

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ January 16, 2022

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH



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MASSSES:

Saturday: 4:30 pm
Sunday: 8:00 am, 9:30 am, 11:15 am
Weekdays: 8:00 am
Holy Days: As Announced

CONFESSIONS: Saturday at 3:30 pm
or at anytime by calling the Rectory.

NEW PARISHIONERS:
Contact the Rectory to register as members of our parish family.

MARRIAGES:
Arrangements must be made with the Pastor at least four months in advance. Please call the Rectory for an appointment.

MUSIC DIRECTOR:
Anthony A. Kalinowski - 1-585-535-0488

PRAYER WHEEL:
If you need prayers for yourself or others, call
740-8679, 652-4111, or 652-7572 **anytime**.

BAPTISMS:
Baptisms are celebrated on the last Sunday of each month. All parents must attend a class before Baptism. Call the Rectory to register.

LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION:
Letters of Recommendation are given only to registered parishioners in good standing. Please call the Rectory to obtain a letter.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK:
Administered at the 8:00 am Mass on Wednesday. Please contact the Rectory prior to the Wednesday you would like to be anointed.

HOLY EUCHARIST FOR THE HOMEBOUND:
If you know of someone in the parish who is homebound and would like to receive Communion, please call the Rectory 652-6400.

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*Mass Intentions for the Week***Monday, January 17, 2022**8:00 AM Margaret Kistner ~
Lyn and Michael Dusing**Tuesday, January 18, 2022**8:00 AM Betty Dedrick ~
Cecilia Chella**Wednesday, January 19, 2022**8:00 AM Shirley McCormick ~
Joe Ann Willson**Thursday, January 20, 2022****S. Fabian, Pope and Martyr**8:00 AM Harold O. Weislocher ~
Anna and Will McDonald**Friday, January 21, 2022****St. Agnes, Virgin and Martyr**8:00 AM Irene Viterna ~
Bonanno Family**Saturday, January 22, 2022**4:30 PM James Vogel ~
Wife, Amy**Sunday, January 23, 2022**8:00 AM Patricia Heine ~
M/M Karl Hassenfratz9:30 AM Theresa Kuczma ~
Melissa Ramsay11:15 AM Garrett W. Janiak ~
Wife, Diane**January 22/23****ALTAR SERVERS**4:30 PM A. Sexton, L. Sexton
8:00 AM A. Jakubczak, E. Weyer
9:30 AM N. Rodemeyer, J. Smith
11:15 AM A. Czekanski, L. O'Connor**LECTORS**4:30 PM M. K. LaForce
8:00 AM R. Simeone
9:30 AM M. Rodemeyer
11:15 AM C. Kelly**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS**4:30 PM T. Skutnik, J. Norton, R. Jachimiak
H. Lisitsky, C. Eckert, M. Kleinsmith
8:00 AM J. Simeone, K. Szramkowski, R. Weber
M. and G. Lawless, M. Zittel
9:30 AM H. Sadek, P. Thiesen, M. Webb
A. Kwaizer, T. Czelusta, B. Davidson
11:15 AM K. Mangan, M. Wertz, J. Wiedl
L. Wieser, L. Winiarz, M. Zagrobelny

In a mammoth effort to renew the Catholic Church worldwide, a Synod of Bishops was opened by Pope Francis in Rome, Italy on October 10, 2021. The opening will be followed by local Synods in **ALL DIOCESES across the world**. After two years of prayer, preparation and discernment, Bishops will be assembling in Rome, Italy in October 2023 to complete the Synod.

The theme chosen by Pope Francis is: **“For a synodal church: communion, participation and mission.”**

Through this process, the Church invites Catholics to participate in missionary evangelization. Pope Francis explains that the process is intended for all people of God to take on the responsibility of the Church’s mission.

Bishop Mike in his letter to the faithful, which you received a few weeks ago states, “It is more necessary that we travel this journey together, as the Holy Father has invited us, knowing that the path, at times will be steep and at other times uneven. In our own Road to Renewal, as well as the Universal Synod, **listening to one another is the essential act and our surest guide.**”

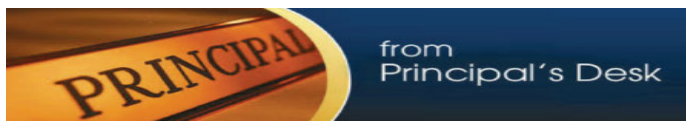
Let us continue to pray for the guidance of the Holy Spirit as we continue on our diocesan Road to Renewal. Let us support, in prayer, the parishioners within our local cluster: The Church of the Annunciation, Immaculate Conception, St. Joseph in Holland, St. George in West Falls and St. Vincent in Springbrook.

Listening to every Catholic is “the true pastoral conversation of the church. A decision-making process in the church always begins with listening, because only in this way can we understand how and where the Spirit wants to lead the church.”

FISH OF EAST AURORA

FISH is collecting **CANNED SOUP** during the month of **JANUARY**. There is a collection bin in the church vestibule.

We are grateful to the St. Vincent de Paul Society for coordinating this collection.



In the last few months our school has been able to return to some of our traditions despite the ongoing pandemic.

Our faith life has grown through our special liturgies. On All Saints' Day our third graders dressed as saints and after Mass gave a report on their particular saint.

On the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, Bishop Mike celebrated Mass for our school community.

During Advent our morning prayer centered on adding symbols to our Jesse Tree. A manger blessing and prayer service were a part of our last day's activities before the Christmas vacation.

Our eighth graders had a retreat experience with Mrs. Denise York and they also spent a day at the Corning Museum of Glass. They created a Christmas ornament and sandblasted a glass. A tour of the museum was also part of the day.

In addition to fundraising, our Home School Association does many things for our students and staff. Our traditional Thanksgiving Feast returned this year as well as our Santa's Secret Shop. These traditions helped everyone get into the holiday spirit!

CONGRATULATIONS, to our fifth and sixth grade soccer team who placed first in their fall league. Sportsmanship Awards were given to Brooke Moore and Dylan Dvorak.

Registration for Kindergarten will be part of our upcoming Catholic Schools' Week which begins on January 30th.

Please continue to pray for our school as we continue to provide quality education during these unusual times.

Joe Duttweiler



POT o' GOLD

Mark your calendars

**SATURDAY,
MARCH 12, 2022**

Tickets may be purchased after all weekend Masses as well as in the

**RECTORY Monday-Friday
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Thank you for supporting our school!



YOUTH MINISTRY CALENDAR

Sunday, January 23, 2022 ICY Senior High*
6:00-8:00PM

Saturday, February 5, 2022 ICY Junior High*
6:00-7:30PM

*Our ICY Nights are open to new people at any time throughout the year.

We know that families are busy, so we do not require young people to come to every meeting.

**ZOOM meeting links may be obtained by emailing Denise York at youth@icchurchea.org



We will be offering Adult Confirmation Classes during LENT. These classes are for anyone who has graduated from High School but has, as yet, not been Confirmed.

If you have been Baptized and attend Mass regularly, why not consider being Confirmed also? This will complete your Christian Initiation.

Please call the Faith Formation Office at 716-655-0067 and leave your name and phone number. You will be contacted.

Confirmation will be celebrated in the spring.

TAX STATEMENTS

Statements of contribution for the 2021 year are available upon request

Please call the **RECTORY** at **716-652-6400** or email us at

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Business hours are **Monday-Friday 8:30AM-3:30PM.**



THANK YOU to all of our parishioners, families and friends who through the Christmas and New Year Holiday purchased **SCRIP CARDS.**

Please remember that SCRIP CARDS are available throughout the year and may be purchased at the **RECTORY, MONDAY-FRIDAY, 8:30PM-3:30PM.** If you wish, call ahead and we will have your order ready for you.

PRAY...DREAM...RESPECT LIFE

On Monday, January 17th we celebrate Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. The holiday was created to honor the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. who was and continues to be an inspiration to millions of people, encouraging them to fight back against racial injustice. Martin Luther King, Jr. was an important voice of the American Civil Rights Movement, a struggle for African Americans to gain equal rights under the law in the United States during the 1950s and 1960s. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day celebrates a man whose words and teachings continue to be significant and relevant to today's society.

This weekend and always let us continue to pray for Respect for Life from birth to natural death and an end to racial violence...

God of all life...

Help us to appreciate the great gift that is human life, formed in your image, a reflection of Your holiness.

Help us to recognize You in all whom You have created: children not yet born, families affected by poverty and war, people of different abilities, people from other lands, and all who are victims of hatred and racism.

Help us to bear witness to the dignity of all whom You have created, regardless of stage of life, or wealth, or ability, or color, or creed, for every person is fully equal in Your loving eyes.

Share with us Your holy knowledge that we are all Your children, each bestowed with inherent dignity.

Amen.



Don't delay your goals! If you are ready to earn your high school equivalency diploma or become career ready, contact Catholic Charities Department of Workforce and Education at 716-893-3500.

Services offered for youths and adults in Erie and Niagara counties include tutoring, high school equivalency preparation instruction, basic skills upgrades, employment readiness preparation, post-secondary school education planning and more.

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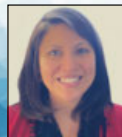
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