March 2, 2014
Eighth Sunday
in Ordinary Time

"Feed The Hungry, Clothe The Naked,



Shelter The Homeless, Love One Another'

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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

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

CONFESSION SATURDAYS
3:00PM - 3:30PM
Immaculate Conception

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION
WEDNESDAYS 9:00AM —3:00PM
HOLY REDEEMER

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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To follow the readings in your Gather book, please see #1113 Breaking the Ice: Looking Forward to the Lenten Spring

As the winter season will soon come to a close, the Church announces the coming of the Lenten spring and the warmth that will follow. In anticipation for the good things that await as winter passes over into spring, let us ponder these words:

Receive with joy, O people of God, the announcement of the Lenten Spring!

For the time of Lent is a time of gladness, a time of pure love!

Filled with resplendent prayer and all good deeds,

Let us rid ourselves of every unkind thought against our neighbors.

Let us distribute our bread to the hungry, and welcome into our homes

Those who have no roof over their heads, so that perfected by love in due time.

We may all be made worthy to see the Passion of Christ in spiritual joy!

March 5th is Ash Wednesday

Distribution of Ashes will be as follows:
7:30AM Mass & distribution of ashes @ ICC
8:30AM Mass & distribution of ashes @ HR
3:30PM distribution of ashes only @ICC (no mass)
5:30PM Mass & distribution of ashes @ ICC
6:15PM distribution of ashes only @ HR (no mass)

Ash Wednesday Fish Dinner

Immaculate Conception Church Hall
Serving 5:00PM to 6:30PM Take outs Available from 4:30PM
Deep fried haddock, baked potato, coleslaw, fruit cup, dessert, beverage
Children's menu homemade macaroni & cheese, applesauce, dessert, beverage

Donation \$8.00 Adults \$3.00 Children (under 3yrs free)
Your support enables us to deliver complimentary dinners to our shut ins.
For tickets, just call the rectory!!

Daily Lenten Mass Schedule

Beginning Ash Wednesday, March 5th daily Masses will be 7:30 AM @ Immaculate Conception Church 8:30 AM @ Holy Redeemer Church 5:30 PM @ Immaculate Conception Church

(Please note there will be no 5:30PM Mass on March 6, 10, and 19)

Stations of the Cross

Every Friday evening during Lent from March 7th thru April 11th
6:00PM @ Immaculate Conception Church
6:30PM @ Holy Redeemer Church
(Sign up sheets are in the vestibule of the churches for anyone interested in taking part in the Stations of the Cross)

The Light is on for You

Our parish and all the parishes in the diocese of Scranton will be open for individual confessions on Mondays during Lent. In keeping with the spirit of Bishop Bambera's Pastoral Letter, Wounded and Loved, Regathering the Scattered, we invite all Catholics to experience Christ's healing love through

the

Sacrament of Reconciliation. In our parish Msgr.

Sempa will be in the confessional at Immaculate Conception Church on Monday, March

17th, 24th and 31st from 6:00PM to 7:00PM and in the confessional at

Holy Redeemer on Monday, April 7th from

6:00PM to 7:00PM.

Lenten Soup & Scripture

Mondays during Lent, March 10th, 17th, 24th and 31st

at 6:00PM in Immaculate Conception Church Hall All are invited to join us on Monday evenings during Lent as we share a simple Lenten meal of soup and sandwiches. Each week a different guest speaker will share some Lenten thoughts with us. Members of our Social Concerns Committee will be hosting the first session. All are welcome!

Mardi Gras

All are welcome to join us for this family friendly event today, Sunday from 11:30AM to 1:30PM in ICC hall.

Enjoy music, dancing, cookie decorating, face painting, hats, masks, beads and much more. Lunch will include chicken fingers, French fries, hot dogs, wimpies, desserts, and beverages Donation is \$5.00 for adults, children are free.

Ministry Schedule

EM's, lectors, altar servers, and cantors are asked to disregard the pink ministry schedule and take a NEW schedule home today. They can be found in the sacristy of each church.

Youth Group Meeting

Today, Sunday, March 2nd at 6:00PM in ICC hall. Living Stations sign ups at the meeting tonight. If you are attending the hockey game on Saturday, April 12th, you must let Mrs. Zielen or Mrs. Klepadlo know today. In case of inclement weather, the meeting will be rescheduled to next Sunday, March 9 at 6:00PM.

Liturgy Meeting

Our liturgy committee will meet tomorrow, **Monday, March 3rd at 6:30PM** in the rectory.

Ash Wednesday Fish Dinner

Help is needed on Tuesday, March 4th at 7:00PM in ICC hall to set up for the fish dinner and kitchen help is needed on Wednesday, March 5 from 1:00PM on. If you would like to volunteers deliver fish dinners and distribute ashes to our shut ins, please contact Joyce at jcecconi50@gmail.com or call the rectory. If you are willing to help in the kitchen or donate baked goods, please contact Margaret at 570-237-6339 or mrogo@epix.net.

Eagle Scout Project

Next weekend at all masses, Eagle Scout candidate Brian Wisowaty will speak to us on behalf of his Eagle Scout project which is to landscape and beautify the military memorial at the rear of the West Pittston Cemetery.

Holy Name Society

Planning is underway for the Holy Name's 29th Father/Son breakfast. We are pleased to have former Major League baseball player and Greater Pittston native Andy Ashby as our speaker. The breakfast will be held on Sunday, April 6th following the 7:30AM Mass in ICC hall. A homemade breakfast of scrambled eggs, home fried potatoes, sausage, ham, rolls, sweet desserts and beverage will be prepared and served by the ladies and men of the parish. **Tickets are \$10.00 for adults and \$5.00 for**

Mass Intentions March 3rd thru March 9th

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Mon	7:30AM	Peter Kolmansperger
		by mother & family
	8:30AM	Ed Loechel
		by Elaine Pendleton
Tues	7:30AM	Margaret Nocito
		by husband, James
	8:30AM	Mary Sosko
		by Hudock Family
Wed	7:30AM	Margaret Argenio
		by Evelyn Serino
	8:30AM	Dorothy Gelso
		by Mary, Sam & Joe Latona
	5:30PM	Leonard Pribula
		by Knights of Columbus
		Fourth Degree ASM-
948		
Thurs	7:30AM	Helene Manganiello
		by Sam & Betty Ferraro &
Fam		
	8:30AM	Lena Gregori
		by Josephine Gianficaro
	5:30PM	NO MASS

Fri 7:30AM Carol Baldacci

by Justave Family

8:30AM **Dorothy Foy**

by Walter & Grace Luzetski

5:30PM Marion Ciampi

by niece, Evelyn Anzalone

Sat 4:00PM **Margaret Nocito**

by husband, James

5:30PM **John (Beno) Borzell**

by Carol Fina & Tim Klubeck