Immaculate Conception Church

Diocese of Fall River

193 Main Street, North Easton 02356
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www.icceaston.org

Daily Mass Monday - Friday 8:30AM in the Chapel
Saturday Vigil 4:30PM ✞ Sunday 8AM and 10:15AM
Confession Saturdays 3PM or by appointment

Living our faith through God's Love, we will:
† Create a welcoming community † Build understanding of our Catholic Christian Faith
† Nurture our children and each other † Share our gifts and talents
† Serve God through worship and ministry

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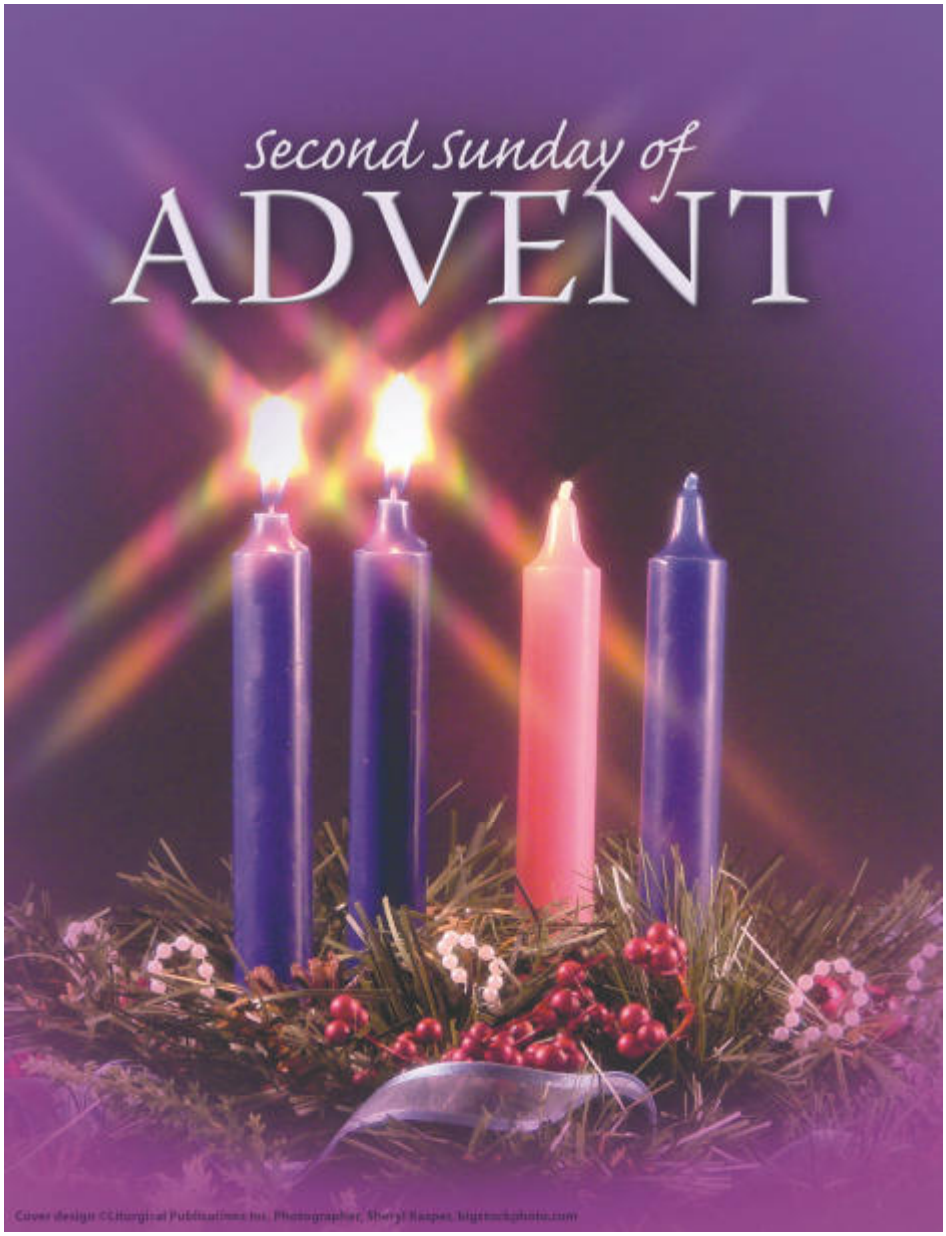
Monday - Thursday 8:30AM - 4PM
Friday Closed All Day



New Parishioners

If you are visiting and looking for a spiritual home, we extend a warm welcome to you and your family. We hope you find Immaculate Conception Parish a place where your faith will be nourished and you find the worship and liturgy uplifting and an encouragement to your faith. Please introduce yourself to Father Neil. If you would like to register you may call the Parish Office or go online to www.icceaston.org and click on the "Parish Registration" button on our home page.

Saturday, December 4
4:30PM - † *Nicolina Previti*

Sunday, December 5
8AM - † *Jennie Keleher*
10:15 AM - † *Dr. Robert Misiewicz, 3rd Anniversary*

Monday, December 6
Benefactors of Medjugorje in America

Tuesday, December 7
† *Robert B. Warren*

Wednesday, December 8
8:30AM - † *Mary G. Spray*
7PM - *Parishioners of Immaculate Conception*

Thursday, December 9

Friday, December 10
Souls In Purgatory

Saturday, December 11
4:30PM - † *Joseph Giusto, Jr., 25th Anniversary*

Sunday, December 12
8AM - *Parishioners of Immaculate Conception Church*
10:15 AM - † *Patricia Neundorf, 1st Anniversary*

Please contact the Parish office if you would like to schedule a Mass intention for this year or 2022. The suggested stipend for a weekend Mass is $20.00 and daily Mass is $10.00. *Thank you.*

Immaculate Conception Church welcomes

Emma Clair Durocher

who was recently baptized.
God bless you in your life of faith!

THIS WEEK AT OUR PARISH

Saturday, December 4
3PM ..... Confession
4:30PM ..... Mass
Sunday, December 5
8AM ..... Mass
9AM-10AM..... Religious Education (Gr. 1-6)
10AM ..... Family Wreath Making Event
10:15AM ..... Mass, followed by Baptism
5:30PM..... Religious Education (Gr. 10)
Monday, December 6
8:05AM ..... Rosary
8:30AM ..... Daily Mass
4:30PM-5:30PM..... Religious Education (Gr. 1-6)
5:30PM-6:30PM..... Family Wreath Making Event
6:30PM-7:30PM..... Religious Education (Gr. 7&8)
8PM ..... Men's Basketball
Tuesday, December 7
8:05AM ..... Rosary
8:30AM ..... Daily Mass
7PM ..... Boy Scouts
Wednesday, December 8
8:05AM ..... Rosary
8:30AM ..... Daily Mass in the Church
9AM ..... Bible Study
4PM ..... Rosary in the Chapel
7PM ..... Mass in the Church
8PM ..... Marian Medal Reception
Thursday, December 9
8:05AM ..... Rosary
8:30AM ..... Daily Mass
8PM ..... Messiah Sing!
Friday, December 10
8:05AM ..... Rosary
8:30AM ..... Daily Mass, coffee & donuts
7PM ..... Living Clean Meeting
Saturday, December 11
3PM ..... Confession
4:30PM ..... Mass
Sunday, December 12
8AM ..... Mass
10:15AM ..... Mass, followed by Baptism

Presented By Oliver Ames High School Music Department

Immaculate Conception Church

Thursday, December 9, 2021 at 8PM

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE Blessed Virgin Mary

"Immaculate Mary, your praises we sing!" December 8 is one of our feasts celebrating Mary - the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception. From the beginnings of the Church, spiritual writers and theologians have acknowledged the innocence and holiness of Mary. St. Irenaeus called her the "new Eve." Both faced with the pure freedom to accept or reject God, Mary began with work of redemption with her yes to Christ! The Church began to celebrate the feast of Mary's conception in the early Middle Ages. In 1854, Pope Pius IX infallibly declared that Mary was free of original sin from the first moment of her conception. On this feast day, we celebrate the beauty and goodness of Our Lady!

Mass will be celebrated in the Church on Wednesday, December 8 at 8:30AM and 7PM

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Marian Medal

The Marian Medal is awarded to members of diocesan parishes for their dedicated service to the Church. Medals will be blessed and presented on Sunday, December 5 at the Cathedral of Mary of the Assumption, Fall River.

This year's recipient from Immaculate Conception is

Dave Switzer.

Following the 7PM Mass on December 8, there will be a reception for Dave in the parish hall. Please join us for Mass and to offer thanks to Dave for all he does for our parish!

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Parish Support

Offertory for November 20 & 21:	$2,254.00
Offertory for November 20 & 21 (WeShare):	$1,220.00
Total:	$3,474.00
Campaign for Human Development:	$ 442.00
Campaign for Human Development (WeShare):	$ 91.00
Total	$ 533.00
Offertory for November 27 & 28:	$3,539.00
Offertory for November 27 & 28 (WeShare):	$1,270.00
Total:	$4,809.00

Thank you for your continued support and generosity!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

Upcoming Schedule

December 5, 9AM-10AM: Grades 1-6 at ICC
December 5, 5:30-7:30PM: Confirmation II at Holy Cross
December 6, 4:30PM-5:30PM: Grades 1-6 at ICC
December 6, 6:30PM-7:30PM: Grades 7-8 at ICC

Family Advent Wreath Making Event

Join us Sunday, December 5 at 10AM (after class) or Monday, December 6 at 5:30-6:30 (between classes).

Free event. All ages welcome! Supplies provided. RSVP to Lynne Stewart at religioused@icceaston.org

Each Friday after the 8:30AM Mass, join us for coffee and donuts and fellowship in the Upper Room of the Parish Center.

Caring Tree 2021

For over thirty years, the St. Vincent de Paul Society has sponsored the Caring Tree. Parishioners purchase gifts for Easton children whose parents are financially struggling.

This year, we will still be displaying our Caring Tree in the back of the church from November 27 through December 19, but with a different approach. Instead of the paper ornaments, there will be envelopes attached to the tree. Parishioners are asked to take an envelope. Our Society is requesting monetary donations this year. This money will help us respond to the needs of Easton families who come to us for all kinds of help during the year.

For your convenience, the envelopes will be stamped and addressed to: St. Vincent de Paul Society, c/o Immaculate Conception Church. **We ask that you please make checks payable to St. Vincent de Paul Society.** Your generous support will allow us to provide financial assistance for food, fuel, prescriptions, emergency shelter, etc.

If you find yourself needing assistance from St. Vincent de Paul, please contact the parish secretary at the rectory at 508-238-3232. Please feel confident that we will uphold the strictest confidentiality with your request.

Dear Parishioners,

Happy second Sunday of Advent, everyone! I hope the first week of Advent was a good one for you. Perhaps you made some **spiritual resolutions** last Sunday (like praying every day of this holy season). Like a lot of resolutions, we may have found them to be a bit difficult to do. But fear not, you have three weeks left to adjust, or start again! It is that holy work that will endure long after the gifts are put away, and the parties are forgotten.

Our feast day approaches! The Feast of the Immaculate Conception of Mary is on Wednesday, December 8th. It is a holy day of obligation, which means we are obligated to come to Mass on that day and to receive the Eucharist, if we are able. We will have Mass at 8:30am and also at 7pm that day. And after the 7pm Mass, we will have a small reception to honor our Marian Medal winner, Dave Switzer.

Last week we had our monthly **parish council meeting** – as you may know, I write these columns several days before Sunday, so I can't say this for sure, but I'm guessing we had a very good meeting! I'm grateful for our fellow parishioners who provide counsel to me on all areas of our parish life (except for finances – there are good folks on that council who advise me on all monetary and budgetary matters). As I continue to "learn the ropes" here, I'm so thankful for all of the input I receive, especially when it's constructive and gentle!

My prayers are with you all we continue journeying in this great season of hope. Don't forget to pray as a family, and to pray for me, please.

Fr. Neil

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

Donations made in memory of a loved one or friend *(We will be very grateful if you would please print names clearly - Thank you!)* will be published in the bulletin the weekend of January 8-9, 2022. Thank you for your support!

Beginning Monday, December 6, the daily Mass will be celebrated in the Chapel in our parish hall.

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