

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH



OCTOBER 11, 2026

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. Tuesday
through Friday
Saturday: 5:15 p.m.
Sunday: 10:30 a.m.
Holy Day: Please consult the
bulletin

St. Dominic

Sunday: 8:30 a.m.
Holy Day (Vigil): Please consult
the bulletin.
Reconciliation: 8 a.m. Sunday

Reconciliation

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

28th Sunday
IN ORDINARY TIME



"The kingdom of heaven may be
likened to a king who gave a
wedding feast for his son... Tell
those invited: "Behold, I have
prepared my banquet, my
calves and fattened cattle are
killed, and everything is ready;
come to the feast."'"

- Mt 22:2, 4bc

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

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, OCTOBER 13

8:00 AM For the Croxton Family by Judy Croxton

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 14

8:00 AM Charles Allgeier by Bill Allgeier

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15

8:00 AM Deceased of the Steve Mester Family
by John and Cathy Mester

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16

8:00 AM Mary Chestnut by the Chestnut Family

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17

5:15 PM Diane Jonischek
by Don, Todd, Pam and Emma

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18

8:30 AM (St. Dominic) Parish Family of Immaculate
Conception and St. Dominic

10:30 AM Msgr. John Daniszewski

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE—OCTOBER 17 & 18

Altar Servers

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

Sunday, 10:30 a.m. | Ethan Lauer

Lectors

Saturday, 5:15 p.m. | Ann Thacher

Sunday, 10:30 a.m. | Sara Gow

Sunday, 8:30 a.m. | (St. Dominic) Jo Schrecongost

Rosary Leaders: Barb Riggs, Patty Butcher



The Sanctuary Lamp burns in memory of Mark
Zacherl. Requested by Chris and Corry Bish.

STEWARDSHIP - OCTOBER 3 & 4

Immaculate Conception & St. Dominic

Envelopes	\$3,437.00
Loose.....	\$1,232.00
Catholic Education Collection.....	\$122.00
Catholic Services Appeal—Assessment	\$44,504.00
Pledged.....	\$95,499.00
Paid.....	\$84,482.00
Weekly Goal to meet Operating Budget.....	\$5,127.00
Accumulated goal since July 1, 2026	\$50,021.00
Surplus (Deficit) (Week #14).....	(\$17,088.00)

Thank you for supporting your parish.

THE TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

In the parable of the wedding feast, Jesus offers an image of the kingdom of heaven using the symbol of a wedding banquet. In today's first reading from the prophet Isaiah and in today's psalm, the Lord's goodness is evident in the symbol of a feast of good food and wine. Jesus' listeners would have been familiar with the image of a wedding feast as a symbol for God's salvation. They would consider themselves to be the invited guests. Keeping this in mind helps us to understand the critique Jesus makes with this parable. The context for this parable is the growing tension between Jesus and the Jewish religious leaders in Jerusalem. This has been the case for the past two Sundays and will continue to be true for the next several weeks.

The parable Jesus tells is straightforward. The king dispatches his servants to invite the guests to the wedding feast that he is planning for his son. The listeners would have been surprised to learn that the first guests refused the invitation. Who would refuse the king's invitation? A second dispatch of servants follows. Again to the listeners' great surprise, some guests ignore the invitation. Some of the invited guests even go so far as to mistreat and kill the servants. The king invokes his retribution against these murderers by destroying them and burning their city. We might stop here for a moment. Why would some guests kill the servants sent to invite them to the king's wedding feast? It might be possible that the king was a tyrant, evidenced by the destruction of the city of those who refused his invitation. But if we follow this idea, then the allegory seems to be about something other than the kingdom of heaven. It is more likely that the destruction of the city would have been a powerful image corresponding to the destruction of Jerusalem by the Romans in A.D. 70, which would have been an important event for Matthew's audience.

With the invited guests now deemed unworthy to attend the king's wedding feast, the servants are sent to invite whomever they can find. The guests arrive, but it appears that accepting the king's invitation brings certain obligations. The guest who failed to dress in the appropriate wedding attire is cast out of the feast. We are reminded that while many are invited to the kingdom of heaven, not all are able to meet its requirements. God invites us to his feast, giving us his salvation. Yet he asks us to repent for our sins.

Jesus' message in the parable cautions against exclusive beliefs about the kingdom of heaven. The parable also teaches about humility. Those who assume that they are the invited guests may find that they have refused the invitation, and so others are invited in their place. To accept the invitation is also to accept its obligations. God wants our full conversion in complete acceptance of his mercy.

USHERS SCHEDULE

October 17 Pat and Karen Nosker
 October 18 Gene Hoak, Steven Hoak

**PUBLIC SQUARE ROSARY**

Please join us for our annual Public Square Rosary, today, Sunday, October 11th at 2 pm in the parking lot across the street from DeMans on Main St. Please join us in praying the Rosary for the reparation of sins. Your presence will be greatly appreciated.

DONATION OF PINT JARS NEEDED

In anticipation of our annual Apple Harvest Weekend, we are asking for donations of new pint jars with canning lids and rings. If you would like to donate jars and/or rings and lids, they may be left in the Church Hall on the row of tables in front of the kitchen. Thank you!

RECITATION OF THE ROSARY AT ST DOMINIC

Recitation of the Rosary will be held at St. Dominic's on Thursday evenings at 6 pm. Please join us as we pray for the reparation of sin.



The flowers at Immaculate Conception are in honor of the Wedding Anniversary of Bill and Pat Thompson.

The flowers at St. Dominic are in memory of Bill Ransel. They were placed by Betty Ransel.

**TRUNK OR TREAT**

The Faith Formation Program will be sponsoring a Trunk or Treat on Sunday, October 25th, following the 10:30 am Mass at Immaculate Conception Church. Parishioners are invited to participate in this special event for our students. If you would like to participate, please park your car in the grass area across from the school. After Mass, the students will change into their costumes and visit your car for treats. As a participant, we welcome you to decorate your vehicle or just bring a chair and/or dress in costume if you would like. The event should last no longer than 45 minutes.

We look forward to having you join us for an enjoyable event for our young parishioners.

APPLE HARVEST WEEKEND

Our annual Apple Harvest Weekend will be held on October 24th and 25th. **We will be cutting up apples for the apple butter on Thursday, October 22nd immediately following the 8 am Mass at Immaculate Conception Church. Please bring your knife and a cutting board.**

Apple Butter will be made on Saturday, October 24th. We will need workers for making the apple butter and in the kitchen for jarring the apple butter.

Our Stuffed Pork Chop Dinner will be on Sunday, October 25th beginning at 11:15 am. Cost of the dinner will be \$14. **TAKE-OUT ONLY.** We will need donations of desserts for the dinner.

Please use the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board if you are able to donate a dessert. Or call Karen Nosker (814-328-2203) or Chris Koladish (814-849-2023). Thank you!

**WORLD MISSION SUNDAY
OCTOBER 17 & 18**

The Diocese of Erie will join Catholics around the world in celebrating the 100th anniversary of World Mission Sunday on Oct. 17-18. This annual observance supports more than 1,125 mission dioceses around the world, providing essential assistance to new, young and poor dioceses as they work toward becoming self-sufficient and share Christ's love, mercy, hope and peace.

Your prayers and support for the missions are greatly appreciated. Please be as generous as you are able to this second collection, next weekend.

OUR CEMETERIES

Our parish is responsible for maintaining five cemeteries. As our growing season is winding down we want to take this opportunity to remind you that as you may be cleaning off your loved ones graves, we ask that you take all your trash home with you. We have had several complaints from the surrounding neighbors about trash being left on their property by those visiting our cemeteries. Please be respectful of others property and do not leave your trash where it does not belong. Thank you!