

September 14, 2014
Exaltation of the
Holy Cross

*"Feed The Hungry,
Clothe The Naked,*



*Shelter The Homeless,
Love One Another"*

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WEEKEND CELEBRATION
OF THE EUCHARIST
Sat 4:00PM Immaculate Conception
Sat 5:30PM Holy Redeemer
Sun 7:30AM Immaculate Conception
Sun 9:00AM Holy Redeemer
Sun 10:30AM Immaculate Conception

WEEKDAY CELEBRATION
OF THE EUCHARIST
7:30AM - Immaculate Conception
8:30AM - Holy Redeemer

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

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION
WEDNESDAYS 9:00AM - 3:00PM
HOLY REDEEMER

Parish Mission Statement

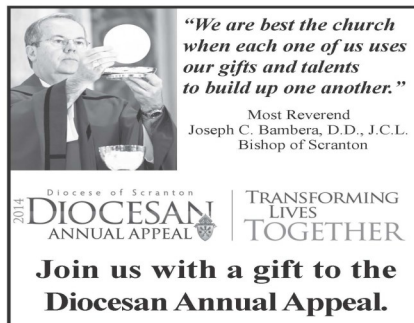
To promote and
improve the community of
God by living the
Gospel message;
caring for the elderly, youth,
sick, needy, and participating
in the liturgy.

Weekly Collection
Sept 7, 2014
\$7,983.60

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"The Holy Spirit is Transforming us, and through us, He wants to transform the world in which we live." Pope Francis

Your are invited to join with parishioners across the Diocese as we support the 2014 Annual Appeal to "transform lives." As explained by our Bishop, Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera, "When we work together in unity and share the gifts we have been given by God for the sake of

our sisters and brothers, lives are transformed, our world is enriched and the love and goodness of the Lord Jesus is given life in our midst...." This is the mission and purpose of the vital ministries made possible by the Diocesan Appeal throughout the 11 counties of our Diocese.

When you support the Appeal, you give your faith, heart, hands and feet to serve God's people. Each day, you support the Appeal allows us to "transform lives together" by enhancing the programs offered in each of our 130 parishes; by educating our most precious resources: the approximately 6,200 students in our 20 Diocesan schools and those children in parish religious education programs; by responding to the poorest, the weakest and those most in need through the good works of Catholic Social Services and by supporting our retired and aging priests as well as the nine men currently studying for the priesthood.

You will be receiving a personal letter from Bishop Bambera asking for your support for the Diocesan Annual Appeal. Please prayerfully consider your response.

Contemporary Choir

We are looking for teens and young adults who like to sing or who play select musical instruments. This is an invitation for those young adults, teens and their parents to come to a planning meeting today, **Sunday, September 14 at 6:00PM in ICC rectory.** This is an opportunity to create the music you would like to hear at select liturgies during the year. If you are an adult with a musical background and would like to help, please join us.

Religious Education News

•Religious Education Classes

Classes for **children Pre K through grade 5** will begin in our parish next Sunday, September 21st. If you have not yet registered your child/children you may do so next Sunday. There is a registration fee of \$25 per child or \$50 per family which does not have to be paid at the time of registration.

•Holy Redeemer Site

Classes at Holy Redeemer will be held following the 9:00AM Mass from 9:45AM to 10:45AM in the former rectory. Please note, immediately following the 9:00AM Mass, the teachers and children will meet in church then go over to the former rectory together. Parents are asked to pick up their children promptly at 10:45AM in the former rectory.

•Immaculate Conception Site

Classes at ICC will be held prior to the 10:30AM Mass from 9:15AM to 10:15AM. Classes for grades Pre K, 1, 2, 3, and 4 will be held in the school and grade 5 classes will be held in the rectory dining room. Because of the volume of cars pulling into the parking lots for 10:30 Mass, children will not be excused until a parent/guardian or older sibling, comes into the school.

•Sacrament of Confirmation

We will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation in our parish in the fall of 2016. Children who will have completed at least 6th grade by then, and either attend Catholic school or completed the two year religious education confirmation program in our parish and are 12 years of age or older will be eligible. If your child is a member of our parish, attends a Catholic school and will be eligible to receive Confirmation, please contact Joyce at jceccconi50@gmail.com or 570-654-2753. Thank you.

•Confirmation Classes

Classes for children in 6th grade and older, who will be preparing for The Sacrament of Confirmation, will not begin until the middle of October. Parents/guardians will receive an informational packet in the mail by the end of September.

Snowplowing ICC Parking Lots

Our Building & Grounds Committee is seeking someone who is interested on putting in a bid to snowplow the Immaculate Conception parking lots. For more information or if interested, please contact Mike Tomas at 570-466-5720. Please be aware we will need proof of insurance.

Autumn Treasure Lottery

If you received a ticket and are not going to purchase it, please return it to the rectory. This lottery will run from October thru December 2014. Donation is \$25 per ticket. Match the evening drawing (straight) of the PA Daily Lottery for a chance to win \$50 daily, \$100 on Sundays, and \$500 on 4 bonus holidays. Every day there will be a winner!! If the winning ticket is unsold, a winner will be drawn at random from the sold tickets.

Designer Bingo

Please mark your calendars!! This, our 3rd annual designer bingo, will be held in Immaculate Conception Church Hall on Sunday, November 2nd. In order to keep our costs down, we are asking for monetary donations or donations of designer items such as handbags, jewelry, accessories, electronics, gift cards, etc. If you can help, please drop donations off at the rectory. The designer bingo is being organized by members our Social Concerns Committee. All proceeds will be used to subsidize of the works of the committee which includes helping those in need with food, clothing, rent, utilities, counseling, etc.

LiturgyCommittee (Art & Environment)

The purpose of the Art & Environment ministry is to plan and implement an environment in and around our worship sites, which is centered on the liturgical seasons. Our goal is to care for all the elements of worship, ensuring that the total environment is clean, appropriate, authentic, beautiful and accessible. We need volunteers who can launder robes, arrange flowers, climb ladders, water plants, shine brass, dust & vacuum and refill candles. We are always open to new members...creativity is not a requirement. If interested, join us **on Monday, September 15 at 7:00PM in ICC rectory.**

Heavenly Hosts Meeting

Anyone presently serving in this ministry and any parishioners who would like to join are invited to attend an important meeting on **Tuesday, September 16 at 6:30PM in Immaculate Conception Church.** Several important things will be discussed. All are welcome!

“Guest Scooper Night” at Blue Ribbon to Benefit Social Concerns

Today, **Sunday, September 14 from 6:00PM to 9:00PM,** be sure to stop for ice cream at Blue Ribbon Dairy. Four of their seasoned scoopers will be back “scooping” and donating their tips to the Social Concerns Committee of Corpus Christi Parish and Care & Concern of St. John the Evangelist. So, stop by for ice cream and show your support for these local caring ministries!!

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. Listed below are dates, places and contact info where this program will be held in the next two months.
Thursday, September 18th, 6:30PM to 9:30PM at St Faustina Kowalska Parish, Nanticoke. To register contact Peggie Jimcoski at hthc@comcast.net or 570-735-4833.
Thursday, October 9th , 6:30PM to 9:30PM at Holy Rosary School, Duryea. To register contact Kathy Bolinski at Kathleen-Bolinski@dioceseofscranton.org or 570-207-1453.

Holy Family Candle at ICC

which will burn this week in loving memory of **Marguerite MacMorran** is donated by Sue & Mike Murphy.

Vigil Candle at ICC

which will burn this week in loving memory of **Mary “Molly” Devers** is donated by Joseph & Florence Prociak.

Altar Candles at ICC

which will burn this week in loving memory **Leonard Cumbo** are donated by Leonard & Linda Kozick.

3rd Annual Steps Fall 5K

will be held on September 27th at Luzerne County Sports Complex. The 5K run 3K walk with a children’s fun run will benefit the Stephanie Godri-Johnston Memorial Scholarship at Wyoming Area. To register contact Mary or Ed at 570-388-2433 or stephsfall5k.com. The Godri-Johnston families thank you for your support and hope to see you there. .

West Pittston Library—Story Time

Foster your child’s love of reading with this free, fun interactive, theme-based program filled with read-aloud stories, songs and crafts. Parents and grandparents...this is a a great way to introduce them to the library and get them interested in books! Held every Friday at 1PM..call the library 654-9847 by Wednesday to register for that week. September is National Library Card Sign-Up Month. Any child who gets their own card gets a free goodie bag!

A Taste of Greater Pittston

Great food from local restaurants, homemade wine and craft brews at Pittston Memorial Library Grounds, Sunday, September 21 from 1 to 4PM. Tickets are \$30.00. For tickets call 654-9565.

Mass Intentions Sept 15th thru Sept 21th			
Mon	7:30AM	Frank Manganello by wife, Ann	
	8:30AM	Margaret Nocito by Elizabeth Marranca & Family	
Tues	7:30AM	Jule Bianco by Corpus Christi Visiting Group	
	8:30AM	Grace E. Alco by Humanik Family	
Wed	7:30AM	Eleanor Kashuda by James Nocito	
	8:30AM	Genevieve Labaty by M/M Gerald Stofko	
Thur	7:30AM	Jasper & Barbara Parrino by Barbara & Quinn Gillespie	
	8:30AM	Catherine & Ed Shubert by Fran & Ray Franko	
Fri	7:30AM	Marty Pleban by Sandy Cella	
	8:30AM	Dorothy Foy by Cheryl & Jim Butera	
Sat	4:00PM	Kosty Harzinski by M/M Gerald Stofko	
	5:30PM	Hedwig Terescavage by M/M Charles Pisa & Son	
Sun	7:30AM	Anthony Chimento by Dad & Family	
	9:00AM	Steve Sokach by M/M Joe Agolino & Family	
	10:30AM	John F. O’Boyle, Sr. by Wife & Children	