



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 11, 2016

Follow the readings in Gather #1163

Gathering #689 Though the
Mountains May Fall

Responsorial Psalm #1163

Offertory #829 Let There Be Peace
on Earth

Communion #922 Without Seeing
You

Recessional - God Bless America

Weekly Collection

September 4, 2016

\$8,565.01

Second Collection

\$1,104.41

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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 11, 2016

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Diocesan Annual Appeal

Today we join parishes throughout the Diocese in launching the 2016 Diocesan Annual Appeal "Living Faith, Serving with Mercy." The overall goal for the 2016 Diocesan Annual Appeal is five million dollars. This year our parish goal is **\$32,000.00**. Through your continued charity and generosity, as in the past, we can achieve this goal. At all masses this weekend, we will hear Bishop Bambera's message inviting us to share in the work of Christ, here in the Diocese of Scranton.

Second Collection Next Weekend

As requested by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, next weekend at all masses we will take up a collection to support the victims of the 2016 Louisiana Floods, the worst domestic disaster since Hurricane Sandy. The emergency collection will be used to support the humanitarian efforts of Catholic Charities and provide pastoral care and rebuilding of impacted dioceses.

Music In the Air

•**Adult Choir**.....Our choir will be rehearsing on Monday evenings at 6:30PM in Immaculate Conception Church. Rehearsals usually last one hour. The adult 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. 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.

St Clare Sewing Ministry

Thank you to those of you who have responded and are now crocheting baby afghans, which are given as a keepsake from our St. Clare's Sewing Ministry to each baby when they are baptized. We welcome more volunteers. For information, please contact Pat at 570-954-7552. All are welcome to join us for our next meeting on **Wednesday, September 21st at 6:30PM** in the rectory.

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 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.

Social Concerns Meeting

We will meet on **Monday, September 12th at 6:00PM** in the rectory. On the agenda for this meeting will be our Big Prize Bingo, fall food drive, and parish Halloween party.

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 10:15AM. Grades K thru 4 will have classes 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 have been mailed to children who attended classes here last year. Please fill out the form and return it to the rectory via the collection or mail. To those families who choose to homeschool, 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.

Liturgical Ministry Cookout

Our annual liturgical ministry cookout will be held on Sunday, October 2nd at 2:00PM on the grounds of Immaculate Conception Church, or in case of inclement weather, in the hall. All who take part in our weekly liturgical celebrations and their families are welcome to join us....lectors, em's, ushers, heavenly hosts, servers, cantors and adult and youth choir members. The parish supplies the hot dogs, burgers, condiments and drinks. If you would like, you can bring your favorite covered dish or dessert. To make reservations and/or if you are bringing something, please contact the coordinator of your ministry.

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"Summer Sizzle" Lottery Winners

9/01	Barbara Sorber	#774	\$50.00
9/02	No Winner	#664	\$50.00
9/03	No Winner	#880	\$50.00
9/04	Sharon Bewick	#059	\$100.00
9/05	Dave & Sue Barnousky	#245	\$500.00
9/06	M/M Roskowski	#909	\$50.00
9/07	Mary Catherine Ihnat	#915	\$50.00

Special drawing winners include:

Mary Agolino 9/2 \$50.00 Hapeman Family 9/3 \$50.00

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, \$100.0 on Sundays or \$500.00 on 4 bonus days. Returns must be made no later than September 30, 2016.

Steph's Fall 5k

Come join us on Saturday, September 24th at the Luzerne County Sports Complex for a 5k run 3k walk in memory of Stephanie Godri Johnston, a WA graduate and member of Holy Redeemer, who passed away from colon cancer in 2012 at the age of 32. This event awards a \$3,000 scholarship to a WA senior and donation to the Colon Cancer Alliance's screening program. For registration information go to stephsfall5k.com. Registration forms are in vestibule of the churches.

Mass Intentions

September 12 thru September 18, 2016

Mon	7:30AM	Irene Sabecky by Dr & Mrs. Peter Andrews
	8:30AM	Edwin Loechel by Elaine Pendleton
Tues	7:30AM	Angelo Salvatore by Tony & Mary Tossi
	8:30AM	Davidica Mattei Ferretti by Bruno Ferretti, Jr.
Wed	7:30AM	Alfreda Suchocki by Lillian & Delores (Senior Center)
	8:30AM	Matthew & Viola Michels by family
Thurs	7:30AM	Frank Manganello by wife, Ann
	8:30AM	Grace E. Alco by son
Fri	7:30AM	Mary Hensley by Loretta Anderson
	8:30AM	Louise Manganiello by Tom & Pat Hite
Sat	4:00PM	Gerald & Helen Brown & Geraldine Serafin by John & Maryellen Serafin
	5:30PM	Elaine Pendleton by Marilyn Litwin
Sun	7:30AM	Jasper & Barbara Parrino by Barbara & Quinn Gillespie
	9:00AM	Helen Chapman by family
	10:30AM	Mary Ann O'Boyle by M/M Stephen Opeka