

August 25, 2013
Twenty-first Sunday
in Ordinary Time

*"Feed The Hungry,
Clothe The Naked,*



*Shelter The Homeless,
Love One Another"*

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH

HOLY REDEEMER CHURCH

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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

CONFESSION SATURDAYS

3:00PM - 3:30PM Immaculate Conception

**Eucharistic Adoration
Holy Redeemer
Wednesdays
9:00AM-3:00PM**

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.

**Weekly Collection
August 18, 2013
\$8,850.64**

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To follow the readings in your Gather book please see: #1154

Second Collection This Weekend

This weekend at all Masses, we will take up the collection for the Church in Central & Eastern Europe. By providing pastoral care, catechesis and aid, your donations help restore the strength of the Church in the region. Please be generous.

Confirmation

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated in our parish on Sunday, September 8, 2013. **Today, Sunday, August 25th, at 6:00PM** in Immaculate Conception Church, there will be practice for the sponsors and candidates. If the sponsor cannot attend a family member may sit in for them.

Confirmation Dinner

We are looking for a few volunteers to help with the Confirmation dinner for the Bishop and priests and guests in Immaculate Conception hall on Sunday September 8th. Help will be needed Saturday September 7th at 10:00AM and on Sunday. We are also looking for a couple of bakers. If you can help, please contact Margaret Rogo at mrogo@epix.net or 237-5339. Thank you.

Deacon Pete's Anniversary

This year Deacon Pete will be celebrating his 20th anniversary in the Diaconate. We are planning an anniversary celebration....if you would like to help, join us on **Monday, August 26 at 7:00PM** in the rectory. If you wish to help but cannot attend the meeting, contact Joyce at jceconi50@gmail.com or 654-2753.

Seniors Cookout

Wednesday, August 28th at 1:00PM
Immaculate Conception rectory lawn

All are invited to join us.....our master chef, Patrick, will be grilling hamburgers, cheeseburgers, turkey burgers and hotdogs with all the fixins'. We will supply beverages and watermelon. If you would like to bring a dish or dessert, contact Rosalie at 654-1356. Hope to see you there!!

"Haunted Rectory"

If you love Halloween, we have a project for you!! Join us next **Wednesday, August 28 at 7:00PM in the Holy Redeemer Church rectory** where we will begin discussing and planning just how we will create a very scary and fun haunted rectory for Halloween this year.

Social Concerns.....Helping Families in Need

It has been brought to our attention some local families are struggling financially and could use our help. We are asking for donations of clothing in the following sizes for 3 children. If you can help, please gently used or new clothing, only. **Boy: shirt & pants 5T & shoe size 1; girl: shirt & pants size 7 & shoe size 3; girl: shirt & pants 8-9 & shoe size 4 1/2.** These children especially need "back to school" clothing. Also, we are asking for donations of toothpaste, shampoo, bar soap, detergent, deodorant and non perishable foods including: peanut butter, grape jelly, cereal, canned soup, spaghetti sauce, thin spaghetti, Nutella, macaroni & cheese, granola bars, pretzels, rice (any kind & flavor), juice, pancake mix, syrup. Your help is always appreciated...please leave donations in the vestibules of the churches or drop off at the rectory.

Exercise for Eric

Saturday, August 31, 2013
9:00AM to 12 Noon

Immaculate Conception Church hall
Zumba & Hip Hop 9:00AM-10:30AM

Pilates 10:30AM-11:15AM Yoga 11:15AM-12 Noon

Donation to exercise is \$10.00. The event will include a "basket raffle", face painting, bake sale, refreshments and fun for the entire family. Proceeds from the event will be given to the Speicher family to help defray some of the costs associated with their son Eric who has been battling brain cancer for some time. If you would like to help, join us at a planning meeting on **Monday, August 26 at 6:00PM** in the rectory.

Conference.....Make Church Matter

To date we have 14 men and women from our parish who will be attending this conference on Friday, November 8 at Nativity Church in Timonium, Maryland. This event for pastors, parish leaders, staff, volunteers and anyone who is interested in building or rebuilding healthy and growing communities of faith. For more information or to sign up contact Jim Meizanis at 239-2783 or Jim.Meizanis@opm.com. Transportation will be provided. All are welcome!!

Altar Candles at ICC

Which will burn this week in loving memory of **Frances Galante** are donated by her sisters, Connie, Rose and Mary.

Holy Family Candle at ICC

Which will burn this week in loving memory of **Louis & Mary Manganello** are donated by Catherine & Gene Manganello.

Congratulations "Green to Gold" Winners!!

Aug 15	Carol Ference	#709	\$50.00
Aug 16	John Vensky	#089	\$50.00
Aug 17	Lorraine Butera	#894	\$50.00
Aug 18	No Winner	#188	\$100.00
Aug 19	Claire Jurchak	#353	\$50.00
Aug 20	Charles Prula	#285	\$50.00
Aug 21	No Winner	#825	\$50.00

Courtesy Announcements

Wine Tasting Event

Friends of the West Pittston Library invite you to join us at a wine tasting event hosted by Bartolai Winery on Sunday, September 8 from 2:00PM to 5:00PM. Wine, soda, cheese, appetizers and desserts will be served. Tickets which are \$20 each for 2 for \$35.00 are available at the library.

The Great Adventure: A Journey Through The

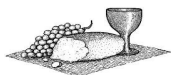
Bible will begin Wed., Sept. 11 at 10:30 am & at 7 pm at St. Monica's Parish, Church Hall. Every Wed. this Bible Study. It is a chance to discover the "big picture" of the Bible. For more information or to register call St. Monica's.

Our Lady of the Eucharist Parish Will Offer

Little Rock Scripture Study

Beginning Tuesday, September 24, 2013. There will be two programs, one on Tuesday mornings from 8:30 a.m. until 10:00 a.m. and one on Tuesday evenings from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Both programs will be held in the parish hall at Our Lady of the Eucharist, Main Street, Pittston. The title of this study will be *Praying the Scriptures*. For more information call the parish office (654-0263) or e-mail olepittston@gmail.com to register. The program is open to all from the greater Pittston area.

Mass Intentions



August 26 thru September 1, 2013

Mon	7:30AM	Anthony "Tucker" Nardone by M/M Anthony Massara
	8:30AM	Mary Pello By Boughton Family
Tues	7:30AM	Leo Ford by Wife, Leonora
	8:30AM	Richard Mirro by Mom, Dad & Jeff
Wed	7:30AM	Charles Abromitis by Family
	8:30AM	Michael J. Butera by M/M Ross Latona
Thurs	7:30AM	Patricia Yunkunis by Dr Wm & Suzanne Yunkunis
	8:30AM	Sam Speziale by Marilyn Montagna
Fri	7:30AM	Frances Galante by Sisters, Connie, Rose & Mary
	8:30AM	John C. Reedy by Dolores & Frank Chabala
Sat	4:00PM	Leonard Pribula by Cathy Hague
	5:30PM	Ben Danoski by Family
Sun	7:30AM	Annette Pavlico by Johanna Lucchino & Family
	9:00AM	Joseph Knazynski by Swickel Family
	10:30AM	Barbara Parrino by Barbara & Quinn Gillespie

Yard Sale

Sell your stuff...shop for bargains....Saturday, August 24 9:00am to 2:00pm St. Mary's Polish National Catholic Church, Stephenson St., Duryea. Rent an 8 foot space for \$10.00. Bring your own tables! Food & beverages, bake sale, door prizes....set up 8am. Call 457-2291. No vendors or crafters.

Irish Festival

St Brigid Parish is hosting their 30th Irish Festival on the parish grounds in Friendsville, Pa. On Sunday, September 8th. Mass will be celebrated at 11:00AM followed by continuous Irish music, Irish dancers, Irish goods, food and games for all to enjoy until 7:00PM. Admission is \$8.00. For more information call 553-2288.

Holy Rosary Golf Tournament

Golfers wanted! Sunday, September 15 at Pine Hills Country Club, Taylor. Registration 12:00noon, shotgun start @ 1:00pm..lunch and dinner included...\$90 per player...\$360 for foursome (includes tee sponsor)...prizes, contests and great raffles. For information and registration contact Debbie Davis 451-1762 or Holy Rosary School 457-2553.

Pilgrimage to National Shrine of Divine Mercy in Stockbridge, Mass.

Bus will leave at 7:00AM from the Oblates of St Joseph Seminary in Pittston. Bus trip, fee to entrance into Shrine, full course dinner and bus driver tip will be \$57.00 per person. Coordinator of trip is Eucharistic Apostle of Divine Mercy Cennacle Leader, Cathy Mack. For reservations call 654-6063.