

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH



MARCH 9, 2025

WELCOME!

Parish Information

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Our Staff

Pastor | Rev. William M. Laska
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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



SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

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.**

THE CHURCHES OF IMMACULATE CONCEPTION AND ST. DOMINIC

MASS INTENTIONS

Schedule for the Week

TUESDAY, MARCH 18

- 8:00 AM Margaret and Steve Mineweaser
by Bob Mineweaser
- 7:00 PM Al Lefevre by Bonnie, Scott and Doug Lefevre

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19

- 8:00 AM Alice Bogert by Betty and Kathi Ransel

THURSDAY, MARCH 20

- 8:00 AM The Holy Souls in Purgatory
- 7:00 PM Stations of the Cross and Benediction

FRIDAY, MARCH 21

- 8:00 AM Ruth Hilton by Betsy Milford

SATURDAY, MARCH 22

- 5:15 PM Betty Cherico
by Rick and Gina Cherico and Family

SUNDAY, MARCH 23

- 8:30 AM (St. Dominic) Steve Wolfe
by Betty and Kathi Ransel
- 10:30 AM Donna Chestnut by her Mother

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE—MARCH 22 & 23

Altar Servers

Saturday, 5:15 p.m. | Please volunteer if you attend this Mass

Sunday, 10:30 a.m. | Oliver Butcher

Lectors

Saturday, 5:15 p.m. | Michele Confer

Sunday, 10:30 a.m. | Steve French

St. Dominic | Denny Kinol

Rosary Leaders: Denny Kinol, Steve Rowaan

Cross Bearer for Stations of the Cross—March 20:

Brien Alexander

STEWARDSHIP - MARCH 9 & 10

Immaculate Conception & St. Dominic

Envelopes	\$3,266.00
Loose	\$938.00
Rice Bowl Offering.....	\$250.00
Fuel Offering.....	\$200.00
Easter Flower Offering.....	\$20.00
Catholic Services Appeal—Assessment	\$42,385.00
Pledged.....	\$58,848.00
Paid.....	\$33,563.00
Weekly Goal to meet Operating Budget.....	\$4,806.00
Accumulated goal since July 1, 2023	\$147,898.00
Surplus (Deficit) (Week #34).....	(\$15,506.00)

Thank you for supporting your parish.

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

The Transfiguration occurs after Peter's confession that Jesus is the Messiah and Jesus' prediction about his Passion. After the prediction there is a discussion of the cost of discipleship in each of these Gospels. The placement of the Transfiguration story close to Peter's confession and Jesus' prediction encourages us to examine the Transfiguration in the larger context of the Paschal Mystery.

The Transfiguration occurs on a mountain in the presence of just three of Jesus' disciples—Peter, James and John. These are among the first disciples that Jesus called in Luke's Gospel. We recently heard this Gospel at Mass, on the fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time. Only Luke's Gospel, which often describes Jesus at prayer, indicates that Jesus is praying as his appearance changes to bright white. Luke indicates that the three disciples were sleeping while Jesus prayed. They will be sleeping again as Jesus prays in the Garden of Gethsemane before his Passion and death.

As they awake, Peter and the disciples see Jesus Transfigured and Elijah and Moses present with Jesus. Elijah and Moses, both significant figures in the history of Israel, represent Jesus' continuity with the Law and the Prophets. In Matthew's and Mark's Gospels, there is reference to conversation among Jesus, Elijah, and Moses, but only Luke's Gospel explains that this conversation is about Jesus' later accomplishments in Jerusalem. Luke describes this as his exodus, connecting Jesus' Passion, death, and Resurrection with the Israel's Exodus from Egypt.

On witnessing Jesus' Transfiguration and seeing Jesus with Elijah and Moses, Peter offers to construct three tents for them. Having just awoken, perhaps Peter's offer was made in confusion. We also notice that Peter reverted from his earlier confession that Jesus is the Messiah, calling Jesus “master” instead. As if in reply to Peter's confusion, a voice from heaven speaks, affirming Jesus as God's Son and commanding that the disciples listen to him. This voice from heaven recalls the voice that was heard at Jesus' baptism which, in Luke's Gospel, spoke directly to Jesus as God's Son. In his Transfiguration, we see an anticipation of the glory of Jesus' Resurrection. In each of the reports of the Transfiguration, the disciples keep secret what they have seen. Not until they also witness his Passion and death will the disciples understand Jesus' Transfiguration. We hear this story of Jesus' Transfiguration early in Lent, but we have the benefit of hindsight. In our hearing of it, we anticipate Jesus' Resurrection even as we prepare to remember Jesus' Passion and death.

USHERS SCHEDULE

March 22 Pat Nosker, Steve Koladish

March 23 John Palmer, Jonathan Hoak

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICE'S RICE BOWL

Since 1975, Catholics across the United States have come together each Lent to respond to global hunger through the CRS Rice Bowl program. Learn how people like you have made a local and global impact on the lives of our sisters and brothers in need and why our prayers and almsgiving are still needed today. During this holy season, let us recommit to sharing bread for life with our global family so that all people can reach their God-given potential. Visit crsricebowl.org/week-1 to read this week's story of Hope.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Our next day of Adoration will be on **Thursday, March 27th**. We are asking you to commit to a half hour (or longer) of adoration by placing your name on the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board at the entrance of the Church. This is to ensure that the Blessed Sacrament will never be left alone as it is exposed on the altar.

Please plan on joining your parish family on this Jubilee Journey as we pray for all those who have requested our prayers, for our parish families and for all those who have needs and no one to pray for them.

CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL

Our parish assessment this year is \$42,385.00. We are currently at \$58,848.00. All funds raised over our assessment remain in our parish for our own needs. Please join other Catholics from across the 13 counties of our diocese in supporting this important appeal that transforms lives throughout northwestern Pennsylvania. Your participation ensures the success of the CSA, supports our parish needs, and is a sign of our unity as *One Faith, One Family*.



The Sanctuary Lamp burns in memory of Bill Kerr. Requested by his Family.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING

The K of C will have their monthly meeting on Tuesday, March 18th, following the 7 pm Mass. All Knights are encouraged to attend Mass and stay for the meeting. Looking forward to seeing you on Tuesday, March 18th.

LENTEN PENANCE SERVICES IN OUR AREA

The next Lenten Penance Service will be here, at Immaculate Conception Church on Sunday, March 30th at 3 pm.

The remainder of the schedule for the Lenten Penance Services is listed below:

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| Sunday, April 6th | Holy Spirit Parish at St. Catherine's Church, DuBois. | 3 pm |
| Sunday, April 13th | St. Tobias, Brockway | 3 pm |



Immaculate Conception Church

Freeze Dried Snack Sale

\$7.00 per bag



Choose from WildberrySkittles, Nerds Clusters, Milk Duds, Fruit Roll Ups, Bananas

Pre-order by April 7th

Pick Up April 13th after Mass- 1:00 pm in the Church Hall.

If you can't make it to pick up, call or text Ashley Thorpe to make alternate arrangements.

Thank you for your support and Happy Easter!

All proceeds to benefit the steeple fund.

For more information or to order contact

Ashley Thorpe at (814)573-1070

