



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.

June 17, 2018 Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
June 24, 2018 Solemnity of the Nativity of St. John Baptist

**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 (during Lent)

CONFESSION

Saturday 3:00PM - 3:30PM
Immaculate Conception
Monday 5:45-6:45PM
Immaculate conception (during Lent)

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

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

Gluten Intolerant?

If you cannot tolerate gluten, please receive communion on the tabernacle side of the church and let the person distributing communion know you need gluten free.

June 17, 2018

Readings/Responsorial #1123
Gathering: #680 We Walk by Faith
Offertory: Instrumental
Communion: #783 Unless a Grain of Wheat
Recessional: #578 How Great Thou Art

June 24, 2018

Readings/Responsorial #1200
Gathering: 884 For All the Saints
Offertory: #777 Here I Am, Lord
Communion: #939 Behold the Lamb
Recessional: Instrumental

Weekly Collection June 10, 2018

**\$10,009.50
Second Collection \$4,770.91**

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A Message From Bishop Bambera



As you may already know from media reports, the Diocese of Scranton has been the subject of a statewide Grand Jury investigating child sexual abuse in six of the eight dioceses in Pennsylvania.

Public release of the report is expected in the coming weeks. I want to take this opportunity to offer my deepest apologies to the victims of such abuse, to their families, to the faithful of our Church and to everyone impacted by the behaviors described in this report. While difficult to face, this is the only way for us to move forward in a more positive way as we learn from the past. You will be kept apprised of new developments through various channels of communication as more information is released.

Once again, I am deeply sorry for these past actions and the pain caused by the behaviors described in the report, and I will continue to do all that I can to ensure the safety and well-being of our children.

Corpus Christi Parish Bazaar

Grounds of Immaculate Conception Church

Thursday, June 21 6:00PM—10:00PM (WATERSTREET)

Friday, June 22 6:00PM—10:00PM (Handsome Devils)

Saturday, June 23 5:00PM—10:00PM (Orange Whip)

Rain or shine, we all are looking forward to this 3-day fun filled parish community building event. We have something for everyone....games, prizes, great food and entertainment! There is plenty of seating so bring the family, have dinner, play some games and enjoy mingling with fellow parishioners and friends.

■ Food Preparation

Kitchen volunteers are needed Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, June 18, 19, and 20 at 10:00AM. The days of the bazaar, kitchen volunteers are needed at 12 Noon each day. If you can chop, cut, dice and slice, or wash dishes and clean up, you are needed!!! Join us if you can!!

• Bazaar Volunteers

If you did not fill out a volunteer form and would like to volunteer at the bazaar, just stop by the volunteer table and they will gladly let you know just where your help is needed.

Foods

We will be featuring delicious home made foods including meatballs, tripe, porketta, piggies, broccoli & shells. We will have our delicious red/white pizza, potato pancakes, pizza frita, and pierogis. Our master grillers will be preparing burgers, hot dogs, with homemade sauce, and this year delicious sausage patties with fresh peppers and onions. Kids can get their favorite chicken fingers and fries. And for dessert, you can enjoy a cannoli filled with homemade cream or homemade strawberry shortcake or brownie a la mode. In the bar area, you can get steamed clams!!

• **Raffles, 50/50, and Instant Bingo**

If you have not turned in your raffle tickets yet, you can do so at the bazaar. Just hand them when purchasing your food tickets. Drawings will take place on Saturday, the last night of the bazaar. For your enjoyment we will be selling 50/50 tickets nightly and Instant Bingo tickets in the bar.

■ **Baskets**

Check out our beautiful baskets located in the garage adjacent to the rectory. There is something for everyone! We have 2 kids bikes, a flat screen TV, a unique designer purse, a variety of gift cards, and much, much more.

• **Children's Games**

To keep the little ones busy, we have Dinosaur Dig, Face Painting, Balloon Toss, Slime Station, Drop a Coin and more. Hey kids, come and win great prizes!

■ **Tear Down**

After a great party, great clean up is needed. If you can help, tear down will begin at **8:30AM on Sunday, June 24th**. We will clean and return the equipment to storage. A few volunteers are needed to do a thorough cleaning of the kitchen on **Tuesday, June 26 at 10:00AM and at 5:00PM**.

■ **Clean Up**

Thursday, Friday, and Saturday night, as the festivities come to a close, it is necessary clean the serving utensils, cooking equipment, etc. to get ready for the next day. Those who have spent the day cooking and the evening serving are usually too tired to tackle clean up. **We could use a couple more volunteers to help with this task nightly.** Clean up usually begins around **8:30PM each evening!!**

Parish Lottery

Coming Soon!! A revised lottery with bigger jackpots. Waatch for complete details in our next bulletin, June 30-July 1.

Mass Intentions June 18 thru June 24, 2018

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| Mon | 7:30AM | Arthur Rogo By Family |
| | 8:30AM | Eleanor Rezykowski By Romaine Panek |
| Tues | 7:30AM | Griffin Jakob Schumow By Friends of his grandmother, Barbara |
| | 8:30AM | Lou Cella By Family |
| Wed | 7:30AM | Jean Zezza By Marguerite Dixon |
| | 8:30AM | Paul Anzalone By M/M Al Melone |
| Thurs | 7:30AM | Colton Cikota By Grandmother |
| | 8:30AM | Sheila (Kelly) Czarkowski By Walsh Family |
| Fri | 7:30AM | Marilyn Fessler By Pat & Bill Bohn |
| | 8:30AM | Albina Saracino By Goryeb Family |
| Sat | 4:00PM | Joseph E. Fedor By Wife, Rosella & daughter, Josette |
| | 5:30PM | Angelo & Dolores Salvatore By Children |
| Sun | 7:30AM | Samuel Caprari By Theresa Caprari |
| | 9:00AM | Peter Franko, Jr. By Romaine Panek |
| | 10:30AM | Paul Gillespie By Quinn Gillespie |

June 17 thru 23, 2018

Altar Candles at Immaculate Conception

Which will burn this week in loving memory of **Joseph Berti** are donated by his wife and family.

Holy Family Candle at Immaculate Conception

Which will burn this week in loving memory of **James Oliveri, Jr.** is donated by his daughter Janine.

Sanctuary Candle at Immaculate Conception

Which will burn this week in loving memory of **Helen & Kosty Harzinski** is donated by their daughters, Marie and Maureen and their families.

June 24 thru 30, 2018

Altar Candles at Immaculate Conception

Which will burn this week in loving memory of **Thomas C. Carr III** are donated by Jack and Susan Carr.

Holy Family Candle at Immaculate Conception

Which will burn this week in loving memory of the **Deceased members of the Brown, Bishop, Serafin and Pasternak Families** is donated by John and Maryellen Serafin.

Sanctuary Candle at Immaculate Conception

Which will burn this week in loving memory of **Joseph and Joey Gitkos** is donated by their family.

Mass Intentions June 25 thru July 1, 2018

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| Mon | 7:30AM | Nadine Smith By Patricia Rindgen |
| | 8:30AM | Adam Panek By Wife |
| Tues | 7:30AM | Health & God's Blessings Staff of Corpus Christi Parish By Jim & Margie Gelgot |
| | 8:30AM | Carmen Donato By Sammy & Karen Aritz |
| Wed | 7:30AM | Tony Luczak By Betty Ann, Melissa & girls |
| | 8:30AM | Marcella Sopko By Frank & Carolyn Swickel |
| Thurs | 7:30AM | Rev. Addison Wright By Joan Hennigan |
| | 8:30AM | Mary Anne Fino Anzalone By Robert & Elizabeth DiGiovine |
| Fri | 7:30AM | Griffin Jakob Schumow By grandmother, Barbara |
| | 8:30AM | Marty Pleban By Mary & Andy Hetro & Family |
| Sat | 4:00PM | Madeline Casey By Family |
| | 5:30PM | George (Bucky) Mazur By Jerry & Alice Labinis |
| Sun | 7:30AM | Michael Stallone By Margaret Grimes |
| | 9:00AM | Blanche & Joseph Kozloski By Family |
| | 10:30AM | Donald Fetsko By Margaret Grimes |