



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.

May 26, 2019

Sixth Sunday of Easter

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

Mondays 5:45-6:45PM (during Lent)

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.

May , 2019

Readings/Responsorial # 1078

Gathering: #590 Christ, Be Our Light!

Offertory: #828 Make Me a Channel of Your Peace

Communion: #701 No Greater Love

Recessional: #559 Come, Holy Ghost

Weekly Collection

May 19, 2019

Sunday \$7,797.36

E Giving 853.48

Total \$8,650.84

Second Collection Next Weekend

Next Sunday June 1-2 we will conduct a second collection at all masses to benefit Catholic Communications Campaign.

Rectory Office Closed

In observance of Memorial Day, our rectory office will be closed on Monday, May 27th.

Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord

The Mass schedule for this Holy Day of Obligation is as follows: Wednesday, May 29th Vigil Mass at 6:00PM at HR and Thursday, May 30th Masses at 7:30AM at ICC, 8:30AM at HR and 6:00PM at ICC.

Sacrament of Confirmation Practice

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated on Sunday, June 9, 2019 at 12:00PM in Immaculate Conception Church. There is one practice for the students and sponsors on **Sunday, June 2nd at 6:00PM.**

Pro Life Mother's Day Carnation Sale

On behalf of Pro Life, thank you to all who supported their Mother's Day Carnation Sale. The returns from our parish were \$749.00.

Seniors Meeting

All are welcome to join us in the rectory on **Wednesday, May 29 at 1:00PM** for a fun-filled afternoon of cards, snacks and friendly faces!!

Twilight Bingo Profit

Our recent "Twilight Bingo" which was held on March 30, 2019 netted a profit of **\$19,581.00** for our parish. Once again, thank you to all who worked very hard to put this financially successful parish fundraiser together.

Car Show Committee.....Thank you!!

To our car show planning committee, thank you for your dedication and hours and hours hard work which insured a well planned event. Thank you, also, to our very generous sponsors, attendees, participants and all who helped in any way to make this our best car show yet.

Parish Bazaar

June 20, 21, 22, 2019

Thursday & Friday 6:00PM to 10:00PM

Saturday 5:00PM to 10:00PM

Live Entertainment Nightly

Thursday - Flaxy Morgan Friday- Millenium

Saturday - Orange Whip.

•Volunteers Needed

Not only is this yearly event an important fundraiser for our parish, but primarily it is a wonderful fellowship building event. It is one solid week of volunteers of all ages working together to create a 3-day fun filled parish activity. **If you have not yet done so, please take home a "Bazaar Volunteer Form" (they can be found in the vestibules of the churches), fill it out and return it to the rectory by next Sunday, June 2nd.** Everyone who fills out a volunteer form will receive a phone call confirming their work days, times and tasks.

•Giant Flea Market

This year our "giant" flea market is bigger and better than ever!! You can shop from 9:00AM to 12:00PM on Saturdays June 1, 8, and 15 and during our bazaar hours June 20, 21 and 22. Questions concerning the flea market can be referred to Kathy Cikota at 570-592-1925 or kathleencikota@frontier.net.

•Donations for Children's Games

This weekend, in the vestibules of the churches, you will find plastic Dollar Store buckets. Please take one home, fill it with items suitable for children's prizes, and return it to the church vestibule. Examples of items would include: bubbles, sidewalk chalk, balloons, water toys, sandbox toys, all of which can be found in the local Dollar Stores. We thank you, in advance, for your help!

•New and Improved "BINGO"

If you enjoy bingo, be sure to check out our "new and improved Bingo Stand at our Bazaar. For your comfort, this year we will be set up in church hall and our "cash" prizes will be better than ever. Details to follow!!

•Bazaar Sponsor

A sponsorship to our parish bazaar is a great way to advertise your business, memorialize a deceased family member, or honor loved ones' special occasions. We have 3 levels of sponsorship:

Bishop Level...\$50.00

(black & white 8.5"x14" sign)

Cardinal Level...\$150.00

(full color 8.5"x14" sign)

Pope Level...\$500.00

(professionally printed 2'x6' nylon sign)

For information on becoming a bazaar sponsor, please stop by or call the rectory at 570-654-2753 or e-mail jcecco-ni50@gmail.com.

•Gift Basket Donations

Once again we will have our very popular "Gift Baskets". We call them "gift baskets", but remember, everything does not have to be in a basket. Be creative: how about a bike, a wagon or perhaps a grill....sports items geared to kids or adults, Penn State, Yankees, etc. We will gladly accept monetary donations and gift cards which will be used as prizes. Please note, we cannot accept bottles of liquor, wine or beer, but we can use gift certificates from businesses selling these items. For more information contact **Rosalie Cullagh at rosan814@comcast.net or 570-655-5422**.

•Bazaar Raffle Tickets

Make your returns by June 2nd and your name will go into an early bird drawing with the chance to win \$250.00. All tickets sold will be entered in the final drawing which will take place on the final day of our bazaar, June 22. Prizes for this drawing include: 1st Prize \$500, 2nd Prize \$500, 3rd Prize \$250, 4th Prize \$250 and 5th Prize \$250. If you would like additional raffle tickets, just stop by or call the rectory @ 570-654-2753.

•Bazaar "gift of the week"

This week we are asking for donations of condiments including ketchup, mustard, barbeque sauce, relishes, etc. Donations may be left in the vestibules of the churches. Thank you.

Lottery Winners

5/16	No Winner	#159	\$50.00
5/17	Michelle Tracy	#452	\$50.00
5/18	Ann Berto	#577	\$50.00
5/19	Lora Lombardo	#120	\$100.00
5/20	No Winner	#141	\$50.00
5/21	No Winner	#603	\$50.00
5/22	No Winner	#587	\$50.00

Special Drawing Winners: 5/16 MaryAnn Cipolla \$50.00, 5/20 Luke Franko \$50.00, 5/21 Barbara Fetsko \$50.00, 5/22 Diane Doknovitch \$50.00.

Altar Candles at ICC

Which will burn this week in loving memory of **Jennifer Sidari, MD** are donated by Donna Berti.

Holy Family Candle at ICC

Which will burn this week in loving memory of the **Deceased Members of the Gitkos and Vacula Families** is donated by Ron and Rosemary Gitkos.

Sanctuary Candle at ICC

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

Ministry Schedule

Our current ministry schedule takes us to June 30th. A reminder to altar servers, EM's, lectors and cantors.. please contact your coordinator and let them know of any dates you will be unable to server during the months of July, August and September, 2019.

Mass Intentions

May 27 thru June 2, 2019

Mon	7:30AM	Anthony DeGennaro By Son, Edward
	8:30AM	Jillian Panunti By Nicole Engleman
Tues	7:30AM	Rita Venetz By Cella Family
	8:30AM	Davidica Mattei Ferretti By Bruno Ferretti, Jr.
Wed	7:30AM	Rev. Leo Cummings By Family
	8:30AM	Jean Lankowski By Dr. & Mrs. Joseph Andrews
	6:00PM	Donald Fetsko By Mary Hergan
Thurs	7:30AM	Katherine Krushnowski By Jim Gallagher
	8:30AM	Fred Armbruster By Rev. Michael Drevitch
	6:00PM	Dec'd Membs of Balberchak & Yorina Families By Family
Fri	7:30AM	50th Anniversary in honor of Donna & Nelson Chepalonis By Family
	8:30AM	Dorothy A. Giuli By John & Kim Lewis & Boys
Sat	4:00PM	Jack & Carmella Salvaggio By Children & Grandchildren
	5:30PM	Julia Chimento By Husband, Jim
Sun	7:30AM	Robert Caruthers By Children & Grandchildren
	9:00AM	Steve Franko By Fran & Ray Franko
	10:30AM	Mark Kleback By Mary Curley