



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.

February 10, 2019

Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time

**Immaculate Conception Church
Holy Redeemer Church
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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.

February 10, 2019

Readings/Responsorial # 1106
Gathering: #567 Holy, Holy, Holy!
Lord God Almighty!
Offertory: #790 The Summons
Communion: #781 Lord, When You Came
Recessional: #636 Now Thank We
All Our God

Weekly Collection

February 3, 2019

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| Collection | \$9,095.75 |
| E Offering | 507.00 |
| Total | \$9,602.75 |

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Sacrament of First Reconciliation

Saturday, February 16, 2019

10:00AM Immaculate Conception Church

Following the ceremony, the children, their families and friends are invited to join us for brunch in the church hall. There will be a brief practice for the boys and girls on Wednesday, February 13th at 6:00PM in the church.

Family Mass & Donut Sunday

Next Sunday, February 17th the 9:00AM Mass at Holy Redeemer is a family mass with boys and girls in grade 4 taking part as lectors, gift bearers, ushers and heavenly hosts. Our youth choir will be singing. Following the mass all are invited to enjoy donuts, coffee and juice in the church hall.

Religious Ed Classes

There will be NO Religious Ed classes next Sunday, February 17th.

Adult Education Bible Study – “Genesis – Part 1”

The next adult bible study program that our parish will be offering is on the book of “Genesis”. Classes will be on five consecutive Thursdays beginning on February 28th at 6:00 PM in the Immaculate Conception Church. Each session will last for approximately 90 minutes. This is a brand new program designed by Little Rock Scripture Study. We will study the first 25 chapters of the book of Genesis, the first book in the bible. We will study the creation of the world, the creation of man and woman, and the relationships between God and people.

Please sign-up as soon as possible so we can order the materials. To sign up for the program or to find out more information, please contact Deacon Jim Meizanis at 570-239-2783 or deacon.meizanis@gmail.com.

The cost for the study is \$20.00 to cover books and study materials. If anyone is interested in the program and needs help with the cost, please contact Deacon Jim.

Don't miss out join the fun and learn more about our faith through the scriptures. Oh, and did we say that there will still be snacks.....

Twilight Bingo

Save the date! Saturday, March 30, 2019 IC hall. Doors open at 6:00PM and bingo starts at 7:00PM. This is a BYOB event featuring a variety of foods and desserts for purchase. Join us and try your luck at winning an Amazon Echo, 3-Tier Air/Fryer Oven, 10" Amazon Fire Tablet, a 55-inch Smart TV or one of the following cash prizes.....\$150, \$200, \$500, \$750, or \$1,000. Tickets are \$20.00 in advance or \$25.00 at the door. Tickets, which are available at the rectory, will be sold on a first come first serve basis. To purchase tickets or make table reservations, call the rectory at 570-654-2753 or e-mail Joyce at jceconi50@gmail.com.

Bingo Planning Meeting

Our next bingo planning meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 12th at 6:00PM in the rectory. All are welcome!

Online Giving is Now Available!!

■HOW DO I SIGN UP? Signing up is as simple as going to our parish website www.corpuschristinepa.com and looking for the green computer mouse icon. That button will take you to the my E offering page for our parish. Simply sign up and begin giving online today! For help signing up or for more information on on-line giving, call Lori at 570-654-2753.

New Parish Lottery “Spring into Summer”

This week you should receive a mailing with your ticket for our upcoming parish lottery “Spring into Summer.” For a \$25 donation you have the chance to win \$50 daily, \$100 on Sundays or \$150 on 6 bonus days during the months of April, May and June. For more tickets, just call or stop by the rectory.

Homebound/Nursing Home Parishioners

Thank you to our volunteers who delivered a lovely Valentine gift of See’s Chocolates, homemade Valentine cookies and handmade Valentines from our students in Religious Ed. Our homebound parishioners also received a quart of delicious homemade chicken soup. A special thank you to all who donated the chickens, the vegetables for the soup and the homemade Valentine cookies!!!

If you or someone you know of is homebound or residing in a nursing facility, temporarily or permanently, please call the rectory office or email Joyce at jcecco-ni50@gmail.com so we can add them to our lists.

St Clare Sewing Ministry Meeting

We will meet on **Wednesday, February 13th at 6:00PM in the rectory.** Those of you who have been working on the stuffed dragons at home are asked to bring them to this meeting to be completed. These will be given to the boys and girls receiving First Reconciliation. The next project this ministry will be working on is making stoles for the 28 eighth graders who will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation here in June.

Lenten Food Planning Meeting

There will be a meeting next **Wednesday, February 14th at 2:00PM** in the rectory to discuss the possibility of making and selling homemade food during Lent. All are welcome to join us and share ideas. If you are interested but cannot make this meeting, please call Joyce at the rectory.

Parish Bazaar...Save the Dates!!

Our parish bazaar will be held **Thursday thru Saturday June 20, 21 and 22.** Thursday and Friday 6:00PM to 10:00PM and Saturday 5:00PM to 10:00PM on the grounds of Immaculate Conception Church.

Bazaar Meeting

Our next bazaar planning meeting will be held on **Wednesday, February 27th at 6:00PM in the rectory.** All are welcome!

Courtesy News

National Down Syndrome Society

Quinn Crispell, parishioner, lector and altar server, will represent the National Down Syndrome Society at the 2019 Disney Princess 5K Run on February 22, 2019. Quinn and Team NDSS will be running “around the world” through Epcot. Donations in support of this fundraiser can be made through Quinn’s fundraising page at <https://give.classy.org/QuinnDisneyRun>.

WA Mini Thon Bingo Fundraiser

This event will be held at the Wyoming Area Secondary Center Cafeteria on Sunday, February 17th. All proceeds will benefit Four Diamonds and Little Eric Speicher Foundation to help continue the battle against pediatric cancer. Doors open at 12 Noon. Donation is \$20 per person. Prizes include various \$50 gift cards, raffle baskets, cash and more!

Cabin Fever Raffle Winners

Congratulations to the following 10 \$100 winners in our “cabin fever” drawing: Peter Albano, Patricia Burns, Helen Butera, Anthony Chimento, Anna Hensley, Norine Lukasavage, Anita McCole, Jerry O’Brien, Rose Mary Oliveri, and Florence Wanko.

Altar Candles at ICC

Which will burn this week in loving memory of **Anna Cherkosky** are donated by her daughter, Mary Ann.

Holy Family Candle at ICC

Which will burn this week in loving memory of **Anthony, Sam & Brittany Berto** is donated by Jackie Scalzo.

Sanctuary Candle at ICC

Which will burn this week in loving memory of **Thomas Ford** is donated by his sister Annette.

Diocesan Annual Appeal

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| DAA 2018 Parish Goal | \$32,000.00 |
| Total Raised | <u>\$27,002.22</u> |
| Over (Under) | (\$4,997.78) |

Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass

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 2019 to a diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, June 30. The event includes a 2:30pm mass at St. Peter’s Cathedral followed by a reception. To request an invitation, please call the rectory office at 570-654-2753 before April 2.

Mass Intentions

February 11 thru February 17, 2019

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| Mon | 7:30AM | William Maley By Michael & Karen Beckley |
| | 8:30AM | Rita Venetz By Sam & Stevie Calabrese |
| Tues | 7:30AM | Robert Pradel By Wife & sons |
| | 8:30AM | Margaret Grabowski By Loretta Anderson |
| Wed | 7:30AM | Theresa, Helen & James Gavigan By Family |
| | 8:30AM | Lena Lynch By Seth & Jennifer Roach & Family |
| Thurs | 7:30AM | Mary Lou Langdon By Cella Family |
| | 8:30AM | Joseph Yastremski By Makuch Family |
| Fri | 7:30AM | Samuel Marranca By Carmen & Debbie Altavilla |
| | 8:30AM | Jack Nugent By Georgia & George Young |
| Sat | 4:00PM | Mary Ann Yorina By Mom & Dad |
| | 5:30PM | Joseph Slusser By Marie Kiselevach |
| Sun | 7:30AM | Joan Messina By Husband, Sam & daughter Phyllis |
| | 9:00AM | God’s Blessings for all Children |
| | 10:30AM | Dec’d Membs of Brown, Bishop, Serafin & Pasternak Families By John & Maryellen Serafin |