



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

Saturday 3:00PM - 3:30PM
 Immaculate Conception

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Wednesdays 9:00AM - 10:00AM

Holy Redeemer
 December 13, 2015

To follow the readings in your
 Gather book: 999

Gathering #395 O Come O Come Emmanuel
 Responsorial Psalm - #996
 Offertory #418 On Jordan's Bank
 Communion #939 Behold the Lamb
 Recessional #395 O Come O Come Emmanuel

Weekly Collection

December 6, 2015

\$11,408.72

Second Collection

\$1,198.91

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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.

December 13, 2015

Third Sunday in Advent

Christmas & New Year's Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve, December 24, 2015

Family Mass (Youth Choir) 4:00PM Immaculate Conception
 5:30PM Holy Redeemer
 Adult Choir Mass 10:00PM ICC

Christmas Day, December 25, 2015

7:30AM Immaculate Conception
 9:00AM Holy Redeemer
 10:30AM Immaculate Conception

New Year's Eve, December 31, 2015

4:00PM Immaculate Conception
 5:30PM Holy Redeemer

New Year's Day, January 1, 2016

9:00AM Immaculate Conception

Second Collection This Weekend

The second collection this weekend will benefit the Retirement Fund for Religious. Your generosity is appreciated.

Advent Penance Service

Will be held on **Monday, December 21st** 7:00PM at St. John the Evangelist Parish, William Street, Pittston.

Christmas Wafers

Are available in the vestibules of the churches. Donation is \$2.00 for a pack of 4 wafers.

Night at the Races Planning Meeting

All are welcome to join us for a planning meeting today, **Sunday, December 13th at 11:30AM in the rectory.**

Visit with Santa

Sunday, December 20th

9:15 to 10:30AM

Immaculate Conception Hall

Santa will be in Immaculate Conception Church hall from 9:15 to 10:30AM. All boys and girls are invited. If the children are filling a stocking for a child, they can bring it and give it to Santa so he can bring it to a special child on Christmas Eve. We will have Christmas cookies & milk/juice and everyone will make an ornament to take home. All are welcome!!

Youth Group Caroling & Wreath Sale

The members will be selling live Christmas wreaths after all masses. Donation is \$10.00 per wreath. All members are welcome to join us on **Sunday, December 20** for Christmas Caroling. We will meet at the church at 7:00PM go caroling down Luzerne Avenue and stop at Antonio's for a pizza party. All kids in 6th grade and older are invited.

Youth Group Snow Tubing

Mark your calendars...January 24th at Sno Mountain. If interested, contact Mrs. Klepadlo at 570-430-1470.

Decorating the Churches for Christmas

Your help is needed!! On Sunday, December 21st, we will need the help of a few strong young men and boys to bring up the Christmas trees, set up the mangers and prepare the worship sites for Christmas. If you can help, join us at **Holy Redeemer Church following the 9:00AM Mass or you can join us at Immaculate Conception Church at 12 Noon.**

“Jackpot Jingle” Lottery

If you have not yet purchased your ‘jackpot jingle’ lottery ticket, remember you must do so by December 31st. Please send unsold tickets to the rectory so we can sell it to someone else.

Youth Choir Practice

Will be held tonight, **Sunday, December 13th** at 5:30PM in Immaculate Conception Church. The youth choir will sing at the 4PM Family Mass on Christmas Eve. All children are welcome!!

Social Concerns News

■The Giving Tree

Whether you have taken tags from the giving trees, made monetary donations toward this project, are buying gifts for an entire family, know that you are helping make Christmas a little brighter and hearts of many parents/guardians/grandparents a little lighter this Christmas season. There are gift tags for 83 families on our giving trees this year. Most of the names have been recommended to us by parishioners, teachers, etc. Many of the people we talk to are extremely grateful and find it very difficult to ask for help on their own. When we assure them their children will have something under the tree, you sense the burden that has been lifted.

Please have all your gifts under the giving trees no later than next **Sunday, December 20th**. Members of Social Concerns will be sorting the gifts at 1:00PM on Sunday and the Confirmation kids will fill the food baskets on Sunday, December 20th at 5:30PM. Distribution will take place on Monday, December 21st from 5:00 to 6:00PM.

■Christmas Food Gift Baskets

We have 30 turkeys and an abundance of non perishable foods which were donated for Christmas giving. We still could use more.....if you can help, please have all donations here by **Sunday, December 20th**. Thank you.

■Childrens Share-a-Stocking Program

There are Christmas stockings in the vestibule of the churches which can be filled for teenagers or boys or girls of any age. If you wish to help, take one home fill it with Christmas treats for boys or girls and return it by **Sunday, December 20th**.

■Christmas Cookie Challenge

On **Thursday, December 17th**, we will meet in Immaculate Conception Hall at 6:30PM to package Christmas cookies for our homebound parishioners and those residing in nursing homes. If you are baking cookies for this project, please drop them off at the hall or rectory before then. All are welcome to help!!

■Delivery to Nursing Homes & Homebound

On **Saturday, December 19th** we will be making Christmas gift deliveries to our homebound and parishioners residing in nursing homes. If you would like to help deliver, join us in the rectory at 10:00AM.

Bazaar 2016

Mark your calendars, the first planning meeting will be held on **Wednesday, January 16, 2016** at 6:30PM in the rectory. All are welcome.

Community Blood Drive

Tuesday, December 15th 2:00 to 6:00PM West Pittston Moose Lodge, Exeter Avenue. Schedule your appointment 1-800-RED-CROSS or visit red-crossblood.org use sponsor code WPML. Walk-ins Welcome!

Autumn Treasure Lottery Winners

12/03/15	Laura Kosco	#810	\$50.00
12/04/15	No Winner	#338	\$50.00
12/05/15	Mike Balberchak	#043	\$50.00
12/06/15	James & Gail Lemardy	#521	\$100.00
12/07/15	No Winner	#558	\$50.00
12/08/15	Audrey Waxmonsky	#937	\$50.00
12/09/15	No Winner	#035	\$50.00

Special drawing winners include: Rocco D’Angelo 12/4 \$50.00, Donna Mason 12/7 \$50.00, Nancy Kost 12/9 \$50.00.

Holy Family Candle at ICC Which will burn this week in loving memory of **Helen & Kosty Harzinski** is donated by daughters, Marie & Maureen.

Altar Candles at ICC Which will burn this week in loving memory of **Stanley Modeski** are donated by his wife.

Vigil Candle at ICC Which will burn this week in loving memory of **Catherine Denisco** is donated by Vito & Elaine Geroulo.

Sanctuary Candle at HR Which will burn this week in loving memory of **Ron Musto** is donated by wife, Mary Jean & family.

Catholic Choral Society Advent-Christmas Celebration

Tuesday, December 15th 7:00PM Forty-Fort United Methodist Church, Yeager Avenue, Forty Fort. Free admission.....All are welcome!

WAC Christmas Concert & Living Nativity

Christmas Concert today, Sunday, December 13th at 1:00PM in the school auditorium. Living Nativity presented by the 8th grade class will take place on the school grounds from 6:30 to 7:30PM. The Living Nativity, complete with domesticated animals, can be viewed from the comfort of your car. The school is located at 1690 Wyoming Avenue, Exeter.

Mass Intentions

December 14 thru December 20, 2015

Mon	7:30AM	Madeline White, daughter Madeline & Margaret Maryovich by family
	8:30AM	Charlotte Chairge by Carla DePrimo & Linda McDermott
Tues	7:30AM	Frank Mirabelle by Robert Montville family
	8:30AM	Patricia Chiampi by Deanne & Ed Farrell
Wed	7:30AM	Dec'd Members of Alexander & Josephine Parente family by grandchildren
	8:30AM	Molly Devers by Kane family
Thur	7:30AM	Communion Service
	8:30AM	Michael J. Butera by Joe & Josephine Sciandra
Fri	7:30AM	Catherine Denisco by Vito & Elaine
	8:30AM	Anna Wierbowski by Carl MacLeod & family
Sat	4:00PM	Scott Romiski by sister, Donna & family
	5:30PM	Matthew & Viola Michels by family
Sun	7:30AM	Helen Manganiello by Mary & Drew Smith
	9:00AM	Lt. Michael Cleary by family
	10:30AM	John & Lola Rindgen by daughter, Patricia