MARCH 17, 2013 YEAR C FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

"Feed The Hungry, Clothe The Naked,



Shelter The Homeless, Love One Another

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH HOLY REDEEMER CHURCH Parish Office 605 Luzerne Avenue. West Pittston, PA Phone (570) 654-2753 Fax (570) 654-9244

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WEEKEND CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Saturday - 4:00PM -Immaculate Conception Saturday - 5:30PM - Holy Redeemer

Sunday - 7:30AM - Immaculate Conception

Sunday - 9:00AM - Holy Redeemer

Sunday - 10:30AM -Immaculate Conception

WEEKDAY CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

7:30 AM Immaculate Conception 8:30 AM Holy Redeemer 5:30PM Immaculate Conception

CONFESSION SATURDAYS

3:00PM - 3:30PM Immaculate Conception

Parish Mission Statement To promote and improve the community of God by living the Gospel message; caring for the elderly, youth, sick, needy, and participating in the liturgy.

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Fourth Sunday of Lent - Gather Book # 1030; Reading I: Isaiah 43:16-21 / 36; Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 126:1-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5,6; Reading II: Phillippians 3:8 -14; Gospel: John 8:1-11

Habemus papam!

We pray for Pope Francis, the former archbishop of Buenos Aires, Argentina, Cardinal Jorge Mario Bergoglio, our new pope and bishop of Rome. May the Lord bless him with many years of spirit-filled leadership for the Church and for the whole world.

Second Collection This Weekend

At all masses this weekend, we will have a second collection for the Rice Bowl.

<u>"The Light is on for You" at Holy Redeemer Church</u>

This Monday, March 18th from 6:15PM to 7:00PM, Msgr Sempa will be in the confessional at Holy Redeemer Church.

Daily Mass during Lent

Mass times are: 7:30AM at ICC, 8:30AM at HR and 5:30PM at ICC

Lenten Evening Prayer

Every Sunday evening during Lent at 7:00PM in ICC. All are welcome.

Stations of the Cross

Friday's during Lent, at 6:00PM in ICC and at 7:00PM in HR.

Thank You!

We wish to extend a thank you to those who faithfully attended, provided the delicious soups and sandwiches and the speakers.....all who made our Lenten Soup & Scriptures Series special. Thank you.

Holy Name Society Communion Breakfast

The breakfast will be held in ICC hall immediately following the 7:30AM Mass on Sunday, April 7th. This year a delicious homemade breakfast consisting of ham, sausage links, scrambled eggs, oven browned potatoes, rolls, juice, coffee and dessert will be prepared by members of our Altar & Rosary Society and women of the parish. Principal speaker for the event will be Edward Ackerman. Donation is \$10.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children 5 years of age and older. Tickets can be purchased from the ushers after mass or by calling the rectory. All proceeds from this event benefit the youth of our parish. Gentlemen, we are grateful for your continued support so please plan on attending this event!

> **Brunch with the Bunny** Sunday, March 24th 11:30AM Immaculate Conception Church Hall Donation: Adults \$8.00 Children \$3.00 (under 3 yrs free)

All are invited, enjoy a delicious homemade brunch, visit with the Easter Bunny and a special guest, plenty of games and surprises for the kids. Tickets may be purchased after Masses this weekend or to reserve your tickets email jcecconi50@gmail.com or call the rectory 654-2753.

Easter Gifts for our Shut ins & Nursing Home Parishioners

Last Sunday our Confirmation students did a wonderful job of making Easter candy for our shut ins and parishioners residing in nursing homes and the children in our CCD classes made beautiful Easter cards for them. We have approximately 50 parishioners who are shut-ins or residing in nursing homes. To make up a nice "Easter gift basket" for them, we still need some more homemade Easter treats. If you care to make some Easter candy, etc. for our shut ins, please drop it off at ICC rectory by this Friday, March 29. On Saturday, March 23, the kids, along with adult volunteers will be delivering these gifts and blessed palm to our shut ins and parishioners in nursing homes.

Pastoral Council Meeting

Members of our parish pastoral council are reminded, we will be meeting today, Sunday, March 17 at 5:30PM in ICC rectory.

Social Concerns Meeting

Social Concerns will meet this Tuesday, March 19 at 6:30PM in ICC rectory to finalize plans for Brunch with the Bunny and Blessed Easter baskets for shut ins. At this meeting we will discuss the Graduation Mass and breakfast which is scheduled for Sunday, May 19. All are welcome to attend.

Lenten Service Opportunities

With the season of Lent winding down and Easter just around the corner, are you looking for something you can do to "give back" to your church and parish community? If you have a few extra hours this <u>Monday, March 18th</u>, join us in ICC hall, kitchen and rectory basement as we do some "spring" reorganizing and cleaning.

As in our own homes, every so often our church buildings need to be de-cluttered and re-organized. It is that time of the year, with spring functions quickly approaching, the kitchen in the hall needs a thorough cleaning and with the bazaar not too far off, storage space must be looked at.

We are looking for help anytime during the hours of 1:00PM to 4:00PM and 4:30 to 7:30PM. A plan is in place, we just need help to put it into action.

Service Hours Opportunities

High school and Confirmation students.....to earn service hours, join us tomorrow 4:30 to 7:30PM in ICC hall to help reorganize and clean.

April 6th from 9:00AM to 11:00AM, students are invited to help clean Morris Park on Exeter Avenue in West Pittston. Please bring work gloves...rakes will be supplied. Students see Mary Mushinski to have service hours forms signed.

Easter Egg Hunt

Our Confirmation Class and Youth Group members have prepared and will hide hundreds and hundreds of eggs on the grounds of Holy Redeemer Church on Saturday, March 30th. All boys and girls are welcome to join in the hunt. Prizes will be given to those who find the special "gold" eggs!! There will be a special area designated for "toddlers only".

<u> Altar & Rosary Society</u>

The Altar Rosary Communion Breakfast will be held on Sunday, May 5th following the 7:30AM Mass in ICC hall . This year, the breakfast will be catered by the members of our parish Holy Name Society. The ladies also graciously decided to assume the responsibility of laundering the altar linens, albs, etc. We are looking for additional volunteers who are willing to share this task with the ladies so it does not become too burdensome for anyone. For information on how you can help, please contact Rosalie Bugelholl @ 654-1356 or Elaine Pendleton @ 388-2204.

Night at the Races

Annual parish legal "Night at the Races" will be held on Saturday, April 27th in Immaculate Conception Church hall. Watch the bulletin for full details.

Parish Bazaar June 27, 28,29

Mark your calendars.....our annual parish bazaar will be held on the grounds of Immaculate Conception on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, June 27, 28 and 29. Early in April, we will be scheduling meetings for the following planning committees: Food, Entertainment, Games, Sponsors/Donations, Advertising/Publicity, Grounds as well as a general meeting. If you would like to be placed on any of the sub committees, e mail jcecconi50@gmail.com.

Congratulations Stocking Stuffer Winners!!

Mar 07 James & Rose Moran	#379	\$50.00
Mar 08 David Cipolla	#245	\$50.00
Mar 09 TJ Kearns	#862	\$50.00
Mar 10 NO WINNER	#787	\$100.00
Mar 11 Joan Hennigan	#240	\$50.00
Mar 12 Flo Wanko	#580	\$50.00
Mar 13 John & Pat Morgan	#380	\$50.00

Penance Service

Monday, March 25 at 7:00PM at St. John the Evangelist Church, Pittston. All are welcome

East Side Road to Resurrection

Wednesday, March 20th at St. John the Evangelist at 7:00PM.

Feast of Saint Joseph

Will be celebrated Tues, Mar 19 at Feast of the Oblates of St Joseph Seminary Chapel at 7:00AM, 10:30AM and 7:00PM. The Mass at 7:00PM will be concelebrated by Fr Paul McDonnell, Oblate Fathers and Diocesan Clergy.

Mass Intentions March 18th thru March 24th



Mon 7:30AM Louis & Mary Manganello

by Catherine & Gene Manganello

8:30AM Robert McDonough

by Family

5:30PM Lebro Felli

by Rick & Diane Melvin

Tues 7:30AM Karen Potoski

by Family

8:30AM Martin Cirelli, Sr.

by Wife

5:30PM Joseph Gerald Kurtinitis

by Friend

Wed 7:30AM Joseph Messina

by Messina Family

8:30AM Dorothy Gadomski

by Family

5:30PM Henry Mantione

by Daughter, Rosemary

Thurs 7:30AM Joseph & Peter Kolmansperger

by Family

8:30AM Robert Kowalczyk

by Hadley Family

5:30PM John Parente

by Mike & Denise Ciali

Fri 7:30AM Rita Falzone & Angie Sadowski

by Family

8:30AM Mary Ann Yatsko

by M/M Michael Murphy

5:30PM Margaret Nocito

by Carmel Insalaco

Sat 4:00PM Louis & Sophie Forlenza

by Daughter, Marilyn

5:30PM Lucia Petrosky

by Family

Sun 7:30AM Patricia Chiampi

by George & Mary Wood

9:00AM Providence Katarsky

by Karen Insalaco

10:30AM Jasper Parrino

by Barbara Quinn