

WEEKLY READINGS

MONDAY

Saint Raymond of Penyafort,
Priest

1 Jn 3:22—4:6 Ps 2:7b-8, 10-12a
Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

TUESDAY

Christmas Weekday

1 Jn 4:7-10 Ps 72:1-4, 7-8
Mk 6:34-44

WEDNESDAY

Christmas Weekday

1 Jn 4:11-18 Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13
Mk 6:45-52

THURSDAY

Christmas Weekday

1 Jn 4:19—5:4 Ps 72:1-2, 14, 15bc,
17 Lk 4:14-22a

FRIDAY

Christmas Weekday

1 Jn 5:5-13 Ps 147:12-15, 19-20 Lk
5:12-16

SATURDAY

Christmas Weekday

1 Jn 5:14-21 Ps 149:1-6a, 9b Jn
3:22-30

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

Color: **WHITE**

Is 42:1-4, 6-7 Ps 29:1a, 2, 3ac-4,
3b, 9b-10 Acts 10:34-38 Lk 3:15-
16, 21-22

Basilica of St. Mary of the
Immaculate Conception

232 Chapel St.- Norfolk, VA 23504

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

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

Come on Church Family, let us know what is going on in your Ministry. Send us your announcements for the Parish Bulletin. Please submit print ready announcements for next week's Bulletin by Monday. **Please email to bulletin@bsmic.org**

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:

Clarence Banks, Jr., Shirley Bailey, Annie Belardo, Daniel A. Brown, Barbara Bryant, Francine Bryant, Marion Bullock, Charles Cabarras, Brenda Cannon, Margaret Church, Matthew Cherry, Gloria Coleman, Vincent C. Eason, Jr., Agna Estaris, Etisha Goode, Thado Greene, Sharon Haynes, Shirley Jasper, Martha Jones, Skip Jones, William Mann, Emma Mills, Wardell Mills, Antonell McGlone, Harvey Nash, Pauline Nash, Vincent "Bubba" Newby, Kenswil Paige, Wendell Paige, Evelyn Proctor, Dr. H. Mark Richards, Dorothy Sharp, Faye Shaw, Valerie Smith, Linda Trotter, Blessing Washington, John Ward, Esther Whitley, Jessie Winfield, Charles Williams, Rosie Woodis

Friends of the Basilica:

Albert Aquino, Bertha Adams, Sandra Brooks-Green, Ezra Brown (RaVae Goodwyn's Father), Kenneth Balbuena, Lucretia Brown, Rebecca Clark, Jean-Claude Condimine, Lamar Cuffee, Nick Edwards, Joseph Jackson, Michael Jenkins, Freddie Johnson, Christine Jordan, Wanda Gunnoe, Doris Wade, Therace Meehan, Chassidy Moore, Bernadette McClain, Wardell Mills, Patie Neunz, Brenda Speller, Robin Ward, Linwood Washington, Jr., Karen Woodbury, Milan Young, Alice Volz

NURSING HOME/REHAB:

Katherine Morris, Greenbrier Regional Medical Center, Rm 301

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 -10 53 or 757-692-8347

Cindy Williams, 757 -849-9298

Resisting Happiness



Do you often start Lent with the best intentions, to observe it better than you have in the past? What will you give up? What will you add? Be it observing the fast rituals, attending Mass more frequently, spending more time in prayer, actually completing a needed project at home, or becoming the best daughter, parent, co-worker..... To make Lent more prayerful and dynamic why not do some work ahead of time so that Lent can help you to become the best version of yourself. This is the meaning of happiness. Catholic thinkers throughout history understood happiness as related to a moral life, the love of God and neighbor that Christ commands in the four gospels. St. Augustine assumes in his many discussions that God alone can fulfill the restlessness and longing that marks all human persons.

We will use Matthew Kelly's book, "**Resisting Happiness**", as the basis for a personal moral inventory. A series of adult formation sessions will be held on Tuesday mornings from 10:00 am to 11:30 am and on Wednesday evenings from 7:00pm to 8:30 pm to aid in empowering you to become your best self. Small groups may read and discuss the book together at a time and location of their choice.

Books will be available after the Masses during the Christmas Season. We are asking for a donation of at least \$2 per book.

SEEKING THE LOST



Take a few minutes in church and look around you. Who is missing? Is it one of your family members? Is it someone who use to sit near you during the mass or someone who served with you in ministry? Do they only come back for Christmas, Easter or a major family gathering?

The gospels tell us that God rejoices when one who was lost is found and returned to the fold. In the parables of the Lost Sheep, the Lost Coin and the Prodigal Son, that which was lost is of tremendous value and must be found and reclaimed. All three parables speak of restoration of lost relationships.

On Wednesday, January 16, 2019 at 7pm an adult faith formation session will be held to begin a discussion about reclaiming our missing church members. We are called in do our part in bringing them back into relationship with our parish community. The Evangelization Team invites you to prayerfully reflect on this mandate. Let's talk about what we can do.

Basilica of St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception | Sunday, January 6, 2019

"They prostrated themselves and did him homage"

Tickets on sale Now!!!

**Ticket Cost: \$25 before January 7th, \$35 after
Basilica of St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception**

4th Annual Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Prayer Breakfast

Saturday, January 19, 2019

8:00am-9:00am Coffee, Tea, Danishes

9:00am-11:00am Program

St. Patrick Catholic School Dining Hall Norfolk, VA

Guest Speaker: Monsignor Eddie Tolentino,

Pastor, St. Michael the Archangel Catholic Church

Silver Spring, MD

Tickets available from

any KPC Member or Sunday between Masses.

For additional information:

Elvin S. Taylor, Jr. (757) 724-3922

Eric Labat (757) 676-9767



Call for the

2018 Leonard Barks, Sr. Scholarship

Attention Students attending Catholic School K-12!

The Leonard Barks, Sr. Scholarship Fund was established by the Barks Family in 2007, in honor and memory of their father. It is facilitated by the Knights of Peter Claver, Council #279, Norfolk, Virginia.

Applications are due January 7, 2018. Recipients will be presented scholarships at the 4th Annual Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Prayer Breakfast on January 19, 2019.

For additional information and an application, contact:

Eric Labat at (757) 676-9767

or Christopher Lamb (757) 572-6016

2019 National Education Contest

***Catholic Daughters of the
Americas – Court of the Holy
Spirit # 2145***

***Let's help prepare our youth
for tomorrow***

***Encourage a child you know to
participate***

THE THEMES FOR THIS

YEAR:

- ***“Here I am Lord I
come To Do Your
Will ” Ps. 40***
- ***Doing My Best To
Do Good***

***All students in the following
grades 4 – 12 are invited to enter
the contest***

***Categories include ESSAY,
POETRY, ART, COMPUTER
ART, MUSIC, and
PHOTOGRAPHY***

***All entries must be received by
January 15, 2019***

***TO OBTAIN MORE
INFORMATION AND ENTRY
FORMS PLEASE CONTACT:***

***Mrs. Sandra Hall / ED
Chairperson 757- 773-4831 or
sandrahall888@gmail.com***

Co-Workers in the 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

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ajg0905@yahoo.com

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Danawilliams412@gmail.com

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carlsonsample@yahoo.com

The next meeting is scheduled for December 11, 2018 at 6:30pm. All meetings are open 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. Members are appointed by the Rector:

Members

Mr. Arcino Quiero, Jr - Chair

Mr. Eric Labat

Mrs. Michele Chesley

Mr. John Butler

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

Rep. Oretha Pretlow-Pastoral Associate

Lyndon Berry - Development Director

Deborah Lamb

Michelle Maull

Luther Adams

Barbara Wright

Ricardo Givens

Nicole Drummond
