# IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH

# JULY 13, 2025

# 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. 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),



# **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

TUESDAY, JULY 15		
8:00 AM	Paul and Helen Allgeier by Bill Allgeier	
WEDNESDAY, JULY 16		
8:00 AM	Parish Family of Immaculate Conception and St. Dominic	
THURSDAY, JULY 17		
8:00 AM	Living and Deceased members of the Michael and Aline Pallone Family	
	by the Pallone Family	
FRIDAY, JULY 18		
8:00 AM	Holy Souls in Purgatory	
SATURDAY, JULY 19		
5:15 PM	Priscilla Allgeier by Bill Allgeier	
SUNDAY, JULY 20		
8:30 AM	(St. Dominic) Bill Ransel	
	by Betty and Kathi Ransel	
10:30 AM	Cecila Beliveau by Lorraine Powell	

# LITURGICAL SCHEDULE—JULY 19 & 20

#### **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. | John Pozza St. Dominic | Suzy Walker Rosary Leaders: Denny Kinol, Steve Rowan

# STEWARDSHIP - JULY 5 & 6

## **Immaculate Conception & St. Dominic**

Envelopes	\$2,969.00
Loose	\$1,460.00
Peter's Pence Collection	\$120.00
National Needs Collection	\$50.00
Catholic Services Appeal—Assessment	\$42,385.00
Pledged	\$74,406.00
Paid	\$63,691.00
Weekly Goal to meet Operating Budget	. \$4,969.00
Accumulated goal since July 1, 2023	\$4,429.00
Surplus (Deficit) (Week #1)	(\$540.00)

#### Thank you for supporting your parish.

#### THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

As Jesus continues his journey to Jerusalem, he is confronted by a scholar of the law who wants to test him. In today's Gospel, the lawyer asks what we must do to inherit eternal life. Jesus asks the expert to answer this question, "What is written in the law?" The man is caught and responds with Deuteronomy 6:5. This verse is one of the most important prayers in Judaism, and it was said twice a day in Jesus' time. Love of God and love of neighbor are what is required for eternal life. Jesus' response is simple, "Do this and you will live."

Having been shown up by Jesus, the lawyer tries another question: Who is my neighbor whom I must love like myself? In the society of Jesus' time, with its distinctions between Jews and Gentiles, men and women, clean and unclean, this was a trick question. Jesus responds with one of the most beautiful of all the parables, the Good Samaritan. It is found only in Luke's Gospel.

The traveler in this parable is identified only as "a certain man." Luke uses this phrase in many of his parables so that the audience, Jew or Gentile, could identify with the man. After the attack, the man is left for dead, naked and bleeding on the side of the road. A priest comes along, but rather than helping, as one might expect, he moves to the other side of the road. Another religious person comes along, a Levite who assists in the Temple. His reaction is the same as the priest's. Both of them choose to not even find out if the man is alive. A third person comes along. The listeners would probably expect him to be an Israelite. This would make the parable a criticism of the religious leadership. Instead he is a Samaritan, an Israelite's most hated neighbor. Samaritans were descendents of Jews from the northern part of the country, who had intermarried with Gentiles and did not worship in Jerusalem. The Samaritan not only goes over to the injured man but cleans his wounds, puts him on his own animal, takes him to an inn to recover, and promises to pay all his expenses. The hated enemy is the compassionate neighbor in this parable.

A neighbor is a person who acts with compassion toward another. The point becomes not who deserves to be loved as I love myself, but that I become a person who treats everyone with compassion.

When Jesus asks the lawyer who was the neighbor in the story, the lawyer can't bring himself to say it was the Samaritan. All he says is that it was "the one who treated him with mercy." Jesus' response was similar to that of the first discussion: "Go and do likewise." The lawyer, and we, know what is right. The key is to do it.

# USHERS SCHEDULE

July 19 Pat Nosker, Steve Koladish

July 20 Jim Holencik, Brien Alexander

## NATIONAL NEEDS COLLECTION

Our second collection, next weekend, is a combination of two other collections. Bishop Persico writes:

The Catholic Home Mission Appeal impacts the lives of nearly 9 million Catholics. Through annual grants, the Catholic Home Missions funds catechesis for children and adults, seminarian education, lay ministry training, Hispanic ministry, and other pastoral programs in needy dioceses.

> The Black and Indian Mission Collection helps to evangelize and support our African American, Native American and Alaska Native communities with mission schools, religious education programs, the purchase of catechetical materials, and ministry training.

The struggle to receive basic pastoral care and catechesis is faced by thousands of faithful living in home mission dioceses. I ask your generous response to the **Collection for National Needs on July 19 and 20**. Your support will truly make a difference in strengthening the Church at home and be greatly appreciated. Be assured that you and your family remain in my prayers.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+Lawrence T. Persico

## A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

Children learn by watching us. Do they see you helping others like the Good Samaritan, or avoiding them like the Levite in today's gospel? Frequently, it's more important to be concerned about what your children observe in your actions than what they see on TV or tech. Reflect on that.

## YOUTH GROUP

The next Youth Group outing for grades 9-12 will be on Sunday, July 27th from 6-7 pm. We will meet at the school. Hope to see you all there.

The Sanctuary Lamp burns in memory of Dickson, Frances and Charlene Tattersall. Requested by their Family.



The flowers for the altars at Immaculate Conception are in memory of Grace Bish. They were placed by Lou and Susan Greer.

## PLEASE PRAY FOR THE HAPPY REPOSE OF THE SOUL OF :

Clarence E. (Gene) Mineweaser

## **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING**

The next meeting of the K of C will be on Sunday, July 13th at 7 pm in the Church Hall. Please note that the day of the meeting is now Sunday.

# FALL FESTIVAL

Planning is well underway for our annual Fall Festival to be held September 5th, 6th and 7th.

Donations of good, clean, usable household items for our Flea Market will be accepted on Monday evenings. Please remember, due to limited space, we do not accept electronics, tires, exercise equipment, books, clothing, overstuffed furniture, couches/chairs or entertainment centers.

We are seeking donations of handcrafted items for our Craft and Christmas Room, donations of completed baskets for our Theme Basket Room, and gifts for our Gift Raffle.

Donations for the Flea Market, Craft and Christmas Room , Theme Basket Room and Gift Raffle can be dropped off at our school building on Monday evenings beginning on July 7th from 6-8 pm.

Plans for the Festival also include the \$2500 Cash Raffle, large menu for our Outdoor Food, Cabbage Rolls, Chili Cook-off, a Gift Raffle for Kids and games and fun for the entire family.

Check out the bulletin each week for the most up to date information for our Festival!

