BASILICA OF

SAINT MARY

OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Mother Church of Catholicism in Hampton Roads and Designated Holy Door Site

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Parish Staff
Pastoral Associate
Mrs. Oretha B. Pretlow
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Ms. Nicole Drummond
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Mrs. Barbara Wright
Christian Formation Coordinator
Mr. Frank Scott
Director of Liturgical Music
Mr. Sannie L. Logan, Jr.
Youth Minister
Ricardo Dee Givens
Sustainable Ministry
Food Pantry/Soup Kitchen
Ms. Ercelle Drayton
Resource Minister
Ms. Angela Harris
Church Sexton
Mr. Luther Adams, Jr.
Bookkeeper
Ms. Phyllis Gary
Development Director
Mr. Lyndon Berry

Mass Schedule
Saturday Vigil
5:00 pm

Sundays
9:00 am and 12:00 Noon
Tuesday-Friday
12:10 pm
Holy Days
12:00 pm & 7:00 pm

Religious Education
Sundays
September through May
10:45 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturdays
4:15 pm or by appointment

Marriage
Contact priest 6 months prior to proposed wedding date.

Ministry to Sick
and Homebound
Please contact Church Office to arrange for communion, anointing of the sick or when someone is ill, in the hospital, or in need in any way.

Baptism
Parents who present children to be baptized are expected to be registered members of the parish for 6 months. Parents must attend a baptismal preparation session prior to baptism 3rd Saturday of the month. Please contact the Church Office.

 Interested in the
Catholic Faith?
The RCIA process is for you. Please contact the Church Office.

Mission Statement
The Basilica of St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception is the only African-American Basilica in the United States and the cornerstone of Catholicism in Tidewater. Our mission is to proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ to all people, regardless of race, language or culture. Nourished by the Eucharist, we seek to accomplish this by drawing on our rich African-American heritage of Spirit-filled worship, Christ-centered service, and fellowship that recalls our common Father.

This is our call. This is our mission.

Founded in 1791 • Erected in 1858 • Became a Minor Basilica in 1991
**WEEKLY READINGS**

**MONDAY**
Saint Jane Frances de Chantal, Religious  
Dt 10:12-22 Ps 147:12-15, 19-20 Mt 17:22-27

**TUESDAY**
Saints Pontian, Pope, and Hippolytus, Priests, Martyrs  
Dt 31:1-8 (Ps) Dt 32:3-4b, 7-9, 12 Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14

**WEDNESDAY**
Saint Maximilian Kolbe, Priest, Martyr  
Dt 34:1-12 Ps 66:1-3a, 5, 8, 16-17 Mt 18:15-20

**THURSDAY-HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION**
THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY  
Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab Ps 45:10bc, 11-12ab, 16 1 Cor 15:20-27 Lk 1:39-56

**FRIDAY**
Saint Stephen of Hungary  

**SATURDAY**
Jos 24:14-29 Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-8, 11 Mt 19:13-15

**20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME** (Gr)  
Jer 38:4-6, 8-10 Ps 40:2-4, 18 Heb 12:1-4 Lk 12:49-53

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**PASTORAL CARE**

Send a card, make a call, visit and always pray for our brothers and sisters in faith who are ill, including...

**SICK & HOMEBOUND:** Bernie Angeles, Clarence Banks, Jr., Shirley Bailey, Annie Belardo, Daniel A. Brown, Lois Brown, Barbara Bryant, Francine Bryant, Marion Bullock, Charles Cabarras, Brenda Cannon, Margaret Church, Matthew Cherry, Gloria Coleman, Vincent C. Eason, Jr., Agna Estaris, Wayne Geddis, Etisha Goode, Thado Greene, Sharon Haynes, Shirley Jasper, Martha Jones, Skip Jones, Helen Brown Lester, William Mann, Emma Mills, Antonell McGlone, Eric Murphy, Pauline Nash, Vincent “Bubba” Newby, Kenswil Paige, Alexis Perry, Dr. H. Mark Richards, Dorothy Sharp, Faye Shaw, John Ward, Jessie Winfield, Rosie Woodis

**Friends of the Basilica:** Albert Aquino, Bertha Adams, Sandra Brooks- Green, Ezra Brown (RaVae Goodwyn’s Father), Kenneth Balbuena, Lucretia Brown, Elvona Cherry, Sue Chen & Family, Brinston Collins, Jean-Claude Condime, David Dixon, Melissa Gray, Wanda Gunnoe, Kathy Hickey, Joseph Jackson, Michael Jenkins, Linda Johnson, Robert “Bobby” Johnson, Freddie Johnson, Katie Jones, Christine Jordan, Stephanie Smith, Tawanda Kellent-Tate, , Doris Wade, Sylvia Madison, Therace Meehan, Chassidy Moore, Bernadette McClain, Patie Neunz, Cheryl Owens, John Rogers, Brenda Speller, Deborah Vaughan, Alice Volz, Karen Woodbury

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**IN MEMORIUM . . .**

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**THANK YOU....** Volunteers are needed at the Basilica’s Food Pantry on Tuesday between 12 noon and 3 pm to bag grocery items. All interested please come to the Soup Kitchen at the above time.

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**USDA Distribution Mondays: 9:30am-11:30am**

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**NURSING HOME/REHAB:**  
**Norris Phillips,** Georgian Manor, River Walk  
**Emily Ponton,** Elizabeth Allen Crump Rehab, Glen Allen, VA, Rm 12B  
**Kema Rodgers,** Sentara Rehab Newtown

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**TO PLACE NAMES ON THE PRAYER LIST:**  
Call the Church Office, 757-622-4487

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**TO RECEIVE HOLY COMMUNION AT HOME:**  
Contact the Pastoral Care Team:  
**Tom Bomar,** 757 -461 -10 53 or 757-692-8347  
**Cindy Williams,** 757 -849-9298
**St. Mary’s Cemetery Summer Special**

All Crypts in our beautiful Chapel Mausoleum are being offered at 30% off list price thru the end of summer. Save thousands of dollars with this offer before it expires. Please call Mark Leporatti, Family service Advisor, to set up a cemetery tour 757-627-2874. Expires September 30, 2019.

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**The Basilica’s Prayer Group**

meets every Tuesday at 6pm in St. Joseph Chapel.
All are welcomed.
For more information or to submit Prayer Request please Contact Barbara Sears at (757)775-1853 OR Sandra Jarvis at (757) 589-3797

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**Ministry of Consolation**

The Ministry of Consolation is here to serve parishioners, their family members, and friends who have experienced a loss. We provide an opportunity for you to share your grief in a caring and confidential environment without scrutiny or judgment. Please reach out to this ministry if you or someone you know is in need of prayer or an opportunity to meet with the group to share their loss.
If you’d like the ministry to reach out to someone you know, please contact:
Linda Cooke at (757) 622-0237 or Alma Brown at (757) 488-5807

Meetings are held the last Saturday of each month at the Church Office at 3:00 p.m.

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**The Building and Grounds Committee**

Needs help from any ministry or committee in maintaining litter-free Church Parking Lots. Text Keith Hunter at 757-470-2522 for further information.

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**Catholic Daughters of Americas Court of the Holy Spirit #2145** are sponsoring a trip to the Museum of the Bible, 400 4th St. SW, Washington, DC on October 26, 2019. Hound Dog Bus service will pick up 5:00a, at Hardees on the corner of Virginia Beach Blvd. and Glenrock Road. Norfolk, VA near Military Circle. We will leave Hardees at 5:15am. The bus will arrive at the museum at 10am and depart for home at 4pm. Cost of the trip is $75.00, includes admission to the museum. The trip must be paid in full by Sunday October 6, 2019.

**Contact Persons:** Connie Smith 757-552-0466 Bevalon Scott 757-403-2073
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Vineyard of the LORD: "You too go into my vineyard." (Mt 20:4)

Pastoral Parish Council
The Parish Pastoral Council serves as the consultative body for the Parish and provides counsel to the rector and lay administration; helps to envision, establish, plan, and monitor the mission and activities of the Parish. Members of the Council include the Rector, Deacon, Pastoral Associate and 10 persons elected by the Parish. The Parish Pastoral Council meets the second Tuesday of every month at 6:30pm on the 2nd floor of the Academy in room 202. If you have any questions, comments or concerns please send an email to: parishcouncil@bsmic.org.

Members
Mr. James Gray-Chair……………….. jgray34@cox.net
Mr. JC Gardner-Co Chair……………… aig0905@yahoo.com
Mrs. Dana Dixon-Sec…….………… Danawilliams412@gmail.com
Mrs. Harriet Brown……………….………… akagolden57@gmail.com
Mrs. Sarah Williams……………….. swatsonw@verizon.net
Mrs. ReVae Goodwyn
Mrs. Latarisha Beamon
Mrs. Melvina Herbert……………….. iher2575@aol.com
Mr. Robert Hewitt, Jr……………….. robhew@cox.net
Mr. Carlton Sample………………… carlsonsample@yahoo.com
The next meeting will be held on July 9, 2019 at 6:30pm. All meetings are open to the parishioners.

Finance Council
The Financial Council meets monthly to review collections, expenses, income and the budget of the Parish. Once a year, Council members review the investments of the Parish. The Rector appoints members:

Members
Mr. Arcino Quiero, Jr.-Chair
Mr. John Butler
Mrs. Michele Chesley
Mr. Eric Labat

Pastoral Plan Governing Committee (PPGC)
The role of the PPGC is to provide a forum to set strategic direction and resolve conflicting views, assist with resolutions or responses issues and risks, influence project execution by managing change in direction and provide final signoff on project acceptance.

Members
Eric K. Brown - Chair
Deacon Calvin Bailey
Arcino Quiero, Jr. - Finance Council
Oretha Pretlow - Pastoral Associate
Lyndon Berry - Development Director
Luther Adams
Nicolette Drummond
Ricardo Givens
Deborah Lamb
Michelle Maull
Barbara Wright

Attention:
All Married and Engaged Couples:
Please join the Basilica Marriage Fellowship Ministry for our "Summer Love Cookout Take Two" on Saturday, August 17, 2019 at 6:30 PM. Our speakers will be William and Carolyn Tatem from Washington DC They will speak on "How to Keep Romance In Our Marriage". Carolyn is a published author; her books will be available for sale.

We will meet at 150 Pine Hollow Rd, Norfolk Virginia. Please bring a side dish to share. Please RSVP by Monday August 12, 2019 to one of the following couples:
Kelsey and Dana Dixon at 757-544-0269
JP and Darnell Fulton at 757-461-2989
Anton and Cerise White at 757-289-1441
Jim and Sarah Williams at 757-450-0971

Hope to see you there! Adults only.

Dear Basilica Family,

The family of the late Wendell "Chris " Paige wishes to thank you, our church family for your support in our bereavement.
When our brother died, each of us experienced a darkness and devastating loss that left us with an immense pain. We thank God for this wonderful family called Church.
The staff and ministry took the whole process as its own and made sure our brother's life was truly celebrated.
We thank Father Jim Curran for the strong, uplifting, spirit filled homily, Mrs. Oretha Pretlow who organized the funeral program, our Deacon Calvin Baily, and Mr. Luther Adams Jr., our church Sexton.
There is no sufficient amount of words that could equal the generosity of our Parish.
To all who sent cards, flowers, and kind expressions of sympathy, we appreciate and thank you.
Continue to keep us in your prayers as we heal and recover.
God Bless You,
The Paige Family
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Basilica of St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception
Sponsor
Trip to Gullah Tours Charleston, South Carolina
October 8th and 9th 2019

ATTENTION TO ALL SENIORS 65 & UP

Don’t pass up on this opportunity to receive a personal Gullah Tour by one of South Carolina’s favorite sons: Alphonso Brown, a native of Saint Thomas, South Carolina, a rural community of Charleston, and is fluent in the Gullah language and familiar with many of the Gullah customs.

Two days of fellowship, shopping, a personal Gullah Tour and the rich black history of Charleston.

-TOTAL COST INCLUDE-

- Double Room / $190.00 (per person)
- Single Room / $334.00
- Transportation / Coach Blizzard Tour
- Dinner / included/ Location TBA
- Hotel / Springhill Suites Charleston Downtown/Riverview / Breakfast is included
- Tour Guide / Mr. Alphonso Brown

MANDATORY DEPOSIT BY SEPTEMBER 9TH

- Double Room / $ 95.00 (per person)
- Single Room / $177.50

All final payments due by October 1, 2019

All checks made out to Basilica of St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception

For further questions please contact Ricardo Givens / 757-567-5865 or ricardogivens@gmail.com

2019 FAMILY & FRIENDS COOKOUT

Sunday, September 8, 2019
2pm-6pm Barraud Park

R.S.V.P after all weekend Masses for your chance to win the grand prize