

# Immaculate Conception Catholic Church

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**Parish Website:** [ICChurchmd.org](http://ICChurchmd.org)

## Parish Clergy

Rev. Michael Tietjen, Pastor

Deacon William Kyte, D.R.E.



April 14<sup>th</sup>, 2019  
Palm Sunday

## Weekend Masses:

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

## Weekday Masses:

Monday – Wednesday & Friday at 7:30 am

1st Saturday Mass at 9:00 am (only 1st of the month)

## Confessions:

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

Wednesdays from 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm during Lent.

## Eucharistic Adoration:

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

## 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.

## 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.

## Shut-Ins

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

## Catholic Education:

### Grades Pre-K-8

Little Flower School – 301-994-0404

Mother Catherine Academy – 301-884-3165

### Grades 9-12

Ryken High School – 301-475-2814

God's Little  
Lambs



## Mass Intentions

**Saturday, April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2019**

4:00 pm – Donna Hill

**Sunday, April 14<sup>th</sup>, 2019**

7:00 am – Elizabeth & Chris Suffert (Living)

9:00 am – Parishioners

11:00 am – Nancy Lippert

**Monday, April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2019**

7:30 am – Bobby Cusic, Sr.

**Tuesday, April 16<sup>th</sup>, 2019**

7:30 am – Patrick Wood

**Wednesday, April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2019**

7:30 am – Carl Raley

**Holy Thursday, April 18<sup>th</sup>, 2019**

7:00 pm – Parish

**Good Friday, April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2019**

7:30 am – **NO MASS**

7:00 pm – Liturgy Only

**Holy Saturday, April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2019**

4:00 pm – **NO MASS**

8:30 pm – Parishioners

**Easter Sunday, April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2019**

7:00 am – Patrick Wood

9:00 am – Bunny Bailey

11:00 am – Carl Raley

**New to our Parish?** We welcome you to Immaculate Conception Church. For new registrations or updates, please visit our website ([ICChurchMD.org](http://ICChurchMD.org)) or stop by the Rectory Office which is open: **Monday – Friday, 9:00 am to 4:00 pm.**

# Holy Week

### Holy Week Schedule

There will not be Mass on Good Friday at 7:30 am. There will not be a 4:00 pm Mass on Holy Saturday. The Holy week schedule of Masses or Liturgies is as follows:

- **Holy Thursday, April 18<sup>th</sup>**
  - 7:00 pm Mass
  - Adoration in the Parish Center following Mass until 12:00 am.
- **Good Friday, April 19<sup>th</sup>**
  - **No Morning Mass**
  - 3:00 pm Stations of the Cross
  - 7:00 pm Liturgy
- **Holy Saturday, April 20<sup>th</sup>**
  - **No 4:00 pm Mass**
  - Easter Vigil Mass will begin at 8:30 pm
- **Easter Sunday, April 21<sup>st</sup>**
  - 7:00 am Mass
  - 9:00 am Mass
  - 11:00 am Mass

### Rectory office closed

The rectory office will be closed beginning **Good Friday, April 19<sup>th</sup> through Easter Monday**. The rectory office will re-open on Tuesday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>.

### Altar Flowers

If you're interested in dedicating altar flowers in memory or in honor 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 Cancelled\*\*\*

Bible study is cancelled until after Easter. Look here for the start-up date. We will also have it on our website calendar.

### 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](mailto:Clare.ImmaculateConception@gmail.com) by the close of business on Tuesday. Messages will be edited when necessary.

### Intercessory Prayer

Join others for intercessory prayer on Tuesday evenings at 7:00 pm in the Parish Center.

### Mass Intentions

Have you ever wanted to do something special for a family member or a friend? Consider having one of our regularly scheduled Masses said for someone, living or deceased. Contact the rectory if you are interested in scheduling a Mass. Typically, a donation goes with the request; many donate \$10 but it is voluntary.

### Rosary

The rosary is prayed at the following times:

- **First Sunday of the month** – 30 minutes before each Mass.
- **Every Saturday** – 30 minutes before the 4 pm Mass.
- **First Saturday of the month** – 30 minutes before the 9:00 am Mass.
- **Every Wednesday** – immediately following the 7:30 am Mass.

### 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 any questions, please call Fr. Tietjen (301-884-3123) or Amy Downs (301-904-7439).

### Prayers for the Sick

Please remember the sick members of our parish community in your prayers: J. Allan; Pat Anderson; Chicchina Bailey; Heather Ballard; Wendy Blush; Doris Anne Bradburn; Sandy Burns; Nancy Calvano; Mary Clancy; Cheryl Coppage; Jessie Marie Davis; Thomas Farrell; Melanie Gibson; David Hoffmaster, Sr.; Scott Hughes; Meagan Humbert; Kathleen Krznarich; Don LeVine; Lou Miller; Sandy Morgan; Jennifer Burroughs Murphy; Sandy Nelson; Lisa Durst Owens; John Redding; Laura Redding; Ed Shade; Richard Szatkowski; Claire True; Jen Tucker; Betty Williams; and Lily Williams. If you would like to add your family member to the sick list, please call the rectory (301-884-3123) or email [Clare.ImmaculateConception@gmail.com](mailto:Clare.ImmaculateConception@gmail.com).

### Prayers for our Soldiers

We pray for those soldiers serving our Country – serving away from home. Blake Guy; and Paige Guy. Please feel free to call us or email [Clare.ImmaculateConception@gmail.com](mailto:Clare.ImmaculateConception@gmail.com) to add your soldier serving AWAY FROM HOME on the list.

### Vanguard: Outreach and Evangelization

A spiritual outreach group of publicly active members and auxiliary members. Guided by a Spiritual Director, this assemblage engages in monthly organizational meetings focused on highlighting activities of parish organizations and groups to strengthen and build evangelization efforts within the parish and the wider community. Publicly active members engage in evangelization efforts, daily prayer, and event organization. Auxiliary members dedicate themselves to prayer, Mass intentions, and Holy Hours. All members of this committee seek, in charity, to strengthen, build upon, and encourage the spiritual life of all individuals. The next meeting is **Sunday, April 14<sup>th</sup>** at 12:15 pm in the Parish Center.

### Divine Mercy Sunday

Sunday, April 28<sup>th</sup> is the Second Sunday of Easter; it is also known as Divine Mercy Sunday. Please join us as we pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet on **Sunday, April 28<sup>th</sup>** at 3:00 pm in the church, followed by the Stations of the Cross.

### Parish Finance Information

The **Regular Collection** last week was \$7,487.58  
The **Renovation Fund Collection** last week was \$3,504.00.

### Pontifical Good Friday Collection

Join Pope Francis for support to the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land. Your support helps the church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools and offer religious education. The Pontifical Good Friday Collection also helps to preserve the sacred shrines. The wars, unrest and instability have been especially hard on Christians. In these times of crisis, the Pontifical Good Friday Collection provides humanitarian aid to refugees. When you contribute to the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you become an instrument of peace and join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land. For more information about Christians in the Holy Land, visit [MyFranciscan.org/good-friday](http://MyFranciscan.org/good-friday).

### Online Giving

For those interested in donating to our parish online, please visit our website and see the online giving tab. If you have any questions, please call Clare on M-W & F, 9:00 am – 4:00 pm.

### Schedule for Holy Thursday, April 18<sup>th</sup>, Good Friday, April 19<sup>th</sup>, Holy Saturday, April 20<sup>th</sup> and Easter Sunday, April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2019.

*Please arrive 10-15 minutes before Mass begins.*

	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Altar Servers
<b>7:00 pm Holy Thursday</b>	Theresa Payne	Ordinary Minister – Deacon Bill	Allie & Christian Redding
<b>7:00 pm Good Friday</b>	D. Myers/M. Bean	Ordinary Minister – Deacon Bill	Sammy Chick, Joseph Chick, & Madison Myers
<b>8:30 pm Holy Saturday</b>	Eileen Seyfried	Ordinary Minister – Deacon Bill	Bryce Manuel, Sarah Redding, & Chris Holton
<b>7:00 am Easter Sunday</b>	Joseph Woodland	Tim Steelman	Joe Davis
<b>9:00 am</b>	Marian Taylor	Debbie Myers	Allie & Christian Redding
<b>11:00 am</b>	Joseph Thomas	Ann Thomas	Joe Davis



### Immaculate Conception's 2019 Seafood Dinner and Festival

Our 2019 Seafood Dinner and Festival will be held on  
**Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup>** from 12:00 noon until 5:00 pm.

Have you sold your raffle tickets yet? Please help us out by reaching in the basket in the vestibule and grabbing at least one more pack to sell. Remember we have the potential to profit over \$48,000 from raffle ticket sales alone if everyone helps us out and sells each and every ticket.

We are still in need of volunteers to help at the dinner and also the days just prior to our big day. Please make sure you turn your forms in soon letting us know when you'll be able to help at OUR Parish Seafood Dinner and Festival.

We are still in need of plants and bulbs for the plant table. Contact Tammy (240-298-8297) if you have plants to donate. For those that are baking, please bring desserts to sell for the bake table. We will also need some extra desserts to be served along with dinner.

The next Seafood Dinner and Festival meeting will be held on  
**Wednesday, April 17<sup>th</sup>** at 6:30 pm in the Parish Center.

#### Youth Group

Our Youth Group consists of members who are in grades 7 – 12. There will be a meeting on **Sunday, April 14<sup>th</sup>** from 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm in the Parish Center. Contact Tim Steelman ([tcsworkplace@gmail.com](mailto:tcsworkplace@gmail.com)) if you have any questions.

#### Outdoor Stations of the Cross

Rev. Andrew E. Royals will lead the devotion of the Way of the Cross in the **St. Mary's Queen of Peace Cemetery** in **Helen, MD**. The devotional will begin at 12:00 pm on **Good Friday, April 19<sup>th</sup>** and all are welcome to participate. For more information or directions, please contact Catholic Cemeteries of Southern MD Regional Office (301-475-5005 or 301-932-1766, or email [qop@ccaw.org](mailto:qop@ccaw.org).)



FlockNote is a way for us to reach out to all our parishioners, or a single group, at a moment's notice via text or email. We can inform you of last minute cancellations, requests for prayer, changes in a scheduled meeting, and more. If you want to sign-up, go to ([ICChurchmd.org](http://ICChurchmd.org)), click on *Subscribe-Flocknote* and choose the groups you would like to receive information.

#### Mother Catherine Academy Upcoming Events

- **Stations of the Cross** are held at the school. The 8<sup>th</sup> grade class will present Living Stations on **Holy Thursday, April 18<sup>th</sup>** at 8:30 am. Everyone is welcome!
- **MCA Spring Drama Production:** *Mark your calendar* – performances, for this year's Spring production of *Oliver*, are scheduled for **Friday, May 17<sup>th</sup>** at 7:00 pm and **Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup>** at 2:00 pm.

### FAITH FORMATION INFORMATION Sunday, April 14<sup>th</sup>, 2019 PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

**EASTER IS JUST ONE WEEK AWAY – ARE YOU READY FOR THE RESURRECTION OF CHRIST? IT'S TRUE, IT'S REALLY TRUE.**

**MOMS AND DADS:** Please take a minute out of your busy schedule to reexamine the FAITH FORMATION CALENDAR for 2018/2019 on our parish website @ [ICChurchmd.org](http://ICChurchmd.org). Parents are the first teachers of the Faith to their children; make sure you are teaching them by your good example and words. Please remember your promise to God at their Baptism. PLEASE, TAKE THEM TO CHURCH.



#### IMPORTANT CALENDAR EVENTS – IMPORTANT DATES IN APRIL

- **April 14<sup>th</sup>:** *PALM SUNDAY*, FAITH FORMATION CLOSED
- **April 21<sup>st</sup>:** *EASTER*, FAITH FORMATION CLOSED
- **April 27<sup>th</sup>:** *CONFIRMATION RETREAT BACK-UP RAIN DATE* (8<sup>th</sup> grade students for BOTH Faith Formation and MCA) 8:00 am – 4:00 pm.
- **April 27<sup>th</sup>:** *1<sup>st</sup> Communion Retreat* (for 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Sessions A & B and MCA) in the Parish Center 9:00 am – 11:00 am.
- **April 28<sup>th</sup>:** *Confirmation Practice* – 6:30 pm in the Church
- **April 29<sup>th</sup>:** *Confirmation* – 7:00 pm

**PARENTS AND KIDS** – It's never too early to start thinking about VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL (VBS); it will take place **July 15<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup>, 2019**.



**PLEASE RETURN YOUR RICE BOWLS BY SUNDAY, APRIL 28<sup>th</sup> OR ASAP!!** Please help the Children of the World. They need us.

**PARENTS AND KIDS** – Any questions regarding the EVENTS in April and May, please check the webpage or call me.

**6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, AND 8<sup>th</sup> GRADE PARENTS AND KIDS:** PLEASE CONSULT YOUR INSTRUCTOR ASAP. *REMEMBER WHAT WE HAVE BEEN STRESSING SINCE THE BEGINNING OF THIS SCHOOL YEAR? A 70% TEST SCORE ON ALL CHAPTER EXAMS, KEEPING YOUR READING ASSIGNMENTS UP TO DATE AND REGULAR CLASS ATTENDANCE.*

**ST. CLEMENT'S ISLAND CONFIRMATION RETREAT** – A special report will be provided next week.

**MAKEUP DATE FOR THE ANNUAL ASSESSMENT TEST 2019 – SUNDAY, APRIL 28<sup>th</sup>**- For all children from both sessions.

*Deacon Bill*

(240-230-3167 or [Deacon.Kyte@gmail.com](mailto:Deacon.Kyte@gmail.com))





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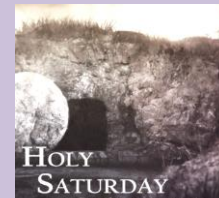
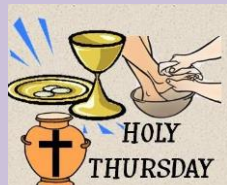


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**Other Events in Town**

- *The Passion of the Christ* – The movie (rated “R” for graphic violence; not for young children) will be shown at **St. Francis Xavier Parish Hall, Leonardtown, MD on Wednesday, April 17<sup>th</sup>** at 7:00 pm. The admission is free. It will be shown on the widescreen and in surround sound.
- Southern Maryland Mass with Healing Prayers is scheduled for **Monday, April 29<sup>th</sup>** at **Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish** in Lexington Park. Father Dan Leary will also be there. Priests will begin to hear confessions at 6:30 pm and the Mass will begin at 7:00 pm. All are welcome!
- *St. John's School 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Golf Tournament* will take place at **Breton Bay Golf & Country Club** on **Thursday, May 9<sup>th</sup>**. The fee is \$125 per person/\$500 per foursome. More information can be found at [SJSHollywood.org](http://SJSHollywood.org) to register, sponsor or donate.
- *Appraisers Fair* will take place at **Mechanicsville Volunteer Fire Department Social Hall** on **Saturday, May 18<sup>th</sup>** from 10:00 am – 2:00 pm. Appraisers will be on hand to look at your coins, antiques, and other collectibles. Small fees and item limits apply.