

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH



JANUARY 26, 2025

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: 8:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.

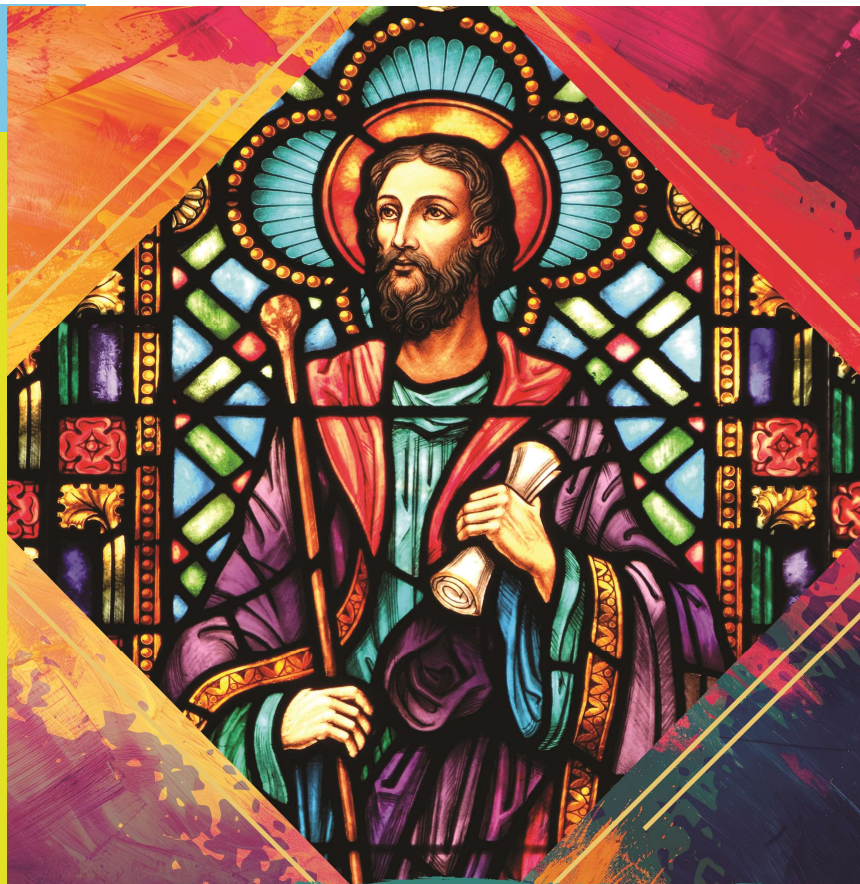
St. Dominic

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



3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me.
- Lk 4:18

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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, JANUARY 28

8:00 AM Alfredo Tangaha by Rob and Karen Caputo

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 29

8:00 AM Ellen, Bill, Justin and Jared Sherman
by George and Joyce Haines

THURSDAY, JANUARY 30

8:00 AM Frances Browning by Lorraine Powell

FRIDAY, JANUARY 31

8:00 AM The Holy Souls in Purgatory

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 1

5:15 PM Wayne and Terry Smith
by John and Cathy Mester

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 2

8:30 AM (St. Dominic) Donna Kinol by her Family
10:30 AM Tom Ransel by his Family

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE—FEBRUARY 1 & 2

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. | Jim Stanley

Sunday, 10:30 a.m. | Katie Peterson

St. Dominic | Jo Schrecongost



STEWARDSHIP - JANUARY 25 & 26

Immaculate Conception & St. Dominic

Envelopes\$2,607.00
Loose..... \$596.00
Help Spread the Faith Collection.....\$70.00

Weekly Goal to meet Operating Budget..... \$4,806.00
Accumulated goal since July 1, 2023\$122,042.00
Surplus (**Deficit**) (Week #27).....(**\$7,720.00**)

Thank you for supporting your parish.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE HAPPY REPOSE OF THE SOUL OF:

Dickson Tattersall
Sally Wilson
(Nikki Werner's Mother)

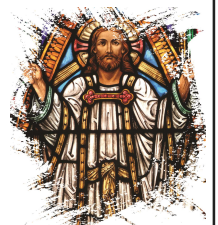
THE THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

In chapter four of Luke's Gospel, we hear that Jesus is in his hometown of Nazareth, attending the synagogue on the Sabbath, which is said to be his custom. In this account, we find another important clue that Jesus lived as a faithful, observant Jew. We will continue to read from Luke's Gospel in sequence for the next two Sundays.

As Jesus stands in the synagogue, he reads from the scroll handed to him; it contains the words of the prophet Isaiah. At this early moment in his ministry, Jesus announces his mission in continuity with Israel's prophetic tradition. This reading from Isaiah defines Jesus' ministry. We will find more evidence of this as we continue to read from Luke's Gospel throughout the year. Jesus' ministry will include bringing glad tidings to the poor, liberty to captives, healing to the sick, freedom to the oppressed, and proclaiming a year acceptable to the Lord.

Through this text from Isaiah, Jesus announces God's salvation. The "year acceptable to the Lord" is a reference to the Jewish tradition of Sabbath years and jubilee. The Sabbath year was observed every seventh year. It was a year of rest when land was left fallow and food stores were to be shared equally with all. A year of Jubilee was celebrated every fiftieth year, the conclusion of seven cycles of Sabbath years. It was a year of renewal in which debts were forgiven and slaves were freed. This tradition of Jubilee is the framework for God's promise of salvation. And yet in Jesus, something new begins. Jesus not only announces God's salvation, he brings this salvation about in his person. Jesus is Yahweh's Anointed One, filled with the Spirit of God. The Kingdom of God is now at hand. It is made present in Jesus, in his life, death, and Resurrection. Jesus will send the Holy Spirit so that the Kingdom of God can be fulfilled.

The Holy Spirit is Jesus' gift to the Church. The Holy Spirit enables the Church to continue the mission of Jesus. When we do what Jesus did—bring glad tidings to the poor, liberty to captives, healing to the sick, and freedom to the oppressed—we serve the Kingdom of God.



USHERS SCHEDULE

February 1 Jim Stanley, John Mester

February 2 Jim Holencik, Brien Alexander

MASS REQUESTS FOR 2025

We are accepting Mass requests for 2025. Masses are reserved on a first come, first honored basis. **Mass intentions are to be for one person or for one couple or listed as the Deceased members of the family or in honor of a special event.** You may reserve your Masses by calling the office at 814-849-8697 or by email at icbrookville@windstream.net or drop your requests in the mail slot at the rectory. Mass stipends remain at \$10 per Mass.

SAVE THE DATE

Our annual Sweetheart Dinner will be held on **Wednesday, February 12th** at 6 pm in the Church Hall at Immaculate Conception Church. Prime Rib Dinner—\$30 or Stuffed Pork Chop Dinner—\$25. Tickets are limited and will be available by advance purchase only and on a first-come basis. Last day to purchase tickets will be January 31st. Tickets available following weekend Masses or call Karen at 814-328-2203 or Chris at 814-849-2023.

**SANCTUARY LAMP**

The schedule for the Sanctuary Lamp for 2025 is posted on the bulletin board at Immaculate Conception Church. You may request having the Sanctuary Lamp burn in memory of a deceased loved one or in honor of a special event. Offering for the candle is \$10.

A FAMILY CONNECTION

Jesus was the one sent by God to bring salvation to the world. Jesus announced that mission using the framework we hear in today's Gospel from the prophet Isaiah: glad tidings will be brought to the poor, liberty to captives, recovery of sight for the blind, and freedom for the oppressed. Jesus inaugurates the Kingdom of God in his person—through his life, death, and Resurrection. We are charged with the task of continuing the mission that Jesus began. Jesus set the framework for all of us when he announced his ministry in today's Gospel. Jesus also gave us the helper we would need to enable us to participate in his mission. The Holy Spirit has been given to us so that we, the Church, might serve the Kingdom of God.

Gather with your family and suggest that they try to picture the vision that Jesus describes using the words of the prophet Isaiah as you read today's Gospel, Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21. Think about your neighborhood, your community. What are the situations and who are the people who most need to see this vision fulfilled? What steps would be necessary to make the vision a reality for them? Make a family commitment to pray for the Kingdom of God and to take a particular action that will address a need you see in your community. Ask the Holy Spirit to help you by praying the Prayer to the Holy Spirit.

**JUBILEE JOURNEY: PILGRIMS OF HOPE**

A monthly newsletter for the Jubilee Journey is available on the diocesan website at [HolyYear-jan-newsletter.pdf](#). Check in each month to stay connected and to celebrate this Holy Year.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING

The Knights of Columbus will have their monthly meeting on Tuesday, January 28th at 7 pm in the Church Hall at Immaculate Conception Church. All members are encouraged to attend.

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

In today's gospel, Jesus was 'praised by all' except in his hometown of Nazareth, where 'the eyes of all were intently on him.' Acceptance can be difficult to find at home due to unrealistic EXPECTATIONS. Jesus challenges us to 'proclaim liberty' to anyone 'oppressed' or 'captive' by our EXPECTATIONS.

CHURCH CONTRIBUTIONS

If you need a Church contribution statement for tax purposes, please contact the rectory at 814-849-8697 or by email at: icbrookville@windstream.net.

Statements will not be automatically mailed out, you must request a statement to receive one. Requests should be made as soon as possible. Thank you.