

Mission Statement

We as members of the Body of Christ, through our thoughts, words and deeds, celebrate the presence of God in all people. As a community of believers, we answer Christ's call to feed the hungry, clothe the naked, shelter the homeless and love one another.

January 14, 2018

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Immaculate Conception Church Holy Redeemer Church Parish Office

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Pastoral Associate

WEEKEND CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Sat 4:00PM Immaculate Conception Sat 5:30PM Holy Redeemer Sun 7:30AM Immaculate Conception Sun 9:00AM Holy Redeemer Sun 10:30AM Immaculate Conception

WEEKDAY CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

7:30AM Immaculate Conception **8:30AM** Holy Redeemer

CONFESSION

Saturday 3:00PM - 3:30PM Immaculate Conception

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Wednesdays 9:00AM - 10:00AM Holy Redeemer

Gluten Intolerant?

If you cannot tolerate gluten, please receive communion on the tabernacle side of the church and let the person distributing communion know you need gluten free.

January 14, 2018
Readings/Responsorial #1096
Gathering: #790 The Summons
Offertory: #781 Lord, When You Came
Communion: #939 Behold the Lamb
Recessional: #829 Let There Be Peace
On Earth

Weekly Collection January 7, 2018 \$10,040.25

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Yearly contributions

For a report of your yearly contributions for 2017, please contact Lori at 570-654-2753 or e-mail lkasisky1@epix.net.

Diocesan Annual Appeal

Once again, you have exceeded our goal for the diocesan annual appeal. To date, we have raised **\$36,726.00** surpassing our goal of \$32,000.00 by \$4,726.00. Thank you for your generosity.

Family Mass & Donut Sunday Sunday, January 21, 2018 10:30AM Mass

Immediately following the mass, all are welcome to join us in the church hall for coffee and donuts. At this mass our youth choir will sing and boys and girls in grade 4 are welcome to participate as lectors, gift bearers, heavenly hosts, and ushers. If your child would like to participate, please contact Lisa Falzone at 237-2739 or lisa.falzone@ssa.gov, Sara Konopka at 498-9304 or skono1683@yahoo.com or MaryAnn Oliveri at 357-1778 or mare1912@epix.net.

Night at the Races Saturday, February 10, 2018 Doors Open 6:00PM Post Time 7:00PM

For a \$5.00 donation enjoy a delicious buffet consisting of homemade red and white pizza, sausage & peppers, cavatappi & broccoli, wimpies, hotdogs and desserts. It is always a fun night watching and cheering your horse to the finish line. Instant bingo, basket raffles and more! Refreshments are free. Horses are \$10.00. Forms to purchase horses can be found in the vestibules of the churches. Or just name your horse, list the owner, enclose a \$10 check and drop it in the collection basket. To donate a basket call Loretta at 570-654-2655 or to make reservations call Kim at 570-603-0466. No one under 21 is admitted.

Youth Group News

Youth Group Snow Tubing

Cost is \$20 per person (\$10 for youth group members who sold wreaths) for a 3-hour snow tubing session from 1PM to 4PM on Sunday, January 28th at Montage Mountain. All are invited. For information or if interested contact Mrs. Klepadlo at 570-430-1470.

Souper Bowl of Caring

This national event uses the energy around our nation's largest sporting event to inspire youth to fight hunger and poverty. By participating, you will help the youth of our parish develop a stronger connection to our community as they collect food and raise money which will be used to fill our food shelves. Just bring a can of soup or a \$1 donation and vote for your favorite team!!

•Find/join us on Facebook—Corpus Christi Youth Group WP

Communal Baptisms

The dates for our upcoming communal baptisms are <u>Sunday</u>, <u>January</u> <u>28</u>, <u>2018</u> and <u>Sunday</u>, <u>March 18</u>, <u>2018</u> at <u>11:30AM</u> in <u>Immaculate</u> <u>Conception Church</u>. At each communal baptism, members of our Baptismal Ministry Team present the newly baptized with a personalized bib, candle and a Baptism book. To have your child baptized, please call the rectory to make arrangements.

Social Concerns News

■Meeting

All are welcome to attend a social concerns meeting on <u>Monday</u>, <u>January 15th at 6:00PM</u> in the rectory. At this meeting we will review 2017 and plan 2018 projects.

■Soup Ministry

Our soup ministers will be at it again. This <u>Thursday and Friday</u>, <u>January 18 & 19</u>, they will meet in IC kitchen to make Italian Wedding Soup for our homebound parishioners. All are welcome!!

■Delivery to Homebound

On <u>Saturday</u>, <u>January 20 at 10:00AM</u>, we are asking for a few volunteers to deliver the soup to our homebound. If you can help, please contact Joyce at the rectory or e-mail jcecconi50@gmail.com.

■Spring Food Drive

We have emptied our food shelves for the holidays. If you can help, we will gladly accept donations of any non-perishable foods as we begin our "spring food drive". Donations may be left in the vestibules of the churches. Thank you in advance for your help!

Upcoming Meetings

Building and Grounds Meeting

Members are asked to attend a meeting on <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>January</u> <u>16th at 6:00PM</u> in the rectory.

St. Clare Sewing Ministry Meeting

If you like to sew, knit, or crochet or if you wish to learn, you are welcome to join us for a planning meeting on **Wednesday**, **January 17th at 6:00PM** in the rectory.

Religious Education Teacher Meeting

All religious education teachers and subs are asked to attend a meeting on **Thursday**, **January 18th at 6:00PM** in the rectory.

Corpus Christi Annual Car Show

Save the date!! Our annual car show will be held on Sunday, May 27, 2018 (rain date is May 28th). Watch the bulletins for details.

Sacrament of First Reconciliation Saturday, February 24, 2018 10:00AM Holy Redeemer Church

Both Father Alco and Father Arbo will be here to help out with First Reconciliation. Immediately following the service, all boys and girls, their families and friends are invited to a brunch in the church hall. If your child is attending a Catholic school, please call Joyce at the rectory (570) 654-2753 to register him or her to receive this sacrament.

Bereavement Group

Many people who have experienced the loss of a loved one do not know that the grieving process takes time. To learn about what to expect as you grieve, a Bereavement Group will be meeting which you could join. Call the rectory for more information or to join the group.

25th or 50th Wedding Anniversary Celebration

His excellency, the Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera, D.D., J.C.L., Bishop of Scranton, and the Office for Parish Life wish to invite couples celebrating their 25th or 50th wedding anniversary in 2018 to a diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, June 10. The event includes a 2:30PM Mass at St. Peter's Cathedral followed by a reception. To receive an invitation, you must call the rectory before March 12, 2018.

Jackpot Jingle Lottery Winners

1/4 No Winner	#481	\$50.00
1/5 No Winner	#750	\$75.00
1/6 No Winner	#116	\$50.00
1/7 No Winner	#630	\$125.00
1/8 No Winner	#492	\$50.00
1/9 Cataldo Medi	ico #346	\$75.00
1/10 No Winner	#183	\$50.00

Special Drawing Winners:

Tony Cella 1/4 \$50.00, Sam Mesina 1/5 \$75.00, Rosemary Gosart 1/6 \$50.00, Rocco Schillaci 1/7 \$125.00, Faustine Scaarantino 1/8 \$50.00, Eileen Cawley 1/10 \$50.00

Altar Candles at ICC

Which will burn this week in loving memory of **Jimmy Parry** are donated by his wife and son.

Holy family Candle at ICC

Which will burn this week in loving memory of **Josette Yakobitis** is donated by Jerry, Faith, Andrew & Michael.

Courtesy News

Feast of Holy Spouses

Mass at 3:00PM at the Oblates of St. Joseph Chapel, Laflin on Sunday, January 21st. Rev. Louis Grippe will be principal celebrant and homilist. A light reception will follow. All are welcome.

Holy Redeemer High School

Grade 8 Placement/Scholarship Test Result Night and Registration Night is January 24 at 7:00PM. For appointments for class scheduling, call 570-829-2424.

Mass Intentions January 15 thru January 21, 2018

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Mon	7:30AM	William Godlewski by Trent and Sandra Grove
 	8:30AM	Deceased Priests & Religious by Fran & Ray Franko
Tues	7:30AM	Joseph Prula
 	8:30AM	by Wife & Son, Joseph Marty Pleban
Wed	7:30AM	by Patty Brannigan Paul Gillespie
 	8:30AM	by Mother, Joan Carl G. Ihnat
Thurs	s 7:30AM	by Kathy Keenes Clem Parulis by Gerard J. Zezza, Jr.
 	8:30AM	Rose Ambrosino by CC Visiting Group
Fri	7:30AM	Anthony Krolick by Anna & John Roche & G-children
 - -	8:30AM	Jack Rose by Fran & Ray Franko
Sat	4:00PM	Jimmy Parry by Wife & Son
' 	5:30PM	Hubert Dixon by Wife, Marguerite
Sun	7:30AM	Aurelia Menichini by Jack & Susan Carr
 	9:00AM	Bucky Mazur by M/M Joseph Agolino
 - -	10:30AM	Sarah E. Gardner

by Lisa & Charles Falzone