IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH

NOVEMBER 12, 2023

WELCOME!

Parish Information

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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.

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

32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"You know neither the day nor the hour." - Mt 25: 13

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.

MASS INTENTIONS

Schedule for the Week

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13 Monday Mass is offered privately Daniel Laska, Jr. by Keith & Kathy Milliron **TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14** No Mass today WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15 8:00 AM The Warren Ent Family by the Family **THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16** 8:00 AM Msgr. Richard Mayer **FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17** Kristen Swope by Kathleen McCabe 8:00 AM **SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18** 5:15 PM Jeanne Carberry by Steve & Chris Koladish **SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19** 8:30 AM (St. Dominic) Parish Family of Immaculate Conception and St. Dominic Mass of Thanksgiving 10:30 AM

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

November 18 & 19

Altar Servers

Saturday, 5:15 p.m. | Please volunteer if you attend this Mass Sunday, 10:30 a.m. | Ellie Gow

Lectors

Saturday, 5:15 p.m. | Phil Hynes Sunday, 10:30 a.m. | Steve French St. Dominic | Denny Kinol

Rosary Leaders: Denny Kinol

STEWARDSHIP - NOVEMBER 4 & 5

Immaculate Conception & St. Dominic

Envelopes	\$4,898.00
Loose	\$1,252.00
All Saint's Day	\$830.00
All Soul's Day	
Flower Fund	\$25.00
Catholic Services Appeal—Assessment	\$41,683.00
Pledged	\$67,701.00
Paid	\$61,994.00
Weekly Goal to meet Operating Budget	\$4,806.00
Accumulated goal since July 1, 2023	\$86,972.00
Surplus (Deficit)	(\$4,342.00)

Thank you for supporting your parish.

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 Sanctuary Lamp burns in memory of the Holy Souls in Purgatory.

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The flowers at Immaculate Conception for the main altar are in memory of Bob and Vivian Heberling. They were placed by Karen and Pat Nosker.

THE THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

In this week's Gospel, Jesus talks about what it means to be prepared to receive the Kingdom of Heaven. This week's reading follows a series of warnings and predictions by Jesus about the coming of the Son of Man. Jesus wants his disciples to understand that the exact day and time cannot be predicted. He teaches the disciples that they must remain vigilant so that they will not be caught unprepared.

When thinking about the parable of the wise and foolish virgins, it is important to consider the first-century wedding traditions of Palestine. Scholars tell us that it was the custom of the day for young maidens—friends and family members of the bride—to meet the bridegroom when he came to bring his bride to her new home.

As with many of Jesus' parables, several levels of interpretation are possible. In last week's Gospel, we heard Jesus warn against following the example of the Pharisees and scribes. If read in the context of early Christianity's struggle to define itself against Pharisaic Judaism, this parable is a continuing critique of Judaism. It suggests that the Jewish leaders were like the foolish virgins, unprepared to meet Jesus, the bridegroom of Israel.

USHERS SCHEDULE

November 18 John Mester, Mike Chestnut

November 19 Gene Hoak, Jonathan Hoak

CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT COLLECTION

Our second collection, next weekend, November 18 & 19, is for the Campaign for Human Development.

Bishop Persico writes:

"Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ:

On the weekend of November 18-19, a second collection will be taken up in our parishes for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD).

This annual collection supports the national antipoverty program of the U.S. Catholic Bishops working to break the cycle of poverty by helping people with low income participate in decisions that affect their lives, families, and communities.

CCHD offers a hand up, not a handout. Additionally, CCHD helps to educate the public on poverty related issues, using the perspective of Scripture and Catholic Social Teaching. CCHD has made over 9,000 grants to support people living in poverty break the cycle of poverty, and over 200 organizations are supported each year through the annual collection taken up in dioceses. Half of the funds from this collection remain in the Diocese of Erie to fight poverty in our local communities. The Gospel message compels us to assist others in finding creative solutions to poverty, so that we are able to break the cycle of dependence and powerlessness in society.

This work is not possible without the support of dedicated Catholics like you. Your contributions are helping to build more merciful and just communities in the Diocese of Erie and throughout the country. Please consider helping us to uphold human dignity and eradicate poverty by giving generously to the second collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development.

> Sincerely Yours in Christ, Lawrence T. Persico Bishop of Erie

BREAKFAST AT STS. COSMAS & DAMIAN

The Knights of Columbus Council #452, Punxsutawney are having a breakfast at SSCD on November 19th from 7 am until Noon. Breakfast includes pancakes, eggs, sausage, bacon, and home fries. Cost is \$10. All proceeds benefit the School Scholarship Fund.



ST. BERNARD CHURCH FAMOUS SPAGHETTI DINNER

St. Bernard Church, Falls Creek, will have their famous Spaghetti Dinner on Sunday, November 19th. Dinner will be take-out only and available from 11 am to 1 pm or until sold our. Sauce and meatballs only will be available for take -out on Saturday, November 18th after the 4:30 pm Mass. Please bring your own containers for



HOLIDAY CRAFT SHOW

A Christmas Holiday Craft Show will be held at the St. Mary Social Hall in Crown, 117 Lencer Dr., Leeper, PA on Friday, December 1st and Saturday,

December 2nd from 9 am to 4 pm each day. There will be over 40 tables filled with crafts and vendors available to help you complete your holiday shopping. Refreshments and a soup and sandwich lunch will be available for purchase. There will also be a Chinese Auction, 50/50 Raffle and a special raffle. Admission is free. Proceeds benefit the St. Mary/St. Ann Faith Formation Program.

ANNUAL COLLECTION FOR FOOD PANTRY

We will be collecting monetary donations for the Brookville Food Pantry on Thanksgiving Weekend. Collection jars will be at the exits of the church following all Masses that weekend. All money collected will be given to our local food pantry. Please be as generous as you are able to help those in need.