

Mary Immaculate Parish



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Second Sunday of Lent
February 24 and 25, 2018

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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 – February 24 in Pavilion

Intention: Mary Immaculate Parishioners –
Thanking God for the gift of their faith as Catholics
By: Father Innocent

Sunday, 8:00am – February 25 in Pavilion

Intention: Mary Immaculate Parishioners – For their
intentions
By: Father Innocent

Sunday, 9:30am – February 25 in East Bethany

Intention: Ginny Toal Plowe (RIP)
By: Darwin & Shirley Lapp

Saturday, 4:00pm – March 3 in Pavilion

Intention: Mary Norton (RIP)
By: Roger Norton, Brian and Jane Dills

Sunday, 8:00am – March 4 in Pavilion

Intention: Mary Immaculate Parishioners – For what
they ask of God the most
By: Father Innocent

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

Intention: Safety & Protection of US Military
Personnel
By: John & Marita Midwick

DAILY MASS: 8:30 am

**Tuesday and Thursday in East Bethany
Wednesday and Friday in Pavilion**

Tuesday, February 27 – Lenten Weekday

Intention: Loved ones of Mary Immaculate
Parish
By: Father Innocent

Wednesday, February 28 – Lenten Weekday

Intention: For our parishioners in the Nursing
Home
By: Father Innocent

Thursday, February 29 – Lenten Weekday

Intention: For the sick of our parish
By: Father Innocent

Friday, February 30 – Lenten Weekday

Intention: For the intentions of Father Innocent
By: Father Innocent

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK:

Joan Dowdell, Rose Gould, Cindy Bishop, Julia
Barniak, Cathleen Vania, Joseph Dean, Donald,
David Welliver, Emma Burkell, Catherine
Schmidt, Jody Shepard, Father Richard, Father
Kemp and Father Innocent

PLEASE REMEMBER OUR NURSING HOME

PARISHIONERS: Audrey McNulty 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,
Captain Mathieu Philie, SFC Jay Knower, Michael
Rigoni, Mark Wilkinsen and Sgt. Mike Steffenella

PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS: Next meeting,
March 22, 2018 at Immaculate Conception. All
interested persons are welcome to attend:

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: Held at Immaculate
Conception Hall - Starting in September.
Time: 10:40 AM – 12:10 PM

MARY IMMACULATE PARISH COLLECTION REPORT

Regular Collection: (2/17 & 2/18)	\$2,038.00
Black & Indian Missions: (Cumulative)	\$ 244.00
Winter Fuel: (Cumulative)	\$1,429.00

*Please make checks payable to
"Mary Immaculate Parish"*

**Remember your compassion, O Lord, and
your merciful love, for they are from of old.
Let not our enemies exult over us. Redeem
us, O God of Israel, from all our distress.**

cf. Psalm 25 (24):6, 2, 22

Lector
Altar Server
Eucharistic Minister
Schedule:

Saturday, February 24 – 4:00pm – Pavilion

Lector: Elaine Lemley
Altar Servers: Michaela Stahler
Christopher Doody

Sunday, February 25 – 8:00am – Pavilion

Lector:
Altar Servers: John Callari
Cathy Johnson

Sunday, February 25 – 9:30am – East Bethany

Lector:
Altar Servers: Evan & Shea Amberger

Saturday, March 3 – 4:00pm – Pavilion

Lector: Rae Snyder
Altar Servers: Elijah & Jacob Iten

Sunday, March 4 – 8:00am – Pavilion

Lector: Carol Pursel
Altar Servers: John Callari
Cathy Johnson

Sunday, March 4 – 9:30am – East Bethany

Lector: Mike Jackson
Altar Servers: Nathan & Hailey
Nearhood
Brandon Klancer

UPCOMING RELIGIOUS EDUCATION DATES:

February 25th
March 4th and 11th

DEAR PARISHIONERS OF MARY

IMMACULATE: I am so pleased to announce to you that, so far our parish has gotten returns from the “Upon This Rock” campaign in the following amounts:

August 10, 2017 - \$13,299.03
February 14, 2018 - \$4,738.24
Total \$18,037.27

Thank you for being faithful to the payment of your pledges. Please keep it up, so we do not miss on our returns which we are already putting into use. As already placed in the bulletin, if you have any problems or questions with your pledges or payments, please call Laura Genco at 716-847-8740. Once more, thank you and congratulations to all of us! ***Father Innocent***

‘WINTER ESCAPE’ SPECIAL THANK YOU:

As mentioned in last week’s announcement, our ‘Winter Escape’ would not have been possible without the devotion and hard work of its volunteers. As it would be impossible to thank each one by name, we felt it would be appropriate to mention a few who went above and beyond. With this in mind, we would like to thank:

- Gina Szczesny for selling tickets after every Mass and giving out treat “incentives.”
- Our young parishioners who helped out on the night of our event –
Charlie Urbanczyk, Owen Sidhu
Elijah Stringham, Evan Amberger
Shea Amberger

We would also like to thank again our three main players in this event:

- Shanon Harkins and ‘The Farmer’s Wife’ for our delicious meal
- Fran Norton and ‘Red Creek Band’ for the great music
- Jim Pietrzykowski and ‘Legacy Design & Events’ for the romantic ambience

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT:

On Mount Tabor Jesus revealed a glimpse of His glory, not to show off, but to express His desire to share His glory with us. Christ also calls some of us in special ways to show his followers how to live for this glory. 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.

WINTER FUEL COLLECTION: My Beloved Parishioners; PLEASE remember the Winter Fuel Collection was last weekend (Feb. 17 & 18). Our energy bills have risen astronomically because of the extreme cold weather conditions. This is just a friendly reminder, please be as generous as you have been in the past. Thank you for all your support to our lovely Parish.

Thank you, *Father Innocent*

OUR FIRST CHICKEN BBQ OF 2018!! Please help your church by volunteering to help on Wednesday, Saturday, and/or Sunday. If you can't help physically there are a few things we need:

- Donations of Decaf & Regular Coffee
- Donations of pounds of butter
- Home baked pies or cakes by our very gifted bakers

Volunteers needed:

- **Wednesday, March 14th at 5:00pm**
scrub potatoes and set up
- **Saturday, March 17th at 9:00am**
grease and wrap potatoes and finish set up
- **Sunday, March 18th,** to assist in the dining room, pie room, or wherever else needed.
- Remember, more hands makes the work lighter!

Be sure to wash up those Mary Immaculate shirts and aprons and wear them on Sunday!!

Don't wait to be asked to help, everyone is needed to make our first BBQ of 2018 a success!! Also, be sure to invite all your family, friends, neighbors, and coworkers to come to the best Chicken BBQ around!! Posters are available at the back of each church, take as many as can be properly displayed.

UPON THIS ROCK: If you have any questions or concerns regarding your "Upon This Rock" pledge, please call 716-847-8740.

OH! WHAT A NIGHT!!! The ambiance . . . the dinner . . . the dessert . . . the music!!!

Those who came to the 'Winter Escape' were not disappointed!!

Our sincerest thanks to our committee and to all those who helped to make it a special night and wonderful event. Our parish is blessed with many talented people who are willing to share their specialty to make our parish fundraiser a successful venture. We also have several young parishioners who were instrumental in providing great service to our guests. Everyone's efforts were duly noted and sincerely appreciated.

To show our appreciation, please be sure to go up the road a bit to have a wonderful meal at 'The Farmer's Wife.' Talk to Fran Norton and find out where their great band, 'Red Creek' is playing and spend an evening dancing the night away. If you loved the wonderful decorating by Jim Pietrzykowski and are planning an event of your own, contact him through his business 'Legacy Design & Events.' Finally, if you just cannot get the great taste of the cupcakes out of your mind, talk to Shae Amberger who baked 150 cupcakes for our event. Like I mentioned, there are many talented people within our parish and we are very proud to have them as part of our parish family.

Once again, thank you to all who helped in any way to make our second 'Winter Escape' a success!! *Cheryl Anziano*

FAITH MOMENT REFLECTION: For Christians, Lent is an important time of reflection and prayer to deepen our faith in the promises of Jesus Christ's resurrection. It's a time to listen more closely to God and perhaps re-think how we are responding to his call. In today's reading from the Book of Genesis, Abraham gives us a good example. He is willing to do whatever God asks of him, responding "Here I am" to God's call. Abraham listened and was ready to respond as God willed. His ability to *continue* to listen saved his son. Abraham shows us that we need to constantly listen for God's call in our ever-changing lives. His faith resulted in God's promise of great blessings for his descendants. Remember to take the time during Lent to listen for God's voice. Spiritual reading, giving to charity and fasting are just some of the traditional Lenten disciplines that can help us do that.

FOR THE HOLY THURSDAY WASHING OF THE FEET ARE THE FOLLOWING: (March 29, 2018)

Chuck Bishop	D.R. Roblee
Richard Costa	Gordon Davis
Jeremy Warner	Jason Nearhood
James Griep	Mike Klein
Mark Norton	Dan Logsdon
George Pursel	Theodore Meyer
Bob Shepard, Jr.	Richard Welliver
Charlie Urbanczyk	Evan Amberger
Cole Rauscher	

Jesus' disciples had no choice between accepting and not accepting their feet washed by their Master. Peter, who objected, received harsh words for it. And so, it is a privilege for any parishioner to be part of the reenactment of the wonderful example of love taught by our Lord and Master, Jesus Christ.

Father Innocent

LENT – IT'S NOT JUST ABOUT "GIVING UP":

Many people tend to consider Lent a time to give up chocolate, candy, or other things they normally enjoy. However, Lent is about honoring our faith. Below are various ways we can observe Lent:

- **Attend morning Masses**
- **Attend the Stations of the Cross on Friday Evenings**
- **Read and Pray over the Sacred Scriptures**
- **Pray the Rosary**
- **Visit someone housebound**

Make this Lent a time to reconnect with your faith, reach out to others, and prepare yourself for the celebration of Jesus' Resurrection on Easter Sunday.

LENTEN REGULATIONS:

Abstinence: All Catholics who have reached their 14th birthday are bound to abstain totally from meat on the following days: Ash Wednesday, all Fridays of Lent and Good Friday.

Fasting: All Catholics between their 18th and 59th birthdays are also bound to observe the Law of Fast on the following days: Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. This practice involves limiting oneself to a single full meal and avoiding food between meals. Light sustenance may be taken on two other occasions in the course of the day.

2018 LENT AND HOLY WEEK LITURGIES

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: 7:00pm

March 2nd – East Bethany

March 9th – Pavilion

March 16th – East Bethany

March 23rd – Pavilion

RECONCILIATION: The sacrament of Reconciliation will be held at the regularly scheduled time – from 3:15 to 3:45 at the Saturday Mass location, except for Holy Saturday when no confessions will be heard.

PALM SUNDAY MASSES: (March 24 & 25, 2018)

In Pavilion: 4:00pm Saturday

In Pavilion: 8:00am Sunday

In East Bethany: 9:45am Sunday

(Please note this Sunday Mass at East Bethany is 15 minutes later)

HOLY WEEK TRIDIUM:

Holy Thursday: (March 29, 2018) - 7:00pm

Pavilion - The Mass of the Lord's Supper

Good Friday Ceremonies: (March 30, 2018)

5:00pm – East Bethany - Stations of the Cross

6:00pm – East Bethany - Good Friday Liturgy

Holy Saturday: (March 31, 2018)

8:30pm - Easter Vigil in Pavilion

(Please note: there is no 4:00pm Saturday Mass for Easter weekend. Also, no confessions will be heard on Holy Saturday.)

EASTER SUNDAY MASSES: Will be celebrated according to the standard of Sunday schedule.

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