



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

January 24, 2016

Follow the readings in Gather #1100
 Gathering - #850 All Are Welcome
 Responsorial Psalm - #1100
 Offertory - #677 A Living Faith
 Communion - #486 Deep Within
 Recessional - #743 Sing a New Church

Weekly Collection January 17, 2016

Christmas \$133.00

Sunday \$8,927.45

Total \$9,060.45

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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.

January 24, 2016 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Second Collection Next Weekend

Next weekend at all masses we will take up the collection for Catholic Campaign for Human Development. CCHD supports our brothers and sisters in need by bringing them new hope, building community, and addressing the root causes of poverty.

Preparing for LentThe Year of Mercy

Lent, during this Year of Mercy, will be a time for the faithful to reflect on the corporal and spiritual works of mercy, the Pope writes: "It will be a way to reawaken our conscience, too often grown dull in the face of poverty. And let us enter more deeply into the heart of the Gospel where the poor have a special experience of God's mercy... Let us rediscover these corporal works of mercy: to feed the hungry, give drink to the thirsty, clothe the naked, welcome the stranger, heal the sick, visit the imprisoned, and bury the dead. And let us not forget the spiritual works of mercy: to counsel the doubtful, instruct the ignorant, admonish sinners, comfort the afflicted, forgive offences, bear patiently those who do us ill, and pray for the living and the dead."

The Pope writes that the Season of Lent during this Holy Year "should also be lived more intensely as a privileged moment to celebrate and experience God's mercy.

Our Parish Lenten Preparations

During Lent our daily Mass schedule is as follows: 7:30AM ICC, 8:30AM HR and 5:30PM ICC. Lectors and EM's who are interested in serving at any of these Masses are asked to contact Teresa @ tacross5@comcast.net or 570-357-3985.

Stations of the Cross are held every Friday evening during Lent. We are looking for men, women, teenagers and children to participate as readers, candle and cross bearers. Please contact Joyce @ jceccconi50@gmail.com or 570-654-2753 for information on participating.

Lenten Soup & Scripture will be held Tuesday, February 23, March 1, 8, and 15 at 6:00PM in Immaculate Conception Hall. Deacon Jim is working on scheduling speakers for the sessions. This year we will be asking volunteers from various parish ministries to host each session. Please watch the bulletin for details.

Night at the Races

Saturday, February 6, 2016

Immaculate Conception Church hall

Doors open at 6:00PM & Post Time is 7:00PM.

Cost of a horse is \$10.00 and if your horse wins, you win \$50.00. To reserve a table contact Kim @ 570-603-0466 (leave a message); to sponsor a race call Jerry @ 570-883-3815; to donate a basket for the Basket Raffle (please note to stay in compliance with the Small Games of Chance laws, we cannot accept baskets containing liquor or wine) call Loretta @ 570-654-2655 or Raymonde @ 570-654-7116; to donate baked goods call Margaret @ 570-237-5339. Additional forms can be found in the church vestibules. Our next meeting will be held on **Sunday, January 24th at 11:30AM** in the rectory.

Candidates for Permanent Diaconate

Any man, single or married between the ages of 31 and 60, who is a baptized practicing Catholic and feels he may have a vocation to the permanent diaconate, is welcome to attend an informational meeting on **Tuesday, January 26th at 6:30PM** in the rectory. Deacon Jim Meizanis will conduct this meeting explaining the requirements and process for acceptance to the diaconate.

Social Concerns Fish Dinner

Ash Wednesday, February 10, 2016

Immaculate Conception Church Hall

Tickets will be available after all Masses. Adult donation is \$10.00 and children \$3.00 (3 yrs and under are free), Adult dinner includes battered deep fried haddock, baked potato w butter/sour cream, roll, coleslaw, fruit cup, homemade dessert & beverage (if dining in). Children's dinner includes homemade macaroni & cheese, applesauce, dessert & beverage. Take outs from 4:00PM on and serving 5:00PM to 6:30:PM. Your support helps us provide complimentary fish dinners to our homebound parishioners.

Memorial Gifts

Often times people ask if there is something they can donate to the church in memory of a loved one. Currently, we are looking to purchase a set of stacking ciboria for Immaculate Conception. If you would like information on donating 1 or more, contact Joyce at jcecconi50@gmail.com or 570-654-2753.

Confirmation Class Winter Break

Confirmation classes will resume on **Sun., February 21st.**

Religious Education Teacher Meeting

All religious education teachers are asked to attend a meeting on **Mon., January 25th at 6:30PM** in the rectory.

Seniors Meeting

All retired and non retired folks are welcome to join us on **Wednesday, January 27th at 1:00PM** in the rectory for an afternoon of cards, snacks and friendly chatter. Mark your calendar, these monthly gatherings will be held on the last Wednesday of each month.

St. Clare's Sewing Ministry Meeting

If you enjoy sewing, knitting, crocheting or crafting please join us on **Wednesday, January 27th at 6:30PM** in the rectory/church hall.

Building & Grounds Committee Meeting

Members of our building & grounds committee are asked to attend this meeting on **Thursday, January 28th at 6:30PM** in the rectory.

Weekly Meetings/Events

Night at the Races Meeting		
	Sunday, Jan 24	11:30AM rectory
Religious Ed Teachers Meeting		
	Monday, Jan 25	6:00PM rectory
Cantor Practice		
	Monday, Jan 25	6:00PM IC Chur
Adult Choir Practice		
	Monday, Jan 25	6:30PM IC Chur
Pilates	Tuesday, Jan 26	5:30-6:30PM hall
Deacon Candidate Meeting		
	Tuesday, Jan 26	6:30PM rectory
Seniors Meeting		
	Wednesday, Jan 27	1:00PM rectory
St Clare's Sewing Ministry		
	Wednesday, Jan 27	6:30PM rectory
Pilates Thursday, Jan 27		5:30-6:30PM hall
Building & Grounds Meeting		
	Thursday, Jan 28	6:30PM rectory
Pilates	Saturday, Jan 30	8:30-9:30AM hall

2016 Jackpot Jingle Lottery Winners

1/14/16	Marta Jones	#387	\$50.00
1/15/16	No Winner	#797	\$50.00
1/16/16	Joe & Donna Berti	#440	\$100.00
1/17/16	No Winner	#453	\$100.00
1/18/16	M/M David Barnousky, Sr.	#450	\$50.00
1/19/16	Michael A. Burke	#394	\$50.00
1/20/16	John Szeghy	#559	\$50.00

Special drawing winners include: 1/15 Ann Marie & Frank Parente \$50.00 and 1/17 Len & Cel Bonfanti \$100.00

Altar Candles Candle at ICC

Which will burn this week in loving memory of **Kathryn "Keenie" Salvo** are donated by Carol & sons.

Holy Family Candle at ICC

which will burn this week in loving memory of **Helene Manganiello** is donated by her family.

Vigil Candle at ICC

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

Youth Choir Practice

Our youth choir will practice next Sunday, January 31 from 5:30 to 6:15PM. They will not practice on Super Bowl Sunday, February 7th.

Former Saint Rocco's Church, Pittston

This notice from the Diocese of Scranton is to inform the Roman Catholic faithful that the community called Saint Irene's Russian Orthodox Church-affiliated with and organization known as the "Catholic Church of the East"-is not in communion with the Holy See and therefore is not part of the Roman Catholic Church. Although the liturgies offered there are celebrated using Catholic liturgical books, particularly the Sacramentary in use before 2011, this is not a Mass which fulfills a Sunday or Holy Day obligation. Roman Catholics who receive the sacraments there would do so illicitly, and in the case of marriages or confession, also invalidly.

Mass Intentions		
January 24 thru February 7, 2016		
Mon	7:30AM	Michael LaNunziata by Gerard J. Zezza, Jr.
	8:30AM	Carol Baldacci by Charlotte Lacina
Tues	7:30AM	James Golden, Sr by family
	8:30AM	Paige Kane by D.D. & Ellen Kane
Wed	7:30AM	Kenneth Williams by family
	8:30AM	Frank D. Serino by M/M James Nocito
Thur	7:30AM	Frank Mirabelle by John & Beverly Williams
	8:30AM	Eleanor Robertson by great grand daughters
Fri	7:30AM	Theresa Gavigan by husband, Dave & family
	8:30AM	Anna Wierbowski by Paul Anzalone
Sat	4:00PM	Marita & Thomas Burke by family
	5:30PM	George & CeeCee Ference by George, Carol & Holly
Sun	7:30AM	Evelyn, John Paul & John Gardner by Donna & Chet Hine
	9:00AM	Carl Zekoski by Marty & Gail Sivar
	10:30AM	Steve Sokach by Jim & Rose Moran