

March 23, 2014
Third Sunday
in Lent

*"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

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

CONFESSION SATURDAYS 3:00PM - 3:30PM

Immaculate Conception

EUCCHARISTIC 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.

Weekly Collection

March 16, 2014
\$7,961.40

CORPUS CHRISTI PARISH

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To follow the readings in your Gather book, please see #1022

Daily Lenten Mass Schedule

7:30 AM @ ICC....8:30 AM @ HRC...5:30 PM @ ICC

Stations of the Cross

Friday evenings during Lent6:00PM @ ICC.....6:30PM @ HRC
(Sign up sheets are in the sacristy, for anyone interested in participating)

The Light is on for You

In our parish Msgr. Sempa will be in the confessional at Immaculate Conception Church on Monday, March 24th and 31st from 6:00PM to 7:00PM and in the confessional at Holy Redeemer on Monday, April 7 from 6:00PM to 7:00PM.

Lenten Soup & Scripture

All are invited to join us in ICC hall at 6:00PM on Monday March 24th & 31st as we share a simple Lenten meal of soup and sandwiches.

Rice Bowl Collection

In our parish, a collection for the Rice Bowl will be held the weekend of April 5 & 6th.

First Eucharist Retreat

The retreat for the children who will be receiving the Sacrament of First Eucharist will be held in Immaculate Conception Church hall on Saturday, April 5th from 9:00AM to 12 Noon. All children preparing to receive the sacrament are expected to attend. We have 37 young children who will be making their own banners..... adult and teenage help is welcome (great for service hours). If you would like to help please call the rectory.

Tree Removal

The trees in front of the rectory on Luzerne Avenue had to be removed because of the damage the roots were causing to the sidewalks and the sewer system.

Social Concerns News

Easter Food Drive

Thank you to everyone for continued support and donations for our food drive. This week we are asking for donations of canned fruit, beans, tuna and meats.

Easter Baskets

We will be filling Easter baskets for some local children. If you can help, we are asking for donations of Easter baskets, straw, Easter candy, treats, small toys, etc.which can be found in the "dollar stores". Please leave donations in church vestibules or drop off at the rectory. Thank you.

Help for Easter

If you or someone you know could use our help for Easter, just call the rectory, email jceconni50@gmail.com contact a social concerns member.

Shut ins & Nursing Homes

If you know of a neighbor who doesn't get out much or someone who is now residing in a nursing home, please call Dorothy at the rectory (570-654-2753) so she can put them on our shut in list. We will be delivering blessed palm and an Easter flower to them on Palm Sunday weekend and our shut ins will be receiving a blessed Easter basket on Holy Saturday.

Holy Name Society Breakfast

Will be held on Sunday, April 6th following the 7:30AM Mass in ICC hall. Tickets are \$10.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children age 5 to 10. Tickets can be obtained from the ushers after mass or by calling the rectory. We invite and ask all the men of the parish for your continued support!

Adult Choir The choir rehearses on Wednesday evenings at 6:30PM at Immaculate Conception church. All are welcome!

Youth Choir Our youth choir will be practicing next **Sunday, March 30th at 5:30PM** in Immaculate Conception Church. All children are welcome to join.

Green to Gold Lottery If you have not yet purchased your ticket, you must do so by March 31st. For tickets stop by or call the rectory.

Weight Watchers Spring has finally sprung!! So let's stop hibernating and get ready for it!! To help us get into shape, we are bringing "Weight Watchers" to our parish community. It is a program that is known to work...so why not "lose it" together with friends!! Confidential weigh-in & meetings will be held weekly at the Immaculate Conception site. If you would like to learn more and consider joining contact **Joyce at jceconi50@gmail.com or at the rectory 570-654-2753.**

Coordinators of Liturgical Ministries Meeting
Coordinators of the following liturgical ministries will meet this **Tuesday, March 25th at 6:30PM** in ICC rectory....EM's, Lectors, Altar Servers and Ushers.

Sewing Ministry Thank you to everyone who continues to send in hand made lap robes, hats, etc. Join us this **Wednesday, March 26 at 6:30PM** in ICC rectory. We will be working on sewing hats and bags for cancer patients and will discuss sewing projects for our bazaar craft booth. All are welcome.

Rebuilt Group Meeting will be held this Thursday, March 27th at 7:00PM in ICC rectory.

Spring Cleaning? Don't throw out those unwanted items, just box them and save them for our flea market. We will begin accepting donations the week of April 27th.

<u>Congratulations Stocking Stuffer Lottery Winners</u>			
Mar 13	No Winner	#505	\$50.00
Mar 14	No Winner	#648	\$50.00
Mar 15	Norman Darling, Sr.	#051	\$50.00
Mar 16	John Mulhern	#049	\$100.00
Mar 17	Kim Rollman	#142	\$500.00
Mar 18	No Winner	#648	\$50.00
Mar 19	Linda Casagrande	#406	\$50.00

The following winner was drawn last Sunday, for the 1 day last week when we had no winner:

Mar 07 Nancy Coskey #344 \$50.00
This Sunday a drawing will be held to determine winners, for Mar. 13th, Mar. 14th, Mar. 18th.

Vigil Candle at ICC Which will burn this week in loving memory of **Morlyn Hensley** is donated by his wife & children.

Holy Family Candle at ICC Which will burn this week in loving memory of **Jennie Champi** is donated by family.

Altar Family Candles at ICC Which will burn this week in loving memory of **Mary "Mollie" Devers** are donated by M/M Frank Trainor.

Courtesy News

Road To Resurrection Wednesdays @ 7:00PM

- 3/26 St Joseph Marello, Pittston
- 4/2 Queen of the Apostles, Avoca
- 4/9 St John the Evangelist, Pittston

Craft Fair Wyoming Area, Sarah J Dymond PTO is holding a craft fair at Wyoming Area High School cafeteria today, Sunday, March 23rd from 10am to 3pm. Refreshments, food and fun...all are welcome!

St Elizabeth Ann Seton Spring Rummage Sale In the school gym on March 31st 9am-3pm & 6pm-9pm; April 1st 9am-3pm \$2/bag day; April 2 9am-3pm \$1/bag day. Bake sale—refreshments. Questions—call Mary 288-3073.

Spring Fling Craft & Vendor Fair Saturday, March 29 10am TO 3pm St Jude School Cafeteria, Mountaintop. Food, basket raffles, crafters, vendors!!

Pasta Dinner Sunday, March 30 11am to 3pm at the K of C Home, S Main St, Pittston. A cash raffle is available. Tickets available at the door or email pasta@pittstonknights.com.

Mass Intentions

March 24th thru March 30th

Mon	7:30AM	Mary Anne Fino by Theresa Jordan
	8:30AM	Jennie Bovani by Sandy & Ralph Nardell
	5:30PM	Gene Hammill by Judy Sokach & Family
Tues	7:30AM	Louise Dashaw by Charles & Elaine DeMarco
	8:30AM	Sam Maira by Salvatore, Michael & Sal Infantino
	5:30PM	Marita Burke by M/M James Albert & Fam.
Wed	7:30AM	Alphonse Balzano by Frank & Ann Marie Parente
	8:30AM	Louise Manganiello by Don Hoban
	5:30PM	Madeline White by Stacie, Chris & Rebecca Gula
Thurs	7:30AM	Michael Bonchonsky by Luke & Lisa Reynolds
	8:30AM	Grace E. Alco by M/M Andrew Hvozdovic
	5:30PM	Leonard Charney, Sr. by M/M Edward Chacko
Fri	7:30AM	Morlyn Hensley by Wife and Children
	8:30AM	Doris Justave by Kasisky Family
	5:30PM	Eric Speicher, Jr. by Tommy & Chrissy Campenni
Sat	4:00PM	Patsy Yunkunis by Klepadlo Family
	5:30PM	Catherine Calore by Joe & Elaine Bernardo
Sun	7:30AM	Patricia Musinski by Family
	9:00AM	George Mazur by John & Connie Lewis
	10:30AM	Mary Belle Kleinberger by Family