October 5, 2014 27th 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 Sat 4:00PM Immaculate Conception Sat 5:30PM Holy Redeemer Sun 7:30AM Immaculate Conception Sun 9:00AM Holy Redeemer Sun10:30AM Immaculate Conception

WEEKDAY CELEBRATION

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

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

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION 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 Sept 28, 2014 \$7,174.06 Second Collection \$978.04

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Diocesan Annual Appeal

Priests Care & Education: "Answering God's call to a life of sacrifice and service administering to His people"

Our priests unconditionally answer the call to "Transform Lives" 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. These funds also help us care for and support our 111 retired or ill priests, many of whom continue to generously assist with the celebration of Masses, the visitation of the sick and by offering spiritual guidance to all in need. They also assist the Vocations Office, which has been blessed with encouraging growth, in guiding those who are considering priesthood through a comprehensive discernment process. We are grateful to currently have 9 seminarians pursuing the priesthood in the Diocese of Scranton. Your gift to the Annual Appeal directly supports the celebration of the Eucharist, proclamation of the Gospel, administration of the Sacraments and devotions within our parish communities. Our parish goal is \$32,000.00.

Lighting Renovation Envelope

During the month of September, **\$812.00** has been collected from the lighting renovation envelopes and has been deposited back into our parish diocesan savings account. This reduces the amount we borrowed for the lighting renovation project for both worship sites to **\$10,220.00**. Thank you for your continued support!!

The Blessing of Animals

Monsignor will bless the animals today, Sunday, at 1:00PM on the grounds of Immaculate Conception Church. Yesterday, Saturday, the animals were blessed on the grounds of Holy Redeemer Church.

Daily Mass Schedule

Please note, this week in lieu of daily Mass, there will be a communion service at Immaculate Conception Church on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, October 7, 8 and 9 at 7:30AM.

A facelift for Holy Redeemer

The workers just finished sanctuary flooring and carpeting in the nave of Holy Redeemer Church this afternoon, Saturday. Early next week the carpeting will be completed and the church will be thoroughly cleaned. So please excuse a little dust!!

Confirmation Parent Meeting

An informational meeting will be held on <u>Sunday, October 12 at 5:30PM</u>in Immaculate Conception Church hall for the parents of children who will be receiving Confirmation in the fall of 2016. <u>This meeting is for all parents</u> <u>of children who are currently in 5th grade or older. At least 1 parent/</u> <u>guardian is asked to attend</u>. At this meeting you will formally register you child for the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Confirmation Classes

Confirmation prep classes for children in 6th grade and older will take place in Immaculate Conception Church hall. Classes will begin on Sunday, October 19th and will be held from 5:30PM to 7:00PM twice a month.

Youth Group "Kick Off" Meeting

All boys and girls in 6th grade and older are invited to join our parish youth group. Our "kick off" meeting will take place today, Sunday, October 5th at 7:00PM in Immaculate Conception hall.

Family Masses

Through active participation in the liturgy, children grow more fully in their faith and worship. The Mass becomes a more natural, meaningful part of their lives. All children are welcome to participate in our Family Masses as lectors, gift bearers, ushers, greeters or as members of our youth choir. A sign up form with the date and times of our family masses can be found in the vestibules of the churches or on our website. For further info, please contact Joyce at jcecconi50@gmail.com.

Youth Choir.....Make a Joyful Noise!

Participation in our youth choir will enable young children to be active participants in the joyous celebration of the Mass by leading the congregation in worshipping the Lord through song. Our purpose is not to have a perfectly well-tuned "performing" choir, but to stress participation, to build self-esteem through group singing and to simply enjoy themselves. There is no specific age requirement....the only requirement is they want to sing. The first practice will take place on Sunday, October 12th from 5:30 to 6:15PM in Immaculate Conception Church. For more information please contact director, Mary Supey at 570-654-8402 or tsupey@hotmail.com. Youth choir registration forms can be found on our web site.

Halloween Mass & Party

Mark your calendars......All are invited to a Halloween Party on Saturday, October 25th in Holy Redeemer Church Hall. Come to the 5:30PM Family Mass...be sure to wear your Halloween costume. Afterwards, join us in the church hall for a pizza party with plenty of Halloween treats, games and surprises!!

Designer Bingo

The Social Concerns Committee is continuing to collect prizes for the upcoming Designer Bingo Fundraiser which will be held on <u>Sunday, November 2^{nd} in ICC</u> hall. Thank you to those who have made donations already. For those of you who wish to donate, the following is a list of items we are looking to obtain:

- eReader (Nook Color, Kindle Fire)
- Personal Activity Tracker (Nike Fuel Band, Fitbit, Jawbone)
- Wireless and/or Noise-Cancelling Headphones (Dr. Dre Beats or other Brand)
- XBOX
- iPad, Mini iPad, Samsung Galaxy Tablet
- Michael Kors Items
- **Tiffany Jewelry**
- Spa Gift Certificates
- Amazon Gift Cards
- Visa Gift Cards
- Vera Bradley Items
- Other Designer or Electronic Items

We realize that these items are expensive, so we suggest that if you cannot afford to donate these items, please "team up" with a friend or two to chip in to purchase and donate an item, or please consider making a monetary donation to the event so that we can purchase the items that we need. Thank you for supporting the Social Concerns Committee.

Craft/Bake Sale...Save the Dates!!

On two weekends in November, after all Masses, a craft/ bake sale Our Sewing/Craft Ministry will sponsor the event. They will be selling homemade crafts including wreaths, jewelry, baby items, flower arrangements and home baked cakes, cookies, pies, etc, the weekend of November 15-16 at ICC and November 22-23 at HR.

Meetings This Week

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Youth Group Mtg	Sun, Oct 5th	7:00PM ICC hall
Weight Watchers	Mon, Oct 6th	5:30PM ICC rec
Liturgy Meeting	Mon, Oct 6th	6:30PM ICC rec
Sewing /Craft Mtg	Tues, Oct 7th	7:00PM ICC rec
Social Concerns	Wed, Oct 8th	7:00PM ICC rec
Building/Grounds	Thurs, Oct 9th	6:30PM ICC rec

Holy Family Candle at ICC

which will burn this week in loving memory of Carmelita Maira is donated by Mary McFarland.

Vigil Candle at ICC

which will burn this week in loving memory of Madeline Menchi is donated by M/M Leo Pugh.

Altar Candles at ICC

which will burn this week in loving memory Frank Skibinski are donated by his wife, Betty & daughter, Joanne.

Help Fight Hunger Locally!

Vote online for CEO's Weinberg Food Bank at www.walmart.com/fighthunger. The Food Bank can receive a \$60,000 grant that will help get more good healthy food to families and children in need.

Fall Bingo

Holy Family Parish, Sugar Notch, Sunday October 12th. Boors open 12 noon games start 1:00PM. Prizes include crafts, gift baskets, gift cards and turkeys. Bonus game prize iPad with case. Admission \$5.00. For more information contact Mary Kay at 570-822-3483.

Dance Through the Decades

Sponsored by St. Andre Bessette Parish, Saturday, October 11th from 7 to 11PM in St. Mary's Byzantine Church hall, Madison St, W-B. Rockin Father Mike Kloton will be the DJ. Cost is \$10 per person or \$15 at the door. For information or tickets call 570-814-9227 or 570-823-4988.

Fall Rummage Sale

St Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish, Swoyersville will hold rummage sale in the school gym on Hughes St. on the following dates: Mon, Oct 13 9am to 3pm & 6pm to 8pm; Tues, Oct 14 9am to 3pm, \$2 bag day; Wed Oct 15 9am to 3pm \$1 bag day. Bake sale & refreshments. For info call Mary 570-288-3073

Mass Intentions October 6th thru October 12th Mon 7:30AM **Florence Pilkonis** by Family 8:30AM Anna Loechel

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Tues	7:30AM	Communion Service
 	8:30AM	Grace E. Alco by Stephen & Judy Sokach
Wed	7:30AM	Communion Service
 	8:30AM	NO MASS
Thur	7:30AM	Communion Service
 	8:30AM	Karen Cella by M/M James Nocito
Fri	7:30AM	Morlyn A. Lesho by Jim, Debbie & Michael Keaney
 	8:30AM	Richard Chabala by sister, Barbara Cirelli
Sat	4:00PM	Frank Skibinski by Joseph & Margarie Holub
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Sun	7:30AM	Margaret Diane Argenio by Uncle Len & Aunt Ruthie
 	9:00AM	
 	10:30AM	Leonard Insalaco, II by Family