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**Church of the
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CONCEPTION**

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**LOVE THE LORD YOUR GOD
WITH ALL YOUR HEART,
WITH ALL YOUR SOUL,
WITH ALL YOUR MIND,
AND WITH ALL YOUR STRENGTH.**

MARK 12:28b-34



**THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
November 3, 2024**



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Parish Office Hours:

Monday through Thursday
9:00am to 5:00pm

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Celebration of the Eucharist

Saturday

5:00pm Vigil Mass

Sunday

8:00am, 9:30am, 11:00am
6:00pm (Spanish Mass)

Daily Mass

8:00am Monday through Thursday
12:00pm Friday
The Rosary is recited immediately after daily Mass

Holy Days

Vigil @ 7:00pm (Spanish Mass)
Day @ 8:00am, 12:00pm, & 7:00pm

First Saturday Mass 9:00am

Rosary starts at 8:45am

Eucharistic Adoration

The FIRST FRIDAYS (Novena & silent adoration to Sacred Heart) of each month at 12:30pm and the LAST MONDAYS of each month at 7:00pm in the Church.

Confessions

Every Saturday 4:00pm to 4:45pm

MARRIAGES: Arrangements should be made at least 1 year in advance. Marriage dates may be made only with the priest after he interviews the couple. Please call the Parish Office to set up an appointment. Pre- Cana classes are required.

BAPTISMS: Parents are required to attend one evening class before Baptism; and are encouraged to attend class during pregnancy. Baptismal class is held on the 1st Wednesday of January, March, May, July, September, and November. To register for Baptism, please contact the Parish Office.

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING THE SICK:

Emergency calls for the Sacraments for the seriously ill may be made any time of the day or night, every day of the year. The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick will also be celebrated every second Friday of the month at the 12:00pm Mass. All those who are seriously ill, including those preparing for surgery or a hospital stay, are invited to receive the Sacrament.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Monday: Phil 2:1-4; Ps 131:1bcde-3; Lk 14:12-14
Tuesday: Phil 2:5-11; Ps 22:26b-30ab, 30e, 31-32;
 Lk 14:15-24
Wednesday: Phil 2:12-18; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14;
 Lk 14:25-33
Thursday: Phil 3:3-8a; Ps 105:2-7; Lk 15:1-10
Friday: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9;
 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17; Jn 2:13-22
Saturday: Phil 4:10-19; Ps 112:1b-2, 5-6, 8a, 9;
 Lk 16:9-15
Sunday: 1 Kgs 17:10-16; Ps 146:7-10; Heb 9:24-28;
 Mk 12:38-44 [41-44]

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading: The LORD, the God of your fathers, will give you a land flowing with milk and honey (Deuteronomy 6:2-6).
Psalm: I love you, Lord, my strength (Psalm 18).
Second Reading: Jesus is always able to save those who approach God through him (Hebrews 7:23-28).
Gospel: To love God with all your heart and to love your neighbor as yourself is worth more than all burnt offerings and sacrifices (Mark 12:28b-34).

eGIVING OPPORTUNITIES

eGiving makes it easy to give, anytime, anywhere. To continue lifesaving ministries and outreach in our parish community, we depend on generous online donations from our church family. We prayerfully invite you to use eGiving from your computer, smartphone, or tablet to set up a recurring donation or make a one-time gift.



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<https://membership.faithdirect.net/NY66>

MASS ATTENDANCE

| DATE | 5pm | 8am | 9:30am | 11am | 6pm | TOTAL |
|----------|-----|-----|--------|------|-----|------------|
| 10/6/24 | 146 | 197 | 127 | 201 | 100 | 771 |
| 10/13/24 | 146 | 187 | 147 | 207 | 100 | 787 |
| 10/20/24 | 119 | 183 | 168 | 178 | 100 | 748 |
| 10/27/24 | 125 | 151 | 133 | 190 | 100 | 699 |

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

| DATE | COLLECTION | AMOUNT |
|------------|-------------------|------------|
| 10/27/2024 | Weekly Collection | \$6,836.00 |
| 10/29/2023 | Weekly Collection | \$6,059.00 |

Thank you for your continuous support!

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Saturday November 2
 5:00pm Marco Oliveri (Fr. Peter)
Sunday November 3
 8:00am Kay Coupe (Fr. Peter)
 9:30am Susanne Neppell (Fr. Ken)
 11:00am Patrick Kelly (Msgr. Mirro)
 6:00pm The People of the Parish (Fr. Jorge)
Monday November 4
 8:00am Winifred Cardo
Tuesday November 5
 8:00am Robert Delaney
Wednesday November 6
 8:00am (Guild Mass) Deceased Members of the Knights of Columbus Fr. Slomski Council
Thursday November 7
 8:00am Robert Delaney
Friday November 8
 12:00pm Mark Gennaro
Saturday November 9
 4:00pm Confessions
 5:00pm Leigh Farrell (Msgr. Mirro)
Sunday November 10
 8:00am Patrick Kelly (Fr. Ken)
 9:30am Carmen Dolores Reichardt (Fr. Ken)
 11:00am The People of the Parish (Fr. Ken)
 6:00pm Victor Thomas Figurelli (Fr. Mike)

Neither Father Ken, nor any other staff member, will ever contact you asking for money via email or text. Please do not respond or reply to any such requests.



CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL

The 2024 Catholic Ministries Appeal

The 2024 Catholic Ministries Appeal is on-going in our parish and in parishes across the Diocese. Please give prayerful consideration to help fund the essential ministries and services supported by this appeal.

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|-------------------|--------------|
| Goal | \$ 62,100.00 |
| Total Pledged | \$ 37,790.00 |
| Payments Received | \$ 36,396.00 |

Donors: 80 % of Goal: 60.85%

The parish will receive 20% of the goal once all pledged payments are received. The parish will receive an additional 80% of monies pledged & received over goal.

SETTLEMENT OF THE DIOCESAN BANKRUPTCY

Dear ICC Family,

As you know, the Diocese, in the face of multiple sex abuse claims brought against it (and many Parishes) under the NYS Child Victims Act and the NYS Adult Victims Act, filed for protection of the Federal Bankruptcy Laws in October, 2020. The goal of that filing was to seek equitable compensation for the survivors of abuse, to end all historical lawsuits against the Diocese and Parishes, and to allow the Church to continue her mission. After four years of difficult negotiations, a settlement was reached that meets those goals, with approximately **\$320M** being accepted.

In order to compensate survivors while protecting the Diocese and Parishes from lawsuits, the Diocese and every Parish will be making a contribution to the settlement total. Our contribution to the overall settlement is **\$386,080.00**, which sum has been paid out of our Parish Reserves. Each parish in the diocese has contributed to this overall settlement in some fashion, some quite a bit more, while others to a lesser extent. However, all have contributed based on their ability to do so as determined by the Diocese.

Our participation in this settlement provides our Parish with liability protection against past claims, whether already filed or filed in the future. As a result, our remaining reserves and any current or future donations to our Parish are protected from such claims.

In order to complete this process, every Parish will need to make an abbreviated Chapter 11 Bankruptcy filing. This does not mean that any Parish is in jeopardy of closing and does not put any additional Parish Property at risk. These Parish Chapter 11 filings should be completed within 48 hours of their filing in early December and will not interfere with our work and ministry.

The settlement of these cases ends a difficult time for our Diocese and our Parishes, while providing equitable compensation for the victims of abuse themselves. As we move forward, rest assured the Church, as a whole, our Diocese and our Parish have implemented safeguards, including background checks, training and policies to prevent future occurrences of abuse.

May the Lord guide, heal, and protect us as we move forward.

Fr. Ken



SECOND COLLECTION

2024
CATHOLIC
MINISTRIES
APPEAL
DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE

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Renewed by the Eucharist*



THE CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL COLLECTION Next weekend: November 9th & 10th

The Catholic Ministries Appeal is an Island-wide effort by our Church to support the critically important services and programs that serve more than 600,000 people every year. 100% of every dollar raised is restricted to fund the objectives, programs and mission supported by the CMA.

To each of you who have already made a gift, please know that I am very grateful. I also want you to know that I believe so deeply in this program that I also contribute every year. I hope that those of you who have not yet had an opportunity to do so will seriously consider using the envelope that is included in your monthly packets next week and include with the regular collection – or pick up a brochure/envelope at the back of the church – and make a contribution to the Catholic Ministries Appeal.

Through the Catholic Ministries Appeal, we can provide pastoral care to those in need through Catholic Charities and Parish Outreach Programs. Additionally, the CMA funds evangelization programs that support the formation studies of our Seminarians and Deacons, help provide religious education to hundreds of thousands of our youngsters in public schools, while forming future generation of Catholics through Campus, Young Adult and Youth Ministry programs.

If you have not already contributed, please prayerfully consider joining with me as one by making a gift to the 2024 Catholic Ministries Appeal. Please remember no gift is too small, and all gifts make a difference in someone's life! Once we make goal our Parish receives back 20% to use for our own needs of the Parish!

Thank you & God bless you in your giving!

Fr. Ken

Adopt-a-Family



Thanksgiving & Christmas **ADOPT-A-FAMILY** program at Immaculate Conception Church

Kristin Kalisak, Program Director, will be handing out lists of families in our community who are in need this holiday season after all Masses the weekend of November 16th/17th. If you are unable to make those Masses and wish to adopt-a-family, please email her at adoptafamilywhb@gmail.com and she will send you the name of a family in need.

Thank you to all those who participate in this important ministry. Because of your generosity, a child's Christmas will be made brighter and happier! God bless you in your giving!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Religious Education Office Hours are:

Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday
9am to 5pm
631-288-4188

October Happenings in Religious Ed

Living Rosary:

Our parents joined their children & their children's catechists for sessions of the Living Rosary this past week. It was so beautiful to all pray the Rosary together in our large group (70-100 people). We prayed an intentional rosary where the children/teens and their families picked a person or situation to pray for. We explained that Our Blessed Mother will intercede for us, package up all those prayers and offer them to God. ~ Glory be to God!

Level 9 Mass Participation:

Our Level 9 teens served in liturgical roles on October 20th @ the 9:30am Family Mass and did a wonderful job. We look forward to seeing this continue on November 3rd!

DATES TO REMEMBER FOR NOVEMBER:

November 1st

All Saints Day (Holy Day of Obligation)

November 3rd

9:30am - Level 3 & Level 10 Mass in the Church.

November 11th

Veteran's Day – NO CLASSES

November 17th

9:30am - Level 9 Mass of Commitment in the Church.

November 18th – 20th

4:00pm - Level 1-6 Saint Fair in the Parish Center.

November 26th & November 27th

Thanksgiving Break – NO CLASSES

MOLLOY UNIVERSITY

FALL OPEN HOUSE

Sunday, November 17th

1:00pm – Campus Tours begin at 12:00pm

Register at

<https://www.molloy.edu/openhouse24>

REFLECTIONS

Living Stewardship

Let the love of God and your love for God, shine through you this week. Lift others up, be compassionate and encouraging, and spread God's Love.



Bulletin Reflection

"I love you, Lord, my strength." What a powerful, awesome, loving God we have.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time; National Vocation Awareness Week; Daylight Saving Time ends

Monday: St. Charles Borromeo, Bishop

Tuesday: Election Day

Saturday: The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

INTRODUCTION TO THE LITURGY OF THE DAY

In this month of November, we Catholics remember in a special way all those who have died. We pray for and to our loved ones who have passed away, secure in the hope that they are, in the words from today's Gospel, "not far from the kingdom of God." Jesus teaches us today that loving God with all our being and loving our neighbor as ourselves will put us on the road to eternal life. Let us take that to heart as we thank and praise God for the promise of heaven.

INTRODUCTION TO THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

God has given us his Son Jesus to show us the way of love. In the spirit of that same love, we offer praise and thanksgiving. This great prayer gives us the opportunity to thank God for every good gift. With hearts open to receiving the Lord, let us offer thanks.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK



How do I show my love for God and my love for neighbor? When have I felt myself giving that love with all my being?

PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED

Ronald M. Palmedo

SACRAMENTALS

The SANCTUARY LAMP
will burn this week in loving memory of
Geraldine Nobile

To arrange a sacramental in loving memory of or for the intentions of your loved one, please visit the Parish Office.

Available Dates:

Altar Bread/Wine: November 11, 18, 25, December 2, 9, 16

Altar Flowers: November 10, 17, 24

Sanctuary Lamp: November 11, 18, 25, December 2, 9, 16, 23

PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Agustin Veliz Arriaza, Kevin Chisholm,
Lisa Falcone, Blythe Fickenwirth, Richard Hewes,
Michael Hubbard, Young Katie Kennedy,
Maureen Lawrence, Dick Nolan, & Rosanna.

Please call the Parish Office (631-288-1423) to add a name to the sick list. This list will be cleared occasionally.

MEDITATION with Deacon Joe

Tuesdays at 2pm in the Parish Center
Try this spiritual practice, it will surprise you!

WELCOME MINISTRY

Are you new to Immaculate Conception Church?

If so, we'd like to give you a Welcome packet! Please call the Parish office at 631-288-1423 or stop by to pick one up!

TEDDY'S CORNER



Teddy is loving these cool fall days ... leaves are blowing in the wind & making lots of fun times for him!

PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY



FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

Canned fruit, Juice, Toiletries (shampoo & soap), Juice Boxes, Rice, Beans, Cereal, Pasta, Tuna, Peanut Butter, Jelly, Canned Vegetables (all varieties), Tuna, Hearty Soup, & Condiments.

FAITH DIRECT

Why not make a change this fall in the way you support our parish?

This season, rich in the symbolism of harvest and sowing, offers a beautiful reminder: your acts of generosity reverberate, touching countless lives. Sign up for eGiving through Faith Direct, which is the most convenient and secure way for you to make your weekly offering. Making either one-time or automatic contributions through Faith Direct will also save valuable time for both you and our parish staff.

Sign up today by visiting faith.direct/NY66 or call their Customer Service team at 866-507-8757.

PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

Ethan Bentley (Navy)
Julia Blake (Navy)
Thomas Hellman (USSF)
Lt. Col. William Robesch
RJ Ruggiero (Navy)
Lt. Cameron Worden
Lt. Matthew Worden (Navy)

Please contact the Rectory @631-288-1423 to add a loved one to the military list

NEITHER DESPAIR NOR PRESUME

Two criminals were crucified with Christ.

One was saved; do not despair.

One was not; do not presume.

~ St. Augustine

PRAYER REQUESTS

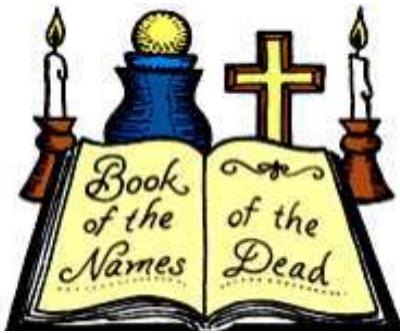
There is a great power in prayer. It is our lifeline to God. Through it we communicate with God, and people are strengthened, helped, and made whole.

Do you know of some concern, or of some person with a special need for whom we ought to pray? We have 29 prayer warriors praying, please call Charles Schmidt at 631-288-4243 and leave a message with your prayer request.



WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

at Immaculate Conception Church
**Thursday mornings at
Our Lady's Hall @ 9:30am**
All are Welcome!
Zoom is also available for those
unable to attend in person.



PRAY FOR THE DEAD

Let us not hesitate to help those who have died
and offer our prayers for them.
~ St. John Chrysostom



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Father Joseph Slomski
Council #7423

COLOR GUARD CEREMONY

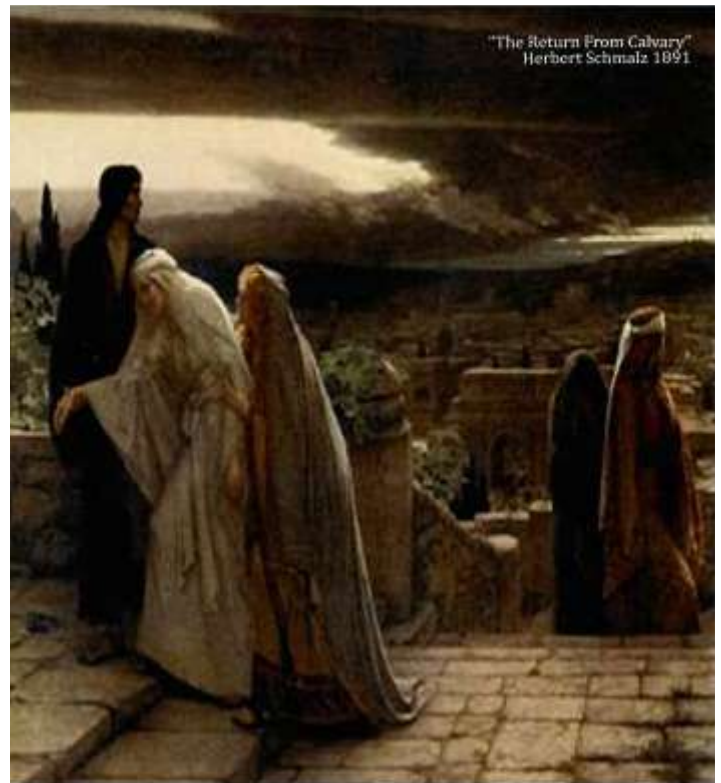
in honor of Veterans Day
Saturday, November 9th
@ 5:00pm Mass
Sunday, November 10th
@ 9:30am & 11:00am
Masses

If any parishioner (man or woman, young or old)
would like to have the honor of carrying a flag for
yourself or your loved one, please see an Usher
upon your arrival, before Mass begins.

ATTENTION LECTORS



2025 Lector Workbooks have arrived!
Please pick your copy up at the Parish Office
BEFORE November 18th.



Prayer for Healing

Please join us Monday, November 4th after the
8:00am Mass for a special prayer service for the
Parishes on Long Island. All towns will be
announced while we pray for the people of God
within those parishes. The prayer will be led by
Deacon Joe. We hope to see you there!



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SEE WHAT WE'VE BEEN UP TO!



• **HURRICANE RELIEF:** Our students donated food and supplies to help those affected by the recent hurricanes in the mid southeast. Items were given to the organization "Helping Makes U Happy."



• **FALL FIELD TRIP:** To kick off the Fall Season, our students in Kindergarten, First Grade and Second Grade visited Harbes Farm and went pumpkin picking!



• **TRUNK OR TREAT:** We had a great turnout for our Trunk or Treat event! A big thank you to our National Junior Honor Society and all who decorated their cars as our families Trick or Treated.



THE FOUR LAST THINGS

Death, Judgement, Heaven, & Hell

Monday, Nov 4

- 10am Queen of All Hearts Formation Day starts
- 11:30am Mass
- Followed by All Souls Novena Prayers
- 1:30pm Conference
- 3pm Holy Rosary

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LECTIO DIVINA

- Lectio
- Meditatio
- Oratio
- Contemplatio



Join Bishop Andrzej

For Scripture Reflection Series
on JESUS and NICODEMUS

Wednesday, November 6, 2024

at 7:30 pm - ZOOM webinar.



Bible Study Verse

NICODEMUS the PHARISEE

Living the New Life in Spirit

Gospel of John 3. 1-21

Registration is required in order to receive the ZOOM
link to each session.

Please contact the Western Vicariate office with your
name, parish, email address and phone number.

Send your email to:

westernvicariate@drvc.org

or call Suzanne at 516-744-6850.





Buffet Breakfast

THE EASTPORT FIRE DEPARTMENT WILL BE HOSTING ITS FAMOUS BUFFET BREAKFAST:

Sunday from 8am-12 Noon
November 3rd
November 10th
November 17th
November 24th
Breakfast with Santa
December 1st

Admission:
\$15.00 Adults
\$10.00 Seniors
\$5.00 Children
(5-12 Years of Age)
Tots 5yrs & under free!

All proceeds benefit the Eastport Fire Department and support our local food banks this holiday season.

Please bring a non perishable food item to "Stuff" our 1931 Fire Truck donating to our local food banks

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