



Immaculate Conception Parish

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

June 18, 2023



✠ MASS INTENTIONS ✠

Sat. 6/17 4:00 PM
Lillian Strohl by Her Husband Oscar

Sun. 6/18 11:00 AM
William, Julia, and Camille Turri by the Turris

Mon. 6/19 7:00 PM
James and Bridget Wilson by Granddaughter Jane Pshar

Tue. 6/20 7:00 AM
Birthday Mass for Magda Kislan by Her Husband and Daughters

Wed. 6/21 7:00 AM
Stella Samsel by the Sarosky Family

Thur. 6/22 7:00 AM
Carol Sabo by Her Brothers and Sisters

Fri. 6/23 7:00 AM
Mr. and Mrs. Angelo Delese by Their Children

Sat. 6/24 4:00 PM
M/M Edward Mackovitch by John, Mary Ann, and Scott Slank

Sun. 6/25 11:00 AM
Lawrence Blasko by Paula

BACKPACKS FOR OUR KIDS IN NEED – The Messengers of Hope are collecting backpacks filled with school supplies for our needy children in our Freeland community. Backpacks are free of charge and available in a variety of colors in our parish office. Please stop by, pick one up, and fill it with the supplies from last week's bulletin. Let's not let any of



our kids start school without the supplies they need. Backpacks are due on the altar steps or the parish office by Sunday, August 6th.



2024 MASS INTENTION BOOK will open on MONDAY, JULY 3RD. Forms will be included in next week's bulletin and also in the parish office. Things you should know: the stipend for each mass remains at \$10.00; candles on the altar remain at \$15.00; sanctuary lamp remains at \$25.00. This year we are also offering the opportunity to dedicate the bread and wine for each week for \$50.00. Because we are four parishes combined into one, you are asked to combine as many masses as possible.



Last Weekend:
Sunday \$3,400; Loose \$157; Dues \$2,095;
Care and Education of Priests \$102;
Capital Improvement \$25; Other \$60; Poor Box \$100

CANDLES ON THE ALTAR are in Memory of John Stefanik, Jr. by Wife Kathy and Children



OUR SACRISTY CANDLE is burning this week in Memory of Margaret Dominic by JoAnne



Our Community-Service Team is requesting cereal, oatmeal, fruit cups, and applesauce cups for the month of June.



Every Saturday at 8:30 AM, the Rosary and Litany of the Blessed Mother will be said in Honor of Our Blessed Mother by the Legion of Mary. The Rosary will continue to be said daily after the masses.



Hour of Kindness Ministry will meet this Saturday, June 24th, at 9:00 AM in the rectory to sign 4th of July greeting cards for our treasured elderly and homebound parishioners. Anyone with an hour to spare is welcome to join us!



Volunteers are needed to assist with the set up activities for the Mass/Picnic in the Park which will begin on Saturday, June 24, at 9:00 AM. Various supplies and items need to be transported from the church and the rectory to the park. Tables and chairs need to be set up in the pavilion. Set up activities that are not finished on Saturday will be done on Sunday, June 25, beginning at 9:00 AM. Any assistance will be greatly appreciated.

THERE WILL BE NO MORNING CONFESSIONS NEXT TUESDAY OR WEDNESDAY.



We are now officially in Ordinary Time. This means that the priest wears green vestments from now until the weekend before Thanksgiving as we begin the Advent Season. This weekend's Gospel shows Jesus calling His Apostles. These were ordinary men. Can you imagine what each one of them thought as Jesus asked them to follow Him? They left everything and went into the unknown. They did it and we now live the rest of the story. Jesus calls YOU on a daily basis. You may not have to leave everything, but you may have to sacrifice to answer the call. My challenge to you this week is to give up some of your TIME. Put down your phone and listen to someone. Turn off the TV and spend time with your family. Instead of reading the paper, read scripture. You get it! Do it!



MANDATORY BAPTISMAL PREPARATION CLASS will be at 6:00 PM on Thursday, July 13th, in the St. Joseph Room at Good Shepherd Church. Please register by calling the Immaculate Conception Parish Office at 570-636-3035 or the Good Shepherd Parish Office at 570-788-3141. Please plan to attend the Baptismal Preparation class well in advance of your baby's birth so that you are aware of all the information necessary to schedule your baby's baptism. Please note, now that Lent is over, Baptisms may once again be scheduled.



JUST A REMINDER FOR THOSE WHO REGISTERED: The Immaculate Conception Parish Mass/Picnic in the Park is next Sunday, June 25th, at noon in the Freeland Park Pavilion. Mass begins at noon followed immediately with the picnic.



Coffee Companions are hosting a bus trip with Father Rawel to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception and the Franciscan Monastery of the Holy Land in Washington, DC on Friday, September 15, 2023, the Feast of Our Lady of Sorrow. The cost per person is \$75.00.

Lunch is on your own (restaurant is within a 5 minute walk from the Basilica) or bring your own to eat in the cafeteria. A release form will need to be signed at the time of payment. All checks should be payable to Good Shepherd Church. Stop in the office for the form at either church. For more details, please call Ann at 570-788-5655 or Pat at 570-788-0457. We hope you will come along with us.



HOMEBOUND AND NURSING HOME REQUESTS: If you have a loved one who is homebound, in a nursing home, or in a senior living community, please let the parish offices know. Often times people just assume we know about their loved one's placement, when, in fact, we do not. Please just give us a call and let us know. Also, if your loved one would like a visit from Father Rawel, please call the parish offices at 570-636-3035 (Immaculate Conception) or 570-788-3141 (Good Shepherd).



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION'S HOUR OF KINDNESS MINISTRY sends greeting cards each month to our treasured elderly and homebound parishioners. We also send a birthday card to celebrate every birthday! If you would like your loved one added to our list or if you would like to sign yourself up, just call the parish office (570-636-3035). Everyone likes to be remembered! Make that call right now!



OUR SEXUAL ABUSE POLICY ARE AVAILABLE AT THE ENTRANCES OF OUR CHURCHES



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† MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK †

Saturday, June 17

6:00PM Father's Day Intentions

Sunday, June 18

8:00AM Father's Day Intentions

9:30AM Father's Day Intentions

Monday, June 19

8:00AM Neil Lamana ~ Wife, Angel & Daughter, Mary Ann Tezzoni

Tuesday, June 20

8:00 AM Yanek Family ~ Daughter, Mary Ellen Lobitz

Wednesday, June 21

8:00AM Mary Wilson ~ Sylvia Borofski

Thursday, June 22

8:00AM Deceased Members of the Proske & Gallagher Families ~ Mary E. Proske & Family

Friday, June 23

8:00AM Deceased Members of the Bellizia & Spadell Families ~ Tony & Marie Bellizia

Saturday, June 24

6:00PM Angelo & Josephine Matz ~ Mary Jo & Bob

Sunday, June 25

8:00AM Elizabeth A. Christino ~ The Timpano Family

9:30AM Kristen & Philip Bueki's 25th Wedding Anniversary ~ Mother

Stewardship

June 10 & 11: Loose \$992; Offertory \$3,987; Dues \$824; Capital Improvement \$60; Care & Education of Priests \$84; Communication \$10; Peter's Pence \$45
Mass Attendance – 523



The **Tabernacle Candle** burns this week in memory of the **Deceased Members of the Proske & Gallagher Families** by Mary E. Proske & Family



The **Rose for Life** this week is in memory of **Leonard, George, Eugene, Earl and Peter** by Donna



Tuesday Night Bingo: Come join us for Bingo at Good Shepherd Church on Tuesday evenings. The kitchen opens at **5:00PM** with special soups, sandwiches, beverages, ethnic foods and a variety of other goodies. Our Early Bird game begins at **6PM**.

Congratulations to **Emily Eroh & Ian Mikita** who recently graduated from Marian Catholic High School. We wish them well.



The **Valley Food Pantry** helps those in need. We have been asked to collect items for children: canned pasta, cookies, crackers, and Pop Tarts in addition to bar soap. If you wish to send a monetary donation, the address is: Valley Food Pantry, PO Box 187 CUCC, Conyngham, PA 18219.

CotJ will meet on **Thursday, June 22** after the **8AM** Mass, in the St. Joseph Room.

Thanks to everyone who came out the past couple months to help with the Halupki making. We truly appreciate all of you and look forward to working with you all again.

Jackie, Mark and Barb

Festival Corner

2023 Festival: The 2023 Festival Committee is asking for parishioner support to keep the expenses down. For the month of **June**, we are collecting **Wine** for the wine wheel. Thank you for your support! Please check the expiration dates on all items for consumption.

June: Volunteer signup sheets are in the St. Joseph Room and will continue to be through the month.

The co-chairs for this year's Bake Sale are Connie Marcino (570-788-6216) and Andrea Tarnopolski (570-788-2002). Please call them if you would like to donate. They're asking for the baked items to be dropped off on **Friday, July 14th**. The bake sale will take place on Saturday and Sunday of the festival.

Tricky Tray Updates:

We appreciate your tricky tray donations. To date, we have received **25** tricky trays. Don't forget to leave your name on the donation so we may acknowledge your kindness. If you have any questions, please contact Cathy Penkala (570-436-5017) or Aniela Ross (570-582-5623). All donations are due by **Wednesday, July 12**. Thank you!

If any new parishioners wish to receive raffle tickets, call or stop by the parish office.

Plea for HELP

We'd like to thank all those who have already signed up to work this year's festival. That being said, we are falling short of volunteers in many areas and shifts. We are blessed to have the Parish Priest Patrol handling most of the parking. They did an awesome job last year. This year, Keystone Job Corps students have volunteered to work all three days, but there are certain areas where we need adults. So please check your calendars and see if there's a timeframe where you could help.

Confirmation and First Holy Communion photos are available for pickup in the St. Joseph Room.