IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH



SEPTEMBER 29, 2024

WELCOME!

Parish Information

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Our Staff

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Mass Schedule Immaculate Conception

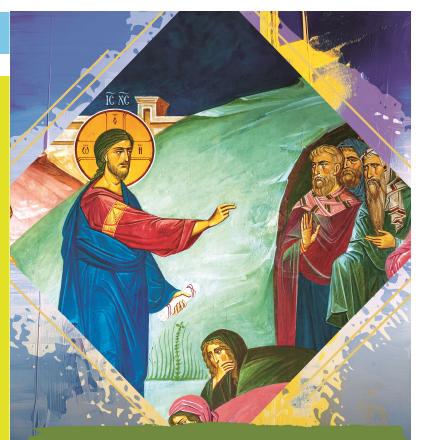
Weekdays: 8:00 a.m. Saturday: 5:15 p.m. Sunday: 10:30 a.m. Holy Day: 8:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.

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



26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"There is no one who performs a mighty deed in my name who can at the same time speak ill of me." - Mk 9:39

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

TUESDAY, October 1 8:00 AM In honor of the 100th Birthday of Elizabeth (Bette) Milford by her Family WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 2 8:00 AM Mass of Thanksgiving by Chris and Steve Koladish **THURSDAY, OCTOBER 3** James Mineweaser by his Family 8:00 AM **FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4** 8:00 AM Steve Koladish Sr. by Steve and Chris Koladish **SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5** 5:15 PM Bob Receski by Barb, Laurie and Cindy **SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6** (St. Dominic) Cook and Bud Hudock 8:30 AM by their Family Ambrose Aaron by Joyce and Family 10:30 AM

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE—OCTOBER 5 & 6

Altar Servers

Saturday, 5:15 p.m. | Please volunteer if you attend this Mass Sunday, 10:30 a.m. | Ethan Lauer, Andrew Bazylak Lectors Saturday, 5:15 p.m. | Michele Confer Sunday, 10:30 a.m. | Katie Peterson St. Dominic | Ashley Thorpe Rosary Leaders: Denny Kinol, Steve Rowan



STEWARDSHIP - SEPTEMBER 21 & 22

Immaculate Conception & St. Dominic

Envelopes	\$2,846.00
Loose	
Catholic Education Collection	\$80.00
Catholic Services Appeal—Assessment	\$41,567.00
Pledged	\$77,665.00
Paid	\$69,087.00
Weekly Goal to meet Operating Budget	\$4,806.00
Accumulated goal since July 1, 2023	\$56,927.00
Surplus (Deficit) (Week #12)	(\$745.00)

Thank you for supporting your parish.

The Sanctuary Lamp burns in memory of Jessica Joanne, requested by David and Jennifer Black.

THE TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN **ORDINARY TIME**

Today we continue to read from the Gospel of Mark. Recall that last week we heard Jesus chastise his disciples for their argument about who among them was the greatest. Jesus taught them that the greatest among them will be those who serve the least ones. In today's Gospel, the disciple John questions Jesus about an unknown exorcist who was driving out demons in Jesus' name. John's question might have been motivated by jealousy. Previously in Mark's Gospel, Jesus healed a boy whom the disciples had been unable to heal. John's question is further evidence that the disciples have not yet grasped Jesus' words to them. They continue to compare themselves to others who seem to have greater healing powers, and they do not want to share the power of Jesus' name with others.

Today the demon possession described in the Gospels might be seen as a form of mental illness, but the need for healing these syndromes was as real then as it is now. Exorcism was a common practice in first-century Palestine. Some people had the power to heal the symptoms of possession. One of the strategies used was to invoke the name of a person or figure who was believed to have the power to heal.

The disciples observed that the unknown exorcist invoked Jesus' name and was successful in his healing efforts. This unknown healer recognized the power of Jesus' name, yet he was not a follower of Jesus. In his reply to his disciples, Jesus acknowledges that deeds of faith can precede the words of faith. He also teaches that the disciples should not be reluctant to share Jesus' healing powers with others.

Later in this Gospel, Jesus teaches us not to create obstacles for those who are just beginning to have

faith but to encourage even the smallest signs of faith. The **aboever** Greek word used here for sin also connotes "stumbling" or "causing scandal." In vivid terms Jesus teaches his disciples the consequences to those who would put obstacles before people who are on the road to faith.



USHERS SCHEDULE

October 5 Pat Nosker, Steve Koladish

October 6 Gene Hoak, Jonathan Hoak

APPLE HARVEST WEEKEND

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!



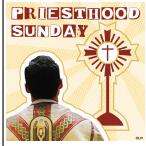
The flowers for the main altar at Immaculate Conception Church are in memory of Rob Connor on the 15th Anniversary of his death. They were placed by the Connor family.

The flowers on St. Joseph's altar are in memory of Chuck Park. They were placed by Molly and Greg Carberry.



ST. DOMINIC INFORMATION

There will be a short meeting following Mass today, Sunday, September 29th, to discuss the Veteran's Day Dinner and our annual Christmas Party. All parishioners are encouraged to attend.



Priesthood Sunday, celebrated the last Sunday of September, a special day set aside to honor the priests of the United States. It is a time to affirm the priesthood of Jesus Christ and its central place in the life of the Church. Priest-

hood Sunday offers an opportunity for young people to connect with their parish pastor, as well as other priests, and learn more about their vocation. This is especially important for young people today because

there are fewer priests now than there used to be. It is a day to reflect and affirm the role of the priesthood in the life of the Church.



PRO-LIFE MONTH INFORMATION

October is Pro-Life Month. Please join with others in our community in prayer for all life from conception until death. Events for Pro-Life Month begin on Sunday, October 6th with the Life Chain by the bridge at Ace Hardware (time to be announced).

Sunday, October 13th, we will be praying the Rosary on the sidewalk across from DeMan's on Main St. at 2 pm.

Sunday, October 20th, there will be a Rally for Life at the Brookville Alliance Church at 2 pm.

Please join us as we pray for an end of abortion.

"Each of us has a mission, each of us is called to change the world, to work for a culture of life, a culture forged by love and respect for the dignity of each human person."

Pope Benedict XVI

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!

APPLE HARVEST WEEKEND MEETING

There will be a planning meeting for our Apple Harvest Weekend on Tuesday, October 1st, at 7 pm in the Church Hall at

Immaculate Conception Church.

Anyone who is interested in helping with the planning of this annual event is encouraged to come to the meeting.

