



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.

October 13, 2019

Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Immaculate Conception Church

**Holy Redeemer Church
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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.

October 13, 2019

Readings/Responsorial: #1175
Gathering: #616 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty
Offertory: #708 Set Your Heart on the Higher Gifts
Communion: #783 Unless a Grain of Wheat
Recessional: #636 Now Thank We All Our God

Weekly Collection

October 6, 2019

Sunday	\$8,364.90
E Giving	1,059.75
Total	\$9,424.65

2019 Diocesan Annual Appeal

Diocesan Annual Appeal 2019 Parish Goal	\$32,000.00
Total Raised	14,326.00
Over (Under)	(\$17,674.00)

Second Collection Next Weekend

Next weekend at all Masses we will take up the World Mission Sunday collection. Your generosity is always appreciated.

Twilight "All Cash" Bingo

Saturday, November 2, 2019

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

Immaculate Conception Church Hall

- ▶ Tickets will be available before and after all Masses this weekend and next or until sold out. Or you may stop at the rectory to purchase your tickets. We have seating for 325 and before this weekend, we have 186 tickets sold.
- ▶ We will be selling a variety of homemade foods including pierogie, chili, chicken salad on a croissant, hotdogs, hamburgers and a variety of home baked desserts. Feel free to BYOB
- ▶ For reserved seating, you must call the rectory 570-654-2753 or e mail jceccconi50@gmail.com.
- ▶ We are asking for donations of home baked desserts to sell at the bingo. If you are able to donate baked goods, please contact Teddy Rabel at 570-878-2008 or teddyrabel@yahoo.com.

Eagle Scout Project

Thank you to Scout George Chronowski of West Wyoming Troop 366 for his Eagle Scout project of installing 17 entrance posts with lantern tops thru the entrance of Holy Redeemer Church. Thank you , George for a job well done!

Social Concerns News & Upcoming Events

•Social Concerns "Fall Food Drive"

Our "Fall Food Drive" is underway. We are collecting donations of all non-perishable foods which will be made into Thanksgiving "food gift" boxes and given to local families. May we suggest you check what is on sale when you are doing your weekly shopping and if you are able, include a couple of these items for our "Fall Food Drive?" This year we anticipate approximately 100 requests for help for Thanksgiving and Christmas. Your donations may be left in the vestibules of the churches. Thank you!!

•Soup Ministry

Our Soup Ministry team will be at it again. They will meet **Thursday and Friday, October 17 and 18 at 9:00AM** to make "piggie soup" which will be given to approximately 40 homebound parishioners. If you or someone you know of is homebound, please call the rectory or e-mail Joyce at jceccconi50@gmail.com to get on our soup delivery list. Volunteers will be needed next **Saturday, October 19th at 10:00AM at the rectory** to deliver the soup and Halloween gifts to our homebound and parishioners residing in nursing homes.

•Halloween Party

Save the date! Our annual Halloween Party, sponsored by Social Concerns will be held on **Sunday, October 27th immediately following the 10:30AM Mass in the church hall**. We will have treats, candy, kid friendly food including macaroni & cheese, hotdogs, ice cream and Halloween cupcakes. Donation? Just bring a canned food for our "Fall Food Drive."

•Old Christmas Cards

If anyone has old used Christmas cards, please consider donating them to our Social Concerns Committee. We use them to make the tags for our "Giving Trees." Donations may be left in the baskets in the vestibules of the churches. Thank you!!

•Bereavement Mass & Social

Our annual Bereavement Mass & Social will be held on **Wednesday, November 13th at 6:00PM in Immaculate Conception Church.** All are welcome to gather at this beautiful Mass to honor the memory of our parishioners, family members and dear friends who have been buried from our church during this past year. Following the Mass, all are welcome to join us for refreshments in the church hall.

Halloween Family Mass

We welcome children of all ages to take part in our Halloween Family Mass, Sunday, October 27 at 10:30AM. If your child would like to participate as a lector, usher, gift bearer, heavenly host, please call or email one of the following coordinators of children for the family masses:

Lisa Falzone mybudget1@aol.com 570-237-2739
Sarah Konopka skono1683@yahoo.com 570-4989304
MaryAnn Oliveri mare0912@epix.net 570-357-1778

Youth Choir Practice

Today, **Sunday, October 13 at 5:30PM** in ICC. Children of all ages are welcome to join our youth choir!!

Confirmation Prep Class

For 8th grade students will be held today, **Sunday, October 13 from 5:30 to 7:00PM** in IC school.

Building & Grounds Meeting

All members of the Building and Grounds committee are asked to attend a meeting on **Thursday, October 17 at 6:00PM in the rectory.**

Courtesy News

Open House Holy Redeemer High School

We're rolling out the red carpet! Future ROYALS will discover 5 academic tracks, 123 interscholastic athletic teams and more than 50 clubs/activities! Great opportunity to meet teachers, coaches, students and families. Registration, shadowing, and financial aid information is available. For more info call 570-829-2424 or www.holyredeemerhs.org.

Holy Redeemer High School Presents

Shrek: the Musical

Friday, Saturday, November 15/16 7:00PM Adults: \$10, Seniors: \$9, Students \$8. All seats reserved. For tickets call 570-829-2424.

Saint Monica Parish Pasta Dinner

Sunday, October 27th 12:30 to 4:00PM in the church hall. Meal includes Italian Tossed Salad, Pasta ala Monica with homemade sauce and meatballs, fresh Italian bread and butter, and dessert. Adults \$10, Children 5 to 12 years \$5 and under 5 eat free! Takeouts 3:00-4:00PM.

Fall Roast Beef Dinner

At the First Congregational Church of West Pittston on Saturday, November 2nd. Serving 5:00PM to 7:00PM Take outs start at 4:00PM. Donation \$11.00 children under 12 \$5.00. For tickets call Tony at 570-655-0173.

Altar Candles at ICC

Which will burn this week in loving memory of **Charlie Alfano** are donated by the Holy Name Society.

Holy Family Candle at ICC

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

Sanctuary Candle at ICC

Which will burn this week in loving memory of **Jean Ansilio** are donated by her sister, Beverly and family.

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-Hour Child Abuse hotline (ChildLine) at

1-800-932-0313 or 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 well-being. 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).

Mass Intentions

October 14 thru October 20, 2019

Mon	7:30AM	Peter Kolmansperger By Family
	8:30AM	Leonard Tallo By son, Jeffrey
Tues	7:30AM	Carolyn, John & Carl Cenera By Family
	8:30AM	Mike Dziak, Jr. By Pat
Wed	7:30AM	Dec'd Membs of Lepore Family By Family
	8:30AM	Mary Boyle Fischer By Family
Thurs	7:30AM	Glen Switzer By Sandra Cella & Family
	8:30AM	Tamra Smith By Steven Nalewajko
Fri	7:30AM	Ed & Angela Hornack By Ann Hrobak
	8:30AM	Anthony Mirra, Jr. By David Bierdziewski
Sat	4:00PM	Josette Yakobitis By Marta Jones
	5:30PM	James Golden, Sr. By Family
Sun	7:30AM	James Franklin By son, Jeffrey & Family
	9:00AM	Marie Stemler By Barbara Cirelli
	10:30AM	Mary Ann O'Boyle By Mel & Linda Casagrande