

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH



APRIL 19, 2026

WELCOME!

Parish Information

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Our Staff

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Mass Schedule

Immaculate Conception

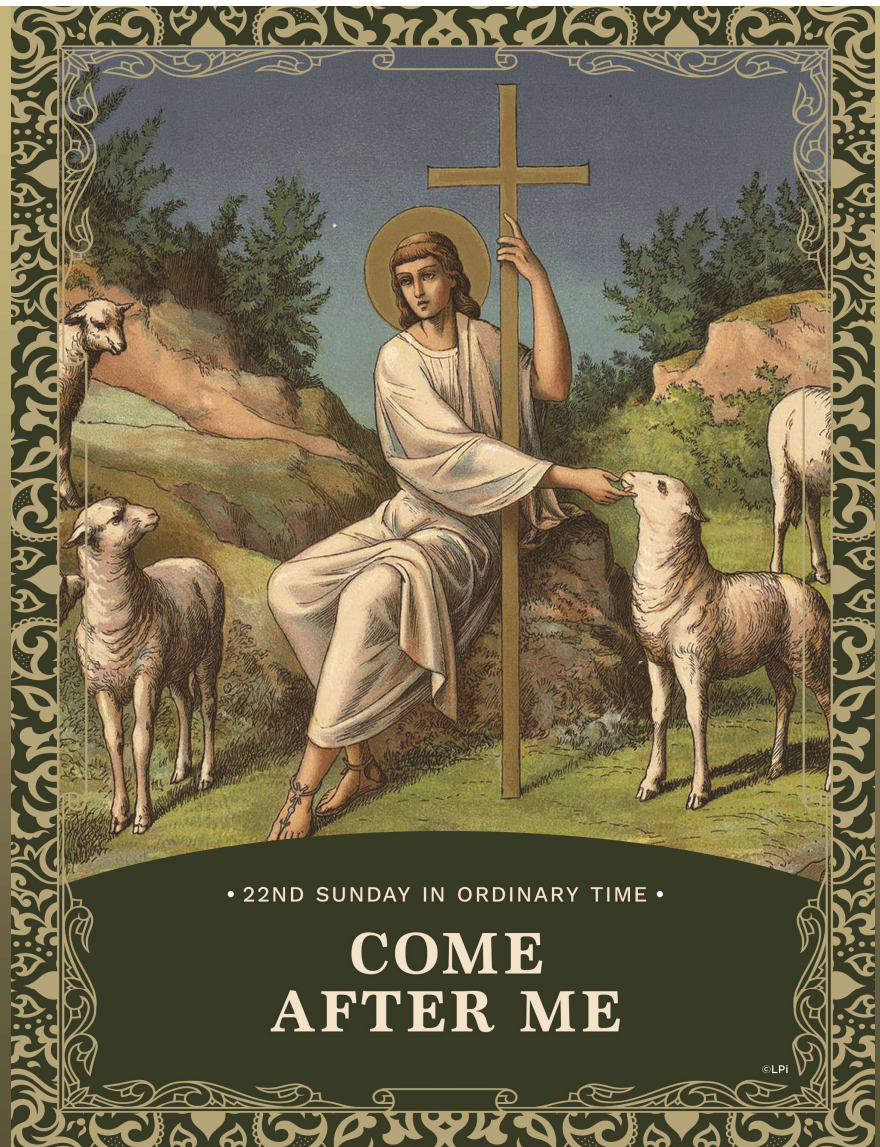
Weekdays: 8:00 a.m.
Saturday: 5:15 p.m.
Sunday: 10:30 a.m.
Holy Day: Consult Bulletin for
Mass times

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),



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, APRIL 21

8:00 AM Mass of Thanksgiving

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22

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

THURSDAY, APRIL 23

8:00 AM Deceased of the Boozer and Mineweaser Family by the Family

FRIDAY, APRIL 24

8:00 AM Barb and Chris Kennedy by Jim and Susan Brant

SATURDAY, APRIL 25

5:15 PM Rachel Melillo by Gina and Rick Cherico

SUNDAY, APRIL 26

8:30 AM (St. Dominic) Edith Barilar by Fran Barilar

10:30 AM Robert and Shelly Forbes by Jim and Kathy Pallone

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE—APRIL 25 & 26

Altar Servers

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

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

Lectors

Saturday, 5:15 p.m. | Michele Confer

Sunday, 10:30 a.m. | Steve French

St. Dominic | Rosemary Wolbert

Rosary Leaders: Barb Riggs and Steve French

STEWARDSHIP - APRIL 11 & 12

Immaculate Conception & St. Dominic

Envelopes	\$4,053.00
Loose	\$812.00
Holy Land Collection.....	\$50.00
Rice Bowl Offering.....	\$30.00
Good Shepherd Sunday Offering.....	\$50.00
Catholic Services Appeal—Assessment	\$44,504.00
Pledged.....	\$94,699.00
Paid.....	\$70,557.00
Weekly Goal to meet Operating Budget.....	\$4,970.00
Accumulated goal since July 1, 2025	\$185,230.00
Surplus (Deficit) (Week #41).....	(\$18,040.00)

Thank you for supporting your parish.



The Sanctuary Lamp burns for the Holy Souls in Purgatory.

THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

As in last week's Gospel, today's Gospel shows us how the first community of disciples came to believe that Jesus had risen from the dead. In these stories we gain insight into how the community of the Church came to be formed.

When we read today's Gospel, we may be surprised to learn that these friends of Jesus could walk and converse with him at some length yet not recognize him. Again we discover that the risen Jesus is not always easily recognized. Cleopas and the other disciple walk with a person whom they believe to be a stranger; only later do they discover that the stranger is Jesus. We learn that the first community met and recognized Jesus in the breaking of the bread, just as we meet Jesus in the Eucharist.

We can imagine the feelings of the two disciples in today's reading. They are leaving their community in Jerusalem. Their friend Jesus has been crucified. Their hope is gone. They are trying to make sense of what has occurred, so that they can put the experience behind them. Jesus himself approaches the two men, but they take him for a stranger. Jesus asks them what they are discussing. He invites them to share their experience and interpretation of the events surrounding his crucifixion and death. When the two disciples have done so, Jesus offers his own interpretation of his crucifixion and resurrection, citing Jewish Scripture. In that encounter we find the model for our Liturgy of the Word—what we do each time we gather as a community for the Eucharist. We reflect upon our life experiences and interpret them in light of Scripture. We gather together to break open the Word of God.

In the next part of the story, we find a model for our Liturgy of the Eucharist. The disciples invite the stranger (Jesus) to stay with them. During the meal in which they share in the breaking of the bread, the disciples' eyes are opened; they recognize the stranger as Jesus. In the Eucharist too we share in the breaking of the bread and discover Jesus in our midst. Just as the disciples returned to Jerusalem to recount their experience to the other disciples, we too are sent from our Eucharistic gathering. Our experience of Jesus in the Eucharist compels us to share the story with others.

USHERS SCHEDULE

April 25 Pat Nosker, Steve Koladish

April 26 Steve French, Thad Johnson

FALL FESTIVAL PLANNING MEETING

There will be a Fall Festival Planning Meeting on Tuesday, April 28th at 7 pm in the Church Hall at Immaculate Conception Church. Anyone interested in helping to plan for our annual Festival is invited to attend.

CHILD PROTECTION AND CREATING SAFE ENVIRONMENTS

A mandated reporter is required by Pennsylvania law and the diocesan Policy for the Protection of Children to report suspected or disclosed cases of child abuse to ChildLine or law enforcement. Mandated reporters in our diocese are people who hold positions of trust in our schools, parishes, agencies, and institutions. All clergy, employees and volunteers working/serving in our parishes, schools or agencies are mandated both legally and morally to report any reasonably suspected or known child abuse to ChildLine, the local law enforcement, or other appropriate agency. Visit www.eriercd.org/childprotection/ to learn the specific reporting procedures required by the diocese.

GOSPEL REFLECTION

The Third Sunday of Easter reminds us that Jesus walks with us every day. The readings tell us that His death and resurrection were part of God's plan. Peter speaks with courage, filled with faith and hope. We are called to trust that Jesus is with us and to share His message with others.

The Gospel story of the road to Emmaus shows how Jesus helps us understand God's Word. The disciples recognize Him when He breaks the bread. This reminds us that Jesus is present in Scripture and in the Eucharist. When we open our hearts to Him, our faith grows, and we find hope and joy in knowing that He lives.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION/ST. DOMINIC**GOLF SCRAMBLE**

Our 2nd Annual Golf Scramble will be held on Saturday, May 30th at Pinecrest Country Club. Registration forms can be found on icbrookville.com and on the bulletin board at Immaculate Conception Church. For more information, please contact Bob Deter at 814-715-2939. Not a golfer but still want to help with this event...a donation form is also available at icbrookville.com and at the entrance of the church at Immaculate Conception. Help us make this another successful event!

The Committee is also looking for donations for the Chinese Auction and cookies, treats, desserts for the Golfers on the day of the event. There will be a sign up sheet on the bulletin board at the entrance of the church at Immaculate Conception.

**PARENTING POINTERS**

It's natural to want to save our children from their difficulties or mistakes. Don't be too quick to rescue, however. A research study of 400 high achievers (like Churchill and Einstein) showed that ¾ of them came from poverty or troubled childhoods. ¼ of them had physical handicaps. Overcoming an obstacle can strengthen a child. Support your children but often it's best to let them do things themselves – the hard way.

PRAYER CHAIN

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 or call Mary Snyder at 814-849-3478. Thank you.

DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

Diocesan Anniversary Celebrations for couples celebrating 25, 40, 50, 60 or more years of marriage in 2026 will be held at two locations in the Diocese of Erie this summer:

Sunday, August 23 at St. George, Erie at 2:00 pm

Sunday, August 30 at St. Leo Magnus, Ridgway at 2:00 pm

Couples may complete registration online at <https://www.eriercd.org/familylifeoffice/anniv.html>, or by calling their parish office or contact the Marriage and Family Life Office at (814) 824-1210. Registrations are being accepted until August 13 for the Erie celebration and until August 20 for the Ridgway celebration.