



Immaculate Conception Roman Catholic Church



4671 Townline Road Ransomville, NY 14131

March 7 & 8, 2020

Parish Staff:

Rev. James Bastian, Pastor
(ext. 102)

Dcn. Paul Stankiewicz, Deacon
Emeritus

Mrs. Mary Zastrow, Secretary
(ext. 101)

Mrs. Laurie Muth, Pastoral
Associate (ext. 108)

Karli Leggett, Bulletin (ext. 106)

Mr. Nick Drumsta, Custodian

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday 3:15 - 3:45 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.

Adoration:

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

Safe Environment Coordinator:

Miss Cynthia Curione, volunteer

RCIA Coordinator:

Donna Kelsch

Trustees: Claire Curione, Kiersten
Ryndak

Disability Advocate: Amy McQuay

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

Contact: 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

Telephone: 716-731-4822

Website:

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icransomville@yahoo.com

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2ND SUNDAY OF LENT

"This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased;
listen to him." - Mt 17:5b

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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	March 7	4:00 pm	In memory of Ron Dobrasz req. by Judy Hicks
Sunday	March 8	8:30 am	In memory of Mildred Terrameo req. by Rosary Altar Society
		11:00 am	In memory of Pauline & Herman Rueter req. by Prayer Group
Monday	March 9	9:00 am	In memory of Mother's Living & Deceased req. by Parishioners
Tuesday	March 10	9:00 am	Communion Service/ prayer
Wednesday	March 11		No Mass -Life in the Eucharist at Fatima Shrine at 6:30pm
Thursday	March 12	9:00 am	In memory of Father's Living & Deceased req. by Parishioners
Friday	March 13	9:00 am	Communion Service/ Prayer/ Adoration
Saturday	March 14	4:00 pm	In memory of Maggie Schulz req. by Pat Ward
Sunday	March 15	8:30 am	In memory of Jim Faery req. by Fran & Ed Finnerty
		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 is a great resource for catechesis. There is content for any age and any level of knowledge.
- To register go to their website and enter our Parish code: **X7RQGP**.

GOSPEL DIGGING DEEPER

March 8th, 2020

2nd Sunday of Lent

Psychology has taught us a great deal about family dynamics and how we have come to be the person we find ourselves to be. We are comprised of such a mixed bag of blessings and obstacles with their graced moments and sinful ones. Think back on the journey of your life and how the many different and varied choices that you made influenced the direction your life. If you didn't go on that first date with your spouse, who would be beside you today? If you chose to be in one place rather than another, what would have happened to the course your life has taken? We are on such a wonderful, exciting journey. What is most incredible and awesome is that we are not alone! God is with us. He inspires, heals, opens doors, and calls us every moment of our lives. The very life we have is due only to Him.

We can all sit down and list adjectives describing who we are. One may find him or herself more artistic than another or quicker with wit. We have unique gifts and talents and have the great gift of free will, which we treasure. Our histories come with more baggage for some and less hurdles for others, but we all have to find our way through the path we are on. However, have you ever given much thought to who you *really* are? That question has more merit than may at first appear.

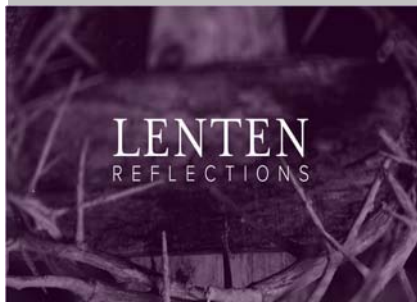
We know ourselves as we live out our earthly journey. But do we know our heavenly self? What we know here is only one small part of who God has made us to be. The disciples really thought they knew Jesus until they went up the mountain. We also may think we know our true selves, too. We know that in eternal life we shall not only see God, but become like Him. Who will you be? What surprise do you think God has for you?

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A VOCATION VIEW

Second Sunday of Lent – March 8, 2020

On Mount Tabor, Jesus revealed a glimpse of his glory, not to show off, but to express his desire to share his glory with us. Thanks to Christ, it is this glory that we are destined for. The same Christ calls some to priesthood and religious life to show his followers how to live for this glory. If God is calling you to a Church vocation, call Fr. Andrew Lauricella at 716-847-5535.



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. March 7- Deuteronomy 26:16-19; Psalm 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8 [1b]; Matthew 5:43-48
Sun. March 8- Genesis 12:1-4a; Psalm 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22 [22]; 2 Timothy 1:8b-10; Matthew 17:1-9
 Mon. March 9- Daniel 9:4b-10; Psalm 79:8, 9, 11 and 13 [cf. Ps 103:10a]; Luke 6:36-38
 Tues. March 10- Isaiah 1:10, 16-20; Psalm 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23 [23b]; Matthew 23:1-12
 Wed. March 11- Jeremiah 18:18-20; Psalm 31:5-6, 14, 15-16 [17b]; Matthew 20:17-28
 Thurs. March 12- Jeremiah 17:5-10; Psalm 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [Ps 40:5a]; Luke 16:19-31
 Fri. March 13- Genesis 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a; Psalm 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21 [5a]; Matthew 21:33-43, 45-46
 Sat. March 14- Micah 7:14-15, 18-20; Psalm 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12 [8a]; Luke 15:1-3, 11-32
Sun. March 15- Exodus 17:3-7; Psalm 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 [8]; Romans 5:1-2, 5-8; John 4:5-42

CARITAS SOCIETY LUNCHEON

March Caritas Society Luncheon

The Caritas Society March Luncheon is on Thursday, March 19 at 12:00pm at the Fuji Grill-Japanese Steak House, 7310 Niagara Falls Blvd. See the bulletin board for details. All are welcome!

Note: There will be no April Caritas Society luncheon

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Stations of the Cross

**Every Friday during Lent
at 7pm**



**Shadow Stations April 3rd
in the Hall at 7pm**



MAGNIFICAT BUFFALO- MINISTRY FOR WOMEN



Magnificat of Buffalo Chapter, a ministry to Catholic women, will be hosting a breakfast on Saturday March 21, 2020 featuring guest DAWN IACONO who will be presenting:

Spiritual Motherhood and Marian Moments on the Pilgrimage of Life.

Pre-registration is necessary, *early registration postmark by March 11th* saves \$5.00 on the full \$25.00 fee.

9 AM doors open at The Millennium Hotel, 20-40 Walden Ave, Cheektowaga, NY 14225

Check payable to: Magnificat-Buffalo c/o Maureen Wilson, 303 Meyer rd. Apt#1403, West Seneca, NY 14224.

To pay online go to www.facebook.com/magnificatbuffalo. You may find a flyer to register in at the main entrance of the church, or online at Facebook.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE



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"Blessed and Broken"

All women are invited to attend the next Catholic Women of Buffalo

Conference *Blessed and Broken* on Saturday, March 14th from 8am-12pm at St. Mary's High School in Lancaster (across from Our Lady of Pompeii Church). Heather Renshaw author of *Death by Mini Van* and Rev. Jack Mattimore will be presenting. Tickets are \$30 for general admission and \$20 for students. Registration begins at 7:30am, Mass is at 8:00am, continental breakfast provided, and Adoration. To purchase tickets, go to

CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE

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"Being a Godly Man in an Un-Godly World"

This Lent join men from throughout the region to renew your faith, be inspired by the Holy Spirit and experience the brotherhood and sharing with other men. The day includes three great speakers, the opportunity for confession, coffee and donuts when you arrive, lunch, opportunity for individual and communal prayer, exhibits, ministry informational sessions and closing Mass. Cardinal O'Hara High School, 39 O'Hara Rd., Tonawanda on Saturday March 28. Doors open at 7:30 am with program starting at 8:15 am. Tickets are \$30.00 and \$10.00 for students. For additional information or Register Online at www.cmfofwny.org.

IC IMPACT



Another Faith Filled Convention, Thank You!

We would like to thank everyone who supported us before and during the Diocesan Youth Convention

through fundraisers and prayers. We got to see so many young faithful Catholics just like us, grow in our faith, and build new relationships that will last. We enjoyed experiencing this year's theme of "Christ is Alive!" We were told throughout the weekend that we are not only the future of the church, but also the present of our church and that we matter. Thank you to our parish family for helping this powerful experience happen!

The IC Impact teens

CURSILLO WEEKEND



Are You Interested in Making a Cursillo Weekend?

Do you know what the Cursillo Moment in the Catholic Church is?

It is best described as an experience. An experience that leads you to discover and better live what is fundamental in Christianity. The Cursillo is for all those who want to look seriously at themselves and their lives, their relationship with other people and their relationship with God. The ultimate aim of the Cursillo Movement is to change society through the power of Christian witness, that comes about on the strength and energy of personal conversion.

If you think you might be interested in making a 3 day Cursillo weekend and to extend this experience thereafter in regular meetings that help you to grow, contact **Bob or Kathy Zdziebko at 716-940-3452**. The Cursillo is open to all.

The next weekend for **Men is April 23-26** and for **Women is May 14-17**.

PENANCE SERVICE

Western Vicariate Lenten Penance Service will be hosted by St. Vincent DePaul at the Prince of Peace site 1055 N. Military Road, Niagara Falls

April 6th at 7pm

STEWARDSHIP

PARISH INCOME FOR FEBRUARY 29 & MARCH 1, 2020

Offertory Collection.....	\$2,773.00
Online Giving.....	\$755.44
Renovation Fund.....	\$307.00
Ash Wednesday.....	\$449.00
Black & Native Missions.....	\$130.00
Additional.....	\$15.00

PARISH ACTIVITIES

- SUN. March 8— Religious Education 9:45-10:45am
- SUN. March 8— Bible Study 9:45-10:45am
- MON. March 9— Narcotics Anonymous 7:30pm
- TUES. March 10— Caritas Society Bowling 9:00am
- WED. March 11— IC Impact teen youth group 6:30pm
- THURS. March 12— Knitting Group 1:00pm
- FRI. March 13— Adoration 10am-4pm
- FRI. March 13— Stations of the Cross in the Church 7:00pm
- SUN. March 14— Religious Education 9:45-10:45am
- SUN. March 14— Bible Study 9:45-10:45am
- MON. March 15— Narcotics Anonymous 7:30pm
- TUES. March 16— Caritas Society Bowling 9:00am
- WED. March 17— IC Impact teen youth group 6:30pm

PLEASE PRAY FOR ...

Marilynn, Carolin Adamson, Jeff Antoncich, Christine Blagus, Marilyn Brinson, Devin Burns, Jason Busey, Dr. MaryAnn Bishara, Zoraida Case, Nancy Conti, Janice DePlato, Justin DePlato, Lauren Devin, Louise Doty, Lisa Eimer, Edith Faery, Diane Fallgotter, Faye Finley, Debbie Foe, Joan Freeland, Joseph Giuseppetti, Larry Harris, Justin Healey, Haven Hiller, Nicole Hiller, Nurice James, Norbert Kaleta, Kathleen & Gregory Klaes, Cathy Kean, Donna Keener, Lynn Kellmer, 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, 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, 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



SFCTimothy Fleming, 2nd Lieutenant Philip Joseph Giovannini, Major Heather Heppner, Specialist Riley Johnston, Petty Office Third Class (AME 3) Garith Kam, Airman Apprentice Micah Prieto, Hospitalman Samuel Prieto

PALM SUNDAY HUNT APRIL 5

Jesus taught the disciples that we store treasures in heaven by giving to the poor. When we offer some of what we have to others it is adding to our treasures in heaven. By focusing on what we can do to serve and uplift the people around us, the richer we become.

 Join us for food, fun, games, and a treasure filled egg hunt as we learn about serving & uplifting the poor and those

Building up our

TREASURES IN HEAVEN

PALM SUNDAY
EGG HUNT

April 5 following 11am Mass



Admission: Bring a canned good or your loose change as a blessing for those in need during this Holy season. For as Jesus said, whatever you do for the least of my brothers you do for me Matthew 25:46. Let us serve others as we are called to do.

All children ages pre-k to grade 5 are welcome!

If you can help prepare crafts at home or prep sandwiches the day of, contact Laurie 514-3178 or email lmuth@icransomville.org