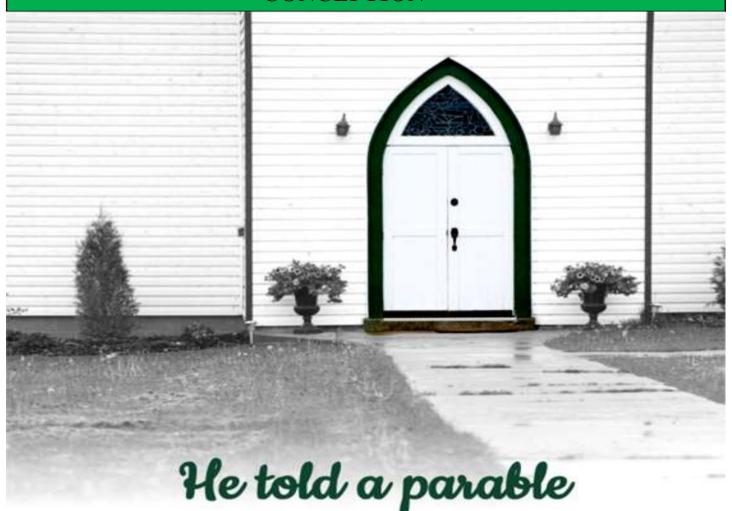
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to those who had been invited,

noticing how they were choosing

the places of honor

at the table.

Luke 14:1, 7-14

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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

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

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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: 1 Cor 2:1-5; Ps 119:97-102; Mk 6:17-29 **Tuesday:** 1 Cor 2:10b-16; Ps 145:8-14; Lk 4:31-37

Wednesday: 1 Cor 3:1-9; Ps 33:12-15, 20-21;

Lk 4:38-44

Thursday: 1 Cor 3:18-23; Ps 24:1bc-4ab, 5-6;

Lk 5:1-11

Friday: 1 Cor 4:1-5; Ps 37:3-6, 27-28, 39-40;

Lk 5:33-39

Saturday: 1 Cor 4:6b-15; Ps 145:17-21; Lk 6:1-5 **Sunday:** Wis 9:13-18b; Ps 90:3-6, 12-17; Phlm 9-10, 12-17; Lk 14:25-33

TODAY'S READINGS

Sirach 3:17–18, 20, 28–29: Ancient wisdom insists that the more humble we are, the greater we are. Psalm 68: "God, in your goodness, you have made a home for the poor."

Hebrews 12:18–19, 22–24a: Far from frightening, our encounter with God will be like a glorious

Luke 14:1, 7–14: Jesus presents his own version of table manners.

The virtue of humility is extolled throughout today's readings. Sirach teaches, "Humble yourself the more, the greater you are, and you will find favor with God" (Sirach 3:18). The psalmist writes that God makes a home for the poor, orphans, widows, prisoners, and the forsaken. Though not directly mentioning humility, the author of Hebrews alludes to the signs of the old and new covenants, which leave us humbled. Finally, Jesus teaches the Pharisees that God exalts those who humble themselves. May God's word inspire us to embrace humility.



All Parish Offices will be **CLOSED**

Monday, September 1st in observance of Labor Day

MASS ATTENDANCE							
DATE	5pm	8am	9:30am	11am	6рт	TOTAL	
08/03/25	168	360	187	302	100	1117	
08/10/25	187	305	290	310	100	1192	
08/17/25	190	300	227	-	100	-	
08/24/25	177	235	220	295	100	1027	

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS					
DATE	COLLECTION	AMOUNT			
08/24/2025	Weekly Collection	\$10,105.00			
08/25/2024	Weekly Collection	\$10,865.00			
Thank you for your continuous support!					

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Saturday August 30

Miguel Garcia (Fr. Tom) 5:00pm

Sunday August 31

Kathleen & Patricia Tolan (Fr. Tom) 8:00am

9:30am Henry Waldron (Fr. Tom) Patricia Comer (Fr. Peter) 11:00am

The People of the Parish (Fr. Jose) 6:00pm

Monday September 1

8:00am Joanne Forster Reilly

Tuesday September 2 Michael Doyle 8:00am Wednesday September 3

8:00am (Guild Mass) Philomena & Lucy Fenton

Thursday September 4

Dorothy & Matthew Dovle 8:00am

Friday September 5 12:00pm Martin C. **Saturday** September 6 4:00pm **Confessions**

5:00pm Pasquale Zamboli (Fr. Tom)

Sunday September 7

8:00am Gerard Aloysius Neumann (Fr. Peter)

9:30am Morgan Evan Leary (Fr. Tom) 11:00am Dorothea Villano (Fr. Tom) 6:00pm

The People of the Parish (Fr. Jose)

MARRIAGE BANNS

II Delaney Lucas to Richard D'Angelo

Katharine King Mullen to Ryan Limquiaco Cabahug

PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED

Ingrid Faviola Feliciano Chancchavac

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 \$ 24,800.00 Payments Received \$ 23,101.00

Donors: 69 % of Goal: 39.94%

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.

A MESSAGE FROM FR. TOM

Dear Parishioners,

As we celebrate Labor Day this weekend, I just wanted to take this opportunity to thank you all for making me feel welcomed here at Immaculate Conception Parish. Summer has gone by quickly, and I've been working on settling into my new home. I'm still getting to know everyone and trying to find my way around. For a small town, there is definitely a lot of activity around here, especially this time of year. We are getting ready for the new year of school and faith formation classes. I am excited to see our parish in action as we start up our regular routines. We will continue to get to know one another as we pray together and deepen our relationship with the Lord. I want to thank all of you who volunteer in the various activities in our parish. We need volunteers so that we can accomplish everything we do from praying together at Mass to feeding the hungry and teaching our young people the faith. You help make this a vibrant parish- Thank you.

We have many people who are financially generous too and this helps us to take care of the financial needs of the parish and maintain our buildings throughout the year. It is a very complex operation to keep everything going and in good repair. Even with money coming in, maintenance can be a challenge. We are currently working on fixing the elevator in the parish center and things are taking longer than expected. Thank you for your patience and generosity.

I look forward to the months ahead and pray that God will continue to bless and guide us in our faith.

With gratitude, blessings & love to you and your families,

Fr. Tom



BLOOD DRIVE THANK YOU

Immaculate Conception had a fantastic Blood Drive on August 18th! 52 people registered to donate, NONE were deferred and 7 donated via our Alyx machines (each donation counts as 2), for a total of 59 units collected!!! Since each pint donated has the potential Thank You! to save three lives, your blood drive helped over 175 people. NYBC, our local hospitals and our community are so grateful. Thank you to our generous parishioners!

NO SURPRISES

We are told by all spiritual writers that one important point to bear in mind, as we seek to attain humility, is not to be surprised by our own faults and failures. ~ François Fénelon, Archbishop of Cambrai

SUMMER COMES TO AN END

Sadly, Summer comes to an end with Labor Day. Vacations are over, the children head back to school, and thoughts of the pending holidays begin to creep into our reality.

ALL WEEKEND MASSES WILL ONCE AGAIN BE OFFERED IN THE CHURCH AS OF NEXT WEEKEND, SEPTEMBER 7th.

To all our summer parishioners ... thank you for an awesome summer! Get home safe and we look forward to worshipping with you again next summer! God bless!

HUMILITY

Have you ever been in a group of people—maybe on a tour, at a social gathering, or at church—and discovered that you have just been talking with a well -known author, corporate CEO, great scholar, or politician? Your first thought is the hope that you didn't say anything to embarrass yourself; but your second thought is how much they seemed like such "regular" folks. What is it that makes people seem so "regular"? Today's readings give us a clue when they stress the importance of humility.

It is so hard for us not to tell the first person who will listen how busy we are, how hard we work, how much money we donate, and how important our job titles are. We think these accolades make a difference to people, and if we don't tell them, how will they ever know? But if our actions demonstrate our values, people will recognize our worth on their own. The words of Jesus show us how much better it is to let someone else recognize our worth than to be embarrassed because someone did not.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Religious Education Office Hours are:

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

HAPPY LABOR DAY!!

We hope our families enjoy a restful weekend together as we say farewell to summer and get ready to welcome in a bright new school year!!

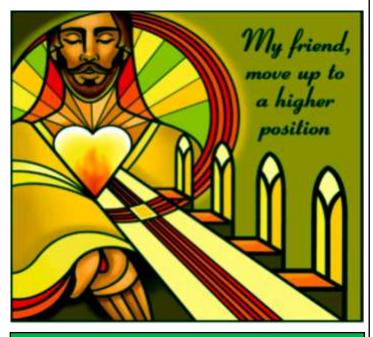
We have been busy preparing to begin our Religious Education program which begins at the end of September. How quickly that came up!

At this time, all registered families should have received their parent packet which includes the calendar, parent handbook & guidelines for the 2025-2026 year. If you have already registered for this year and have not received the packet, please give us a call.

We are looking forward to seeing you all soon!

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED!!

We're still in need of CATECHISTS for our Religious Education program -especially for Levels 3, 5, 6 & 8. Please prayerfully consider if God may be calling you to share your Faith with the children of Immaculate Conception Church. If you'd like to volunteer or have questions, please contact us at (631) 288-4188.



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), Cereal, Pasta Sauce, Tuna, Hearty Soups, Condiments,

Vegetables, Black Beans, boxed Mac & Cheese, & snacks for children.

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!

SECOND COLLECTION

This weekend, August 30/31, our second collection is for the **Maintenance** of all parish buildings and grounds. Next weekend, September 6/7, our second collection will be a **Summer Collection**.

These collections will help defray the cost of landscaping, air conditioning, and the general maintenance on all buildings. Thank you for your kind generosity & support for these collections.

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.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time **Monday:** World Day of Prayer for the Care of

Creation

Wednesday: St. Gregory the Great

Saturday: BVM

REFLECTIONS

Living Stewardship

Be humble and turn to God in EVERYTHING. When you pray, recognize your littleness and His greatness.



Bulletin Reflection

Jesus teaches us the importance of humility. He also teaches us to give, especially to those who cannot repay. Give with love.

INTRODUCTION TO THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Around this holy altar we join with rich and poor alike in offering the great prayer of praise and thanksgiving to God our creator.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION



Perhaps the most familiar traditional symbol that identifies bishops is the crosier that they carry. We see the shepherd's staff and immediately rich images from scripture come to mind, as well as the recollection that the first to respond to Christ's presence in our world were the shepherds. The staff is more than a walking stick; its crooked top is useful in snaring errant sheep but also in keeping the flock united. Bishops carry the curve outward, indicating their ministry to the wider

flock, while abbots (and some abbesses, too) carry the crosier with the curve pointing in, indicating that their ministry is to the monastery alone.

The crosier was once also carried by the pope, but was phased out centuries ago. You may recall that in pre-"popemobile" days, the pope was often carried around on a portable throne called a *sedia gestatoria*. Since he didn't do much walking, the need for a crosier was minimal. Pope Paul VI introduced the innovation of a walking staff in the 1960s, and everyone remembers Pope John Paul II's walking staff, not a crook, but a delicately sculptured crucifix. Thus, the pope carries a "pastoral staff" rather than a crosier. Precisely because the pope's ministry is universal, to the whole world, popes will likely leave crosiers in the hands of the bishops they commission for care of specific flocks.

PRAY FOR OUR SICK



Cathy Burch, Deacon Joseph Byrne, Jeffrey Davis, Millie Ferrin, Gerri Martin, & Barbara Storer

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

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

INTRODUCTION TO THE LITURGY OF THE DAY

This weekend we recognize and honor all those who work. There is a dignity in work no matter how humble the task or job may seem or whether it is paid or not, and all who work or who are looking for work are celebrated on Labor Day. As we gather today around the table of the Lord, we hear Jesus teach guests also gathered around a banquet table of the importance of humility. May we approach both our work and the eucharistic table with humility, recognizing God's grace in making us worthy of both.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK



When have I realized too late that I should have exercised some humility? What have I learned when exercising humility?

SACRAMENTALS

BREAD & WINE, SANCTUARY LAMP, and 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: September 8, 15, 22, 29 **Bread & Wine:** September 8, 15, 22, 29 **Altar Flowers:** September 7, 14, 21, 28

Please contact the Parish Office for more information.

Are You A Fully Initiated Catholic?

The Parish of the Immaculate Conception welcomes any adult non-Catholic who would like to find out more about the Catholic Church or any Catholic who would like to complete the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Communion, & Confirmation.)

RCIA PROGRAM

at Immaculate Conception Church

Start Date: September **Frequency:** Sundays

Sacraments will be received at Easter Vigil/Pentecost 2026

A \$25 Materials Fee is requested at time of registration at the Parish Office. A copy of your Birth Certificate & any applicable Sacramental Certificates are required at time of registration.

Please call or visit the Parish Office 631-288-1423 with any questions and/or to register.





WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Thursdays in Our Lady's Hall September 11th thru December 4th 9:30am Chat/Coffee/Tea

10:00am Bible Study Program starts promptly Zoom is also available for those unable to attend in person

DO YOU KNOW what Mary's life was like in Jerusalem before the Annunciation? Or jer role in Christ's ministry or at his first miracle at Cana? What was the inspiration for the Hail Mary prayer? Who was Christ's first disciple? Why is Mary called the Ark of the New Covenant?

JOIN us on this journey where we will learn about MARY's life through scripture, through Marian Art of the Catholic Church, through music and prayers honoring Mary, rediscovering the Rosary mysteries and the BVM's Role in Salvation History, all designed to inspire and to enhance our understanding and our devotion to the Mother of God!

Bible Study Guide: "THE BIBLE and the BLESSED VIRGIN MARY" written by Scott Hahn, an amazing Theologian, speaker and writer!

- This study includes Hail Holy Queen, also written by Scott Hahn.
- The Videos about the Blessed Mother are engaging, informative in an intriguing way and promises 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, learn about Renaissance works of Art depicting the BVM, scripture readings, and meditations, after which we pray one decade!

JOIN this amazing, inspiring, humorous and welcoming group and share your faith and fellowship with other ladies from our Parish. We look forward to seeing you and hope that you will decide to join us on Thursdays for our Women's Bible Study!

Please email us with your information so that we may order books for you and have them available at our first meeting!

NOTE: To register and reserve a copy of the study, or any questions: mtpilo.esg@gmail.com; frankiernan@gmail.com; kris0330@optonline.net

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





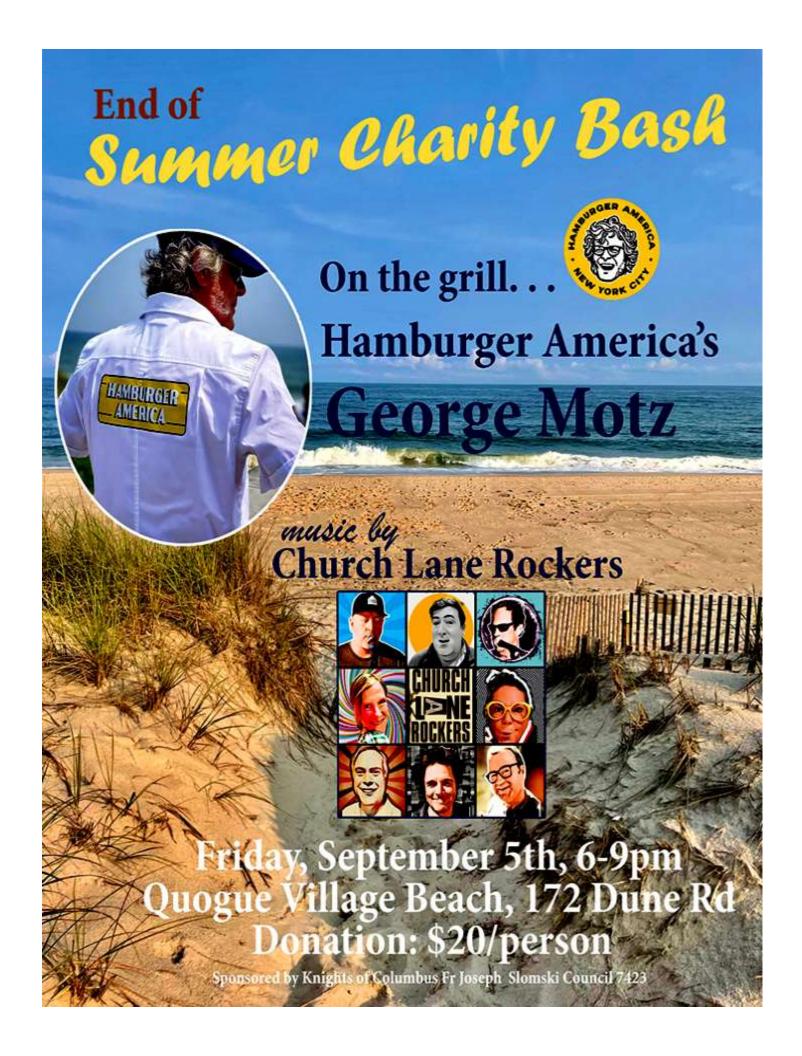






EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

12:30pm
The First Friday of each month
(Novena & Silent Adoration to the Sacred Heart)
Friday, September 5th



MARRIED & LOVING IT! (MOST OF THE TIME)



AN ENRICHMENT FOR MARRIED COUPLES

Saturday September 13, 2025
10:00 am- 4:00pm
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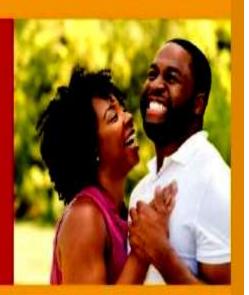


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The Little Sisters of the Poor

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Saturday, September 13th 2:00pm-5:00pm \$65.00 pp (no refunds - no tickets sold at door) RSVP by Wednesday, September 3rd

Please join us for a lovely, relaxing afternoon with a luncheon buffet including live music by the fabulous "The Second Street Band" to be held on the beautiful grounds of Queen of Peace Residence. Contact Hedy or Candi in the Development Office at 718-464-1800. The Little Sisters and Residents are grateful for your generous support.



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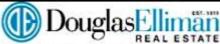
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