

FOR YOUR INFORMATION:



The Parish Nurses Say: Diabetes is a serious condition. But maintaining a healthy weight and regular physical activity can dramatically lower the risk of developing type 2 diabetes. Cutting back on added sugars in your diet can reduce your risk of obesity and other health problems. Check the bulletin board for more information.



Knights of Columbus Council 5480 will be sponsoring a free Youth Christmas Party on Saturday, December 2nd from 1PM to 4PM at the Columbian Center, 12742 Nettles Lane, Newport News. There will be crafts, games, pizza, and a visit by Saint Nicholas! Info: Jason Weischedel (910)-381-5643 or jasonweischedel@me.com.



The Knights of Columbus Council 5480 will be hosting a Blood Drive on Friday December 8, 2017 from 1-7:00pm in the meeting room at 12742 Nettles Drive Newport News. Please visit redcrossblood.org and enter: 5480 to schedule an appointment.



“Yet, O LORD, you are our father; we are the clay and you the potter: we are all the work of your hands.” As we begin the waiting of advent, let us strive to become the work of his hands by enjoying a **Worldwide Marriage Encounter (WWME)** weekend with your spouse. The next weekends are: Feb 2-4, 2018 in Clemmons, NC and Mar 2-4, 2018 in Herndon, VA. Early sign up is recommended. For more information visit our website at: <https://renewmarriage-vasouth.org/> or contact us at applications@renewmarriage-vasouth.org or 757-690-1369.



Looking for the Longest Married Couple in 2018: Worldwide Marriage Encounter is searching for the longest married couple. One national winner and one winner from each of the 50 states are recognized each year. This project is held to honor the commitment of married couples and to give hope and inspiration to younger couples that they too can have long and lasting marriages. Nominations must be received by January 10th, 2018. To nominate a couple you know, please visit or contact us directly at <http://www.earnedmedia.org/wwme1009.htm>.

PENINSULA CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL: Please join us for the holidays at Peninsula Catholic-- for our St. Nicholas celebration on Friday, Dec. 15. Get your tickets here: peninsulacatholic.com/stnick. And for our annual book fair at Barnes and Noble, 12170 Jefferson Ave. in Newport News. Can't make it to the store? Shop online and use book fair ID #12255378 to support Peninsula Catholic. Thank you, and Merry Christmas from PC!

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR NOVEMBER 28-
DECEMBER 3, 2017**

Nov 28, Tuesday	Catherine Zelazenski ✙
Nov 29, Wednesday	Souls been there the Longest ✙
Nov 30, Thursday	Suffering Soul's Committed ✙
	Suicide ✙
Dec 1, Friday	Elizabeth Walsh ✙
Dec 2, Saturday	Robert & Martin Kloss ✙
Dec 3, Sunday	7:00 Ralph Filicko ✙
	9:00 Jeffrey Belmonte ✙
	12:00 Mary Din Tsai Yee ✙

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READINGS FOR NOVEMBER 27-DECEMBER 3, 2017

Nov 27, Monday	Dn 1:1-6, 8-20, (Ps) Dn 3:52-56, Lk 21:1-4
Nov 28, Tuesday	Dn 2:31-45, (Ps) Dn 3:57-61, Lk 21:5-11
Nov 29, Wednesday	Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28, (Ps) Dn 3:62-67, Lk 21:12-19
Nov 30, Thursday	Rom 10:9-18, Ps 19:8-11, Mt 4:18-22
Dec 1, Friday	Dn 7:2-14, (Ps) Dn 3:75-81, Lk 21:29-33
Dec 2, Saturday	Dn 7:15-27, (Ps) Dn 3:82-87, Lk 21:34-36
Dec 3, Sunday	Is 63:16B-17, 19B; 64:2B-7, Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19, 1 Cor1:3-9, Mk 13:33-37

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**UPCOMING EVENTS FOR NOVEMBER 27-
DECEMBER 3, 2017**

Nov 28, Tuesday	Anointing of the Sick after 8:00 AM Mass Divine Will Mercy Group 9:00AM Knight of Columbus Memorial Mass 7:30
Nov 29, Wednesday	Bible Study/Jesus Revealed 7:00 PM Youth Group Music Practice 7:00 PM
Nov 30, Thursday	Rosary 9:30 AM Bible Study/Jesus Revealed 10:00 AM Adult Choir Music Practice 7:00 PM Mass/St. Francis 11:00 AM Turn-in Gifts in the Commons Area 1 st Reconciliation Workshop 9:15 AM Baptism/Kate Gustin 11:00 AM Knights of Columbus Children's Party/ Columbian Hall 1:00 PM Coffee/Snack after Mass
Dec 1, Friday	1 st Sunday of Advent
Dec 2, Saturday	Turn-in Gifts in the Commons Area Advent Retreat for Families 10:15 AM RCIA 10:15 AM Carmelites Group 11:45 AM Coffee/Snacks after All Masses Confirmation Advent Service Project1:00 PM
Dec 3, Sunday	1 st Sunday of Advent

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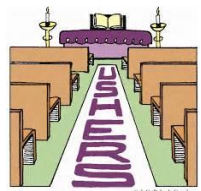
Margaret Siefring (Lyons) (mother of Craig Jernigan)

CHURCH:

SAVE THE DATE: "Please join us in the church on Sunday, December 10th 2017 from 6:00-7:00 pm for the annual "Festival of Lessons and Carols" followed by refreshments. This is an Advent service of Scripture and music presented by the Adult Choir. Each song sets a reflective mood for the message."



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Ushers are needed at Saint Jerome Parish for all Masses; especially at the Noon Mass. Ushers are liturgical ministers. Some of the duties are to greet people entering the church, seat people as needed, collect the offering, help the communion flow, distribute

weekly bulletins and re-set and clean up after mass. You will be trained in CPR and first aid. If you are interested in being an usher, please contact Carroll Kelley at 757-877-4865 or email: cgkelley@cox.net.



FYI: ADVENT RECONCILIATION SERVICE: In preparation for the Christmas season St. Jerome Advent Reconciliation Service will be held on Wednesday, December 20th at 7:00 p.m. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

P. O. R. T. (People Offering Resources Together).



Please help us in our efforts to shelter the homeless this winter through P.O.R.T. St. Jerome will host the homeless January 3 through January 10; our parish will again be sheltering the homeless from 5 p.m. until 7 a.m. each day. In addition to women and children, many of the people helped by this program are working people who are unable to earn enough for shelter. Your kindness makes it possible for these people and others in our community to have a hot meal and 12 hours of warmth each day during the cold winter months. Sign - up sheets will be available in the Commons Area. Please pray about it, think about it, and do something about it. Please sign up to volunteer.



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH:



Restituto Obis, Carolyn Walker, Nick Butler, Joan Cawthon, Bobby Martinez, Margaret Johnson, Tim Benavidez, Edith Llantada, 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 Salangang, 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.

CHRISTIAN FORMATION:

Join the conversation regarding the book, **Tattoo's on the Heart** written by Father Boyle, and the IC talk on 4 December at 7pm in the Faith and Life Center. Please note that this date has been changed: we will NOT meet on 21 November. Email margie@stjeromennva.org for more information.

St. Joseph Missal are here! Stop by the scrip counter and get yours today. This missal has the Sunday readings for the liturgical year 2017-18. A \$5 donation is greatly appreciated.

The **Junior Catholic Daughters** from St Jerome parish would like to say **THANK YOU** to **Mrs. Jackie Kronstain** for your leadership for our group. We thank you for all the time you spent with this group, all the planning and organizing that you did and all of the love that you shared with the girls in the name of Jesus. We thank you for the opportunity you gave us to grow stronger in our faith.

The **last Sunday school class** for 2017 will be on Dec 3. The middle school teens will be re-enacting salvation history with key periods from scripture. All the elementary school classes and all the parents are encouraged to attend this program which will begin at 11:15 in the Fellowship Hall. (There are classes on Nov 26)

All confirmation candidates are reminded to attend the Advent Service day on Dec 3 at 1pm in the Faith and Life Center. Letters with more specific information will be sent home.



BAPTISMAL SCHEDULE:



The next Baptism Class will be held on Sunday, January 21, 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.



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.



"A healthy attitude is contagious, but dont wait to catch it from others. Be a carrier."