

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH



AUGUST 2, 2026

WELCOME!

Parish Information

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Our Staff

Pastor | Rev. William M. Laska
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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: 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),
also by appointment



18th Sunday

IN ORDINARY TIME

"Taking the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to heaven, he said the blessing, broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, who in turn gave them to the crowds."
Matthew 14:19

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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, AUGUST 4

8:00 AM The Holy Souls in Purgatory

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 5

8:00 AM Charlotte Koladish
by Steve and Chris Koladish

THURSDAY, AUGUST 6

8:00 AM Anthony Gigliotti
by John and Marian Palmer

FRIDAY, AUGUST 7

8:00 AM Peg Zaffuto by the Carberry Family

SATURDAY, AUGUST 8

5:15 PM Cindy Kutsch by Dan and Mary Kutsch

SUNDAY, AUGUST 9

8:30 AM (St. Dominic) Dick and Betty Haines
by George and Joyce Haines

10:30 AM Dorothy Love by the Kerr Family

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE—AUGUST 8 & 9

Altar Servers

Saturday, 5:15 p.m. | Please volunteer if you attend this Mass

Sunday, 10:30 a.m. | Andrew Bazylak

Lectors

Saturday, 5:15 p.m. | Lou Greer

Sunday, 10:30 a.m. | Barbara Chestnut

St. Dominic | Teresa Gilbert

Rosary Leaders: Barb Riggs, Patty Butcher



STEWARDSHIP - JULY 25 & 26

Immaculate Conception & St. Dominic

Envelopes	\$2,160.00
Loose.....	\$1,049.00
International Needs Collection.....	\$20.00
Catholic Services Appeal—Assessment	\$44,504.00
Pledged.....	\$95,499.00
Paid.....	\$79,727.00
Weekly Goal to meet Operating Budget.....	\$5,127.00
Accumulated goal since July 1, 2025	\$17,101.00
Surplus (Deficit) (Week #4).....	(\$3,407.00)

Thank you for supporting your parish.



The flowers for the main altar at Immaculate Conception are in memory of the birth of their son, Christopher. They were placed by Susan and Lou Greer.

The flowers on the Blessed Mother’s altar are in memory of Deb Carberry Fleegeer. They were placed by her Family.



The Sanctuary Lamp burns for the Holy Souls in Purgatory.

THE EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME

Today we jump ahead in our reading of Matthew's Gospel to Chapter 14. Last week we heard Jesus conclude his discourse with the crowds about the Kingdom of Heaven. In Matthew's narrative, Jesus then leaves the crowds and returns to Nazareth, where he is rejected. Matthew then recounts the story of John the Baptist's arrest and execution at the hands of Herod. Today's Gospel reading begins at this point.

Upon hearing the news of the death of John the Baptist, Jesus seeks to withdraw, but the crowds follow him. Jesus reaches out to them in compassion and heals the sick. At the end of a long day, the disciples encourage Jesus to send the crowds away so that they might find provisions for themselves. Jesus again responds with compassion for the crowd. Jesus tells his disciples to provide food for the crowd. The disciples reply with a report of the meagerness of their own provisions—five loaves and two fish. The result is the very familiar miracle of the multiplication of the loaves and fish. Matthew's Gospel tells us that 5,000 men were fed, and this number does not even include the women and children.

Jesus' blessing brought abundance from the meager provisions of the disciples. In this action, Jesus offers us a sign of the Kingdom of Heaven that he has been teaching about in the parables. A feast results from the smallest of portions—remember the mustard seed and the yeast. In this miracle we witness an example for Christian life and ministry. Even the smallest of offerings can produce abundant results when placed in the service of the Kingdom of Heaven.

We find the story of Jesus' multiplication of the loaves and the fish in each of the four Gospels. In the Gospels of Mark and Matthew, Jesus performs this same miracle on two separate occasions. The story of this miracle is an anticipation of the Eucharist in which we are fed by the abundant grace of God. The importance of the Eucharist has been a defining element of Christian life from the very beginning.

USHERS SCHEDULE

August 8 Lou and Susan Greer

August 9 Jim Holencik, Brien Alexander

TUITION ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE

If you are a registered parishioner of Immaculate Conception Parish in Brookville and are interested in sending your children to a Catholic elementary or high school, tuition assistance based upon need may be available. Please contact DuBois Central Catholic School, Saints Cosmas and Damian Catholic School, Punxsutawney or Immaculate Conception Catholic School, Clarion for more information. This opportunity is funded through The Catholic Foundation by a private donation for our parish.

CONGRATULATIONS!

We congratulate Perry Butcher, Miah Chestnut, Ben Gallagher, Drake McKinney and Melanie Stoltzfus who received the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist this weekend. Please keep them and their families in your prayers as they continue their faith journey.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE HAPPY REPOSE OF THE SOUL OF:

Richard D. (Dick) Hetrick
Janice (Jan) Clinger

**FALL FESTIVAL SPOTLIGHT
SWEET SHOP**

Our Sweet Shop, a most popular stop at our Fall Festival, will be asking for donations of homemade baked goods as well as home canned jams and jellies, relishes, pickles etc. Please keep this in mind as you begin your home canning.

Also, your donations of homemade baked goods are needed to stock the shelves. We need cookies, pies, candy bread, rolls, etc. As in the past, we ask those whose last name begins with the letters A through L, please bring your items on Friday, September 11th. Those whose last name begins with the letters M through Z, please bring your items on Saturday, September 12th.

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

The apostles were likely being practical when they asked Jesus to "dismiss the crowds" so they could buy food. However, Jesus knew that when we place our trust in the Father, there is always enough, even with just five loaves and two fish. Trust is the bridge to miracles.

FALL FESTIVAL INFO

Our **Children's Gift Raffle** is seeking items for children up to and including 6th grade. Tickets are free to each child. Monetary donations are also welcome.

Our **Gift Raffle** is asking for donations of new items. In the past we have had bicycles, televisions, power tools, paintings, wreaths, gardening items, camping items, kindles, Ipads, rocking chairs, wooden swings etc. If you would like to make a donation to this part of our Festival, please contact Brian Ganoe at 814-591-3248.

Our **Theme Basket Room** is asking for completed baskets using new items. This room has proven to be a very popular area in the past and people are excited to walk away with a beautiful basket filled with useful items. As an added note, if you will be donating a basket that has food items included, please wait to bring your basket after September 6th to insure freshness and quality. If you would like to make a donation to this area of our Festival, but cannot get to the store to purchase the items for a basket, you can make a monetary donation and we will do the shopping for you.

Our **Craft and Holiday Room** is asking for handcrafted items and Christmas decorations. Perhaps you have a talent for woodworking, wreath making, tole painting, pottery, carving, making jewelry, quilting, hand-painted or carved signs, Christmas ornaments, soap making or any other craft. Please consider making a few items for our Craft and Holiday Room. Show us what you can do! Donations can be dropped off at our school building on Monday evenings.

The **Flea Market** is seeking donations of good, clean, usable household items. **Please remember, due to limited space, we do not accept fine china sets, electronics, tires, exercise equipment, books, clothing, overstuffed furniture, couches and chairs.** The Flea Market Committee also needs help with carrying items into the school on Monday evenings. Just show up and lend a hand!

Plans for the Festival also include the \$2,500 Cash Raffle, Cabbage Rolls by pre-order, Chili Cook-off, sandwiches and pizza, Roast Beef Dinner on Sunday, and games and fun for the entire family.

Please pick up your Cash Raffle Tickets. The success of our Fall Festival depends heavily on the sale of the Cash Raffle Tickets. Extra tickets are available at the parish office.

