

# IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH



**JANUARY 11, 2026**

## WELCOME!

### Parish Information

129 Graham Avenue  
Brookville, PA 15825  
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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.  
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),



## THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

A voice came from the heavens, saying, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased." - Mt 3:17

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

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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 13

8:00 AM Sharon Boozer by her Family

#### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 14

8:00 AM Delmar Lauer by the Lauer Family

#### THURSDAY, JANUARY 15

8:00 AM Andrew Gresock, Sr.  
by John and Marian Palmer

#### FRIDAY, JANUARY 16

8:00 AM Mary Esther Kordes and Family

#### SATURDAY, JANUARY 17

5:15 PM Michael Melillo by Rick and Gina Cherico

#### SUNDAY, JANUARY 18

8:30 AM (St. Dominic) Sally Wilson  
by the Lauer Family  
10:30 AM Jack McElhinny by the Sisters of Mercy

## LITURGICAL SCHEDULE—JANUARY 17 & 18

### Altar Servers

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

Sunday, 10:30 a.m. | Oliver Butcher

### Lectors

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

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

St. Dominic | Rosalee Steele

**Rosary Leaders:** Denny Kinol, Steve Rowan



## STEWARSHIP - DECEMBER 27 & 28

### Immaculate Conception & St. Dominic

Envelopes .....	\$3,480.00
Loose.....	\$1,347.00
Christmas Offering.....	\$6,214.00
Catholic Services Appeal—Assessment .....	\$42,385.00
Pledged.....	\$81,153.00
Paid.....	\$79,190.00
Weekly Goal to meet Operating Budget.....	\$4,970.00
Accumulated goal since July 1, 2023 .....	\$121,544.00
Surplus ( <b>Deficit</b> )(Week #26).....	<b>(-\$7,676.00)</b>

**Thank you for supporting your parish.**

## 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.



The Sanctuary Lamp burns in memory of all the deceased members of the Parish Family of Immaculate Conception and St. Dominic.

## THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

Today the Church celebrates the **Feast of the Baptism of Our Lord**. This feast brings to an end the season of Christmas. Ordinary Time lasts from the day after this feast to the Tuesday before Lent.

The Church recalls Our Lord's second manifestation or epiphany which occurred on the occasion of His baptism in the Jordan. Jesus descended into the River to sanctify its waters and to give them the power to beget sons of God. The event takes on the importance of a second creation in which the entire Trinity intervenes.

In the Eastern Church this feast is called *Theophany* because at the baptism of Christ in the River Jordan God appeared in three persons. The baptism of John was a sort of sacramental preparatory for the Baptism of Christ. It moved men to sentiments of repentance and induced them to confess their sins. Christ did not need the baptism of John. Although He appeared in the "substance of our flesh" and was recognized "outwardly like unto ourselves", He was absolutely sinless and impeccable. He conferred upon the water the power of the true Baptism which would remove all the sins of the world: "Behold the Lamb of God, behold Him Who takes away the sin of the world."

Many of the incidents which accompanied Christ's baptism are symbolical of what happened at our Baptism. At Christ's baptism the Holy Spirit descended upon Him; at our Baptism the Trinity took its abode in our soul. At His baptism Christ was proclaimed the "Beloved Son" of the Father; at our Baptism we become the adopted sons of God. At Christ's baptism the heavens were opened; at our Baptism heaven was opened to us. At His baptism Jesus prayed; after our Baptism we must pray to avoid actual sin.



## USHERS SCHEDULE

January 17 Rick Cherico, Bob Deter

January 18 Gene Hoak, Steven Hoak

## HELP SPREAD THE FAITH COLLECTION

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Communicating the Gospel has always been at the heart of the Catholic Church's mission. Today, that mission takes on renewed urgency as we work to reach the faithful across our 13 counties through meaningful stories, clear teaching, and accessible outreach. That is why I am inviting you to support the Help Spread the Faith Communications Collection, taken up on the weekend of January 24-25, 2026, which sustains two vital ministries in our diocese: • Faith magazine • Catholic Communications (digital, video and news outreach) Your generosity makes it possible for us to: • Deliver Faith magazine to tens of thousands of households – sharing stories of hope, service and discipleship. • Reach those on the margins who no longer attend Mass regularly but stay connected through our publications and digital presence. • Strengthen our digital evangelization, including video messages, online storytelling and social outreach. • Provide clear, trustworthy communication during moments of celebration, challenge or transition in the life of the church. Many parishioners have shared how a single article, homily quote or online reflection brought comfort in grief, encouraged a return to the sacraments or reignited a desire for deeper faith. These moments are grace at work – and your support makes them possible. As we look forward to the year ahead, I ask you to prayerfully consider a gift to this year's collection. Your contribution directly helps us: • Preserve Faith magazine as a free resource for every Catholic household. • Expand our ability to proclaim the Gospel in innovative and compelling ways. • Ensure that the Good News reaches every corner of northwest Pennsylvania. You have my heartfelt gratitude for the many ways you support the mission of the Catholic Church. Please be assured of my prayers for you and your loved ones.

Sincerely yours in Christ,  
+Lawrence T. Persico  
Bishop of Erie

## 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](mailto: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.

## HELP NEEDED

We will be taking down the Christmas decorations at St. Dominic's on Sunday, January 11th (today) following the 8:30 AM Mass.

We will be taking down the Christmas decorations at Immaculate Conception Church on Sunday, January 11th (today) at 2 pm.

Anyone who would be able to help is asked to come at that time. All help is greatly appreciated. This is a great opportunity for high school students who need service hours for church or school.

## EMAIL ADDRESSES

If you are involved in any of the Parish Ministries, and we don't have your current e-mail address, please send an email to: [icbrookville@windstream.net](mailto:icbrookville@windstream.net) so we can add you to our address book. Schedules can then be sent to keep you informed and up to date.

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING

The Knights of Columbus will have their monthly meeting on Sunday, January 11th (today) at 7 pm in the church hall at Immaculate Conception Church.

## STEWARDSHIP - JANUARY 3 &amp; 4

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## CHRISTMAS FLOWER MEMORIALS

Dave Croxton

Lenore Moyer