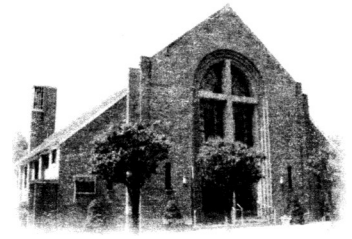




**Immaculate Conception
CORPUS CHRISTI PARISH
Holy Redeemer**



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WEEKDAY CELEBRATION OF EUCHARIST
7:30 AM Immaculate Conception Church
8:30 AM Holy Redeemer Church

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CONFESSION - SATURDAYS
3:00 PM to 3:30 PM at Immaculate Conception
4:00 PM to 4:30 PM at Holy Redeemer

WEEKEND CELEBRATION OF EUCHARIST
Saturday - 4:00 PM - Immaculate Conception
Saturday - 5:00 PM - Holy Redeemer

Sunday - 7:30 AM - Immaculate Conception
Sunday - 9:00 AM - Holy Redeemer
Sunday - 10:30 AM—Immaculate Conception

Today is Fourth Sunday of Lent To follow the readings in your Gather Missalette see No 1026.

Second Collection

This weekend, at all masses our second collection will benefit *Catholic Social Services*. Your generosity will help us to continue to reach out to the those in need in our surrounding communities. Please be generous!

Special Second Collection Next Weekend

Next weekend at all masses we will have a second collection to benefit the Summer Immersion Program of St Joseph's University.

Ron Klepadlo, a member of our parish and a student at St. Joe's, is one of 50 students, faculty and staff members who will journey to communities in Ecuador, Guatemala and New Mexico. Their goal is to build bridges of solidarity and understanding between our cultures and grow in their appreciation of the customs, history and challenges we all face as global neighbors.

Please keep Ron and his team in your prayers as they travel to Guatemala to work with local communities to help improve local school facilities in the city of San Martin Jilotepeque in the Chilemantango region.

Parish Lottery Fundraiser

When you are leaving mass today, please stop in the front of the church to pick up your lottery ticket....this will defray the mailing costs. This lottery fundraiser, "Green to Gold", will run from May 1 thru August 31st. Donation is \$20.00 per ticket. Anyone wishing to purchase a ticket may do so after masses or call or stop by the rectory office.

Lenten Soup & Scripture

All are invited to join us tomorrow, Monday evening at 6:00PM in Immaculate Conception Church Hall as we share a simple Lenten meal of homemade soups and sandwiches, provided by members of our parish community. Our guest speaker this week is Jim Jacobs, from Children Service Center.

Holy Name Father/Son Communion Breakfast

Will be held next Sunday, March 25th in ICC hall after the 7:30AM Mass. Ticket sales have been brisk and few ticket remain for this event. Members of the Holy Name will meet in the church hall at noon on Saturday, March 24th to set up for the breakfast.

"Spring Cleaning" the Churches

Thank you to all who helped clean Immaculate Conception Church this past week!! Holy Redeemer Church will be cleaned this Tuesday morning, March 20th. All are welcome.

Brunch with the Bunny

Sunday, April 1st

Following the 10:30AM Mass

Immaculate Conception Church Hall

Tickets will be available before and after all masses next weekend. Donation for adults is \$8.00 and children 12 and under \$3.00. Weather permitting, the kids will enjoy an Easter Egg Hunt outdoors, plenty of prizes, games, visit with the Bunny and a delicious brunch the whole family can enjoy. *If you choose, you may call the rectory and we will reserve your tickets for you. See you at the brunch!!*

Youth Choir

Our Youth Choir will be practicing on **Thursday, March 15th at 6:00PM** in ICC. The Youth Choir will be singing:

- 4/6 (Good Friday) Living Stations @ 7:00PM @ ICC
- 4/8 (Easter Sunday) 10:30AM Family Mass @ ICC
- 4/22 Family Mass @ Holy Redeemer 9:00AM
- 4/29 Family Mass@ Immaculate Conception 10:30AM
- 5/5 (First Eucharist) @ ICC @ 10:00AM

All Children are welcome to join!!!

Adult Choir

The choir will be singing at the 10:30AM Mass today, Sunday, at the 7:30AM Mass on Sunday, March 25th and at the 9:00AM Mass on April 1st (Palm Sunday). They will be practicing after the 4:00PM Mass on Saturday, March 24th and March 31st. They will be singing at our Triduum services on Holy Thursday, Good Friday and the Easter Vigil.

Living Stations Practice

Our Youth Group will be practicing for the Living Stations today Sunday, March 18, March 25th, and April 1st at 6:00PM in ICC. All those participating are asked to attend.

Help for Communion to the Homebound

We intend to offer Communion on Sundays to the homebound of our Parish in the upcoming weeks. Anyone who is interested in participating in this program, even those of you who are not currently an Extraordinary Minister of Communion, is invited to call the parish office or Deacon Pete at 690-1739. Training will be offered, and we hope to have enough ministers so that a minister will only need to visit one person each Sunday.

CCD Classes

Please note, There will be NO CCD CLASSES at Holy Redeemer and Immaculate Conception on Sunday, April 1st and April 8th.

Congratulations "Wish to Win" winners!!

Mar 08	Doris Sorick	#847	\$50.00
Mar 09	Christine Conahan	#190	\$50.00
Mar 10	Henry Romanowski	#750	\$50.00
Mar 11	Monica Novak	#783	\$100.00
Mar 12	Carmen DeBella	#218	\$50.00
Mar 13	David Cipolla, Jr	#014	\$50.00
Mar 14	Anthony Scarantino	#784	\$50.00

EM's, Lectors, Altar Servers & Ushers

Please call the rectory or e-mail jceconi50@gmail.com to let us know which services you are available to serve at on Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday Masses. Once the schedule is arranged, you will be notified of the date and time for practice.

Parish Bazaar Friday, Saturday, Sunday June 29, 30 & July 1

Holy Redeemer Church Grounds

Our next general bazaar meeting will be held on **Monday, April 16 at 7:00PM** in ICC hall. At this meeting, the following sub committees will give updated and/or finalized reports: bar/gambling/entertainment, baskets, flea market, food, games, grounds, publicity/advertising, sponsors/donations, raffle, and volunteer recruiting. Everyone is welcome to attend!!

The "food committee" will meet on **Tuesday, April 10th at 7:00PM in ICC rectory** to finalize the food menu, pricing, and days and times for pre bazaar food prep. Anyone willing to help out and/or oversee the food preparations is asked to attend. Thank you.

"In the Kitchen with Cheryl"

Save the Date - the parish community is welcoming Cheryl Sempa Radkiewicz on Friday, May 25th from 6pm to 8pm to share her culinary secrets. All are invited to attend and watch Cheryl as she creates a wonderful meal. While she prepares each of courses for your enjoyment, you have the opportunity to indulge in the fare.

There will be a planning meeting on Sunday **March 25th at 11:30** at ICC rectory. All are invited to attend and help plan this event.

MASS Intentions



Mar 19th thru Mar 25th

Mon	7:30 am (IC)	Karen Potoski by Family
	8:30 am (HR)	Martin Cirelli, Sr. by Wife
	12:10 pm (IC)	Angelo Schifano by M/M Sam DeAlba
Tues	7:30 am (IC)	Eugene Maira by Sandra, Mary Ann & Lucille Cella
	8:30 am (HR)	Dorothy Gadowski by Family
	12:10 pm (IC)	Miem & Vien Nguyen by Daughter, Muoi
Wed	7:30 am (IC)	Joseph Mikita by M/M Ron Patoka
	8:30 am (HR)	Mary Ann Yatsko by Larry & Dorothy MacDonald
	12:10 pm (IC)	Helen Nuzzalo by Norman & Mary Kirkpatrick
Thurs	7:30 am (IC)	Madeline White by John & Catherine Williams
	8:30 am (HR)	Angeline Manganiello by Elizabeth Marranca and Family
	12:10 pm (IC)	Theresa Wassil by Jenny & Lee Terasavage
Fri	7:30 am (IC)	Jasper Parrino by Family
	8:30 am (HR)	All Souls Intentions
	12:10 pm (IC)	Rita Falzone & Angie Sadowski by Family
Sat	4:00 pm (IC)	Morlyn Hensley by Wife, Mary & Children
	5:00 pm (HR)	Bernadine Romasiewicz by Mikols Family
Sun	7:30 am (IC)	Catherine Williams by Holy Name Society
	9:00 am (HR)	John S. Serino by Kozak Family
	10:30 am (IC)	John Paul, Evelyn & John Gardner

March

Ministry Schedule



	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers	Altar Servers	Cantor
4:00PM (IC)	M. Agolino J. Valenti	M. Dotter M. Fessler J. Hennigan P. Jacobs	M. Burke P. Musinski F. Musinski	L. Singer
5:00PM (HR)	S. Kridlo D. Smith	E. Pendleton	M. Franko M. Franko C. Kasisky	K. Krushnowski
7:30AM (IC)	C. Rose J. Rose	K. Cikota J. English M. Ristagno	M. Hine T. Rose J. Rose, Jr.	C. Aycock
9:00AM (HC)	P. Panzitta	J. Baloga L. Baloga	K. Coolbaugh C. Sakalas N. Szewczyk	
10:30PM (IC)	R. Fox S. Konopka	J. Albrecht R. Flannery J. Kociolek E. Manganello M. Marranca	A. Dobbs I. Madigan C. Melvin	B. Murphy

Night at the Races...1st LT Jeffrey F DePrimo Fund

Saturday, March 31st St Anthony's Parish Center... admission \$5.00 (admission free with a purchase of a horse) Doors open at 6:00PM Post Time 7:00PM Includes food and beverages. All proceeds benefit the 1st LT. Jeffrey F DePrimo Memorial Fund Sponsored by family and friends.

WEEKLY COLLECTION

March 11, 2011

\$8,009.50



"Feed The Hungry, Clothe The Naked, Shelter The Homeless, Love One Another . . ."

Corpus Christi Parish Community welcomes new parishioners who have moved into the parish. Contact the parish office at 570-654-2753. All parishioners are asked to notify the parish office of a change of address or telephone number.

THE PASCAL TRIDUUM

Commemorates Jesus' passage from death to life. God is holy.

This week is holy.

Lent only makes sense and reaches its fullness in our participation in The Easter Triduum.

Penance Services

March 26th St. Monica's, 8th St, West Wyoming 7:00PM

April 3rd St. John the Evangelist, Williams St, Pittston 7:00PM

Holy Thursday.....Mass of the Lord's Supper

Thursday, April 5, 2012 7:00PM

Immaculate Conception Church

In the Eucharist, Jesus gave himself to us, just as he would in the sacrifice of Calvary. We imitate our master in the washing of feet. This ritual reminds us that our baptismal commitment means we are to be servants of one another.

**At the conclusion of the liturgy, the Blessed Sacrament
will be reposed in the Church**

All are invited to join us for Night Prayer at 10:00PM

Good Friday.....Passion of our Lord

Friday, April 6, 2012 1:00PM

Immaculate Conception Church

As part of our observance of Good Friday, we venerate the cross on which Christ died. The veneration challenges us to be willing to accept the cross, too, for it is the only way to resurrection. This celebration of the Lord's Passion ends in the silence of the tomb where Jesus was laid. We have the advantage of knowing he will rise the next day, but his disciples did not. In their grief and sorrow they were like all of us who experience the grief of loss, defeat and prayers that seem to go unanswered.

Living Stations of the Cross

Friday, April 6, 2012 7:00PM

Immaculate Conception Church

presented by

Parish Youth Group

Youth Choir

Blessing of Baskets

Saturday, April 7, 2012 1:00PM

Holy Redeemer Church

Easter Vigil & Mass

Saturday, April 7, 2012 8:00PM

Immaculate Conception Church

In this liturgy, the entire Church Year culminates in worship and praise. From the Liturgy of Light, to the Scriptural account of salvation history to baptism to the renewal of our baptismal vows and finally to the Eucharist, this night celebrates Christ's triumph over sin and death.

Easter Sunday, April 8, 2012

Mass 7:30AM.....Immaculate Conception Church

Mass 9:00AM.....Holy Redeemer Church

Family Mass 10:30AM.....(Youth Choir) Immaculate Conception Church

TRIDUUM

The Completion of Lent

If Lent seemed to get away from you this year, the Triduum—the three days beginning on the evening of Holy Thursday and ending on Easter Sunday—is an opportunity to experience the essence of Lent and more. The high point of the liturgical life of the Church, the Triduum allows us to walk with Jesus in his mission of salvation from suffering and death to glorious resurrection. As we do so, we are moving from death to life in our own lives, just as we did in baptism.

The Mass of the Lord's Supper on **Holy Thursday** evening commemorates the institution of the Eucharist, the day Christ shared his body and blood with us so that we may have eternal life with him. Holy Thursday also features Jesus washing the feet of his apostles, an emblem of his call—and ours—to serve not to be served. The priests from our diocese will gather for the Mass of the Holy Chrism, renewing their pastoral vows of service to the People of God.

Although no Masses are celebrated on **Good Friday**, the Church comes together to read from Scripture and to pray for the whole world. Veneration of the Cross is a common custom and is done through a simple touch or a kiss. This is not only a time to mourn the death of Jesus on the Cross, but a moment to remember that through his death on the Cross, we are given eternal life with him.

The silence of Holy Saturday and Good Friday are broken with the joy-filled return of the bells during the Gloria. The **Easter Vigil** Mass includes the Liturgy of Baptism, as we will publicly renew our baptismal vows. It is a further sign of our sharing in the death and resurrection of Jesus. Our Easter celebration will continue for another 50 days until Pentecost.