

# 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.



## 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

February 16<sup>th</sup>, 2020

The Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time.

## 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).

## Mass Intentions

**Saturday, February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

4:00 pm – Parishioners

**Sunday, February 16<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

7:00 am – Am. Academy of the Sacred Arts

9:00 am – Sister Paula IHM

11:00 am – Richard Norsworthy

**Monday, February 17<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

7:30 am – Carl Raley

**Tuesday, February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

7:30 am – Betty Wood

**Wednesday, February 19<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

7:30 am – Will Frazier

**Friday, February 21<sup>st</sup>, 2020**

7:30 am – Deceased Priests of Mt. St. Mary's Seminary

**Saturday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2020**

4:00 pm – Larry Williams, Sr.

**Sunday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2020**

7:00 am – Parishioners

9:00 am – Sister Mary Martha Thompson

11:00 am – Mary Virginia Martin

## 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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## 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 altar flowers were donated  
in memory of Nancy Lippert.

## The Rectory Office is Closed

The rectory office is closed on **Monday, February 17<sup>th</sup>** in honor of President's Day. We will re-open on Tuesday.



This weekend is Commitment Weekend for the 2020 Annual Appeal. Please be generous in making your pledge. No gift is too small and will support more than 60 ministries and programs benefitting countless women, men, children and families in the Church of Washington, including within our own parish and local community. As in every year, 100% of your contribution to the Annual Appeal will be designated to the ministries and programs supported by the Appeal. Thank you for your prayerful consideration and generous response.

### Catholic Radio

Relevant Radio is a Catholic radio station at 1260AM. They are inviting everyone to sign-up and listen to Lenten Lessons on the Mass. You can not only listen on the radio, but also on the internet by visiting [RelevantRadio.com](http://RelevantRadio.com) to sign-up. We also have a link to the station on our website.

### Return Old Palms Now

Please return last year's palms to the specially marked box in the vestibule by **Sunday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>** by 12:00 noon. After this time we will not be accepting them again until the following year.

**BIBLE STUDY IS CANCELLED  
MONDAY & WEDNESDAY THIS WEEK.**

### 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; Tony Bush; Nancy Calvano; Gregory Chapman; JoyCheryl Coppage; Jimmy Davis; Fr. Michael Dobbins; Thomas Dotson; Josie Economy; Michael Ford; Donna Gardner; David Greene; Jackie Guy; Marsha Harper; Ray Holt; 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; Bernadine Pilkerton; John Redding; Laura Redding; Sis Robey; Louise Rogers; Elizabeth Shifflette; Joe Shifflette; Linda Kyte Simon; Catherine Smith; James Smith; Claude Stevens; Richard Szatkowski; Calvert Thomas; Joyce Thompson; Jen Tucker; Richard Turner; Edward Wardell; Marie Weisenberger; 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.ICC20659@gmail.com](mailto:Clare.ICC20659@gmail.com).

### 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.ICC20659@gmail.com](mailto:Clare.ICC20659@gmail.com) to add your soldier serving AWAY FROM HOME on the list.

## How Do We Grow Closer to God?

Join us **Sunday, February 16<sup>th</sup>** at **12:15 pm** in the Parish Center for our Faith FAQ (Frequently Asked Questions). This is a one-hour information session whose agenda is to answer questions about our faith. Everyone is welcome whether you have a question, would just like to learn something new, or even just to enjoy being with our Parish family for some fun. Maybe this week you can stump the panel with your question.

### Time to Speak Up

The Maryland Catholic Conference is asking us to take part in their first-ever Virtual Catholic Day of Action on **Wednesday, February 19<sup>th</sup>**. There are a few topics that need your input. Please visit our website at [ICChurchmd.org](http://ICChurchmd.org) and let your voice be heard. Once on our website, hover over *Catholics Take Action* and click on *Reject Physician Assisted Suicide, Support the Time to Care Act*, and then *Support the Boost Scholarship Program*. One person can make a difference.

### Parish Seafood Dinner

Our parish seafood dinner is scheduled for **Sunday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>** which is going to be here before we know it. The first meeting about the dinner was held a week and a half ago; the turn out was very low. The next meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday, February 19<sup>th</sup>** at 6:30 pm in the Parish Center. You are encouraged to come to the next meeting to see what changes may be in the works.

We are still looking for sponsors for this year's raffle tickets. If you are interested please contact Mari in the rectory office (301-884-3123) during business hours. Spaces are still available.

*The first 15 Sponsors will be the ones printed on the tickets. The cost is \$100 and the deadline is Monday, February 24<sup>th</sup>, to be a sponsor this year.*

### Mardi Gras Dinner

Join others for an evening of fun and good food. Father Andrew White Assembly #377 is holding a Mardi Gras Dinner in **our Parish Center** on **Saturday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>** from 5:00 pm – 8:00 pm. The menu will consist of: Jambalaya, chicken and sausage gumbo, creole green beans, maque choux, dirty rice, and cornbread. Tickets are \$15 per person and weach family is asked to bring a dessert to share. For reservations or more information please contact Dave Adams (240-538-3874).

### Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

The Knights of Columbus will be serving the Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper on **Tuesday, February 25<sup>th</sup>** from 5:00 pm – 7:30 pm in the Parish Center. The menu consists of pancakes, sausage, ham, homefries, fruit cocktail, and drinks. The cost is \$5 per person (ages 6 and up) or \$20 for a family of 4 or more. Children 5 and under eat free!

### Parish Finance Information

The **Regular Collection** last week was \$5,909.35.  
Thank you for your generous donations.

### 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've created your account you can access it and make changes at your convenience.

**Schedule for Saturday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> and Sunday, February 23<sup>rd</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	Joseph Woodland	Tim Steelman	MacKenna Zopelis & Madison Myers
9:00 am	Joseph Thomas	Alice Thompson	Allie Redding & Adam Trossbach
11:00 am	Eileen Seyfried	Richard Adams	Joe Davis

## Join Us For...

- **Adoration**
  - **Wednesdays** 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm w/confession
  - **First Fridays** following the 7:30 am Mass until 9:00 am.
- **Bible Study**
  - **Cancelled for Monday, February 17<sup>th</sup>**
  - **Cancelled for Wednesday, February 19<sup>th</sup>**
- **Intercessory Prayer** (Parish Center)
  - **Tuesdays** at 7:00 pm
- **Rosary** (in church)
  - **Wednesdays** at 8:00 am
  - **Saturdays** at 3:30 pm
  - **1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month** at 8:30 am
  - **1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month** – ½ hour before each Mass.
- **Rosary Makers** (in Parish Center – 7<sup>th</sup> gr. classroom)  
*No materials needed and no cost to you.*
  - **Fridays** at 10:00 am  
For questions contact Dale Lloyd (301-475-6533).
- **Vanguard** (outreach group) (Parish Center)
  - **2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of the month** at 6:30 pm If you have questions, please contact Tim Steelman ([TCSworkplace@gmail.com](mailto:TCSworkplace@gmail.com) or 301-908-6086).

Call the Office or Email [Clare.ICC20659@gmail.com](mailto:Clare.ICC20659@gmail.com)

if you are interested in:

- **Altar Flowers** for available weekends (\$47)
- **Mass intentions** (Donation accepted)
- **Interested in Becoming Catholic?**
  - Additional contact person – Amy Downs (301-904-7439).

## MCA Shoe Drive

Do you have shoes in your home that are too good throw away, but you just don't wear them anymore? Many people in countries of Haiti, Nicaragua, Guatemala, Tanzania, and Togo will benefit from a new or gently used pair of shoes. Over 88,760,022 people, who do not own cars, have to walk to work every day in those countries.

Mother Catherine Academy student council presents the **MCA Shoe Drive!** They are asking for donations of new or lightly worn shoes to several local donations including: Mother Catherine Academy, Our Lady of the Wayside, **Immaculate Conception**, Sacred Heart, Holy Angels, and St. Joseph's.

A bin will be placed in the vestibule of the church soon. Just look for the bin that says: *MCA Shoe Drive!*

Thank you so much for your consideration of donating to those who will be so grateful.

## Catholic Women's Retreat

A **Catholic Women's Retreat**, hosted by Encounter Grace, will take place on **Saturday, March 28<sup>th</sup>**, here at Immaculate Conception Church. The retreat, *The Grace of Yes with Lisa Hendey*, is a full-day retreat. Open to Catholic women ages 18+, cost is \$45.00 and includes retreat, breakfast and lunch. Information and link to register can be found at [www.encountergrace.co](http://www.encountergrace.co). (This is not a typo.)

## FAITH FORMATION

February 16<sup>th</sup>, 2020

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**MOMS AND DADS:** Please take a minute out of your busy schedule to reexamine the FAITH FORMATION CALENDAR for 2019/2020 on the parish website @ [ICChurchmd.org](http://ICChurchmd.org). It's not how we start the school year, it's how we finish. Each child is a gift from God and we have the responsibility and duty to educate them in the practice of our faith. Please remember your promise to God at their Baptism.

**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

## 2<sup>ND</sup> GRADE KIDS: Reminder

- **First Confession Retreat** (Faith Formation & MCA students) – **Saturday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>** at 9:00 am – 11:00 am in the Parish Center.
- **First Confessions** (Faith Formation & MCA students) – **Saturday, March 7<sup>th</sup>** at 10:00 am in the Church. Please make sure you sign in. Parents are also urged to go to confession.
- **First Confessions – Make-Up Date** (Faith Formation & MCA students) – **Saturday, March 28<sup>th</sup>** (**PLEASE NOTE NEW DATE**) at 10:00 am in the Church. Please make sure you sign-in. Parents are also urged to go to confession.

**PLEASE NOTE – ALL children in 2<sup>nd</sup> grade MUST go to confession before receiving Holy Communion in May.** If you miss the scheduled times, it's up to the parents to make arrangements with Father.

*Deacon Bill, DRE*

## Bulletin Item Deadline

All information for the upcoming bulletin needs to be emailed to [Clare.ICC20659@gmail.com](mailto:Clare.ICC20659@gmail.com) by the close of business on Tuesday. Messages will be edited when necessary.

## 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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### Other Events in Town

- A Catholic Women's Book Club Get-Together, hosted by Encounter Grace will take place on **Tuesday, February 18<sup>th</sup>**, from 6:30 - 8:30 pm. (Location to be determined). The book they will be discussing is St. Monica and The Power of Persistent Prayer by Mark Aquilina and Mike W. Sullivan. This is a free event, open to women 18+. More information and link to register can be found at [www.encountergrace.co](http://www.encountergrace.co).
- A Mass with Healing Prayers will take place at **Immaculate Heart of Mary, Lexington Park, MD** on **Tuesday, February 18<sup>th</sup>**. Mass will start at 5:30 pm, followed by healing prayers. Confessions will begin at 5:00 pm.
- The Annual February Dinner that is sponsored by the 7<sup>th</sup> District Optimist Club will be held on **Sunday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>** starting at 11:30 am. This event has been relocated to the **Mechanicsville Volunteer Fire Department**. The menu consists of fried oysters, spiced shrimp, stuffed ham, fried chicken, and vegetables. The cost of the dinner for adults is \$30, for kids is \$8 and for kids under 5 its free. The drive-thru/carry-out is \$28. Credit cards accepted. For more information contact: [SmithsRest@gmail.com](mailto:SmithsRest@gmail.com).
- A Women's Morning of Reflection, titled "The visitation: A story of fear, fiat, & faith", will take on **Saturday, February 29<sup>th</sup>** at **St. Francis Xavier Church, Leonardtown, MD**. The program begins at 9:00 am and the cost is \$10 which includes breakfast. For more information contact [SFXParishOffice1662@gmail.com](mailto:SFXParishOffice1662@gmail.com) or 301-475-9885.
- The GIFT, a 6-week course on A Life in the Spirit beginning **Monday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>** from 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm at **St. Mary Church, Newport** in their **St Francis Hall** (located behind the church to the right). The cost of the series is \$10. Please sign up by contacting their parish office at [StMaryCatholicChurchNewPortMD@gmail.com](mailto:StMaryCatholicChurchNewPortMD@gmail.com) or 301-934-8825.
- A Women's Lenten Retreat – "Ruth and Naomi – Their Story and Ours" will take place on **Friday, March 6<sup>th</sup> through Sunday, March 8<sup>th</sup>** at the **Camp Maria Retreat Center**. Sister Marian Stenken, from the Sisters of Charity of Nazareth, KY is returning to Camp Maria to lead the retreat. The cost is \$175 per person; this cost includes lodging and meals. Scholarship funds are available to those in need. **Registration forms and retreat fees are due by Thursday, February 27<sup>th</sup>**; mail to Camp Maria Retreat Center 41290 Camp Maria Rd. Leonardtown, MD 20650. Contact Ann Kovalcik at 301-475-8330, if you have any questions.
- The 59<sup>th</sup> Annual Spring Dinner will take place on **Saturday, March 7<sup>th</sup>** from 1:00 pm – 5:00 pm in the **Hollywood Volunteer Fire Department Social Hall** (located at 24801 Three Notch Rd. Hollywood MD 20636). Buffet-style dinner is \$26.00 for adults and carry-out; \$10.00 for children 4-12; and children 3 and under are free. The meal consists of stuffed ham, fried oysters, chicken salad, parsley potatoes, candied yams, green beans, beets, coleslaw and rolls. (Drink not included with carry-out). Chances will be sold for a stuffed ham that will be raffled off on April 5<sup>th</sup>. Donations of Non-Perishable Food Items for St. Mary's Helping Hands Food Pantry will be accepted. For more information contact Elaine Quade at 301-373-2695.