FOR YOUR INFORMATION:

The Parish Nurses Say: When you vaccinate your child, you are not just protecting your child; you are also protecting other children your child meets. You should be aware that not vaccinating children could cause another major disease outbreak, such as measles or whooping cough. Please see the bulletin board for additional information.

The Parish Nurses thank everyone who donated school supplies and contributed their own time sorting supplies into the backpacks. Your help and time were greatly appreciated!

Peninsula Catholic High School is seeking a **Director of Enrollment**. The Director is responsible for critical recruitment and marketing strategies, enrollment projections, goals, budgets, policies, procedures and guidance for the Enrollment process. Please send cover letter, résumé, Diocesan application, (which can be found at www.richmonddiocese.org), and references to: Janine Franklin, jfranklin@peninsulacatholic.org. Peninsula Catholic High School, 600 Harpersville Rd., Newport News, VA 23601. Application deadline is September 6, 2019 or until the position is filled.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter: Allow Jesus to transform your marriage and show you how to truly love your spouse by attending the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend on Sept 20-22, 2019 in Charlotte, NC or Sept 20-22, 2019 in Herndon, VA. Early sign up is recommended. For more information visit our website at: https://renewmarriage-vasouth.org/.

MIRACLE WINGS OF HOPE: Miracle Wings of Hope, a support group for parents of special needs individuals, and their family and friends are invited to our covered dish luncheon September 15th at 1:00 at The Columbian Center on Nettles Drive in Newport News. We meet in Founder's Hall, the white brick building at the back of the parking lot by the picnic area. We will start off the year by sharing our concerns, hopes, and dreams, and then endeavoring to make those dreams become a reality. Those interested in fostering this endeavor, please come. Games are planned for the children. Please bring a covered dish to share and beverages for your family. For more information please contact: Kathy, kgar1001@gmail.com or Anne Winkworth, awinkworth@verizon.net.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR SEPTEMBER 3 - 8, 2019

Sept 3, Tuesday		Anthony Serrano ✝
Sept 4, Wednesday		Maria Paz Ngo ✝
Sept 5, Thursday		Emerenciana & Tomas Asuncion, Sr. ✝
Sept 6, Friday		John Webster Kerstetter ✝
Sept 7, Saturday		Michael Marr ✝
Sept 8, Sunday	7:00	Dorothy Olmsted ✝
	9:00	Charles Donaldson ✝
	12:00	Catalina Sy Gan ✝

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READINGS FOR SEPTEMBER 2 - 8, 2019

Sept 2, Monday	1 THES 4:13-18, PS 96:1, 3-5, 11-13, LK 4:16-30
Sept 3, Tuesday	1 THES 5:1-6, 9-11, PS 27:1, 4, 13-14, LK 4:31-37
Sept 4, Wednesday	COL 1:1-8, PS52:10-11, LK 4:38-44
Sept 5, Thursday	COL 1:9-14, PS 98:2-6, LK 5:1-11
Sept 6, Friday	COL 1:15-20, PS 100:1-5, LK 5:33-39
Sept 7, Saturday	COL 1:21-23, PS 54:3-4, 6, 8, LK 6:1-5
Sept 8, Sunday	WIS 9:13-18B, PS 90:3-6, 12-17, PHMN 9-10, 12-17, LK 14:25-33

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UPCOMING EVENTS FOR SEPTEMBER 2 - 8, 2019

Sept 2, Monday	**Labor Day Holiday** **Office Closed**
Sept 3, Tuesday	St. Monica Warriors Prayer 7:00 pm
Sept 5, Thursday	Adoration 8:30 am Virtus Training 6:00 pm Benediction 7:00 pm
Sept 6, Friday	Mass/St. Francis 11:00 am
Sept 7, Saturday	Coffee/Snack after Mass Wedding/Mary O'Brien & Christopher Ward
Sept 8, Sunday	Coffee/Snack after Mass All Masses National Grandparents Day Religious Education/Open House 10:15 am Carmelites Group 11:45 am

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Please remember in your prayers the soul of **Guadalupe Manguera**, a parishioner's aunt. *May the angels lead you into paradise; may the martyrs come to welcome you and take you to Holy City, the new and eternal Jerusalem.*

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In observation of Labor Day the Parish Office will be closed Monday, September 2, 2019

CHURCH:

Eucharistic Adoration: Our Lord is waiting to spend one hour with you each first Thursday every month. With our monthly adorers having returned to their summer homes, we have many Hours in the Adoration Chapel left uncovered. Please consider giving Jesus one hour a month. We all have reasons that we cannot make our Holy Hour (company, appointments, vacations, and etc.); all you have to do is email or call us, and we will find coverage for you. For more information please contact Karen Hornstein at 757-872-9519. Our next Adoration will be held this coming Thursday, September 5th after the 8:00am Mass and will be closing with the Benediction at 7:00pm.

Please join us for the **2,000 HAIL MARY** in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel on Friday, September 6th from 9:00am to 4:00pm. Those who cannot come to St. Jerome Blessed Sacrament Chapel may recite the 100 Hail Mary's from their own home for their own intentions. Thank you for supporting this ministry.

Increased Offertory Campaign In the weeks ahead, you will be reading more about a new Increased Offertory Program taking place at our parish. This program is an opportunity for all of us to address the most pressing needs in our parish through increased giving. Our hope is to increase our weekly collection by at least 10%. Families will receive an Announcement Letter from Fr. George about the program in the mail this week.
Each week, space in the bulletin will be devoted to reminders and important announcements concerning the Increased Offertory Program. Please be on the lookout for more information about this exciting opportunity.
Proverbs 3:9 "*Honor the Lord with your wealth, with the first fruits of all your produce."*

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: There will be training for those interested in becoming Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, on Saturday September 14 at 10:00 am at the Church. Please prayerfully consider serving on this ministry. We are in desperate need of ministers at the 5:00pm Mass on Saturday and Sunday at the 7:00 am and 12noon Masses. Please contact Debbie Moore at 757-874-4323 to register for the training and if you have any questions.

Welcome Home Catholics you may have family members or friends who wandered away from their Catholic faith. Please invite them back to join you at Mass and explore the RCIA Class, "Catholicism" with Bishop Robert Barron, starting Sunday, September 15th at 10:15 am., in the Faith and Life Center.

Coffee and Snack weekend Saturday-Sunday, September 7th-8th after all the Masses. Please bring your favorite snack to share. All are invited! Parishioner Registration will be in conjunction with the Coffee and Snack Social. Pastoral Council Members will be available in the Fellowship Hall wearing green name tags to assist anyone who would like to register.

CHRISTIAN FORMATION:

Summer is almost over and **Christian Formation Sunday School classes** are gearing up to go!! Many fabulous programs available to help you and your family continue to grow and strengthen your relationship with Jesus and His Church. Stop by the table in the foyer area and pick up a schedule, sign up for a class and join the adventure! This year's theme is "We wanna be Saints!" and will focus on the saints in our past and our present.

Interested in learning more about the Catholic faith? Want to receive the sacraments but don't know where to start? Well now is the time! **Classes (RCIA)** are beginning in September and you are welcome to join. Stop by the table in the foyer of the church and learn more. Email margie@stjeromennva.org for more information.

The nursery will be staffed by volunteers beginning in September. If you are a parent that would like to utilize the nursery, please call the office to register for **VIRTUS** on 5 September at 6pm in the Faith and Life Center. Questions? Call the office at 757-877- 5021 or contact margie@stjeromennva.org.

STJ is excited to offer **(ESL) English as a Second Language class** during the Sunday school time – 10:15 – 11:45am. If you know someone that would benefit from attending this class, please stop by the table in the foyer and pick up the sign up information. All are invited to attend!

The Richmond Diocese is planning many events to celebrate the Bicentennial. The first event is a **pilgrimage led by Bishop Knestout** on October 12 to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in DC. Bus transportation is being planned and registration is required. Stop by the table in the foyer and sign up today for a spot on the bus. Call the office for more information.

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BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS:

On Sunday, September 22, a Baptism Preparation Class will be held at 10:30 a.m. on the second floor in classroom, #10.If you are expecting, we encourage you and your spouse to attend this session. **Godparents are welcome to attend!** Baptism date and time will be discussed during the class. Please RSVP to Edith, (757) 877-5021, if you are planning to attend.