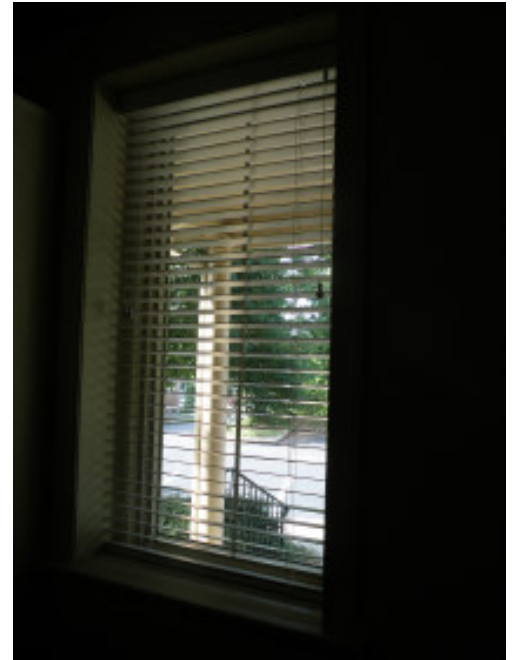




Check out the latest parish fashions, timeshares, and religious books and articles in the new parish display case.

*Thank you
to all those who
maintain and
keep our
parish campus
beautiful
through your
gifts of time,
talent, and
treasure in
support of our
facilities!*



Activities Center blinds installed in time for us to host PACEM November 14-28!



The beautiful new flower bed at our north entrance planted by parishioner Clara Winfield and her team of UVA nurses at the annual Day of Caring sponsored by The United Way.



Parishioner John Gruss spent close to 300 hours hand-crafting the new Vesting Room cabinet!

Parishioner Spotlight

"And keep in mind the words of the Lord Jesus who himself said, "It is more blessed to give than to receive." Acts 20:35

Mike Brinkac

"A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another; even as I have loved you, that you also love one another. By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another." (John 13. 34-35)

Mike is the "other half" to Nancy Brinkac, our Coordinator of



Christian Formation. Mike and Nancy, happily married for 38 years, have two children and one grandchild. It was their son, Chris, for whom you prayed during his military deployment to the Middle East. In marriage, they have shared a lifetime of challenges, adventures, and opportunities – they are a team!

Two years ago, Mike and Nancy moved here from the Eastern Shore of Maryland, a familiar process since they moved over a dozen times

during Mike's 28 year career in the U.S. Navy. After retirement from the Navy, Mike worked several years with a defense contractor in Northern Virginia while Nancy finished her career with the Justice Department. It was then that they decided to prepare for follow-on vocations, and both went back to school. Nancy chose Education for Parish Service at Trinity College, and Mike chose Environmental Science and Policy at George Mason University.

While Nancy served, on and off, at their local parish, Mike's environmental career never fully materialized. Consequently, he took a job as a Disabled Veterans Employment Specialist and worked in one of the poorest counties in that area. What impressed him most were the working poor who, despite their best efforts, could not make ends meet. It was here that his interest in social justice took root. After focusing on the Gospel Message, he organized and became the Chairman of the Social Concerns Committee at his parish.

Then Nancy's call to serve as a Coordinator of Christian Formation led them to Incarnation and Mike joined our Social Justice Committee and helps with PACEM and IMPACT. Mike recently revived the Legislative Advocacy Program. On-going efforts include voter registration, preparations for the November elections, national health care reform, and Catholic Lobby Day 2010. The aim of the advocacy program is to ensure that our state and federal representatives enact legislation that reflects the Principles of Catholic Social Teaching as laid out by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops.

Mike also supports the Christian Formation program, earning him the title of "Chair Man" because, during the school year, Mike assembles the classrooms for weekend classes only to disassemble them again on Sunday evening. He also does the logistics for special events in the Parish Hall and the Activities Center. Along with Tony Sapino, he provides a security presence for our youth during Sunday evening Christian Formation.

In addition to social justice, Mike's interests include environmental stewardship and fishing. He volunteers with the Rivanna Conservation Society and the Jefferson Chapter of Trout Unlimited. A related program that allows him to blend social justice

Do you know . . .

- . . . Our parish communicates with you through:
 - a weekly bulletin distributed after Mass and posted on the website
 - a weekly e-letter sent every Wednesday (call the Parish Office to be added to the e-mail list)
 - a monthly newsletter that features the work of our Outreach Ministry to meet the needs of our parish family and the local community
 - a Social Justice newsletter published monthly
 - a quarterly parish newsletter
 - occasional announcements at Mass
 - occasional targeted mailings to your home.

If you would like more information on any of the above communication vehicles, please contact the Parish Office.

Facility Update

Recently completed:

- Activities Center Doors
- Parish Landscaping

Upcoming:

- Parish Office carpet replacement
- New entrance signage (south)

Time & Talent

"As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace." 1 Peter 4:8-10

OPPORTUNITIES TO SHOW THE LOVE OF CHRIST. . .

- Salvation Army Dinner Servers (3rd Saturday)
- Greeters (all Masses)
- Fellowship Servers
- Liturgical Ministers (all Masses)
- Ushers (all Masses)
- Technology Team

Please contact the Parish Office if interested in assisting with any of the above ministries.

Not a registered member yet?

Stop by the Parish Office to meet with a member of the staff and complete a registration form as well as to receive other information about life in our parish. The Parish Office is open 8:30am to 2:00pm on Monday and 8:30am to 4:30pm Tuesday-Friday. **Our next New Parishioner Welcome Reception is Thursday, February 4, at 5:30pm in the Parish Hall.**

with his hobby is "Project Healing Waters". This Project offers wounded and disabled military members physical and mental rehabilitation in the form of fly-fishing, and is run by volunteer fisherman.

Mike is now fully retired. When not with Nancy, at the Parish, protecting the environment, or walking their dog, he can be found wherever the fish are biting.

Community Life



"Walk to Bethlem" progress is marked on the Narthex map each week -- promoting our parishioners good health!

Parishioner Tom Strassburg instructs our youth on how to "carry the Gospel" at the Liturgical Ministers Retreat led by Fr. Rolo Castillo.



Fr. Gregory & Suzanne Bombard of the Welcome Committee talk to new parishioners about parish ministry opportunities at the recent Welcome Dinner.

Youth Beat

This year Incarnation successfully partnered with St. Thomas Aquinas for the Confirmation Retreat. The retreat was held at a beautiful conference center nestled in the Blue Ridge Mountains and over 130 kids attended. Pictured below are some of the kids after participating in a "Sacraments Relay Race" in which their team had to do various activities representing the Sacraments.



Remix has also geared back up with the start of the new school year. Remix is a partnership between our Christian Formation and Youth Ministry teams and helps teach 9th and 10th graders our Catholic faith in a way that is engaging and fun. Pictured below is one of the small groups from Remix as they act out a passage from scripture. Can you guess which one?



New Parishioners: Welcome to all families who have recently registered in our parish:

Alfredo Avendano & Jaqueline Hernandez, Carmen; Steve & Nicole Averette, Caroline, Carter; Christian Ayala & Lucia Lopez, Dayhana; Curt & Alexis Bean; Aracely Chicas, Emily, Luis; Onecimo Chimal & Eva Maria Martinez, Heder, Leonardo; Laura Cornelio, Britney; Andy & Jenni Croll; Jose & Emma Cuenca, Juan Carlos, Jonathan, Daniel, Oscar; Sabino de Dios & Mariana Lopez, Tania, Michael; Denise Demitris, Emma; Richard & Linda DeMong; Graham & Jennifer Dennis, Graham, Lillyana; Patricia Dennis, Patricia; Heriberto Diego & Sonia Cruz, Erik, Katie; Rich & Margaret DiMeglio, Kiernan; Pavel & Jacqueline Dovgalyuk, Mark, Evan, Kylie; Avelardo Escalera & Maria Padilla, Allyson; William Espinoza & Yamileth Guevara, Bryan; James & Clare Farmar, Grace, Ryan; Jose Flores & Maria Galdamez; Ramon Flores & Veronica Acosta, Henry, Jeffrey; Rosa Flores & Juan Jose Canas, Jonny; Leonzo Fraire & Lucia Madrid, Salvador, Allen; John & Jennifer Gohl, Rebecca; Alejandro Gonzalez & Dulce Ramirez, Fernando, Cindy, Ashley; Reina Jimenez, Emely, Griselda; Andres Juarez & Berenice Rayo, Nailia, Ramon; Michel & Ana Kahaleh, Gabriel, Alexandro; Bernard & Patricia Kaminski; Bernabe Lopez & Maria Avendano, Bernabe; Herminio Lopez; Olga Lidia Lopez; Rafael & Contrice Lopez, Iliana; Bernardo Martinez & Lucrecia Morales, Daniela; Jose Morales & Beatriz Vertiz, Jose, Gissell, Melani; Jose Luis Miranda & Miriam Maranon, Maria, Nelida; Wendy Miranda, Natalie, Jayson; Thomas Mucenski & Ann Bilbo; David Musito & Leticia Reyes, Abril; Miguel Angel Musito; Lan Pham & Andrew Phung, Eliana, Kayla; Feliciano Ramirez; Ascension Rodriguez; Efren Rosas & Silvia Vidal; German Ruiz & Sabina Rosas; Ernesto Salazar & Elivelet Puentes, Cecilia, Erendida, Coraima; Juvencio Salazar & Estela Ramirez, Wilmor, Bibiana, Ulises, Yulliza; Rodrigo Salazar & Alma Puentes, Juan Francisco, Isaac, Ricardo; Martin Sandoval & Lilia Sotelo, Esequiel, Briseida, Heidi; Arcadio Sarmiento & Veronica Soto, Jonathan; Luz Silverio, Keven, Perla; Bernardo Trujillo & Ana Arizmendi, Celia, Daniel, Angel; Joan Williams, Grace; Aaron Zamudio & Maria Medina, Aaron, Daisy, Ean; Bertha Zaragoza, Jose Angel, Dulce Maria

Business Opportunities

As a service to our parishioners and as a way to encourage one of the hallmarks of our parish, "Promoting Relationships," Incarnation will soon launch a "Business Opportunities" section on our parish website as well as offer other means for parishioners to share their services and to search for employment.

Please help us extend these connections and benefits to your fellow parishioners by calling or sending the following information to Frank Squillace in the Parish Office. Thank you!

Your name

Name of your business or business you are employed by

Type of service or product offered

Telephone number – E-mail address – Web address

My company or the company I represent would be interested in the following:

- Listing my company on the parish website which would include the link, a short description, and my photo (if desired) for an annual fee of \$100.
- Sponsoring a parish event (Sunday Fellowship, Men's Breakfast, Women's Dinner, Feast-Day Receptions, etc.) for \$100 which would provide the following:
 - Distribution of brochures or informational materials at the event
 - Inclusion in the e-letter (sent to 650 parishioners per week) as the event sponsor
 - Inclusion in the weekly bulletin as the event sponsor
- Offering either: 1) a discount directly to parishioners purchasing my/our services or 2) donating to the parish a percentage of the receipts of purchases made by parishioners.
- Offering employment opportunities in my company/business to parishioners
- Offering summer internships: paid/non-paid to Incarnation youth and college students
- Offering mentoring/counseling to a parishioner in need of employment

Why I Love Incarnation. . .

*I was brought to Incarnation by a friend. He suggested that the Church of the Incarnation might be the right place for me. I had visited other churches and had not been very happy with my experiences there. By the end of the Mass, I felt that I was home. The following Sunday, I returned to Incarnation alone. That is to say, no one accompanied me, but I did not feel alone. Some-time, within the first two months, one of the ushers approached me and said, "We have seen you here the last few Sundays, so what do you want to do? You have to do something." Within a couple of months, I became an usher. A few years ago, I was confirmed and received into full communion. Since that first Sunday, I have always felt that I was, and am, a part of the Incarnation family. This parish community has been the one constant in my life during these past years. I feel that my weeks end and begin here every Sunday. Sometimes I wonder how I would have made it here if I had not been brought to Sunday. Then, I think: I do not have to wonder; it had all been planned for me. Why I love Incarnation: it is home.

* Anonymous

Upcoming Events

Intergenerational Reflection: All Saints Day
Sunday, November 1, 6:00pm, Parish Hall

All Souls Liturgy of Remembrance
Tuesday, November 3, 7:30pm

Men's Breakfast
Saturday, November 21, 8:30am, Parish Hall

Alternative Giving & Palestinian Crafts Fair
Saturday & Sunday, Nov. 21/22 after Mass

Advent Penance Service
Wednesday, December 2, 7:30pm

The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Tuesday, December 8, Mass: 12:15 & 7:30pm

Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe
5:00am Mananitas
7:30pm La Misa
9:00pm Fiesta

Check out the Adult Education Brochure (hallway pockets + the website) for additional opportunities!

Finance Corner

"Give to the Most High as He has given to you, generously, according to your means." Sirach 35:7-10

Your generous donations help us to maintain the services and programs we are known for throughout the year.

- *If you would like to maintain your weekly or monthly contribution, please consider electronic bank withdrawal.*
- *We also accept Credit Cards for those parishioners who wish to make their Offertory/Haiti/Outreach/Debt Reduction pledges in this manner.*
- *Click on the "Donate/Tithe" button on our website to access both methods! Thank you!*

If you have chosen to donate to Incarnation by electronic bank withdrawal or by credit card, you will not receive a packet of monthly envelopes. However, some parishioners who now receive church envelopes do not use them, preferring simply to put a check or cash in the collection basket. **If you currently receive church envelopes but do not use them, please call the Parish Office to have your name removed from the envelope order list.**

Make
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