

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH



FEBRUARY 9, 2025

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



5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men." When they brought their boats to the shore, they left everything and followed him. - Lk 5:10-11

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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, FEBRUARY 11

8:00 AM Albert and Clare Kinol by their Family

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 12

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

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13

8:00 AM Deceased of the Paul and Mildred Shaffer Family by Joyce and George Haines

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14

8:00 AM The Wargo and Pucalik Families by Marie Pucalik

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15

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

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16

8:30 AM (St. Dominic) James Laska by Betty and Kathi Ransel

10:30 AM Gilbert Brant by Jim and Susan Brant



The Sanctuary Lamp burns in memory of Cheryl Parules. Requested by Peg Pearsall.

THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Last Sunday, we heard how Jesus was rejected in his hometown of Nazareth. In the verses that follow, Jesus travels to the town of Capernaum and begins his ministry of teaching and healing. While in Capernaum, Jesus cures a man possessed with a demon and heals Simon's mother-in-law. After spending some time there, Jesus prepares to preach in other places. The fact that Jesus had previously been in Simon's home and healed his mother-in-law suggests that this encounter is not the first between Jesus and Simon Peter. We can read today's Gospel, therefore, as a description of the developing relationship between Jesus and Simon Peter.

In today's Gospel, Jesus teaches from Simon's boat. Jesus turns to Simon and instructs him about where to lower the fishing nets. Simon and others have been fishing throughout the night and have not caught anything. Simon protests, claiming that such an effort would be futile. Simon ultimately obeys Jesus and lowers his nets into the deeper water as directed. Notice here that Peter calls Jesus by the title "master." He already recognizes Jesus as a person of authority. They catch so many fish that the nets begin to tear; Jesus' presence has created abundance out of scarcity, just as it did at the wedding feast at Cana, which we heard at Mass just a few weeks ago.

Simon Peter becomes a follower of Jesus immediately. He calls Jesus "Lord"—the title given to Jesus after his Resurrection—and protests his worthiness to be in Jesus' presence. Today's Gospel, therefore, marks a turning point in the relationship between Jesus and Peter.

Two of Simon's partners are also named as witnesses to the event described in today's Gospel: Zebedee's sons, James and John. Yet Jesus' words are addressed only to Simon. Jesus gives Simon a new job, telling him that he will become a different kind of fisherman. No longer will he catch fish; instead he will catch people. In these words, we hear the beginning of the leadership role that Peter will have within the community of disciples. Peter was chosen for this role. His task will be to bring others to Jesus. Already he is doing so; the Gospel tells us that all the fishermen with Peter also left their nets and followed Jesus.

We continue to speak of Peter's leadership and influence in the Church today when we call the pope the "successor of Peter." We participate in the mission of the Church when we bring people to Christ through the example and positive influence of our lives.

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE—FEBRUARY 15 & 16

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. | Ann Thacher

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

St. Dominic | Ashley Thorpe

Rosary Leaders: Barb Riggs, Steve French



STEWARDSHIP - FEBRUARY 1 & 2

Immaculate Conception & St. Dominic

Envelopes	\$3,153.00
Loose	\$562.00
Help Spread the Faith-Communications Collection.....	\$70.00
Fuel Offering.....	\$770.00
Weekly Goal to meet Operating Budget.....	\$4,806.00
Accumulated goal since July 1, 2023	\$129,520.00
Surplus (Deficit) (Week #29).....	(\$9,854.00)

Thank you for supporting your parish.

USHERS SCHEDULE

February 15 Rick Cherico, Bob Deter

February 16 Gene Hoak, Steven Hoak

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

As we enter this new year of 2025 and join with Catholics around the world on the “Jubilee Journey: Pilgrims of Hope”, we will be having a monthly day of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will begin following the 8 am Mass and continue to 7 pm. when Benediction will conclude the period of adoration.

Our next day of Adoration will be on Thursday, February 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.

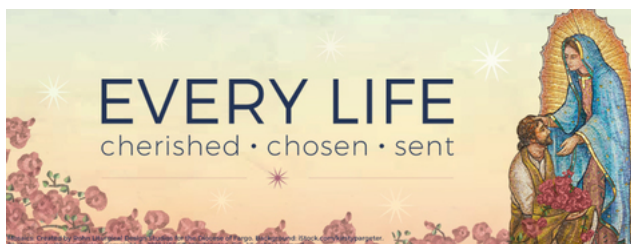
**THE HERITAGE HOUSE
OUR LOCAL SENIOR CENTER**

The Heritage House, 4 Sylvania St., Brookville is our local Senior Center. Open Monday through Friday from 8 am to 2 pm. The center has various activities each day and serves a nutritious lunch at Noon. Reservations for lunch must be made the day before by calling 814-849-3391. Suggested donation for the meal is \$2.50. Senior citizens are invited to stop in and see what our local center has to offer.



RALLY FOR LIFE

Please join us for our annual Rally for Life on Sunday, February 16th at 2 pm at Immaculate Conception Church. The rally will be held in our Church Hall. Come and pray for all life from conception to natural death. Everyone is welcome.



A FAMILY CONNECTION

In the people whom Jesus chose to be his closest friends—his disciples—we see many of the characteristic foibles of ordinary human beings. We also see the ways that God uses the gifts he gave us to transform us into new people, the agents through whom God will lead others to Jesus and to his kingdom. Let's consider the person Jesus chose to be a leader among the disciples and whom he sent to “catch people.” Based on the evidence found in Scripture, we can imagine what Peter must have been like:

- Peter seems unafraid to speak his mind, yet he is also able to take direction. In today's Gospel, Simon Peter lowers his nets as Jesus commands, but not before reminding Jesus that he and his partners have been fishing all night and haven't caught anything.
- Peter is a leader, a spokesperson for others. Today's Gospel suggests that Simon Peter was a leader in his fishing business. When Simon Peter chooses to follow Jesus, others become Jesus' disciple as well.
- Peter's personality and charisma seem to make him the center of attention; yet Peter learned to be transparent, to let others see Jesus through him.
- Peter possesses a dynamic and open relationship with Jesus. Peter often approaches Jesus and speaks what is in his heart.

22:32 MEN’S CONFERENCE

The 22:32 Men’s Conference will be held in Erie, PA on March 1st from 8:30 am to 1 pm. This event features two inspiring speakers.

We will be live-streaming this event in the Church Hall at Immaculate Conception. Registration information is on the bulletin board at the entrance of the Church. If you have any questions, please call Denny Kinol at 814-849-5950.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
TURKEY DINNER**

Our Knights of Columbus will be having a Turkey Dinner on Sunday, March 2nd in the Church Hall at Immaculate Conception Church. More information will be available soon.