



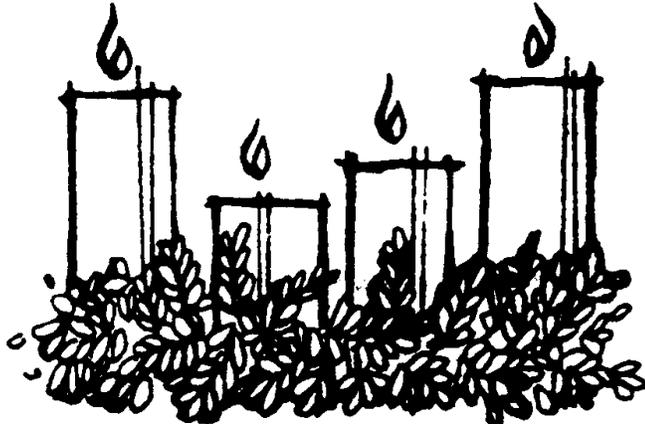
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Growing in Christ and Living Our Faith through Relationships



December 18, 2016 ~ Fourth Sunday of Advent

Readings: Isaiah 7:10-14 –Romans 1:1-7–Matthew 1:18-24

OFFICE HOURS: 8:30am–4:30pm Monday –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 & Thursday 7:00pm (Español)



Christmas Mass Schedule

No Nursery available Dec. 24 through January 1

Christmas Eve: Saturday, December 24, 5:00pm & 9:00pm

Midnight Mass (Spanish) begins at 11:30pm

Congregational Carols will be sung a half-hour prior to each Liturgy on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day.

Christmas Day: Sunday, December 25,
10:00am (English) & 12:30pm (Spanish)

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

Regular Weekend Liturgies: Saturday 5:30pm,

Sunday 9:00am & 11:30am, 1:30pm(Spanish), 4:30pm

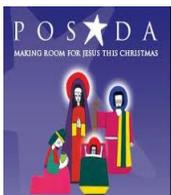
Solemnity of the Epiphany– Sunday, January 8

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 on Monday, January 9.



LAS POSADAS

December 16-24, 7:00pm
each evening in the PAC

A Mexican tradition of
“traveling with Mary & Joseph”

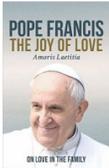
Concluding session on December 24
at 11:00pm in the Worship Center.



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

The Parish Office will be closed Friday, December 23 through Monday, January 2 and reopen Tuesday, January 3.

The Eucharist, although it is the fullness of sacramental life, is not a prize for the perfect but a powerful medicine and nourishment for the weak.
 --Pope Francis, The Joy of the Gospel #47



Our Holy Father Pope Francis published an Apostolic Exhortation titled **Amoris Laetitia** (The Joy of Love: On Love in the Family) on March 19, 2016, as his authoritative teaching following the 2015 World Synod of Bishops on the Family. Our parish is having a discussion group on this important instruction by Pope Francis. Our next meeting is **December 21**, 7:30-9:00pm in the Conference Room (note change from usual venue). The text that we are using is the edition published by The Word Among Us Press, which can be obtained at The Sycamore Tree. At our meeting on Dec.21, we will be discussing #81-92 of the document, using the discussion questions #6 and #1 found on pages 259-260. All are welcome. Facilitated by Father Gregory.

When Joseph awoke he did as the angel of the Lord directed him." Are you prayerfully vigilant about discovering your vocation in Christ? Might He be inviting you to the priesthood? Call Father Michael G. Boehling, Vicar for Vocations, at (804) 359-5661 or email mboehling@richmonddiocese.org.

DIRECTOR OF CHRISTIAN FORMATION

Patrick Drury: patrickd@incarnationparish.org

ANTIOCH SLEEP HOMES! Youth Ministry has made another change to our retreat schedule: because the Charlottesville Catholic School is so convenient and accommodating with their beautiful new facilities, we have decided to hold Antioch there as well. So we are in need of families to provide sleep homes March 17-19. If you are interested in hosting a small group of boys or girls for our retreat, or if you have any questions, please contact Patrick.

DIOCESAN YOUTH CONFERENCE (DYC): All 9-12 graders are invited the annual DYC in Richmond on Friday-Sunday, February 10-12. DYC is a super fun event with 1000 students from all over Virginia. There are great talks about our faith, opportunities to worship God, praise music, and lots of fun--full of Jesus and shenanigans. If you register by December 20, the cost is \$125. You can pay in full or a \$60 non-refundable deposit. After December 20, the cost rises to \$185.



PARISH WINTER READING: All adults in the parish are invited to read **Falling Upward** by Fr. Richard Rohr, a Franciscan priest and prolific author. "In this visionary work, Rohr writes about the duties of the first half of life and then charts the adventures of the second half of life where spiritual maturity is the goal. Life's first stage is to create a strong container for identity while the second stage is to fill that container with the content of our deepest and fullest self." *Sycamore Tree* has this book for purchase.



PLEASE CHECK THE PARISH WEBSITE OR VOICEMAIL
www.incarnationparish.org 434-973-4381
 for updates ~ cancellations ~ Parish Office closure

WORSHIP

Deacon Chris Morash: deaconchris@incarnationparish.org

MASS INTENTIONS: December 17-25		
Saturday	17: 5:30	Jerry Worley (Pat & Mike Crawford)
Sunday	18: 9:00	Edie Turner (Pat & Mike Crawford)
	11:30	Peter Strzepek (Strzepek Family)
	1:30	Missa Pro Populo
	4:30	Angela Mahoney (Cottrell Family)
Monday	19: 12:15	Antonia Orellana (Silvia Pellon)
Tuesday	20: 12:15	Floyd Neal (Tom & Nancy Strassburg)
Wed'day	21: 10:00*	Lauren Taddei (COTI)
Thursday	22: 12:15	Joseph Patalune (Barbara Schlanger)
Friday	23: 12:15	No Mass
Saturday	24: 5:00	Missa Pro Populo
	9:00	Missa Pro Populo
	11:30	Missa Pro Populo
Sunday	25: 10:00	Phil Slagle (Slagle Family)
	12:30	Missa Pro Populo

10:00am* Mass at the Laurels

*There will not be
 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on
 Thursday, December 29.*



CHRISTMAS

You probably know the song "The Twelve Days of Christmas." Even though a radio station once proclaimed the twelve days of Christmas as those before December 25, Christians have always kept Christmas as a season from December 25 until January 6 (the traditional Epiphany). The church calendar today even extends the celebration until the feast of the Baptism of the Lord – the Sunday after Epiphany (Note: In this liturgical year the Baptism of the Lord is on Monday, Jan.9).

Here is what the church says about the season of Christmas: "Next to the yearly celebration of the paschal mystery [meaning the Triduum and Easter season], the church holds most sacred the memorial of Christ's birth and early manifestations. This is the purpose of the Christmas season." (*General Norms for the Liturgical Year and the Calendar, #32*)

More than just "Jesus' birthday," the Christmas season is a time for remembering and reveling in the nativity of Christ, the revelation of Christ to the Jewish shepherds, the revelation Christ to the Gentile magi (that's us!), Christ's baptism by John in the Jordan, and Christ changing water into wine at the wedding "on the third day" (John 2:1) in Cana of Galilee. In all these saving events, we know that "the Word is made flesh and dwells among us."

How can we keep Christmas not just as a day, but as a season? Keep the tree up (and watered!) and shining bright until the Baptism of the Lord. Sing carols and read the scriptures every day. Safely put candles around your creche: Use small glass votive candle holders, and place them away from the straw. You might also want to add a little water to the bottom of the glass before putting the candle in – an added precaution that will also help you clean the glass more easily. When you light the candles, sing or say the prayer of the angels: Glory in heaven and peace on earth, now and forever. Amen!

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FINANCIAL RESOURCES

For the weekend of December 10/11

Weekly amount needed for budget	\$ 21,941.34
Offertory	\$ 10,478.78
Other Income	\$ 16,317.85
Total	\$ 26,796.63
Difference	+ \$ 4,855.29

*Based on FY 2016-17 budget of \$1,140,950.00

Offertory Envelopes distributed: 331 ~ Envelopes used: 142
Parishioners using Electronic Funds Transfer EFT: 90

NOTE: A detailed financial account will be published monthly.

Mass Attendance	Time	Attendees
	December 10/11	
	5:30pm	123
	9:00am	357
	11:30am	275
	1:30pm	365
	4:30pm	253
Total	1373	

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, Haiti Ministry and Maintenance Reserve Fund. Please note that checks need to be dated by December 31 to be reflected in the 2016 tax year. All donations are tax deductible to the fullest extent of the law.

CHRISTMAS SECOND COLLECTION

Throughout the Diocese, the second collection at Christmas will benefit the compassionate work of Commonwealth Catholic Charities (CCC). Your support will feed, clothe, and provide hope to our neighbors in need. Please contribute generously so that CCC can continue their life-changing work in Virginia. To learn more, go to cccovfa.org.

JOIN US FOR FOOD-FUN-FELLOWSHIP: Incarnation Night at BAJA BEAN on Tuesday, December 20, 5:00-7:30pm, across from Sam's Club. A portion of the proceeds help support our Parish! *Be certain to tell your waiter you're supporting Incarnation!*



EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES

AGING WITH GRACE & STYLE: By Dr. Mary Ann Massey, Saturday, January 7, 9:00am to 4:00pm at Shalom House Retreat Center, Montpelier, VA. Topics Covered: What's Next on the Journey. Our Spouse is Ill. The New 70s, 80s, 90s. Preparing for Our Future. Necessary Conversations to Have. Practical Matters & Straight Talk. The Gift of Letting Go. Reflections on the Aging Journey. Cost \$35 includes full day retreat and delicious lunch. Call 804-883-6149 to register. This retreat is limited to 40 registrations.

DIOCESAN JOBS: visit www.richmonddiocese.org/human. Click on "subscribe for job updates" to receive new notices.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY



The shawl serves as a mantle and sign of God's healing presence to strengthen someone who is weary, to ease their suffering and to comfort them when in pain or when they feel alone. The shawls are made with love by parishioners. Prayer shawls are available in the Parish Office. There is no cost for the shawl. Donations are accepted.

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.

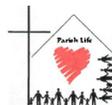


Charlottesville Catholic School ~ CCS

www.cvillecatholic.org 434-964-0400

ENROLLMENT: CCS is accepting applications for the 2017-18 school year. Contact Katrina Kuhn (434-964-0400 or k.kuhn@cvillecatholic.org) to learn more and schedule a tour. Visit: <http://cvillecatholic.org/admissions/> for applications.

Charlottesville Catholic School is a nationally recognized school offering pre-kindergarten through eighth grade. We are a regional Catholic School, serving the families of Charlottesville and the surrounding counties of Central Virginia. We value excellence in education, as evidenced by our standardized testing scores ranking among the highest in the country. We believe that nurturing Catholic values of faith and community, along with excellence in education, fosters character, leadership development, and citizenship.



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.

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

" . . . a time to be born . . . "

" . . . a time to be healed . . . "

James Armstrong, Ronald Balsam, Ann-Marie Balwinski, Meg Bojarski, Vicki Boyle, Leo Busch & Mary Jo Muir, Rose Byrne, Carla Campbell, Jude Campbell, Frances Charlie, Mary Glenn Carrington, Rose Colasuonno, Pat & Richard Cook, Ken Cottrell, Bonnie Crocker, Anna May Cutitta, Becca Dameron, Esther Davis, Harry DeLeijer, Sue DeMong, Evans DiSantis, Melani Dinh, John Dovel, Alice Dunbar, Teal Estrada, Nancy Floyd, Joe Frisina, Alan Fuszczewski, Jean Holienka, Eli Houston, Jerome Jareb, Teresa & Erik Kabo, Helen Krespach, Genevieve Krynitsky, Shirley Krizinofski, Tyler Lafferty, Alan Leidecker, Vito Maltese, Ivy Maupin & Family, Levi Miller, Jeff Mahoney, Kathy Milchus, Ronald Olowin, Henry Oswald Sr., John Packett, John Reynolds, Chris & Jadea Riener, James Robins, Robert Ross, Jennifer, David & Amelia Scheer, Roger Scott, Perry Sennewald, Tom & Lynn Shepherd, Fran Slayton, Betty Smoyleak, Maureen Spokes, Sandy Stevens, Debra Strzepek, Pat Stubbs, Nicholas Surat, Pat Velikov, Glenda Voelmeck, Bill Wilkes, Karen Will, Marianne Zeigler

" . . . a time to love . . . "

" . . . a time to die . . . "

Virginia Healey ~ Mother of Tom Healey

" . . . and a time of peace . . . "

Jessica Farrell, Ron Nolte, Joshua Ostrowski, Roberto Santamaria, David Waidelich, Joshua Wilson

JUSTICE AND CHARITY MINISTRY

Sheila Herlihy: sheila@incarnationparish.org

HAITI: As we were reminded last week, our parish's Haiti ministry is in need of donations to maintain our current level of giving to the Little Brothers and Little Sisters of the Incarnation. Please consider increasing your monthly giving, or starting a regular gift to Haiti.

JUSTICE CORNER: The church teaches that as Catholics, we are called to exercise both justice and charity. Charity is frequently a personal giving, and always addresses immediate needs. On the other hand, justice is frequently large-scale, and addresses the sources of problems. In that same situation, justice leads us to ask why the person does not have food. Justice leads to communal action, advocacy, and systemic change. Here at Incarnation, we enact justice through our work with IMPACT. Since both charity and justice are truly necessary and complementary, they are called the two feet of Catholic Social Thought. If you are interested in learning more, or in getting more involved in Justice and Charity work, please contact Sheila in the office!



FOOD MINISTRY: SATURDAY HELP NEEDED: Our food ministry is blessed to receive donations from many local businesses. We are expanding our pickups from Trader Joe's to be every Saturday morning. Please contact Sheila if you are interested in helping with these pickups. Usual time commitment is 10:00am to noon. We have a rotating schedule, so you can pick weekends in a month work best for you.

GREEN TEAM EnvironMINUTE: In this last week of Advent, many people are putting the finishing touches on their gifts. Maybe, instead of giving a gift in disposable wrapping paper, you can give it wrapped in recycled newspaper or a reusable shopping bag. This gives glory to God's gift of creation as well as the present inside!

FOOD MINISTRY: For our food ministry to function, we need people in a variety of roles. Currently, we are looking for help with cleanup after our Sunday distribution, which runs from about 12:30 to 1:30pm. If you are interested in this or any other aspect of the ministry, contact Sheila. If you'd rather donate material goods, we accept all food items in the basket in the Narthex, (along with paper bags). The item of the week is an easy way to add something small to your grocery list, and donate something that is very needed by our ministry. **This week's item is dried pinto beans or canned green beans.**

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY BUILD DAYS: No construction experience is necessary, and this is a great way to spend a Saturday living our faith and doing tangible work in the community. We also need people to photograph the event, and provide lunch. Upcoming dates are the third Saturday of even numbered months. Next Incarnation build day is February 18. Please check out sign up sheets in the Narthex for details and to put your name down!

"Jesus did not turn away from those in need, and neither can we. Whatever the need is, be it a family asking for food and shelter, a refugee seeking safety and opportunity, or a child yearning for a stable home life, Catholic Charities is there."

Most Rev. Francis X. DiLorenzo



Second Collection ~ Christmas Day

Your Second Collection offering will feed, clothe,

and provide hope to our neighbors in need this Christmas Season.

CCC serves our communities in four areas:

Children's Services - *We believe each child is unique and deserves to grow-up in a healthy, nurturing home.*

Housing Services - *We believe that individuals and families can achieve and maintain stable housing and meet their financial goals.*

Resettlement Services - *We believe in meeting the basic needs of refugees so that they can live free from oppression and fear.*

Counseling Services - *We believe in guiding people through difficult situations toward productive, happy lives.*

If you are interested in additional ways to be a part of CCC's mission, YOU CAN

Become a foster parent to kids and teens

Donate coats, blankets, and gloves to our homeless services programs

Become a refugee advocate in your local community

Donate diapers, wipes, and clothing for our baby closet

Refer someone struggling with addiction to our counseling program



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