

June 23 & 24, 2018

Immaculate Conception Church

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THE NATIVITY OF SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST

They made signs, asking his father what he wished him to be called. He asked for a tablet and wrote, "John is his name," and all were amazed. - Lk 1:62-63

Parish Staff:

Rev. James Bastian (ext. 102)
Dcn. Paul Stankiewicz, Dcn Emeritus
Mrs. Mary Zastrow (ext. 101),
Secretary
Mrs. Laurie Muth (ext. 103),
Pastoral Associate

Trustees: Claire Curione, Kiersten Ryndak

Safe Environment Coordinator:
Cynthia Curione, Volunteer

Disability Advocate: Amy McQuay

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday 3:15 - 3:45 p.m.
Wednesday 6:00 - 6:25 p.m.
By appointment: 716-731-4822

Prayer Service Schedule:

Tuesday, Friday 9:00 a.m.

Mass Schedule:

Saturdays 4:00 p.m.
Sundays 8:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m.
Monday, Thursday 9:00 a.m.
Wednesday 6:30 p.m.

Adoration:

Adoration in Chapel every
Friday
10:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.

Ministry to the Sick:

Home visitations are available for all parishioners who are confined to their homes because of any illness or other infirmity. Call 731-4822 to make arrangements.

Outreach Program - Primary Contacts:

Mr. Michael Shaw 481-9001
Mr. Howard Morgan 417-7584

RCIA Coordinator:

Donna Kelsch

Al-Anon:

Meetings take place on the 2nd
Thursday of the month at 7:00
p.m. in the Blessed Kateri
Tekakwitha room.

Our Parish Mission Statement

"Immaculate Conception parish is a warm and caring Roman Catholic faith community where all of God's people are welcome. We strive to bring Christ to all people through spiritually and uplifting liturgies, ministry, service and outreach."

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday	June	23	4:00 pm	In memory of Karl Wagner req. by Bev Crawford & Rose Carberry
Sunday	June	24	8:30 am	In memory of Lionel Barrick req. by Figurski Family
			11:00 am	In memory of Carol Rising req. by Pat Simpson & Kay Humphrey
Monday	June	25	9:00 am	Thanksgiving for The Gift of Faith from Parents req. by Joanne Reynolds
Tuesday	June	26	9:00 am	Prayer and Communion Service
Wednesday	June	27	6:30pm	In Memory of Julie Wesolowski req. by Daughter Dorothy Ruskowski
Thursday	June	28	9:00 am	In honor of Fathers Living and Deceased req. by Parishioners
Friday	June	29	9:00 am	Prayer, Communion Service, Adoration
Saturday	June	30	4:00 pm	In memory of Edward (Ned) Johnson req. by Johnson Family
Sunday	July	1	8:30 am	In memory of Lionel Barrick req. by Lozinsky Family
			11:00 am	In memory of Cynthia Lotempio req. by Kostiw Family

LECTIO DIVINA –

MEDITATION-

The Catechism of the Catholic Church teaches the following concerning man’s first sin, “Man, tempted by the devil, let his trust in his Creator die in his heart... All subsequent sin would be disobedience toward God and lack of trust in his goodness” (CCC 397). All our fears begin in our distrust of God. We are afraid that God isn’t good, and so we believe that we need to take care of ourselves. We take our happiness into our own hands, and a little part of our heart closes to the Lord. We become closed rather than receptive of his Word.

Consider the two annunciations to Zechariah and Mary. Why was Zechariah afraid? What allowed Mary to be receptive?

Taken from *Opening the Word* available on FORMED.org

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DIGGING DEEPER

June 24, 2018 The Nativity of Saint John the Baptist
 Tiny fingers and toes. A little yawn. A loud cry. An infant wrapped in swaddling clothes. "What will this child be?" It is a question every parent asks time and time again. As first steps are taken, as personalities emerge, as a child shows interest in reading or drawing or climbing, the question is on our lips. "What will this child be?" This question is asked as John the Baptist is born. Will he be a priest like his father? Does his strange, unexpected name signal a departure from that inheritance? Could Elizabeth and Zechariah ever have predicted what would be?
 Under the tutelage of his priestly father, John "became strong in spirit." As an adult, John would retreat into the desert to preach repentance. He would attract a large following and eventually attract the attention of the rulers of the day. He would point out the adulterous ways of King Herod and would find himself in prison. Eventually, he would be beheaded. But today, he is a child, an infant newly born.
 On this special feast, we're reminded of the great humility required of parents. The character formation, the discipline and encouragement, the violin lessons and soccer practices ? every parental effort is subjected to the decisions of the child themselves. Even children on a sure track by high school graduation transform under life's circumstances. Entrusting our children to God can be incredibly intimidating. "What will this child be," especially when that transformation lies outside of my control? John the Baptist's story might not have ended as his parents imagined. But he is celebrated as the greatest of the prophets, as the one who prepared the way for the Messiah. Here is the hope of all Christian parents -- that our children would be raised in such a way that when people meet them, they meet Jesus Christ.

Religious Education

TEACHERS AND ASSISTANTS NEEDED!

Anyone interested in helping out in our Religious Education this year is asked to contact Laurie Muth by calling the Parish office or emailing lmuth@icransomville.org. We are in special need of assistants and helpers.

DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Sat.	June	23- Jeremiah 1:4-10; Psalm 71:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 15, 17; 1 Peter 1:8-12; Luke 1:5-17
Sun.	June	24- Isaiah 49:1-6; Psalm 139:1-3, 13-14, 14-15; Acts 13:22-26; Luke 1:57-66, 80
Mon.	June	25- 2 Kings 17:5-8, 13-15, 18; Psalm 60:3, 4-5, 12-13; Matthew 7:1-5
Tues	June	26- 2 Kings 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35, 36; Psalm 48:2-3, 3-4, 10-11; Matthew 7:6, 12-14
Wed.	June	27- 2 Kings 22:8-13; 23:1-3; Psalm 119:33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 40; Matthew 7:15-20
Thurs.	June	28- 2 Kings 24:8-17; Psalm 79:1-2, 3-5, 8, 9; Matthew 7:21-29
Fri.	June	29- Acts 12:1-11; Psalm 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9; 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18; Matthew 16:13-19
Sat.	June	30- Lamentations 2:2, 10-14, 18-19; Psalm 74:1-2, 3-5, 6-7, 20-21; Matthew 8:5-17
Sun.	July	1- Wisdom 1:13-15; 2:23-24; Psalm 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11, 12, 13; 2 Corinthians 8:7, 9, 13-15/Mk 5:21-43

CANDLES FOR THE MONTH OF JULY

Sanctuary Candle Chapel:

In loving memory of **Edwin Zastrow Sr.**
req. by Wife and Children

St. Joseph Candle:

In loving memory of **Charles & Jennie Ruggirello**
req. by daughter Maryann Mahar



Sanctuary Candle Church:

In loving memory of **Grant Marin**
req. by Marin Family

Blessed Mother Candle:

In loving memory of **Thomas Gergal**
req. by Parents & Sisters



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Parish Picnic

Volunteers wanted

- To help on the grill
- To help with outdoor games
- To donate side dishes
- To help with set up
- To help with take down
- To help in the kitchen for a short time
- To monitor bounce house



Save the Date:

**August 12
at noon**

Sign up on bulletin board



August 6-10

9:30 a.m.—noon

Pre-K - grade 6

More information to
come or

Contact Laurie Muth

lmuth@icransomville.org

Sign Up
on Bulletin
Board

What do kids do at VBS?

- Outdoor games
- Learn Bible stories
- Enjoy Music
- Make Crafts
- Eat Snacks
- Waterworks Day
- Scavenger Hunts
- Make friends
- Grow in their faith
- And much more

STEWARDSHIP

PARISH INCOME FOR JUNE 16 & 17, 2018

Offertory Collection	\$2,752.00
Online Giving	\$765.99
Catholic Comm. Camp. (Addt'l)	\$48.00
Renovation Fund	\$508.00
Children	\$2.00

Online giving is now available. Visit our parish website.

www.icransomville.org

VISIT OUR WEBSITE



Visit our website to:

- **New: Watch a recording of Sunday Mass.** Available Sunday by 1pm
- **New: Sign up for On-Line giving**
- Be informed of upcoming events

MEAT RAFFLE A HUGE SUCCESS!

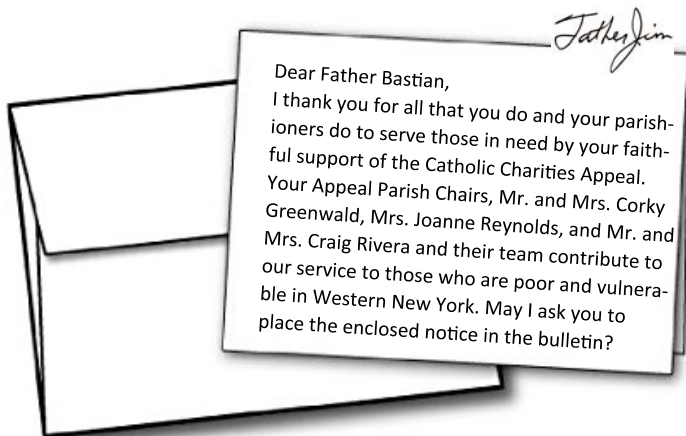


Thanks to the over 300 parishioners and guests who attended Immaculate Conception's First Annual Meat Raffle! Together we raised **\$4,180.00** to use toward the replacement of the driveway culverts. A special thank you to the Holy Name Society who organized the event and the many many volunteers who help make it a fun filled night.

A CATHOLIC CHARITIES THANK YOU




I received this in the mail recently and wanted to share. Thank you for all who participated in this year's campaign. We exceeded our goal by \$3,864.31. Many will be blessed by your generosity.



You have made generous sacrifices on behalf of the Catholic Charities Appeal for 2018. Congratulations on meeting and exceeding your parish goal! Because of your effort the poor will be fed and clothed and given medicine. Counseling services will be made available to families and individuals who would otherwise not have been able to get professional help; it is through the Appeal that people receive counseling for domestic violence, addictions and a myriad of personal and family problems. You are the gift to Catholic Charities and have shown love to your neighbors!

Gratefully,
Sr. Mary McCarrick
Diocesan Director



Dennis Walczyk
CEO

PLEASE PRAY FOR ...

Marilynn, Carolin Adamson, Jeff Antoncich, Christine Blagus, Devin Burns, Jason Busey, Cheryl Cicero, Mark Corraine, Janice DePlato, Lauren Devin, Diane Fallgotter, Faye Finley, Debbie Foe, Skip & Joan Freeland, Mary Gross, Lisa Harris, Haven Hiller, Nicole Hiller, Norbert Kaleta, Cathy Kean, Donna Keener, Angela Lissen, Lynn Maggioli, Christopher McGillion, Charles McQuay, Donovan Miller, Renee Morrison, John Moudy, Debbie Nolan, Leo Notaro, Heather Nugent, Wendy Osucha, Dennis Shaw, Noah Shelvay, Linsey Shelvay, Donald Sinclair, Andrew Stack, Deacon Paul Stankiewicz, Bruce Stauff, Diane Taylor, Kim Vallaincourt, Janice Ventimiglia, Florence Walker, Gerry Wick, Charlotte Wimett, Roberta & Clarence Walker, and Mark Zastrow

If you would like to have a name added to or taken off of the prayer list, please call the parish office at **731- 4822**.

Parish Activities

- SAT. June 23— Movie Night** following 4pm Mass
- SUN. June 24— RE Teacher Appreciation Brunch** 9:30 am
- MON. June 25—Pet Food Pantry** 11 am– noon
- TUE. June 26—Caritas Golf** 9 am
- WED. June 27—Confession** 6:00-6:25pm
- WED. June 27—Finance Council Mtg** 7:00pm
- THU. June 28—Knitting Group** 1:00 pm
- THU. June 28—IC Impact Youth Group** 6:30 pm
- FRI. June 29— Eucharistic Adoration** 10:00 am– 4pm.
- SAT. June 30— Wedding** 1pm.
- SAT/SUN —Blood Pressure Screenings**
- SAT/SUN —Anointings after all Masses**

Martha's Movers– Women's Exercise Fitness Room Hours

- Mon, Tue, Wed, Thu, & Fri: 10:00 AM-12:00 PM
- Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday: 3:15-5:00
- Zumba** Mon, Wed: 10:00 AM \$7/class or \$12/wk