



*11<sup>th</sup> Sunday*  
**IN ORDINARY TIME**

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“To what shall we compare the kingdom of God? It is like a mustard seed ... once it is sown, it springs up and becomes the largest of plants.” - Mk 4:30a, 31a, 32

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*JUNE 13, 2021*  
*IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH*  
*LOWELL, MA*

# IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH



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### **Pastoral Staff**

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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.**



June 13, 2021

**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH**

**MASSES**

**Saturdays – 4 PM**

**Sundays - 8 AM and 10 AM**

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**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION  
PARISH  
ANNOUNCES**

**2021 SUMMER VACATION  
BIBLE SCHOOL**



Come join the fun, crafts, games,snacks

***MON., JULY 26 to FRI., JULY 30***

***8:30 am to 12 Noon***

***at Immaculate Conception School  
Cafeteria***

***One child: \$45.00, Two Children: \$80.00***

***Three or More: \$100.00***

**Please Register no later than June 15.  
If you don't have a form, call the rectory  
at 978-458-1474**

**MASSES**

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

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**WEEKLY COLLECTIONS**

**May 29-30 2021**

**Weekly Collection: \$4,377.00**

**Building Fund: \$2,215.00**

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR  
CONTINUED SUPPORT TO YOUR  
PARISH**

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**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION  
GOLF TOURNAMENT**

**On June 1<sup>st</sup> 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 but 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  
JOSEE VACHON  
Honoring  
St. Jean Baptiste,  
patron of Québec and all  
Franco-Americans  
Sunday, June 27  
Immaculate Conception  
Church**

**144 E. Merrimack St., Lowell, MA  
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**Josée sings hymns in  
French starting at 11:30  
Mass begins at 12:00N  
Please arrive at church  
before 11:30 am**

**Josée presented at no charge by the  
Franco-American Day Committee.**

**For information about Josée and  
her music, visit:**

**<http://joseevachon.com>**

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**SATURDAY–June 12, 2021**

**4 pm Ryan Whitaker**

**Antonio Fagundes**

**SUNDAY June 13, 2021**

**8 am Mass Janet M./Joseph F. Sweeney**

**10 am Mass Shane Downs, 3<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary**

**Bartholomew, Norma, John  
McAndrews**

**Marie A. Sweeney,  
Month’s Mind Mass**

**THE YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH**



**Reflection on St. Joseph’s life as  
the WORKER**

**Behold the faithful and prudent servant,  
whom the Lord set over his own family!**

*If the Lord does not build the house, in vain do its  
builders labor. (Ps. 127:7)*

**The work must go on. We have placed our troubles  
in the hands of Saint Joseph, I burned a candle  
before his altar yesterday morning and  
contemplated the gallant figure of the workman  
saint as he stood there, his head flung back,  
his strong arm embracing the Child, a smile on his  
face as he looked down at the congregation of  
kneeling workers at Mass.**

**We told him frankly: “You must help us. The Holy  
Father says that the masses are lost to the Church.  
We must reach them, we must speak to them and  
bring them to the love of God. The disciples didn’t  
know our Lord on that weary walk to Emmaus until  
he sat down and ate with them. ‘They knew him in  
the breaking of the bread.’ And how many loaves of  
bread are we breaking with our hungry fellows  
these days—13,500 or so this last month. Help us to  
do this work, help us to know each other in the  
breaking of the bread! In knowing each other, in  
knowing the least of his children, we are knowing  
him.”**

**We were saying last night that if we could have  
foreseen the hordes that were to come to us the past  
two months, we never would have had the courage  
to begin.**

**But we can only work day to day  
--Servant of God Dorothy Day**

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**PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL  
OUR ARMED FORCES**

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Sgt. James R. Boudreau U.S. Army Newport, RI  
Capt. Christopher Buck, U.S. Army Clarksville, TN  
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