



27th Sunday
IN ORDINARY TIME

“What will the owner of the vineyard do to those tenants when he comes?” - Mt 21:40

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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 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.**



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OCTOBER SCHEDULE

Thursday – October 8, 2020

**Progress Report/Phone
Conferences**

Friday – October 9, 2020

**Progress Report
Phone Conferences
Half Day Dismissal
11:30**

Monday – October 12, 2020

**COLUMBUS DAY - NO SCHOOL
NO SCHOOL**

**TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME**

You know how the story goes.
Your son or daughter swears
that while you were gone he or she only
invited two friends over to watch a movie and eat
popcorn.
How those other twenty-five people got there with
beer is still a mystery.
They were not invited
but your young host felt pretty uncomfortable just
kicking them out.
You did teach them about good hospitality after all.

That sure is a twisted view of hospitality,
perhaps, but it does make me reflect on those I am
willing to welcome into my home and those I am not.

Who is my neighbor?
Would I extend hospitality to the person that is
alone?

I have done so for holidays.
But I have known them well.
Would I invite someone into my home
that I did not know?

It could be unsafe.
But what if I found myself alone
somewhere without any connections.
Where would I turn? Who could I trust?

There are no simple answers here but I wonder if we
should really have the luxury of not asking the
question. If the Christian will not invite in
the lost and forsaken, who will?

In the coming days, I suggest we all reflect on those
in our midst who seem to be alone.

Who can we invite into our lives who need
something much more important than a party?
Who is out there who simply need friends?
They may not need a physical shelter but they do
need the warmth of Christian hospitality
and the kindness of others.

—Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY– October 3, 2020

4 pm Mass

Elizabeth Holton

Francisco Dieira Meneses
Memorial

SUNDAY-October 4, 2020

10 am Mass – Novert Grace, 18th Ann.

William F. Bullock, 12th Ann.

Guerrino/Elizabeth Dragoli

2021 CORI FORM
to be completed by all volunteers

MA State law mandates that any person 17 years of age and older, who serves as a volunteer in any parish ministry, must complete a CORI form

(Criminal Offense Record Info.). This form requires verification of identity with a photo document (e.g. MA Driver’s License or passport)

There are no exceptions to this requirement.

The CORI form will be available every Tues. Wed., Thurs., Fri. between 7:30 and 2 PM beginning August 31.

Know that we are truly grateful that you are willing to serve our parish community as a volunteer.

This is our way of showing you that we are committed to protect all our parishioners and all who visit with us...especially the children and the elderly.

GOD BLESS YOU!

Please wear masks when you come to the rectory to fill out your forms. We may not be needing your assistance yet, but the Diocese still wants us to have you complete these during the month of September. Thank you.

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FOR YOUR INFORMATION

PLEASE BRING WHATEVER RELIGIOUS ITEMS, NO CARDS/PRAYER CARDS YOU MIGHT WANT TO GIVE.

The Mission from St. Mary’s in Lancaster, PA

Due to Covid they will come week of Oct. 16 to pick up. Someone has died and you need to part with their devotions, share them with others.

MASSES

Every Saturday at 4 pm
and Sunday at 10 am
until further notice

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 a 10:00 AM MASS 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,



PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL
OUR ARMED FORCES

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NATIONAL GUARD
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WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

September 12-13, 2020

Weekly Collection: \$4,261.00

Clergy Fund: \$1,055.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR
CONTINUED SUPPORT

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ATTENTION

If you scheduled announced Masses
from March 15 to November 1st
please feel free to call the
Rectory between 8 and 2 Mon./Fri.
so that we can reschedule
your paid Masses.
Know that we will allow more
than one intention at the Masses
if necessary.

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How to Pray the Rosary

Using beads to count prayers is an ancient tradition, and not unique to the Catholic faith.

The rosary as we know it today has evolved over time from its original loop of fifty beads marked out three times (to account for 150 prayers representing all the psalms) to its present configuration of five decades with some additional prayers.

The rosary is begun by reciting the Apostles' Creed while holding the cross that hangs from the loop.

The Lord's Prayer is prayed on the first bead on the way up from the cross to the loop joiner. Then three Hail Mary's are prayed on the next three beads (often interpreted as prayers for an increase of faith, hope, and charity), followed by a Glory Be.

Another Lord's Prayer opens the first decade, which continues with ten Hail Mary's, and concludes with a Glory Be, prayed while holding the chain between the final Hail Mary of the decade and the next bead for the Lord's Prayer. The prayer and meditation of the five decades is directed to one of the mysteries of which there are four sets

(Joyful, Sorrowful, Glorious, and Luminous). There are booklets that offer scriptural meditations for each of the beads as well, providing an opportunity to enrich this traditional prayer with excerpts from the Word of God.



“I HAVE CHOSEN YOU FROM THE WORLD,
SAYS THE LORD,
TO GO BEAR FRUIT THAT WILL REMAIN.”

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Month of the Rosary

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