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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.

July 15, 2018

Readings/Responsorial #1135 Gathering: #901 For the Life of the World Offertory: #765 The Church of Christ Communion: #924 Song of the Body of Christ Recessional: #546 Go to the World!

> Weekly Collection July 8, 2018 \$10,489.75

Collection (Peter's Pence)

\$1,266.50

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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.

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Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Intentions for 2019

Our Mass Intention Book for 2019 will open Tuesday, July 10, 2018. To request a Mass, please call Dorothy at the rectory (570-654-2753), beginning next Tuesday, July 10th. You can reach Dorothy on Tuesdays, Thursdays or Fridays between 10:00AM and 2:00PM. Or you can mail or drop in the collection a note with the following information: who the mass is intended for, who it is requested by and a phone number we can call to confirm the request. The stipend for a mass is \$10.00.

Social Concerns News

Back-To-School Supplies

If you have school-age children, you know how expensive it is to get them ready for school. Not considering clothes and shoes, it is costly to get the supplies a child needs. For a low-income family, this is just about impossible. Listed below are some of the obvious items needed for students from K-12 grade: backpacks, #2 pencils, simple calculators, scientific calculators, rulers, glue sticks, colored pencils, crayons, markers, pens, ear buds, flash drive, etc.

Personal Hygiene Products

Since establishing proper hygiene is key to developing a sense of self worth and is interwoven with good health, you can help us equip these children with donations of the following personal hygiene products: toothpaste, toothbrushes, shampoo, body wash, soap, mouthwash, deodorant, hand sanitizers, small packs of tissues, etc.

Next-to-New Clothing

For anyone with school age children, if you have school appropriate clothing that your children have outgrown and is in good condition, please consider donating it here. It will be appreciated by some less fortunate families.

■Food Drive Donations

We are in the process of replenishing our food shelves. If you can help, some suggestions of needed food items include: peanut butter, jelly, pasta, rice, macaroni & cheese, tuna, canned meats, etc.

Donations

All donations may be left in the vestibules of the churches or dropped off at the rectory. If you prefer, you can make a monetary donation to Social Concerns for the back-to-school drive and a member will do the shopping for you. Donations received will be given to children in our parish and the surrounding communities. Thank you, in advance, for your support!

"Pirate's Treasure" New Lottery—Bigger Prizes!

Sail the high seas with our new lottery "Pirate's Treasure". Just match the evening drawing of the 3 digit daily number and on <u>Sundays in September</u> you could win a treasure of \$1,000.00, on September 19th you could win a captain's treasure of \$600.00 and all other days during the month of <u>September you could win \$100.00</u>. This lottery will run from September 1 thru September 30, 2018. If you did not receive a Pirate's Treasure ticket in the mail and would like one or if you would like additional tickets, just stop by or call the rectory. This is your chance to become a lucky pirate! <u>Please</u> note, our next lottery will run during the month of January 2019.

CPR for Family and Friends

This course will be held on <u>Monday, July 16th at 6:00PM in IC</u> <u>School.</u> All are welcome. To register contact Rosalie Cullagh at 570-655-5422.

"Senior" Summer Picnic

Mark your calendar!! Our annual "senior" summer picnic will be held on **Wednesday, July 25th at 1:00PM in ICC hall**. We will supply the food including hotdogs and hamburgers, salads, condiments and you supply the fun. If you would like, you can bring along your favorite dessert to share. All are welcome!!

Notice Regarding Reporting Sexual Abuse of a Minor

It is the policy of the Diocese of Scranton to report any allegation of sexual abuse of a minor to law enforcement. If you are a victim of sexual abuse committed by a priest, deacon, religious or lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton, you are encouraged to immediately report the matter to law enforcement. If any priest, deacon, religious, lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton has cause or reason to suspect that a minor has been subjected to any form of abuse, including child sexual abuse, the matter will be reported to law enforcement. In accordance with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's Child Protective Services Laws, reports of suspected child abuse should also be made immediately by phone to the 24-HourChild Abuse hotline (ChildLine) at 1-800-932-0313 or electronically at www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis.

It is also the policy of the Diocese to adhere to all civil and state regulations. To this end, the Diocese is equally committed to adhering to the norms of the Code of Canon Law and to upholding the tenets of the USCCB Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, which includes supporting victims of sexual abuse in their pursuit of emotional and spiritual wellbeing. As such, information regarding an allegation of sexual abuse of a minor should also be reported to the Victim Assistance Coordinator Mary Beth Pacuska at (570-862-7551) or to Diocesan officials, including the Vicar General, Monsignor Thomas M. Muldowney, V.G., at (570-207-2269).

Courtesy News

Grandma's Attic...St Ignatius Church

Thursday, July 26 from 8:00AM to 1:00PM and 6:00PM to 8:00PM, Friday, July 27 from 8:00AM to 1:00PM and Saturday, July 28 (Bag Day) from 8:00AM to Noon. Bake sale and food items available. All are welcome!

St Maria Goretti Festival

July 27 thru 29. Entertainment nightly, air-conditioned bingo, gift card showcase, Vera Bradley Showcase, Water Wars, Beautiful Raffle Baskets, food, desserts and more.

Prince of Peace Old Forge

Take-Out Chicken BBQ and basket raffle, Sunday, August 12th 11am to 3pm at Arcaro and Genell's Parking Lot. \$10 includes 1/2 BBQ chicken, corn on the cob, pasta salad, roll. For information and tickets call the rectory at 570-457-5900.

St Joseph's Center Festival

The festival will be held on the grounds of Marywood University Friday, July 27th and Saturday, July 28th from 4:00PM to 10:00PM and Sunday, July 29th from 12 Noon to 8:00PM. All are welcome!!

Altar Candles at ICC

Which will burn this week in loving memory of **Jamie Oliveri** are donated by his mother, Ruth.

Holy Family Candle at ICC

Which will burn this week in loving memory of **Nancy Katany** is donated by her daughter, Jeri and family.

Sanctuary Candle at ICC

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Bereavement Group

A Bereavement Group led by Sr. Sarah Landis, IHM, LPC, NCC, will be held in our rectory on Tuesday evenings at 7:00PM. The sessions will begin on Tuesday, July 17th. If you would like to attend the sessions, you must call the rectory at 570-654-2753 to register.

IHM Sisters Celebration

All are welcome to attend a special event on August 4, 2018 at the Nazareth Student Center at Marywood University which will benefit the IHM Retirement Fund. Cocktails will begin at 6:00PM followed by dinner and a program. Reservations are \$100.00 per person. To make your reservation, call the IHM Development Office at 570-346-5431 or register online at sistersofihm.org. To learn more or to make an online donation visit www.helpihmsisters.com.

Mass Intentions July 16 thru July 22, 2018

Mon	7:30AM	Samuel Marranca
1		By Bob & Carol Reedy & Family
1	8:30AM	Jim McNulty
		By Kathy & Frances
Tues	7:30AM	Florence Stankoski
1		By Patti & Joe Paciotti
	8:30AM	Lorraine Antal
i		By L Smith, B Williams, J Pribula
Wed	7:30AM	Dec'd Membs of Stout and
		Randazzo Families
i		By Grandchildren
	8:30AM	Theresa Olshemski
		By Neil & Cathy O'Donnell
Thurs	s 7:30AM	Griffin Jacob Schumow
		By Cherrywood HOA
1	8:30AM	Joan Sherinsky
i		By Bob & Ellen Behlke
Fri	7:30AM	Florence Stankoski
		By Joan Hennigan
1	8:30AM	Sam Saracino
0-1		By Saracino & Mirro Families
Sat	4:00PM	Patricia Yunkunis
1	E-20DM	By Betsy Bendik & Family James Kozloski
	5.30PW	By HR Morning Mass Group
Sun	7:30AM	Marilyn Fessler
Juli	7.30AW	By Tony & Mary Tossi
	9:00AM	Margaret Repasky
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-	10:30AM	Carmella Salerno
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