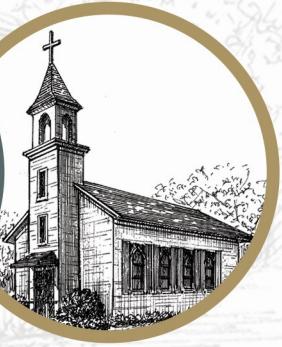


# IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH



**JANUARY 18, 2026**

## WELCOME!

### Parish Information

129 Graham Avenue  
Brookville, PA 15825  
P: (814) 849-8697  
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### Our Staff

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

### Mass Schedule

#### Immaculate Conception

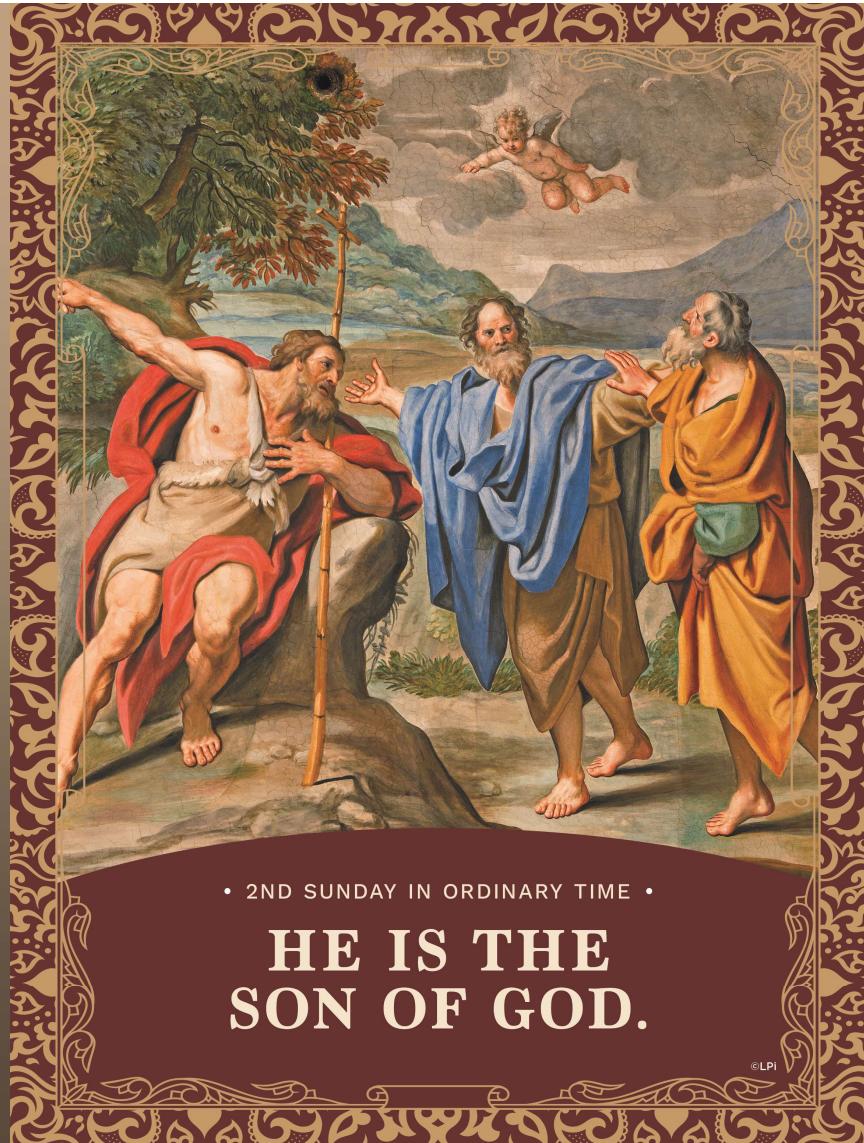
Weekdays: 8:00 a.m.  
Saturday: 5:15 p.m.  
Sunday: 10:30 a.m.  
Holy Day: Consult Bulletin for  
Mass times

### St. Dominic

Sunday: 8:30 a.m.  
Holy Day: Consult Bulletin for  
Mass times  
Reconciliation: 8 a.m. Sunday

### Reconciliation

Saturday: 4:30 p.m. (IC),



• 2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME •

**HE IS THE  
SON OF GOD.**

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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

#### TUESDAY, JANUARY 20

8:00 AM Special Intention by Marie Pucalik

#### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 21

8:00 AM Mary Laska

#### THURSDAY, JANUARY 22

8:00 AM Patty Kocher by Sue Hammer

#### FRIDAY, JANUARY 23

8:00 AM Mary Ann Manfroni by Rosemary Wingard

#### SATURDAY, JANUARY 24

5:15 PM George Morey, Jr. by his Family

#### SUNDAY, JANUARY 25

8:30 AM (St. Dominic) Barb O'Donnell  
by George and Joyce Haines

10:30 AM Parish Family of Immaculate Conception  
and St. Dominic

## THE SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

On this **Second Sunday of Ordinary Time**, the Gospel presents to us the scene of the meeting between Jesus and John the Baptist at the Jordan River. The narrator is the eye witness, John the Evangelist, who, before he was a disciple of Jesus was a disciple of the Baptist, together with his brother James, with Simon and Andrew, all are from Galilee, all are fisherman. So, John the Baptist sees Jesus, who steps forward from the crowd and, inspired from above, sees in Jesus the one sent by God. For this reason he points him out with these words: "Behold the lamb of God, he who takes away the sin of the world!" (John 1:29).

The Baptist sees before him a man who gets in line with sinners to be baptized even though he does not need to. He is the man who God sent into the world as the sacrificial lamb. The word "lamb" appears several times in the New Testament and always in reference to Jesus. This image of the lamb might surprise us: an animal that is certainly not characterized by its strength and hardness takes upon himself such an oppressive weight. The enormous mass of evil is removed and taken away by a weak and fragile creature, who is a symbol of obedience, docility and defenseless love, who goes to the point of sacrificing himself. The lamb is not an oppressor but is docile; he is not aggressive but peaceful; he does not show his claws or teeth in the face of an attack, but endures it and is submissive. And this is how Jesus is! This is how Jesus is! He is like a lamb.

What does it mean for the Church, for us, today to be disciples of Jesus the Lamb of God? It means putting innocence in the place of malice, love in the place of force, humility in the place of pride, service in the place of prestige. It is good work! We Christians must do this: put innocence in the place of malice, love in the place of force, humility in the place of pride, service in the place of prestige. Being disciples of the Lamb means that we must not live like a "city under siege," but like a city on a hill, open, welcoming, solidary. It means not having an attitude of closedness, but proposing the Gospel to everyone, testifying with our life that following Jesus makes us more free and more joyful.

— Pope

Francis *Angelus*

Address January 19,  
2014



## STEWARSHIP - JANUARY 10 & 11

### Immaculate Conception & St. Dominic

Envelopes .....	\$1,659.00
Loose.....	\$1,673.00
Solemnity of Mary.....	\$10.00
Catholic Services Appeal—Assessment .....	\$42,385.00
Pledged.....	\$81,203.00
Paid.....	\$80,083.00
Weekly Goal to meet Operating Budget.....	\$4,970.00
Accumulated goal since July 1, 2025 .....	\$130,641.00
Surplus ( <b>Deficit</b> )(Week #28).....	<b>(\$ 8,519.00)</b>

**Thank you for supporting your parish.**



## USHERS SCHEDULE

January 24 Jim Stanley, Don Jonischek

January 25 Steve French, Thad Johnson

## ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Our next day of Adoration will be on **Thursday, January 29th** from 2 to 7 pm. 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. Our day of Adoration ends at 7 pm with Benediction.

Please plan on joining your parish family 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.

## CHURCH CONTRIBUTIONS

If you need a Church contribution statement for tax purposes, please contact the rectory at 814-849-8697 or by email at: [icbrookville@windstream.net](mailto:icbrookville@windstream.net).

Statements will not be automatically mailed out, you must request a statement to receive one. Requests should be made as soon as possible.

## CHILD PROTECTION AND CREATING SAFE ENVIRONMENTS

## January is Human Trafficking Prevention Month.

In 2024, the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children received over 27,800 reports of possible child sex trafficking. The average age of child sex trafficking victims is 15 years old. Child sex trafficking is child abuse. It occurs when a minor is advertised, solicited, or exploited through a commercial sex act-where sex is exchanged for money, food, shelter, drugs, or anything of value. Traffickers can be family members (even parents), friends, gangs, foster parents, trusted adults or boyfriends. Talk openly with your child about this reality and build resiliency. Address myths that glamorize the commercial sex industry. Warn about online risks: social media and gaming platforms are used by traffickers to target, groom, and recruit victims. Prepare your child: at some point they will likely encounter inappropriate messages or harmful content online. Teach them how to respond safely. Report suspected child sex trafficking by calling 1-800-843-5678 or visit [CyberTipline.org](http://CyberTipline.org). For additional resources visit [www.eriercd.org/childprotection/](http://www.eriercd.org/childprotection/)

## HELP SPREAD THE FAITH

## CATHOLIC COMMUNICATIONS COLLECTION

Our second collection, next weekend, is for Catholic Communications. The Communications Office of strives to keep us informed with happenings in the Diocese as well as world wide. They keep us informed through the Faith magazine, [www.eriercd.org](http://www.eriercd.org), the weekly Diocese of EriE News email, as well as other social media platforms. Your generous support allows all of these options to remain available for free. Please be as generous as you are able to the Communications Collection.



## SANCTUARY LAMP

The schedule for the Sanctuary Lamp for 2026 is posted on the bulletin board at Immaculate Conception Church. Offering for the candle is \$10.

## MASS REQUESTS FOR 2026

We are accepting Mass requests for 2026. Masses are reserved on a first come, first honored basis. **Mass intentions are to be for one person, one couple, deceased of the family, or in honor of a special day.** You may reserve your masses by calling the office at 814-849-8697 or by email at [icbrookville@windstream.net](mailto:icbrookville@windstream.net) or drop your requests in the mail slot at the rectory. Mass stipends remain at \$10 per Mass.



## A PRAYER FOR HOPE

“Heavenly Father, in the sacrament of Baptism, you have given us the gift of new life. Through your son our Lord Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit, you have made us your own. Help us to recognize the gift of human life as a sign of hope in our world. Reveal to us the places where your precious gift of life is most in need of protection and strengthen us to defend life in all stages and circumstances, from the child in the womb to the elderly and dying. Guided by your Holy Spirit, guard us from discouragement and give us the grace to be messengers of hope, filled with confidence that nothing can separate us from your love.”

Amen.