

September 29, 2013
Twenty-Sixth 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
September 22, 2013
\$7,184.00**

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Diocesan Annual Appeal "Serve with Love"

Our priests unconditionally answer the call to "Serve with Love" by responding to the ever increasing needs throughout our Diocese. Contributions to the Annual Appeal fund ongoing formation of our priests, permanent deacons, seminarians and deacon candidates.

Anniversary Celebration in honor of Deacon Pete

Today, Sunday, September 29 at 2:00PM on the grounds of Immaculate Conception Church we will be honoring Deacon Pete on the occasion of his 20 years of faithful, selfless servant leadership here in our parish and his previous assignments in the Diocese. All are welcome to attend!!!

Blessing of the Animals

As the son of a wealthy Assisi merchant, Saint Francis was destined for grand homes, exquisite clothing, and fine food. After a conversion experience he relinquished the trappings of this world to minister to lepers and preach to the spiritually hungry. His home was the earth; his clothing humility; and his identity, that of an impoverished beggar seeking God. Many young men joined Saint Francis in this new way of life, leading to the foundation of the Friars Minor. He is perhaps one of the most popular saints in Church history, due to his love of creation as exemplified in his famous "Canticle of the Sun." **In honor of Saint Francis of Assisi, Monsignor will be blessing animals on Saturday, October 5th at 12:00Noon on the grounds of Holy Redeemer Church and on Sunday, October 6th at 12:00Noon on the grounds of Immaculate Conception Church.**

Youth Choir

All children (any age) are invited to join our parish youth choir. The first practice will be held on **Sunday, September 29 from 6:00-6:45PM in ICC.**

CCD Classes

CCD classes for children in pre K-K thru grade 6 are held on Sunday mornings in our parish. Classes at Immaculate Conception are from 9:15 to 10:15AM and classes at Holy Redeemer are from 9:45AM to 10:45AM.

Liturgy Meeting

A liturgy meeting will be held on **Mon, September 30 at 7:00PM** in the rectory.

Sewing/Knitting Ministry

Do you enjoy sewing, knitting, crocheting....or if you would like to learn.....join us for a discussion and planning session on how we can form this very rewarding ministry in our parish..... **Tuesday, October 1st at 7:00PM in the rectory. All are welcome!!**

Fundraising Meeting

A fundraising meeting will be held on **Wednesday, October 2nd at 6:30PM** in the rectory. Future parish fundraising events will be discussed. All are welcome.

CPR /AED Certification

We will be offering, at no cost to you, the American Heart Association Heart Saver CPR/AED course on **Monday, October 7th at 6:00PM** in ICC school. The course will be taught by American Heart Association certified instructors, Rosalie Cullagh and Bonnie Donovan. Once you take the course, you will be certified in CPR. You must be 12 years of age or older to take the course. To register please call the rectory 654-2753.

Social Concerns Meeting—Guest Speaker

A Social Concerns Meeting will be held on **Wednesday, October 9th at 7:00PM** in the church hall. At this meeting our guest speaker will be Juanita Sarnak, the Program Director from "Hannah's Hope Pregnancy Shelter" located in Exeter. She will provide us with an overview of this project and ideas of ways in which we as a parish community can help them. We are meeting in the church hall because we are hoping some of you will join with us as we welcome our guest speaker. All are welcome.....refreshments will be served.

Halloween Mass & Party

All are invited to come to the 5:30PM Mass at Holy Redeemer on Saturday, October 26th in costume. Following Mass, everyone is invited to join us for a Halloween Party in the church hall.

Haunted Rectory

Our youth group along with adult volunteers have been very busy at the empty rectory on the grounds of Holy Redeemer Church. They tell us the place is haunted.....there have been ghost sightings, eerie sounds and rumors of a caged mad man living in the basement!!! Well, on Friday and Saturday, October 25 & 26, only those brave enough to enter will see for themselves!!

Nursing Homes and Shut ins

Please help us to keep our records up to date! If you or anyone you know of is a shut in or residing in a nursing home, please call the rectory to let us know.

Parishioners in the Hospital

If you or someone you know of is a patient in any hospital or health care facility, please call the rectory to let us know. Monsignor frequently visits hospitals, and would like to stop in to see our parishioners.

Holy Family Candle at ICC which will burn this week in loving memory of **Kathryn "Keenie" Salvo** is donated by Katie Mantione

Altar Candles at ICC which will burn this week in loving memory of **Jennie Galante** are donated by the Galante Family

Ministry Schedules

The new ministry schedule, which runs from October thru December, 2013, can be found in sacristies or on our website www.corpuschristinepa.com.

Confirmation Pictures

Those of you who ordered Confirmation pictures from the photographer, can pick them up from the vestibule of the church where your child attended Confirmation classes.

Diocesan Congress

Saturday, Oct 5th at the University of Scranton 9:00AM to 4:00PM and concert Friday, October 4 Cathedral of St. Peter. For full program visit the diocesan website www.dioceseofscranton.org.

Courtesy Announcements

Stephs Fall 5k Raffle After all Masses this weekend and next, raffle tickets to benefit Stepha's Fall 5k will be sold. One ticket for \$5.00 or 3 tickets for \$10.00.

Benefit Run/Walk 2nd annual Stepha's Fall 5k Saturday, October 12, 10:30AM at Luzerne County Sports Complex, Forty Fort benefitting the Stephanie Godri-Johnston Memorial Scholarship. This event is a 5k Run/3k Walk & Children's Fun Run. To view last year's run, make a donation or participate visit stephsfall5k.com or contact Mary & Ed Godri 388-2433.

Ladies of Charity Annual Card Party & Bingo October 6 at St. Robert Bellarmine Parish, Wilkes-Barre. Admission is \$2.00 for an afternoon of bingo, card playing, fun prizes to win and ample parking. For more information call 868-3959.

Rummage Sale Monday, Oct 14 9AM-3PM & 6PM-8PM, Tues & Wed, Oct 15,16 9AM-3PM (Bag Day) and Sat, Oct 19 9AM-12 Noon...refreshments & bake sale.

Scranton Preparatory presents Musical Revue in memory of Patrick J. Marx "A Night in the City" on Saturday, October 12 at 7:00PM in the Saint Robert Bellarmine Theatre. The themed concert will feature the Scranton Prep Student Choir, Scranton Prep Men's Chorus and the Cathedral of Saint Peter Parish Choir. Tickets are \$50.00 for concert and reception, student tws \$20.00 for concert only (must be 21 to attend reception. For tickets call 941-7743.

Little Sisters of the Poor Annual Roast Beef Dinner will be held on Sunday, October 20 from 12-4pm in the auditorium of Holy Family Residence, Adams Avenue, Scranton. The dinner will be catered by Stirna's Restaurant. Tickets are \$10.00 in advance or \$12.00 at the door and children 10 and younger are \$6.00. In addition to the dinner, there will be a bake sale, raffles for gift baskets, etc. For advance ticket orders and sponsorship information contact Jackie Galvin at 343-4065 ext 3144 or sdevelopment@littlesistersofthepoor.org.

Mass Intentions

Sept. 30 thru Oct. 6th



Mon	7:30AM	Kathryn "Keenie" Salvo by Katie Mantione
	8:30AM	Joseph Yuravich by Rita Ann Jordan
Tues	7:30AM	Gus Scripkunas by daughter, Marguerite
	8:30AM	Robert Kowalczyk by Mike & Sue Fanti
Wed	7:30AM	Jennie Galante by Galante family
	8:30AM	Mary Anne Fino Anzalone by Catherine Tighe
Thurs	7:30AM	Louis Cella by Beverly & John Williams
	8:30AM	Charles Gelso by Nancy & Fred Howe
Fri	7:30AM	Doris Caruthers by Children & Grand Children
	8:30AM	Eugene Maria by M/M Anthony Denisco
Sat	4:00PM	Tony & Betty Agati 45th Wedding Anniversary
	5:30PM	John Costello by wife, Johanna
Sun	7:30AM	Kosty Harzinski by Norma Pascucci
	9:00AM	Dec'd Members of Poluski & Kozloski Families by Family
	10:30AM	John Sokach, Sr. by Steve & Judy