

Immaculate Conception Church Holy Redeemer Church Parish Office 605 Luzerne Avenue West Pittston, PA 18643 Phone (570) 654-2753 Fax (570) 654-9244 Msgr. John J. Sempa, Pastor Mr. James Meizanis, Deacon Mrs. Joyce Cecconi, 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 17, 2019

Readings/Responsorial # 1109 Gathering: #680 We Walk by Faith Offertory: #679 Center of My Life Communion: #735 Blest Are They Recessional: #592 We Are the Light of the World

Weekly Collection February 10, 2019 Collection \$10,367.30 E Offering 603.42 Total \$10,970.72

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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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Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Sacrament of First Reconciliation

Congratulations to the following boys and girls who received the Sacrament of First Reconciliation in Immaculate Conception Church.

Charles James Allegrucci Dominic Bartell Mia Ciampi **Brady Anthony DePhillips Michael James Fulmer Katelyn Marie Jacobs** Julianna Marie O'Hop Francesca Pizano Lucas Aiden Stronski

Avery Atkinson Tyler Jacob Chaump Briella Pamela DeLucca Santino Ferretti **Joseph Christopher Gula Kasey Joyce Morreale** Matthew Edward Olmstead **Genevieve Francis Ruderman** Isabella Mia Sullivan

Thank you!!

Thank you to the members of our St. Clare Sewing Ministry for making the lovely colorful stuffed dragons which were presented to the boys and girls at First Reconciliation.

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 though the scriptures. Oh, and did we say 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 jcecconi50@gmail.com.

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.

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New Parish Lottery "Spring into Summer"

<u>Next weekend at all Masses, volunteers will be in the vestibules of the churches selling lottery tickets.</u>

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 additional tickets, you are welcome to call or stop by the rectory.

Ministering to the Homebound

The spiritual needs of our sick, homebound, hospitalized and nursing home parishioners are very important to us. We want to keep them in prayer, provide visits and communion. You can help us minister to these parishioners in a variety of ways. Please call the rectory or e-mail Joyce at <u>jcecco-ni50@gmail.com</u>

• If someone you know is admitted to a hospital, nursing facility or is homebound......

•If you would like to visit a nursing facility on a regular basis.....

• If you would like to bring communion to our homebound on a regular basis.....

• If you are homebound and wish to receive communion...

• If you are homebound or residing in a nursing facility and would like the bulletin mailed to you....

• If you would like to help with deliveries to the homebound and nursing homes.....

Seniors Meeting

All are welcome to join us the last Wednesday of the month at 1:00PM in the rectory for an afternoon of cards, snacks and friendly chatter. The group will meet next Wednesday, February 27th!

Parish Bazaar...Save the Dates!!

Our parish bazaar will be held <u>Thursday thru Saturday</u> <u>June 20, 21 and 22</u>. 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 <u>Wednes-</u> <u>day, February 27th at 6:00PM in the rectory</u>. All are welcome!

Diocesan Annual Appeal

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

Weight Watchers

Call or e-mail Joyce at 570-654-2753 or jcecconi50@gmail.com for information on joining a Weight Watcher program in our parish.

Do You Want to Know More About the Annulment Process?

In the Diocese of Scranton the annulment process is now more "user friendly" than you might expect and there is no longer a processing fee. Please contact the Diocesan Tribunal Office (570-207-2246) to begin a conversation. It is possible to get clear answers to these questions and to renew your connection with the Church.

Al anon Meetings

An Al anon meeting is held every Wednesday at 10:15AM in Immaculate Conception Church hall. Relatives and friends of alcoholics are welcome to attend.

Final Cabin Fever Raffle Winners

Listed below are the final winners in our "cabin fever" raffle. Thank you to all for your participation in this parish fundraiser. <u>This raffle netted us a profit of \$9,070.34.</u> The ten \$100 winners include Mike Dziak, Jr, Al & Kathy Forlenza, Robert Gabel, John Kosco, Anita McCole, Mary Oliveri, Lillian Orr, Chris Tracy, Frank Werhan, and Megan Wysocki . The two lucky \$500 winners on Valentine's Day are Violet Dolhon and Margaret McGrath.

Altar Candles at ICC

Which will burn this week in loving memory of **Sally Murphy** are donated by Fred & Marie Melvin.

Holy Family Candle at ICC

Which will burn this week in loving memory of **Ernest & Helen Hilbert** is donated by family.

Sanctuary Candle at ICC

Which will burn this week in loving memory of the **Deceased Members of the Brown, Bishop, Serafin, & Pasternak Families** is donated by John & Maryellen Serafin.

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 18 thru February 24, 2019			
Mon	7:30AM	Sean Walsh	
		By Wiedl Family	
	8:30AM	Mary Lou Nolan	
Tues	7:30AM	By Rylan Dunn Ernest & Helen Hilbert	
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	8:30AM	Pamela Smith	
		By Rocco & Maria Yanora	
Wed	7:30AM	Margaret Zang	
		By Hennigan Family	
	8:30AM	Marie Stemler	
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Thur	s 7:30AM	Nancy (Ann) Nardone	
	0.20414	By Frank & Ann Marie Parente Theresa Olshemski	
	8:30AM	By Neil & Cathy O'Donnell	
Fri	7:30AM	Michael Day	
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	8:30AM	Charles Godri	
		By Son, Ed & Family	
Sat	4:00PM	Anthony, Sam & Brittany Berto	
		By Jackie Scalzo	
	5:30PM	Dolores & Angelo Salvatore	
•	7	By Children	
Sun	7:30AM	Anthony Oliveri	
	9:00AM	By Santo & Linda Sperrazza Attilio & Jennie Anzelmo	
	9.00AW	By Family	
	10:30AM	Joseph Montante	
		By Sons & Families	