

SEPTEMBER 23, 2018

† **MASS INTENTIONS** †

Sat.	9/22	4:00 PM	Andrew Blasko, Jr. by His Sister Paula Gallagher
Sun.	9/23	7:30 AM	Tim Mahovich by Anna Plaksa and Family
		10:30 AM	For the People
Mon.	9/24	7:00 PM	Deceased Members of the Cherone Family by Rose and Family
Tue.	9/25	7:00 AM	Katie Starruick by Anna Plaksa and Family
Wed.	9/26		NO MASS
Thur.	9/27	7:00 AM	Irene Matisak by the Immaculate Conception Choir
Fri.	9/28	7:00 AM	Helen E. Capozzelli by Her Family
Sat.	9/29	4:00 PM	Mary Beth Kopczynskie by Her Husband, Daughters, and Sons-in-Law
Sun.	9/30	7:30 AM	Mark Kopczynskie by Henry Kopczynskie and Family
		10:30 AM	For the People



Last Weekend:

Sunday \$3,970.00; Dues \$963.00; Care and Education of Priests \$6.00; Poor Box \$230.40

CHOIR PRACTICE will resume on Tuesday, October 2nd, at 6:00 PM.



Classes have begun. All classes (with the exception of Little Lambs) begin at 9:00 AM. All children must be registered for class. Registration forms are available in the parish office and at each entrance door to the church.



FOOD PANTRY DONATION for September is cereal. The next distribution is Tuesday, September 25th.



SAVE THE DATE!!! Our Annual Turkey Bingo will take place on **Sunday, November 11th**, in the parish center. Early birds begin at 12:30 PM and regular games begin at 1:00 PM. Doors open after the 10:30 AM mass.

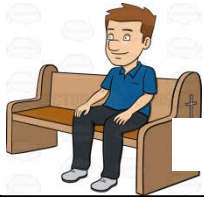


THANK YOU: I want to express my thanks to all of you for your kindness to me and my family at the loss of my mom. My mother loved the church and she established a firm foundation in the faith for her 5 children. Many of you have asked if there is a special cause you can donate to in my mother's honor. Because of her great love for the church, I am establishing a memorial fund in the parish in her name (Elenita) to be used for future projects. Thank you again for your outpouring of sympathy to our family. Fr. Mike



"If anyone wishes to be first, you shall be the last of all and the servant of all." These tender words of Jesus were directed to not only the Apostles - who were arguing about who was the best - but to us also. In light of the events of the last 5 weeks, it is more important now, than ever, to become a servant of all.

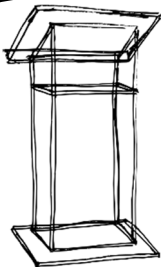
There will be some who turn away from the church - I get it...I'm mad, too! However, I believe most of you will stay. But "staying" is not enough! We all need to reach out to those in need...the lonely, the sick, the widow(er), the marginalized, and especially the abused. I encourage you to re-dedicate yourself to the Roman Catholic Church and become more than just a "stayer" and reach out to those in need.



A VIEW FROM THE PEW, FOOD FOR THOUGHT

"All the darkness in the world cannot extinguish the light of a single candle." Saint Francis of Assisi

In the coming weeks you will be hearing more about our upcoming Capital Campaign, "A Separate Past, a Future Together". The Campaign will enable us to address some much needed maintenance projects for our church. This is an exciting time for our parish. As our congregation continues to grow, this Campaign will ensure our parish remains viable now and for future generations.



A stand is now in the vestibule of the church with a book where you will be able to write your personal petitions. These petitions will be prayed for during every mass at Immaculate Conception during our Prayer of the Faithful. It is also asked that you remember these petitions in your own daily personal prayers.

Although the book is intended for your personal petitions, we do ask that, since this book is available to the public, you use proper judgment when listing a petition in order to respect individuals' privacy intact. For example, instead of saying:

"I pray for John Smith to get a job", you could say: "I pray for my friend to find employment." This allows individuals the dignity of their privacy while giving them the opportunity to have the community pray for them.

We hope that this will help to foster a greater community of prayer for each other within Immaculate Conception Parish.



PARISH BUS TRIP to see the play "Run for Your Wife" at the Hunterdon Hills Playhouse, Hampton, NJ on Tuesday, October 9th. Cost is \$75.50 and includes lunch. Call Mary Lloyd 570-578-6720 for reservations. Payment is due with reservation.

