

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 9:00 and 11:00 am



Weekday Masses:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday at 8:30 am



Confessions:

Wednesdays from 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm



Holy Hour:

Friday Mornings immediately following the 8:30 am Mass until approximately 10:00 am.

October 11th, 2020

28th 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, October 10th, 2020

4:00 pm – Randal L. Slaughter (Living)

Sunday, October 11th, 2020

9:00 am – Parishioners

11:00 am – Special Intention

Monday, October 12th, 2020

8:30 am – Paul & Helen Shepherd

Tuesday, October 13th, 2020

8:30 am – Ken Coss

Wednesday, October 14th, 2020

8:30 am – Billy Burch

Friday, October 16th, 2020

8:30 am – Margaret Slavinski

Saturday, October 17th, 2020

4:00 pm – Theresa Foley

Sunday, October 18th, 2020

9:00 am – Michael & Gerard Clark

11:00 am – Parishioners

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.**

The altar flowers this weekend
were donated in memory of Billy Burch.

Rectory Office Closed

The rectory office will be closed on **Monday, October 12th** in honor of Columbus Day and also **Thursday, October 15th**.

We will be open on Tuesday, October 13th, Wednesday, October 14th, and Friday, October 16th.

Bible Study Cancelled

Bible study is cancelled for **Monday, October 12th** in honor of Columbus Day.

Pig Roast

Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, Council 8159

There will be a Pig Roast Fundraiser here at Immaculate Conception on **Saturday, November 7th** from 12:00 noon until 3:00 pm. The tickets are \$20 each and this event is carry-out/drive-thru only. The menu includes roast pig bbq, baked beans, potato salad, and cole slaw. Tickets are available for purchase now. Please call the rectory office during business hours if you want to purchase them now.

Fall Bonfire

We will be having a Fall Bonfire on **Sunday, November 8th** beginning at 4:00 pm. We will have pumpkins to carve, the bonfire, s'mores, beverages of water and sodas, music, hay rides and firetruck, and lots of outside fun. Plan to bring the entire family. Bring your own chairs. Put this on your schedule now.

All Occasion Cards/Christmas Cards and Ornaments and Puzzles Sale

The IC Angels, Ladies Auxiliary, will be selling religious All-Occasion Cards and Christmas cards, Ornaments and Puzzles after all the Masses **October 31st and November 1st**. All cards, ornaments, and puzzles come with a Christian message. The Assorted cards feature ten cards. The other cards come in a box of 25 of one design. The Christmas cards come in a variety of designs. When you share the beautiful cards and ornaments, you help Keep Christ in Christmas by sharing the message of the Christ Child -- Love and Hope. The ornaments and puzzles make beautiful Christmas gifts. Please feel free to check out the display, place an order then or take home an order sheet and return it the following weekend with payment. We must have all orders returned to the IC Angels no later than Sunday, November 8th.

For information, please call Marian Taylor (301-904-2944). Thank you in advance for your support and participation. The proceeds of the sale will be used to support our charitable endeavors.

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.

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

Non-Perishable Food Donations

We are still taking food donations! Please help us fill our local food pantries with non-perishable food items and toiletries. Donations can be placed in the baskets in the vestibule.

Other Events in Town

Looking to see what is going on around town? Go to our website (ICChurchMD.org) and under the "Events" tab click on the link ([OTHER EVENTS IN TOWN](#)) and see the upcoming events in the archdiocesan area. Some events happening in the area include the following:

- *Pumpkin Dash* on **Saturday, October 24th** at **St John's Hollywood, MD.**
- *Annual Fall Dinner* on **Sunday, October 25th** at **Sacred Heart Bushwood.** (Drive-thru only!)
- *Fall Oyster Fest* on **Saturday, November 7th** at **St. Francis de Sales Church Hall, Benedict, MD.**

Archdiocese of Washington Updates regarding Coronavirus

The Archdiocesan website is updated regularly with information about the Coronavirus at adw.org/coronavirus, which includes a listing of live stream Masses and prayers available at adw.org/live-streamed-masses-and-prayers/. Also, the *Catholic Standard* newspaper is currently available online at cathstan.org.

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

Regular Collection for last week was \$7,903.50.

The Renovation Fund last week was \$2,137.00.

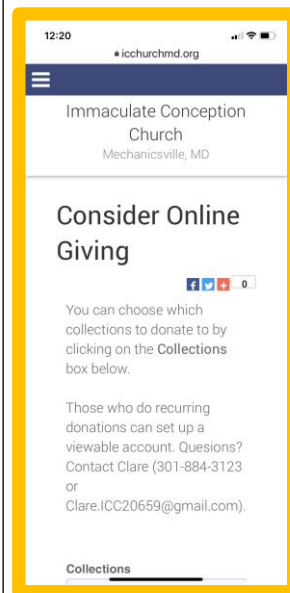
The Peter's Pence Collection last week was \$707.00.

Thank you for your generous donations!!!

Online Giving

Many families have already chosen to give one-time or recurring donations through our website. Explore the convenience of online giving at ICChurchmd.org/online-giving, and be one of the families who set their donations to **automatically occur** when, how often, and in the amount you'd like to give. You always have access to update your information, change gift amounts, enter new payment methods, or pause/cancel a gift at any time. With online giving, you can forget about writing checks or swinging by the ATM.

If you have any questions, contact Clare (301-884-3123 or Clare.ICC20659@gmail.com).



FAITH FORMATION
OCTOBER 11th, 2020
28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*“May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our hearts,
so that we may know what is the hope that belongs to our call.”*

FAITH FORMATION FUTURE FY 2021 – After the Christmas break for 2020 and/or possibly before that, we hope to receive word that we are allowed to RE-OPEN our FAITH FORMATION CLASSES for 2021, here at the Parish Center. That’s my Christmas wish.

FAITH FORMATION TEACHERS – I know how hard some changes can be and especially after being in rhythm with classroom teaching AND now on-line teaching. WOW! What a difference! BUT, you’re not alone; we are here to help you get through this together. Are you aware of all the different reports available on-line? Would you like to have an evening class to learn more about MY CATHOLIC FAITH DELIVERED or on HOSTING the virtual classes? Or, just to sit and talk about good and bad things happening so far? Please let me know. Just a little reminder: I can see all the attendance and testing scores for each student. If you see that one or more of your kids are not logging on or doing homework, please call the parents; or if you don’t want to call them, tell me and I’ll call them. I’m here to help you and the students.

A SPECIAL THANK YOU to Mrs. Elaine Stoudt for filling in as host teacher for 7th Grade last week. She did a marvelous job. The 7th grade kids and parents should be very proud. We truly appreciate all of our Faith Formation teachers for their dedication and willingness to help instruct our children in their Catholic Faith.

FAITH FORMATION STUDENTS – Regarding virtual learning, we are now about a month into our class work with ‘MY CATHOLIC FAITH DELIVERED’ and learning how to join into a GROUP of ONLINE STUDENTS on Sunday mornings. My first question is very simple “HOW ARE YOU DOING?” and “ARE YOU DOING YOUR CLASS WORK?” Let me add my second question, OK? You do know that I can see your work which you have completed and for some students, DIDN’T START or COMPLETE at all, RIGHT? I’m asking myself “WHAT SHOULD I DO ABOUT THIS SITUATION?” Should I tell your parents or teachers and maybe pray for you to take these classes seriously? Please let me know what I should do ABOUT OUR PROBLEMS.

BOXES OF JOY – PLEASE help our KOC #8159 in supporting a GREAT IDEA, “FOR CHILDREN WHO WISH FOR JUST ONE GIFT”. Can you help with this wonderful cause? Each child in Faith Formation is asked to participate. The attachments on our Website under the Faith Formation/DRE tab explain what can go into a Box of Joy and what can be given or not given for a boy or a girl. Parents, please help support this. Last year we filled over 45 boxes and made children living in poverty a whole lot happier waking up on Christmas morning. JUST A HEADS UP – you can bring your gifts to the Parish Center on Sunday mornings, to rectory during office hours Monday thru Friday 9:00 am to 4:00 pm, or to **the marked basket in church in a sack, bag(s), hands** and K of C will put them in a box or you can just ask me for a box. **ALL ITEMS FOR THE BOXES MUST BE TURNED IN ON OR BEFORE SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1ST**. “YES, is the answer to your question”, which is: “CAN I JUST GIVE MONEY?” We are only 3 WEEKS AWAY. PLEASE GIVE ITEMS FOR BOXES OF CHEER AND JOY!

MARY’S GARDEN AND THE MOTHER OF LIGHT SHRINE – This past Sunday, October 4th, the Most Reverend Mario E. Dorsonville celebrated the 11:00 am Mass here at Immaculate Conception, and he and the congregation then processed to Mary’s Garden for the dedication and blessing of our newly installed Mother of Light Shrine. I want to thank Bishop Dorsonville, Deacon Robert Martin, Father Tietjen, the IC Angels-especially Jan and Joe Jarboe, the Knights of Columbus Color Guard, the great servers, Debbie Bellevou and John Krzrnarich, and our lector, Eileen Seyfried. Special thanks go to the Garden ground crew – you did a great job. Thank you to all who attended. The Blessed Mother is giving us special graces as we pray to her in her Garden.



I WANT TO SHARE with the whole Immaculate Conception Parish and the world, if I can, that God has called Mr. Tim Steelman to enter the 2025 Class of the Permanent Diaconate Program of the Archdiocese of Washington. Please pray for Mr. Steelman. He will make a great Deacon.

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.

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; Evelyn Arnold; Chicchina Bailey; Mary Ann Balenger; Michael Balenger; Heather Ballard; Wendy Blush; Doris Anne Bradburn; Cassie Michelle Brown; Edna Burch; Sandy Burns; Ricky Burroughs; Nancy Calvano; Joy Cheryl Coppage; Jessie Davis; Jimmy Davis; Fr. Michael Dobbins; Thomas Dotson; Josie Economy; Michael Ford; Donna Gardner; Judy Gough; David Greene; Iris Hager; Marsha Harper; Scott Hughes; Meagan Humbert; Kitty Huntington; Edie Kans; Kellie Knopp; Christine Koehler; Kathleen Krznarich; Ralph Lawrence; Fred Locantore; Penny Lynn; Mike McDonald; Jennifer Burroughs Murphy; Sandy Nelson; Lisa Durst Owens; Sgt. Matthew Pennington; Bernadine Pilkerton; Carolyn Quade; John Redding; Laura Redding; Louise Rogers; Elizabeth Shifflette; Joe Shifflette; Catherine Smith; James Smith; Patti Smith; Claude Stevens; Richard Szatkowski; Calvert Thomas; Joyce Thompson; Richard Turner; Edward Wardell; Charlotte Wathen; 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, Kellam 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.