



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 6, 2019

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

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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

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.

October 6, 2019

Readings/Responsorial: #1172
Gathering: #848 Gather Us In
Offertory: #901 For the Life of the World
Communion: #939 Behold the Lamb
Recessional: #680 We Walk By Faith

Weekly Collection

September 29, 2019

Sunday	\$7,368.05
E Giving	937.60
Total	\$8,305.65

Care & Education of Priests

September 2019 \$778.00



Today, Sunday, October 6th, our parish welcomes pets of all faiths to a special blessing to acknowledge their years of loyalty and companionship! Bring your pets to Holy Redeemer Church parking lot at 12:00 Noon or



Immaculate Conception Church parking lot at 1:00PM. for prayers and a blessing. A special prayer card will be given after the blessing.

Organ Fund Envelope

For the month of September, the monies collected from our organ fund envelopes totaled **\$932.00** which has been deposited back into our diocesan savings account bringing our account balance to **\$25,523.00**.

Parish Youth Group

Our parish youth group will have their first youth group meeting today Sunday, October 6th from 6:00PM to 7:00PM in Immaculate Conception Church hall. All boys and girls in 7th grade and older are welcome to join us.

New Ministry Schedule

All altar servers, EM's, cantors and lectors are reminded to take home a new ministry schedule, which can be found in the sacristies of the churches.

Flowers on the Altar of ICC

The beautiful flowers adorning the altar of Immaculate Conception Church this weekend are donated in loving memory of Robert Michael Bannon by his sister Marybeth Bannon. Robert died on September 24, 2019 at his home.

**Twilight "All Cash" Bingo
Saturday, November 2, 2019**

**Doors Open 5:00PM Bingo Starts 6:00PM
Immaculate Conception Church Hall**

Tickets are \$25 in advance or \$30 at the door which includes 15 regular games where you can win \$150 each. There will be "five special games" available at a cost of \$5.00 each. The specials have 2-\$500 winners, 1-\$750 winner and 2-\$1,000 winners. A variety of homemade foods will be available for purchase. We have seating for 325 with approximately 188 seats available to sell. Feel free to BYOB. Reserved seating is available.

How do I get my Bingo Tickets?

- ▶ Bingo Tickets will be available before and after all masses the next 2 weekends, October 12-13 and 19-20 (or until sold out)
- ▶ You can mail or drop in the collection, your check for "Twilight Bingo" tickets and we will mail them to you.
- ▶ FOR RESERVRED SEATING.....call the rectory 654-2753 or e-mail Joyce at jceccconi50@gmail.com

Social Concerns "Fall Food Drive"

Once again it is time to begin collecting food for our "Fall Food Drive." We can use donations of any non-perishable foods. May we suggest you check what is on sale when you are doing your weekly shopping and if you are able, include one or two of these items for our "Fall Food Drive?" Your donations may be left in the vestibules of the churches. Thank you!!

2019 Diocesan Annual Appeal

This weekend is In-Pew Commitment Weekend.

Diocesan Annual Appeal 2019 Parish Goal **\$32,000.00**
Total Raised **\$ 7,260.00**
Over (Under) **(24,740.00)**

Diocese of Scranton

2019 **DIOCESAN**
ANNUAL APPEAL

SERVING IN *faith* WITH HOPE
AND GRATITUDE

THIS IS APPEAL COMMITMENT WEEKEND

Put your faith into action! Please say 'Yes' to a homeless veteran, an elderly priest receiving medical care, a seminarian studying for the priesthood, a young family needing emergency shelter...and thousands of others who will benefit from your gift to the Annual Appeal. Your donation truly matters.

Call 570-207-2250, or give online
at AnnualAppeal.org.

*Be a minister of God's hope and love...
Help us reach our Parish Appeal goal.*

Courtesy News

Knights of Columbus Rosary Rally

Today, Sunday, October 6th at Our Lady of Hope Parish, 40 Park Ave, Wilkes-Barre. Petitions may be placed before the Pilgrim Virgin Fatima Statue. Rosary procession will begin at 2:00PM, Glorious Mysteries of the Rosary will be prayed at 3:00PM followed by Mass at 3:20PM. Refreshments will be served...all are welcome.

Rosary Rally at Oblates of St. Joseph Grotto

All are welcome to join us on Saturday, October 12 at 3:00PM followed by Mass at 4:00PM in the chapel.. Fr. Joseph Sibilano, O.S.J., director of the Oblate Seminary will lead the prayers and Ernie Pappa, musician and recording artist will provide the music. For further information call 570-654-7542.

Anointing of the Sick

Next Sunday, October 13 the Parish of St. Barbara will host a Service of the Anointing of the Sick. It will begin at 2:00PM in St. Anthony's Church, Exeter. All are welcome!!

Scranton Prep Open House

Sunday, October 20th from 1:00PM-4:00PM. 7th and 8th grade students and their families are invited to attend. Attendees can register at www.scrantonprep.org/openhouse. Scranton Prep's Scholarship Entrance Exam will be held on Saturday, December 7th for 8th grade students interested in applying for the fall term of 2020. Registration begins at 8:30AM and the exam starts at 9:00AM. To register, visit www.scrantonprep.org.

500 Club Lottery

Congratulations to the following final winners in our "500 Club Lottery." Thank you to all for your continued participation in this and all of our parish fundraisers. The profit from this fundraiser is **\$11,080.80**.

Sept 26	Russell Bott	#318	\$50.00
Sept 27	No Winner	#098	50.00
Sept 28	Damian Evanko	#032	50.00
Sept 29	No Winner	#894	150.00
Sept 30	Jessica Speicher	#015	50.00

Special drawing winners: Cheryl Reedy 9/27 \$50.00 and Robert Balint 9/29 \$150.00.

Altar Candles at ICC

Which will burn this week in loving memory of **Josephine & Joseph Dente** are donated by the Dente Family.

Holy Family Candle at ICC

Which will burn this week in loving memory of **Mayor Tony Denisco** is donated by his wife and family.

Sanctuary Candle at ICC

Which will burn this week in loving memory of **Edith Dente** is donated by her nieces and nephews.

Adult Education Bible Study

"Turning Point A Study of the Gospel of John"
 This adult bible study program on the "Gospel of John." will take place in the rectory on four Thursdays as follows: October 10th, 17th, 24th and November 7th at 6:00 PM. Each session will last for approximately 60-75 minutes. To sign up for the program or for more information, contact Deacon Jim Meizanis at 239-2783 or deacon.meizanis@gmail.com.

Mass Intentions
October 7 thru October 13, 2019

Mon	7:30AM	Edmund & Bridget Liberski By Daughter, Marianne & Family
	8:30AM	Michael Dziak, Jr. By Fran & Ray Franko
Tues	7:30AM	Communion Service
	8:30AM	Deacon Pete Hoegen By Denise & Tony Bartoletti
Wed	7:30AM	Communion Service
	8:30AM	NO Mass
Thurs	7:30AM	Communion Service
	8:30AM	Neil & Gert Dwyer By Family
Fri	7:30AM	Jean Zezza By Hassey Family
	8:30AM	Marion Bede By Romaine Panek
Sat	4:00PM	Leonard C. Insalaco, II By Family
	5:30PM	Joan Hudyck By Children
Sun	7:30AM	William & Carol Hancock By Family
	9:00AM	Joseph Massara By Jean Caruso & Family
	10:30AM	Gus Scripkunas By Daughter, Marquerite Dixon