FOR YOUR INFORMATION:

Parish Nurse Say: As we start to enjoy the spring months, let us think about nutrition. Eating healthy is a good way to prepare our selves for all the extra outdoor activities we are planning for next 6- 9 months. Keeping our bodies fit helps us to keep our minds fit. Set some nutrition goals…The next few weeks we will be offering some tips on healthy eating. Check the bulletin board for more information.

Peninsula Catholic High School is hosting its annual auction and wine festival on Saturday, March 24. Please join us! New this year is The Great Big Raffle, with 5 AMAZING prizes. Tickets are only $5 and are available from any PC family! Winners need not be present but will be announced at the auction. For more information, please visit our website: www.peninsulacatholic.com/auction.

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!

"Not as man sees does God see, because man sees the appearance but the LORD looks into the heart." Let our eyes be opened to the love of God in our marriages by participating in a **Worldwide Marriage Encounter (WWME)** weekend. The next weekends are: Aug 3-5, 2018 in Chapel Hill, NC and Sep 21-23, 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.

Bishop Keane Institute 2018 Season Tickets Available Until March 28th: For a limited time, you can get a Season Pass to the 2018 Bishop Keane Institute Season at a discount! This year, the Season Pass will include admission for one to each of the 4 lectures presented. Our Speakers this year are: **Sr. Helen Prejean**, author of "Dead Man Walking"; **Fr. Thomas Nairn, O.F.**M., Catholic Ethicist; **Shane Claiborne**, Christian Activist and Author; and **Cardinal Blase Cupich**, Archbishop of Chicago. **Season tickets are available online, keaneinstitute.org/tickets.** Or v**isit keaneinstitute.org** for dates and more information on the speakers and their topics**.** The Bishop Keane Institute is a ministry of Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Hampton, VA. For more information or questions, call (757) 826-0393 or keaneinstitute@icchampton.org.

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR MARCH 6-11, 2018

Mar 6, Tuesday		Zona Villapando ✞
Mar 7, Wednesday		Clara Umali ✞
Mar 8, Thursday		Peter Tam Tran ✞
Mar 9, Friday		Lil Walsh ✞
Mar 10, Saturday		Gregorio Belmonte ✞
Mar 11, Sunday	7:00	Saturnino Candelaria ✞
	9:00	Anna Vu Thi Quy ✞
	12:00	Marilyn Cotrupi ✞

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READINGS FOR MARCH 5-11, 2018

Mar 5, Monday	2Kgs 5:1-15B, Ps42:2-3; 43:3-4, Lk 4:24-30
Mar 6, Tuesday	Dn 3:25, 34-43, Ps 25:4BC-5AB, 6-7BC, 8-9, Mt 18:21-35
Mar 7, Wednesday	Dt 4:1, 5-9, Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20 Mt 5:17-19
Mar 8, Thursday	Jer 7:23-28, Ps 95:1-2, 6-9, Lk 11:14-23
Mar 9, Friday	Hos 14:2-10, Ps 81:6C-11B, 14, 17 Mk 12:28-34
Mar 10, Saturday	Hos 6:1-6, Ps 51:3-4, 18-21B, Lk 18: 9-14
Mar 11, Sunday	2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23, Ps 137:1-6, Eph 2:4-10, Jn 3:14-21, or 1 Sm 16:1B, 6-7, 10-13A, Ps 23:1-6, Eph 5:8-14, Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

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UPCOMING EVENTS FOR MARCH 5-11, 2018

Mar 6, Tuesday	Divine Will Mercy Group 9:00 AM
Mar 7, Wednesday	Financial Pace Class 7:00 PM Parish Lenten Retreat 7:00 PM Youth Music Practice 7:00 PM
Mar 8, Thursday	Mass/Mennonwood 11:00 AM Adult Choir Music Practice 7:00 PM
Mar 9, Friday	Mass/St. Francis 11:00 AM Stations of the Cross 6:00 PM Soup Supper/Fellowship Committee
Mar 10, Saturday	Baptism/Juliet Goodwin Bible Study/The Eucharist 6:00 PM New Parishioner Registration 6:00 PM
Mar 11, Sunday	**Daylight Saving Time Begins** New Parishioner Registration after all Masses Second Scrutiny 7:00 AM, 9:00 AM HEAL Classes 10:15 AM RCIA Classes 10:15 AM Adult-Children Religious Education Classes 10:15 AM Middle School Fun Night 6:00 PM

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BAPTISMAL SCHEDULE:

The next Baptism Class will be held on Sunday, March 18th, 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:

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.

St. Jerome Missions
Needs Volunteer

Interested in mission trip but not sure you can commit for a week? There are many ways to help and support the trip. **Check out these opportunities** that have great minimal commitment.

Easter Eggs

Timeframe: 4 weeks prior to Easter

We need assistance all along the way from taking orders, to making the eggs, packaging them and helping with pick-up. In addition the orders need to be entered into a spreadsheet and labels printed.

Binders

Timeframe: Week prior to Mission Trip

Each work team has a 3 ring notebook that contains various schedules, forms and more. Help is needed to make copies and put them in the binders so the teams have all the information they need while at their worksites.

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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.

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God doesn't call us to be successful. He calls us to be faithful.

CHRISTIAN FORMATION:

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 will be of benefit to any immigrant or refugee whose English skills are weak. Please email margie@stjeromennva.org for more information and how to register.

Are you currently wondering how to nourish your faith journey during Lent? Do you want to learn more about the "source and summit of our faith"? Then come join the **Saturday night bible study**. We meet once a month at 6pm beginning with a potluck dinner in the Faith and Life Center. On March 10, we will start a new study, "The Eucharist" by Bishop Barren. Pick up a book today! (We will discuss Chap 1 on our first gathering.)

Do you want to be happy? Do you know that God wants you to be happy and has given us the tools to use to be full of joy? Pick up the book**, "Kingdom of Happiness"** by Fr Kirby, STD, and join us for a time of reflection and sharing. On March 7, we will look at the first 3 chapters of the book at 7pm in the Faith and Life Center. On March 14 and 21, we will continue our journey through the Beatitudes and share how God designed us for happiness.

The **next men's bible study** is scheduled for 11 March at 6pm. The **next women's group** will be meeting on 18 March. (Please note the date change.)

The **Lenten family retreat** is on 18 March from 10:30 – 1pm with lunch. All families are invited to join us for a "Be Attitude" retreat! Hands on activities and a puppet show for the elementary. Breakout session for the MS and HS families.

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PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH:

Joe Yungbluth, Cristina Gloria, Reco Cotton, Deifilia Lazo, Herman Barretto, Olga Iris Barretto, Taylor Bowman, Annette Lang, Rhett Leonard, Anna Blood, Yvonne Holmes, Ruby Baggett, Jackie O' Neil, 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, Alessandrea Elefante, Adrienne Gonzalo.