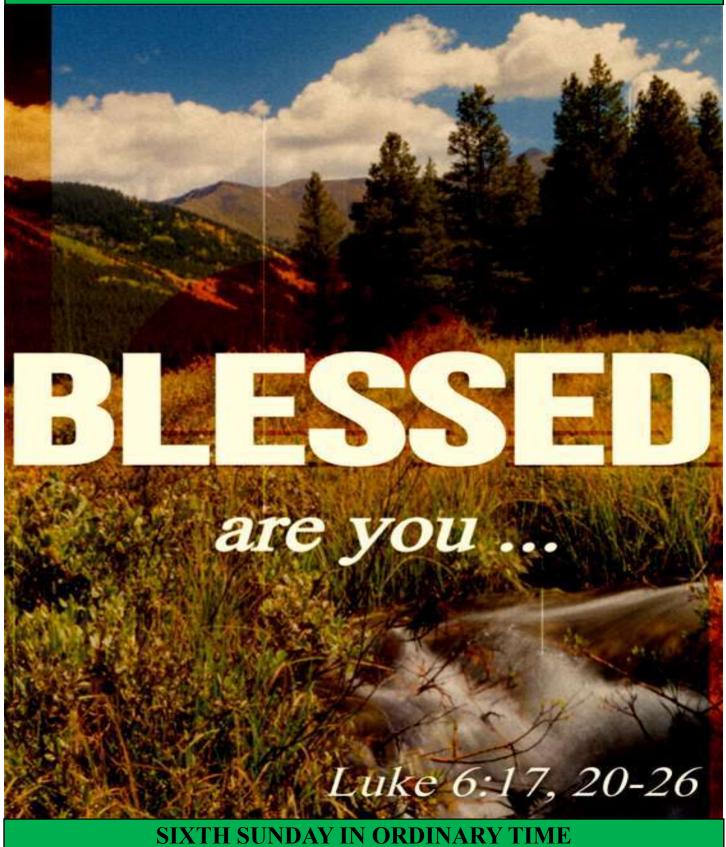
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February 16, 2025

#### **STAFF**

Rev. Kenneth Grooms, Pastor Deacon Joseph Byrne Deacon Mark Herrmann Shawn Pinson, Sacristan Bobby Peterson, Music Director Donna Cosme, Director of Religious Education Anne Dean, Assistant to Director of Religious Ed Linda Geoghan, Parish Secretary Juan Vicente, Maintenance Manager	Saturday 5:00pmVigil MassSunday 8:00am, 9:30am, 11:00am 6:00pm (Spanish Mass)Daily Mass 9:00am Monday through Thursday (January-March) 12:00pm Friday The Rosary is recited immediately after daily Mass
Parish Office Hours: Monday through Thursday 9:00am to 5:00pm CLOSED Friday, Saturday, Sunday, & HolidaysParish Office631-288-1423 FaxParish Office631-288-5498 parishoffice@iccwhb.orgReligious Education631-288-4188 FaxFax631-288-4188 	<ul> <li>Holy Days Vigil @ 7:00pm (Spanish Mass) Day @ 8:00am, 12:00pm, &amp; 7:00pm</li> <li>First Saturday Mass 9:00am Rosary starts at 8:45am</li> <li>Eucharistic Adoration The FIRST FRIDAYS (Novena &amp; silent adoration to Sacred Heart) of each month at 12:30pm and the LAST MONDAYS of each month at 7:00pm in the Church.</li> <li>Confessions Every Saturday 4:00pm to 4:45pm</li> </ul>
PARISH TRUSTEES Beth Hard & Linda O'Brien PARISH COUNCIL Michael Berdinka, Tom Day, Lori Francescani, Lisa Guzman, Tara Hudson, Verna Merkel, & Amabilia Estrada Ruiz	Finance         PARISH FINANCE           COMMITTEE         COMMITTEE           Kevin Dwyer, Beth Hard, Daily Hill,         Christine Lennon, Linda O'Brien, Scott O'Brien,           Joe Sala, & Michael Strebel         Strebel

**Celebration of the Eucharist** 

**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 1<sup>st</sup> 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: Gn 4:1-15, 25; Mk 8:11-13 Tuesday: Gn 6:5-8, 7:1-5, 10; Mk 8:14-21 Wednesday: Gn 8:6-13, 20-22; Mk 8:22-26 Thursday: Gn 9:1-13; Mk 8:27-33 Friday: Gn 11:1-9; Mk 8:34-9:1 Saturday: 1 Pt 5:1-4; Mt 16:13-19 Sunday: 1 Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23; 1 Cor 15:45-49; Lk 6:27-38

#### **TODAY'S READINGS**

**First Reading**: Blessed is the one who trusts in the Lord, whose hope is the Lord (Jeremiah 17:5-8). **Psalm**: Blessed are they who hope in the Lord (Psalm 1).

**Second Reading**: Paul reminds us to believe in the resurrection (1 Corinthians 15:12, 16-20).

**Gospel**: Jesus shares the Sermon on the Mount with us (Luke 6:17, 20-26).

#### PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED

Olga Allende

#### **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
01/19/25	93	142	152	111	205	703
01/26/25	102	106	235	139	100	682
02/02/25	109	119	83	126	100	537
02/09/25	120	38	49	119	50	376

#### WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

DATE	COLLECTION	AMOUNT
02/02/2025	Weekly Collection	\$6,371.00
02/04/2024	Weekly Collection	\$5,928.00
02/09/2025	Weekly Collection	\$4,061.16
02/11/2024	Weekly Collection	\$5,141.00
Thank you for your continuous support!		

#### MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Saturday	February 15
5:00pm	John Ansalone (Fr. Ken)
Sunday	February 16
8:00am	The People of the Parish (Msgr. Mirro)
9:30am	Karyn Brandel (Msgr. Mirro)
11:00am	Henry Patrick Arnold (Fr. Ken)
6:00pm	Poor Souls in Purgatory (Fr. Jorge)
Monday	February 17
9:00am	Hank & Beth Wybolt
Tuesday	February 18
9:00am	Salvatore Golfo
Wednesday	February 19
9:00am	(Guild Mass) Donald Thomasino
Thursday	February 20
9:00am	Bill Rowker
Friday	February 21
12:00pm	Rosemarie Intrieri
Saturday	February 22
4:00pm	Confessions
5:00pm	Teresa Harton (Fr. Ken)
Sunday	February 23
8:00am	Rosemary Scammell (Fr. Ken)
9:30am	The People of the Parish (Fr. Ken)
11:00am	Mary Zella (Msgr. Mirro)
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#### **PRAY FOR OUR SICK**

Deacon Joseph Byrne, Kevin Chisholm, Alexa Dalton, Brian Dalton, Lisa Falcone, Blythe Fickenwirth, Catherine Heffernan, Richard Hewes, Michael Hubbard, Young Katie Kennedy, Rosanna, Daniel Standing, & Robbie Urban.

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

#### **CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL**

#### The 2025 Catholic Ministries Appeal

The 2025 Catholic Ministries Appeal is happening 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	\$ O
Payments Received	\$ 0
Donors: 0	% of Goal: 0%

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.



The Knights of Columbus cordially invite you to our

# Pancake & Sausage Breakfast



And





Sunday, March 9 Immaculate Conception Parish Center Following the 8, 9:30, and 11 AM

### Masses

# Admission is free!

**Breakfast is on us!** It is our way of thanking the Immaculate Conception Parish community for its generous support of our activities. Contributions will be deeply appreciated. Contact Jack Laadt at 631 495 2239 for additional information..

#### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

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

#### IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER FOR FEBRUARY

<u>February 17 - 19<sup>th</sup></u> School Winter Break - NO CLASSES

Congratulations to the following students who received Honor Roll certificates for the Second Quarter at St. Anthony's High School: Lily Connor Jaiel Lindo-Jean Louis Christian Pinto Job well done! Keep up the great work!

#### 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!

#### Please consider continuing your lifelong stewardship by leaving a bequest to our Parish.



For more information about remembering Immaculate Conception Parish in your Will or Living Trust, or to request a

brochure, please contact Barbara Kilarjian at 516-678-5800 x257 or email bkilarjian@drvc.org.

#### FROM THE SACRISTAN

If you would like to be part of the Eucharistic procession for a specific Mass (date & time) there will be a sign-up sheet in the back of the Church. Then just prior to the Mass starting, please see an Usher and confirm your arrival. You will then proceed to the rear of the Church at the offertory to bring up the gifts.

#### **MEDITATION** with Deacon Joe

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

#### PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY



#### FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

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

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

#### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time; Monday: President's Day Friday: St. Peter Damian Saturday: The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle

#### All Parish Offices will be CLOSED

Monday, February 17<sup>th</sup> in observance of President's Day

#### **PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY**

Ethan Bentley (Navy) Julia Blake (Navy) Joseph Ferraro III (Air Force) 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 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.

#### **TEDDY'S CORNER**



Teddy is sitting so beautifully for this portrait. We love our beautiful Teddy!



#### SACRAMENTALS

#### The SANCTUARY LAMP, BREAD & WINE, 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: Sanctuary Lamp: February 24, March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 Bread & Wine: February 24, March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 Altar Flowers: February 23, March 2

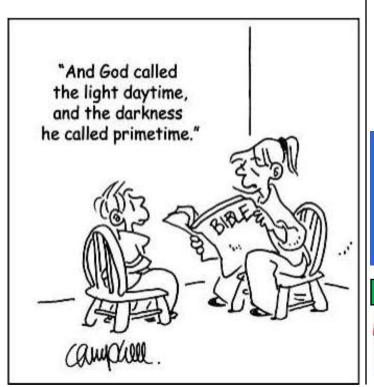
Please contact the Parish Office for more information.

#### INTRODUCTION TO THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Seeking our strength from God, let us raise our voices and offer the great prayer of thanksgiving.

#### INTRODUCTION TO THE LITURGY OF THE DAY

Jesus teaches us today about the kingdom of God, our eternal hope. There, those who are now poor or hungry or grieving or maligned will be rewarded. Luke adds that Jesus warns the people who came to listen to him that those who are rich and satisfied will suffer later. God's values are not society's values. Whose values do we imitate? Let us pray that we may align our values with those of God's kingdom and live them out in bringing Jesus' Good News to those in need.



#### REFLECTIONS

#### **Living Stewardship**

Think of others this week. Do something nice for someone and offer it up to God. If possible, do it anonymously.

Blessed are the poor!



**Bulletin Reflection** 

LITURGICAL MINISTER TRAINING here at Immaculate Conception Church Saturday, March 29<sup>th</sup> 9:00am to 4:00pm

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion Training Part A (Basic) & B (Homebound)

Lector Training

Please contact the Parish Office if you would like to attend the training here. A written request from the Pastor to the Bishop is required in order to attend.

#### **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.

#### A PRAYER FOR HEALING

Dear Lord, we lift up all those who are facing illness today. We ask that You would bring healing, comfort, & peace to their bodies. Calm their fears & let them experience the healing power of Your love. Amen.

#### **QUESTION OF THE WEEK**



What about my life is Jesus calling me to change so that I may be blessed? If I have plenty of money, food, and happiness, what can I do to be blessed?



### All are Welcome!

Women's Bible Study Thursday mornings in Our Lady's Hall beginning February 20<sup>th</sup>

To register and reserve a copy of the Bible Study Books, or have any questions, please email one of the following: <u>mtpilo.esq@gmail.com;</u> frankiernan@gmail.com; or Kris0330@optonline.net

#### This year, both Spring and the Fall, we'll study "THE BIBLE and the VIRGIN MARY"

This Bible Study, written by Dr. Scott Hahn, has a new format, one that we will discuss at our first gathering on February 20<sup>th</sup>!

\*This study requires an additional book (will be provided), "Hail Holy Queen," also written by Dr. Scott Hahn, a renowned theologian and author.

\*The Videos are engaging, informative in an intriguing way, and promise to provide us with many new topics to discuss at our meetings.

\*In addition, each week we will focus on one of the Rosary Mysteries, the artwork, scripture, readings, and pray one decade!

Filled with intriguing chapter heading, questions, and information these two books (\$25) will be used for both the Spring Session and the Fall Session!

JOIN us on this journey, which involves us in learning about:

\*MARY's life through Scripture.

\*What her life was like in Jerusalem before the Annunciation, and after.

\*Her role in Christ's Ministry and in his first miracle at Cana, and much more.

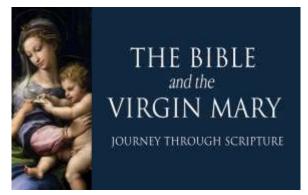
\*Marian Art of the Catholic Church through music and prayers honoring Mary.

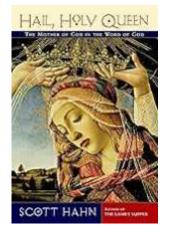
\*rediscovering the Rosary Mysteries, and the BVM's role in salvation history.

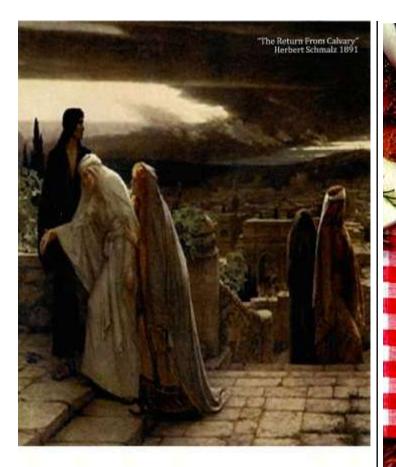
Share your Faith and Fellowship with other Ladies from the Parish, while we learn about Mary, her life, her devotion to God and to Christ!

Bible Study Guides and Hail Holy Queen, are available at the first meeting on February 20<sup>th</sup>! NOTE: To Register and Reserve a copy of the Bible Study Books, or If you have any questions: <u>mtpilo.esq@gmail.com</u>; <u>frankiernan@gmail.com</u> or<u>Kris0330@optonline.net</u>.

All are Welcome! Invite a Friend! We'd love to meet you!







### Prayer for Healing

Diocese of Rockville Centre Office for the Protection of Children/Young People

Please join us Thursday, February 20<sup>th</sup> after the 9:00am 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!





"We pledge to persevere in prayer, fasting and witnessing to the sacredness of every human life."  Bishop Barres' statement regarding the U.S. Supreme Court Decision in Dobbs v. Jackson, June 24, 2022

Rosary for Life

JOIN the OFFICE of HUMAN LIFE, FAMILY and BIOETHICS in PRAYER.

#### Every Friday - 3:00 PM

Via Zoom Click here for link Meeting ID: 811 9648 1100 Passcode: 20EWp7 Call In #: 1 (646) 876-9923

Email **thonkanen@drvc.org** if you would like the link sent to you each month.

www.drvclife.org

The Sisters of St. Dominic of Amityville Invite You to



### Irish Night



We hope you will join us for our 51<sup>st</sup> Annual Irish Night Event celebration on Saturday, March 1<sup>st</sup> at St. Brigid's in Westbury. Mass will be at 6:00pm followed by music, dancing and celebrating begin at 7:00pm. It will sure to be an event that you won't want to miss!

For five decades our Irish Night has raised critical funding for the care of our senior sisters residing at the Motherhouse in Amityville. We are honored to care for them as they come "home" to live their next stage of life.

For more information, please contact our Advancement Office at 631-842-6000 ext.246 or visit the event website: <u>www.sistersofstdominic.org/irishnight2025</u>

As always, thank you for your continued support of the Congregation. We hope you will join us on March 1<sup>st</sup> and raise a glass to good health for the coming year!



St. Joseph's Seminary Schola Cantorum presents a WINTER'S END SCHOLA CONCERT March 16<sup>th</sup> at 4:00pm St. Joseph Seminary Chapel Yonkers, New York

St. Joseph's Seminary Schola Cantorum will perform the World Premiere of "Heart of the World: A Passion Triptych" by Prof. Conner McCain & Traditional Irish Hymns in Honor of St. Patrick in the historic St. Joseph's Seminary Chapel in Yonkers, New York. Ticket price includes a hot buffet reception following the concert.

**Tickets:** VIP seating \$100, adults \$35, children 12 and under \$20

For more information and to purchase tickets go to:

SJSWINTERCONCERT.eventbrite.com or call (914) 968-6200, x8201



Magnificat Lenten Breakfast-Jubilee Year of Hope Saturday, March 8, 2025 9.30am to 12.30pm Doors open at 9.00 am Breakfast begins promptly at 9.30am Breakfast begins promptly at 9.30am Rock Hill Country Club 105 Clancy Read Mannrollie, NY 11949



Got JOY? "He I will rejoice in the Lon; will be joyful in God my Savier." Hobakhuk 2:1

Please join us as we worship, share a meal and listen to a powerful testimony by our speaker. Susan Potvin. Susan shares: "Tike having a clean house. Everything always looks so good on the outside, but don't look into my closets. Life is like that too. By 'closets' were stuffed with insecurity, comparison, loneliness and the scare of hitting life's hurdles and hurts. But the Lord had plans for my healing and restoration.

#### And He has those plans for you too"

Soan Potvin, worksp leader and impirational speaker, has been involved in Catholic and economical renewal work for more than forty years. She and her hashand, Urby, who have been married for 43 years, reside in Steubenville, Obio. Soan is the leader of Living Prave Worksp Team, which travels nationally and internationally, serving such groups as Magnificant! – A Ministry to Catholic Women, Women of Gracett, and the National Chariostatic Renewal. Stoan is the Chair for Praise and Worksp for the Magnificat ministry. She has also served on the advisory team of the National Service Committee for Charismatic Renewal. With Living Praise, Soan has produced server worklip CD's. Soan has a passion to speak and teach about praise and worksp and impire others in their substanding with the Land. Graduating from Franciscan University of Steubenville with a B.A. in Theology, Soant also has a Manters of Education in School Counseling from University and is a named Sperinal Director through the School of Speitnal Direction at Franciscan University. Seaan works as a cheel control or at &-12 Catinian school.

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# **Catholic Schools Week 2025**



From a Living Wax Museum of the Saints featuring Grades 5-8 and a Carnival created by our 6th-grade students in science class to our Brain & Body Bowl Challenge, Talent Show and VIP Day, our faculty, staff and students particiapted in several fun and educational activities during Catholic Schools Week! For our annual volleyball tournament, our 8th graders faced off against their teachers, who were were joined by SIE's clergy - Fr. Patrick (pastor), Msgr. Walden and Fr. Abin - as well as members of the Suffolk County Police Department.



# Our Lady Queen of Apostles Regional Catholic School Spring Basket Auction and Food Extravaganza







# Saturday, March 29th 6:00 PM Doors open at 5:30

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### Tickets \$40 each

(Ticket price includes food to try from various restaurants)

### CALL TO PURCHASE YOUR TICKETS!

NUMEROUS BASKETS TO CHOOSE FROM !

(Basket raffle tickets purchased separately at the event)

Tickets available till March 7th

or we are sold out

) 878-1033 631 www.olgany.org

