



## 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  
 5:30PM Immaculate Conception

### CONFESSION

Mondays during lent 5:45-6:45PM  
 Saturday 3:00PM - 3:30PM  
 Immaculate Conception

### EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Wednesdays 9:00AM - 10:00AM  
 Holy Redeemer

February 21, 2016

Follow the readings in Gather #1021  
 Responsorial Psalm #1021  
 Offertory #590 Christ, Be Our Light  
 Communion #493 Change Our Hearts

Weekly Collection  
 February 14, 2016  
**\$9,315.17**

Second Collection  
**\$1,553.75**

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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.**

**February 21, 2016 Second Sunday of Lent**

### Second Collection Next Weekend

Every Lent, Catholics in the United States do something amazing. Their prayers, fasting and almsgiving become lifesaving aid for millions of individuals living in conditions of poverty around the world. The hungry are fed; the thirsty are given drink; the homeless find shelter. And this has been going on for more than 40 years. That's the impact of CRS Rice Bowl. Next Weekend at all masses we will take up the Rice Bowl Collection.

### Soup & Scripture

Our Lenten soup & scripture series will be held on the following Tuesdays during Lent...February 23, March 1, 8, & 15th. Each week we will feature a guest speaker and our soups and sandwiches will be provided by volunteers from our parish. This week our guest speaker will be Father Jerry Gurka, Pastor of Saint John the Baptist Parish in Larksville, and our Social Concerns Committee members will provide the soups and sandwiches. All are welcome!!

### Living Stations of the Cross

Today, Sunday, February 21st at 7:00PM in ICC hall, our youth group will hold sign ups for anyone interested in participating in the Living Stations of the Cross which will be held on Good Friday, March 25th at 7:00PM in ICC. Practices will be held at 7:00PM on February 28, March 6, 20 and 23.

### Daily Mass during Lent

Monday thru Friday during Lent, the daily Mass schedule is as follows: 7:30AM & 5:30PM at Immaculate Conception and 8:30AM at Holy Redeemer. Stations of the Cross are held on Fridays at 6:00PM in ICC,

### The Light is On For You

On Mondays during Lent, Msgr Sempa will be in the confessional at Immaculate Conception Church February 22 & 29, and March 7 from 5:45PM to 6:45PM. On Monday, March 14, Msgr Sempa will be in the confessional at Holy Redeemer Church from 6:00PM to 7:00PM.

### New Ministry Schedules

The new ministry schedule, which will run from March 6th thru May 29, 2016, are available in the sacristies and on our website. Please take one home today.

### Easter "food" baskets

If you or someone you know of is struggling financially and could use help for Easter, please call the rectory or email [jceconi50@gmail.com](mailto:jceconi50@gmail.com). Social Concerns members will be preparing food baskets and Easter baskets for children.

### Social Concerns Easter Food Drive

Each week during Lent we will be asking for donations of non perishable foods which will be given to area families who may be struggling. This week we are asking for donations of canned vegetables, fruits, soups or anything else you may want to donate. We thank you in advance for your help. Please leave donations in the vestibules of the churches.

### Social Concerns Easter Basket Drive

Every child should wake up and find an Easter basket filled with goodies and surprises on Easter morning. Members of our Social Concerns Committee

will be preparing Easter baskets which will be given to local children. If you would like to help, we are asking for donations of Easter baskets, straw, candy, treats, small toys, books or anything children of all ages would look forward to receiving in their Easter baskets. We appreciate your help! Donations may be left in the vestibules of the churches.

### Contemporary Mass

We are in the process of forming a contemporary musical group to play at the 10:30AM Mass twice a month. We welcome vocalists and instrumentalists pre-teen through adult to join. Scott Coates, organist for this group, will be at IC church at 9:00am on Sunday, February 28th. For info on this group contact Joyce at 570-654-2753 or jcecco-ni50@gmail.com.

### Sacrament of First Reconciliation

Children of our parish who are in second grade in our religious education program, home schooled or attending a Catholic school will receive the Sacrament of First Reconciliation on **Saturday, February 27th at 10:00AM** in Holy Redeemer Church. Immediately following the Sacrament, the children, their families and friends are invited to join us for brunch in the church hall. Children and their parents are asked to attend a brief meeting/practice on **Wednesday, February 24th at 6:00PM** at Holy Redeemer.

### Homeschool Parent & Teacher Meeting

An important meeting for parents who are homeschooling their children in religious education will be held on Monday, **February 22nd at 6:30PM** in the rectory. Our religious education teachers will be at this meeting so they can discuss and share with the parents the requirements and expectations of what children in each grade level should achieve.

### Seniors Meeting

All are welcome to join us in the rectory on **Wednesday, February 24th at 1:00PM** as we share some refreshments, friendly chatter, and cards.

### St. Clare's Sewing Ministry

We welcome anyone interested in sewing, knitting, crocheting and crafting to join us on **Wednesday, February 24 at 6:30PM** in the rectory for a planning meeting.

### Girl Scout Cookie Sale—Feb 27-28

Our Daisy Girl Scout Troop will be selling cookies at all masses next weekend. They will have all of the cookies on hand for cash sales including Thin Mints, Tagalongs and Samoas. Please help to support our local troop.

### Thank You

I want to thank all of you for your donations to our sock drive. We collected over 1200 pairs of socks for the veterans and needy in our community. May we continue to recognize the needs of our brothers and sisters and to help whenever we can. Michael Sanfilippo, Pat Messina's 36th Eagle Scout.

### Come Celebrate Read Across America

There will be a variety of activities and fun on Wednesday, March 2nd from 6:00 to 7:30PM at WAC 1690 Wyoming Avenue, Exeter. All boys and girls pre-K thru grade 6 are invited. Please RSVP at 570-654-7982.

### 2016 Jackpot Jingle Lottery Winners

2/11/16	No Winner	#596	\$50.00
2/12/16	Marie Sperrazza	#725	\$50.00
2/13/16	Cynthia Bialy	#435	\$100.00
2/14/16	No Winner	#678	\$500.00
2/15/16	Trisha Vaughan	#669	\$50.00
2/16/16	No Winner	#986	\$50.00
2/17/16	Raymond Ritts	#840	\$50.00

Special drawing winners include: Barbara Cirelli 2/11/16 \$50.00, Anthony & Leah Recupero 2/14/16 \$500.00, and Carm Sherin 2/16/16 \$50.00.

### Holy Family Candle at ICC

which will burn this week in loving memory of **Mary Ann Yori-na** is donated by her mom and dad.

### Vigil Candle at ICC

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

### Altar Candles at ICC

which will burn this week in loving memory of **M/M Anthony Recine** are donated by their daughter.

### Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Celebration

All couples celebrating their 25th or 50th wedding anniversary in 2016 are invited to a Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, June 5, 2016. The event includes a 2:30PM Mass at St. Peter's Cathedral followed by a reception. To receive an invitation to attend this event, you must call the rectory office (570-654-2753) before March 7th.

Mass Intentions		
February 22 thru February 28, 2016		
Mon	7:30AM	<b>Kathryn (Keenie) Salvo</b> by Carol & sons
	8:30AM	<b>Mary Jane Franko</b> by Michael Dziak
	5:30PM	<b>Ada Rostock</b> by M/M Joseph Ciampi
Tues	7:30AM	<b>Paul Anzalone</b> by Joseph Guarnieri
	8:30AM	<b>Leonard Cumbo</b> by Harry & Marianne O'Dell
	5:30PM	<b>Vincent Cella</b> by Rose Olmstead & Family
Wed	7:30AM	<b>Joseph Montante</b> by sons & families
	8:30AM	<b>Frank D. Serino</b> by M/M James Nocito
	5:30PM	<b>Michael J. Butera</b> by Helme Family
Thur	7:30AM	<b>Diana Musinski</b> by Musinski Family
	8:30AM	<b>Gary Del Serra</b> by Shirley Trotta
	5:30PM	<b>Stephen Hudock</b> by Joan Speziale & family
Fri	7:30AM	<b>Anthony &amp; Joseph Ristagno</b> by mother/wife
	8:30AM	<b>Sophie Chabala</b> by Cirelli Family
	5:30PM	<b>Helen DeLuca</b> by Cella Family
Sat	4:00PM	<b>M/M Anthony Recine</b> by daughter
	5:30PM	<b>Alfons Rutkowski</b> by family
Sun	7:30AM	<b>Robert &amp; Doris Caruthers</b> by children & grand children
	9:00AM	<b>Joseph Chipolis</b> by Stephen, Gina & Chris Chipolis
	10:30AM	<b>Mary Ann O'Boyle</b> by Patricia Rindgen