

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church

28297 Old Village Road
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Rectory Office: 301-884-3123
Faith Formation: 240-230-3167

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Parish Clergy

Rev. Michael Tietjen, Pastor
Deacon William Kyte, D.R.E.

Weekend Masses:

Saturday at 4:00 pm
Sunday at 7:00, 9:00 and 11:00 am

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Weekday Masses:

Monday – Wednesday & Friday at 7:30 am
1st Saturday Mass at 9:00 am (only 1st of the month)

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Confessions:

Saturdays at 3:00 – 3:45 pm,
and after the vigil Mass.

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Eucharistic Adoration:

1st Friday of each month, beginning after the
7:30 am Mass & ending
with Benediction at 6:30 pm.



April 15th, 2018
Third Sunday of Easter

Baptisms:

Parishioners of Immaculate Conception Church should contact the rectory so we can explain the process to you. Baptisms are traditionally held on the first Sunday of each month.

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Marriages:

Active and participating parishioners are welcome to be married at Immaculate Conception! Please contact the rectory at least 6 months in advance (preferably a year) so there is time to complete the marriage preparation process and confirm a wedding date.

Please do not reserve a reception hall before scheduling a meeting with the pastor.

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Shut-Ins:

If you wish to have your homebound loved-ones receive Holy Communion, please call the rectory (301-884-3123).

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Parish Email: Immaculateconception.md@adwparish.org
*****NEW - Parish Website:** ICChurchmd.org

Mass Intentions

Saturday, April 14th, 2018

4:00 pm – Isabelle Gorga

Sunday, April 15th, 2018

7:00 am – Ernest & Eleanor Dotson

9:00 am – George Skip Weise

11:00 am – Parishioners

Monday, April 16th, 2018

7:30 am – Billy Guy

Tuesday, April 17th, 2018

7:30 am – William Andrew Guy

Wednesday, April 18th, 2018

7:30 am – Doris Rangel

Friday, April 20th, 2018

7:30 am – John Benjamin Padgett, Jr.

Saturday, April 21st, 2018

4:00 pm – Parishioners

Sunday, April 22nd, 2018

7:00 am – William J. Parker & Mary C. Slaughter

9:00 am – Willie Rosario (Living)

11:00 am – Shirley Clark

To Register at Immaculate Conception:

We welcome you to Immaculate Conception Parish. If you are new to the Parish please register using the forms found in the church vestibule or on our website and drop off the completed form at the church office which is open:
Monday through Friday from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm.

*The Easter Flowers were donated
in honor/memory
of the loved ones marked on the
envelopes on the altar.*

Bishop Blesses the Rectory

Bishop Campbell will be coming on **Sunday, April 22nd** for the 11:00 am Mass. He will be celebrating Mass and blessing our newly renovated rectory. Please consider joining us for the 11:00 am Mass on Sunday, April 22nd.

IC Angels

The IC Angels warmly invite all Catholic ladies to their meeting on **Wednesday, April 18th** at 7:00 pm in the Parish Center.

Parish Dinner/Festival

Our Parish Dinner/Festival is **Sunday, May 6th**.

Letters, donation slips, and raffle tickets have been mailed out. Please get your raffle tickets sold and back into the rectory as soon as possible. You can return them via the collection, in person during office hours, or in the mail to our P. O. Box 166, Mechanicsville, MD.

You can also begin bringing items for the white elephant table. Please call the rectory (301-884-3123) during office hours or George Briscoe (301-448-5237) to have your white elephant items put in the shed in the Parish Center parking lot.

NO CLOTHES PLEASE.

Altar Flowers

If you're interested in dedicating altar flowers in memory of a loved one, please call Clare (301-884-3123) and she will help you schedule an available weekend. The cost is \$47.

Bible Study

Join us for Bible study on Mondays at 7:00 pm in the Parish Center.

Bulletin Item Deadline

If you have an item for the bulletin, please note that all information needs to be sent to Clare.ImmaculateConception@gmail.com at the end of the day by **Tuesday each week**. Messages will be edited when necessary.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) is a program that assists those who want to learn more about the Catholic faith. If you have questions, please call Fr. Tietjen (301-884-3123) or Amy Downs (301-904-7439).

FAITH FORMATION INFORMATION

Sunday, April 15st, 2018
THIRD Sunday of Easter
ALLELUIA, HE IS RISEN!

DID YOU KNOW – EASTER is celebrated until May 20th when we celebrate PENTECOST SUNDAY. All of us have been baptized into one and the same spirit; let us live, then, by the Spirit! **GOD LOVES YOU ALL AND SO DO ALL THE TEACHERS.**

8TH GRADE TEACHERS, PARENTS AND KIDS – PARENTS, ARE YOU MISSING ANY CHILDREN? Please let me know and I'll contact ST. CLEMENT'S ISLAND FOR YOU –they may still be there. THANKS to all the parents, Mother of Light Shine, Ms. Millie Huseman, St. Clement's Island Museum and K of C gentlemen who helped with the Living Rosary and brought lunch to the Island. THANKS FOR ALL OF YOUR EFFORTS.

STUDENTS of 8th GRADE – if you didn't go to ST. CLEMENT'S ISLAND, please see your teachers right away. They will help guide you in writing the report. REMEMBER, IT'S A REQUIREMENT FOR CONFIRMATION.

8TH GRADE CONFIRMATION REQUIREMENTS – Have you turned in your REQUIREMENTS?? IF you haven't, please see your teacher. NO KIDDING – YOU'RE LATE.

ASSESSMENT MAKE-UP DATE – There will be make-up testing this **Sunday, April 15th** in the **6th grade class** for both sessions.

FIRST COMMUNION RETREAT – **Saturday, April 28th**, from 9:00 – 11:00 am, at Parish Center. Please check our Parish Website.

ATTENTION 6TH, 7TH, AND 8TH GRADE STUDENTS – The Festival Committee is looking for some students to volunteer to help out at the Parish Dinner/Festival on **Sunday, May 6th**. This is a good opportunity to earn some community service hours towards your requirement of 20 hours. Please contact the rectory if you are interested (301-884-3123).

PARISH WEBSITE – CHECK OUT WHAT'S COMING IN THE NEXT FEW MONTHS. Please visit the Parish Website @ www.ICChurchmd.org often to learn about Parish and Faith Formation events, updated Faith Formation calendar, and closing alerts for inclement weather.

CONFIRMATION GOWN FOR MAY 11th, 2018 AT 7:00 pm.

– All students will be wearing a red gown. Please make sure you are measured by your teacher. Gowns will be giving out at practice on **Thursday, May 10th** at 6:30pm. Gowns will be turned in, at the PARISH CENTER, right after CONFIRMATION and before the reception with Bishop Dorsonville. Any questions, please contact your teacher or the Deacon.

Deacon Bill- 240-230-3167 or deacon.kyte@gmail.com

The **Regular Collection** last week was \$7,027.43.

Your donations are greatly appreciated. Thank you!!

SCHEDULE for Saturday, April 21st and Sunday, April 22nd.

(Parents—it is very important that if your child cannot serve at this time to please arrange a substitute.)

	Lectors	EMoHC	Altar Servers
4:00 pm Saturday	Jean Adams	Charlie Widmayer	(none)
7:00 am Sunday	Mary Ann Bean	Tim Steelman	(none)
9:00 am	Terry Caselman	Dan Clark	Adm Trossbach & Rachel Garner
11:00 am	Monica Cerkez	Richard Adams	(none)

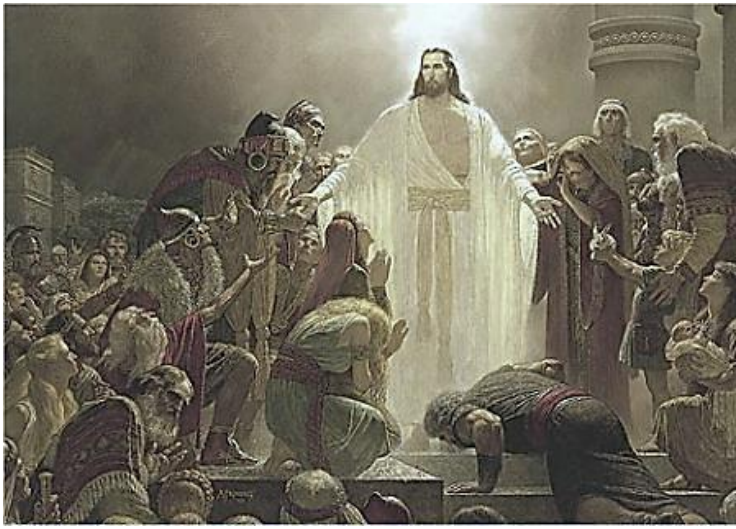
New Website AND Online Giving

Our new website is up and running. Please visit our website at www.ICChurchmd.org. Are you interested in online giving? Signing up is easy. Just go to our website, hover over *Online Giving* and click on *Church Donations*. If you have any questions please call Clare in the rectory office (301-884-3123) during office hours (Monday – Friday 9:00 am – 4:00 pm.)

Grieving with Great Hope Workshop

Grieving with Great HOPE is a five-week grief support workshop series that offers a prayerful, practical and personal approach for anyone who is mourning the loss of a loved one. The workshop will be offered beginning **Wednesday, April 18th**, and continuing Wednesdays, **April 25th**, **May 2nd**, **May 9th**, and **May 16th** in the Parish Center.

Visit www.goodmourningministry.net for more information, and for registration contact the rectory (301-884-3123), Deacon Bill (240-230-3167), Tina Slaughter (301-884-9545 or 301-481-1961) or visit our website (ICChurchmd.org). Seating is limited. Advanced registration is kindly requested.



K of C Corner – Jesus, our Cornerstone – Council #8159.

Are you thinking about becoming a Knight at Immaculate Conception Church? If you would like more information on the Knights, you can also just LOG IN to Maryland State Council Web page: www.kofc-md.org. You can also get more information @ www.kofc.org/join.

Please join us for breakfast this **Sunday, April 15th** in the Parish Center after all Sunday morning Masses. Any donations you would like to make will go toward a local charity to assist in their worthy endeavors.

- Deacon Bill

Prayers for the Sick

Please remember the sick members of our parish community in your prayers: Lacey R. Adams; Phillip Adams; J.A.; Chicchina Bailey; Donnie Bearup; Kathy Bergling; Rita Bond; Doris Anne Bradburn; Therese Braithwaite; Sandy Burns; T.C.; Dennis Carr; Jimmy Davis; Joyce Edgington; Dottie Estep; Karen Finch; James Gibson; Eddie Grumbling; Cindy Hall; Sonny Hill; Dwayne Hindt, Sr.; Marian Holley; Frederick Holton; Joshua Hosier; Kathleen Johnson; Rachel Stewart-Johnson; C.K.; Angie Kalnasy; Patrick Kelly; Karissa Kyte; D. Lambert; Nancy Lippert; Jean Martin; Cole Martinez; Dennis Maury; Artina Miles; Louis Miller; Jennifer Burroughs Murphy; Jen Newman; Lisa Durst Owens; Max Padgett; Haley Palmer; Robert Palmer; Jennifer Peacock; Grace Pennington; Fr. Robert S. Pittman, SSS; Laura Redding; Joel Rivera; Sis Robey; Diana Pelkey-Rockwell; James Smithy; Mary Smith; Carrie Stoots; Debbie Stoots; Ashley Thomas; Calvert Thomas; Joyce Thompson; Nicki Thorne; Rick Turner; Frankie Vera; Betty Williams; Amy Wood; and James Zalovick. Immediate family members may place names of *parishioners* on our sick list.

If you'd like to add your loved one to the sick list please contact the rectory (301-884-3123 or email Clare.ImmaculateConception@gmail.com).

Prayers for our Soldiers

We pray for those soldiers serving our Country – serving away from home are: Trevor Adams, Ivan Cerkez, Alex Costa, Davon Eaton, Taryn Eaton, Blake Guy, Jeremy Heacock, Kellem R. Holt, Kevin Holt, Nathan J. Holton, Matthew Pennington, Joseph G. Thomas and Gregory Wilkinson.



Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Like in the gospel today, sometimes our minds need to be opened to know what God has done for us, and what he wants for us in our marriage. Deepen your communication, strengthen your relationship, rekindle your romance and renew your sacrament by attending the Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend on **April 20-22, 2018** (still have openings – call by **April 17th** to still get in for this one.), **November 2-4, 2018** in **Gaithersburg, MD** and **August 3-5, 2018** in **Hanover, MD**. Go to moments4marriage.org to sign-up or call 301-541-7007. It's not too early to sign-up!

Non-Perishable Food Items and toiletries that are needed: jelly/jam; pancake syrup; pancake mix; canned fruit; cereal; tea bags; coffee; Manwich; Beefaroni, Ravioli, Spaghetti & Meatballs, etc.; Hamburger Helper; Pork & Beans; side dish packets of pasta or rice (Simply noodles, Knorr, etc.); dried beans; rice; sweets (cookies, etc.); pudding; jell-o; canned meats (chicken, Tweet, Spam, potted meat, vienna sausages, etc.); canned soup; dried or canned milk; instant potatoes; stuffing mixes; sugar; flour; cornmeal; salt/pepper; common spices; ketchup; mustard; mayonnaise; toiletries (soap, toilet paper, paper towels, toothbrushes, toothpaste, deodorant, feminine hygiene items, shampoo, conditioner, etc.); laundry soap; quart & gallon size ziploc bags. If you have something to give that isn't on this list, we will definitely put it to good use! Thanks so much for helping folks in our community that are in need! This food is for the food pantries at *Our Lady of the Wayside* and *Helping Hands* throughout the year.

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Other Events in Town

- **Pilgrimage to Mother Seton Shrine in Emmitsburg** will take place **Saturday, April 28th**, led by Fr. Conley, pastor of St. Mary's in Bryantown. We will leave at 8:00 am and be back by 7:00 pm. Pilgrims will go to the Shrine of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton where Mass will be offered, have a tour, and eat lunch. While in Emmitsburg a visit to the Lourdes Grotto will also take place. On the way back they will visit the Springfield Manor Winery in Thurmont for a wine and cheese tasting. Thanks to the generosity of a benefactor and the Keller Bus Company, the cost of the trip is just \$35 per person and includes lunch and the winery visit. For more information and to register contact Lauren Balderson (301-870-2220 ext 11 or smbassist@comcast.net.) Payment is due at registration. Checks should be made out to St. Mary's Church.
- **A Marian Day of Prayer – "Blessed are You Who Believe"** will take place on **Monday, May 7th** from 9:00 am – 3:00 pm at **Loyola on the Potomac**. The day of prayer begins with a continental breakfast and includes lunch. During the day, the retreatants are invited to spend time in quiet meditation, reflecting on the theme for the day. Confessions are offered, Mass is celebrated, and reflections are shared during the Motivation to Prayer time. To register contact Lisa White at (301-392-0801 or reservations@loyolaretreat.org.) The fee for the day is \$40.00.