

Mary Immaculate Parish



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Passion of the Lord
March 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 – March 24 in Pavilion

Intention: Irene Wozniak (Birthday Remembrance)
By: Dave and Ron Colantonio

Sunday, 8:00am – March 25 in Pavilion

Intention: Sara & Tim Wasiewicz and their future twin baby girls
By: Stephen & Jill Gould

Sunday, 9:45am – March 25 in East Bethany

Intention: David Richardson (RIP)
By: John & Sue Gould

Easter Vigil Mass:

Saturday, 8:30pm – March 31 in Pavilion

Intention: Edward and Louise Lynch wedding anniversary remembered
By: The Family

Easter Sunday:

Sunday, 8:00am – April 1 in Pavilion

Intention: Easter Blessings to my Mary Immaculate Parishioners
By: Father Innocent

Sunday, 9:30am – April 1 in East Bethany

Intention: Easter Blessings to my Mary Immaculate Parishioners
By: Father Innocent

DAILY MASS: 8:30 am

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

Tuesday, March 27 – Tuesday of Holy Week

Intention: Intentions of Father Innocent
By: Father Innocent

Wednesday, March 28 – Wednesday of Holy Week

Intention: Children & Adults affected by tragedy
By: Father Innocent

Thursday, March 29 – HOLY THURSDAY (No morning Mass)

7:00pm - The Mass of the Lord's Supper

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

Friday, March 30 – GOOD FRIDAY (No morning Mass)

6:00pm - Solemn Good Friday Liturgy

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK:

Joan Dowdell, Rose Gould, Cindy Bishop, Julia Barniak, Cathleen Vania, Joseph Dean, David Welliver, Emma Burkell, Catherine Schmidt, Jody Shepard, Mark Volpe, Carl Taylor, Doris Elliott, Bonny Winspear, Erica Dombrowski, Father Richard, Father Kemp and Father Innocent

PLEASE REMEMBER OUR NURSING HOME PARISHIONERS: Rose Gould

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, April 19, 2018 at Conlin Hall. All interested persons are welcome to attend:

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

UPON THIS ROCK: For “Upon This Rock” pledge questions, please call 716-847-8740.

MARY IMMACULATE PARISH COLLECTION REPORT

Regular Collection: (3/17 & 3/18)	\$2,219.00
Easter Flowers: (Cumulative)	\$ 703.00

*Please make checks payable to
“Mary Immaculate Parish”*

Six days before the Passover, when the Lord came into the city of Jerusalem, the children ran to meet him; in their hands they carried palm branches and with a loud voice cried out: Hosanna in the highest!

cf. John 12:1, 12-13; Psalm 24 (23):9-10

Lector
Altar Server
Eucharistic Minister
Schedule:

Saturday, March 24 – 4:00pm – Pavilion

Lector: Pat Tiede
Altar Servers: Erika & Cole Rauscher
Eucharistic Ministers: Christine Dailey
Rae Snyder

Sunday, March 25 – 8:00am - Pavilion

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

Sunday, March 25 - 9:45am – East Bethany

Lector:
Altar Servers: Charlie Urbanczyk
Joey Forti
Elijah Grice
Eucharistic Ministers: Carol Witmann
Debbie Schmidt

Saturday, March 31 – 8:30pm – Pavilion

Lector: Brian Dills
Altar Servers: Michaela Stahler
Christopher Doody
Eucharistic Ministers: Bruce & Samantha Platek

Sunday, April 1 - 8:00am - Pavilion

Lector: Carol Pursel
Altar Servers: John Callari
Cathy Johnson
Eucharistic Ministers: John Callari
Cathy Johnson

Sunday, April 1 – 9:30am – East Bethany

Lector: Mike Jackson
Altar Servers: Oscar & Francine
Stringham
Eucharistic Ministers: Ryan Shormann
Debbie Schmidt

MASS TIME CHANGE: Please remember that the time for Palm Sunday Mass on Sunday, March 25th at Immaculate Conception Church will be at 9:45am instead of 9:30am. This is for March 25th only.

SATURDAY MASS LOCATION: Reminder!! As of Saturday, **April 7, 2018** the Saturday Mass will change from St. Mary's Church to **Immaculate Conception**.

FOR THE HOLY THURSDAY WASHING OF THE FEET ARE THE FOLLOWING:

(March 29, 2018)

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

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Stations of the Cross are held every Friday during Lent at 7:00pm.
Good Friday, March 30th - East Bethany (5:00pm)

LITURGICAL RESTRICTIONS:

Dear Parishioners,
Thank you for your prompt and continued attention to the directives Bishop Malone issued on January 22nd in response to the influenza outbreak within New York State. Please note the following update: As of Palm Sunday, March 25th, all of the 1/22/18 liturgical restrictions will be lifted. Thus: The distribution of the Precious Blood for the faithful can be reinstated, and the exchange of the Sign of Peace can be offered as usual. **However, people should not shake hands or drink from the cup if they have flu symptoms.** Bishop Malone is grateful to you for cooperating with the previous directives. Likewise, he is grateful to each of you for all you've done to help prevent the spread of the flu. Thank you for your understanding of this situation! **Father Innocent**

UPCOMING RELIGIOUS EDUCATION DATES:

April 22nd and 29th
May 6th and 20th

IT WAS A SELL-OUT!!! Our first Chicken BBQ of 2018 was a sell out and we sincerely thank everyone who helped in any way to make it possible!! The short-staffed pit crew did a wonderful job cooking the chicken to perfection and we had customers take the time to tell us how delicious their meal was. If you missed out for any reason, no worries ... **we have another BBQ coming up on April 15!!** Mark your calendars and plan to be part of our volunteers working hard for the benefit of all of Mary Immaculate Parish!!

ALTAR SERVER OF THE YEAR: Congratulations to Oscar Stringham who will receive this year's Altar Server of the Year award. This award will be presented to Oscar by Bishop Malone at a special Mass celebrated this Saturday, March 24th at St. Joseph's Cathedral. Our parish is blessed to have Oscar's ministry at the celebration of the Eucharist.

AN OPENING FOR A PARISH SECRETARY: Our parish secretary, Mary Jo, is a full-time mother of three. In addition to that, she has gotten a full-time job. Thirdly, she is enlisted in an educational program. With these three major projects in her life now, she can no longer continue to be our parish secretary.

We sincerely thank Mary Jo for her dedicated service to our parish these last three years.

On behalf of the Parish Council, I am inviting interested parishioners to the parish secretary position, to approach me or the parish office at 585-584-7031.

Our parish office days and hours are Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:00am – 1:00pm.

Father Innocent

DO YOU HAVE ANY PICTURES? If anyone took pictures at the 'Winter Escape' and are willing to share them, please let us know. We would like to put some pictures on our website for this event. Pictures can be sent via e-mail or copies can be dropped off at the office.

CHICKEN BBQ #2 & HOW YOU CAN HELP:

Volunteers needed:

Wednesday, April 11th at 5:00pm to scrub potatoes and set up

Saturday, April 14th at 9:00am to grease and wrap potatoes and finish set up

Sunday, April 15th, to assist in the dining room, pie room

If you can't help physically there are a few things we need:

Donations of pounds of butter

Home baked pies or cakes by our very gifted bakers

Dish Towels or Dish Cloths – what we have is in need of replacements

Note: We do not need coffee at this time

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

ALL BABIES CHERISHED: The Baby Bottle Drive to benefit All Babies Cherished has once again surpassed \$2,000, reaching \$2,562.37 in total. In keeping with its most generous tradition, our parish averaged over \$26.00 per bottle (97 bottles have come back), which is almost twice what other churches give. May God bless the parishioners of Mary Immaculate Parish for their tremendous generosity in the support of our unborn and newborn babies and their families. Thank you so much.

WELCOMED HOME: Carolyn Agan, who sang with the 9:30am Sunday Immaculate Conception Choir during the summer months, was called home to our Lord on March 7th at her winter home in Port Orange, Florida. Carolyn had a beautiful voice and will be missed by our choir. She was the wife of Paul Agan, Sr. Please keep her family in your thoughts and prayers. May she enjoy the eternal banquet of Heaven.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES SITES: Services provided by Catholic Charities are in all 8 counties of Western New York. If you need to contact Catholic Charities for any services needed, please see the flyer on the bulletin board at the back of each church.

PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION: Today is called Passion Sunday because our Lord's love for us is so passionate that it remained unhindered by harsh mockery and a painful death on a cross. How passionate is your love for God: If he readily took up the cross for us, how ready are you to respond to His calling? 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.

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.

Bulletin humor...

Mrs. Smartt was fumbling in her purse for her offering when a large television remote fell out and clattered into the aisle.

The curious usher bent over to retrieve it for her and whispered, "Do you always carry your TV remote to church?"

"No," she replied, "but my husband refused to come with me this morning, and I figured this was the most evil thing I could do to him legally."

2018 LENT AND HOLY WEEK LITURGIES

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.

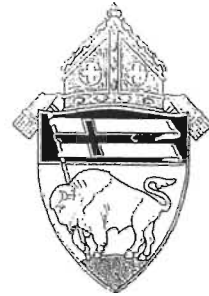
LENTEN REGULATIONS:

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.

Diocese of Buffalo

Office of Communications



March 1, 2018

Diocese announces Compensation Program for victims of sexual abuse

Bishop Richard J. Malone has announced the establishment of a voluntary Independent Reconciliation and Compensation Program (IRCP) for those who have made claims that they were sexually abused as a child by a member of the clergy in the Diocese of Buffalo. Individuals who have previously made claims will be contacted and invited to participate in this voluntary program offering monetary settlements.

"I know this is the right thing to do," said Bishop Malone. "The victims and our Church in Western New York cannot move forward until the pain of the past is properly addressed. Over the past year, several other dioceses have launched similar programs and it was well-received and appreciated by many of those victims as a form of healing. We pray that this monetary compensation together with the acknowledgment that they were hurt can be a significant step in helping them to heal. If we can help victims to heal, then we as a Church can begin to heal from this awful part of our past."

The program will be administered by former New York State Supreme Court Justice Jerome Gorski and former New York State Supreme Court Justice and former Surrogate Judge Barbara Howe. Justice Gorski (ret.) is an arbitrator and mediator with National Arbitration and Mediation. Justice Howe (ret.) is Senior Counsel to the law firm Woods Oviatt Gilman LLP. The administrators will determine the appropriate compensation to be offered each claimant whose claim is accepted. The claimant will have 60 days to accept or reject the settlement. The Diocese does not have the authority to modify or reject any individual claim determination made by the administrators.

"This program is a next step to continue the Diocese's ongoing commitment to protect children and help victims. In many cases, the Diocese has provided a pastoral response, counseling and other assistance as needed to victims," said Terrence M. Connors, of Connors LLP. "The Diocese of Buffalo prepared a written policy in 1990 to address the issue. This policy was distributed to all Diocesan clergy twelve years before the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops approved a revised Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People in 2002 to ensure the Church's vigilance in guarding against violations of trust."

Since 2003, the Diocese has been conducting mandatory training and a system of background checks for all who regularly interact with young people. Using a program called Virtus, www.Virtus.org, entitled 'Protecting God's Children', every cleric, church employee and volunteer initially goes through hours of training, and then, every month, they are also required to read additional training materials and answer questions pertaining to new trends in the way predators are targeting young victims.

Diocesan clergy, employees and volunteers are not only trained to identify signs of sexual abuse, but are also required to report suspected abuse to the Victim Assistance Coordinator and to the District Attorney's office as well. In the Diocese of Buffalo, Victim Assistance Coordinator, Jacqueline Joy, is experienced in trauma therapy. She facilitates diocesan assistance for victims and their families. In this regard, the Catholic Church has a proactive policy and will continue to protect the rights of all people, with a special concern for the vulnerable.

This new IRCP will be paid from self-insurance liability and investment fund reserves. The donations made to the recently completed *Upon This Rock* campaign or the ongoing *Catholic Charities* campaign will not be used for this program. For more information on the Diocese of Buffalo Independent Reconciliation Program, visit www.buffalodiocese.org/ircp

Thanks for your consideration,
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ABOUT IRCP (INDEPENDENT RECONCILIATION AND COMPENSATION PROGRAM)

The primary purpose of this Program is to reach out to victims who have previously identified themselves as victims of clergy abuse to the Diocese of Buffalo anytime through March 1st 2018.

I feel obligated as your pastor to explain any fears or concern any of you could be having regarding the source of these settlements, payments or compensations.

To this effect; I would like to draw your attention to the fact that Bishop Malone has made it categorically clear that the Independent Reconciliation and Compensation Program will be paid from "Self-Insurance Liability and Investment Fund Reserves".

The donations made to the recently-completed "Upon This Rock Campaign" or the ongoing "Catholic Charities Campaign", will **NEVER** be used for payment in this program.

Money donated to, or for a particular cause is "**Restricted Fund**", which cannot be used for purposes other than those for which they were donated. I made this fact clear to you during the "Upon This Rock Campaign", at my one-on-one meetings with you.

For confirmation to my explanation of the Independent Reconciliation and Compensation Program funding, I urge that you do not miss today's Bulletin. Take one home because; there is an insert therein from Bishop Malone regarding this matter. Thank you! Remain blessed!

Father Innocent

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