



Corpus Christi Parish

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
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

HYMNS SEPTEMBER 19/20, 2015

Gathering - #778 Anthem
Offertory - #751 The Servant Song
Communion - #940 You Satisfy the
Hungry Heart
Recessional - #607 Sing a New Song

WEEKLY COLLECTION

September 13, 2015

\$9,295.00

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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.

September 20, 2015 Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

To follow the readings in your Gather book: 1165

For your convenience, starting this week we are now including the number and the name of each hymn. To the person who sent in the suggestion, thank you!

2015 Diocesan Annual Appeal

"Strengthening our commitment to social justice and to those in need."

Your gifts to the Diocesan Annual Appeal enables us to serve the poorest, the weakest and the most vulnerable among us through Catholic Social Services staff who feed the hungry, clothe the naked and provide shelter, counseling and assistance for those most in need. Many more individuals in parish communities receive assistance through parish-based Social Justice programs funded by the Appeal. Grants were awarded 33 parish programs including food and clothing pantries, monthly dinners for families in need and outreach to prison inmates.

St. Clare's Sewing & Yarn Ministry

Bake/Craft Sale

September 26th & 27th

Holy Redeemer Church hall

After 5:30PM & 9:00AM Masses

If you are willing to donate home baked goods, please call Pat Jacobs 570-654-3671. If you are willing to bake for the following weekend sale at Immaculate Conception Church after the Masses, please call Theresa Colella 570-654-8970.

Religious Education News

Classes (K thru grade 5)

Classes for children **K thru grade 5 will begin on Sunday, October 4, 2015.** All classes will be held at the Immaculate Conception site on Sunday mornings from 9:15AM to 10:15AM. Registration is \$25.00 per child or \$50.00 per family. Registration forms can be found in the vestibule of the churches.

The Sacraments of First Reconciliation & First Eucharist

Boys and girls in 2nd grade and have attended religious education classes last year or who are attending a Catholic school will be eligible to receive these sacraments in our parish this year. The Sacrament of First Reconciliation will be held Saturday, February 27th at 10:00AM at Holy Redeemer Church. The Sacrament of First Eucharist will be held on Saturday, May 7, 2016 at 10:00AM in Immaculate Conception Church.

Confirmation Prep (Grade 6)

Children who are in **6th grade ONLY, will attend a class on Sunday, September 27th** from 5:30PM to 7:00:PM in Immaculate Conception Church hall.

Confirmation Prep Classes (Grades 6 thru 8)

Classes for students preparing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation will begin on Sunday, October 4th from 5:30PM to 7:00PM in Immaculate Church hall. Boys and girls who are students in a Catholic school are not required to attend these classes. However, you must contact Joyce at jceconi50@gmail.com or 570-654-2753 to register for the Sacrament.

Home Schooling

Religious Education and learning about our Catholic faith does not have to take place in a classroom setting. In fact, the formation of a practicing Catholic begins and is nurtured within each family. If, for whatever reason, you prefer to home school your children, we will

provide you with the teaching materials. Children in 2nd grade and Confirmation prep classes that are home schooled are required to attend any retreats.

Religious Education Volunteers

If you are interested in volunteering as a substitute teacher, a class aide or an occasional helper, we will have a spot for you. Just fill out a religious education volunteer form, which can be found on our website or in the vestibule of the church. We look for extra adult or teenage help in the classrooms when the children are doing a special project, or a class is preparing to do a family mass or on Donut Sunday to help set up and clean up the hall. All volunteers 18 years of age and older who will be working with children are required to attend a VIRTUS training session and have background clearances.

Autumn Treasure Lottery

Remember your “autumn treasure” lottery returns are due by September 30th. If you would like additional tickets, just stop by or call the rectory 570-654-2753. This lottery runs from October 1, 2015 thru December 31, 2015.

Parish Meetings

It’s Not Just Purses anymore, BINGO

We will meet on **Monday, September 21st** at 6:30PM in the rectory. At this meeting we will be preparing a parish mailing. Members of Social Concerns are asked to join us at this meeting. Thank you

St Clare’s Sewing & Yarn Ministry

Our next meeting will take place on **Wednesday, September 23rd at 6:30PM in ICC hall**. We welcome anyone who likes to knit, crochet, sew or make any other crafts to benefit the elderly or the needy.

Religious Education Teacher Meeting

Teachers, subs and anyone willing to become a teacher, sub or an aide is asked to attend this meeting on **Wednesday, September 23rd at 6:30PM** in the rectory. If you wish to help out but cannot attend this meeting, please contact Joyce at jcecco-ni50@gmail.com or 570-654-2753.

Building & Grounds Meeting

Members of this committee are asked to meet on **Thursday, September 24th** at 6:30PM in the rectory.

Summer Sizzle Lottery Winners

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| 9/10/15 | Michael & Ryan Sankey | #069 | \$50.00 |
| 9/11/15 | Georgia Bone | #580 | \$50.00 |
| 9/12/15 | M/M Ron Tomko | #443 | \$50.00 |
| 9/13/15 | No Winner | #048 | \$500.00 |
| 9/14/15 | Caroline Kuchinskas | #009 | \$50.00 |
| 9/15/15 | No Winner | #403 | \$50.00 |
| 9/16/15 | No Winner | #000 | \$50.00 |

Special drawing winners include: Heather Santee \$500.00 9/13/15, Jim Ciampi \$50.00 9/15/15, Cathy Kosenak \$50.00 9/16/15

Protecting God’s Children (PGC-VIRTUS)

All adult volunteers who have direct contact or routine interaction with children, must attend a VIRTUS session. **A session has been scheduled for Wednesday, September 30, 2015 at St. Monica’s Parish, 8th Street, West Wyoming. The session will begin at 6:30PM. A notice with complete details can be found on the diocesan website: www.dioceseofscranton.org.**

Congratulations John & Helen!

John and Helen Yakobitis who have been members of Immaculate Conception Church since it’s inception, celebrated their 65th anniversary on September 16th. John and Helen have been blessed with 6 sons, 7 grandchildren and 1 great grandchild. We ask you keep the Yakobitis’s and their family in your prayers.

Steph’s Fall 5KRun/3KWalk

This event benefits the Stephanie Godri Johnston Memorial Scholarship at WA. Stephanie, a 1998 graduate of WA died of colon cancer in 2012. The event takes place at the Luzerne Co. Sports Complex in Forty Fort. To register go to stephsfall5k.com, call Mary at 570-388-2433 or register day of the race. This weekend at all Masses, Mary & Ed Godri will be selling chances on the following:

- signed Steelers Ben Roethlisberger mini-football helmet;
- framed/signed photo of Carli Lloyd who scored three goals in the World Cup soccer final;
- autographed three book set by super bowl champion coach and NBC sports analyst Tony Dungy.

Weight Watchers

A new 8 week session will be starting at our parish on Monday, September 28th. Meetings are held in the rectory from 5:15 to 6:00PM. New members are welcome to join.

Altar Candles at ICC

Which will burn this week in loving memory of **Jimmy Parry** are donated by his wife & son.

Holy Family Candle at ICC

Which will burn this week in loving memory of **William Goldsworthy, Sr.** is donated by his wife, Nicoletta & family.

Vigil Candle at ICC

Which will burn this week in loving memory of **Rev. Leonard J. Sabalis** is donated by a friend.

| Mass Intentions Sept 21th thru Sept 27th, 2015 | | | |
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| Mon | 7:30AM | Anthony Chimento, Jr. by family | |
| | 8:30AM | Marion Tallo by Fran & Ray Franko | |
| Tues | 7:30AM | Kosty & Helen Harzinski by daughters, Marie & Maureen | |
| | 8:30AM | Leonard Cumbo by Raymonde & Loretta | |
| Wed | 7:30AM | Frank Mirabelle by Mark & Jody Antonio | |
| | 8:30AM | Dorothy Gadomski by daughter, Kathy & family | |
| Thur | 7:30AM | Patricia Donnelly by Ann Bartnikowski | |
| | 8:30AM | Carmen John Fabrizio by Marie & Joe Marranca | |
| Fri | 7:30AM | Joseph Mikita by wife, Jasmine | |
| | 8:30AM | Walter Repasky by Apple Tree Rd Neighbors | |
| Sat | 4:00PM | Eleanor Musto by daughters | |
| | 5:30PM | Mary Elizabeth Cavell by Susan Supey & Karen Miglionico | |
| Sun | 7:30AM | Catherine Denisco by Michael Fanti | |
| | 9:00AM | Peter Romani by Gina Stepher & Christopher Chipolis | |
| | 10:30AM | Jimmy Parry by wife & son | |