



Immaculate Conception

September 14 & 15, 2019

4671 Townline Road, Ransomville, New York 14131

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Sacrament of Reconciliation:

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

Communion/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:

Mrs. Nancy Mosher 310-4902

AI-Anon:

Meetings take place on the 2nd Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the Father Nelson Baker room.

Narcotics Anonymous: meets every Monday 7:30pm-9:30pm

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24th Sunday

I N O R D I N A R Y T I M E

"There will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous people who have no need of repentance." - Lk 15:7b

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

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	September 14	4:00 pm	In memory of Lionel Barrick req. by Friends of the Barrick Family
Sunday	September 15	8:30 am	In memory of Katie Messier req.by Uncle & Aunt Pat & Fran DiLaura
		11:00 am	In memory of Rev. Lynn M. Shumway req. by IC Parishioners
Monday	September 16	9:00am	In memory of Mother's Living & Deceased req. by Parishioners
Tuesday	September 17	9:00 am	Prayer/Communion Service
Wednesday	September 18	6:30 pm	In memory of Maureen Devin req. by Family
Thursday	September 19	9:00 am	In memory of Father's Living & Deceased req. by Parishioners
Friday	September 20	9:00 am	Communion Service/ Prayer/ Adoration
Saturday	September 21	4:00 pm	In memory of Jane Murnzn req. by Will & Jane Hartley
Sunday	September 22	8:30 am	In memory of Maggie Schulz req.by Louise M. Waytena
		11:00 am	In memory of Matthew Marin req. by Marin Family

Do you know about Formed.org?

- Formed is a free service that is provided by our Parish. Formed has a large library of Catholic resources.
- There are series to watch or listen to, movies, audiobooks, and much more for free! There is content available for adults and children.
- Formed can be accessed by going to their website www.formed.org or by downloading their free app.
- Formed now has a market section where you can purchase different content.
- To register go to their website and enter our Parish code: **X7RQGP**.



DIGGING DEEPER

September 15, 2019
24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

“Tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to listen to Jesus, but the Pharisees and scribes began to complain...” In this Sunday’s Gospel, we learn the context for the forthcoming parables about the lost and found. A great mixed crowd surrounds Jesus. The religious elite are present, along with all manner of local lowlifes. The Pharisees seem a bit upset that this wasn’t the lecture series they were hoping for. Why would Jesus welcome sinners?

Jesus responds as if it’s the most obvious thing in the world. *“Rejoice with me because I have found my lost sheep ... rejoice because I have found the coin that I lost ... let us celebrate with a feast, because this son of mine ... was lost, and has been found!”* Each of the parables features a dramatic example. Of 99 sheep, one has gone astray. Of 10 coins, one has gone missing. The welcomed son has previously been a covetous scoundrel. Jesus’ point to the Pharisees is clear. If the Gospel really is “good news,” if our faith really has the power to save, why wouldn’t we want everyone drawing near? Why wouldn’t we do everything in our power to add to that possibility for every single person, no matter where they have wandered? After all, if this message is not of value to everyone, why is it of value to anyone?

Our Christian faith is not a matter of rule adherence for the perfectionist elite. In our own ways, each of us is the lost sheep, the prodigal son. There is no one who *“has no need of repentance.”* The Church is a mixed crowd. And we are mixed people. And the Gospel has good news for each of us today! There is no one Jesus doesn’t go after, no one he does not catch sight of *“while ... still a long way off,”* no one to whom he does not run to embrace and welcome home.

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KEEP UP TO DATE– FOLLOW US!

Like us on Facebook!

Follow us on Instagram username:

Immaculateconceptionchurch1891 for daily Catholic posts, and information on upcoming parish events.



Bulletin request forms are available on the website, in the Parish office, or on the Narthex bulletin board. Questions or Concerns contact Karli Leggett: Telephone- 716-731-4822 (ext. 106), email– bulletin@icransomville.org

DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Sat.	September 14-	Numbers 21:4b-9; Psalm 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38; Philippians 2:6-11; John 3:13-17
Sun.	September 15-	Exodus 32:7-11, 13-14; Psalm 51:3-4, 12-13, 17, 19 [Lk 15:18]; 1 Timothy 1:12-17; Luke 15:1-32
Mon.	September 16-	1 Timothy 2:1-8; Psalm 28:2, 7, 8-9; Luke 7:1-10
Tues.	September 17-	1 Timothy 3:1-13; Psalm 101:1b-2ab, 2cd-3ab, 5, 6; Luke 7:11-17
Wed.	September 18-	1 Timothy 3:14-16; Psalm 111:1-2, 3-4, 5-6; Luke 7:31-35
Thurs.	September 19-	1 Timothy 4:12-16; Psalm 111:7-8, 9, 10; Luke 7:36-50
Fri.	September 20-	1 Timothy 6:2c-12; Psalm 49:6-7, 8-10, 17-18, 19-20; Luke 8:1-3
Sat.	September 21-	Ephesians 4:1-7, 11-13; Psalm 19:2-3, 4-5; Matthew 9:9-13
Sun.	September 22-	Amos 8:4-7; Psalm 113:1-2, 4-6, 7-8; 1 Timothy 2:1-8; Luke 16:1-13

CHRIST THE KING APPEAL

Building community. Be a part of the future of our Church

Each year over 8,000 people answer God’s call by seeking a deeper understanding of faith and service through lectures, retreats, and classes at Christ the King Seminary. Seminary students learn and minister together, forming relationships that serve our community in many ways long after they graduate. Come and see all that is happening at your seminary.

This weekend is the annual collection for Christ the King Seminary. **This is your opportunity to help support the education of our future priests, deacons, and lay leaders.** Please invest in the future of our church in our area by helping our seminary continue its important work of ensuring that all who answer God’s call to ministry will be well educated and well prepared to serve. Please give what you can so more can serve, and pray for the success of our seminary’s mission.

ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY

Upcoming Events

1.) The Rosary Altar Society cordially invites all women of the Parish to a meet & greet meeting on Tuesday October 1st. We will recite the Rosary at 6:30pm and have refreshments after in the Fr. Nuwer Fellowship Hall. Come and see who we are and what we do.



2.) The Rosary Altar Society will lead praying the Rosary before all weekend and Wednesday night Masses throughout the month of October. Come and join us as we pray for our Parish and the Church.



IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR...



Saturday, September 21, 2019

9:30 a.m. until 3:30 p.m.

Basket Auction, 50/50 Raffle

Basket donations can be placed in the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Room, thank you!

Kitchen open for food purchases

Start your holiday shopping early!



Classes Now Forming

Attention Parents There is a parent meeting **Sun, September 22nd at 9:45 in the hall.**

Returning Families: Look for your registration in the mail. **First year students and new families:** Please call the office to have a registration form mailed to you or visit our website.

Classes begin on Sunday, September 29th from 9:45am– 10:45am.

OCTOBER IS RESPECT FOR LIFE MONTH

40 DAYS FOR LIFE



You are invited to join the "40 Days For Life" Fall Campaign, the largest Pro-Life mobilization in history, bringing together record numbers of prayer volunteers across all 50 states and all around the world to pray, fast and publicly stand for Life!

Please consider performing a spiritual work of mercy by sacrificing one hour or more of your time at our peaceful, prayerful and lawful vigil in front of the Buffalo Women Services facility at 2500 Main Street, in Buffalo, NY. The campaign will run from 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM daily from **September 25 through November 3**. Visit <https://www.40daysforlife.com/buffalo> to sign-up for vigil hours or call Cathy Agugliaro at 946-0126. Please spread the word and encourage others to join this Life-saving campaign. Sign up today! All are welcome!

SUMMIT LIFE BANQUET

The 14th Annual Summit Life "Celebrate Life" Banquet

The fundraiser banquet will be on Friday, October 4th at the Double Tree by Hilton Hotel, 401 Buffalo Ave., Niagara Falls. This year's guest speaker is Jill Stanek, the National Campaign Chair. Tickets cost \$50 per person. Doors open at 6:00pm. To purchase tickets call the center at 298-8600.



STEWARDSHIP

PARISH INCOME FOR SPETEMBER 7 & 8, 2019

Offertory Collection.....	\$3,938.75
Online Giving	\$963.69
Renovation Fund	\$157.00
Additional	\$43.00
Children	\$1.00

*On-line giving is available through our website.
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PARISH ACTIVITIES

- SAT. /SUN. September 14& 15— Anointings After All Masses**
- SAT. September 14— St. Kolbe Movie Night 5:00PM**
- SUN. September 15— Faith Formation Registration Forms Due**
- MON. September 16— Narcotics Anonymous 7:30pm**
- TUES. September 17— Caritas Bowling 10:00am** Lewiston Event Center
- WED. September 18— IC Impact Youth Group 6:30PM**
- THURS. September 19— Caritas Luncheon 12:00pm**
- THURS. September 19— Knitting Group 1:00PM**
- FRI. September 20— Eucharistic Adoration 10:00-4:00PM**
- SAT. September 21— Craft Fair 9:30-3:00PM**
- SUN. September 22— Parent Meeting 9:45-10:45AM**
- SUN. September 22— Teacher Meeting 12:00PM**

MASS FOR THE LOSS OF A CHILD

Mass for the Loss of a Child on Saturday, October 26

If you or someone you know is grieving the loss of a child please join us for a special Mass to offer prayer. Healing, and hope. If you have never done so, you will be given an opportunity to name your child during the ceremony. Men and women of all faiths are welcome. The Mass will be held at St. Mary of the Cataract RC Church on Saturday, October 26 at Noon.

LIFE CHAIN

Annual Life Chain on Sunday, October 6th

Sunday, October 6th marks

the beginning of the Annual Respect Life Program in



which the Buffalo Diocese is once again forming the Life Chain. Life Chain is a powerful witness of pro-life Americans, standing for one hour praying for our nation and for an end to abortion. Thousands of pro-life Americans throughout the United States will take a stand for life, and our Diocese will stand along Niagara Falls Boulevard from Buffalo to Niagara Falls. Our church community will stand in prayer along **Niagara Falls Boulevard at 101st Street from 2-3pm**. Bring a chair if you need one and dress warm. Hope to see you there, Rain or Shine!

PLEASE PRAY FOR ...

Marilynn, Carolin Adamson, Jeff Antoncich, Edward Barraclough, Christine Blagus, Marilyn Brinson, Devin Burns, Jason Busey, Dr. MaryAnn Bishara, Zoraida Case, Nancy Conti, Janice DePlato, Justin DePlato, Lauren Devin, Ron Dobrasz, Louise Doty, Lisa Eimer, Jim & Edith Faery, Diane Fallgotter, Faye Finley, Debbie Foe, Joan Freeland, Joseph Giuseppetti, Haven Hiller, Nicole Hiller, Nurice James, Norbert Kaleta, Kathleen & Gregory Klaes, Cathy Kean, Donna Keener, Marilyn Kankolenski, Carol Koppmann, Angela Lissen, Lynn Maggioli, Amy Marcin, Rosa Margevich, Steven Marshall, Timothy McCann, Christopher McGillion, Donovan Miller, Renee Morrison, John Moudy, Pat Mussall, Debbie Nolan, Leo Notaro, Heather Nugent, Wendy Osucha, Nancy Palmieri, Jennifer Retzinger, Ruth Schuler, Noah Shelvay, Donald Sinclair, Christopher Speanburg, Andrew Stack, Deacon Paul Stankiewicz, Bruce Stauff, Diane Stillinger, Diane Taylor, Gerald Thomason, Sharon Trentini, Jan Turnball, Ginger Uticone, Kim Vallaincourt, Roberta Walker, Gerry Wick, Mark Zastrow

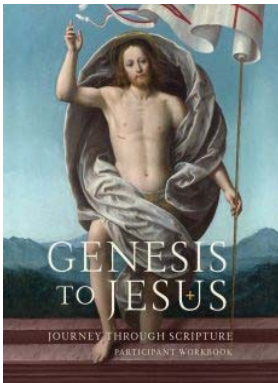
Prayers for our Military Personnel



Lance Corporal Andrew Farmer, Petty Officer 3rd Class Hospitalman James Farmer, Captain Kevin Farmer, 2nd Lieutenant William Farmer, E4 SPC Tyler Fleming, E7 SFC Timothy Fleming, 2nd Lieutenant Philip Joseph Giovannini, Major Heather Heppner, Specialist Riley Johnston, Airman Apprentice Micah Prieto, Hospitalman Samuel Prieto, MSGT Christopher Zastrow



UPCOMING FALL BIBLE STUDY



Fall Bible Study: Genesis to Jesus

A scripture study of our Heavenly Father's faithfulness from the beginning of creation through His Son's ultimate loving sacrifice on the Cross. A six week presentation offered on: Wednesday evenings after Mass and Friday mornings at 10:00am. Also

offered on Sundays between the Masses in a longer 12 week presentation to fit the allowable time. Sundays are free and open to all. The Bible Study start dates are Wednesday October 2nd, Friday October 4th, and Sunday October 6th. Sign up on the bulletin board in the Narthex. Any questions contact Judy Heppner at 574-0028.

RETREAT OFFERED BY ST. GREGORY THE GREAT

A women's pilgrimage to Assisi and Rome



The Ministry of Mothers Sharing at St. Gregory the Great Parish invites all women to join them on a spiritual pilgrimage to Assisi and Rome on May 13-21 2020. This retreat offers you an opportunity to deepen your relationship with God and your faith through visits to the major sanctuaries associated with Sts. Francis and Clare of Assisi. By journeying through their life stories, these two saints help us to fix our gaze on God. There will also be a visit to Rome and attendance of a Papal audience. **There will be an informational meeting on Wednesday, September 25th at 7pm at St. Gregory the Great Parish in Gathering Room #1.** Any questions contact Nadine Gardner Bargnes at 830-8530.

CARITAS SOCIETY

Upcoming Caritas Events

- 1.) The Caritas Society invites all members of the Parish to join them for weekly bowling on Tuesdays at 10:00am at the Lewiston Event Center beginning on Tuesday, September 17th. There is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board.
- 2.) The September Caritas Society Luncheon will be on Thursday, September 19th at 12pm at Gordie Harper's Restaurant. All are welcome. Sign up on the bulletin board in the Narthex.

IN OUR FAITH COMMUNITY

- **Fall Fun Fest** on Friday, September 20 at 5:30pm at St. Raphael R.C. Parish Hall, 1018 College Ave., Niagara Falls. Tickets are \$25 which includes raffle ticket, pasta & meatball dinner, beverages, and desserts. Call 282-5583 for tickets.
- **Annual Rosary Crusade for World Peace** Sunday, September 22 at Our Lady of Fatima Shrine 1023 Swann Rd., Lewiston. There will be a Rosary Procession, Coronation, Blessing of Children, and Benediction.
- **Retrouvaille** provides marriage help. The next weekend is September 27-29th. For confidential information or to register for the weekend visit: www.HelpOurMarriage.com or call 1-800-470-2230
- **Immaculata Home** Harvest Dinner Dance fundraiser Saturday September 28th at 6:00pm at All Saints Hall, 76 Church Street Lockport. Tickets are \$25 to purchase tickets call 716-727-0003 or go to www.brownpapertickets.com.
- **Oktoberfest** Sunday, September 29 4-8pm at St. Aloysius Gonzaga Church 157 Cleveland Dr., Cheektowaga. Tickets are \$5 and include popcorn, pretzels, and music. Call 759-6454 ext. 200 for tickets.
- **Public Rosary** on the 13th of each month starting at 6pm at St. Mary of the Cataract 259 4th Street, Niagara Falls
- **Walk to end Alzheimer's** on Saturday, October 5th at Artpark, 450 S 4th Street, in Lewiston. Join the fight for Alzheimer's first survivor. Registration begins at 9am, and the walk begins at 10:15am. Go to alz.org/WNY for more information.
- **Niagara Council of Catholic Women** invites all women to their October meeting and potluck dinner on Tuesday October 9th at the St. Leo's Dining Hall, 2748 Military Rd., Niagara Falls. All women are welcome. RSVP to Louise at 297-6382.
- **Canisius High School** Fall Open Houses will be held on Sunday, October 6th anytime between 9:30am-12:00pm and on Monday, October 7th anytime between 5:30-7:30pm. Everyone is most welcome! For more information visit www.canisiushigh.org.
- **The Stella Niagara Center of Renewal** Retreat and Conference Center located in Lewiston. Has many opportunities for weekend long and day retreats. Cost varies for each retreat or excursion. To register call 754-7376.