

January 23, 2022 ~ Third Sunday of Ordinary Time

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**MASSES:**

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.

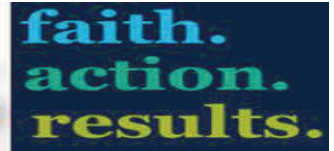
**HOLY EUCHARIST FOR THE HOMEBOUND:**

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 24, 2022**8:00 AM Jim Kauderer ~  
Family**Tuesday, January 25, 2022****Conversion of St. Paul, Apostle**8:00 AM Constance Wardenski ~  
Scarcello Family**Wednesday, January 26, 2022****St. Timothy and St. Titus, Bishops**

8:00 AM All Soul's Intentions

**Thursday, January 27, 2022****St. Angela Merici, Virgin**8:00AM Roberto Chahin ~  
Kathryn Clanton**Friday, January 28, 2022****St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor**8:00 AM Donna L. Gier ~  
Andrew Kenlon**Saturday, January 29, 2022**4:30 PM Matthew Foster ~  
Dad, Mom, Brothers and Sisters**Sunday, January 30, 2022**8:00 AM Gerald Roger Lyons ~  
Marcella Albee9:30 AM Carol M. Shay ~  
Larry and Barbara Schaller11:15 AM Cattie O'Brien ~  
Martin Family**JANUARY 29/30****ALTAR SERVERS**4:30 PM B. Lippert, J. Friol  
8:00 AM P. Flaherty, J. Gullo  
9:30 AM A. Czekanski, L. O'Connor  
11:15 AM L. Peach, C. Warner**LECTORS**4:30 PM J. Livingston      9:30 AM P. Shea  
8:00 AM C. Powers      11:15 AM L. Wieser**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS**4:30 PM M. Kleinsmith, D.Eley, C. Burgess  
R. Skutnik, R. Jachimiak, H. Lisitsky  
8:00 AM K. Wiesner, D. Bodekor, K. George  
K. Schnieder, T. Bogard, K. Florkowski  
9:30 AM T. Lilley, B. Eck, J. Ells  
B. Kell, H. Sadek, C. Roach  
11:15 AM J. Duttweiler, D. Grady, B. Foster  
D. and D. Blowers, M. Dibble

**NEXT WEEKEND, JANUARY 29/30** we will take up the collection for Catholic Relief Services. Across the globe, war, natural disasters, political strife, extreme poverty, and human trafficking combine to affect families in ways often unimaginable. Families are separated by migration for long periods of time, sometimes indefinitely. A decrease in the availability of visas makes prompt reunification unrealistic. Unaccompanied minors are exploited. The reach of this collection spans the globe. Please be generous as we assist the poorest of the poor.

**Tuition Assistance for Private Grammar Schools**

New families are now able to apply for scholarships for the 2022-2023 school year. To start the process families can complete a pre-application form online at:

**<http://bisonfund.com/our-scholarships>.**

The **BISON Fund** provides tuition assistance to economically eligible children K-8<sup>th</sup> grade. If selected, the scholarships can be used at any private grammar school in WNY.

**The deadline to apply is MONDAY, FEBRUARY 28<sup>th</sup>.**

The average scholarship is \$1,500 and the maximum award is \$2,500.

For more information call:

**Cindy McDonald at 716-854-0869, ext. 1**

**An Annulment Workshop** will take place:

**Saturday, February 5, 2022**

**9:00-11:00 AM**

**UB North Newman Center  
495 Skannersville Road  
Amherst, NY**

The session will include information on recent changes in the annulment process and step-by-step assistance in getting started. A nominal registration fee will cover the cost of the materials. For additional information, contact **Barbara** at **716-633-7786** or via email at

**BJWTR@aol.com.**

**Walk-ins are welcome.**

This weekend and always let us continue to pray for Respect for Life from birth to natural death, an end to violence in our country, for the guidance of the Holy Spirit upon the Pastors and parishioners within our Road to Renewal cluster: the Church of the Annunciation, Immaculate Conception, St. Joseph in Holland, St. George in West Falls and St. Vincent in Springbrook.



# INCYC

*Ablaze • Enciende el Fuego*

Our High School students who participated in the **61st Annual Diocesan Youth Convention** this past November are extremely grateful to our parishioners for their prayers and support! **Your generosity at our Bake Sale resulted in a profit of over \$900 which helped defray registration expenses! Thank you all so much!**

Here are some of our young people's responses to the questions, "What did Convention mean to you? What did you learn/experience? What is different about you because you participated in the Convention?"

"Convention was a time to explore different ways to praise God with other people with the same faith and beliefs, and now I am not afraid to try different ways to worship." *Josh Riemer*

"God forgives everyone's sins no matter how bad or little they are. Also there are a lot of people in New York that are enthusiastic about being Catholic. We are not alone in our faith." *Rosalie Martin*

"I learned to be more open and willing to share and talk about my faith." *Pat Roberts*

"After Convention I was motivated to attend Church and participate more." *Megan Bourne*

"I learned more about my faith and started to see the fine print of what it really means to be Catholic."  
*Frankie Nigro*

"Convention meant meeting new people with the same views and growing in my faith." *John Roberts*

Visit our website: [www.tinyurl.com/iceayouth](http://www.tinyurl.com/iceayouth)  
or our Facebook page:  
Immaculate Conception EA, Youth Ministry  
To see photos of our group at Convention.



## YOUTH MINISTRY CALENDAR

Sunday, January 23 <sup>rd</sup>	ICY Senior High* 6:00-8:00PM
Sunday, January 29 <sup>th</sup>	ICY Junior High* 6:00-7:30PM
Saturday, February 5 <sup>th</sup>	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.

You may also find this information on our website:

[www.icyouthea.org](http://www.icyouthea.org)

### *When Hope is Hard*

How can we have faith in an era of such anxiety? Explore our call to Christian Hope in a morning of reflection as Sister Mary McCarrick, an experienced clinical social worker, helps us navigate life's painful losses.

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2022**  
**9:00AM-NOON**

**Check-in begins at 8:30AM**  
**St. Philip the Apostle Parish Center**  
**950 Losson Road**

To register please contact:  
Marilyn Fronczak at 716-668-8472 or  
Elizabeth Wichlacz at 716-674-8581  
Leave a message with your name and phone number  
**BY FEBRUARY 2, 2022**



### **POT o' GOLD**

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**SATURDAY,**  
**MARCH 12, 2022**

Tickets may be purchased after all weekend Masses  
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### **TAX STATEMENTS**

Statements of contribution for the 2021 year  
are available upon request

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at

**immaculateconceptionea@verizon.net**

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

## Road to Renewal

Over these past two years, the global pandemic which has taken so much from us in terms of the loss of loved ones, cherished friends, and the personal connections that give so much meaning and joy to our lives, has also disrupted and reshaped the shared experience of our faith. The requirement to avoid coming together for the nourishment which is the source and summit of our Christian lives – the Eucharist – was a terrible burden, though necessary for the protection of the health and well-being of ourselves and others. We had to adapt to new ways of worship and rely on internal reserves of faith to see us through what for many was a desert-like experience that deprived us of our essential spiritual nourishment. **It is all the more reason that we revive our passion for the Eucharist and reflect on the sustenance it provides us** individually and as a family of faith, uniting us, giving us strength and defining our purpose as disciples – *“Do this in memory of me.”*

At our November meeting in Baltimore, the nation’s bishops approved the launch of a *“Eucharistic Revival,”* recognizing the need to renew focus on the Eucharist and our appreciation for, and understanding of, this primary Sacrament as central to what it means to be a follower of Jesus Christ:

*“Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life and I will raise him on the last day. For my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink. Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him,”* (John 6:54-56).

In issuing the new teaching document – The Mystery of the Eucharist in the Life of the Church – the Conference of Catholic Bishops has provided a blueprint for a renewed understanding of the Eucharist as essential to our identity as baptized believers of Jesus Christ and as the unifying power of our parish communities

**Our parishes will be asked to identify ways over these next two years to promote greater understanding for the Eucharist and to celebrate the gift which it is in the life of the Church.** Special emphasis should be given to fostering encounters with Jesus through Eucharistic devotion, while also contemplating and proclaiming the doctrine of the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist through seminars and group discussions, as well as in special liturgical celebrations and, importantly, in outreach to those in need and those most vulnerable.



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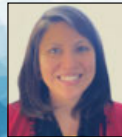
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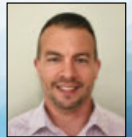
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