IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH

JUNE 2, 2024

WELCOME!

Parish Information

129 Graham Avenue Brookville, PA 15825 P: (814) 849-8697 F: (814) 849-5265 W: www.icbrookville.com

Our Staff

Pastor | Rev. William M. Laska Religious Ed. | Penny Rakovan Secretary | Chris Koladish

Mass Schedule Immaculate Conception

Weekdays: 8:00 a.m. Saturday: 5:15 p.m. Sunday: 10:30 a.m. Holy Day: 8:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.

St. Dominic Sunday: 8:30 a.m. Holy Day (Vigil): 6:00 p.m. Reconciliation: 8 a.m. Sunday

Reconciliation

Saturday: 4:30 p.m. (IC), also by appointment Sunday: 8:00 a.m. (SD)

THE MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST

While they were eating, he took bread, said the blessing, broke it, gave it to them, and said, "Take it; this is my body." - Mk 14:22

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD. ©LPi

MORE PARISH INFORMATION...

Sacrament of Marriage

By appointment. A six-month preparation period is required.

Sacrament of Baptism

By appointment. Please call the rectory for information.

Sacrament of the Sick

Please call the rectory if anyone in your family is hospitalized or is a shut-in.

Parish Membership

Membership in the parish is required to be a sponsor for a Sacrament, to be married in the parish, or to have a child baptized. Please notify the rectory office of a change of address or phone number.

Religious Education Classes

Sunday: 9:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m. (All Grades)

*Bulletin Deadline: Monday at 9:00 a.m.

MASS INTENTIONS

Schedule for the Week

MONDAY, JUNE 3

No Mass today

TUESDAY, JUNE 4

8:00 AMRob and Laurie Connor by Mom and DadWEDNESDAY, JUNE 58:00 AMDonald Orr by Shirley and Dick Kennedy

THURSDAY, JUNE 68:00 AMThe Wargo and Pucalik Families
by Marie Pucalik

FRIDAY, JUNE 7

8:00 AMOtto Frank Lauer by the Lauer FamilySATURDAY, JUNE 85:15 PMSteve Wolfe by Merlyn Wolfe and FamilySUNDAY, JUNE 98:30 AM(St. Dominic) Mary Haines

by George and Joyce Haines 10:30 AM Patty Field by the Lauer Family

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE—JUNE 8 & 9

Altar Servers

Saturday, 5:15 p.m. | Please volunteer if you attend this Mass Sunday, 10:30 a.m. | Emelia Gow **Lectors** Saturday, 5:15 p.m. | Ann Thacher Sunday, 10:30 a.m. | Sara Gow St. Dominic | Jo Schrecongost

Rosary Leaders: Kathy Duvall



The flowers for the Blessed Mother's altar at Immaculate Conception are in memory of Charlene Tattersall. They were placed by Mike, Michele, Mom and Dad.

FALL FESTIVAL MEETING

The next Fall Festival meeting will be on Tuesday evening, June 4th at 7 pm in the Church Hall. Everyone is welcome!



The Sanctuary Lamp burns in memory of Ray and Joan Richards. Requested by their Family.

THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OFCHRIST

Today is the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. At one time, this day was called *Corpus Christi*, the Latin words for "the Body of Christ." In the most recent revision of our liturgical rites, the name for this day is expanded to be a more complete reflection of our Eucharistic theology. In our reading for today, we read the account of the Last Supper found in the Gospel of Mark. It begins with the instructions that Jesus gave to his disciples to prepare their Passover celebration. It then goes on to give an account of the Last Supper. On this Sunday, however, our Lectionary reading omits the verses between these two passages; in those omitted verses we hear Jesus predict his betrayal by one of his disciples.

The Gospel of Mark describes Jesus' Last Supper with his disciples as a celebration of the Jewish feast of Passover. The Jewish celebration of Passover is a memorial to and a ritual participation in the defining moment of Israel's history. It celebrates God's deliverance of his people from slavery in Egypt. The Passover meal includes many ritually important elements, such as unleavened bread, lamb, and bitter herbs. Each food item recalls an aspect of the Exodus event. The instructions for the preparation of this meal are carefully prescribed in the Law of Moses. It is a central obligation of the Jewish faith tradition to celebrate this meal and to give thanks to God for his deliverance and protection. In the description of the Passover meal found in today's Gospel, however, Mark omits many elements of the Jewish Passover meal. Instead he describes only those elements he believes to be most essential to the Christian Eucharist: Jesus took bread, blessed the bread, broke the bread, and shared it with his disciples. Similar words and actions follow as Jesus shares the chalice with his disciples. This bread now shared is Jesus' own body. Those who drink from the chalice are invited to share in a new covenant which will be sealed by Jesus' own blood. Mark's Eucharistic theology looks forward to the Kingdom of God that Jesus inaugurates.

The Gospel for today reminds us that the Eucharist is a memorial of Christ's sacrifice on the cross. We believe that Jesus is truly present to us in the elements of bread and wine. Each time we celebrate this sacrament, we prepare for the Kingdom of God. This celebration, as the Second Vatican Council taught us, is the source and summit of the Christian life.

USHERS SCHEDULE

June 8 Rick Cherico, Bob Deter

June 9 John Palmer, Jonathan Hoak

FATHER CIAIOLA SCHOLARSHIP

Applications are now available for the 2024 Fr. Ciaiola Scholarship. Parish high school Seniors are invited to apply. Application forms may be obtained by leaving a message at the Parish Office (814-849-8697) or by sending an email to icbrookville@windstream.net. Applications must be returned to the rectory with required information by June 9th to be considered, no exceptions.

PROPER ATTIRE

With the coming of the warmer weather and vacation time, please be mindful of your attire when you come to church.

We usually dress well when we go to things that are important to us, and as Catholics, attending Mass is the most important thing that we will do each week. The manner in which we dress is part of the reverence that is shown to Our Lord present in the Eucharist as well as showing respect for others attending Mass.

An added note: if you are a minister in the liturgy, you should dress with extra care, so that your appearance does not pose a distraction to worshippers. Even if you are not assigned for that particular Mass, please be prepared to come forward and fill in if needed. (Please, no shorts or flip flops.)

DIOCESAN ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

Diocesan Anniversary Celebrations for couples celebrating 25, 40, 50, 60 or more years of marriage in **2024** will be held at two locations in the Diocese of Erie this summer:

Sunday, August 4 at St. George Church, Erie at 2 pm. Sunday, August 18 at Beloved Disciple Church, Grove City at 2 pm.

Couples may complete a registration form online at <u>http://www.eriercd.org/familylifeoffice/anniv.html</u>, or call the parish office (814-849-8697) or contact the Marriage and Family Life Office at (814) 824-1210. Registrations are being accepted until July 21st for the Erie celebration and until August 4th for the Grove City celebration.

FLOWER CALENDAR

The new flower calendar for 2024 has been posted on the bulletin boards at Immaculate Conception and St. Dominic. If you would like to purchase flowers in memory of a loved one or to commemorate a special event, please select your date and fill in all the requested information.

Thank you.

A FAMILY CONNECTION

In the beginning of today's Gospel, Jesus instructs his disciples to make preparations for the Passover meal. Like most meals, the Passover meal required planning and preparation. Our celebration of the Sunday Eucharist also requires planning and preparation. Certainly the ministers at the Eucharist prepare for their roles: the person presiding prays and prepares the homily; the prayers of petition are written; the music ministers prayerfully select music and practice it before Mass; Eucharistic ministers, lectors and altar servers prepare carefully for their roles. As the worshiping assembly, we can also prepare for the Mass through our prayer during the week, by reading the Scripture before Mass, and by making ourselves present to the Eucharistic celebration.

As you gather as a family, talk about some of the things that are required to prepare for your family meals. Plan together a special Sunday meal by choosing the menu, preparing the shopping list, and assigning duties for cooking, setting the table, preparing decorations, leading the prayers, and cleaning. Read together today's Gospel, Mark 14:12-16,22-26. Notice how Jesus instructed his disciples to prepare for their Passover meal. All meals require some kind of planning and preparation; so, too, our Sunday Eucharist requires planning. What might we do as a family to better prepare for our celebration of the Eucharist? Choose one or more ideas to begin to implement together as a family. Pray together that God will help your family make your celebration of the Eucharist the highlight of your week. Pray together the Lord's Prayer.

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

One gets the impression there was always a lot of sharing, discussion and learning during the many meals Jesus and the disciples ate together. How does this compare to the meals in your home? Today's gospel challenges us to make our meals more than physical functions and more a time for sharing.