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FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
July 13, 2025

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Parish Office Hours:

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

CLOSED Friday, Saturday, Sunday, & Holidays

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Rev. José Luis Tenas **631-914-1538**

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

Due to an issue with scheduling availability, we are no longer able to offer the First Saturday Mass each month.

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

PARISH TRUSTEES

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Kevin Dwyer, Beth Hard, Daily Hill,
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Joe Sala, & Michael Strebel

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: Is 1:10-17; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23;
Mt 10:34-11:1
Tuesday: Is 7:1-9; Ps 48:2-8; Mt 11:20-24
Wednesday: Is 10:5-7, 13b-16; Ps 94:5-10, 14-15;
Mt 11:25-27
Thursday: Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19;
Ps 102:13-14ab, 15-21; Mt 11:28-30
Friday: Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8; Is 38:10-12abcd, 16;
Mt 12:1-8
Saturday: Mi 2:1-5; Ps 10:1-4, 7-8, 14; Mt 12:14-21
Sunday: Gen 18:1-10a; Ps 15:2-5; Col 1:24-28;
Lk 10:38-42

TODAY'S READINGS

Deuteronomy 30:10-14: God's law is planted in our hearts.

Psalms 69: "Turn to the Lord in your need, and you will live." or **Psalms 19:** "Your words, Lord, are Spirit and life."

Colossians 1:15-20: In the cross all creation is united in Christ.

Luke 10:25-37: Even the stranger is to be loved as a neighbor.

Having shared with the Chosen People the commandments that God spoke to him on Sinai, Moses tells them how simple it is to keep them. If they take them to heart, then they only have to act with all their heart. In Jesus' story of the good Samaritan, it is the Samaritan whose heart is moved with compassion and treats the injured man as God commands we must. May we take God's word to heart.

SECOND COLLECTION

Today's second collection is the **SUMMER COLLECTION**. This will help defray the costs of landscaping, air conditioning, and keeping the grounds watered well in these hot summer days! Thank you for your generosity.

MASS ATTENDANCE

DATE	5pm	8am	9:30am	11am	6pm	TOTAL
06/15/25	187	167	151	197	150	852
06/22/25	144	175	119	326	100	864
06/29/25	178	210	181	282	165	1,016
07/06/25	162	290	243	287	100	1,082

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

DATE	COLLECTION	AMOUNT
07/06/2025	Weekly Collection	\$13,062.00
07/07/2024	Weekly Collection	\$11,331.00

Thank you for your continuous support!

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Saturday **July 12**
5:00pm Victoria Mirro (Fr. Peter)
Sunday **July 13**
8:00am Jake Blake (Fr. Tom)
9:30am Maria C. Nobisso (Fr. Tom)
11:00am Paul Candela (Fr. Tom)
6:00pm The People of the Parish (Fr. Jose)
Monday **July 14**
8:00am Michael James Merlo
Tuesday **July 15**
8:00am Michael Doyle
Wednesday **July 16**
8:00am (Guild Mass) Alixandra M. Merkel;
Salvatore Mastropaolo
Thursday **July 17**
8:00am Richard & Becky Geraghty
Friday **July 18**
12:00pm Noel Fenton
Saturday **July 19**
4:00pm Confessions
5:00pm Bill Rowker (Fr. Tom)
Sunday **July 20**
8:00am Charles Eschmann, Jr. (Msgr. Mirro)
9:30am The People of the Parish (Fr. Tom)
11:00am Robert Kelly (Fr. Peter)
6:00pm Poor Souls in Purgatory (Fr. Jose)

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>

Thank you for your continued support!

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	\$ 21,850.00
Payments Received	\$ 19,495.00

Donors: 57 % of Goal: 35.19%

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.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Religious Education Office Hours are:

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

Happy Summer from the Religious Education Office!! Our prayers to all for a safe summer. May it be filled with restful days, fun family memories enjoying all of God's beautiful creation ... and lots of ice cream!

REGISTRATION:

If you haven't already, please make sure to complete & send in your registration form—the **deadline will come up fast! (7/31/25)**. Please take a moment to get everything squared away before those summer days take over ~Thanks!

Do you know of a child entering first grade?

If you do, it's time for them to enter their two-year process of preparing to receive First Holy Communion. Religious Education at Immaculate Conception Church begins in first grade and continues every year through ninth grade. If you have an incoming first grader, please contact the religious education office at (631) 288-4188 or email to religioused@icwhb.org

VOLUNTEERS:

We're still in **need of volunteers** for our Religious Education program! If you've been considering getting involved, now's the perfect time. Whether you're comfortable leading a class or lending a hand behind the scenes, your presence will make a real difference. Please prayerfully consider if God may be calling you to share your Faith with the children of Immaculate Conception Church. Come be part of something meaningful—we'd love to welcome you aboard! If you'd like to volunteer or have questions, please contact us at (631) 288-4188.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK



To whom can I become a neighbor? How will I follow my compassionate heart even if my head comes up with a dozen different excuses?

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, Hearty Soups, & Condiments.

Dear Parish Family,

We want to extend our deepest gratitude to each and every one who generously contributes to our Food Pantry. Your kindness and compassion to those in need are a powerful reflection of our shared faith in action. Thank you for being the hands and heart of Christ in our community!

Ann Beck
Food Pantry Coordinator

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.

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

INTRODUCTION TO THE LITURGY OF THE DAY

Today we hear the story of the good Samaritan, the parable that Jesus told to explain how far-reaching the concept of neighbor is and how to show love to our neighbor in need. Remember, Samaritans were looked down upon by the Jewish people in that era. If even Samaritans were neighbors, then everyone was. If this undesirable Samaritan is the only person willing to minister to this injured man, we should do the same, ministering to anyone in need, no matter how different they are. May we heed this lesson today just as Jesus taught it two thousand years ago.

INTRODUCTION TO THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

All things on earth and in the heavens are united in Christ. All things give witness to the fullness of Christ. In Christ enemies are reconciled, and no one is a stranger—and for this we give glory to God around this holy table.

SACRAMENTALS

BREAD AND WINE, ALTAR FLOWERS, & SANCTUARY LAMP

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: July 21, 28, August 5, 12, 19, 26

Bread & Wine: July 21, 28, August 5, 12, 19, 26

Altar Flowers: July 20, 27, August 3, 10, 17, 24, 31

Please contact the Parish Office for more information.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE A LECTOR?

Do you like to read? Volunteer your time and talents to join the Lector group! You'll receive a Lector book that gives you a deeper dive into the day's readings as well as pronunciation guides. You will be scheduled for the Mass time you prefer, and you'll read on average 2 Masses a month, possibly more during holidays and holy days. You'll read the announcements, the readings, and the Prayers of the Faithful.

Please contact Beth at 631-495-5931 or bethflanagan@optonline.net if you'd like to participate in this ministry.

REFLECTIONS

Living Stewardship

The story of the Good Samaritan should inspire us to care for others, especially those we do not know.



Bulletin Reflection

In today's Gospel, we hear the story of the Good Samaritan.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: St. Kateri Tekakwitha

Tuesday: St. Bonaventure

Wednesday: Our Lady of Mount Carmel

Friday: St. Camillus de Lellis

Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary

SWORDFISH CLUB BEACH MASS Sunday, July 27th @ 8:30am



PRAY FOR OUR SICK



Aurora Antunes, Cathy Burch, Deacon Joseph Byrne, Kevin Chisholm, Rev. Simplicio D'Sousa, Alexa Dalton, Brian Dalton, Joann Dalton, Lisa Falcone, Blythe Fickenwirth, Young Katie Kennedy, Rosanna, & Daniel Standing

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

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY



WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY Annual Summer Book Club Invitation "The Red Tent" by Anita Diamant A New York Times BEST SELLER

Join us on Thursday, August 14th from 10am-12pm
in Our Lady's Hall

Please, come and join us for this interesting event as
we discuss the themes and characters of this
novel. All are welcome and all belong!

R.S.V.P. by August 1st via email to
susanvalentino@yahoo.com &
heyhose27@optonline.net

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what women's society might have resembled during
biblical times."* ~ Jewish Times

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mysteries of the life cycle."* ~ Los Angeles Times

ELEVATOR NEWS

As you may already know, the elevator at the Parish
Center is currently out of order. We are working on
having it repaired, but this isn't an easy – or quick –
fix! Thank you for your patience – we'll keep you
updated on any news moving forward.



If you wish to correspond with Fr. Ken

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For confidential
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Lorraine

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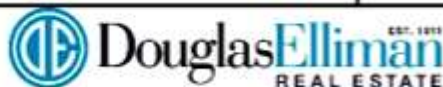
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