

August 4 & 5, 2018



Immaculate Conception Church

4671 Townline Road, Ransomville, New York 14131 www.lcransomville.org FORMED.org Code: X7RQGP



18th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“For the bread of God is that which comes down from
heaven and gives life to the world.” - Jn 6:33

Parish Staff:

Rev. James Bastian (ext. 102)
Dcn. Paul Stankiewicz, Deacon
Emeritus
Mrs. Mary Zastrow (ext. 101),
Secretary
Mrs. Laurie Muth (ext. 103),
Pastoral Associate
Mr. Hugh Benton, Custodian
Mr. Marc Mosher, Maintenance

Safe Environment Coordinator
Miss Cynthia Curione, volunteer

RCIA Coordinator:
Donna Kelsch

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. Howard Morgan 417-7584

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

NA—Narcotics Anonymous:
Mondays 7pm beginning Aug. 20

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	August	4	4:00 pm	In memory of Deceased Members of Figura Fmly req.by Fran & Florence Gergal
Sunday	August	5	8:30 am	In memory of Lionel Barrick req. by Favero Family
			11:00 am	In memory of Jackie Kennedy req. by Jan, Mary Ann, Colleene, Claire, & Val In memory of Joseph Forgione req. by brother Angelo Forgione
Monday	August	6	9:00 am	In honor of Father's Living & Deceased req. by Parishioners
Tuesday	August	7	9:00 am	Prayer and Communion Service
Wednesday	August	8	6:30pm	In memory of Edward Johnson req. by Karen Benton
Thursday	August	9	9:00 am	In memory of Deceased loved ones req. by Parishioners
Friday	August	10	9:00 am	Prayer, Communion Service, Adoration
Saturday	August	11	4:00 pm	In memory of Mary Margaret Burns req.by Margevich Family
Sunday	August	12	8:30 am	In memory of Edward Johnson req. by Johnson Family
			11:00 am	In memory of Pauline Kostiw req. by son Robert & Sandy and Family

LECTIO DIVINA –

MEDITATION-

Questions to reflect on this week:

First Reading

This reading from Exodus takes place in the early stages of Israel's 40-year desert journey. What do you think the Lord is trying to teach the Israelites?

Second Reading

Paul challenges the Gentile Christians of Ephesus to think and act in a new way as believers in Jesus. What makes this spiritual exercise so difficult for believers of any age?

Gospel Reading

Over the next four Sundays, the Gospel readings come from Jesus' extended Bread of Life Discourse. Jesus begins by describing himself as sent from God as "the bread of life." How does this metaphor for Jesus speak to you personally?

DIGGING DEEPER

August 5, 2018 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

In an on-demand society, it's not always easy to imagine life with less. The crowds of Jesus' day depended on the weather and successful growing seasons for their livelihood. For many of Jesus' listeners, even "food that perishes" would have been a welcome relief. Jesus acknowledges this but tries to draw them deeper. "You are looking for me not because you saw signs but because you ate the loaves and were filled." For people who have just witnessed a miracle, the response is strangely marked by ingratitude. "What can you do? Our ancestors ate manna in the desert." Jesus fed them for one day, but Moses interceded with God for 40 years of bread. "Jesus," they seem to say, "can't you just give us more?"

How often do we behave similarly in the spiritual life? "If I only I had more patience, then I could be kind to her." "I could be welcoming if I was more outgoing, but that's just not me." "I know I'd be a better parent if I just had more time." Like the crowds, we want Jesus to give us more. We always don't want him to completely shift our paradigm. Perhaps it's not "more patience" we need, but a deeper sense of our own imperfections for a greater sense of empathy. Maybe God is inviting you not to entertain an entire group, but to seek out the quiet person on the fringe. And time may limit you from family engagement, but could God be asking you to reorder your priorities entirely?

After all, it wasn't more loaves that the people needed. Jesus is "the bread of life," who sustains our most essential needs. This week, are you looking for more or are you looking for God Himself? Lpi

ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY

**Summer Get Together at Sunset Bar & Grill
Thursday, August 9th at 5:30pm**

The Rosary Altar Society invites all women of the parish to their Summer Get Together. It will be held at the Sunset Bar & Grill located at 3 O'Connell Island Wilson, NY 14172. We will be ordering from the menu. This event is self-pay, and will be held in the indoor dining area. Please sign up on the bulletin board in the Narthex if you wish to attend. New members are always welcome!



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DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Sat.	August	4- Jeremiah 26:11-16, 24; Psalm 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34; Matthew 14:1-12
Sun.	August	5- Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15; Psalm 78:3-4, 23-24, 25, 54; Ephesians 4:17, 20-24; John 6:24-35
Mon.	August	6- Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14; Psalm 97:1-2, 5-6, 9, 2; Peter 1:16-19; Mark 9:2-10
Tues	August	7- Jeremiah 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22; Psalm 102:16-18, 19-21, 29 and 22-23; Matthew 14:22-36
Wed.	August	8- Jeremiah 15:10, 16-21; Psalm 59:2-3, 4, 10-11, 17, 18; Matthew 13:44-46
Thurs.	August	9- Jeremiah 31:31-34; Psalm 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19; Matthew 16:13-23
Fri.	August	10- 2 Corinthians 9:6-10; Psalm 112:1-2, 5-6, 7-8, 9; John 12:24-26
Sat.	August	11- Habakkuk 1:12-2:4; Psalm 9:8-9, 10-11, 12-13; Matthew 17:14-20
Sun.	August	12- 1 Kings 19:4-8; Psalm 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 ; Ephesians 4:30--5:2; John 6:41-51

August 12

Following the 11:00 am Mass

PARISH PICNIC

Please consider donating a basket for the basket auction!



Bring a dish to share!!!



Decorate your bike for the bike parade and win prizes!!



Come see me at the petting zoo



- Bounce House
- Petting Zoo
- Basket Auction
- Outdoor games
- Officer Stafford and his K-9 Taser
- And so much more!!!

Food can be dropped off beginning at 10am. Please use disposable containers for e-z clean up

AN INVITATION FROM BISHOP MALONE

Bishop Malone and the Diocese of Buffalo would like to invite couples who are celebrating their 50th, 60th, and 70th Anniversaries of Marriage in 2018, to a special Mass at St. Joseph's Cathedral on Sunday October 14 at 10:30 a.m.

During the Mass couples will have the chance to renew their marriage vows, and celebrations will be followed with an informal reception at the Adam's Mark Hotel.

If interested, call the church office by September 4th, so that Mary Zastrow can add you to the list.



WALKING MINISTRY

Walking Ministry in the Works...But We Need Your Input!

Parishioner, Elcina Miller, is interested in starting a Walking Ministry here at Immaculate Conception and would like to know who might be interested and what times work for most people.

The walk would take place outdoors during nice weather and move indoors in the Fall and Winter months. Walking is ideal for people wanting to get active— and can be as easy or as challenging as you want it to be! Go at your own pace!

If you are interested, please complete this interest form and return it in the offering basket. Any questions can be addressed to Elcina at 535-6025. Please submit your form as soon as possible so we can finalize dates and times.

Walking Ministry Interest Form—

Please return this form in the offering basket

Name _____ Telephone # _____

Please circle which times you might be interested in:

Mornings: 8am(before morning Mass or Service) 9:30am (after Morning Mass or Service)

Evenings: 6pm or 7pm **Which morning or evening work best for you:** M T W Th F

Questions? Elcina Miller: 535-6025

PLEASE PRAY FOR ...

Marilynn, Carolin Adamson, Jeff Antoncich, Christine Blagus, Devin Burns, Jason Busey, Cheryl Cicero, Mark Corraine, Janice DePlato, Lauren Devin, Jim & Edith Faery, Diane Fallgotter, Faye Finley, Debbie Foe, Joan Freeland, Mary Gross, Lisa Harris, Haven Hiller, Nicole Hiller, Norbert Kaleta, Cathy Kean, Donna Keener, Angela Lissen, Lynn Maggioli, Kenneth Mayer, 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, Sharon Trentini, 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

SUN. Aug 5—Baptism Noon

MON. Aug 6—PLT Mtg 7pm

TUE. Aug 7—Caritas Golf 9 am

WED. Aug 8— Confessions 6:00-6:25pm

WED. Aug 8— Mass 6:30pm

WED. Aug 8— Praise & Worship Group 7:00pm

THU. Aug 9—Knitting Group 1:00 pm

THU. Aug 9—Rosary Altar Summer Get together at Sunset Grill 5:30 pm

THU. Aug 9—Altar Servers Bison's Game 7:00 pm

FRI. Aug10—Eucharistic Adoration 10:00 am– 4pm.

SUN. Aug12—Parish picnic Noon

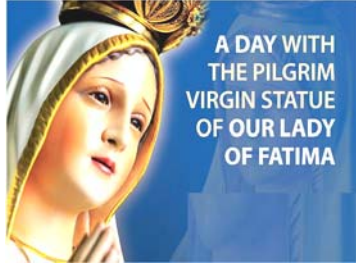
SUN. Aug12—Rosary & Fatima Message 3pm in Church

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

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION WELCOMES THE WORLD APOSTOLATE OF FATIMA

Venerate the National Pilgrim Statue of our Lady of Fatima, pray the rosary, and hear the Message of Fatima August 12th at Immaculate Conception!



Join us on Sunday, August 12 as Immaculate Conception welcomes the national traveling Fatima statue for the day. Following morning Masses at both 8:30 AM and 11 AM in the church, the statue will be available veneration. At 3:00 pm, there will be a recitation of the Holy Rosary followed by a talk on the message of our Lady of Fatima by the statues custodian. The statue is blessed by Pope Paul the sixth in 1967 in honor of the 50th anniversary of Our Ladies apparitions at Fatima. It was entrusted to the World Apostolate of Fatima, USA, headquartered at the Blue Army Shrine of our Lady of Fatima in Washington, New Jersey. It is a public association of the faithful under the Pontifical Council for the laity in Rome. The purpose of the traveling statue is to spread the Message of Fatima throughout the world.

THE NEXT TRAVELING MASS WILL BE AUGUST 29TH



Spread the Word! Invite a friend!

Do you have a family member who's been away from the church? Do you have a neighbor who you have been wanting to invite to Mass but wasn't sure how?...This is the perfect opportunity!!!! Invite them to our outdoor traveling Mass at the Gazebo behind the Ransomville Library, 3733 Ransomville Road in Ransomville on August 29th at 6:30pm. All are welcome

LAST CHANCE TO REGISTER

Vacation Bible School **REGISTER NOW!**

August 6-10
9:30am-noon

Forms available in the Narthex or on our website

For ages Pre-k to grade 6. Cousins, friends and neighbors welcome!

TICKETS ON SALE NEXT WEEKEND

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH
In Ransomville

Presents

ELVIS TRIBUTE

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

Immaculate Conception Church
4671 Townline Road, Ransomville

Cost: \$25

Dinner at 5:15pm; Show at 6:30pm

Catered by Suzie-Q's BBQ

Tickets go on sale after all Masses beginning August 11

Proceeds will be used to repair the Blessed Mother statue in the front of the Church.