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Do THIS
IN MEMORY
OF ME."



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**Rectory: 3 Fayette Street
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Office Hours: 8:00 AM to 3 PM Monday through Friday**

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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.**



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*The Immaculate Conception School
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The Graduates of the Class of 2021

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James Allan Hall II	Krystal Marie Silva
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THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

What else is there to give when one has already given
away their body and their life?

What more can one say or do to demonstrate love for
another when all they have has been given to another?

This total giving of self to loved ones
cannot be trumped by flowery words
or material gifts that are fleeting.

This is the ultimate in love.

This is the love Jesus had for us on the way to his
passion, at the institution of the Holy Eucharist.

This is the love he has for us daily in the celebration
of the Mass on altars in every church,
in every city, in every nation on earth.

No one can give more.

No one can ask for more.

This is the true heart of Christian stewardship.

If you take the time to gaze upon your God
in the simplest of forms and

begin to reflect on what has actually taken place with
bread and wine becoming the presence of the Divine,
then you can begin

to understand true humility, sacrifice, and love.

And when you have the privilege to take that

Real Presence into your body at the meal

where you are an honored guest,

you become one with the one

who is the embodiment of stewardship.

Then, you must ask the question of yourself,

"How can I even begin to reflect the love
that I have encountered at this feast?"

The answer is

you can begin with the simple actions of the day:

where will you go,

whom will you meet,

and in what work will you partake?

Jesus Christ has shown that the greatest gift ever given
can be disguised in this world in a piece of bread.

By joining your body to his,

he can now transform human hearts,

not by grand acts

but by everyday acts,

by everyday people,

practicing Everyday Stewardship.

-Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH

MASSES

Saturdays – 4 PM

Sundays - 8 AM and 10 AM

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IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

PARISH

ANNOUNCES

VACATION BIBLE

SUMMER SCHOOL



MON., JULY 26 to FRI., JULY 30

8:30 am TO 12 NOON

More information to be given soon.

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MASSES

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

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WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

May 23-24 2021

Weekly Collection: \$4,812.00

Seminarians: \$1,365.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR
CONTINUED SUPPORT TO YOUR
PARISH

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IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
GOLF TOURNAMENT

On June 1st we held our annual
golf tournament.

Once again it was a very
successful event thanks

to our dedicated committee

all our supporters

donors, golfers

and those who supported us
by attending the banquet at

Indian Ridge Country Club.

The live and silent auction workers
enlivened the evening.

THANK YOU ONE AND ALL!

**GENERAL GUIDELINES
AS OF MAY 29, 2021**

Masks are no longer required for vaccinated people in the State of Massachusetts. The State does advise that not-vaccinated people continue to wear masks.”

The dispensation from the obligation for coming to Sunday Mass has not yet been lifted, and even when it is, if a parishioner is feeling ill you should remain at home.

It is understood that different people will be ready to take off their masks and sit near one another at different times.

You are free to continue to wear masks as long as you like, and you will be respected if you choose to do so.

Congregational singing is allowed, as are choirs.

Lectors and Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist can resume normally and continue to disinfect their hands before distributing Holy Communion.

This might be a good time for those who are interested in becoming

Lectors and/or Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist to apply for this Service. You need not call the rectory at 978-458-1474 to apply.

Collections will be taken up by using a basket as in the past.

Communion under both species is still not allowed at this time.

What is done in each parish is at the discretion of the Pastor.

We will continue to keep you informed as we receive further notices from the Archdiocesan Office.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR UNDERSTANDING!



French Mass with
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patron of Québec and all
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Sunday, June 27
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MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY–June 5, 2021

**4 pm Blanche Mullin, 12th Anniversary
Ryan Whitaker**

SUNDAY June 6, 2021

**8 am Mass Marilyn McKenzie, Bday Mem.
Everett/Florence Harris**
**10 am Mass Margo McAnespie
Frances A. Keegan
M/M Joseph Keegan**

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**PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL
OUR ARMED FORCES**

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Capt. Christopher Buck, U.S. Army Clarksville, TN
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THE YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH



**Reflection on St. Joseph’s life as
Husband of Mary**

Even if the holy gospels have only quoted two words about St. Joseph, *Virum Mariae*, Meaning that he was the husband of Mary, this is sufficient to give us the most laudable idea of his saintliness.

It is enough to inspire the eloquence of the Christian orators.

I have to say that these two words seem to me to enfold such a world of meaning that I find myself overwhelmed both by the number and by grandeur of the things which they imply.

If I could adequately express all that I mean by this, I have no doubt that I would render due honor to this incomparable spouse, But because I know that cannot possibly fully satisfy you, what else can I do but turn to the Blessed Virgin?

I know that she would want us to honor this saint so dear to her through the most sacred bonds; I hope she will obtain insights for you to make up for the inadequacy of my words and thoughts.

Even if there were no other reason to praise Saint Joseph, we should do so in order to please Mary. There is no doubt that she strongly supports every effort to revere this saint; she herself would be honored by this.

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