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**Church of the
IMMACULATE
CONCEPTION**

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"Amen,
I say to you,
this poor widow
put in more
than all the other
contributors to
the treasury."

Mark 12:38-44

**THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
November 10, 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: Ti 1:1-9; Ps 24:1b-4ab, 5-6; Lk 17:1-6
Tuesday: Ti 2:1-8, 11-14; Ps 37:3-4, 18, 23, 27, 29;
 Lk 17:7-10
Wednesday: Ti 3:1-7; Ps 23:1b-6; Lk 17:11-19
Thursday: Phlm 7-20; Ps 146:7-10; Lk 17:20-25
Friday: 2 Jn 4-9; Ps 119:1-2, 10-11, 17-18;
 Lk 17:26-37
Saturday: 3 Jn 5-8; Ps 112:1-6; Lk 18:1-8
Sunday: Dn 12:1-3; Ps 16:5, 8-11; Heb 10:11-14, 18;
 Mk 13:24-32

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading: The widow of Zarephath had only a handful of flour and a little oil, but made a little cake for Elijah (1 Kings 17:10-16).
Psalm: Praise the Lord, my soul! (Psalm 146).
Second Reading: Christ will appear a second time to bring salvation to those who eagerly await him (Hebrews 9:24-28).
Gospel: This poor widow put in more than all the other contributors (Mark 12:38-44 [41-44]).

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.



FAITH DIRECT

Enrolling with Faith Direct will provide Immaculate Conception with consistent support and simplify your giving without the use of envelopes. Visit:
<https://membership.faithdirect.net/NY66>

MASS ATTENDANCE

DATE	5pm	8am	9:30am	11am	6pm	TOTAL
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
11/03/24	120	181	226	180	100	807

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

DATE	COLLECTION	AMOUNT
11/03/2024	Weekly Collection	\$8,035.00
11/05/2023	Weekly Collection	\$7,273.00
11/03/2024	All Saints Day	\$1,617.00

Thank you for your continuous support!

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Saturday **November 9**
 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)
Monday **November 11**
 8:00am For aborted children & their mothers
Tuesday **November 12**
 8:00am John Edward Sullivan
Wednesday **November 13**
 8:00am (Guild Mass) James Gilhooley;
 Joan Gilhooley
Thursday **November 14**
 8:00am Claudette Levesque
Friday **November 15**
 12:00pm Captain Jack Saltarella
Saturday **November 16**
4:00pm Confessions
 5:00pm Marco Oliveri (Fr. Ken)
Sunday **November 17**
 8:00am Joseph Mattone, Sr. (Fr. Peter)
 9:30am Leigh Farrell (Fr. Ken)
 11:00am Antonetta & Francisco Morrone
 (Fr. Peter)
 6:00pm The People of the Parish (Fr. Jorge)

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.



All Parish Offices are
CLOSED
 Monday, November 11th
 in observance of Veterans Day

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.

Goal	\$ 62,100.00
Total Pledged	\$ 37,815.00
Payments Received	\$ 36,571.00
Donors: 81	% of Goal: 60.89%

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.



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.



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.



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



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!

SECOND COLLECTION

2024
CATHOLIC
MINISTRIES
APPEAL
DIocese of ROCKVILLE CENTRE

*Revitalizing our Faith –
Renewed by the Eucharist*



As we come to the end of this year's Catholic Ministries Appeal, we are counting on you, members of our parish family, to participate in this important campaign for the ministries and programs of our church and for all who depend on them! To the families who have already responded to our letters and announcements, I am so grateful for your generosity! To those who have not yet given, please prayerfully consider joining us today by making a gift. There are envelopes provided in your pews and in your envelope packs.

As wonderful as our parishes are - not one of them alone could ever accomplish alone the incredible things that we can accomplish together as a Diocese. As One Family in Mission, we are changing lives through the support of the Catholic Ministries Appeal by: feeding the hungry and funding Catholic Charities human service programs; supporting respect life initiatives; providing emergency support to the needy; strengthening parishes throughout the Diocese; forming our future priests and deacons; providing sacramental and pastoral need to our youth; supporting Religious Freedom initiatives; college students and young adults; people in hospitals and in prisons.

My hope is that each family will extend its generosity and make a gift to the Catholic Ministries Appeal. This Appeal is based on equal sacrifice, not equal giving. We cannot ask everyone to consider the same size gift, but we ask that your gift reflect how generous God has been to you with His gifts. Thank you.

If you have not already contributed, please prayerfully consider joining with me and make a gift to the 2024 Catholic Ministries Appeal this weekend. Please remember no gift is too small, and all gifts make a difference in someone's life!

Thank you & God bless you in your giving!

Fr. Ken

The Catholic Ministries Appeal enables us to serve more than 600,000 people in our community each year.

Let us join and cheerfully share our gifts, so that we can:

- Feed and clothe the needy
- Comfort the sick and dying
- Protect the dignity of all life
- Teach our children about our Faith through religious education programs
- Educate seminarians on their path to becoming priests
- Support outreach programs at the Parish level
- Bring our Faith to young people through youth, young adult and campus ministry programs

Thank You!

www.CatholicMinistriesAppeal.org

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Religious Education Office Hours are:
Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday
9am to 5pm
631-288-4188

DATES TO REMEMBER FOR NOVEMBER:

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

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.

TEDDY'S CORNER



REFLECTIONS

Living Stewardship

We are all called to be good stewards of the gifts we have been given.



Bulletin Reflection

The widow, whose gift was much smaller than the gifts given by the rich men, gave from her heart. Her gift was small, but it was given with love, faith and sacrifice.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: Veterans Day; St. Martin of Tours

Tuesday: St. Josaphat

Wednesday: St. Frances Xavier Cabrini

Friday: St. Albert the Great

Saturday: St. Margaret of Scotland; St. Gertrude

INTRODUCTION TO THE LITURGY OF THE DAY

We believe that everything we have ultimately comes from God. God gave us life to begin with, offers us the gift of new life through Christ Jesus, and blesses our life every day. We hope to imitate God's generosity through our own actions. The readings we hear today offer a lesson in finding a way to respond generously to the gifts we have received, no matter our state in life. They also remind us not to judge the generosity of others. Listening to God's word, may we be reminded of our obligation to give back to God, as God has generously given to us.

INTRODUCTION TO THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The widow in today's first reading prepared a cake for Elijah to eat. She used the last of her flour and oil, yet for a year her jar of flour never went empty and her jug of oil never went dry. In this Eucharistic Prayer, we pray for an outpouring of the Spirit so that we will never be empty of the life promised us in Christ Jesus.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK



When am I like the widow, giving when it hurts? When am I like the scribe, taking advantage of others' generosity and rationalizing it? When do I fail to recognize the generosity of God in my life?

SACRAMENTALS

BREAD & WINE, SANCTUARY LAMP, ALTAR FLOWERS

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 18, 25, December 2, 9, 16

Altar Flowers: November 17, 24

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

PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Agustin Veliz Arriaza, Kevin Chisholm,
Lisa Falcone, Blythe Fickenwirth,
Catherine Heffernan, 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!

PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

Ethan Bentley (Navy)
Julia Blake (Navy)
Joseph Ferraro III (Air Force)
Thomas Hellman (USF)
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

SECOND COLLECTION

Next weekend, November 16th/17th, we will take a second collection for the **Catholic Campaign for Human Development and Home Missions**. Thank you for your generosity!

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.

PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY



FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

Toiletries (shampoo & soap), Juice Boxes, Cereal, Pasta, Tuna, Peanut Butter, Jelly, Tuna, Hearty Soup, & Condiments.

The Pantry is in DIRE NEED of:
Canned Fruit, Juice, & Vegetables (all varieties),
Rice, & Beans.

Thank you for your on-going generosity!

A GOOD STORY

Christianity is the story of beggars who tell other beggars where to find bread.

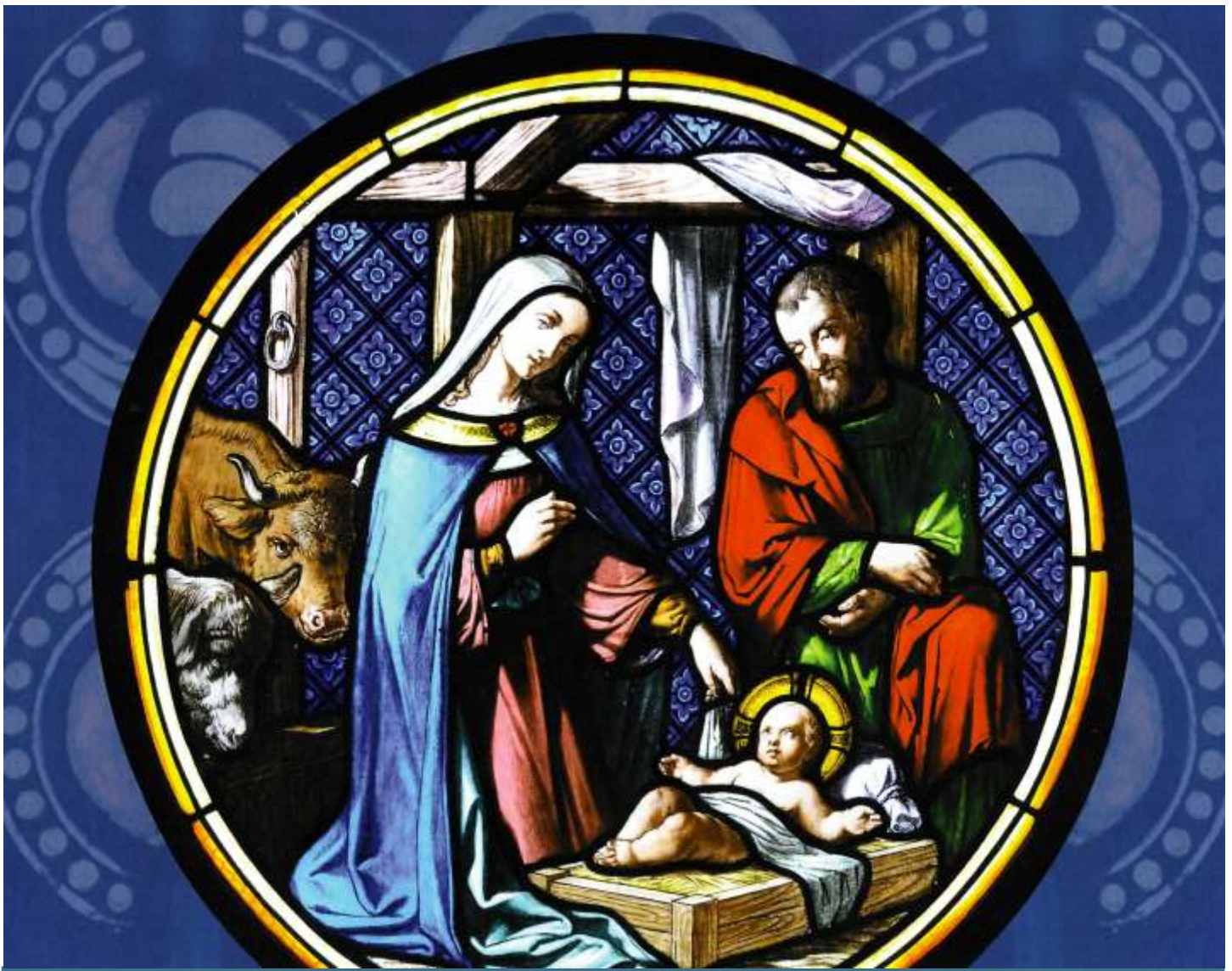
~ Anonymous

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION



Veterans Day began with the signing of a symbolic treaty between the Allies and Germany ending World War I (then called the "Great War") on the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month. The auspicious date was actually a well-established religious holiday, the feast of Saint Martin of Tours, a beloved soldier saint of the army of Rome. After World War II, Armistice Day was changed to Veterans Day in the United States and Remembrance Day in Britain, but of course the feast of Saint Martin endures.

Martin was named after Mars, the god of war, and against the advice of his parents he went on his own to church. He became a catechumen at the age of ten. By fifteen he was enlisted in the cavalry in France. Coming across a poor man, Martin had an impulse to divide his bright red soldier's cape and clothe him. He later had the insight that he had served Christ, and the other half of his cape became a lifelong sign to him of his duty to serve the poor. Housed in a tiny church *capella* or "chapel," the cape became a great object of pilgrimage on the way to Compostella, and a favored place for the prayers of soldiers. Martin was not so eager to serve as bishop as he had been as a soldier, and legend says that he hid in a barn filled with geese to avoid episcopal election. To this day, the customary meal for November 11 is goose! Traditionally, this is the last feast day before winter closes in, and begins a period of fasting once known as "Saint Martin's Lent" or "Martinmas," that later developed into the season of Advent.



Knights of Columbus
Father Slomski Council

KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS POSTER CONTEST

The contest is open to all students, Kindergarten through eighth grade. The application is available at the Religious Education Office. Deadline for submissions is Monday, November 25th.



Fr. Joseph Slomski Council

Knights of Columbus

The Knights are back this year selling Christmas Wreaths and Cemetery Pillows after every Mass beginning the weekend of December 1st. You can pre-order yours today. Please contact Joe Sala at 516-359-3901 to place your order today! Thank you for your support!



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

Support our heroes



Catholic Health
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University Hospital

Join us on Veterans Day for an outreach and screening event!

Free meal vouchers from Texas Roadhouse for all veterans and active duty members of the armed forces.

Food Distribution by Long Island Cares Veterans Project for Veterans and their families.

Military branded caps provided by General Needs.

The Catholic Health outreach bus will be offering:

- Flu shots
- Blood pressure screenings
- Cholesterol screenings

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Monday, November 11
10 am - 2 pm



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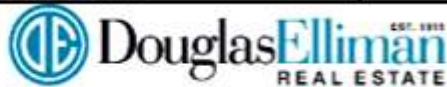
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