

October 6, 2013  
Twenty-Seventh 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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Mr. James Rose, DEACON CANDIDATE

**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 29, 2013  
\$6,799.25**

# CORPUS CHRISTI PARISH

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## Diocesan Annual Appeal "Serve with Love"

The Diocesan Annual Appeal enables us to "Serve with Love" and embrace all of humanity, especially by serving the poorest, the weakest, and the most vulnerable. Catholic Social Services provides valuable programs that help ensure the most defenseless among us are cared for and protected. Your generosity helps keep our soup kitchens and shelters open. Thousands of meals are served daily at St Francis of Assisi Kitchen, Scranton, St. Anthony's Kitchen, Williamsport, and St Vincent de Paul Kitchen, Wilkes-Barre. St Anthony's Haven, Scranton, provides a temporary refuge for those who have no place to call home. At Nativity Place, families in crisis find emergency housing. Your contributions help us to operate housing and supportive programs for families and for individuals, including veterans and the homeless, while expanding our outreach throughout the 11 counties of our diocese.

## Congratulations to our Deacon Candidates

At a Mass last Sunday in St. Peter's Cathedral 18 candidates for the permanent diaconate were installed into the Ministry of Reader by Bishop Bambara. Among those installed were Jim Meizanis and Jim Rose, members of our parish. Candidates for the permanent diaconate are installed as lectors at the beginning of their third year in the five-year formation program. Let us keep both Jim Meizanis and Jim Rose, as well as all the candidates and their families, in our prayers.

## Blessing the Animals

A blessing of the animals will take place today, Sunday, October 7th at 12:00PM on the grounds of Immaculate Conception Church.

## Air Conditioning Envelope

During the month of September 2013 we collected **\$1,503.00** from our air conditioner envelope which has been deposited into our Diocesan saving account reducing the amount we used for the air conditioner to **\$4,051.00**. Thank you for your continuous support!!

## 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.

## Parish Sewing/Knitting/Crocheting Ministry

Anyone interested in sewing, knitting or crocheting—come along and join us on Wednesday evenings and/or Thursday afternoons, share your skills and benefit others. At our first meeting on Tuesday, 10 parishioners, some who are seasoned knitters and some who have never held knitting needles in their hands, gathered in the rectory dining room and decided to begin with knitting. The group decided to start off with both afternoon and evening sessions of knitting classes.

The afternoon classes will take place on 4 Thursdays in **October...10, 17, 24, and 31 at 1:00PM in the rectory**. The evening classes will be held on **October 16, 23, 30 and November 6 at 7:00PM in the rectory**.

All are invited to become part of this ministry of women, who with needles clicking, will create lap blankets, shawls, mittens, hats, scarves, etc. for those in need. Their handiwork will surely be an expression of their love and concern, but most importantly, of the loving care of the God who works through them.

## Confirmation Pictures

The pictures can be picked up in the vestibule of the church where the student attended class.

## Designer Bingo

Save the date! Our second annual "designer bingo" will be held in Immaculate Conception Church hall on Sunday, November 10, 2013. A planning meeting will be held on Sunday, October 13th at 11:30AM in the rectory. All are welcome to join us and help plan this parish event.

## Haunted Rectory

Mark your calendars.....guided tours through the "haunted rectory" will be taking place on Friday and Saturday, October 25 & 26 from 7:00PM to 11:00PM. Admission is \$3.00. We hope everyone will support our parish youth group and the adult volunteers who have been working diligently on this project for weeks. Proceeds will benefit fellow youth group member, Eric Spiecher.

## 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.

## 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](http://www.corpuschristinepa.com).

Altar Candles at ICC which will burn this week in loving memory of **Morlyn A. Lesho** are donated by his brother, Billy.

## VIRTUS: Protecting God's Children for Adults

This training session is required for all adult volunteers who work a minimum of 20 hours or more per year with children. During the 3 hour training, a facilitator, who will teach you the tools and show you the resources to maintain a safe environment for all children, will incorporate techniques in a discussion-format to help you recognize the warning signs of child sexual abuse and how to respond to it appropriately and effectively. There will be a session on Wednesday, October 16 at Holy Redeemer High School, Wilkes-Barre from 6:00PM to 9:00PM. To register call Tammie Sciacca at 570-829-2424.

## Courtesy Announcements

Flu Shots Flu shots will be given at Fino's Pharmacy, Main Street, Pittston on Wednesday, October 9th from 9AM to 4PM.

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

Benefit Run/Walk 2nd annual Steph'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](http://stephsfall5k.com) or contact Mary & Ed Godri 388-2433.

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.

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](mailto:sdevelopment@littlesistersofthepoor.org).

Youth 2000 Retreat This retreat, which is open to high school teens and young adults will take place October 25, 26 27 at Notre Dame School, East Stroudsburg. Cost is \$35 for the weekend. One adult leader required for every 7 youths under 18. This weekend is filled with adoration, music, inspirational talks, fellowship and fun! It is led by the Franciscan Friars and Sisters of the Renewal. For further information contact Doris Hurley, Coordinator of Youth Ministry, Our Lady Queen of Peace Church, Brodheadsville.

## Mass Intentions Oct 7th thru Oct. 13th



<b>Mon</b>	7:30AM	<b>Joseph Falzone</b> by Jerry Montagna
	8:30AM	<b>Anna Loechel</b> by Elaine Pendleton
<b>Tues</b>	7:30AM	<b>Communion Service</b>
	8:30AM	<b>NO MASS</b>
<b>Wed</b>	7:30AM	<b>Communion Service</b>
	8:30AM	<b>Stephanie Johnston</b> By Cella Family
<b>Thurs</b>	7:30AM	<b>Communion Service</b>
	8:30AM	<b>Morlyn A Lesho</b> by Henry & Rena O'Dell
<b>Fri</b>	7:30AM	<b>Irene Sabol</b> by Patti Wiatrowski
	8:30AM	<b>John Wierbowski</b> by George Prywara & Family
<b>Sat</b>	4:00PM	<b>Leonard Insalaco II</b> by Family
	5:30PM	<b>Ceil Pendleton</b> by Elaine Pendleton
<b>Sun</b>	7:30AM	<b>Harry O'Dell</b> by Maryann & Children
	9:00AM	<b>Mary Ann Yatsko</b> by M/M Richard Rovnak
	10:30AM	<b>Jacob Konopka</b> by Family