

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH



September 8, 2024

WELCOME!

Parish Information

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Mass Schedule

Immaculate Conception

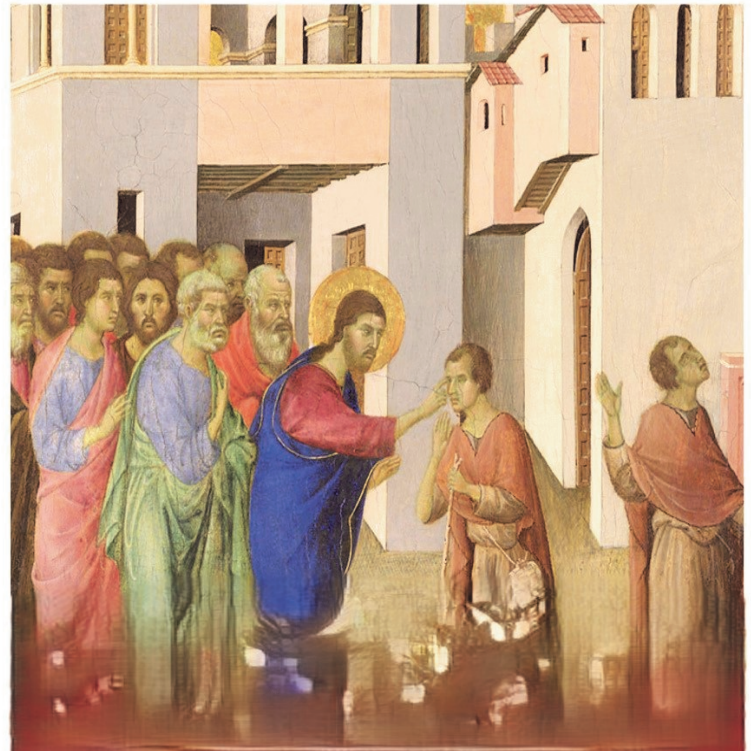
Weekdays: 8:00 a.m.
Saturday: 5:15 p.m.
Sunday: 10:30 a.m.
Holy Day: 8:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.

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



23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

And people brought to him a deaf man who had a speech impediment and begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him off by himself away from the crowd. He put his finger into the man's ears and, spitting, touched his tongue; then he looked up to heaven and groaned, and said to him, "Ephphatha!"—that is, "Be opened!" - Mk 7:32-34

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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, SEPTEMBER 9

No Mass

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

8:00 AM Albert and Ann Pucalik by Marie Pucalik

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

8:00 AM Daniel Laska Sr.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

8:00 AM A. Louise Boozer by Family

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

8:00 AM Gloria Nogacek by Dave and Diane Nogacek

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

5:15 PM James and Frances Mineweaser by Family

SUNDAY, September 15

8:30 AM (St. Dominic) Mike Johnson by George & Joyce Haines

10:30 AM William Gresock by John & Marian Palmer



The Sanctuary Lamp burns in memory of the Holy Souls.

THE TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

In today's reading, Jesus heals a man who was deaf and had a speech impediment. This is a story about Jesus' healing power, and in it we find clues about our understanding of sacrament. We are struck by the physical means used to heal the man, the use of spittle and touch. The Church continues to celebrate the sacraments using physical means. In the Sacrament of Baptism, water and oil are used to show the power of the Holy Spirit. In the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, we are anointed with holy oil on the forehead and the hands. In the Eucharist, bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ. We are a sacramental people who believe that God's grace is given to us through these physical signs.

Some, however, see in this Gospel an image of the proclamation of the good news of Jesus to the Gentiles. The geographic references tell us that Jesus is journeying through Gentile territory. Jesus had previously visited this region and healed a person possessed by a demon. Jesus was already famous there, which explains why people brought the deaf man to him. The story that precedes this reading in Mark's Gospel sets the stage. Jesus encounters a Gentile, a Syrophenician woman who asks him to heal her demon-possessed daughter. Jesus engages her in a dialogue about not feeding to dogs the food intended for children. Jesus is struck by the woman's great faith when she replies that even dogs eat the food that falls from the table, and he heals her daughter immediately. The faith of this Greek woman compels Jesus to respond to her plea.

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE-SEPTEMBER 14 & 15

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. | John Pozza

St. Dominic | Barb Mueller

Rosary Leaders: Denny Kinol, Steve Rowan

Stewardship Appeal

If you receive a notice from the Diocese, stating that you are behind on your pledge, please disregard this notice. Payments will be recorded as soon as possible. Please be patient.

ROAST BEEF DINNER

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8TH

We will be having our Roast Beef Dinner on

Sunday, September 8th beginning at 11:15 am.

Pick up in the church hall.

Cash Raffle Tickets

Please turn in your cash raffle tickets by 3:00 p.m. Sunday, September 8th at the school building.

USHERS SCHEDULE

September 14 Steve Koladish, Pat Nosker

September 15 John Palmer, Jim Holencik



The Flowers on the main altar at Immaculate Conception are in memory of Newt Nosker by Pat, Karen and Family.

Altar Servers and Lectors

Please consult the bulletin for your time to serve or read.

A new schedule will not be sent out until further notice,

FLOWER CALENDAR

Our Flower Calendars are on the bulletin boards at the entrance of Immaculate Conception and St. Dominic. There are still spaces available to place flowers in memory of a loved one or to commemorate a special event. Add your information to the pages and the flowers will be ordered and billed directly to you from the florist of your choice. Or you may bring in fresh flowers from your garden.

The "Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults" or RCIA is the process where adults express their interest in becoming members of the Catholic Church. Through weekly meetings and instruction, discussion and prayer is offered to help introduce the fundamentals of our Faith. Please begin now to spread the word to encourage family and friends who have expressed even a minimal interest in the past, and offer to accompany them as they take this important first step. As in the past years, we invite and look forward to having many other parishioners attending these classes who simply want to know more about their Catholic Faith. Please contact the church office (814-849-8697) if you know someone who is interested in the RCIA program.

FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

Deafness abounds not only when we cannot hear, but when we refuse to listen. Before Jesus can enter your home and heal, you must first recognize your deafness. Have trouble speaking your thoughts? Try choosing loving words, even if the message might be a difficult one to say. All things said in love are easier to hear and accept.

CATHOLIC EDUCATION COLLECTION

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

I ask for your support of the Catholic Education Collection being taken up on the weekend of September 14-15. This annual second collection supports lifelong education and faith formation opportunities for everyone throughout our diocese. Please generously support this collection. You play an integral part in our success in nurturing growth in the minds, hearts and spirits of the faithful. Half of the funds raised from this collection remain in your parish to support your local education and faith formation programs. The other half is used across the diocese for ministry and leadership training, technology support, creative projects in faith formation, as well as tuition assistance for families attending Catholic schools. A small portion also supports The Catholic University of America. Thank you for your generosity. Contributions can be made directly at your parish or online at <https://www.eriercd.org/cec.html>. Be assured of my prayers for you and your family.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

**Child Protection and Creating Safe Environments-
Diocesan Child Protection Policies:**

The Diocese of Erie, is committed to protecting minors who are entrusted to our care. The Diocese has policies and procedures in place to address the national problem of child abuse, to aid in the prevention of abuse and to develop and maintain safe environments. All those who minister to minors are screened, trained, and agree to a Code of Conduct. To read the Policy that includes the Code of Conduct, go to: <https://www.eriercd.org/childprotection/policies-1.html> For more information, contact the diocesan Office for the Protection of Children and Youth at 814-

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION INFO

Religious Education classes begin Sunday, September 15th. Classes are 9:00 - 10:20 in the school. If you are new to the program you can register that day. If you have changed addresses, phone or email, please make the corrections on the first day of classes. Registration fees are: \$20.00 for one child, \$30.00 for two children and \$40.00 for a family of three or more. We look forward to sharing our Catholic faith with your family.