BASILICA OF
SAINT MARY
OF THE IMMACULATE CONCESSION
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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Mr. Frank Scott
Director of Liturgical Music
Mr. Sammie 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.

Ministry of Consolation
meets on the last Saturday of each month in St. Joseph’s Chapel at 3:00 pm. If this is your time of grief and pain because of the loss of a loved one, this ministry encourages you to join us at a meeting where you will meet others who have suffered a loss.

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
21st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
“Strive to enter through the narrow gate”
August 25, 2019

WEEKLY READINGS

MONDAY
1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10 Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b Mt 23:13-22

TUESDAY
Saint Monica
1 Thes 2:1-8 Ps 139:1-3, 4-6 Mt 23:23-26

WEDNESDAY
Saint Augustine, Bishop, Doctor of the Church
1 Thes 2:9-13 Ps 139:7-12b Mt 23:27-32

THURSDAY
The Passion of Saint John the Baptist
1 Thes 3:7-13 Ps 90:3-5a, 12-14, 17 Mk 6:17-29

FRIDAY
1 Thes 4:1-8 Ps 97:1, 2b, 5-6, 10-12 Mt 25:1-13

SATURDAY
1 Thes 4:9-11 Ps 98:1, 7-9 Mt 25:14-30

22nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Gr)
Sir 3:17-18,20,28-29 Ps 68:4-7, 10-11 Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a
Lk 14:1, 7-14

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, James Dixon, 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. M. Richards, Dorothy Sharp, Faye Shaw, John Ward, Jessie Winfield, Rosie Woodis


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

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

TO RECEIVE HOLY COMMUNION AT HOME:
Contact the Pastoral Care Team:
Tom Bomar, 757-461-1053 or 757-692-8347
Cindy Williams, 757-849-9298

IN MEMORIUM . . .

Frances McCadden
Mother of Will McCadden
Phyllis Fuller
Friend of Cindy Williams
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

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.

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.

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

The Ladies of Peter Claver, Court #279
Want to Thank Everyone for their Support in their recent Raffle

And the Winners are...

$1000.00 – Elvira Taylor-Allen
$500.00 – Priscilla Lee
$300.00 – Barbara Wright

 thanks for the support
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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
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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
Nicole Drummond
Ricardo Givens
Deborah Lamb
Michelle Maull
Barbara Wright

Register Your Child for Religious Education
Sunday School
Registration for the 2019-2020 Religious Education School year will be held August 18 thru September 15 in the Parish Breezeway after each Mass on Sunday.
You can also register online via the Parish website, http://www.basilicaofsaintmary.org, by accessing Links and selecting Religious Education Registration.
You can also pay the registration fee online by selecting the Pay Your Fees link at the bottom of the registration page.
The Religious Education Coordinator will confirm your registration via an email.
Your child must be registered to ensure proper attendance during the catechetical year.

Just Engagement:
The Power to Change

Through the lens of the Christian faith, Just Engagement is an eight-week module that invites you to look at different ways to engage in your own grassroots advocacy efforts.
In small group you will discern how your gifts, skills and passions are best utilized to create social change.
This program includes grounding in Scripture, reflection on past and present social movements, wisdom from community advocates, tools for successful advocacy, and resources to support you and your group for the long haul as you actively impact social change.

Sessions will be held on Thursday evenings, 6-8:00, at The Basilica of Saint Mary of the Immaculate Conception and begin on September 12. For questions and registration, contact Elva Stukes at (757) 204-5579 or email at the_power_of_change@gmail.com.
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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 favorite son’s. Alphonso Brown, is a native of Rantosol, 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 / $ 354.00

- Transportation / Coach Blizzar 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 / $ 55.00 (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

Family and Friends T-shirts will be available for pick up on Saturday, August 31, 2019 and Sunday, September 1, 2019.

Sunday, September 8, 2019
2pm-6pm Barraud Park
2540 Barraud Ave
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