



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.

October 21, 2018

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Immaculate Conception Church
Holy Redeemer Church
Parish Office**

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Mr. James Meizanis, Deacon
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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**

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.

October 21, 2018

Readings/Responsorial #1177
Gathering: #850 All Are Welcome
Offertory: #687 A Mighty Fortress Is Our Lord
Communion: #940 You Satisfy the Hungry Heart
Recessional: #901 For the Life of the World

Weekly Collection October 14, 2018

\$10,301.05

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Second Collection This Weekend

This weekend at all Masses, we will take up a second collection to benefit World Mission Sunday. Your generosity is appreciated.

Communal Baptism

Today, Sunday, October 21st, four babies will be baptized in a Communal Baptism Ceremony following the 10:30AM Mass. Each child will be presented with a personalized baptism candle, a monogrammed baptism bib and a handmade afghan...gifts from our Baptism Ministry and "My Baptism Book", a gift from our Holy Name Society. Music and balloons will complete this celebration of the Sacrament of Baptism.

Halloween Mass & Party

Sunday, October 28, 2018

10:30AM Liturgy

All are welcome to attend this Mass in costume. Following the Mass everyone is invited to join us in the church hall for a Halloween Party hosted by Social Concerns. We will have a candy and treat bar and our youth group will conduct games for the kids. We will provide lunch consisting of macaroni & cheese, hotdogs, Halloween cupcakes, and ice cream for everyone.

For this Mass, students in 7th grade will take part as lectors, ushers, gift bearers, etc., and our youth choir will be singing. If you are in 7th grade and wish to take part in this Mass, please contact Lisa, 570-237-2793, Sarah, or MaryAnn 570-357-1778.

Donation: Please bring a non-perishable food item for our food pantry. Thank you!

Big Prize Bingo

Sunday, November 4, 2018

Immaculate Conception Church Hall

- Tickets are \$20 pre-sale or \$25 at the door.
- Doors open at 11:30AM...bingo starts at 1:00PM.
- Some bingo prizes include: \$500.00 cash prize, \$500.00 Lancaster trip, \$200.00 Ruth's Chris Gift Card, three Kate Spade handbags, ipad, luggage, and much, much more.
- We are asking for donations of home baked goodies to sell at the bingo and volunteers to help out in the kitchen. If you can help, contact Margaret at 570-237-5339.
- Volunteers to work the floor during the bingo, contact Kim at 570-603-0466.
- For tickets and/or reservations contact Joyce at 570-654-2753 or e-mail jceconi50@gmail.com.
- Tickets will be available at all Masses this week end or call or stop by the rectory and we will reserve your tickets.

Lector Training Session

If you are a lector or if you are interested in becoming a lector in our parish, a brief training session will be held today, Sunday, October 21st at 12:30PM in Immaculate Conception Church. We welcome teens as well as adults to take part in this ministry. This session will be led by Coordinator Rosalie Cullagh. If you cannot make this session and are interested in lectoring, contact Rosalie at 570-430-7319 or rosan814@comcast.net.

Religious Education Classes

Today, Sunday, October 21st is the first day for Religious Education and Confirmation classes in our parish. Classes for children in grades K thru 7 will be held on Sunday mornings from 9:00AM to 10:15AM and Confirmation classes will be held in the school from 5:30PM to 7:30PM.

■There will be NO religious education classes on Sunday, October 28th and Sunday, November 4th.

■There will be NO Confirmation class on Sunday, October 28th. The next Confirmation class will be on Sunday, November 4th.

The Sacrament of Confirmation

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated in all parishes in our diocese the weekend of the Feast of the Solemnity of Pentecost, June 9, 2019. The Sacrament of Confirmation will be administered by the pastors. Classes for students in grade 8 will be held twice a month on Sunday evening from 5:30PM to 7:30PM. 8th grade students who attend Catholic School are not required to attend these classes. But the students attending Catholic school MUST register to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. Please call the rectory at 570-654-2753 or email Joyce at jceconi50@gmail.com to register for Confirmation.

St. Clare Sewing Ministry

Members and friends of our St. Clare Sewing Ministry are knitting and crocheting hats, scarfs, mittens, etc. in all sizes, shapes and colors. They will be given to everyone on our "giving tree" for Christmas. We have a lot of yarn, so if you would like to help, just call Pat Jacobs at 570-954-7552 and she will make arrangements for you to pick up some yarn.

Bereavement Mass

Our annual Bereavement Mass will be held on Wednesday, November 14th at 6:00PM in Immaculate Conception Church. A letter has been mailed to the next of kin of all those who have been buried from our church. For a special presentation at this mass, we are asking for a picture of your deceased family member. All are welcome to attend this beautiful liturgy in support of our fellow parishioners who have lost family members and dear friends this past year. Following the liturgy, please join us in the church hall for refreshments. This event is sponsored by Social Concerns.

Social Concerns Fall Food Drive

Our Social Concerns members are conducting a "fall food drive". Each week we will list some suggested food items we are looking for. But, we gladly accept donations of all non-perishable foods. This week we are looking for **canned meats, tuna, beans, vegetables and fruit.** Kindly leave donations in the vestibules of the churches.

Help for the Holidays

If you or someone you know will be needing help for Thanksgiving and Christmas, please e-mail Joyce at jceconi50@gmail.com or call the rectory 570-654-2753. We need a contact name and phone number as a member of Social Concerns will call you for Christmas gift ideas for your children and give you the pickup dates and times. If you know of an elderly person who is no longer getting out, we would like to add them to our homebound and/or First Friday list. Thank you.

Altar Candles at ICC

Which will burn this week in loving memory of **James Oliveri, Jr** are donated by his wife, Ruth, and family.

Holy Family Candle at ICC

Which will burn this week in loving memory of **David Cipolla** is donated by his children and grandchildren.

Sanctuary Candle at ICC

Which will burn this week in loving memory of **Kevin Curley** donated by Michael Valenti.

Faithful Citizenship - Diocesan Office for Parish Life will be hosting an information session and discussion on "Voting with a Catholic Conscience" on **Wednesday, October 24th from 6:15 to 8:00PM in Immaculate Conception Hall.** All are welcome.

Diocesan Annual Appeal -To make a donation the this year's Annual Appeal, please visit www.AnnualAppeal.org or call 570-207-2250 or send your gift to Development Office, Diocese of Scranton, 300 Wyoming Ave, Scranton, PA 18503.

Friends of Ki Garzella -Are sponsoring a fundraiser for Ki at the West Wyoming #1 Fire Hall, 935 Shoemaker Ave, W Wyoming on November 3rd from 12:00PM to 4:00PM. Raffle Baskets, food, drinks, music. Contact Barb, 570-332-7206, or Rosalie, 270-237-6327. \$10 donation at the door.

Exeter Lions -Next weekend, October 27-28, the Exeter Lions will be at all Masses collecting for "White Cane Day".

Mass Intentions October 22 thru October 28, 2018

Mon	7:30AM	MaryAnn Ristagno By Angie Balzano
	8:30AM	David Cipolla By Helen M. Carpovich
Tues	7:30AM	Connie Angelella By sons, Joseph and John
	8:30AM	Peter Yuknavich By Caroline & Stephen Miller
Wed	7:30AM	John Charles, Elijah Eugene, & Andrew Silas Washo By Gene & Suzanne Washo
	8:30AM	Vera & Arthur Dupras By Family
Thurs	7:30AM	Philip Latore By Jasmine Mikita
	8:30AM	Thomas Kutzer By Judy Sokach & family
Fri	7:30AM	Bernadine de Noia By Tom & Carolee Aycock
	8:30AM	Ron Musto By wife, MaryJean & children
Sat	4:00PM	Dante Bovani, Sr. By Marguerite Dixon
	5:30PM	Robert Kowalczyk By Kreseski
Sun	7:30AM	Sylvia & Michael Ciampi By family
	9:00AM	John Dulsky By Zielen Family
	10:30AM	Louis & Sophie Forlenza By daughter, Marilyn