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Pentecost Sunday
June 3 and 4, 2017

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Mass Schedule



Saturday Mass: 4:00pm

Months of October - March at St. Mary's

Months of April - September at Immaculate Conception

Sunday Mass: 8:00am at St. Mary's

9:30am at Immaculate Conception

Recitation of the Rosary 1/2 hour before Weekend Masses

Daily Mass: 8:30am

Tuesday & Thursday at Immaculate Conception

Wednesday & Friday at St. Mary's

Holy Day Mass Schedule: as announced in the bulletin

Confessions: 3:15 - 3:45pm Saturdays at Saturday Mass Site
or by appointment.

Welcome!

No matter what your present status in the Catholic Church; no matter your current family or marital situation; no matter your personal history, age, income, background, gender, race, ethnicity or spirituality; no matter your own self-image of holiness or virtue -

You belong to Jesus Christ and you belong to us! You are invited, accepted and respected here at Mary Immaculate Parish.

We want to share our Roman Catholic way of faith and life in Christ with you!

"Mother Mary; I Love You! Help me at the hour of my death! Amen!"

MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKEND:

Saturday, 4:00pm – June 3 in East Bethany

Intention: Rose Szczesny (RIP)

By: Father Christopher Ocoli

Sunday, 8:00am – June 4 in Pavilion

Intention: Mary Elizabeth Noble (RIP)

By: Carol & Glen Hilchey

Sunday, 9:30am – June 4 in East Bethany

Intention: Doreen Powers (RIP)

By: Family

Saturday, 4:00pm – June 10 in East Bethany

Intention: Randy Almeter (RIP)

By: Elaine Lemley

Sunday, 8:00am – June 11 in Pavilion

Intention: Mary Immaculate Parishioners – For their Intentions

By: Father Innocent

Sunday, 9:30am – June 11 in East Bethany

Intention: The Topolski Family

By: Joanne Moscicki & family

DAILY MASS:

Mass Time: 8:30 am

Thursday in East Bethany

Wednesday and Friday in Pavilion

Tuesday, June 6 – Weekday

Intention: Catherine Schmidt–For full recovery of health

By: Father Innocent

Wednesday, June 7 – Weekday

Intention: Father Richard Cilano – For full recovery of health

By: Father Innocent

Thursday, June 8– Weekday

Intention: George Dranichak (RIP)

By: Father Innocent

Friday, June 9 – Weekday

Intention: Joseph & Josanne Logsdon – For their intentions

By: Father Innocent

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK:

Roberta Graney, Joan Dowdell, Rose Gould, Cindy Bishop, Tom Gulczynski, Julia Barniak, Debbie Paschke, Cathleen Vania, Father Richard, Father Kemp and Father Innocent

PLEASE REMEMBER OUR NURSING HOME

PARISHIONERS: Audrey McNulty, Martha Morgan and Allan Carlson.

PRAY FOR THOSE SERVING IN THE

MILITARY: Joseph Stanley, Maj. Jason Palermo, W2 Christian Koch, Dan Murphy, Alex Roth, Tim Stalica, Jady Gray, Jakob Kosiorek, Paul Agan Jr., Mst. Sgt. Nicholas Boyer, Brett Sheffer, 1st Lt. Mathieu Philie, SFC Jay Knower, Michael Rigoni, and Mark Wilkinsen.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS: All interested persons are welcome to attend:

June 15, 2017 – 7:00pm – Conlin Hall, Pavilion

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: Held at Immaculate Conception Hall - Starting in September.

Time: 10:40 AM – 12:10 PM

MARY IMMACULATE PARISH COLLECTION REPORT

Regular Collection: (5/27 & 5/28)	\$2,260.00
Parish Maintenance Fund:	
(Cumulative)	\$1,367.00
Church in Latin America:	
(Cumulative)	\$ 243.00
Ascension:	\$ 293.00

*Please make checks payable to
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The love of God has been poured into our hearts through the Spirit of God dwelling within us, Alleluia.

Romans 5:5; cf. 8:11

Lector
Altar Server
Eucharistic Minister
Schedule:

Saturday, June 3 - 4:00pm - East Bethany

Lector: Elaine Lemley
Altar Servers: Erika & Cole Rauscher
Eucharistic Ministers: Bruce & Samantha Platek

Sunday, June 4 - 8:00am - Pavilion

Lector: Carol Pursel
Altar Servers: John Callari
Cathy Johnson
Eucharistic Ministers: Nellie Colvin
Patty Bodine

Sunday, June 4 - 9:30am - East Bethany

Lector: Mike Jackson
Altar Servers: Evan & Shea Amberger
Eucharistic Ministers: Ryan Shormann
Carol Wittman

Saturday, June 10 - 4:00pm - East Bethany

Lector: Rae Snyder
Altar Servers: Sara & Samantha Platek
Eucharistic Ministers: Dick & Rosemary Givens

Sunday, June 11 - 8:00am - Pavilion

Lector: Dawn Bertrand
Altar Servers: John Callari
Nellie Colvin
Eucharistic Ministers: Patty Bodine
John Callari

Sunday, June 11 - 9:30am - East Bethany

Lector: Marita Midwick
Altar Servers: Charlie Urbanczyk
Shea Amberger
Eucharistic Ministers: Carol Wittman
Debbie Schmidt

LADIES OF CHARITY: There will be a Ladies of Charity meeting on Thursday, June 8th at 1:00pm in Conlin Hall. All ladies of Mary Immaculate Parish are invited to attend.

COFFEE HOUR: There will be a Coffee Hour after 8:00am Mass this Sunday, June 4th at Conlin Hall. All are welcome!!

MISSION COOPERATIVE SUNDAY: The Second Collection this weekend (June 3 and 4) will be for Mission Cooperative Sunday. There will be a visiting priest here to discuss this collection. The envelope for Mission Cooperative is in your collection envelope pack after the July Mass Intention blue envelope. Please use this for the second collection. In past, we have had a Lost Boy from Sudan come and speak to us. People in difficult situations from third world countries, normally have permission from the Bishops to ask for help from the people of God in this nation.

SPRING RAFFLE TICKET WINNERS: The winners of our Spring Raffle are:

\$500.00 - Jane Dills

\$200.00 - Catherine Schmidt

Congratulations!

Our thanks to Mike & Kathy Jackson for chairing our Spring Raffle each year and for their hard work and devotion to our parish.

CHICKEN BBQ UPDATE: Our last Chicken BBQ for 2017 is completed!! With grateful hearts, we thank all who contributed to make our BBQ's so successful. Could not have done it without you!! Final figures for the BBQ will be available in the coming weeks.

Again, we thank Bob & Kathy Shepard for their devotion and hard work to chair these events. Also, thanks to our pit crews who get up at the crack of dawn to begin cooking the chicken, and all of our wonderful volunteers, especially the youth of the parish who work very hard at each BBQ, our bakers, and all those who work behind the scenes. Anyone who works at our events knows that, though they may be hard at work, we do find the time to have a few laughs and by working together, we get to know one another better. God has certainly blessed us with wonderful and dedicated parishioners!!

YOU DID IT FOR ME: John* lived in a Catholic Charities home for people with developmental disabilities. His job was to retrieve and distribute the mail. Opening the mailbox one day, he found a baby inside. John brought the baby to the house manager. Years later there was a knock on the door of that home. A young lady was looking for John, who had passed away. She wanted to thank John for saving that baby, for saving her life.

In 2015 Catholic Charities agencies provided 286,169 clients with counseling and/or mental health services.

**Name changed to protect privacy*

To learn more, visit www.CatholicCharitiesUSA.org

FAITH MOMENT REFLECTION: In his book, "Crossing the Threshold of Hope", Saint John Paul II stressed the importance of Christian unity. He called such unity "enormously precious" and the key to the future of the Kingdom of God in the world. If you've ever asked "why should I go to church or join a parish", here is your answer. Our Christian communities unite to form the One Body, the Church, here on earth. God wants you to be part of this community, His community – to give and to get support from others. To learn from each other. To gain insights to deal with life's challenges. Remember, there is strength in numbers. John Paul II went on to say "real unity is not and cannot be the fruit of human forces alone. The true protagonist remains the Holy Spirit." That is the Spirit we celebrate on Pentecost. That is the relationship God wants us to have with one another.

Today's Faith Moment was provided by Christ the King Seminary. You can listen to Faith Moments on WLOF 101.7 FM, WBEN radio 930 AM, or at www.faithmomentsonline.org.

*On the last day of the festival,
Jesus stood and cried out:
If anyone is thirsty,
let him come to me and drink,
Alleluia*

John 7:37

WINTER ESCAPE: We will be setting up meetings soon to go over our new fundraiser and are looking for someone to chair this event. As this will be the second year, the foundation for this event has been established. If you are willing to chair this event or even just be a part of the committee, please contact Cheryl or the office. Being an active member of your parish will bring you a deeper appreciation of your parish and a closer relationship to your parish family. So, please consider volunteering – your parish needs YOU!!

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER: The Holy Spirit sends seven special gifts to us. By calling upon these gifts, we are both made aware of God's will for us, and are given the strength to pursue it. If God is calling you to a Church vocation, call Fr. Andrew Lauricella at 716-847-5535. You can also check out the "Priest of the Month" stories on our website – www.buffalovocations.org/.

The local Catholic Church's air conditioning broke down, so they had to hire a man to crawl around in the ducts and figure out what was wrong. As the man peeked down through one of the vents in the sanctuary, he saw little old Mrs. Murphy kneeling by the altar, apparently saying her rosary. Since the man was not Catholic, he thought it would be funny to try and mess with the lady's mind. In his best authoritative voice, he said, "This is Jesus. Your prayers will be answered."

The little old lady didn't even blink, just kept on saying her prayers. The man decided maybe she didn't hear him, and tried again.

"This is Jesus, the Son of God! Your prayers will be answered!" Again, she didn't react at all.

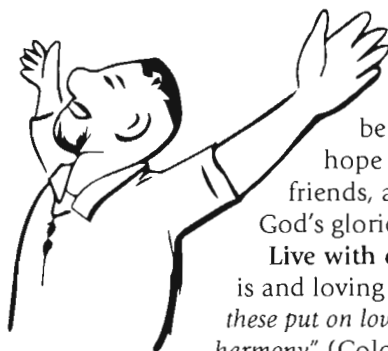
Mustering up a big breath of air, the man decided to try again. "THIS IS JESUS CHRIST, THE SON OF GOD! YOUR PRAYERS WILL BE ANSWERED!"

The lady looked up and said, "BE QUIET YOU! I'M TALKING TO YOUR MOTHER!"

The Christian life is richer with virtues

A virtue is a disposition to do the good. Virtues help us to perform good acts and give the best of ourselves. God gives us the theological virtues – faith, hope, and charity – to help us live as his children.

Live with faith. Through the gift of faith, we can believe in God, in all he has revealed, and all the Catholic Church teaches. Living by faith means our thoughts and actions are based on these convictions. "... For we walk by faith, not by sight" (2 Corinthians 5:7).



Live with hope. Believing that all things are possible with God, Catholics hope for a better world, hope that we will become the people God created us to be and hope we unite with him in Heaven. Family, friends, and the world around us are savored as God's glorious gifts.

Live with charity. Charity is loving God for who he is and loving others because he asked. "And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony" (Colossians 3:14).

from Scripture

Matthew 10:26-33, Keep calm and trust God

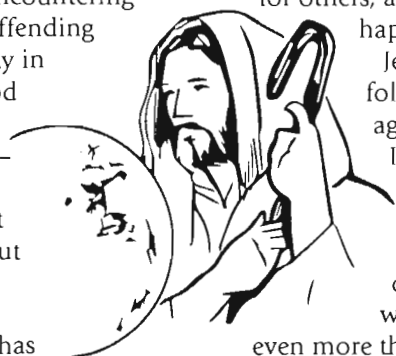
In today's Gospel reading, Jesus told his disciples not to fear encountering persecution, but to fear offending God, who has the final say in judging us. We offend God when we deny his love and refuse – through sin – to love him and others. Our faithfulness to Christ will bring us to Heaven, but it will also bring us into conflict.

Conflict with the world has always been a part of the Church's experience. Even in the United States, we face efforts to undermine Catholic beliefs and values. These attacks don't hurt us physically, but they

can eat away at our faith, our respect for others, and ultimately, our happiness.

Jesus' advice to his followers 2,000 years ago applies to us today. Instead of being afraid, we can trust God, who watches over all the details of our lives and who wants us in Heaven

even more than we want to be there. God won't make all our problems disappear, but he will give us the strength and grace needed to get through them, especially through daily prayer and the sacraments.



Q & A What is the history behind the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart?

Devotion to the Sacred Heart has been present since the time of the early Church. The Church



Fathers considered Jesus' Heart to be the source of the sacraments of Baptism and the Eucharist, symbolized by

the blood and water that flowed from Jesus' side at the Crucifixion. The devotion continued into the Middle Ages when Pope Innocent VI instituted a Mass for the Sacred Heart.

However, its great popularity as a devotion resulted from the visions of St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, a young nun at the Visitation convent at Paray-le-Monial, France. On December 27, 1673, St. Margaret received the first of four great visions of Christ, in which he asked her to spread the devotion and described the practices connected to it. He revealed his great love for us, saying, "Behold this Heart which has so loved men that It spared nothing ... to prove to them Its love." At first her efforts were rejected, but in 1765 – seventy-five years after her death – Pope Clement XIII officially approved the devotion.

Feasts & Celebrations

June 4 – Pentecost (1st century). After the Resurrection and Ascension of Jesus, the Holy Spirit was given to the Church at the first Pentecost. When the apostles received the Holy Spirit, the "new age" of the Church was born.

June 6 – St. Norbert (1134). St. Norbert lived in twelfth century Prémontré, France. He is known for founding the Norbertines to combat heresies and religious indifference. The Norbertines successfully converted heretics, reconciled enemies, and rekindled the faith in indifferent believers.

June 11 – Trinity Sunday. Today, we celebrate the Trinity – one of the great mysteries of our Faith. The Trinity is one God in three Persons: the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

June 18 – Corpus Christi Sunday. Corpus Christi is the solemnity on which we celebrate the transformation of the bread and wine into Jesus' Body and Blood in the Holy Eucharist. In response to the need for a feast devoted solely to the Eucharist, Pope Urban IV ordered a Church-wide celebration for Corpus Christi in 1264.



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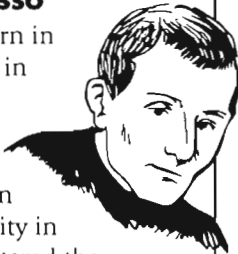
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One Minute Meditations

St. Joseph Cafasso

St. Joseph was born in Castelnuovo d'Asti in Italy to peasant parents. From a young age, he was known for his humility in prayer. He entered the seminary in Turin, and was ordained in 1833. He went on to study and teach in the university of Turin. He combated the heresy of Jansenism and urged devotion to the Holy Eucharist. He was an excellent preacher, confessor, and retreat master. One of his pupils was St. John Bosco.



God as Father

In Jesus' day, many people felt God was so holy, his name was unutterable. Imagine their surprise when Jesus taught them to call God Abba, which means, "Daddy"! When you pray, remember you're addressing a loving Father who is eager to help.

"Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone ... opens the door, [then] I will enter his house and dine with him, and he with me"
(Revelation 3:20).



Don't let anxiety cloud your world

The peace Christ promised to his followers is not intended to eliminate all anxiety from our lives. When we experience feelings of insecurity, we will feel anxious. However, allowing our anxiety to cloud our judgments can be the greatest obstacle to receiving grace and it is that grace which helps us to cope.

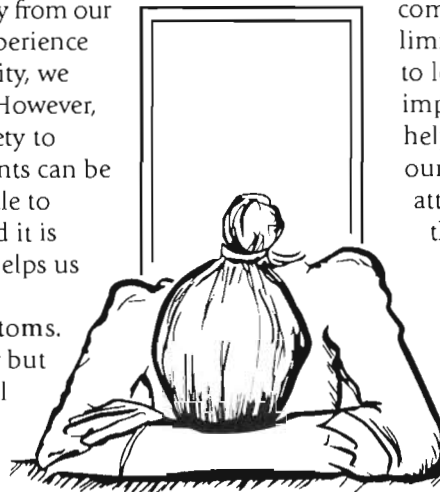
Know the symptoms. Anxiety is like fear but dwells on personal inadequacy and insecurity rather than real and imminent danger. Common symptoms of anxiety are nervousness, mental unease, tension, or a desire to avoid a particular situation or person. When you can't determine a specific, reasonable cause for these feelings, it may be anxiety.

Ask for help. Work to understand your strengths and become

comfortable with your limitations. While stretching to learn new skills is important, so is asking for help when confronted with our limits. If negative attitudes or opinions of those asked result, see them as expressions of their own viewpoints or personal problems. Don't demand more of yourself than you can give and be ready to ask for help.

Be pleased with your best. Anxiety

results when we fear failure and the possible loss of approval or respect of others. Instead, refuse to fear imperfect results or others' judgment. Make the most of your talents, do your best, and respect yourself for your effort.



Why Do Catholics Do That?

Why does the priest add water to the wine at Mass?

There are several reasons for this practice. Adding water to the wine represents the union of Jesus' humanity with his divinity. It also recalls Christ's Passion, when water and blood flowed from his side (John 19:33-35).



The priest adds water in imitation of Christ who, it is believed, used wine mixed with water as a common cultural practice in Jesus' day. Finally, the union of the wine and the water stands for the union of Christ and his people.

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