

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH



JULY 7, 2024

WELCOME!

Parish Information

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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



14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

When the sabbath came he began to teach in the synagogue,
and many who heard him were astonished. - Mk 6:2

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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

MONDAY, JULY 8

Monday Mass is offered privately
Daniel Laska, Sr. by Diane Marsh

TUESDAY, JULY 9

8:00 AM Deceased of the Navarra Family
by the Family

WEDNESDAY, JULY 10

8:00 AM Parish Family of Immaculate Conception and
St. Dominic

THURSDAY, JULY 11

8:00 AM Lewis and Margaret Connor
by Bob and Jean Connor

FRIDAY, JULY 12

8:00 AM Gary Asel by Betty and Kathi Ransel

SATURDAY, JULY 13

5:15 PM Steve Wolfe by Merlyn Wolfe and Family

SUNDAY, JULY 14

8:30 AM (St. Dominic) Lisa Lott Fitzgerald
by Kathi Ransel

10:30 AM Clint and Kate Clark by the Kerr Family

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE—JULY 13 & 14

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. | John Pozza

St. Dominic | Denny Kinol

Rosary Leaders: Denny Kinol and Steve Rowan



PRAYER CHAIN

Because of the sensitivity of peoples names being published, we will respect their privacy and no longer list names of the sick in our bulletin.

If you wish to have a loved one or friend remembered on the prayer chain, please contact the Church Office at (814) 849-8697 and leave a message. Thank you.



The flowers at St. Dominic are in memory of the Deceased members of the Walker Family by Suzy and Randy Walker.



The Sanctuary Lamp burns in memory of the Holy Souls.

THE FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Today's Gospel describes what many believe to have been the typical pattern of Jesus' ministry: teaching in the synagogue followed by acts of healing. In his hometown of Nazareth, the people are amazed by what they hear, but they also cannot comprehend how someone they know so well might move them so powerfully.

In this Gospel, we learn some interesting details about Jesus and his early life. Jesus' kinfolk know him to be a carpenter, an artisan who works in wood, stone, and metal. He probably learned this trade from his father. Family members of Jesus are also named. Mark describes Jesus as the son of Mary, which is an unusual designation. Adult males were more typically identified with the name of their fathers. It is unclear why Mark deviates from this custom.

Brothers and sisters of Jesus are also named. Scholars are divided on how to interpret this. As Catholics, we believe that Mary was and remained always a virgin, thus we do not believe that this Gospel refers to other children of Mary. Some have suggested that these family members might be Joseph's children from a previous marriage, but there is little evidence to support this. Others explain this reference by noting that the words *brother* and *sister* were often used to refer to other types of relatives, including cousins, nieces, and nephews. This Gospel tells us that Jesus is hampered from performing miracles in Nazareth because of the people's lack of faith. Jesus is said to be surprised by this. He did not predict or foresee this rejection. In this detail we find a description of the very human side of Jesus.

This passage unfolds a continuing theme of Mark's Gospel: Who is Jesus? His kinfolk in Nazareth might know the carpenter, the son of Mary, but they do not know Jesus, the Son of God. Mark is foreshadowing Jesus' rejection by his own people, the people of Israel. He is also reflecting on and trying to explain the situation of the community for which he wrote. While many of the first Christians were Jewish, Christianity took hold and flourished in the Gentile community. Mark's community was mostly a Gentile community, who may have been experiencing persecution. By showing that Jesus himself was rejected, Mark consoles and reassures his first readers. He also prepares us to accept this possible consequence of Christian discipleship.

USHERS SCHEDULE

July 13 Pat Nosker, Steve Koladish

July 14 Brien Alexander, Jim Holencik

FALL FESTIVAL

Planning is well underway for our annual Fall Festival to be held September 6th, 7th and 8th.

Donations of good, clean, usable household items for our Flea Market will be accepted on Monday evenings, beginning July 8th. Please remember, due to limited space, we do not accept electronics, tires, exercise equipment, books or clothing.

We are also seeking donations of handcrafted items for our Craft and Christmas Room and donations of completed baskets for our Theme Basket Room.

Donations for the Flea Market, Craft and Christmas Room and the Theme Basket Room can be dropped off at our school building on Monday evenings beginning on July 8th.

Plans for the Festival also include the return of the Chili Cook-off, a Gift Raffle for Kids and games, fun and entertainment for the entire family.

Raffle Tickets will be available for distribution soon. Please help make our Festival a success by buying or selling your raffle tickets. \$2,500 in cash prizes!

**Next Festival Meeting will be
July 16th at 7 pm.**



FESTIVAL SPOTLIGHT GIFT AUCTION

Returning to our Fall Festival this year is our ever popular Gift Auction. The Auction committee is seeking donations of new gifts to feature. In the past we have had bicycles, televisions, power tools, paintings, wreaths, gardening items, camping items, kindles, Ipads, rocking chairs, etc. If you would like to make a donation to this part of our Festival, please contact Brian Ganoë at 814-328-5239.

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

Today's gospel is so familiar, it hurts! The home town folks couldn't accept the presence of God in Jesus. After all, they had watched him grow up. We can easily make the same mistake if we don't see God present in the ordinary members of our family. "The Lord be with you" is a statement of fact. Believe it.

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 <http://www.eriercd.org/familylifeoffice/anniv.html>, 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.

THE ANNUAL MISSIONARY CO-OPERATIVE APPEAL

The annual Missionary Co-operative Appeal will be held in our parish on July 13 and 14. We will be visited by a representative of the Diocese of Buea, in Cameroon. This diocese is in the Southwest Region of Cameroon, in Central Africa. It currently has a Catholic population of 245,750. It has 37 parishes, 117 priests, 88 religious men and women, 71 seminarians and 107 catechist. The diocese is currently going through political unrest, which has resulted in a protracted civil war, causing untold loss of lives and damages to property and livelihood. Thousands of people are now displaced, some seek refuge in other dioceses and regions. But many internally displaced persons now reside in this diocese, which is a safe haven compared to the neighboring dioceses. Hence, they are grappling with a huge influx of stranded people in their midst in need of the Gospel message of hope and humanitarian assistance.

Please be as generous as you are able to this second collection on July 13th and 14th.

A MARRIAGE MOMENT

If you're too busy to pray, you may be too busy. You don't necessarily have to pray together, although that is nice. If praying together is not your style, at least make a commitment to pray FOR your beloved in private...but also check what is keeping you so busy.