



## Corpus Christi Parish

### 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.

**September 15, 2019**

**Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

### Immaculate Conception Church

#### Holy Redeemer Church

#### Parish Office

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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

Mondays 5:45-6:45PM (during Lent)

Immaculate Conception

#### EUCCHARISTIC 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.

#### September 15, 2019

Readings/Responsorial: #1163

Gathering: #956 Our Father, We Have Wandered

Offertory: #645 Amazing Grace

Communion: #484 Hosea

Recessional: #829 Let There Be Peace On Earth

#### Weekly Collection

September 8, 2019

Sunday **\$8,836.50**

E Giving **248.05**

Total **\$9,084.55**

### Confirmation Prep Classes

Classes for students in grade 8 who are preparing for the Sacrament will begin on **Sunday, September 29th**. Classes will be held in the school on Sunday evenings from 5:30PM to 7:00PM. Deacon Jim Meizanis and his wife Lynn will conduct the classes. A brief parent meeting will be held on Sunday, September 29th at 5:30PM. Students who are enrolled in 8th grade in a Catholic School are not required to attend these Confirmation Prep classes. However, you must call or email Joyce at 570-654-2753 or jjceconi50@gmail.com to register to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation.

### Liturgical Ministry Cookout

**Today, Sunday, September 15th**

**1:00PM**

#### Immaculate Conception Church hall

We welcome altar servers, baptism ministry, cantors, choir members, extraordinary ministers of communion, heavenly hosts, lectors, ushers, and your families to join us for an afternoon of good food and fellowship

### Youth Choir Practice & Pizza Party

**Today, Sunday, September 15th**

**5:30PM**

#### Immaculate Conception Church

Boys and girls of all ages from pre-school thru middle school are welcome to join our parish youth choir. Our youth choir sings at our 10:30AM Family Masses which are followed by "Donut Sunday" in the hall. They also sing at the Halloween, Christmas Eve and Easter Sunday Masses.

### Social Concerns

Thank you to everyone for your very generous monetary donations and all the new and very gently used clothing. I am sure she and her family are very appreciative and overcome with excitement because of your kindness. If you still have clothing to donate, we will gladly accept it...size small tops and Junior size 7 in pants. Once again, thank you for your help!!

### Twilight "All Cash" Bingo

**Saturday, November 2, 2019**

**Doors Open 5:00PM Bingo Starts 6:00PM**

#### Immaculate Conception Church Hall

Tickets are \$25 in advance or \$30 at the door which includes 15 regular games where you can win \$150 each. There will be "five special games" available at cost of \$5.00 each. The specials have 2-\$500 winners, 1-\$750 winner and 2-\$1,000 winners. A variety of home-made foods will be available for purchase. Feel free to BYOB. For tickets or reserved seating, call the rectory 570-654-2753.

**500 Club Lottery**

Congratulations to the following winners in our "500 Club Lottery."

Sept 5	Bridget/Michael Brogan	#711	\$50.00
Sept 6	Susan Carr	#984	50.00
Sept 7	Anna Roche	#249	50.00
Sept 8	Mike/Lenore Benish	#602	150.00
Sept 9	Joseph Winsock	#712	50.00
Sept 10	Andrew Stoshak	#415	50.00
Sept 11	John/Nancy Ciampi	#530	50.00

**2019 Diocesan Annual Appeal**

Our parish Social Concerns Ministry was recently awarded a \$5,000 grant from the 2018 Diocesan Annual Appeal. Our parish goal for the 2019 Appeal is \$32,000.00.

**Courtesy News**

**Cub Scout Pack 302 Registration**

All boys and girls in Kindergarten thru 5th grade are welcome to become Cub Scouts. Registration will be held this Wednesday, September 18, 2019 from 6:00PM to 6:30PM in Immaculate Conception School.

**8th Annual Steph's Fall 5K**

Will be held at the Luzerne County Sports Complex on Saturday, September 28th. You can register online at <http://stephsfall5k.com> or contact Mary Godri at 570-388-2433.

On May 10, 2012, Stephanie Godri Johnston died at the age of 32 from Colon Cancer. Steph's Fall 5K was created to keep her memory alive, award a WA scholarship and provide funding to the Colorectal Cancer Alliance for their mission to raise awareness, support patients and survivors, and fund research to end colorectal cancer-the 2nd leading cause of cancer deaths in men and women in the U.S.

**St Barbara Parish Italian Roast Chicken Dinner**

This dinner featuring Accaro & Genell's famous Italian Roast chicken will be held in St. Anthony Center, Erie Ave, Exeter on Sunday, September 29th. Take-out from 11AM to 3PM and Eat-in from 12 Noon to 3PM. Cost is \$10 per person, pre-sales only! For tickets call the rectory at 570-654-2103. Dinner includes 1/2 chicken, potato, vegetable, salad, roll and desert.

**Altar Candles at ICC**

Which will burn this week in loving memory of **Ruth Gruner** are donated by Robert & Linda Gruner.

**Holy Family Candle at ICC**

Which will burn this week in loving memory of **Carmella & Anthony Chimento, Jr.** is donated by their family.

**Sanctuary Candle at ICC**

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

**Sanctuary Candle at HR**

Which will burn this week in loving memory of **Frank & Delores Walkowiak** is donated by their family.

**Help for Hurricane Dorian Victims**

We pray for all our Bahamian brothers and sisters who have been affected by Hurricane Dorian. We ask Our Lord to be with the responders and rescue crews and that all those in harm's way be given the help they need.

Donations are being accepted by Catholic Relief Services and Catholic Charities USA. Supporting these organizations will help people through the immediate aftermath of Hurricane Dorian and will continue to help them as they work through the long process of recovery.

Online donations for Catholic Relief Services can be made at:

<https://support.crs.org/donate/hurricane-dorian>

Catholic Charities USA at:

<https://app.mobilecause.com/form/RTKRvQ?vid=1snqm>

**Mass Intentions**

**September 16 thru 22, 2019**

Mon	7:30AM	<b>Nellie Parente</b> By Ben & Sue Wylam
	8:30AM	<b>Daniel Smitka</b> By Family
Tues	7:30AM	<b>Samuel Marranca</b> By Fiume Family
	8:30AM	<b>Grace Alco</b> By Son, James
Wed	7:30AM	<b>Glen Switzer</b> By Julie Mancus
	8:30AM	<b>Dolores Perry</b> By Cella Family
Thurs	7:30AM	<b>Tony D'Angelo</b> By Holy Name Society
	8:30AM	<b>Ronald Villano</b> By Marie & Christine Katsock
Fri	7:30AM	<b>Kosty &amp; Helen Harzinski</b> By Daughters, Marie & Maureen
	8:30AM	<b>Paul Minelli, Sr.</b> By David & Gloria Hooper
Sat	4:00PM	<b>Dec'd Membs of Grasso &amp; Kurant Families</b> By Family
	5:30PM	<b>Dec'd Membs of Lombardo &amp; Sorick Families</b> By Family
Sun	7:30AM	<b>Anthony Chimento, Jr.</b> By Family
	9:00AM	<b>Rev. Leonard Sabalis</b> By Friend
	10:30AM	<b>John "Beno" Borzell</b> By Mom, dad, sister & friends

2019 **DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL** | SERVING FAITH IN WITH HOPE AND GRATITUDE

**The Annual Appeal begins in Parishes this September**

- More direct support to parishes for Social Justice Grants & New Faith Formation Grants
- Increased support for Catholic Social Services
- Opportunity to designate your Appeal gift to the ministry of your choice
- Unique videos featuring parishioners & clergy showing the Appeal at work in your region

*Gifts to the 2018 Appeal touched thousands of lives.*

<b>4,143</b> Families served in Catholic Social Services Food & Clothing Pantries	<b>12</b> Seminarians receiving tuition & living expenses	<b>16,555</b> Nights of Shelter & Support
<b>104</b> Retired & Ill Priests Received Care	<b>44</b> Parishes using Social Justice Grants to serve countless	<b>15,000</b> Children in Religious Education & <b>4,500</b> in Catholic Schools

**118** Parishes receiving support in all aspects of Parish Life

*Share your blessings. Support the Appeal.*

GIFTS to the APPEAL support Diocesan ministries & will not be used to defray legal fees or fund the Survivors Compensation Program.