



Bless all the women

in our lives who model for us the love of a mother. Protect them and encourage them to love as you have loved us.

MAY 9, 2021

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

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Sacraments

Baptism – On an individual basis by appointment.
Please contact the Rectory Office.

Reconciliation – By appointment

Matrimony – Arrangements must be made at least six months in advance.

Ministry to the Sick – Please inform the Staff about anyone confined in your home or in a Nursing Home. Communion is brought regularly to the homebound.



Bulletin Deadline: Friday at Noon

Parish Meetings

St. Vincent de Paul: 7:00 p.m. Monday in rectory

Adult Choir: 2:00 p.m. Tuesday in church

Religious Education: Sundays, bi-monthly from 10:00 a.m. to 12 noon

Mass Schedule

Weekends:

Saturday 4:00 p.m.

Sunday 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION MISSION STATEMENT

**We at Immaculate Conception Church
are a welcoming community of faith
that strives to carry out the mission of Jesus
by journeying in faith, sharing in joy,
and living in hope. Come join us.**

Adoration and Holy Hour

**First Wednesday of each month 8:00 a.m.-6:00
p.m.**

Divine Mercy Chaplet 3:00 p.m.

**Rosary 6:00 p.m. followed by Benediction and
Mass**

Parish Membership

**All new families are welcome to the parish and
are encouraged to become actively involved.
New parishioners should register at the Rectory
as soon as possible.**



Immaculate Conception School

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The Immaculate Conception School in Lowell is now accepting registrations for our Preschool and Kindergarten Programs for the 2021-2022 school year.

The Immaculate Conception School administration and teachers believe that every child is unique and that he or she has identifiable characteristics and needs. The Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten program is designed to support those needs by discovering each child’s special qualities and his or her importance in God’s creation.

Please call or e-mail us to make arrangements for a tour, 978-454-5339 or ICSLowell@hotmail.com.

- We offer:**
Full-day Pre-Kindergarten for 3 & 4 yr. olds
Full-day Kindergarten
Physical Education
Music
Art
Before and After School Care programs
Hot lunch program for Kindergarten
Financial Aid is available for Kindergarten students who qualify

OUR MISSION

Immaculate Conception School fosters students in a Catholic Community with a highly dedicated Staff, centered on outstanding Academic excellence, ongoing commitment to service and a Love for lea

MOTHER’S DAY

This year the annual celebration of Mother's Day occurs on the Sixth Sunday of Easter. What a wonderful day to celebrate those women in our lives who cooperated with God to create new life and those in our lives who have nurtured our lives with love and compassion.

Yes, we believe that when we are open to children we have cooperated with God in creation. In addition, those women who have said yes should be recognized.

The “Book of Blessings” has a profound blessing of mothers that recognizes that all blessings come from God.

The most recognized date for the first Mother's Day in our country was in 1908. It was created by Anna Jaris. She worked tirelessly to make this day a national day in the United States. She even incorporated herself as "Mother's Day International Association" and worked for the rest of her life against the commercialism that had taken over her commemorative day.

There are many instances of marking certain days for mothers in world history. However, for us it has deeper meaning because it falls during the Marian month of May. We hold our earthly mothers in high esteem and hold our heavenly mother, the Virgin Mary, in high esteem also.

This Mother's Day take some real time and thank your Mom with more than just a box of candy

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ASCENSION THURSDAY
MASS
MAY 13 at 9:00 AM

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH

MASSES

Saturdays – 4 PM

Sundays - 8 AM and 10 AM

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HEALING MASS IN HONOR OF THE PATRON SAINT OF CANCER PATIENTS

On **Wednesday, May 12, 2021**, a liturgy will be celebrated at **6:30 P.M.** in honor of

St. Peregrine at the Immaculate Conception Church on East Merrimack Street in Lowell.

St. Peregrine is the patron saint of cancer patients, and is the saint many cancer patients, family members, and friends pray to for comfort and strength.

During this Mass, the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick will be offered to cancer patients and to any who wish to partake of this sacrament of God's healing.

All are invited to come and pray with and for those afflicted with cancer.



On Sunday May 23rd our Confirmation Students will be doing the Lowell General Cancer Walk as one of their service hour project. Students will be walking a two to three mile walk along the river.

Students will be raising a \$100.00 each for Cancer Research at Lowell General.

If you would like to sponsor a student please contact Claire at the Rectory @ 978-337-6886.

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THANK YOU FOR YOUR EASTER FLOWER OFFERING IN MEMORY OF

Mr. Edward F. Collins

Deceased Collins Family Members

Deceased Lydon Family Members

MASSES

**Every Saturday at 4 pm
and Sunday 8 am and 10 am
for now.**

As we slowly continue to re-open the church the following steps must be strictly observed.

1. We are offering a 4 PM **MASS on Sat. and 8 & 10 AM MASSES on Sunday**
2. **Social Distancing** must be observed at all times within the church
3. **Hand Sanitizer** will be available at all doors and must be used. If you prefer to use your own, bring it with you.
4. **MASKS ARE MANDATORY AND MUST BE WORN AT ALL TIMES. PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN.**
5. The floor is marked with the appropriate distancing. **PLEASE OBSERVE.**
6. All Holy Water Fonts and Missalettes have been removed.
7. There will be No Singing, No Processions and No Baskets passed at the Offertory.
8. **Baskets for the Offertory Collection will be placed at the Entrances of our Church.**
9. We appreciate all of your continued cooperation and we will only be able to provide Mass if all of you comply.
10. We are under strict restrictions from the Archdiocese of Boston in this re-opening of churches during this Pandemic
11. This is truly a fluid situation and we will update you before each Mass if necessary,

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

April 24-25, 2021

Weekly Collection:

Building Fund:

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR
CONTINUED SUPPORT TO YOUR
PARISH**

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**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH
GOLF TOURNAMENT AND BANQUET**

Dear Parishioners,

HAPPY SPRING TO ALL!

Yes, we are having our Annual Fund raiser the 16th Immaculate Conception Golf Tournament and Annual Parish Social

which will be held on Tuesday, June 1st and we are once again appealing to our generous parishioners and school parents to help make this year's fundraiser our most successful so far!

We are asking for donations of bottles of wine with a value of \$16 or higher for one of our silent auction raffles.

This raffle was very successful and we're looking to top the money we brought in two years ago!

Bottles may be dropped off at the Rectory or at the rear of the church on Sundays.

Please indicate the price on the bottle.

Also, the wine bottle could be your contribution to our parish and school.

Since there is no Red Sox ticket raffle this year, we are hoping that you will support this fund raiser by attending the Banquet.

Tickets are \$50.00 and may be purchased at the rectory office between 7 AM and 2 PM Monday through Friday

or after Masses on the weekends in the sacristy beginning May 9 and 10 or at the hall door the night of the banquet.

Thank you again for your continued generosity and support of our church and school.

Father Nick and the Golf Committee

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY–May 8, 2021

4 pm Mass Catherine Quinn & Joseph Quinn

SUNDAY MAY 9, 2021

8 am Mass Rita Armstrong, 1st Ann.

**Joseph Sweeney, Month’s
Mind Mass**

10 am Mass Ann and Vincent Crocco

**Judith, Manuel and Deborah
Pacheco**



THE YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH

Prayer to St. Joseph

This prayer was found in the 50th year of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

In 1505 it was sent from the Pope to Emperor Charles when he was going into battle.

Whoever shall read this prayer or hear it, or keep it about themselves, shall never die a sudden death or be drowned, nor shall poison take effect on them; neither shall they fall into the hands of the enemy, or shall be burned in any fire or shall be overpowered in battle.

Oh, St. Joseph, whose protection is so great, so strong, so prompt before the throne of God, I place in you all my interest and desires. Oh, St. Joseph, do assist me by your powerful intercession, and obtain for me from your divine Son all spiritual blessings, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. So that, having engaged here below your heavenly power, I may offer my thanksgiving and homage to the Loving of Fathers. Oh, St. Joseph, I never weary contemplating you and Jesus asleep in your arms; I dare not approach while He reposes near your heart. Press Him in my name and kiss his fine head for me and ask Him to return the Kiss when I draw my dying breath.

St. Joseph, Patron of departed souls---Pray for me.

Say for nine mornings for anything you may desire.
It has never been known to fail.

September 25, 1950

HUGH C. BOYLE, Bishop of Pittsburg



**PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL
OUR ARMED FORCES**

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Sgt. James R. Boudreau U.S. Army Newport, RI
Capt. Christopher Buck, U.S. Army Clarksville, TN
Lance CPL Michael P Crowley U.S. Marines-AFGHANISTAN
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