

Mission Statement

We as members of the Body of Christ, through our thoughts, words and deeds, celebrate the presence of God in all people. As a community of believers, we answer Christ's call to feed the hungry, clothe the naked, shelter the homeless and love one another.

April 26, 2015 Fourth Sunday of Easter

Immaculate Conception Church
Holy Redeemer Church

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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

Holy Redeemer

WEEKLY COLLECTION

April 19, 2015

Sunday \$7,924.07 Missionary \$3,200.26



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To follow the readings in your Gather book: 1071

Second Collection This Weekend

This weekend, April 25 & 26 the collection for the Catholic Home Missions Appeal will be taken up at all Masses. The appeal supports isolated, challenged parishes and missions in dioceses and parishes across the United States and in several U.S. territories in the Caribbean and Pacific islands, including Samoa Pago-Pago, St. Thomas in the Virgin Islands, and Puerto Rico.

First Eucharist Practice

There will be 2 practices for the children: today, Sunday, April 26th from 6:00PM to 7:30PM and a brief practice Friday, May 1st at 6:00PM.

Graduation Mass & Brunch

Next Sunday, May 3rd at the 10:30AM Mass we will be honoring our 2015 high school graduates. Following the Mass, they and their families are invited to join us for brunch hosted by our Social Concerns Committee in Immaculate Conception Hall. If you have not yet responded with the amount attending, please do so ASAP. Graduates are asked to meet in the vestibule of the church at 10:15AM. Social Concerns members are asked to meet in ICC hall on **Saturday, May 2nd at 5:00PM** to set up for the brunch.

Save the Date!!!

Father Jim Alco will be celebrating his 25th Year of Ordination to the Priesthood here at Corpus Christi Parish. The Mass of Thanksgiving in honor of Father Alco will be celebrated in Immaculate Conception Church on Sunday, July 12, 2015 at 1:00PM. A reception will follow on the church grounds. Details to follow.

Diaconate Ordination

On Saturday, May 23, 2015, Michael Drevitch, a member of our parish, will be ordained a transitional deacon in the Diocese of Scranton. This is a major step on his journey to the priesthood. At the 4:00PM Mass in Immaculate Conception we will celebrate Michael's ordination and following the Mass all are invited to a reception in the church hall. Please call the rectory by May 9th @ 570-654-2753 to let us know if you are planning on attending the reception.

Liturgy Committee Meeting

All committee members are asked to attend this meeting on **Monday, April 27th at 6:30PM** in the rectory.

Seniors Meeting

All are welcome to join us for cards, chatter and laughter on **Wednesday**, **April 29th at 1:00PM** in the rectory dining room.

Bazaar News

■Bazaar Meeting

All are welcome to join us for our next meeting on **Wednesday**, **April 29th at 6:30Pm in ICC rectory**.

■Bazaar 2015

Our parish bazaar will be held on the grounds of Immaculate Conception Church Thursday and Friday, June 25 & 26 from 6:00PM to

10:00PM and Saturday, June 27 from 4:30PM to 10:00PM. The scheduled entertainment is as follows: Thursday, June 25tth Waterstreet w/Joe Valenti & Bill Payne; Friday, June 26th Iron Cowboy; Saturday, June 27th The Sperazza Band.

■Flea Market Drop Off Times Items for the flea market can be dropped off at the school, behind ICC, every Wednesday evening starting this Wednesday, April 29 from 6:00PM to 7:30PM and Saturdays, starting May 2nd from 8:00AM to 12 Noon.

Please, please...NO CLOTHES, STUFFED ANIMALS, PILLOWS, ELECTRONICS. We would appreciate it if your items are clean and in good condition. Thank you. Contact Kathy at 570-388-3978.

■Wheelbarrow of Cheer We are asking for donations of a variety of fine wines, liquors and craft beers. Please bring donations to the rectory, do not leave in the church. Thank you!

■Gift Baskets If you wish to donate a basket for our very popular bountiful basket booth, just choose a theme, purchase the items, arrange and gift wrap them and drop off at the rectory. For information contact Rosalie @ 655-5422 or rosan814@comcast.net.

■Bazaar Gift of the Week......Napkins

Please leave donation in vestibules of the churches.

<u>Craft Ministry</u> This group of about a dozen women usually meets twice a month in the rectory dining room. Currently, members of this ministry are involved in a few projects.....some of the crafters are busy producing hand made items which will be available in the craft booth at our bazaar; some of them are making items for Candy's Place; some of them continually make items which are given to parishioners in nursing homes or who are homebound. Even if you do not get out to meetings but would like to help contact one of the following coordinators: Theresa 570-654-8970, Barbara 570-655-2365, or Pat 570-654-3671.

Holy Name Lotto Members will be selling their \$2.00 lotto tickets after the masses until Mother's Day or until sold out. Each ticket purchased offers the buyer a chance to win \$100.00 if one of the ten numbers on their ticket matches the PA PM Pick Three number chosen on Mother's Day, May 10th.

Green to Gold Lottery Winners

| 4/16/15 | No Winner | #492 | \$50.00 | |
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| 4/17/15 | No Winner | #354 | \$50.00 | |
| 4/18/15 | No Winner | #983 | \$50.00 | |
| 4/19/15 | Ed Hensley | #375 | \$100.00 | |
| | Karen Vavrek | #881 | \$50.00 | |
| 4/21/15 | No Winner | #850 | \$50.00 | |
| 4/22/15 | Joseph Hritz | #395 | \$50.00 | |
| Special drawing winners include: Trisha Vaughan \$50 | | | | |
| 4/16, Nicolina Briggs \$50 4/17, Cheryl Reedy \$50 4/18, | | | | |
| Janet Kresge \$50 4/21. | | | | |

Vigil Candle at ICC

which will burn this week in loving memory of Louis R. Lanzone & Stephen H. Petrewski is donated by their family.

Holy Family Candle at ICC

which will burn this week in loving memory of **Mary** "**Molly**" **Devers** is donated by Philip & Jeanne Devers White

Altar Candles at ICC

which will burn this week in loving memory of **Stelle Swickel** are donated by Margaret & Jack Hoover.

<u>Diocesan Pilgrimage to Papal Mass</u> Reservations are being taken for the first historic visit of Pope Francis to the United States. Bus transportation will be available from the four Catholic High Schools in the Diocese. Round trip reservation is \$40 per person. Your are responsible for your own meal costs. Reservations can be made on the diocesan website www.dioceseofscranton.org.

Wyoming Valley Barbershop Harmony Chorus

Will be performing "Let's Get Away From it All", its 2015 show, Saturday, May 9 at the Buckingham Performing Arts Center on the Wyoming Seminary Campus in Kingston. Tickets are \$15 each and can be purchased by contacting Drew Smith @ 570-357-0205.

WAC Inaugural Golf Tournament Will be held on Saturday, May 23 at Blue Ridge Golf Course in Mountaintop. Registration begins at 11AM. Further information on sponsorship and participation is available at www.wacsh.com or call 570-654-7982.

St Barbara Parish Chicken Dinner on Sunday, May 17th featuring Kundla's BBQ chicken in St Anthony's parish center. Takeouts 11:30 to 12 noon. Eat in 12 noon to 3PM. Dinners must be preordered and paid by May 10th. Please indicate take out or eat in and phone number with your check.

Mass Intentions April 27 thru May 3, 2015

| Mon | 7:30AM | Catherine Denisco |
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| | 8:30AM | by Vito & Elaine Geruolo Anthony J. Fino |
| Tues | 7:30AM | by Ann Powers Mary & James English by son, James & Joanne |
| | 8:30AM | Robert McDonough by Family |
| Wed | 7:30AM | Genevieve Rogo by Family |
| | 8:30AM | Matthew & Viola Michels |
| Thur | 7:30AM | by Family Marie Brogna |
| | 8:30AM | by Mary Lou Holby Ramonda Franko |
| Fri | 7:30AM | by Fran & Ray Franko Albino & Antoinette Ciampi |
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| | 8:30AM | Stelle Swickel |
| ! ! ! | | by Patricia Ginocchetti |
| Sat | 4:00PM | Andrew Vacula |
| | 5:30AM | by Family Elizabeth Godri by Ed & Mary Godri |
| Sun | 7:30AM | Joan Messina by husband, Sam and Daughter |
| | 9:00AM | Steve Sokach by M/M Anthony Hassey |
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