



**24<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**FORGIVE**

**“So will my heavenly Father do to you, unless each of you forgives your brother from your heart.” - Mt 18:35**

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*SEPTEMBER 13, 2020*  
*IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH*

# 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 10:00 a.m.

**SATURDAY– SEPTEMBER 12, 2020**  
**4 pm Mass for Robert Duffy, 2<sup>nd</sup> Ann.**

**SUNDAY-SEPTEMBER 13, 2020**  
**for Marian E. MacLaughlan, 14<sup>th</sup> Ann.**

### **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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## SEPTEMBER SCHEDULE

### Monday - September 16, 2020 -

**TBD OPEN HOUSE**

**6:00 TO 6:30 pm**

**Grades 6 to 8**

**6:30 to 7:30 pm**

**Grades 1 to 5**

**Half-Day Dismissal 11:30 am**

### Friday – September 25, 2020

**PICTURE DAY**

**8:00 AM**

**Dress up**

### THE SEVEN SORROWS OF MARY

The prophecy of Simeon. (St. Luke 2:34, 35)

The flight into Egypt. (St. Matthew 2:13, 14)

The loss of the Child Jesus in the temple. (St. Luke 2: 43-45)

The meeting of Jesus and Mary on the Way of the Cross

The Crucifixion.

The taking down of the Body of Jesus from the Cross.

The burial of Jesus.

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### The Seven Graces of this Devotion

I will grace peace to their families.

They will be enlightened about the Divine Mysteries.

I will console them in their pains and  
I will accompany them in their work.

I will give them as much as they ask for as long as it does  
not oppose the will of Jesus and sanctification of souls.

I will defend them in their spiritual lives and I will  
protect them as every moment of their lives.

I will visibly help them at the moment of their death,  
they will see the face of their Mother.

I have obtained this Grace from my Divine Son,  
that those who propagate this devotion to my tears  
and sorrows, will be taken directly from this earthly life  
to eternal happiness.

**OUR LADY OF SORROW ICON  
WORKSHOP**  
**with Deacon Steven de Martino**  
**October 4<sup>th</sup> to October 9<sup>th</sup> 2020**

**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!**

**In this participatory Icon workshop, the central subject will be Our Lady of Sorrows, influenced by Marcus Zapata from the Cuzco school. The Icon will be painted in classical traditional, egg tempera medium. Byzantine, Romanesque, and contemporary methods will be applied in this week-long, intensive workshop.**

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 **Puzzle**

Unscramble words from today's Gospel:

Moses	lifted	snake
perish	save	world
loved	heaven	desert

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saken      \_\_\_\_\_

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levod      \_\_\_\_\_

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preshi      \_\_\_\_\_

seva      \_\_\_\_\_

**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.**

**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**  
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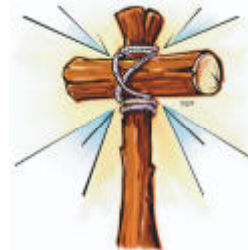
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**ATTENTION**

**If you scheduled announced Masses**  
**from March 15 to September 1<sup>st</sup>**  
**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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**FEAST OF THE**  
**EXULTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS**  
**SEPTEMBER 15 - TUESDAY**



**Immaculate Conception  
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is preparing  
for a possible reopening in the fall.  
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All donations can be left at the Rectory  
or dropped off at the School.

Please call in advance.

Thank you!

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**FORGIVENESS**

When we suffer injury or loss at the hands of  
another, we remember that we ourselves are not  
always totally blameless.

If we are kind enough to forgive and not allow the  
injuries done to us to define our lives, then there will  
be peace with us, peace with our neighbor, and  
ultimately peace with God.

It seems like a pretty good bargain.

Excerpts of Fr. Michael Casey's article  
**The Debts We Hug Tight**

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