

*Fifth Sunday of Easter*

*I am the vine, you are the branches.*

*Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit,  
because without me you can do nothing.*

*John 15:5*

**Immaculate Conception Church**

**April 28, 2024**



## 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.

## 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.

## PARISH MEETINGS

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL:** 7:00 p.m. Monday in church basement, off the parking lot

**ADULT CHOIR:** 7:00 p.m. Thursdays in church

**CHILDREN'S CHOIR:** 2:00 p.m. Friday in church

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:** Sundays, bi-monthly from 9:00 to 11 AM

## BULLETIN DEADLINE

Tuesday at Noon for the following weekend.

## MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 4:00 p.m.

Sunday 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. and 12 noon

## CONTACT INFORMATION

### CHURCH

144 East Merrimack Street, Lowell, MA 01852

### RECTORY AND PARISH OFFICE:

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## PASTORAL STAFF

Rev. Nicholas A. Sannella, Pastor

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Secretary and Bulletin Editor

Cheryl Daigneault, Secretary—1 to 5

Ms. Claire Couillard, Pastoral Associate

Director of Religious Education Gr. 1-10

Catherine Fiorino, School Principal

## 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.



# Immaculate Conception School

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## MISSION SCHOOL STATEMENT

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## MAY SCHEDULE

Fri. April 26 to Sun. May 3

### BOOK FAIR

Mon. April 29 NWEA Testing K-8

Wed. May 1 Drama Rehearsal

Thurs. May 2 Drama Production

at 6 pm in Cafeteria

Sat. May 4 Drama Competition

Sun. May 5 **FIRST COMMUNION**

Immaculate 10 am R. E. 12 NOON



## IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION SCHEDULE 2023-

2024

Classes are held at Immaculate Conception School

from 9 to 11 AM

Spring 2024

## FIRST COMMUNION

SUNDAY

MAY 5, 2024

10 A.M. and 12 NOON

If you should have any questions, please

contact Claire at [chc513@aol.com](mailto:chc513@aol.com)

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## Mass Intentions

### SATURDAY, APRIL 27, 2024

4:00 PM Michael H. Gavin, 29th Anniversary  
Yvette A. Crockett, 2nd Anniversary

### SUNDAY, APRIL 28, 2024

8:00 AM David Harris

10:00 AM FOR THE PARISHIONERS

12:00 AM Cynthia O'Sullivan

### SATURDAY, MAY 4, 2024

4:00 PM John McLaughlin, 13th Anniversary

### SUNDAY, MAY 5, 2024

8:00 AM Special Intention

10:00 AM FIRST COMMUNION

12:00 PM FIRST COMMUNION

## WEEKLY COLLECTION

**APRIL 14, 2024**

WEEKLY COLLECTION: \$6,558.00

BUILDING FUND:: \$2,610.00

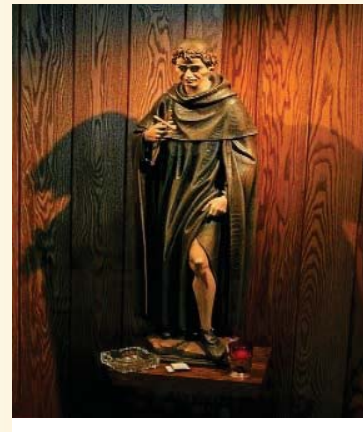
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IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH

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WEDNESDAY, MAY 8, 2024

(ASCENSION THURSDAY EVE)

6:30 P.M.

ALL ARE WELCOME



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**SAVE THE DATE — May 25, 2024**

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**7:30 AM to 9:30 AM**

**in Immaculate Conception’s Upper Church**

**NINETEENTH ANNUAL  
IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH  
GOLF TOURNAMENT AND BANQUET**

Dear Parishioners,

**GOLF NEWS!**

Yes, we are **PLANNING** our Annual Fundraiser  
the 19<sup>th</sup> Immaculate Conception Golf Tournament  
and Annual Parish Social

which will be held on **Tuesday, May 28<sup>th</sup>**

We are looking for items for the

**LIVE AND SILENT AUCTIONS.**

This is a great way for you, our parishioners,  
to participate.

**SUGGESTIONS:**

Donations of gift cards to restaurants!

Gift cards to places where you do business or  
own a business!

**Sports Tickets! Movie/Theater tickets!**

Donate a weekend to your summer or winter home!

Theme gift baskets (fun to do with a friend)!

**We are asking for donations of bottles of wine  
with a value of \$20 or higher for one of our  
silent auction raffles.**

**Please indicate the price on the bottle.**

This raffle was very successful and we’re looking to  
top the money we brought in last year!

Also, the wine bottle could be your contribution  
to our parish and school. All of the above can be  
brought to the **Church rectory or placed in  
collection basket.**

Since there is no Red Sox ticket raffle this year,  
we are hoping that you will support this fundraiser .  
by attending the Banquet. **(5:30). Indian Ridge C.C.**

Tickets are \$50.00 and may be purchased  
at the rectory office between 8AM and 2 PM

**FOR IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH**

There are two retired parishioners who have had a lengthy career in nursing who wish to volunteer their time in offering a blood pressure check.

This is purely for checking blood pressure. No medical advice will be given.

These blood pressure checks will take place after the 4 PM Mass in the crying room in the upstairs church.

**The last date: May 11.**

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### **Please Help Nominate Our Franco-American of the Year!**

Each year the Franco-American Day Committee of Lowell selects a deserving citizen of Greater Lowell and the Merrimack Valley for recognition as Franco-American of the Year. Established in

1975, the award celebrates an individual's contributions to preserving and promoting French language, culture, and heritage in a way that honors the Catholic faith handed down by our Canadian

forebears.

As always, we ask for your recommendations in helping us make our selection. Please write a letter providing as much information as possible about someone you feel has made significant contributions to Franco-American life here in the Merrimack Valley.

**Send your letter by May 16 to:**

**Franco-American Day Committee**

**Attn: Nominating Committee**

**P.O. Box 635, Lowell, MA 01853**

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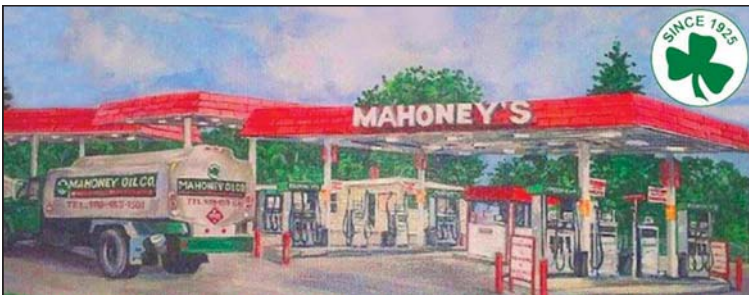
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