



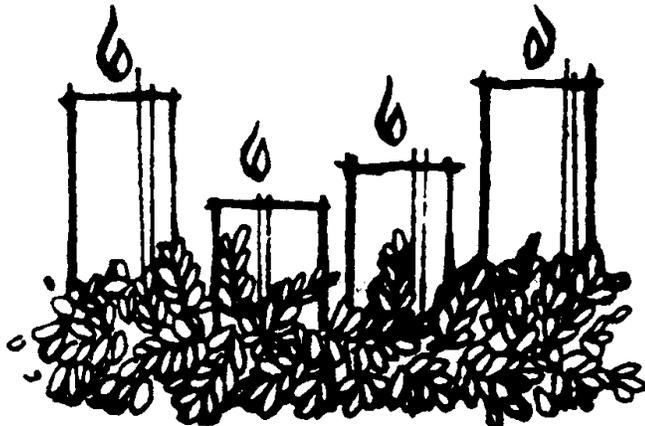
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## ***Growing in Christ and Living Our Faith through Relationships***



**December 23, 2018  
Fourth Sunday of Advent**

Readings: Micah 5:1-4a–Hebrews 10:5-10–Luke 1: 39-45

**OFFICE HOURS:** 8:30am–4:30pm Monday –Friday  
(Closed: 12:20–12:50pm daily)

**LITURGY SCHEDULE:**

Monday–Friday: Mass times on page 2

Friday: 7:30pm, Español

Saturday: 5:30pm

Sunday: 9:00am, 11:30am, 4:30pm – English  
1:30pm- Español

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:**

Saturday 4:30–5:00pm or by appointment

Sunday 12:45-1:15pm & Friday 8:30pm (Español)



### **Christmas Mass Schedule**

*No Nursery available Dec. 24 through January 1*

**Christmas Eve, Monday, December 24:** 5:00pm & 9:00pm (English)

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, Tuesday, December 25:**

10:00am (English), 12:30pm (Spanish)

**Feast of the Holy Family–Sunday, December 30**

Regular Weekend Liturgies: Saturday 5:30pm,

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

**Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God:**

(Holy day of Obligation)

Holy Day Vigil Mass: Monday, December 31, 5:30pm (English)

Tuesday, January 1

Mass: 10:00am English , 12:30pm Spanish

**Solemnity of the Epiphany– Sunday, January 6**

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 Sunday, January 13.*

In our world, ordained ministers and other pastoral workers can make present the fragrance of Christ's closeness and his personal gaze. The Church will have to initiate everyone – priests, religious, and laity—into this “art of accompaniment,” which teaches us to remove our sandals before the sacred ground of the other (cf. Exodus 3:5). The pace of this accompaniment must be steady and reassuring, reflecting our closeness and our compassionate gaze which also heals, liberates, and encourages growth in the Christian life.  
 --Pope Francis, *The Joy of the Gospel* #169

**The Parish Office will be closed  
 December 24 through January 1.**

The **Nursery will be closed** on December 30 and will reopen on January 6.



*There will not be  
 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on  
 Thursday, December 27.*



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



Many parishioners have asked how they can support **Ray & Betty Haas** as they journey through this difficult time navigating Betty's illness. Help with meals is something they would really appreciate. A well-timed meal delivered by a friend is one of the best gifts imaginable. If you would like to help in this way please go to [TakeThemAMeal.com](http://TakeThemAMeal.com). Under the "Find" tab type *Haas* and call the office for the password. If you need help signing up, or don't have a computer, please contact Mary in the Parish Office (434-973-4381).

**NEW PARISH DIRECTORY**

Church of the Incarnation Parish Directory  
 Photo sessions will be held on  
**January 12-13 & 19-20**  
 Sign-up in the Narthex!



**YOUTH MINISTRY**

Patrick Drury: [patrickd@incarnationparish.org](mailto:patrickd@incarnationparish.org)



**DIOCESAN YOUTH CONFERENCE  
 FEBRUARY 8-10**

Students in grades 8-12 are invited to join us Friday-Sunday, February 8-10 for the Diocese of Richmond's annual Diocesan Youth Conference in downtown Richmond. The weekend is an awesome experience of faith, growing closer to God, and having tons of fun with 1200 other students from throughout the state of Virginia. The cost is \$195 per person for the entire weekend, and you must register by Monday, January 7. The form can be found on the front page of our website. Contact Patrick with questions.



**PLEASE CHECK THE PARISH WEBSITE OR VOICEMAIL**

[www.incarnationparish.org](http://www.incarnationparish.org) 434-973-4381  
 for updates ~ cancellations ~ Parish Office closure

**WORSHIP**

Deacon Chris Morash: [deaconchris@incarnationparish.org](mailto:deaconchris@incarnationparish.org)

**MASS INTENTIONS: December 22-30**

Saturday	22:	5:30	Rose Albro (Karen & Jim Lansing)
Sunday	23:	9:00	Mary Nemeyer (Anne & Mike Nemeyer)
		11:30	Dana & Blanca Cook (Special Intention)
		1:30	Missa Pro Populo
		4:30	Donni & GERAL Long (Long Family)
Monday	24:	5:00	Josephine Lentini (Mary & Bill Balsam)
		9:00	Dorothy Jean Casey (David & Margaret Casey)
		11:30	Missa Pro Populo
Tuesday	25:	10:00	Phil Slage (Anonymous)
		12:30	Missa Pro Populo
Wed'day	26:	12:15	No Mass
Thursday	27:	12:15	No Mass
Friday	28:	12:15	No Mass
Saturday	29:	5:30	Kevin O'Leary (Mary O'Leary)
Sunday	30:	9:00	Paul & Angela Mahoney (Cottrell Family)
		11:30	Peter Strzepek (Strzepek Family)
		1:30	Missa Pro Populo
		4:30	John Golinski (Phil & Kathy Merlino)

**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 Sunday, January 13).

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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**BUSINESS MANAGER**

Izzy Menchero: [izzy@incarnationparish.org](mailto:izzy@incarnationparish.org)

**FINANCIAL RESOURCES**

**For the weekend of December 15/16**

Weekly amount needed for budget	\$ 23,371.00
Offertory	\$ 10,408.00
EFT Donations	\$ 0.00
Other Income	\$ 7,644.61
Total	\$ 18,052.61
<b>Difference</b>	<b>- \$ 5,318.39</b>

\*Based on FY 2018-19 budget of \$1,215,300.00

**Offertory Envelopes distributed: 352 ~ Envelopes used: 155**  
**Parishioners using Electronic Funds Transfer EFT: 154**

<u>Mass Attendance</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Attendees</u>
	5:30pm	151
	9:00am	383
	11:30am	309
	1:30pm	405
	4:30pm	170
<b>Total</b>	<b>1418</b>	

**CHRISTMAS SECOND COLLECTION:** will benefit the compassionate work of Commonwealth Catholic Charities.

*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 2018 tax year. All donations are tax deductible to the fullest extent of the law.*

**Sponsorship Opportunities**

We would like to thank parishioners and friends for their continued support to our parish. Because of your contributions of time, talent and treasure, we have been able to expand and support our wonderful ministries and improve our facilities.

As we look ahead to 2019, we have developed a list of projects and other needs, that at this time, we have not been able to include in our operating budget but deem necessary for the safety and improvement of our facilities.

**Projects and other needs**

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| 1. Connect our local fire alarm system to the Albemarle Fire Department station, as well as an emergency line to the Albemarle Police Department | \$2,500 |
| 2. New ice maker for the kitchen   | \$1,000 |
| 3. Cordless Vacuum cleaner for Worship Center  | \$750   |
| 4. Refrigerator/Freezer  | \$750   |
| 5. Refrigerator (Freezer less)   | \$1,100 |
| 6. Floor Buffer  | \$1,200 |
| 7. Replace folding chairs in Parish Hall   | \$2,200 |
| 8. Complete installation of LED lights in 10 classrooms  | \$4,500 |

For more information on these and other projects, please feel free to contact Izzy Menchero, Business Manager at 434-973-4381 or [izzy@incarnationparish.org](mailto:izzy@incarnationparish.org).



**A SPECIAL CHRISTMAS GIFT FOR YOU!** We all want to be happy, but there is a single lie that is preventing billions of people from experiencing lasting happiness—and many don't even realize it. When you come to Mass this Christmas, you'll receive a copy of the book *The Biggest Lie in the History of Christianity*. This special gift will empower you to overcome the lie so that you can experience more happiness than you ever thought possible.



**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, Richard Balsam, Ronald Balsam, Ann-Marie Balwinski, Meg Bojarski, Shauna Rose Boone, Diana Busch, Rose Byrne, Barbara Cage, Jude Campbell, Mary Glenn Carrington, Monica Chappell, Frances Charlie, Rose Colasuonno, Carol Collins, Richard Cook, Ken Cottrell, Jim Crocker, Esther Davis, Joe Davis, Agnes DeBellis, Harry DeLeyer, Sue DeMong, Harry Jack Delacey, Evans DiSantis, Melani Dinh, John Dovel, Joseph Druzba, Alice Dunbar, Teal Estrada, Deborah Fairbanks, Augie Feola, Nancy Floyd, Chuck Gagliano, Ntegukongirwa Gasper, Betty Haas, Joann Harrell, David Heath, Alice Hennigan, Randy Hobbs, Jean Holienka, Eli Houston, Atman Johnson, Mike Johnson, Christine Kaiser, Helen Krespach, Genevieve Krynitsky, John Kowalski, Tyler Lafferty, Mary Lederman, Terry Lilly, Diane Lohrer, Pat Lozano, Eric Magrum, Scarlett Makielski, Vito Maltese, Ivy Maupin & Family, Kathleen McManus, Levi Miller, Jeff Mahoney, Roger Mahlock, Kathy Milchus, Dennis & Janice Moler, Suzan Mauney, Jack & Donna Ostrowski, John & Sharon Packett, Michael Palczuk, Maria Patino, Enriqueta Perez, Maria Concepcion Perez, Brian Powell, Elizabeth Ratta, Mary Regan, Marie Reyman, John Reynolds, Chris & Jadea Riener, Joel Rivera, James Robins, Marie Robins, Robert Rockholt, Sherry Rose, Robert Ross, Ray Rush, Dave Russell, Jennifer, David & Amelia Scheer, Roger Scott, Perry Sennewald, Tom & Lynn Shepherd, Liam Simonzad, Fran Slayton, Betty Smoyleak, Liana Spring, Denise Sprou, Sr. Emmanuelle, Chuck & Jane Strauss, Sandy Stevens, Craig Stotz, Debra Strzepek, Pat Stubbs, Nicholas Surat, Cindi Tomblin, Pat Velikov, Yolanda Vlasis, Glenda Voelmeck, Karen Will, Liz Winston, John Yates, Marianne Zeigler, Kirsten Zeiss

*“ . . . a time to love . . . ”*

*“ . . . a time to die . . . ”*

*“ . . . and a time of peace . . . ”*

Emily A. Bessler, Millard Brown III, Peter Haught, Joshua Letteri, Joseph Musso, Joshua Ostrowski, Roberto Santamaria, David Waidelich, Joshua Wilson, Jacob Wood

**JUSTICE AND CHARITY MINISTRY**  
sheilah@incarnationparish.org

**ANGELIC THANKS!** Many thanks to all the parishioners who participated in the Angelic Gifts drive through Advent. Because of your generosity, we were able to make sure that over two hundred people received Christmas Gifts to celebrate Christ's coming. Thank you for being heralds of good news for these families!

**CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING GROUP:** We had a great reading group meeting last Monday. Feel free to join us at our next get together in the new year, as we get further into Gaudium et Spes. Most of us have a basic understanding of Catholic Teaching and what it means for our everyday life, but it is always good to explore in greater depth! Every other Monday at 7:00pm in the Library is your chance!

**FOOD MINISTRY:** For our food ministry to function, we need people in a variety of roles, especially helping with distribution of food on Sunday afternoons. If you are interested in this or any aspect of the ministry, contact Sheila in the office. If you'd rather donate material goods, we accept all food items in the basket in the Narthex, (along with grocery bags, paper and plastic). 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. **All throughout Advent, we will ask that you check out our list of "needed items" in the Narthex. Buy a few small items (or the whole list) every week to replenish our inventory in food ministry!**



**SHARE THE JOURNEY:** Remembering the migrant Holy Family, let's become a more welcoming community to all who come here from far away.

**JUSTICE CORNER:** Christmas is a time to work toward a better world, and think about the reality of Jesus' first coming. Jesus was an immigrant, a refugee, and a poor child, born to a family of laborers. He self identifies with "the least" of our brothers and sisters. Getting involved with Justice Ministry at Incarnation is one way to make sure that our community takes care of those who are marginalized, as Jesus was during his life on earth.

**Green Team's EnvironMINUTE:** "By virtue of Creation, and still more the Incarnation, nothing here below is profane for those who know how to see." Pierre Teilhard de Chardin reminds us that Jesus, in his birth, became a physical part of creation, thus granting even more dignity to all created things. Let us recognize that dignity by caring for God's creation.

**HABITAT FOR HUMANITY BUILD DAYS:** If you want to get involved with a build day (no construction experience necessary) the parish is providing a build crew on January 19, and March 16. Please check out sign up sheets in the Narthex for details and to put your name down! Also, if you want to find out about more opportunities to get involved with Habitat, such as their Kid Care team, reach out to Garret Trent (gtrent@cvillehabitat.org).

**PACEM Intake:** Another opportunity to help out with the work of PACEM is to participate in their intake process in the downstairs of the Haven. While the guests wait to board the buses, coffee, hot chocolate, and tea is offered from the kitchen area. This is a great introductory way to become involved with PACEM, especially for those with an initial trepidation about interacting with this population.



**POSADAS:** There is a tradition in Mexico commemorating the nine days leading up to Christmas by remembering the journey Mary and Joseph took to get to Bethlehem. In our parish, we've been celebrating the Posadas in the PAC every night, and will continue to do so until Christmas Eve. All are welcome for singing, praying, dinner, and fellowship together!

**CHRISTIAN FORMATION**

Maria Nootbaar: maria@incarnationparish.org

**SUNDAY MORNING** Christian Formation Merry Christmas! Classes will not meet on December 23 and December 30. We'll see you on January 6!

**INSTAGRAM AND FACEBOOK:** We are on Instagram @incarnationchristianformation! Follow us there and/or on Facebook for the most up-to-date information regarding RCIA, Christian formation opportunities and specifics for children and adults, and more!



**BULLETIN NEWS!**

Starting February 2019 our parish bulletin will be printed by Liturgical Publications, Inc. The bulletin will be 6 pages, tri-fold, and in color! It will feature one full page

for business and service ads. Parishioners and/or friends who wish to list their business in the bulletin should contact Izzy Menchero, Business Manger at 434-973-4381 or izzy@incarnationparish.org. For bulletin announcements, please continue to contact Mary Balsam, Administrative Assistant at maryr@incarnationparish.org. Please be advised that due to this new service, **bulletin announcements must be sent to the office 10 days in advance.**

An advertisement for State Farm insurance featuring the State Farm logo, contact information for Gary Albert, and a photo of Gary Albert. The text includes "Auto • Home • Life • Health • Bank", "434-296-1222", and "insurance@garyalbert.com".

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