

THE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH OF THE
IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

"O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to you."

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SERVED BY

Rev. Herbert T. DeGaris-----*Pastor*
Deacon Philip Marino
Rev. Msgr. William J. Foley-----*Pastor Emeritus*

THE SACRAMENT OF THE EUCHARIST

Sunday | Main Church in Stony Point

Saturday Evening Anticipated Mass----- 5:30 PM
Sunday Morning-----9:30 and 11:30 PM

Sunday | Church in Tomkins Cove

Sunday Morning----- 7:30 AM

Weekday

Monday thru Friday----- 7:30 AM
Saturday----- 8:30 AM

Holy Days of Obligation: 5:30PM - Vigil 7:30AM and 12 Noon
St. Gregory Barbarigo at 7:30 PM

DEVOTIONS

Rosary: Recited daily after the 7:30 AM Mass

Novena: Monday after the 7:30 AM Mass the Miraculous Medal Novena is prayed.

RECTORY OFFICE

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Margie Celenza
Parish Secretary

Monday thru Friday:
9:00 AM to 12:00 PM;
1:00 PM to 5:00 PM

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE

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Tuesday: 9:00 AM - 8:30 PM
Thursday: 9:00 AM - 6:30 PM

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Confessions are heard on Saturday afternoon from 4:00 to 5:00 PM and anytime upon reasonable request.

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: First & Third Sundays at 1:00 PM. Expectant parents may contact the Rectory Office to schedule one of the available Sundays. Adults are baptized and confirmed at the Easter Vigil after completing the stages of the Rite of Christian Initiation.

RCIA – Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults: A process for those who wish to enter the Catholic Faith, or for present Catholic individuals who after being baptized may need to receive the sacraments of Holy Eucharist and Confirmation. For more information, please call the Rectory Office.

THE SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY: Since Catholic marriage requires a time of preparation, arrangements should begin *at least six months* before the proposed date of the wedding to allow for the Marriage Preparation Program and Natural Family Planning (NFP). It is required that either the bride or groom must be a registered and practicing member of Immaculate Conception Church.

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK: If you are planning to enter the hospital for surgery, experiencing a prolonged or serious illness, or are very weak due to advancement of age, please call the Parish Rectory to arrange for the sacraments of reconciliation, communion and anointing at home. Communal anointing of the sick is celebrated at mass during the Advent and Lenten seasons. Please notify us of any hospitalization so that we may be of assistance.

WELCOME TO NEW PARISHIONERS: The Immaculate Conception community warmly welcomes you! Please introduce yourself to the celebrant of the mass you are attending as you leave the church so that, on behalf of the entire community you may be welcomed. You can register at the Parish Office and receive any information needed from the office receptionist. Kindly notify us of any change of address.

MISSION STATEMENT: *Immaculate Conception Parish is a Christian community of disciples in the Roman Catholic tradition, called by Jesus, united in Eucharistic worship and growing in faith, hope and love. Nourished through the sacraments and strengthened by God's transforming love, we are empowered to know the gospel message and to witness to others. As Christian stewards, we are thankful for God's many gifts and we commit ourselves to share our time, talent and treasure in Christ-like service within our parish community and beyond. We seek God's blessing and guidance to be faithful to this mission.*



Dear friends in Christ,

Because this bulletin is being prepared and sent out on Flocknote before Sunday, May 3rd. I would like to remind you all about the May 1st re-consecrating the United States of America to our Blessed Virgin Mary, under the title of Mary, Mother of the Church. On Friday, May 1st, the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops will be consecrating the nation of Canada to the care of the Blessed Mother. The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops decided to join the Canadian Bishops in this event and will be re-consecrating the United States of America to our Blessed Virgin Mary. **UPDATE: EWTN WILL BE BROADCASTING THE CELEBRATION LIVE ON FRIDAY, MAY 1ST AT 3:00 PM WITH A REPEAT OF THE CEREMONY AT 10:30 PM. The celebration will also be posted on our parish Facebook page.**

Work began Monday afternoon, April 27th, to have the possibility of internet access in our Main Church. After our parish phone system company made a visit, it was confirmed that we will be able to have wi-fi in the church! If not already, in the coming days they will return to do the installation. Once installed, we will have the ability to live stream from the altar of the church our daily mass at 9:30 am while public masses continue to be on hold.

The Parish Food Pantry is up and running again starting Friday, May 1st. The pantry will be open on Friday each week from 3:00 pm to 5:30 pm. All are welcome, including parishioners who may need supplemental food and for anyone else known to you that may be in need of food during this time of pandemic. Thank you, Deacon Phil and Pat Marino, and to the pantry volunteers who are putting themselves out there for the good of our community. I understand too that college students will also be volunteering; God bless you all.

Again, as I mentioned last week, your love and financial support for your parish continues! Last Sunday the parish received \$4,562.00 in our regular collection. Another \$1,800.00 for our Easter Collection was received, bringing that to a total of \$20,684.00 so far! For the month of April, our electronic collection program *WeShare* received for the month of April was \$8,923.00. We have never had such a large amount of electronic giving in one month! To help those of you sending a bunch of envelopes at one time, to save time for yourself, you can write one check for the total of all the envelopes. God bless you all for your continuing generosity to Immaculate!

As I mentioned to you last week, Fr. John Kyeremeh will not be visiting us this summer, at least the normal three months of mid-June to mid-September. We have been keeping each other informed of what is going on in our lives. I would like to share with you Fr. John's latest email to me...

"I am more than grateful to have such an update of the parish from you. It makes feel fully part of the parish, not just the summer visiting priest. Thank God for the recovery of Msgr. Foley! It has not been easy here financially and logistically since no church activities is going on but by God's grace myself and all family members are doing well. I celebrated the Holy Week and the Triduum with a religious community in my parish and most of the time I have been saying mass privately. My regards to the parishioners. Praying for God's intervention. Once again thank you very much and stay in touch always."

I have noticed more use of the parish parking lot for people to seek out some time out of their homes. Two parishioners exercising together, a group of young ladies sitting on their cars in a circle talking with each other in masks, and a few one-on-one games of basketball. Everyone has been showing proper social distancing and you are more than welcome to use the large lot. In my rare times off the property, I slow down and give a big wave from my car. Thank you to those who come up with ways to interact with one another, again, if it is done safely and according to the standards put in place for our own safety.

Continue to stay safe, you are all in my constant prayers. May Mary, the Mother of the Church, intercede for us, Amen.



- Fr. Herbert T DeGaris

SCHOOL OF RELIGION- “My Time with Jesus”**Parents teach your children the May Devotions to honor Our Blessed Virgin Mary**

We honor Our Blessed Mother, Mother of Jesus, everyday but in a special way during the month of May. She is the Queen of Heaven and Earth. She is Mother of the Church, protecting us, comforting us and embracing us with Her Love. Our Blessed Mother brings us to her Son, Jesus - Our Lord, to dwell in our hearts for all of eternity. Since we cannot prepare the following May Devotions in Religious Education classes, please prepare and complete the devotions at home with your children and keep a log.

***May Crowning:** This year May Crowning can take place in your own homes on Mother’s Day (or another special day) with a statue of the Blessed Mother or a picture of Her in a special area of the house. If you have an outdoor statue of the Blessed Mother, the May Crowning can take place outdoors. The children can place a crown made of fresh flowers or if not possible an artificial flower crown on the Blessed Mother statue and also place flowers at her feet singing: *“Hail holy Queen enthroned above, Oh, Maria; Hail Mother of Mercy and of love, Oh, Maria; Triumph all ye cherubim, Sing with us ye seraphim, Heaven and earth resound the hymn, Salve, salve, Salve, Regina; Hail holy Queen enthroned above, Oh, Maria; Hail Mother of Mercy and of Love, Oh, Maria; Triumph all ye cherubim, Sing with us ye seraphim, Heaven and earth resound the hymn, Salve, salve, Salve Regina; Our life, our sweetness here below, Oh, Maria, Our hope in sorrow and in woe, Oh, Maria; Triumph all ye Cherubim, Sing with us ye Seraphim, Heaven and earth resound the hymn, Salve, salve, Salve Regina.”*

***Pray the Rosary** more so during the month of May. If you need help, you can pray “Come Pray the Rosary” YouTube. *“The custom of the family recitation of the Holy Rosary is a most efficacious means. What a sweet sight - most pleasing to God - when, at eventide, the Christian home resounds with the frequent repetition of praises in honor of the High Queen of Heaven! Then the Rosary, recited in the family, assembled before the image of the Virgin, in an admirable union of hearts, the parents and their children, who come back from their daily work. It unites them piously with those absent and those dead. It links all more tightly in a sweet bond of love, with the most Holy Virgin, who, like a loving mother, in the circle of her children, will be there bestowing upon them an abundance of the gifts of concord and family peace” – Pope Pius XII* **Pope Francis has added two prayers to the Rosary for the month of May beginning on May 1st (which can be found on the internet).**

***Child’s Act of Consecration to Mary:** *“O my Queen, O my Mother, I love you and give myself to you. I give to you this day my eyes, my ears, my mouth, my heart, my whole self. Since I am yours, keep me and guard me as your child forever. Amen”.* When your child consecrates his/herself, he/she is entrusting themselves to the Blessed Virgin Mary, under Her care, so that She can protect your child throughout his/her life. Keep a record of the date of your child’s Formal Consecration together with other sacramental records.

***Offer Our Blessed Mother your sacrifices in Her honor.** Our Blessed Mother is the model of humility and will lovingly accept your child’s sincere sacrifices that will benefit your child’s soul and the souls of others. (such as extra prayers, good deeds, giving up something, etc.).

***Remember Our Lady of Fatima Feast Day on May 13th:** The first apparition of Our Lady to the three children ages 7, 9, 10 who were tending the flock of sheep in Fatima, Portugal on May 13th, 1917.

May the love of Our Blessed Mother reach our hearts and direct us toward Jesus whom we depend upon for our being.

Our Catechism Classes during this time are based on “Our Faith in Action”: Please continue attending Mass with Fr. Herb live stream Facebook on Sundays and weekdays at 9:30am, praying the Rosary, watching the videos on Formed.org. For those who have learned to pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy which was emailed to you and published in last week’s bulletin, please pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. If you are able, please visit Jesus in the new outdoor Most Blessed Sacrament. **Keep a log with dates of what was completed.**

1. Attended Mass live stream (the greatest miracle at every Mass whereby the Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus is made Present).
2. Prayed: Prayed the Rosary, Prayed the Chaplet of Divine Mercy, and/or spoke to God in a personal way, Prayed the Act of Spiritual Communion, Act of Contrition, Prayer before meals.
3. Watched a video on Formed.org in continuation of our faith classes. Also available is EWTN website Spiritual Resources including Homeschooling Resources for Primary and older students.

**FROM THE DEACON'S BENCH
THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK**

Lord, when I am afraid or confused, help me lean into your love and joy.

Michael Jordanlaskey

MOTHER'S DAY NOVENA OF MASSES

A Novena of Masses will begin on Mother's Day, **Sunday, May 10th**. If you would like to have loved ones remembered in these Masses, please return the Mass intention envelope from your monthly packet.

Additional envelopes are available at the entrances to our church. Mother's Day cards for the living are also available at the entrance to the Church.

FOOD PANTRY

The Parish Food Pantry will be open on Fridays from 3:00 to 5:300 p.m. for all, including parishioners who need supplemental food and for anyone else they may know of who needs food during this time.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

All those who are ill at home, in the hospital and in nursing homes, especially: John Capria, Billy Keenan, Mary Murnane, Ruth Ann Melia, and Nora Malloy.

Our recently deceased: Msg. John Ruvo, Fr, John Bida, Deacon Carols Mercado.

We will announce at the Mass on Sunday for a period of one month the intentions of those who are sick and then we will print them for one month. After that we ask that you please contact us to make sure that they are placed on the list again for another cycle. It is the only way we know if someone has recovered. We thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

CALENDAR RAFFLE WINNERS

Date	Prize	Ticket	Winner
4/27	\$ 25	831	Stacy Muthig
4/28	\$ 50	2353	Elizabth Hardin
4/29	\$ 25	2227	Christina Harm
4/30	\$ 25	109	Franklin Bosques
5/1	\$ 25	1367	Jennifer Patrikis
5/2	\$ 25	708	Kaleigh Mahoney
5/3	\$100	212	Thiago Coelho

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY, MAY 2ND

5:30 Leo & Anthony Ruzzi (req. by family)

SUNDAY, MAY 3RD

7:30 *For the People of the Parish*

9:30 Edward Geary (req. by family)

11:30 Gerald Kilduff (req. by family)

MONDAY, MAY 4TH

7:30 Eugene & Anna D'Onfrio (req. by family)

TUESDAY, MAY 5TH

7:30 James Schien (req. by family)

WEDNESDAY, MAY 6TH

7:30 Michael Orapello
(Greg & Shirley Hladik)

THURSDAY, MAY 7TH

7:30 Catherine & Albert Perini & Mary & Anthony Toscano (req. by family)

FRIDAY, MAY 8TH

7:30 Ann & Henry Fondu (req. by family)

SATURDAY, MAY 9TH

8:30 Jim Hylas (req. by family)

5:30 Vigil *For the People of the Parish*

MIDNIGHT RUN – June 6

Adopting the Curbside delivery model used by a number of local restaurants, we will deliver curbside, backpacks with toiletries, water and sandwiches in a modified Midnight Run to our brothers and sisters on the streets in Manhattan on the night of Saturday, June 6. All donations of sandwiches, cookies, chips or any snack will be greatly appreciated. We will prepare the backpacks on Saturday morning keeping in mind whatever restrictions might then be in place. We have the backpacks and the toiletry packs, but the food items are needed, please. God Bless Us All! For any information about this run or to volunteer in any way, please contact Deacon John or Jessica Sadowski 786 5759.

An Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.