



PENTECOST SUNDAY

[Jesus] breathed on them and said to them,
"Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive
are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are
retained." - Jn 20:22-23

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*IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH
LOWELL, MASSACHUSETTS
JUNE 9, 2019*

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH



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Rectory: 3 Fayette Street
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Office Hours: 8:00 to 3:00, Mon.-Thurs. 8 to 12 Noon-Fri.

Pastoral Staff

Rev. Nicholas A. Sannella, Pastor

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Mass Schedule

Weekends:

Saturday 4:00 p.m.
Sunday 7:30 a.m.
9:00 a.m. Family Mass
11:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Weekdays:

Mon. - Fri. 7:30 a.m. (Rectory Chapel)
Saturday 9:00 a.m. (Rectory Chapel)
Mon. - Fri. 12:00 NN (SMMC Chapel)
Wednesday 7:00 p.m. Mass and Prayer Group
(Rectory Chapel)

Holydays – As announced

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.

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 at Immaculate Conception School



Saturday, June 8, 2019
4:00 PM Eric Hanson, 1st Anniversary

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Sunday, June 9, 2019 PENTECOST SUNDAY
7:30 AM Janet Sweeney
9:00 AM Peter Rogers, 11th Anniversary
11:30 AM Blanche Mullin, 10th Anniversary
5:00 PM Norma McAndrews, 1st Ann.
Bartholomew McAndrews, 7th A.

**GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER
UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE**
June 9, 2019 Pentecost Sunday

"God is always more."
Have you ever heard that?
If we truly believe that He is infinite,
then this statement is worth exploring.
Today, we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit
in power upon the early Church.
But Pentecost wasn't the first time
the disciples received the Holy Spirit.
The Gospel actually occurs chronologically before
Pentecost. Soon after the Resurrection,
Jesus already "came and stood in their [the disciples']
midst... he breathed on them and said to them,
'Receive the Holy Spirit.'"

Monday, June 10, 2019
7:30 AM Edward/Mary/Ted Tivnan

Tuesday, June 11, 2019 *St. Barnabas, Apostle*
7:30 AM Mary Morrill, Mass of Healing

Wednesday, June 12, 2019
7:30 AM

Thursday, June 13, 2019 *St. Anthony of Padua, Priest
and Doctor of the Church*
7:30 AM Mary Morrill, Mass of Healing
12:00 NN

Friday, June 14, 2019
7:30 AM
12:00 NN

Saturday, June 15, 2019
9:00 AM Living/Deceased Members of W.G
4:00 PM William and Patricia Collins

Sunday, June 16, 2019 MOST HOLY TRINITY SUNDAY
7:30 AM Elizabeth Collins, 6th Ann.
9:00 AM George F. Wood, 25th Ann.
11:30 AM Eileen Stowell
5:00 PM Peter C. Sweeney

God is always more.
Sometimes we might think the grace of God as one
and done. God might break through in people's lives,
but it's a one-time event on a retreat or preceding
a dramatic conversion of life.
But there's always more to come.
Even today's Gospel isn't the first time
the breath of God stirred. In Genesis,
it's God's breath that stirs life into Adam in the garden.
Jesus breathes on the Apostles,
giving them the Holy Spirit in the quiet and silence.
Later, that breath will stir into a "driving wind",
and the Spirit will descend with flame...
not unlike Moses on Mount Sinai.

God is always more.
He has spoken throughout salvation history,
and continues to speak into our lives through His Church
and through the Holy Spirit alive in our hearts.
This Pentecost Sunday,
let us come before Him with expectant hearts!
Like the disciples in the Gospel and first reading,
let us await what "more" God will do.

May 25-26, 2019 Sixth Sunday of Easter

Weekly Collection: \$5,265.00

Building Fund: \$3,273.00

June 1-2, 2019

Weekly Collection: \$5,546.00

Building Fund: \$3,284.00

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The Immaculate Conception School



Grade 8 GRADUATION CLASS OF 2019

- Michael E. Betances
- James Patrick Bohenko
- Sara Marie Boucher
- Kevin R. Butler
- Lyvia Camacho
- Grace Elizabeth Carroll
- Kiley Catherine Conlon
- Isabella Cortes
- Nicole Coveno
- Skyler Descoteaux
- Gabriella Marie DiSalvo
- Tara Esther Duvilaire
- Julian C. Estrada
- Evan Finn
- Quin Declan Foyle
- Sean Patrick Gray
- Riley C. Houth
- Sarah-Catherine Isaak
- Leah Marie Laurencio
- Antonio Mateus Martins
- Britney Suleyma Moreno Martinez
- Francisco Paul Melendez
- Shaelyn Eva McDowell
- Sean Michael McNamara
- Evan Joseph Mendonca
- Sean M. Mercuri
- William Thomas Rizos
- Stella Njoroge
- Caroline Grace Rourke
- Kathryn Frances Rzepala
- Christina Joseph Rainone
- Wasif Salam
- Ashley Therese Shemchuk
- Chloe Louise Smith

SCHOOL SCHEDULE FOR WEEK OF JUNE 9

June 10 – Monday

Dismissal : 11:30 AM

Kids Club OPEN

No PM BUS

June 11- Tuesday

FIELD DAY

Dismissal: 11:30 AM

Cawley Stadium

LAST DAY FOR KIDS CLUB

No PM BUS

JUNE 12 – Wednesday

LAST DAY FOR STUDENTS

CLOSING MASS @ 10:30 am

11:30 Dismissal NO PM BUS

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SUMMER TUTORING

Spelling Skills/Reading Skills/Math Skills/

Organizational Skills

Help with summer work

\$210 for a Six Week Session

Orton Gillingham certified

Six-week Session – choice of

Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday

at various times

week of June 24, July 8, 15, 22, 29 and August 12

If interested please e-mail

mrslawton@iclowell.com

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Summer Tutor available:

Certified teacher available to tutor this summer.

Grades K through Grade 5.

All subjects. Sessions held at a library.

Flexible schedule. 45 dollars per hour.

Call Julie Chachus if interested at 781 856 6833.

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CHOIR PRACTICE

New Members are welcome.

We sing at the 9 AM Sunday Mass.

Please join us at our new time for

Choir practice.

TUESDAY NIGHTS AT 7:00 PM

in Immaculate Conception Church sanctuary



**PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL
OUR ARMED FORCES**

- Lance CPL James Bakanosky U.S. Marines AFGHANISTAN
- 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
- Corp. James Farley U.S. Marines Special Forces Mideast
- SN Michael Gendron U.S Coast Guard
- Gunnery Sgt. Michael G. Hill U.S. Marines, Camp Lejeune, NC
- 1st Lt. Jeremy LaBranche U.S. Army Fort Carson, CO
- SPC Pieter Lobscher U.S. Army AFGHANISTAN
- AST 3 Michael Linehan U.S. Coast Guard
- A/C Emily McPhillips Air Force
- Master Sgt. Nicholas Owens USAF MacDill AFB
- Platoon Sgt. John J. Rogers U.S. Army Korea

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TRIP TO ROME



Father Sannella will be in Rome and will hopefully be celebrating Mass at the Vatican June 25 or 26, 2019. If you are interested in attending this Mass, please contact Father at the rectory 978-458-1474.

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WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!

Wives, give your husbands the greatest gift of all, the gift of your love, by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend.

The next weekends are Sept. 14-15 in Medway, MA and Oct. 18-20 in Laconia, NH.

For more information, call Stephen/Michelle O'Leary 800-710-9963 or visit at <https://wwmema.org/>

FRANCO-AMERICAN WEEK SCHEDULE 2019

Sunday, June 23

French Mass honoring all Franco-American Veterans and the Franco-American Community, at 11 AM Ste Marguerite d'Youville Parish followed by a FREE Pancake Breakfast served in the church hall. The Franco-American of the Year 2019 will be announced.

Monday, June 24

Flag raising ceremony at Lowell City Hall at 10 AM An open air reception will follow. If the weather is inclement the reception will be held in the mayor's hall.

Monday, June 24 (Continued)

Vespers (Evening Prayer) in honor of St. Jean-Baptiste at Ste Marguerite d'Youville Parish (Ste Therese Church) at 6:30 PM in the church. Following a wine and cheese social will take place in the hall. There is no charge and the public is invited.

Tuesday, June 25

Dancing in French! 7 to 10 PM at Lowell Lodge of Elks, 40 Old Ferry Rd., Lowell, MA. Want to learn to dance contra and square dances from Quebec (quadrille)? The traditional fiddle music of Gus LaCasse will get you dancing. No matter if you've never danced before ---- Jeannine Ameduri will teach and call each dance. No partner needed. Admission is free and all are invited.

Wednesday, June 26

Ham and Bean Supper at Ste Marguerite d'Youville Parish Hall 4:30 to 6:30 PM. Adults: \$12.00, Seniors, \$10 Children under 12 \$5, Family \$35. The public is invited.

Thursday, June 27

Family Bingo Night in French at St. Rita's Church Hall, 158 Mammoth Road, Lowell 6:30 to 8:30 PM. 1 card \$2.00 and 3 cards \$5.00. The public is invited.

Friday, June 28

Spaghetti Supper at St. Mary Magdalen Parish Hall, 95 Lakeview Ave., Tyngsboro, MA 4:30 to 6:30 PM Adults: \$12, Senior: \$10, Children under 12: \$5 and Family: \$35. **Basket Raffles** will also take place during the evening. The public is invited.

Saturday, June 29

La Famille LeBlanc from Livermore, Maine will present music that the Franco-Americans love. It is held at the Lowell Senior Center, 276 Broadway St, Lowell, MA. Admission is free and the public is invited, 6 to 8 PM. Two raffles will be held that night: Cash Raffle and Lottery Raffle of over 30 lottery tickets. 1 ticket \$2. and 6 tickets \$10.

Sunday, June 30

Paint Along with French Canadian Artist Claire Gagnon at St. Marguerite d'Youville Church Hall 1 to 3 PM. The cost is \$20.00 and you must pre-register by contacting Claire Gagnon 1-617-901-3873 or \$25.00 if you register at the door. **LIMIT OF 20 PEOPLE.** All supplies will be provided.

