



# The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph

When Herod had died, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt and said, "Rise, take the child and his mother and go to the land of Israel, for those who sought the child's life are dead." He rose, took the child and his mother, and went to the land of Israel. *Mt 2:19-21*

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*THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH*  
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# IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH



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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





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### The Immaculate Conception School Twentieth Annual Distinguished Graduate Dinner

We invite you to reserve your seat and space in the program book for the Immaculate Conception School Development Committee's Twentieth Annual Distinguished Graduate Dinner being held on Saturday, January 25, 2020 at Lenzi's Millhouse. A cocktail reception starts at 6:30 with dinner following at 7:30.

This year's Distinguished Graduate honoree is Joe McNamee Class of 1980. Additionally, Joe's father, John "Jack" McNamee, Sr. will be posthumously recognized as an Honorary Distinguished Graduate. In view of their many years of support and contribution to the school, parish and community, we are honored to recognize these two men.

Please honor Joe and Jack by reserving your table/seat and space in our program book today. It is a fitting way to honor our Distinguished Graduates and support the school. Tickets are 65.00 each and advertisements in the booklet are available in various sizes and locations within the program. All checks are made payable to: **ICS Development Committee.**

Contact **Marisa Veiga** at 978-804-1633 or [Marisa.Veiga@comcast.net](mailto:Marisa.Veiga@comcast.net) for tickets and **Leo Sheridan** at 978-459-7845 if you have questions regarding sponsorships or advertisements for the event. Ads can be emailed to [Ljsheridan@aol.com](mailto:Ljsheridan@aol.com) in any image format (most preferred tiff, gif, bmp) or pdf.

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Sincerely,  
**Development Committee**



### IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH Religious Education Calendar 2019-2020

Classes meet at the Immaculate Conception School  
on the Sunday mornings scheduled below  
and are subject to change for inclement weather days...  
The \* indicates Sundays that are two in a row.  
Due to this year's scheduling with school events  
there are a few months with two in a row.

#### Classes begin at 10am and end at 12 NOON.

|             |          |
|-------------|----------|
| January 5   | Class 9  |
| *January 12 | Class 10 |
| February 2  | Class 11 |

#### FIRST PENANCE PARENT MEETING

Sunday, February 9 at 6:30 PM School Cafeteria

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| *February 9 | Class 12 |
| March 1     | Class 13 |

#### FIRST PENANCE March 14 at 10 AM in Church

|          |          |
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| March 15 | Class 14 |
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#### FIRST COMMUNION PARENT MEETING

Sunday, March 15 at 6:30 PM School Cafeteria

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| March 29 | Class 15 |
| *April 5 | Class 16 |

#### FIRST COMMUNION RETREAT-Grade 2

Saturday, April 4<sup>th</sup>, 9:00AM to 2:00 PM

#### May 3<sup>rd</sup> IMMACULATE CONCEPTION FIRST COMMUNION CELEBRATION

Please contact **Claire Couillard** at 978-458-1474 X21  
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Our Religious Education Program  
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Please call Claire Couillard.



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HAS A BABY BECOME A KING,  
BUT ONLY ONCE DID A KING  
BECOME A BABY.**



**WEDNESDAY ADORATION  
WILL BE  
JANUARY 8, 2020  
SINCE NEW YEAR'S DAY  
THIS YEAR IS ON A WEDNESDAY**

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**OUR LADY OF FATIMA  
ON THE FIRST SATURDAY  
OF EACH MONTH**



After the 9 AM Mass, please join us to recite the rosary and reflect on the mystery for 15 minutes at the IC Chapel.

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**HOLY TRINITY CHURCH**  
We invite you to attend on the First Saturday of each month a Marian Devotion which will consist of 15 decades of the Rosary and other prayers to honor Our Lady. It will be held at Holy Trinity Church 340 High Street, Lowell, MA at 6:00 PM to 7:30 PM We hope you will consider joining us. For further information please call 978-454-4395 (Anna or Ted)



**St. Vincent de Paul**

St. Vincent de Paul is an organization that provides person to person services to the needy in our parish.

We are currently seeking new members. If you are interested in joining or would like more information, please call the rectory at 978-458-1474 and leave a message for SVDP or speak to Richard Sweeney at one of the week end Masses.

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**THIRTY-ONE**

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**ANNUAL CALENDAR RAFFLE**

You will be receiving in the mail an envelope containing 2020 January calendar raffle tickets.

Your past generosity encourages us to HOPE that you will make use of those tickets to show your gratitude during the Thanksgiving season to many people who support you throughout the year as well as to give as stocking stuffers for the upcoming Christmas celebrations.

If you did not receive the tickets in the mail and you would like to support us, please contact the rectory office 978-458-1474.

The tickets will also be sold after each Mass during the month of December, thanks to members of the WOMEN'S GUILD: Carole King, Jack McAnespie, Mary Ann McMahon, Jan Sandberg and to all who supported this Fund raiser by purchasing tickets. Good luck and Happy, Healthy New Year!

 Read the Gospel and Color



 Word Search

Circle these words from today's Gospel in the puzzle:

- |        |           |           |
|--------|-----------|-----------|
| MARY   | SHEPHERDS | LISTENED  |
| JOSEPH | JESUS     | WONDERFUL |
| BABY   | ANGEL     | NAMED     |

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