

# Immaculate Conception Catholic Church

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## Parish Clergy

Rev. Michael Tietjen, Pastor

Deacon William Kyte, D.R.E.



January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2020

The Epiphany of the Lord

## 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 of the Month Mass at 9:00 am



## Confessions:

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



## Eucharistic Adoration:

Wednesdays at 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm

First Fridays following the 7:30 am Mass – 9:00 am

## 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

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Lambs



## Mass Intentions

### Saturday, January 4, 2020

9:00 am – Bernard Raley, Sr.

4:00 pm – Thelma Russell

### Sunday, January 5, 2020

7:00 am – Linda Adamo

9:00 am – Parishioners

11:00 am – Rick Nelson

### Monday, January 6, 2020

7:30 am – Irma Hartman (L) & Vera Henrichs (L)

### Tuesday, January 7, 2020

7:30 am – Charles Bryson

### Wednesday, January 8, 2020

10:00 am – Charles Hugg

### Friday, January 10, 2020

7:30 am – Carl Thompson

### Saturday, January 11, 2020

4:00 pm – Brian Davis

### Sunday, January 12, 2020

7:00 am – Lee-Lee Bowles Bassey

9:00 am – Special Intention

11:00 am – Parishioners

## 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.

The Christmas flowers were donated  
in honor or memory of the loved ones  
of our parish.

## Faith – Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

Sunday, January 12, 2020

Is it ok to read the Harry Potter and Percy Jackson books? Fiction books that whose stories involve spell casting, demons, and other aspects of the occult?

Our Faith FAQ continues; a one-hour information session whose agenda is to answer questions about the faith. This session will take place on **Sunday, January 12<sup>th</sup>** from 12:15 pm – 1:15 pm in the **Parish Center**. In some cases we may have to do further research and get back to you as soon as possible. Come stump the panel with your excellent questions, get an answer to a question about our faith that has been on your mind, or simply visit to hear the answers to other questions.

### Basketball FreeThrow

All boys and girls ages 9 to 14 (as of January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020) are invited to participate in the annual Knights of Columbus Basketball Freethrow Competition. The event is FREE. The competition will be held at **Mother Catherine Academy Gymnasium, Thursday, January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2020** from 6:00 pm – 8:30 pm (Snow Date: Tuesday January 14<sup>th</sup>, 2020). Please arrive between 6:00 pm – 6:30 pm to complete registration. Registration will be at the door or in advance or the entry form can be downloaded at [www.kofc8159.org](http://www.kofc8159.org). First place will be awarded to boys and girls of each age group. For more information please contact Leo Hoffman (240-237-2949) or visit [www.kofc8159.org](http://www.kofc8159.org).

### Prayers for our Soldiers

We pray for those soldiers serving our Country – serving away from home. Trevor Adams; Anthony Braxton; Caralena Cooper; Blake Guy; Paige Guy, Kellem R. Holt; Nathan J. Holton; Ryan Elliott Lawrence; and Joseph G. Thomas. 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.

### Prayers for the Sick

Please remember the sick members of our parish community in your prayers: Edrena Adams; Pat Anderson; Chicchina Bailey; Mary Ann Balenger; Michael Balenger; Heather Ballard; Wendy Blush; Doris Anne Bradburn; Cassie Michelle Brown; Sandy Burns; Ricky Burroughs; Nancy Calvano; Gregory Chapman; Cheryl Coppage; Jessie Marie Davis; Jimmy Davis; Fr. Michael Dobbins; Thomas Dotson; Josie Economy; Thomas Farrell; Michael Ford; Donna Gardner; David Greene; Marsha Harper; Scott Hughes; Meagan Humbert; Kitty Huntington; Christine Koehler; Kathleen Krznarich; Ralph Lawrence; Don LeVine; Fred Locantore; Penny Lynn; Mike McDonald; Jennifer Burroughs Murphy; Sandy Nelson; Lisa Durst Owens; John Redding; Laura Redding; Sis Robey; Louise Rogers; Elizabeth Shifflette; Joe Shifflette; Linda Kyte Simon; Catherine Smith; James Smith; Claude Stevens; Richard Szatkowski; Jen Tucker; Richard Turner; Debbie Williams; Lily Williams; and Linda Worthington. 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).

## Litany of Humility

*This Litany is attributed to Rafael Cardinal Merry del Val (1865-1930), the Secretary of State of Pope Saint Pius X, by Father Charles Belmonte, S.Th.D., a priest of the Opus Dei Prelature who, inspired by the Cardinal, included it in collection, the "Handbook of Prayers," in 1986. Some words updated.*

O Jesus! Meek and humble of heart, Hear me.  
 From the desire of being admired, **R. Deliver me, Jesus**  
 From the desire of being loved, **R. Deliver me, Jesus**  
 From the desire of being cheered, **R.**  
 From the desire of being honored, **R.**  
 From the desire of being praised, **R.**  
 From the desire of being preferred to others, **R.**  
 From the desire of being consulted, **R.**  
 From the desire of being approved, **R.**  
 From the fear of being humiliated, **R.**  
 From the fear of being despised, **R.**  
 From the fear of suffering rebukes, **R.**  
 From the fear of being accused falsely, **R.**  
 From the fear of being forgotten, **R.**  
 From the fear of being ridiculed, **R.**  
 From the fear of being wronged, **R.**  
 From the fear of being suspected, **R.**

That others may be loved more than I, **R.**  
**Jesus grant me the grace to desire it.**  
 That others may be admired more than I, **R.**  
**Jesus grant me the grace to desire it.**  
 That, in the opinion of the world,  
 others may increase and I may decrease, **R.**  
 That others may be chosen and I set aside, **R.**  
 That others may be praised and I unnoticed, **R.**  
 That others may be preferred to me in everything, **R.**  
 That others may become holier than I,  
 Provided that I may become as holy as I should, **R.**  
 Amen.

### Parish Finance Information

The **Regular Collection** last week was \$6,975.90.  
 The **Christmas Collection** last week was \$16,555.00.

Your donations are greatly appreciated!!! Thank you!

### Online Giving

Have you ever thought about giving online and cancelling your envelopes? You can go on to our website ([ICChurchmd.org](http://ICChurchmd.org)) and hover over the "More" tab and click on *Online Giving*. If you are interested in setting this up and need help, please call the office during business hours and ask for Clare. Once you have it set-up you can now go in to your account and make changes whenever necessary.

### Schedule for Saturday, January 11<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, January 12<sup>th</sup>.

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

	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Altar Servers
4:00 pm Saturday	Mary Ann Bean	Julia Redding	Sarah Redding & Paul Baden
7:00 am Sunday	Terry Casselman	Judy Ramsey	MacKenna Zopelis & Madison Myers
9:00 am	Laurie Garner	Levi Parker	Allie Redding & Adam Trossbach
11:00 am	Mary Ellen Evans	Joseph Thomas	Joe Davis

### Adoration

Have you ever thought about sitting down and talking with Jesus? Well that's exactly what we are inviting you to do. Come join us on **Wednesdays** from 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm and spend some quiet time with our Lord. Some ideas on how to spend your time with Him are: pray a rosary, read some passages in the Bible and reflect on what Jesus is saying to you, read another spiritual book, and just sit quietly and listen for our Lord to speak to your heart. Confession will normally be available during that time as well. We also have Adoration on **first Fridays** immediately following the 7:30 am Mass and concludes with Benediction at 9:00 am.

### 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

Join us for Bible study on **Mondays** at 7:00 pm and on **Wednesdays** at 10:00 am in the Parish Center.

### Bulletin Item Deadline

All information for the upcoming bulletin 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

If you would like to have a Mass offered for someone please contact the rectory to schedule it. Typically, a donation goes with the request – a typical donation is \$10.

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

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

### Vanguard

We invite you to join Immaculate Conception's spiritual outreach group known as *Vanguard*. Together we seek to spread the good news and bring others closer to Christ both in our parish and in our community. Efforts are currently focused on greater involvement of the youth in their own faith development. If you have questions, please contact Tim Steelman ([TCSworkplace@gmail.com](mailto:TCSworkplace@gmail.com) or 301-908-6086).

## FAITH FORMATION

January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2020

## THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

**Happy New Year to all of our Faith Formation families.**

**PARENTS AND KIDS** – OUR CHRISTMAS VACATION HAS ENDED – NOW, BACK TO WORK AND DON'T FORGET THE MIRACLE YOU JUST LIVED THROUGH. SEE YOU IN CLASS THIS SUNDAY MORNING.

**TEACHERS' MEETING** – **Wednesday, January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2020**, beginning at 6:30 pm in the Parish Center. Hope to see you there.

**PARENTS OF ONLINE KIDS:** Are you aware that you can look at your child's progress each week? All you need to do is log on to "[mycatholicfaithdelivered.com](http://mycatholicfaithdelivered.com)" and you can see your child's report. In this way, you also help support their teachers in working with your child when they are behind in their homework and encourage them to do better in their class work. Let me know how that is going?

**MARY'S GARDEN:** Very soon Mary's Garden will be going through a revitalization program. Please be patient with the caretaker. We are working on a few answers from GOD.

**PARISH WEBSITE** – Please visit the Parish Website @ [ICChurchmd.org](http://ICChurchmd.org) often to learn about Parish and Faith Formation events. If you have any questions, please contact me (240-249-6010 or [deacon.kyte@gmail.com](mailto:deacon.kyte@gmail.com)).

**FAMILY PRAYER:** This would be a very good time to start praying the rosary as a family every night.

**Sunday** – the Glorious Mysteries

**Monday** – the Joyful Mysteries

**Tuesday** – the Sorrowful Mysteries

**Wednesday** – the Glorious Mysteries

**Thursday** – the Luminous Mysteries

**Friday** – the Sorrowful Mysteries

**Saturday** – the Joyful Mysteries

*Deacon Bill, DRE*

### FlockNote

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. Please go on our website ([ICChurchmd.org](http://ICChurchmd.org)) and sign up today.

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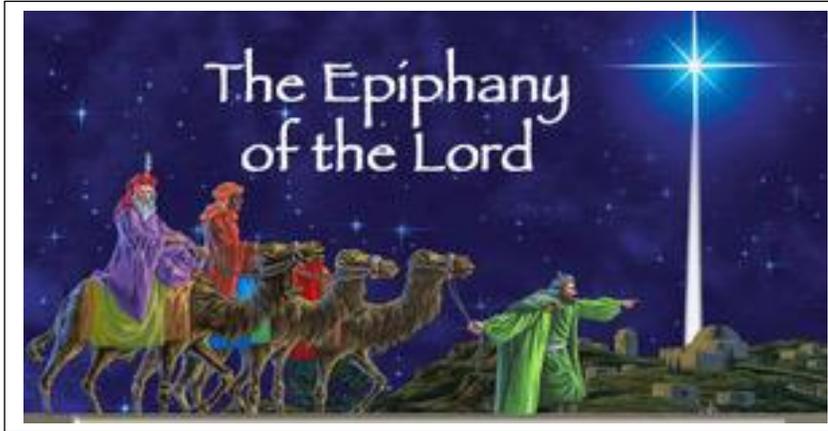
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**Other Events in Town**

- *Help Our Marriage* - Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue, or have you just stopped talking to each other? Does talking about it only make it worse? Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi with a long i) helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. This program has helped many couples experiencing difficulties in their marriage. For confidential information or to register for the upcoming program beginning with a weekend on **January 24<sup>th</sup> - January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2020**, please visit: [www.HelpOurMarriage.org](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.org), call 443-400-7017, or email: [3015@retrouvaille.org](mailto:3015@retrouvaille.org).
- A *worldwide marriage encounter weekend* will take place on **February 28<sup>th</sup> – March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020**. The weekend will take place in **College Park, MD**. Please apply online at [moments4marriage.org](http://moments4marriage.org). Please apply by January 25<sup>th</sup> to guarantee your seat. For more information, leave a message at 301-541-7007.



The wise men followed the star to find our  
 Savior, Jesus Christ.  
 We can search for Jesus too!

You can find Him in the Gospels. You can  
 receive Him at Mass. You can find Him in the  
 heart of those around you.  
 May we all strive to be that beacon of light that  
 brings others to the heart of life, Jesus Christ.  
 Happy new year to one and all.

**2020**