 24 or 31. Both series will resume on January 7.

SNACKS! On Sunday, December 29, at 3:00pm, we'll gather once again to put our hearts and hands together to celebrate the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ. No celebration would be complete without plenty of festive food. Won't you help us make this possible by contributing a "snack to share" (any type of cookie except peanut butter, veggie or fruit tray, cheese & crackers, or chips). If attending, drop off your "snack" to the food table just before the start of the celebration. If not attending, leave your "snack" on the wooden table in the Parish Hall kitchen when you come to Mass the weekend of the celebration (Dec. 29/30). Clearly label "For Children's Nativity Play & Party."



"PUT CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS" POSTER CONTEST: "Put Christ in Christmas Poster Contest" - Children in grades 2 through 5 and the Children's Catechumenate have interpreted in art how we can best place the birth of Christ at the center of our Christmas celebrations. Posters for each grade level were judged for "Best Faith Expression," "Most Original," and "Most Artistic". Winning posters are displayed on a roving bulletin board in the Narthex. Enjoy looking at the posters to see faith at work in our children!



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**Stewardship Opportunity ~ Tree of Life**

Parishioners can permanently memorialize or honor a loved one, family member or a friend by making a donation for a leaf on our **Tree of Life**. The tree is located on the south wall of the Narthex. Enrollment forms are available next to the Tree of Life or in the Parish Office. Forms can be returned in the collection basket, to the Parish Office or mailed. Please make checks payable to Church of the Incarnation with Tree of Life on the memo line.

*To everything there is a season and a time
for every purpose under heaven . . .*

“ . . . a time to be born . . . ”

“ . . . a time to be healed . . . ”

Dorothea Anthony, Luke Balsam, Meg Bojarski, Ginnie Boucher, Stanley Brezinski, Frank Brinkac, Marilyn Buck, Elaine Bunch, Rose Byrne, Jude Campbell, Baby Mitchell Carder, Nancy Chambers, Vivian Chasin, Jenny Balsam-Christensen, Rose Colasuonno, Delores Coia, Pat Cook, Christine Cormier, Simon Cory, Meliton Costilla, Cox Family, Joe Crowley, Laurie Cruz, John D'Costa, Evans DiSantis, Kay Dannals, Thomas Eaton, Nancy Floyd, Sandy France, Alice Anne Garrett, Richard Gargett, Harry Gebhardt, Matthew Grimes, Ben Guthrie, Ines Hernandez, Kelly Hibbs, Richard Hill, Joan & Randy Hobbs, Jean Holienka, Morgan Huff, Ray Jacquin, Richard Jansen, Michelle Johnson, Maureen Knabb, Tippiie Koenig, Helen Krespach, Tyler Lafferty, Alan Leidecker, John Llewellyn & John, Paul Lochli, Diane Lohrer, Jim Logan, MaryAnn March, Amy Martin, Helen Miska, Vito Maltese, Lena Mariotti, Carmen Martindale, Chris Maslyk, Sophia Marie McCandlish, Baby McKenna, Susan McKeowin, Msgr. Chester Micheal, Levi Miller, Ron Mohr, Vito Morlino, Candice Morris, Ed Morris, Melanie Dinh Morrison, Fr. Larry Mullaney, Emma Murray, Stanley Narkon, Joanne Niehaus, Jenny & Chris Nygren, Frank O'Leary, Kelly Owens, Patrick Paczkowski, Betty & Paul Peck, , Kathy Graf Pierce, Caryl Plunkett, Bob Pomeroy, Katie Prendergast, Leo Prosser, Anthony Puntasecca, Rachel Reilly, Irene Reynolds, Chris & Jadea Riener, James Robins, Theresa Ruddy, Josie & Patrick Russamano, Ernie Sardi, Jennifer & David Scheer, Jessica Schnittka, Patricia Schuster, Roger Scott, Bill Shea, Tom Shepherd, Naomi Sissons, Brenda Shortall, Matthew Sweeney, Jo Marie Tanzola, Betty Vargas, Pat Velikov, John Vlasis, Glenda Voelmeck, Jeanne Wagner, Ashlann Walter, Denise Washington, Lisa Weakley, Carole Wells, Rebecca West, Heather Wetzel, Marianne Zeigler

“ . . . a time to love . . . ”

“ . . . a time to die . . . ”

“ . . . and a time of peace . . . ”

Chris Brinkac, Christopher Horsfall,
Joshua Ostrowski, Mike Mueller

JUSTICE AND CHARITY MINISTRY

Sheila Herlihy: sheilah@incarnationparish.org

NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS

As you consider what your new year's resolution for 2014 might be, consider these words from Pope Francis: "I prefer a Church which is bruised, hurting and dirty because it has been out on the streets, rather than a Church which is unhealthy from being confined and from clinging to its own security." Let us go out and live the joy of the Gospel to which we are called!

NATIONAL MIGRATION WEEK AND MOVIE: The USCCB is celebrating National Migration Week from January 5-11. The theme this year is "Out of Darkness," recognizing that many migrants and immigrants live in a figurative darkness, with limited opportunities and views toward the future. This year, we will celebrate with a movie and prayer service (bilingual) on Friday, January 10. We will watch "One Border, One Body," which focuses on the tradition of a trans-national mass celebrated on the US/ Mexico border. Please come to learn more about this important and timely issue. Also, check out <http://usccb.org/about/migration-and-refugee-services/national-migration-week/> for more information.

FRANCISCAN EARTH CORPS: Are you a young adult? Are you interested in the environment? Well guess what? Franciscan Earth Corps is gearing up for a great year! We'd love to have you join us Tuesday, January 7, at 7:30pm in room 21 to discuss potential events for 2014. We know that we are called to stewardship of the earth, so let's explore some possibilities for living that.

BORDER IMMERSION TRIP: Are you curious about the realities of life for recent immigrants? Incarnation will send a delegation to El Paso, Texas, from February 17-22, where we will stay and work with the School Sisters of St. Francis. The week includes visits to social service agencies working with immigrants; sharing company and meals with immigrants in the area; visiting a center for detained children; talking with Border Patrol about the work they do and the challenges faced; spending a day in a *colonia* town in rural Texas; and a number of activities to help us explore this complex issue and consider how, as Catholics, we are called to "welcome the stranger among us," as the US Bishops say. We hope to have a final count for this trip by the end of THIS WEEK, so please discern if you are called to join us, and talk to Sheila with any questions.

HAITI TRIP: Several parishioners are going to Pandiassou, Haiti March 8-13. Contact Tom Houlihan (434-295-0723) or Sheila if you are interested in joining! We will visit the Little Brothers and Sisters of the Incarnation, our twinning community, and see the results of our community egg project.

PACEM SHOPPING PROGRAM: Our PACEM hosting in November was a huge success! This year, we are also participating in a shopping program for PACEM guests. This means we use the contributions to help guests get necessities like work boots or interview clothing. The individuals are referred by PACEM's social worker. This program can be a one-time event or a consistent part of your life. It gives the opportunity to establish personal bonds with the guests. If you are interested in participating, please contact Tom Eckman (295-3015) or Sheila Herlihy.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY: With the new year come more chances to get involved in building safe and decent homes for families in need! Our next Habitat build day will be January 18 (a Saturday) from 8:45 am to 3:00 pm. Please sign up on the sheets in the Narthex, or talk to Martha and John Horsfall (horsfalljm@comcast.net) with questions. We will need individuals to help with construction, lunches, and photography. If you can't make the January date, please consider signing up for February 15 or March 22. Help us keep building God's kingdom!

FOOD MINISTRY-ADOPT-A-FAMILY: Especially with Christmas and the New Year right around the corner, the food ministry is currently very tight on food. We welcome, as always, new donations. Thank you for your generosity! Also, if you have signed an Adopt-A-Family pledge, please bring that food item next week.

THANK YOU very much to our Incarnation Family for supporting Grandma Terry's Christmas Bakeshop again this year. We had donations from individual parishioners, the CCS middle school students, and a FIRE group. The collection of baked goods was packaged merrily, received by the JABA Food Bank Program, and delivered to the 71 seniors through 4 area senior centers. Thank you for being the hands of Jesus as we shared our gifts with our brothers and sisters. A special THANK YOU to Janel Sennewald for organizing this event!

YOUTH MINISTRY

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DIOCESAN YOUTH CONFERENCE: High school students join us Friday, March 14 through Sunday, March, 16 for the Diocese of Richmond's annual Diocesan Youth Conference. Hang out with thousands of Catholic teenagers from throughout Virginia for great talks, tons of ways to grow in your faith, and a ridiculous amount of fun. The cost is \$85 per person for the entire weekend if you RSVP by Sunday, January 19.



ANTIOCH: Feb. 14-16. Save the date: our annual high school Antioch retreat will be held Friday, February 14 through Sunday, February 16. If you are willing to share your house with a small group of teenagers as a sleep home, please contact Patrick.

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