

Mary Immaculate Parish



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April 14 and 15, 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 – April 14 in East Bethany

Intention: That the Lord May Continue to Deepen
Their Faith in Him
By: Father Innocent

Sunday, 8:00am – April 15 in Pavilion

Intention: For the Repose of the Souls of the
Departed Loved Ones
By: Father Innocent

Sunday, 9:30am – April 15 in East Bethany

Intention: Louis Gayton (RIP)
By: Family

Saturday, 4:00pm – April 21 in East Bethany

Intention: Ron Peio (Birthday Remembrance) (RIP)
By: Diane Costa

Sunday, 8:00am – April 22 in Pavilion

Intention: In Memory of Carl Smith & the Deceased
of the Bancroft Family
By: Evelyn Taylor

Sunday, 9:30am – April 22 in East Bethany

Intention: Larry Wright & Mary & Ed Dillon (RIP)
By: Jane Wright & Family

DAILY MASS: 8:30 am

Tuesday and Thursday in East Bethany
Wednesday and Friday in Pavilion

Tuesday, April 17 – Easter Weekday

Intention: Loved Ones of Mary Immaculate
By: Father Innocent

Wednesday, April 18 – Easter Weekday

Intention: Service Men & Women
By: Father Innocent

Thursday, April 19 – Easter Weekday

Intention: For the Sick of the Parish
By: Father Innocent

Friday, April 20 – Easter Weekday

Intention: Parishioners in Nursing Homes
By: Father Innocent

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, Rick Thompson, 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: (4/7 & 4/8)	\$1895.00
Holy Land: (cumulative)	\$ 405.00

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

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth; O sing to the glory of his name. O render Him glorious praise, Alleluia.

cf. Psalm 66(65):1-2

Lector
Altar Server
Eucharistic Minister
Schedule:

Saturday, April 14 - 4:00pm - East Bethany

Lector: Rae Snyder
Altar Servers: Sara & Samantha Platek
Eucharistic Ministers: Bruce & Samantha Platek

Sunday, April 15 - 8:00am - Pavilion

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

Sunday, April 15 - 9:30am - East Bethany

Lector: Lisa Bernard
Altar Servers: Nathan & Hailey Nearhood
Brandon Klancer
Eucharistic Ministers: Ryan Shormann
Carol Wittman

Saturday, April 21 - 4:00pm - East Bethany

Lector: Dan Gangi
Altar Servers: Emma & Eric Cline
Eucharistic Ministers: Christine Dailey
Rae Snyder

Sunday, April 22 - 8:00am - Pavilion

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

Sunday, April 22 - 9:30am - East Bethany

Lector: Mary Shaughnessy
Altar Servers: Addison & Jayden Harkins
Eucharistic Ministers: Mary Shaughnessy
Debbie Schmidt

OUR SECOND CHICKEN BBQ
IS THIS WEEKEND!!

**Just a reminder that our second Chicken
BBQ of the year is this
Sunday, April 15th !!**

Once again, we need your help preparing for and serving our delicious chicken dinners. Please reserve time to help. Any and all help you can give is appreciated.

PARISH SECRETARY: Christine Korytkowski has accepted the position of parish secretary. We welcome her to the staff of Mary Immaculate.

UPCOMING RELIGIOUS EDUCATION DATES:

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

PARISH COUNCIL: There will be a Parish Council meeting next Thursday, April 19th at 7:00pm at Conlin Hall in Pavilion. A copy of this month's agenda is attached. All are welcome.

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.

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER: After some time of journeying to Emmaus, and after failure to recognize the risen Jesus at first, two of Jesus' disciples recognized the Risen Lord as he broke bread with them. Might Jesus be calling you to make His presence known by this very gesture? 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.

MARRIAGE MOMENT: "Jesus made himself known to them in the breaking of the bread. (Luke 24:35) Sometimes when I have been around my beloved for a long time, it's easy to seem invisible to each other. Consciously look at your spouse at dinner tonight. See the likeness of God within them.

PARENTING PERSPECTIVE: April 22 is Earth Day. Often our children teach us how to be responsible recyclers, take care of nature, etc. Brainstorm with your child ways that your family can take a step to care for creation. Do one of the ideas today.

PRAY-ERS

Folks who pray are certainly in the majority around here. That's always a good sign. What's really interesting is that most of the quips about prayer focus on kids. Funny thing, most of them have kids saying exactly what some of us have thought at one time or another. Like this:

Mother: "That's no way to say your prayers, honey."

Honey: "But, Mom, I thought that God was tired of hearing the same old stuff every night. So I told him the story of the Three Bears instead."

Makes you kind of think, hmm?



FAITH MOMENT REFLECTION: There is a powerful message in Luke's gospel today that peace and communion come from understanding. We learn of encounters Jesus had with his followers, where people are gathered together listening and learning. The followers begin to find peace, not only with God, but with one another. Jesus opened up their minds and they began to understand. Jesus tells them "you are witnesses of these things" and they learn that the understanding they have received is to be shared with others. As Christians, we need to know that God desires that all nations, all people, should share in this peace and communion. Like Jesus, we need to help others to overcome ignorance of God's love, both for every individual and for the entire world.

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

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CHICKEN DINNER

Our Lady of Batavia Knights of Columbus will sponsor a Chicken BBQ on Sunday, April 22, 2018 from 10:00 am until sold out (take-outs only). Pick-up will be at the rear of St. Mary's Church, Ellicott St. Batavia. Cost of dinner is \$9.00 and includes ½ chicken, coleslaw, potatoes and dinner roll. Proceeds benefit local charities. For presale tickets call Mike at 343-3810.

OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL HAM

DINNER will sponsor a ham dinner on Sunday, April 22, 2018 from noon until sold out. Dine in or take out. Dinner includes Ham, potato, vegetables, coleslaw, applesauce, roll, beverage and dessert. Adults \$11.00, Children 5 to 10 yrs \$3, under 5-free.

**MARY IMMACULATE ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH
OF PAVILION NY**

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

April 19, 2018

7:00pm

Conlin Hall

AGENDA

Opening Prayer: Father Innocent Diala
Call to Order: John Saville, President

- Approval of last months minutes
- Review of Financial Report
- Old Business
 - Update on air conditioning bids at St. Mary's
 - Update to suggestions for new parish council member
 - Update on April 15th chicken BBQ
- New Business
 - Update on parish secretary
- Other

Next Meeting Date: May 17, 2018 - 7:00pm - Location - Conlin Hall

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May 2018

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One Minute Meditations

St. Joseph the Worker

As Jesus' father on Earth, protector of the Holy

Family, and the spouse of the Blessed Mother, St. Joseph was

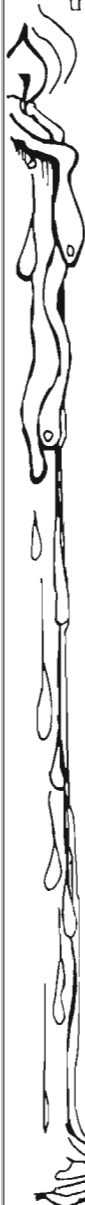
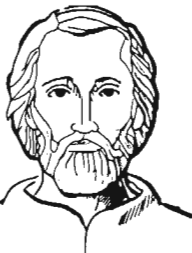
an example of obedience. He was also a carpenter who used the work of his hands to serve his family and community.

Jesus, too, was a carpenter. He learned the trade from St. Joseph, working side-by-side in his carpentry shop. Jesus learned dedication, integrity, and the dignity of work from the example of his earthly father.

Turn to Mary

This month, we honor Mary, the Mother of God (and ours, too). Trust her for guidance and protection: "Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thine intercession was left unaided."

"I command you: be strong and steadfast! Do not fear nor be dismayed, for the Lord, your God, is with you wherever you go"
(Joshua 1:9)



"Lord, grant me serenity."

Stress can result from feeling powerless in difficulties, yet change isn't always up to us. Knowing when to step back and surrender can actually bring peace. When faced with what we cannot change, try these tips for increasing feelings of serenity and peace.

"My peace I give you" (John 14:27). Remember, Jesus does not want us to be troubled by worldly concerns. When you feel yourself starting to worry or stew about a difficult situation (or person), act out your belief that your prayer for resolution will be answered. Substitute positive, cheerful thoughts for negative ones. God is in control. *"Rejoice in the Lord always. I shall say it*

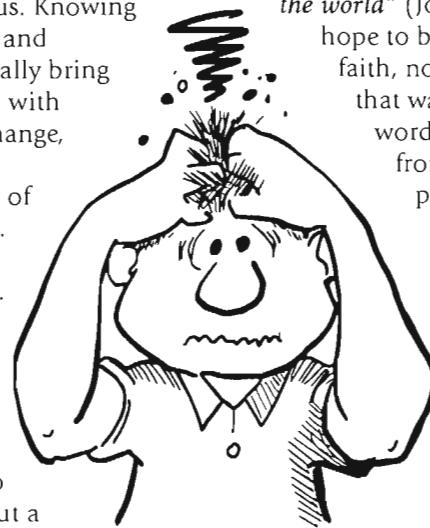
again: Rejoice!" (Philippians 4:4).

"... Be of good cheer, I have overcome the world" (John 16:33). While we

hope to be strong witnesses of our faith, not everyone will see us that way. Sometimes sharp words or critical comments from others can disturb our peace. Feedback can be helpful, but if anyone gets to you for more than day or two, consult a fellow Christian whom you trust for a better perspective.

"I can do all things in him who strengthens me" (Philippians 4:13). Take every opportunity

to appreciate your place in God's kingdom. Relish the tasks you have been given, for a job well done brings satisfaction and increased contentment.



Why Do Catholics Do That?

The saints' prayers for us are called "intercessory prayers." Asking the saints to pray for us is "good and pleasing to God" and is encouraged in Scripture: *"I ask that supplications, prayers, petitions, and thanksgivings be offered"* (1 Timothy 2:1).



Why do we ask the saints to pray for us?

Intercessory prayer is powerful: by it, the saints help us on earth and we help those in Purgatory. Our prayers are joined to the prayers of Christ, who "never ceases to intercede for us" (Catechism of the Catholic Church, #2741).

Three ways to share God's love

Christians know that our most important task is to share God's love with others. Finding ways to communicate love in a fallen world can be tricky, however. Try these strategies:

"And the Lord's servant must not be quarrelsome but kindly to everyone, an apt teacher, forbearing," (2 Timothy 2:24). Does someone have a need you can meet? Can others benefit from your knowledge or talents? Show love by cheerfully jumping to help those around you.

"The ill-tempered stir up strife, but the patient settle



disputes" (Proverbs 15:18). It's hard to show love for others if we are fighting with them. When tempted to get involved in a spat, ask if winning will strengthen a relationship, lead to a better outcome, and if the issue is meaningful or important. If not, try to compromise or walk away.

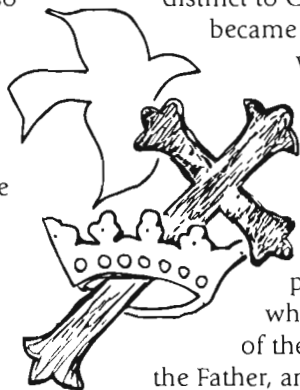
"Bless the Lord, my soul; and do not forget all his gifts" (Psalm 103:2). When we are constantly aware of God's love, our natural response is to offer up our voices to praise him.

from Scripture

Matthew 28:16-20, The Holy Trinity

Jesus appeared to the Apostles on the mountain top in Galilee, so they could receive their final instructions. They were to go forth, baptize, and make disciples, and to teach what they had been taught. These are our instructions, too. Once we meet Jesus and experience his love for us, we can't keep him to ourselves. We must share him.

Jesus also revealed to the Apostles, and to the crowd gathered with them, that God is a Trinity — Father, Son, and Holy Spirit — three Divine Persons united in love. The



belief that God is three, yet one, is distinct to Christianity. When we became members of the Church, we were baptized in the name of the Trinity.

The Trinity is a mystery we may not fully understand, but we can still live in its love and power. We proclaim our faith in it whenever we make the Sign of the Cross: "In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." Our ultimate goal is to follow Christ into the eternal life of the Trinity.

Q Why are & Christians asked A to evangelize?

Before Jesus ascended to Heaven, he instructed his disciples, "Go into the whole world and proclaim the gospel to every creature"



(Mark 16:15). The Gospel, or "good news," to which Jesus referred is his

Resurrection and victory over death. God became man and died for our sins, then rose from the dead. Thanks to Jesus, we have hope for a new life on Earth and eternal life in Heaven if we follow him. "There is no salvation through anyone else, nor is there any other name under heaven given to the human race by which we are to be saved" (Acts 4:12).

Think of it another way: If you discovered a way to eliminate hunger in the world or found a medicine to cure all diseases, you would want to share what you know with everyone who will listen. Jesus' death and Resurrection offers something more amazing: eternal life. Once we have heard and believed the Good News, we can't keep it to ourselves. We must tell everyone about it.

Feasts & Celebrations

May 3 – Saints Philip and James (1st Century). St. Philip was born in Bethsaida and followed John the Baptist before he followed Christ. After the Ascension, St. Philip preached in Asia Minor, where he was martyred. St. James, son of Alphaeus, was also one of the twelve apostles. He is often confused with St. James, Brother of the Lord, who helped St. Peter in leading the early Church.

May 10 – Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord (1st Century). This solemnity marks the completion of Jesus' mission of salvation and his

triumphant entry into Heaven. *Note:* In many dioceses, observance of Ascension has been moved to the following Sunday.

May 18 – St. Felix of Cantalice (1587). Born to poor, pious parents in Italy, St. Felix was called "Brother Deogratias" because he was always thanking God. As a young man, he joined the Capuchins, who sent him to Rome to be the friary's official beggar. He was also friends with Saints Philip Neri and Charles Borromeo.



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