

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church

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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



Weekday Masses:

Private for now.



Confessions:

Wednesdays from 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm



Eucharistic Adoration:

Will continue in the future.

June 21st, 2020

12th 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

For Masses that can be attended

Saturday, June 20, 2020

4:00 pm – Jo Allen Mattingly

Sunday, June 21, 2020

9:00 am – Parish

12:00 pm – Paula Luskus

Private Masses will be said this week for the following intentions:

Billy & Eileen Burch

John David Buckler

Mary Frances Gray

Daniel G. McDonald

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



New to our Parish?

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

Mass Intentions starting Saturday, June 27th, 2020 will be published next weekend.

The altar flowers were donated in memory of Billy & Eileen Burch.

Masses

We remind you that we are still following the typical safety measure protocols when attending Mass. As a reminder, you are still dispensed (not obligated) to come to church to worship God. You are welcome to attend church provided you are not sick or living with those who are ill. Please be advised there is very limited seating in the church. Please continue to check our website for more information regarding schedules and instructions.

Confessions

Father Tietjen is hearing confessions on Wednesdays evenings only, from 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm. Father has a confessional area set up near the Sanctuary. This is for safety reasons with social distancing.

Rectory Office

The rectory office is open to take phone calls Monday through Friday, from 10:00 am – 3:00 pm. If you need to see Father, please call first to make an appointment.

Spiritual Communion Prayer

For those who are unable to attend Mass, but are watching online, here is a Spiritual Communion Prayer.

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.

Jubilarian Mass

The annual Jubilarian Mass honoring couples celebrating milestone-wedding anniversaries will now take place on **Sunday, November 22nd** at 2:00 pm at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Washington, DC.

Parish Picnic and Raffle

We are planning a Parish Picnic on Sunday, July 19th. We will soon be sending out a letter regarding the picnic, the raffle, and more. Please continue to sell raffle tickets. You can pick some up in the vestibule of the church, or call the rectory office during business hours.



Non-Perishable Food Donations

The Food pantries are trying to open up under many guidelines. We were supposed to have the Lenten Food Drive before Covid-19. If you are able to help with non-perishable food items, please place them on either side of the vestibule as you first walk in. Any help you can give with non-perishable food donations is greatly appreciated.

Mission in Action

During this difficult time our world is facing with the coronavirus, we have the opportunity to grow in our friendship with Jesus and to pray and offer sacrifices on behalf of others who are in need. We are missionaries even at home.

What can I do as a missionary at home?

1. Pray the Rosary with your family for peace and healing in the whole world.
2. Say the Divine Mercy Chaplet and ask the Holy Spirit to be at the bedside of someone sick or dying.
3. Read the Sunday Mass readings. As a family, participate in a live-streamed Sunday Mass if you cannot attend in person. Click on the link to find spiritual resources for live-streamed Masses and prayers: <https://adw.org/live-streamed-masses-and-prayers/>.

Call the Office or Email 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).

Parish Finance Information

The **Regular Collection** last week was \$3,769.60.

Thank you for your donations during these difficult times!

Online Giving

Thank you to all those families now using online giving. If you are interested in continuing to use online giving and have been entering your donations each week, please consider setting it up for recurring. This will allow you the option to set up an account (I would then send you a one-time email with a link to create your account.) Once your account is set up, you can go in and make changes whenever you would like. You can then change the amount, change bank information, choose additional monthly donations, or pause your donations altogether. Please go to our website (ICChurchmd.org) and click on *Online Giving*. If you need help, please call Clare (M-W, F) during business hours.

Please see the back of the bulletin for *Prayers for the Sick* and *Prayers for our Soldiers*.

FAITH FORMATION
JUNE 21TH, 2020
12th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PARENTS AND TEACHERS OF OUR FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM: What do you THINK about on-line classes for all grades except Kindergarten next year? I would love to hear your comments on our FAITH FORMATION classes going ON-LINE. This would allow parents and their kids together, in their homes, to join in group discussions, while viewing all students, and the teacher (HOST) being able to hold conversations about their lessons and homework. Please, let me know what you think?

ALL TEACHERS FOR NEXT YEAR (FY2020-2021) – Where do you stand on all, except kindergarten, classes going ON-LINE? Please let me know. Biggest question I have for all the teachers is this, **Will you come back next year?** I'm not sure how it will be done or even when it will start but we must continue teaching the youth of our parish. Each TEACHER, for their grade level will be the HOST of the event lasting as long as necessary, and between Parents and Teaches, classes could be taught on different days or evening of the week if acceptable to all involved, video-conferencing can be used, you name it; let's talk about it. Call me or should I set up a CONFERENCE CALL SOON?

FAITH FORMATION TEACHERS NEEDED – This coming year, Faith Formation is in need of several TEACHERS; one for the 5th grade, 4th grade, and possibly others. Please, GOD is asking you to look deep into your heart and commit yourself to help the youth of our Parish Community.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION TEACHERS, PARENTS AND STUDENTS – IC and MCA families will be notified of the dates as soon as we find out.

PARISH WEBSITE INFORMATION – Please visit the Parish Website @ ICChurchmd.org often to learn about Parish and Faith Formation events. If you have any questions, please contact me (240-577-0923 or deacon.kyte@gmail.com).

CATECHETICAL OFFICE OF THE ARCHDIOCESE OF WASHINGTON SUGGESTED PRAYERS AND ACTIVITIES LIST: Please review this list each week. We will be adding additional prayers and Activities from the Archdiocese when we receive them.

Spiritual: SLI Connect has developed a short reflection, *Finding Your Inner Contemplative*. This article invites us to consider using this time of social distancing to focus our gaze more intensely on the bit of God's creation right around and within you. The article is linked here: <https://www.sliconnect.org/finding-your-inner-contemplative/>.

Catechetical: The devotions of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and Immaculate Heart of Mary we celebrate this week are beautiful reminders of God's passionate love for us. Attached are two resources for our younger students to trust in this merciful love and protection.

Self-Care: With the twin stresses of the pandemic and confronting racism, we may find ourselves feeling angry and frustrated with others. SLI Connect has developed a short reflection, *The Goodness of Anger*, with tips on how to address anger directly to mend and even strengthen relationships: <https://www.sliconnect.org/the-goodness-of-anger/>.

As our Religious Education year comes to an end, we pray for all of the Catechists and Religious Education families of our Parish. Although their year ended in an unusual way, we all have hope for a faith-filled exciting beginning of a new school year in 2020-2021.

Deacon Bill (240-577-0923 or Deacon.Kyte@gmail.com)

Bulletin Item Deadline

All information for the upcoming bulletin needs to be emailed to 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) and sign up today.

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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; Edna Burch; Sandy Burns; Ricky Burroughs; Tony Bush; Nancy Calvano; Gregory Chapman; Joy Cheryl Coppage; Jessie Davis; Jimmy Davis; Fr. Michael Dobbins; Thomas Dotson; Josie Economy; Michael Ford; Donna Gardner; Judy Gough; David Greene; Marsha Harper; Ray Holt; Scott Hughes; Meagan Humbert; Kitty Huntington; Christine Koehler; Kathleen Krznarich; Ralph Lawrence; Fred Locantore; Penny Lynn; Mike McDonald; Jennifer Burroughs Murphy; Sandy Nelson; Lisa Durst Owens; Bernadine Pilkerton; Carolyn Quade; John Redding; Laura Redding; Sis Robey; Louise Rogers; Elizabeth Shifflette; Joe Shifflette; Linda Kyte Simon; Catherine Smith; James Smith; Patti 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.

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 to add your soldier serving AWAY FROM HOME on the list.