



## 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

**September 4, 2016**

Follow the readings in Gather #1160  
Gathering #614 Joyful, Joyful, We  
Adore You  
Responsorial Psalm #1160  
Offertory #782 Only This I Want  
Communion #785 Now We Remain  
Recessional #881 Lift High the  
Cross

### Weekly Collection

August 28, 2016

**\$7,980.40**

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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 4, 2016**

**Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

### Second Collection This weekend

This weekend at all Masses we will take up a collection for the Church in Eastern Europe. As always, your generosity is greatly appreciated.

### Music In the Air

•**Adult Choir**.....Our choir will be rehearsing on Monday evenings at 6:30PM in Immaculate Conception Church (**This week only, the choir will rehearse on Thursday, September 8th @ 6:30PM**) Rehearsals usually last one hour. Starting in September, the choir sings at one mass each weekend alternating between the 4:00PM, 9:00AM and 10:30AM Masses. All are welcome!! No one has to audition or try out to cantor or sing in our choir. If you like to sing, please consider joining us. We would love to have some new members. We welcome teenagers, as well as adults. For more information, call Bill Baldauff at 570-650-2807.

•**Cantors**.....Our cantors meet to rehearse on Monday evenings at 6:00PM (**This week only, Thursday, September 8th at 6:00PM**) For more information, please contact Eric McKitish at 570-299-9064 or eric-sab@hotmail.com.

•**Youth Choir**.....Boys and girls of all ages are welcome to join our parish youth choir. If you can read, you can sing!! Our youth choir practices on Sunday evenings from 5:30PM to 6:15PM in ICC. The youth choir will be singing at our "family masses" at Holy Redeemer at 9:00AM or Immaculate Conception at 10:30AM, Halloween Mass, Christmas Eve and Easter Sunday. Our first practice will be held on **Sunday, September 25th at 5:30PM**. For more information regarding the youth choir, contact Mary Supey at 570-237-2275.

### Afghans for Baptisms

One of the projects members of our St. Clare Sewing Ministry members are busy working on is crocheting baby afghans which are given as a keepsake from our parish to each baby when they are baptized. We are looking for a few more volunteers to help us out. If you would like to crochet, you can help us out by crocheting in your spare time. We have the yarn for you! To help out, contact Pat at 570-954-7552.

### Social Concerns "Big Prize" Bingo

Save the date! Our annual bingo will be held in Immaculate Conception Hall on **Sunday, November 13, 2016**. Doors open at 12 noon and games start at 1:00PM. We will be selling delicious homemade foods including Italian Wedding Soup, pulled pork, homemade chicken salad on Croissants and broccoli & shells. The "Big Prize" Bingo is our main fundraiser for Social Concerns. Monies raised thru this event enables us to help families from our parish and surrounding community who may be struggling. We will be mailing a letter to all parishioners requesting your help and support of this event. We hope to offer an assortment of prizes which will appeal to women, men, teens and kids. Our next meeting will be held on **Monday, September 12th at 6:00PM during our Social Concerns Meeting**. If you would like to help with the bingo, contact Joyce at 654-2753 or jcecconi50@gmail.com. Thank you!!

### Sacrament of Confirmation

On Sunday, October 23, 2016 at 4:00PM, the Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated in our parish by the Most Reverend James C. Timlin.

### Confirmation Retreat

A mandatory retreat for ALL students receiving Confirmation will be held on Sunday, September 25, 2016. The students will gather in IC hall at 10:15AM and attend the 10:30AM Mass together. Immediately following the liturgy, the students will meet in the church hall for lunch and the retreat which will end at 3:00PM. If your child absolutely cannot attend this retreat, please contact Joyce Cecconi or Deacon Jim Meizanis. Thank you.

### Religious Education Classes

Classes for children in Kindergarten thru 6th grade will begin on Sunday, October 2, 2016. Classes are held on Sunday mornings from 9:15AM to 10:15 AM. Classes for grades K thru 4 will be in the school, grade 5 in the rectory and grade 6 in the church hall. A parent letter and registration forms will be mailed this week to all children who attended religious education classes last year. Please fill out the registration form and return it in the Sunday collection or mail it to the rectory as soon as possible. If needed, additional forms may be found in the vestibules of the churches.

### Religious Education Homeschooling

Children who are being homeschooled MUST be registered in our religious education program. A letter and registration form will be mailed out this week. Please fill out the form and state on it you are homeschooling, and return it to the rectory via the collection or mail. To all homeschooled families, this year we will be providing chapter review questions on a quarterly basis, which must be completed by the child and turned into the rectory so the teachers can check on their progress. If you have any questions regarding religious education or homeschooling, contact Joyce at 570-654-2753.

### Autumn Treasure Mailing

Our fall lottery, "autumn treasure" has been mailed out. If you do not receive a ticket and would like one, please stop by or call the rectory. This lottery runs from October thru December, 2016. For a donation of \$25.00 you have a chance to win \$50.00 daily, \$100.00 on Sundays or \$500.00 on 4 bonus days. Returns must be made no later than September 30, 2016.

### Calling All Vendors

The Social Concerns Committee of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish, Swoyersville is taking reservations for their annual Holiday craft Fair which will be held on Saturday, November 5th from 9am to 3pm. Before October 1st, rental space is \$20.00 and after October 1st \$35.00. For more information call MaryAnn Martinsky at 570-287-3484 or seasocialconcerns@yahoo.com.

### "Summer Sizzle" Lottery Winners

8/25	No Winner	#789	\$50.00
8/26	No Winner	#155	\$50.00
8/27	Amy Hetro	#354	\$50.00
8/28	Cheryl Reedy	#658	\$100.00
8/29	Becky Cipolla	#806	\$50.00
8/30	Emily DeNardi	#957	\$50.00
8/31	Frank Werhun	#551	\$50.00

Special drawing winners include: Ann Marie Randazzo 8/25 \$50.00 and Janet Kolmansperger 8/26 \$50.00

### Sanctuary Candle at Holy Redeemer

Which will burn this week in loving memory of Elaine Pendleton is donated by Esther Zavrotny & family.

### Sanctuary Candle at Immaculate Conception

Which will burn this week in loving memory of Deacon Peter Hoegen is donated by Betty & Tony Luczak.

### Bus Pilgrimage to Divine Mercy Shrine

On Wednesday, October 5th, a bus pilgrimage will leave St. Maria Goretti Parish at 7:00AM for the Divine Mercy Shrine and will depart for home at 4:45PM with estimated time of arrival 11:00PM. Cost is \$65.00 which includes food, dinner, entrance fees and driver tip. Reverend Thomas Petro will accompany us and concelebrate at mass. For more information and reservations call Cathy Mack at 570-654-6063.

Mass Intentions	
September 5, thru September 11, 2016	
Mon	7:30AM <b>Mary &amp; Theresa Lepore</b> by family
	8:30AM <b>John &amp; Bernette Grega</b> by M/M Anthony Luczak
Tues	7:30AM <b>John K. McNally</b> by daughter, Molly
	8:30AM <b>Dec'd Members of Alexander &amp; Josephine Parente family</b> by grandchildren
Wed	7:30AM <b>Madeline Menchi</b> by Bob & Barbara Barbacci
	8:30AM <b>Elaine Pendleton</b> by Fran & Ray Franko
Thurs	7:30AM <b>Antoinette &amp; Albino Ciampi</b> by family
	8:30AM <b>Robert McDonough</b> by family
Fri	7:30AM <b>Elizabeth Marranta</b> by Judy & Mike Cafalo
	8:30AM <b>Anthony J. Fino</b> by M/M Charles Morgan
Sat	4:00PM <b>Angelo Alfano &amp; daughter Frances</b> by grandchildren & great grandchildren
	5:30PM <b>Ursula &amp; Ben Danoski</b> by daughter
Sun	7:30AM <b>Chester &amp; Marie Hine</b> by Donna & Chet Hine
	9:00AM <b>Elizabeth Marranta</b> by Goldsworthy family
	10:30AM <b>Anthony James Oliveri</b> by Joanne & Melio Viti