

**PRINCE OF PEACE CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
**CALENDAR OF EVENTS THIS WEEK – January 31, 2010**

- Sun., Jan. 31** Mass, 9:00  
Adult Scripture Share, 10:05-10:55 a.m., Library  
Mass, 11:00 a.m.  
RCIA Dismissal, 11:00 a.m.  
High School Youth Group, 5:00-6:30 p.m.
- Mon., Feb. 1** Christian Formation Classes, Grades 7-11, 6:30-8:00 p.m.  
Girl Scout Troop 167 Meeting, 3:30-5:00 p.m., Rms. 4/5  
Girl Scout Troop 941 Meeting, 4:15-5:30 p.m., Rm. 3  
Rosary, 7:30 p.m., Blessed Sacrament Chapel
- Tues., Feb. 2** Grand Group Mass, 11:00 a.m.  
Christian Formation Classes, 4:30-7:00 p.m., Ed. Wing  
Rosary, 6:30 p.m., Worship Space  
Adult Catechism Class, 7:00-8:00 p.m., Worship Space
- Wed., Feb. 3** Mass, 9:00 a.m.  
Eucharistic Adoration, 12:00-1:00 p.m., Blessed Sacrament Chapel  
Christian Formation Classes, 4:30-7:00 p.m., Ed. Wing  
RCIC, 6:30-7:30 p.m., Rms. 8 & 11  
Cub Scout 824 Leader Meeting, 7:15 p.m., Rm.6  
RCIA, 7:30 p.m., Rms. 9/10
- Thurs., Feb. 4** Mass, 9:00 a.m.  
Knights of Columbus 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Ed. Wing
- Fri., Feb. 5** Mass, 9:00 a.m.  
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, 9:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.  
Benediction, 12:00 p.m.  
Family Faith Formation, 6:00-9:00 p.m.
- Sat., Feb. 6** Men's Breakfast, 8:00 a.m.-9:30 a.m., Parish Hall  
11<sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation Retreat, 9:00 a.m.-5:30 p.m.  
Reconciliation, 4:30 p.m.  
Mass, 5:30 p.m.  
Family Faith Formation, 6:00-9:00 p.m.
- Sun., Feb. 7** 11<sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation Potluck, 6:30-8:30 p.m., Parish Hall  
Masses, 9:00 and 11:00 a.m.  
Adult Scripture Share, 10:05-10:55 a.m., Library  
Christian Formation Classes, Grades K-11, 10:05-10:55 a.m.  
RCIA Rite of Sending, 11:00 a.m.  
Scout Sunday at Mass, 11:00 a.m.

**THIS WEEK'S GOSPEL READING**  
**4th Sunday in Ordinary Time, January 31, 2010**

Gospel: Luke 4:21 – 30

Question of the Week: How do you spread the good news in your daily life?

**READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK**

**5th Sunday in Ordinary Time, February 7, 2010**

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Isaiah 6:1 – 2a, 3 – 8  
2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:1 – 11  
Gospel: Luke 5:1 – 11

**MASS INTENTIONS**

Tuesday, Feb. 2<sup>nd</sup> 11:00 a.m. Lauren Vergara †  
Joseph Salonia †  
Wednesday, Feb. 3<sup>rd</sup> 9:00 a.m. Donald Gates Thompson †  
Saturday, Feb. 6<sup>th</sup> 5:30 p.m. Diana Cordovana Commander †  
Sunday, Feb. 7<sup>th</sup> 9:00 a.m. Jairo (Augie) Agudelo †  
11:00 a.m. For the Parishioners  
† Denotes deceased

**OUR GIFTS TO THE LORD**

	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
Offertory – 1-24-10	\$ 12,443.98	\$397,753.77
Budgeted Needs	- <u>13,000.00</u>	- <u>390,000.00</u>
	-\$ 556.02	\$ 7,753.77

2<sup>nd</sup> Collection – 1-24-10 \$ 16,925.63  
(Haiti)

Thank you for your generosity.

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**2009 TAX STATEMENTS:** For tax purposes, individual donations, not cumulative, of more than \$250.00 require a letter from the charitable organization. However, if you are interested in obtaining a financial statement of your contributions to Prince of Peace for the 2009 tax year, please put a **SELF-ADDRESSED, STAMPED ENVELOPE** in the box provided for this purpose in the Commons area, and we will send you this information.

**CHANGE IN MASS SCHEDULE:** There will be a Grand Group Mass at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, February 2, 2010. All are welcome to attend. Please note there will not be a 9:00 a.m. Mass that morning.

**BLESSING OF CANDLES:** On Tuesday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>, the fortieth day after Christmas, Christians celebrate the 'Feast of the Presentation of the Lord' in the Temple. This feast commemorates the presentation of the infant Jesus in the Jerusalem temple forty days after his birth and his meeting with the aged Simeon (cf. Lk 2:22-34). This feast has also been referred to as Mary's purification, since Jewish mothers were expected to undergo a ritual purification bath forty days after childbirth. Traditionally, the Church blesses candles on this day, to honor Christ who is the light of the world. **To celebrate this feast, the blessing of candles will take place at the 11:00 a.m. Grand Group Mass. The Mass is**

**open to everyone.** If you would like to have candles blessed, for use in your home throughout the year, please bring them to this Mass.

**FEAST OF ST. BLASÉ THROAT BLESSING:** On Wednesday, February 3<sup>rd</sup> at the conclusion of the 9:00 a.m. Mass, there will be a blessing of throats. St. Blasé was an early church bishop and martyr who healed a child who had a fishbone stuck in his throat. We honor him today as the Patron Saint of diseases of the throat.

**RENEWAL OF MARRIAGE VOWS:** Couples who wish to renew their marriage vows may do so on Saturday, February 13<sup>th</sup> at the 5:30 p.m. Mass. If you wish to do so, please contact the Parish Office by Friday, February 5<sup>th</sup>, so we may publish your name in the Prince of Peace Bulletin.

**ASH WEDNESDAY:** Ash Wednesday Masses are scheduled for 12:00 noon and 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 17, 2010. We are seeking Liturgical Ministers for both of these masses. If you are able to assist with either of these masses, please sign up on the sheets provided in the Sacristy.

**PARISH VOLUNTEERS:** Previous efforts to complete a list of volunteers in possession of a parish key have left us with the following key numbers with no documented information. Would the parishioners holding the following keys please contact the Parish Office at your convenience.

**Key #'s: 3,10,11,14,15,24,30, 31,32,36,38,40,42,44,46,56,57,63,64,65.** It would be a considerable cost to the Parish to have the locks re-keyed due to the fact we have not completed the needed information. Your cooperation is appreciated in this matter. Facilities Coordinator

**SOUPE BOWL OF CARING:** Youth across America are teaming up to collect money to help fight poverty and hunger right here on our home front! Each year on Super Bowl weekend we are asking that worshipers donate a little something for those who have less than something. On **February 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>**, Prince Of Peace Youth (POPY) will be holding empty soup pots for your generous contributions. Thank you!

**THANK YOU!** Thank you very much to John Ricci, Rick & Deb Kaser, the Kasers' two sons, and all the Boy Scouts who helped with painting the Parish Hall. The Prince of Peace Parish continuously uses the Parish Hall for numerous occasions. Thank you all for your diligent efforts to make our social space so clean and fresh!

**FOOD COLLECTION:** Please bring your food bags to Mass next weekend, February 6/7. The theme for January is Breakfast Cereal and Canned Meat. Bags need not be filled. Any amount of food we provide to Harvest Assembly's Food Closet is appreciated. Please check the list attached to your bag for specifics. Thank you for your donations.

**UNABLE TO SCHEDULE YOUR PHOTOGRAPHY APPOINTMENT FOR OUR NEW PARISH DIRECTORY?**

Email your own family photo to [jeangaspar@cox.net](mailto:jeangaspar@cox.net) no later than this Friday, February 12. Please include your names, as you would like them to appear in the directory, listing children's names from oldest to youngest. Thank you.

**\*\*\* PARISH COMMUNITY LIFE NEWS \*\*\***

**Our mission is to strengthen our parish by bringing neighbors together. The following dates have been scheduled for events taking place here at Prince of Peace!**

**THANK YOU VERY MUCH** to all the parishioners who brought delicious food and participated in our International Dinner! It was an enjoyable evening for all who attended.

**PANCAKE BREAKFAST:** POP's Cub Scout Pack 824 is having a Pancake Breakfast fundraiser after the 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. liturgies on Sunday, February 7<sup>th</sup>. Please join us for some good food and help support this ministry. Tickets will be pre-sold after the 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. liturgies again on January 31<sup>st</sup>. Tickets can also be purchased at the door for a donation of \$5.00 per person or \$20.00 per family. Thanks in advance for your support.

**GRAND GROUP:** The next Grand Group Meeting will be held Tuesday, February 2, 2010. Father Romy will celebrate Mass at 11:00 a.m., which will be followed by a short business meeting. A Spaghetti Lunch will be served. Cost is \$6. Please bring a dessert if your last name begins with the letters A thru F. Plan to stay and play a few games of BINGO. Please bring a new wrapped item to be used for prizes. Come join us for fellowship!

**MEN'S BREAKFAST:** The next Men's Breakfast will be held on Saturday, February 6<sup>th</sup> from 8:00-9:30 a.m. in the Parish Hall. All men of our parish are welcome to come for breakfast, fellowship and to share their faith.

**DOUGHNUT VOLUNTEERS:** January 31 – Ellen & Richard Green, Cheryl Bilbo; February 7 – No Doughnuts due to pancake breakfast; February 14 – Erin Karol, Marty & Amy Malloy; February 21 – Lori Maddux, Christa & Alexis Nelson.

**Keep looking here for more updates and information. Anyone wanting to help or provide donations/sponsorship for any of these events, please contact Sheila Gargiulo at 548-0436.**

**NEW YEARS RESOLUTION:** Spend more time with my spouse, find some time for myself. From now on, Prince Of Peace Youth (POPY) will be offering a monthly parents' DATE NIGHT starting February 12<sup>th</sup>, the evening of the Valentines Day Dance. Childcare for all ages will be available from 5:30 p.m. until you dance your shoes to pieces! We'll be offering games, crafts, and then a special Valentines Day movie. See you there!

**RIDE NEEDED:** A Prince of Peace parishioner needs a ride from Greenbrier to 11:00 a.m. Mass on Sundays. Please call 547-0948.

**LIGHTHOUSE CDs:** Remember to check the CD stand as you enter the Parish Hall. Fr. Groeschel has a great CD on "When Life Doesn't Make Sense." Stephen Ray, a convert, in "Finding the Fullness of Faith," shares his excitement on becoming a Catholic and shows us how much we take for granted. Try listening to one of these CD's if you're going on a trip, just stuck in traffic, or even cleaning the house or garage. The cost is just \$3.00 per CD.

**PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY:** Prince of Peace is joining the worldwide ecumenical movement of knitting and crocheting shawls for people in need of prayers. We're looking for volunteers to create these wonderful shawls. Each creator prays for the intended recipient before starting the shawl and throughout its creation. When completed, the shawl will be blessed by Father Romy before being presented. The sample patterns are simple. If you don't knit or crochet, we'll teach you. You can work this ministry in your own home, on your own schedule. If you're homebound, we'll deliver yarn to you. For more information, you may contact: Monica Wheaton at 482-3086 or [mmwheaton03@msn.com](mailto:mmwheaton03@msn.com); or Mary Murphy at 382-4938 or [mary12345\\_99@yahoo.com](mailto:mary12345_99@yahoo.com). Visit <http://www.shawlministry.com/index.htm> to learn more and see the crocheting and knitting instructions.

### **HAITI RELIEF**

Members of Prince of Peace,

Thank you for your interest in the Haiti Project and your desire to help the people and especially the Children of Haiti. We will have many things that might interest you in helping over the long term, both for the Maison Fortune' Orphanage and the Louverture Cleary School.

I just finished an emergency meeting of the Maison Fortune' Orphanage Foundation to discuss the immediate need to prepare for an onslaught of new orphans that have been generated by the natural disaster. The town of Hinche has seen its population double in the past few days as a result of the Haitian people seeking a safe and stable environment. All the markets are closed or the prices of food and diesel fuel have doubled. The orphanage is one of only a few sanctuaries with food, water and lodging, so naturally we believe people will bring orphans to Maison Fortune'. The foundation wants to be prepared and it is making plans to lease additional housing if they can get donors and sponsors to support the increase in orphan population. We will need major donors, so if you know of any businesses looking for a way to support Haiti Relief, please let me know. We are working on a Strategic Communication plan and will start a media blitz within the next couple of days that may generate the attention we need.

The Foundation has several committees that work things like marketing, health, education, sponsorships, endowment, strategic planning, and development. We have immediate needs for volunteers in the following areas. Please let me know if you can help.

- Data Base Management
- Sponsor Committee support
- Assistant to the Executive Director
- Assistant to the Treasurer (accountant experience)

Please pray for the people of Haiti, the volunteers that are supporting their needs and especially the Children of Haiti. God Bless, Rick Martin

## **PRAYERS AND DEVOTIONS**

### **Eucharistic Adoration**

Wednesdays at 12:00 noon

First Friday of the month 9:30 a.m.-12:00 noon, with Exposition and Benediction

*(The next first Friday is February 5, 2010.)*

Third Friday of the month 7:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.

*(The next third Friday is February 19, 2010.)*

Any time the building is open, the Blessed Sacrament Chapel is available for Adoration.

### **Act of Spiritual Communion**

My Jesus, I believe that You are in the Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I long for You in my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as though You have already come, and unite myself entirely to You, never permit me to be separated from You.

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### **Rosary**

Mondays at 7:30 p.m. in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel

And following daily Masses at 9:30 a.m.

Please see the display table in the Commons for information about other devotions. We have rosaries, brown scapulars and prayer books available.

Contact Ann Roth at 819-7659/acroth5@cox.net or Vicki Olenick at 549-2192/olenickv@yahoo.com with any questions or suggestions.

**HEALTH PROMOTION MINISTRY:** The human body shares in the dignity of the image of God and it is the whole human person that is intended to become, in the body of Christ, a Temple of the Spirit. Life and physical health are precious gifts entrusted to us by God. (CCC sections 364, 2288) God wants us to be the best person, body and soul, that we can be. It is not selfish to look after your own physical body, just as you would nourish your spiritual soul. We are better able to care for our families, friends and community when we are healthy ourselves. The POP Health Promotion Ministry seeks to provide information and medical screenings to assist you in this effort. In addition to monthly Blood Pressure

checks, look for information on topics such as: healthy eating, exercise, safety, prevention, emergency response, etc.

Contact Tracy Decker for information 487-5559

**ROSARY MAKERS:** Please join us for our annual meeting to learn the time-honored Catholic craft of rosary making, which is also a ministry that honors the Blessed Mother. We welcome new members, as well as current rosary makers who can share your skills and tips. Our rosaries, which are always available to parishioners, are also used for sacramental programs, are distributed at hospitals and nursing homes, and have been sent around the world to our military troops and to missions. We look forward to seeing you on Sunday, February 21, from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m., in the Education Wing (Room 10). For more information, please call Kathy Hanna (546-9226) or Tracy Decker (487-5559).

**WE NEED OLD PALMS!** Ash Wednesday is February 17<sup>th</sup>. Please bring your old palms by February 14<sup>th</sup>, so we may burn them for ashes. There will be a basket in front of the Baptismal Font.

**PLEASE HELP POP RECYCLE:** Prince of Peace is looking for some volunteers (a team of volunteers would be great) to help dispose of the church's recyclables. If any parishioner wishes to champion our recycle program, please contact our Facilities Coordinator, John Ricci, in the Parish Office at 547-0356 or email [john.ricci@popparish.org](mailto:john.ricci@popparish.org).

### **RCIA CORNER FOR JANUARY 31, 2010**

Last Sunday at the 11:00AM Mass, Prince of Peace welcomed another inquirer into the Order of Catechumens in a Rite of Acceptance. Dan Weber joined five catechumens, Emilio Lopez, Jamie Fraser, Tom Daughtrey, Duane Nichols, and Robert Grantz and one candidate, Heather Ruane, as they all progress on their personal journeys to join the faithful in the Catholic Church. This past Wednesday, they received information on the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick, which is the final sacrament to be explored in the RCIA process this year. Now, since everything in life cannot be planned in advance, Prince of Peace celebrates the Rites of Initiation at the 5:30PM Mass this weekend for Emilio, in advance of the normal Easter Vigil reception. He and his family must relocate from the area. Emilio is the youngest member of the group yet and has been in the Catechumenate the longest. We welcome him into this Communion of Saints, and we wish him and his family a safe journey with prayers for their future. Next week, the parish will celebrate the Rite of Sending to the Bishop for our other catechumens. They will each sign the parish Book of the Elect and go to the Church of the Immaculate Conception in Hampton, where Bishop Emeritus Walter Sullivan will celebrate the Rite of Election. From that point on, the catechumens will be called the Elect of Christ, as they venture further into God's love for them.

**\* \* \* ADULT CHRISTIAN FORMATION \* \* \***

**ADULT CONFIRMATION:** If you are an adult, practicing Catholic who has never been Confirmed, we will be offering a series of 5 classes during Lent. There will be an information meeting on Sunday, January 31<sup>st</sup> following the 11:00 a.m. Mass in Room 10 in the Christian Formation Wing. Adult Candidates will need to provide a copy of your baptismal certificate and have a sponsor who is a Confirmed, practicing Catholic over the age of 16. Sponsors need to be present for the celebration of the sacrament and are welcome, but not required, to attend the classes. For more information please contact Sister Dolores at the Parish Office.

**RCIA FOR ADULTS:** If you know of anyone who might be interested in becoming Catholic, we offer sessions every Wednesday evening. Please contact Sister Dolores in the Parish Office for more information.

**\*\*WEEKLY CATECHISM SESSIONS AT PRINCE OF PEACE\*\* - “WHAT CATHOLICS BELIEVE”** is an ongoing educational forum taking place on Tuesday evenings from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in the Worship Space (plus optional 30 min. Q&A). The weekly program will cover the “*Catechism of the Catholic Church*.” Each session will address a different topic, so you may attend sessions as your schedule allows. Visitors and guests from other churches are welcome. This is a great resource for catechists and highly beneficial for parents in teaching their children the Catholic faith. Questions regarding the class may be directed to Adrian at 651-4953. Come enhance your knowledge of the basis of our faith and be sure to invite a friend. Bring a copy of the Catechism, if you have one. Join us for the Rosary at 6:30 p.m.

**\* \* \* CHRISTIAN FORMATION NEWS \* \* \***

**RCIC FOR CHILDREN:** If you have a child over the age of 7 who is not Baptized, please contact Sr. Dolores at the Parish Office for further information.

**PROTECTING GOD’S CHILDREN (VIRTUS TRAINING)**

**\*\*\*\*\*PLEASE NOTE: 20 EXTRA SEATS ARE NOW AVAILABLE\*\*\*\*\***

All volunteers age 18 and older who work with or around children in the parish must complete the Virtus “Protecting God’s Children” Awareness Seminar. **A training session will be offered at Prince of Peace on Saturday, February 27<sup>th</sup> beginning at 9:30 a.m.** To register for the session go to the Diocesan website: [www.richmonddiocese.org](http://www.richmonddiocese.org), click on “Diocese of Richmond Safe Environment Program,” then “Diocesan Training Sessions,” and follow the Virtus link. You can attend any seminar at any location as long as the web listing does not restrict the audience. You may also call Diocesan Offices: 804-359-5661 and ask for Office of Human Resources.

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**REMEMBER IN PRAYER** these people, and all that are kept from joining us due to their health...(Nursing Home Residents) **ALLZWELL:** Ray Ammarino, Frank Stingo. **AUTUMN CARE:** Carol Bryant, Soledad Romarez. **CEDAR MANOR:** Frank Czyck, Vera Dunleavy, Colleen Kouzek, Leona Kropp, Marie Merha, James Stritch. **CHESAPEAKE HEALTHCARE CENTER:** Janet Blazes, Harriet Claver, Kathleen Curtis, Marcia Duckworth, Mary Dodge, Georgene Durbin, Joann Evans, Maria Femiak, Araminta Jacobs, Joan McCormack, Louis Murden, Verona Reese, Concetta Shaffer, Anna Simmons, Barbaranne Sullivan, Connie Szczukowski, Joanne Wilson, and Marie (Mittie) Woods. **GEORGIAN MANOR:** Pauline Bennett, Mary Jeske, Antonia Jones, Michael Sedlacko. **SENTARA:** Catherine Black, Patricia Conway, Genevieve Gordy, Fred Harvey, Lucy Madden, Carmen Martinez, Margareta Quintana, Mitchel Stockstad, and Serena Williams. **SENTARA VILLAGE:** Sharon Brox, Veronica Casari, Fred Dawson, Connie Dinardo, Marie Gillespie, Florence Lentini, Bernadine Lewis, Linda Scholtman, and Ron Sharp. **WHITEHURST MANOR:** Tamara Cecil, Leonida Kraft, Rose Marie Romano, and Betty Smith.

**AT HOME OR IN THE HOSPITAL:** Margaret Bailey, Irene Champion, Dolores Collins, Pat Cornwall, Phil Correll, Bobbie Dameron, Sharon Dameron, Katherine Demme, Marcia Duckworth, Eileen Ettwein, Kathleen Hopping, Dominick Iafrato, Dorothy Janifer, Thomas Jenkins, Mary Kelly, Bob & Micheline Kennedy, Jaqueline Knight, Glenn Maynard, Joan McCormack, Tina Moses, Louis Murden, Michael Peasley, Nancy Shashaty, and Sally Vincent.

**REMEMBER ALSO THOSE WHO HAVE DIED** Carla Hearst; Monsignor Joseph Serge-Mio, the archbishop of Port-au-Prince; and Ethel Wolf.

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**VALENTINE'S DAY DINNER/DANCE:** The Knights of Columbus Annual Valentine's Day Dinner/Dance will be held on February 12<sup>th</sup>, 2010, beginning at 6:30 p.m., in the Prince of Peace Parish Hall. Tickets are \$25/person and will be available after all Masses starting January 23<sup>rd</sup>. For seating requests, contact Bob Stermer at 549-8205. For general information, contact Mike Gaspar at 450-5549. See you there!

**COOKIES!** Aaron Decker from Boy Scout Troop 824 will be holding a cookie bake sale in the parish hall following all masses on February 13 and 14. The funds will go toward his Eagle Scout project which is to donate a math game to daycare facilities in and around Chesapeake. Thank you for your support.

#### **PRO LIFE NEWS**

The Catholic Church teaches that we must respect and protect human life at all stages, from conception to natural death. If you would like more information on this topic, please stop by the Family Life table in the Commons. Literature is available free of charge. Let us know if you did not find the information you were looking for or if you have suggestions for other resources.

We are planning events and activities to promote and support the dignity of human life. We need volunteers to help with this important work. Men, women and youth are welcome. Please call Ann Roth at 819-7659 or Vicki Olenick at 549-2192.

Do you or someone you know need help with an unexpected pregnancy? Is your pregnancy a crisis? The Crisis Pregnancy Center of Tidewater or Birthright can help you figure out your options:

**Crisis Pregnancy Center**  
1021 Eden Way N #116  
Chesapeake, VA 23320-2776  
(757)410-9703

**Birthright DePaul Hospital Norfolk**  
150 Kingsley Ln  
Norfolk, VA 23505-4602  
(757)489-0222



## Volunteer Corner

### Volunteer Opportunities

Are you interested in volunteering your time and talent to a ministry but don't know where to look? We have solved that problem. Check out the new "Volunteer Corner" found on the bulletin board located in the entrance way to the Parish Hall. Current and future volunteer opportunities will be posted and kept up to date.

### Volunteer Needs:

If your ministry is interested in posting a volunteer opportunity, it must meet the following criteria:

- Flyer no larger than 8 ½ x 11
- Must be a current or upcoming need in the next 3 months
- The flyer will need to be sent to the current youth council member for approval and posting.
- Flyers addressing current needs will be posted for 1 month; flyers addressing upcoming needs will be posted for no longer than 1 month from the start of the ministry

If you would like to post a flyer, please e-mail it to Sarah Nalepa at [sarahbobarah516@yahoo.com](mailto:sarahbobarah516@yahoo.com) and Kelly Bruno at [kbruno18@cox.net](mailto:kbruno18@cox.net).

**DOMINICAN RETREAT:** Information regarding forthcoming programs at Dominican Retreat can be found on the bulletin board in the Parish Hall or on their website at [www.dominicanretreat.org](http://www.dominicanretreat.org).

**THE BENEDICTINE SISTERS OF VIRGINIA**  
**Monastic Discernment Weekend**

For single, Catholic women  
February 19<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup>

For more information contact: Sister Vicki Ix, OSB, Director of Vocation Ministry  
(703)298-5337, [vocations@osbva.org](mailto:vocations@osbva.org), Facebook "Sister Vicki"

**ST. MATTHEW'S SCHOOL** is having an Open House on Sunday, January 31<sup>st</sup> from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. We offer Preschool through Grade 8. This is a great time to come and visit the school and ask any questions you might have. It is also the first opportunity to sign your child up on our waiting list for the coming school year. Hope to see you there!

**ADMISSIONS OPEN HOUSE—SUNDAY, JANUARY 31—2:00 P.M. – 4:00 P.M.** Peninsula Catholic High School will hold an Admissions Open House for prospective students and their families for the 2010 – 2011 school year on Sunday, January 31, from 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. The program will provide an opportunity to see our facilities, meet our students and staff, tour our school, learn about our academic, athletic and co-curricular offerings, and get a glimpse into what the “PC Experience” is all about. The school is located at 600 Harpersville Road in Newport News and serves students in grades 8 through 12. Visit our website: [www.peninsulacatholic.com](http://www.peninsulacatholic.com). For additional information, please call (757) 596-7247, Ext. 11.

**CHRIST THE KING SCHOOL IN NORFOLK** will have an Open House on Sunday, January 31, 2010 from 12:00 noon until 2:00 p.m.

Join us for our annual Catholic Schools Week Open House on Sunday, January 31, 2010 from 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm. Please contact **PORTSMOUTH CATHOLIC REGIONAL SCHOOL** at 488-6744 to join us for a variety of events planned for Catholic Schools Week. Registration and enrollment for 2010-2011 academic year at PCRS now beginning!

**Job opening at Catholic Charities of Eastern Virginia-** Part-time, licensed clinician (LPC or LCSW) needed for our Newport News office. 3 to 5 years experience preferred. Please send letter of interest along with resume to [hr@cceva.org](mailto:hr@cceva.org). EOE

**January is National Mentoring Month.** Every 29 seconds another student gives up on school in America. Catholic Charities of Eastern Virginia is joining the fight to help prevent at-risk teens from dropping out of school. Our Student Assist Mentoring, (SAM) is a school-based program and will focus on 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> grades. Research shows the transition from 8<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> grade and 9<sup>th</sup> graders are at the highest level of risk. Mentors must be at least 21 years old and willing to devote 1 ½ hours a week to the program. Catholic Charities will provide an orientation session to discuss ways to motivate students to achieve academic success, build self esteem and prepare for life beyond high school. For more information about SAM or becoming a SAM mentor, please contact Linda Cataldo at 757-467-7707 or by e-mail [lcataldo@cceva.org](mailto:lcataldo@cceva.org). So little time is needed to make a big difference in a child's life. “Be the change, mentor a child.”

**Catholic Charities of Eastern Virginia** extends heartfelt prayers and concerns to all of the individuals and families so tragically impacted by the earthquake in

Haiti. Those who wish to donate to victims of the quake are urged to support **Catholic Relief Services**, the Church's agency for international response, through its web site [www.crs.org](http://www.crs.org). Donations are accepted by phone by calling 1-800-736-3467 from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. EST or by mail to Catholic Relief Services, P.O. Box 17090, Baltimore, MD 21203.

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