

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 To follow the readings in your Gather book: 1186

HYMNS November 8, 2015

Gathering - **#848 Gather Us In** Responsorial Psalm - **#1186** Offertory - **#751 The Servant Song** Communion - **#590 Christ, Be Our Light** Recessional - **#766 City of God**

> WEEKLY COLLECTION November 1, 2015 \$11,222.32



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.

November 8, 2015 Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary

Diocesan Annual Appeal

Our Parish Goal \$32,000... Pledges received.... \$22,465... (\$9,535) Number of pledges : 171

Text to Give Weekend Use your cell phone to share your gifts...share in the good works of our local church. On your phone: go to messages. Where you usually type a "name" type 64600. Text the word Give. You'll receive a prompt. When you click the link, you will be directed to the Giving Site. Select the amount of your gift from the drop-down menu and press Donate Now. After completing the form and submitting it, you will receive an email confirmation. Thank You!

Veterans' Day Mass & Reception Veterans Day is dedicated to honoring anyone who has served in the United States military. Today, Sunday, November 8, 2015 at the 10:30AM liturgy we are proud to welcome our special guests...veterans, active military personnel and their families. Following this special liturgy, everyone is invited to join us in the church hall for light refreshments and commaradie as we welcome and thank our parishioners and guests for their service to our country.

Book of Remembrance Each year the Church gives us the entire month of November as an opportunity to remember our loved ones who have gone before us in death, praying for their happiness and preparing ourselves to be reunited with them one day. A special book with the names of our beloved dead will be placed in or near the sanctuary in the churches. We invite you to please take a moment and write the names of your beloved departed family and friends in our parish book of the dead.

Bereavement Mass Our parish bereavement Mass will be held on <u>Monday, November 23rd at 6:00PM in Immaculate Conception</u> <u>Church</u>. Immediately following the liturgy, Social Concerns will host a reception in the church hall. All are invited to join us for this beautiful mass of remembrance as we honor our parishioners who have died this past year. Invitations have been sent to their next of kin inviting them and their families and friends to this special liturgy. If you have not yet done so, please e-mail, mail or drop in the collection a picture of your deceased family member. All pictures will be returned day of the mass. E-mail jcecconi50@gmail.com.

"It's Not Just Purses Anymore" BINGO Sunday, November 15th Immaculate Conception Church Hall

Doors open at noon Games start at 1PM Available for lunch...homemade foods including Italian wedding soup, pulled pork, coleslaw, chicken salad on croissant, broccoli & shells and more. Tickets which are \$20 if purchased ahead of time or \$25 at the door include 15 free games. In addition to designer handbags, our bingo prizes include**Apple iwatch, iPad, gift cards to boutiques, spas, pet grooming, dinners, flat screen TV, Cirque Dreams Holidaze tickets, Merle Norman and much, much more!!** Tickets are available after all Masses or call the rectory and we will reserve them for you.

Social Concerns Fall Food Drive Thank you to everyone for your donations for our fall food drive....our shelves are filling up! This week we are asking for donations of all traditional Thanksgiving non perishable foods including gravy, boxed/canned potatoes, yams, vegetables, stuffing, pie crusts, canned pumpkin, etc. We will also gladly accept frozen turkeys or monetary donations and gift certificates for turkeys.

Thanksgiving Family Mass & Donut Sunday On Sunday, November 22nd there are no religious education classes so the children and their families will have the opportunity to attend the 9:00AM Thanksgiving Family Mass. For this Mass, all children in Kindergarten and 1st grade are invited to participate as lectors, gift bearers, heavenly hosts, etc. Participation forms can be found in the vestibules of the churches. Next Sunday, November 15th children in our religious education classes will be given an orange bag to take home and fill with their favorite snacks, cookies, etc. to be shared with a less fortunate child for Thanksgiving. Children are asked to bring the filled bags to the Thanksgiving Family Mass the following Sunday as they will be part of the offertory procession. Additional orange bags will be in the sacristy of the churches for anyone else who wishes to participate with this project.

Youth Choir Our youth choir will sing at the 9:00AM Thanksgiving Family Mass on Sunday, November 22nd. They will practice today, <u>Sunday, November</u> 8th & Sunday, November 15th from 5:30 to 6:15 in ICC. All children are welcome to join!

Youth Group Board Game Night and pizza party Friday, Nov 13th from 7-9pm ICC hall. All boys and girls in 6th grade and older are welcome! For more information contact Mrs. Klepadlo at 570-430-1470.

Religious Education Classes There are no classes for Kindergarten thru grade 5 on Sunday, November 22 & 29th. No Confirmation classes for the rest of the month. All classes will resume classes on Sunday, December 6th.

Confirmation Service Hours Part of the process to prepare themselves to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation is service. All candidates are required to complete 20 hours of service in the parish or community. We do have opportunities for the students to earn service hours here in our parish through Social Concerns and Religious Education. To find our more contact Joyce at jcecconi50@gmail.com or 570-654-2753.

You are invited to a reception honoring Jim Meizanis and Jim Rose on the occasion of their ordination to the order of deacon Sunday, November 29, 2015 following the 10:30am Mass Immaculate Conception Church Hall

Reservations can be made by filling out this form and returning it in the collection next weekend, call the rectory at 570-654-2753 or email jcecconi50@gmail.com.

Reservations for Deacon Reception

Name_

of Adults_____# of Children__

Autumn Treasure Lottery Winners

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10/29/15 Elaine Pavidus	#391	\$50.00			
10/30/15 No Winner	#049	\$50.00			
10/31/15 Peter Albano	#006	\$50.00			
11/01/15 No Winner	#964	\$100.00			
11/02/15 Patti Wiatrowski	#000	\$50.00			
11/03/15 Jeanette Colaarusso	#203	\$50.00			
11/04/15 Isabel Parry	#684	\$50.00			
Special drawing winners include:					
Joe & Jen Agolino 10/30/15 \$50.00 & Quinn Gillespie					

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Holy Family Candle at ICC

Which will burn this week in loving memory of **Joseph & Caroline Just** is donated by their daughter, Geraldine & family.

Altar Candles at ICC

Which will burn this week in loving memory of **Thomas Runscavage** are donated by Gene Lippi.

2016 Parish Calendar Thank you to Recupero's Funeral Home for once again donating our parish calendar. They are in the vestibules of the churches....take one home today

Lectors, Altar Servers, EM's New ministry schedules which run from November 29, 2015 thru February 28, 2016 are in the sacristies of the churches or can be viewed on our website.

Social Concerns Meeting Our next meeting will take place on Monday, November 16 at 6:30PM in the rectory. All are welcome.

Girl Scout "Daisy" Troop All girls in Kindergarten and 1st grade are welcome. The meetings will be held at the IC school on Thursdays @ 5:30PM For more information please email Heather at <u>HAS9211@comcast.net</u>.

Holiday Craft and Gift Fair Saturday 11/21 10am—4pm and Sunday 11/22 9am-3pm at St Maria Goretti Parish Center, Laflin. 30 plus vendors, special-ty gift basket raffle, food stand and much more. Admission is free!

Mass Intentions

November 9 thru November 15, 2015

	Mon	7:30AM	Neil & Gert Dwyer by daughter, Mary & family
ļ		8:30AM	Jack Klotz
ļ			by Elaine Pendleton
ĺ	Tues	7:30AM	Special Intention
l			by family
l		8:30AM	Louis Cella
			by Jack & Beth Szeghy
l	Wed	7:30AM	John Sokach, Sr.
ļ	l		by Judy Sokach & family
		8:30AM	All Souls Intentions
ļ	Thur	7:30AM	Charlene Zinskie
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l		8:30AM	Verna & Elmer Franko
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l	Fri	7:30AM	Florence & William Pilkonis
l		1.007	by family
ļ	l	8:30AM	Elizabeth Marranca
l			by Patricia & Louis Willhoit, Jr.
į	Sat	4:00PM	Marie Williams
ļ			by Marie & Pete Morganti
ļ		5:30PM	George (Bucky) Mazur
į			by wife, Beverly & family
ļ	Sun	7:30AM	Ross Denisco & John Dente
į			by Rosemary & Ross DeNisco
ļ		9:00AM	John Eldemar, Jr.
i			by Ray & Dianne Smith
ļ		10:30AM	John Casey
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