

FOR YOUR INFORMATION:

The Parish Nurses Say: Heart disease is the leading cause of death in the United States. Your chances of developing heart disease go up with the number of risk factors you have. Some of these you can't change ---like your age and family history. But there are many you can control. Check the bulletin board for more information.



The Knights of Columbus Council 5480 is sponsoring a free **Kid's Movie Night Friday, 23 February 2018.** Enjoy juice, pizza, and Star Wars Episode IV: A New Hope! Gluten-free pizza will be available. Council 5480 is located at 12742 Nettles Drive, Newport News, VA 23606. Doors open at 6:00 PM and the will movie start at 6:30 PM. Direct all inquiries to Jason Southworth at 740-876-1154 or JSSouthworth@hotmail.com.



The 2018 Country for Kids concert, featuring **Josh Turner,** will be held March 24 at the Hampton Roads Convention Center. This concert is a joint fundraiser for Housing Development Corporation of Hampton Roads (HDCofHR) and the Center for Child & Family

Services. Please support this event by purchasing your tickets at www.countryforkids.com **and entering HDC as the agency code** indicating your choice of HDCofHR as the beneficiary of your purchase. We hope to see you at this awesome night of country music!

"This is my beloved Son. Listen to him." Let us learn to listen better to each other and God by participating in a **Worldwide Marriage Encounter (WWME)** weekend. The next weekends are: Mar 2-4, 2018 in Herndon, VA and Aug 3-5, 2018 in Chapel Hill, NC. Early sign up is recommended. For more information visit our website at: <https://renewmarriage-vasouth.org/> or contact us, 690-1369 or applications@renewmarriage-vasouth.org.



Commonwealth Catholic Charities Counseling; Our counseling covers a variety of issues such as depression, anxiety, marital problems, anger issues, grief, domestic violence, adjustment issues, co-parenting issues and custody cases,. Learn more at www.ccofva.org/counseling-services.

Scouting Catholic Religious Emblems: Is your son or daughter currently active in a Scout unit (BSA, GSUSA, AHG, TLUSA), and have you been wondering how your Catholic faith can be tied into it? Scouting Religious Emblems are a great way to gain that connection. There will be an informational meeting on Saturday, 17 February at 4:30 p.m. Contact John Nelson at jpninva@gmail.com to determine interest. For Cub Scouts in 3rd-5th grades, please attend a workshop on 17 February at 3 p.m. in the Bride's Room to work on the group project for the Parvuli Dei Emblem.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR FEBRUARY 20-25, 2018

Feb 20, Tuesday		Dez Castro (Sp. Int.)
Feb 21, Wednesday		Dez Castro (Sp. Int.)
Feb 22, Thursday		Marie Donaldson (Sp. Int.)
Feb 23, Friday		Joseph Kim ✝
Feb 24, Saturday		Raymond & Carmelita Alvarez ✝
Feb 25, Sunday	7:00	Mark P. Dzura ✝
	9:00	Tom & Joan Nugent ✝
	12:00	John Magee ✝

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READINGS FOR FEBRUARY 19-25 2018

Feb 19, Monday	Lv 19:1-2, 11-18, Ps 19:8-10, 15, Mt 25:31-46
Feb 20, Tuesday	Is 55:10-11, Ps 34:4-7, 16-19, Mt 6:7-15
Feb 21, Wednesday	Jon 3:1-10, Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19, Lk 11:29-32
Feb 22, Thursday	1 Pt 5:1-4, Ps 23:1-6, Mt 16:13-19
Feb 23, Friday	Ez 18:21-28, Ps 130:1-8, Mt 5:20-26
Feb 24, Saturday	Dt 26:16-19, Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8, Mt 5:43-48
Feb 25, Sunday	Gn 22:1-2, 9A, 10-13, 15-18, Ps 116: 10, 15-19, Rom 8:31B-34, Mk 9:2-10

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UPCOMING EVENTS FOR FEBRUARY 19-25, 2018

The Parish office will be closed on Monday, February 19 in observance of President's Day.

Feb 19, Monday	PRESIDENT'S DAY
Feb 20, Tuesday	Mass/The Gardens 11:00 AM Liturgy Committee Meeting 7:00 PM
Feb 21, Wednesday	Financial Pace University Class 7:00 PM Youth Music Practice 7:00 PM
Feb 22, Thursday	Adult Music Choir Practice 7:00 PM
Feb 23, Friday	Mass/St. Francis 11:00 AM Anointing of the Sick 12 Noon Stations of the Cross 6:00 PM Soup Supper
Feb 24, Saturday	Finance Meeting 9:00 AM
Feb 25, Sunday	RCIA 10:15 AM Adult/Children Religious Education Classes 10:15 AM English as a Second Language Training Noon

Reminder: NO Coffee and Snacks on Saturday, 3 March and Sunday, 4 March 2018 due to the One City Marathon.

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BAPTISMAL SCHEDULE:



The next Baptism Class will be held on Sunday, March 18, 2018 at 10:30 a.m. in the Faith and Life Center. **Parents and Godparents must SIGN-UP to attend!** A Nursery will be available. Please call St. Jerome office to register for the class at (757) 877-5021.

CHURCH:



Happy 50th Wedding Anniversary to Dwight and Rita Ruhlen. May you have many more blessed years to celebrate.

Little Angels Orphanage - Lenten Alms Giving

Please donate to support the needs of the girls of the Little Angels Orphanage. Your assistance is greatly appreciated. Contact Steve Taylor, 869-2952, if you have any questions.



The **Adult Choir** is working on music for Holy Week and Easter and wishes to extend a **special invitation to any and all singers**

who wish to join us. There are no auditions but it's helpful to have some ability to read music. This is the most holy week of the year – and for the choir it is the busiest. You may choose to sing for Ash Wednesday, Palm Sunday, Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Easter Vigil and/or Easter. Any sharing of your valuable time and raising your voice will be appreciated not only by the Choir but by the St. Jerome community. Please see Louise at the organ after the 5 pm, 7 am or Noon Masses for more information.



EASTER EGGS Once again the Mission Trip Team will be selling Easter Eggs to help fund this year's trip to Buckingham County. Orders will be taken **February 24/25; March 4/5 and March 10/11.** Eggs are \$5 each and we prefer payment when the order is placed. Thank you in advance

for your support.



Parishioners & friends (young & old) are needed to make "**joyful noise**" and **support the One City Marathon**

participants on March 4. The race course passes in front of St Jerome's and the runners are expected to pass by between 7:45 and 10:00 AM. The only necessary requirement is to show enthusiasm and cheer on the runners. If you have musical instruments, please bring them; if you are in a band -- invite the whole band! Last year 562 runners passed by St Jerome's. Let's show all the racers the enthusiasm and friendliness of our parish in 2018. Please contact John Nelson at jpninva@gmail.com for interest and more information.



PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY WHO SACRIFICE FOR OUR FREEDOM:

IT Jeffery Espiritu, Maj. Garrett McGowan, Sgt. Robert McDaniel, SFC Robert Allison III, T/Sgt. Patrick Garvin, PFC Keith Moore Jr., CE1 David Maguire, Capt. Brian Wensel, Lt. Michael Yuenguert, LTC Troy D. Agostino, Maj. John Ferguson, Lt. Cmdr. Jeffrey Alan Dellapenta, Capt. Robert Belkowski III, Capt. Mark

Belkowski, SFC Wilbert J. Torres, S/Sgt. Trey Ravenscraft, 1Lt. Jerry Feehery, Lt. Jeremy C. Topp, LTJG Marriane Topp, Capt. Jimmy Thoms, LTC Robert Salire, Capt. Mike Hayes, 2nd Lt. Ryan Bare, SFC Chris Whelan, CPO Nino Villamor, SPC Jonathan J. Belmonte, S/Sgt. Christopher Woynicz.

CHRISTIAN FORMATION:



Time to return your Baby Bottle which supports Care Net Pregnancy Center. Crates are in the common area of the church; please return your bottles by 25 February. Thank you for your generous

support of this worthy organization - all money that is collected helps expecting low income moms and their babies on the Peninsula.

Young Adult Lenten Retreat "Discovering the Silence" is accepting reservations now. Come and learn how silence can help us in our journey towards God. Although this is NOT a silent retreat, we will explore the silence of God, of Life and of Prayer. This day retreat will be held on 3 March at OLMC from 8am – 3pm. It will offer Mass, Adoration, Speakers and time for silent prayer. Check out the Facebook page PeninsulaFrassatiYA or email margie@stjeromennva.org for more information.

The **Ladies of the parish** will meet on 18 February and will be making Salvation Bracelets and sharing our thoughts on the book "Courageous Love". All are welcome to join us at 6 pm in the Faith and Life Center. (Please come even if you don't have the book.)

Interested in teaching English to those who are from another country? Want to help mentor a new family to the US but not sure how? Then come to **our English as a Second Language training course** on 18 February at noon in the Faith and Life Center. Email margie@stjeromennva.org for more information and to reserve a seat.

New Health and Literacy (HEAL) classes will be offered in March. Do you know someone that might struggle with reading or speaking English? Do you know someone that would benefit from learning how to communicate with health professionals and how to understand basic health information? **Students do NOT** need to be STJ parishioners and the class will be of benefit to any immigrant or refugee whose English skills are weak For more information and how to register, please email margie@stjeromennva.org.



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH:



Reco Cotton, Deifilia Lazo, Herman Barretto, Olga Iris Barretto, Taylor Bowman, Annette Lang, Rhett Leonard, Anna Blood, Yvonne Holmes, Ruby Baggett, Jackie O' Niel, Restituto Obis, Nick Butler, Joan Cawthon, Bobby Martinez, Margaret Johnson, Tim Benavidez, Linda Smith, Buddy Williams, Margaret Luedtke, Joel Rivera, Judith Ott, Florence Bischof, Harold Przygocki, Marciana Dayrit, Esther Vaughn, Bailey Ann Schaffer, Tiffany Brickhouse, Dorothy Woodward, Therese Reiley, Jon Kenneth Salangsang, Marvin Alba, Fess Balina, Chris Whelan, Angelica Chabo, Imelita Wright, Phil Pace Sr., Joseph (Jo-Jo) Goodwin, Nick Frankie, Blanca O' Brien, Herminia Platon, Richard Matlock, Judy Pace, Margaret Laurent, Alessandra Elefante, Adrienne Gonzalo.