

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.

May 24, 2015 Solemnity of Pentecost

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

May 17, 2015

Sunday - \$9,318.25 Ascension <u>\$1,185.73</u> Total \$10,503.98

Second Collection \$864.60



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To follow the readings in your Gather book: 1084

In order to understand the liturgy of the Mass today we must realize that the author of the Acts had very consciously in mind the Old Testament scene of the tower of Babel. The human race was divided by the different languages which were a punishment for human sinfulness. In the babble of Babel there is only obscurity, confusion and anger. But Jesus came to cancel the effect of Babel and to reintegrate the human race. There was babbling at Pentecost, as there was in Babel, but at Pentecost the diversity of language did not impede understanding. On the contrary—and this is extremely important—everyone understood everyone else in the flaming power of God's personified love. The disintegration of Babel is replaced by the reintegration of Pentecost; and the diversity of language and culture is now not the result of sin but rather the raw material, the building blocks, of reintegrated unity.

Diaconate Ordination of Michael Drevitch

Today at the 4:00PM Mass we welcome Rev. Mr. Michael Drevitch as he gives his first homily as a newly ordained deacon. Today, Saturday, May 23rd at 10:00AM in St. Peter's Cathedral, Scranton, Michael and classmate Joseph Mosley were both ordained transitional deacons in the Diocese of Scranton. We are very proud of these two young men and pray the Lord continues to bless them on their journey to the priesthood.

All Are Invited.....

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 followed by an outdoor reception on the church grounds. All are welcome, please call the rectory <u>570-654-2753</u> to make your reservations.

New Summer Sizzle Lottery

A daily cash prize of \$50 Monday thru Saturday and \$100 on Sundays will be awarded July, August, and September. You will have a chance to win \$500 on four bonus days, Independence Day (July 4), Assumption of Mary (August 15), Labor Day (September 7) and Grandparents Day (September 13). Donation is \$25.00. Just stop by or call the rectory (570-654-2753) and we will gladly mail you a ticket.

Van Transportation to 4:00PM Mass

Through the Luzerne County Shared Ride Program, transportation to 4:00PM Mass on Saturdays will be available to anyone 65 years of age and older. This service is curb-to-curb and will pick you up wherever you live. Most vehicles are equipped with wheel chair lifts. There will be no cost to you, as our Social Concerns Committee is sponsoring this program at our parish. To be eligible for the program, you must be registered with Shared Ride. To register and for more information please contact Joyce at 570-654-2753 or jcecconi50@gmail.com.

First Eucharist Pictures and Banners

The banners, which were made by the children and the First Eucharist pictures can be picked up in the vestibules of the churches.

Altar Server Training

A training session will be held on Tuesday, June 2nd in ICC for boys and girls who have received the Sacrament of First Eucharist, which makes them eligible to become altar servers. This training is for new servers and those wanting more training. If you plan to attend, please contact Jim Meizanis at 570-239-2783 or Jim.Meizanis@opm.com.

New Ministry Schedule

As our new ministry schedule will be prepared in the not too distant future, please contact your coordinator if you wish to make any changes to your Mass choices or if there are any weekends which you will not be available to serve.

Parish Bazaar Thursday thru Saturday June 25, 26,27 Immaculate Conception Grounds

■Sponsor

A BAZAAR sponsorship is a great way to advertise your business, memorialize a deceased family member, or honor loved ones for anniversaries, birthdays or other special occasions. Your donation is tax deductible! To become a sponsor, just place the information you want on your sign and your check for the size of your sign in the collection or mail it to the rectory.

Sponsorship levels are as follows:

Pope Level \$500.00

(includes a professionally printed nylon sign -2' \times 6' - which will be hung at the Bazaar in June and the Car Show in August.)

Cardinal Level \$ 350.00

(includes a professionally printed nylon sign -2' \times 6' - which will be hung at the Bazaar in June.)

Bishop Level \$ 150.00

(includes a full color 11" x 17" sign which will be hung at the Bazaar in June.)

Monsignor Level \$ 50.00

(includes a black and white 11" x 17" sign which will be hung at the Bazaar in June.)

■Bazaar Gift of the Week.....Ketchup, ketchup, and more ketchup!!

Thank you in advance for your donations!

■Flea Market Sneak Preview!!

Our flea market will open for business on Saturdays starting May 30 from 8:00AM to 12 Noon. While you are shopping, be sure to pick up something from our bake sale to take home. If you are willing to bake, contact Loretta @ 654-2655. We continue to accept donations on Wednesday evenings from 6:00PM to 7:30PM and Saturday mornings. Please, please...NO CLOTHES, STUFFED ANIMALS, PILLOWS, ELECTRONICS.

■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!

Green to Gold Lottery Winners

5/14/15	Rosemary Bartush	#502	\$50.00
5/15/15	No Winner	#485	\$50.00
5/16/15	Dianne & Ray Smith	#808	\$50.00
5/17/15	Kris Cruise	#212	\$100.00

	5/18/15	No Winner	#567	\$50.00	
	5/19/15	Barbara Cirelli	#180	\$50.00	
	5/20/15	Ruth Mackiewicz	#608	\$50.00	
Special drawing winners include: Mary Jean Musto					
5/15 \$50.00 and Robert or Joan Pascolini 5/18 \$50.00					

Thank you from Pa for Human Life

Thank you to everyone who participated in the recent carnation sale at our parish. We collected **\$886.00** which supplies them with the funds to help keep the center active.

Vigil Candle at HR

which will burn this week in loving memory of **Leonard** & **Helen Brown & Geraldine Serafin** is donated by their family.

Vigil Candle at ICC

which will burn this week in loving memory of **Diego & Mary Giamusso** is donated by their daughter.

Holy Family Candle at ICC

which will burn this week for in loving memory of **Ann J. Bell** is donated by the Lesho Family.

Altar Candles at ICC

which will burn this week in loving memory of **Thomas Kearns** are donated by his family.

Social Media for SeniorsThursdays @ 3:30PM

Call 654-9847 to register for this free program at the West Pittston Library. June 11, Facebook; July 9, Twitter; July 30, Instagram; August 20, Pinterest.

Quilts of the Underground Railroad

Join folklorist Cassandra Gimkel at the West Pittston Library to view original and reproduced 19th century quilts and learn how they were used as a guide to freedom. Call 654-9847 to register

Mass Intentions May 25th thru May 31st, 2015

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Mon	7:30AM	Anthony DeGennaro by son, Edward				
	8:30AM	Martin Cirelli, Sr.				
Tues	7:30AM	Mary Dotter by Morning Rosary Group				
	8:30AM	Elizabeth Godri by son, Ed & Family				
Wed	7:30AM	Anthony Scarantino by Tom, Samantha, Sabrina,				
	8:30AM	Tommy & Jolene Deceased Priests & Religious				
Thur	7:30AM	by Fran & Ray Franko Joseph & Faustine Zekoski				
	8:30AM	by Margaret Gentile & family Angeline M. Selenski by Dolores Crowley				
Fri	7:30AM	Ann J. Bell & Family by Lesho Family				
	8:30AM	Anna Wierbowski by John & Priscilla Wierbowski				
Sat	4:00PM	Jennifer Sidari by Mom, Dad, Peter, Vicky				
	5:30PM	& finance, John Leonard & Helen Brown & Geraldine Serafin				
Sun	7:30AM	by John & Maryellen Serafin Frank Skibinski by Bernard Norbooki				
	9:00AM (In hono	by Bernard Nerbecki Donna & Nelson Chepalonis or of 46th Wedding Anniversary) by family				
	10:30AM	Thomas Kearns by family				