

# Mary Immaculate Parish



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21st Sunday In Ordinary Time  
August 25th and August 26th, 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 – August 25 in East Bethany**

Intention: Mulcahy Family  
By: Lauren Mulcahy Family

**Sunday, 8:00am – August 26 in Pavilion**

Intention: For Religious Freedom All Over The World  
By: Father Innocent

**Sunday, 9:30am – August 26 in East Bethany**

Intention: Anna Virginia Rapone (RIP)  
(Anniversary of Death)  
By: Mr. & Mrs. Conrad Gifford  
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**Saturday, 4:00pm – September 1 in East Bethany**

Intention: Margaret King (Birthday Celebration)  
By: Diane Costa

**Sunday, 8:00am – September 2 in Pavilion**

Intention: For What We Ask of God The Most  
By: Father Innocent

**Sunday, 9:30am – September 2 in East Bethany**

Intention: Margaret Gifford (For Her Good Will)  
By: Office Staff  
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**DAILY MASS: 8:30 am**

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

**Tuesday, August 28 – Saint Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church**

Intention: For the Victims of the Wildfires in California  
By: Father Innocent

**Wednesday, August 29 – The Passion of Saint John the Baptist**

Intention: For the Constant Slaughter of the Minority Groups and Christians in Nigeria That Their Ordeals & Constant Life In Fears May Reach Heaven  
By: Father Innocent

**Thursday, August 30 – Weekday**

Intention: Thanking God For All of His Benefits We Have Enjoyed in Our Lives and Families  
By: Father Innocent

**Friday, August 31 – Weekday**

Intention: For the Greatest Yearning of Our Souls  
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, Mary Shaughnessy, Maverick Brumsted-Shaw, Jerry Rider, Jr., Mark Volpe, Sharon Gebel, 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, Hunter Schiske and Sgt. Mike Steffenella

**PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS:** Next meeting, September 13, 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.

<b>MARY IMMACULATE PARISH COLLECTION REPORT</b>	
<b>Regular Collection: (8/19 &amp; 8/20)</b>	\$ 2416.00
<b>Retired Priests’ Medical (cumulative)</b>	\$ 575.00
<b>Assumption</b>	\$ 359.00
<b>Cemetery Collection (cumulative)</b>	\$ 1005.00
<b>Mary Shaughnessy</b>	\$ 1490.75

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**Turn your ear, O Lord, and answer me;  
save the servant who trusts in you, my God  
Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all  
the day long.**

*cf. Psalm 86 (85):1-3*

**Lector**  
**Altar Server**  
**Eucharistic Minister**  
**Schedule:**

**Saturday, August 25 – 4:00pm – East Bethany**

**Lector:** Rae Snyder  
**Altar Servers:** Erika & Cole Rauscher  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Bruce & Samantha Platek

**Sunday, August 26 – 8:00am - Pavilion**

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

**Sunday, August 26- 9:30am – East Bethany**

**Lector:** Volunteer Needed  
**Altar Servers:** Oscar & Francine  
 Stringham  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Carol Wittman  
 Debbie Schmidt

**Saturday, September 1 – 4:00pm – East Bethany**

**Lector:** Dan Gangi  
**Altar Servers:** Samantha Platek  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Rae Snyder  
 Bruce Platek

**Sunday, September 2 – 8:00am - Pavilion**

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

**Sunday, September 2 - 9:30am – East Bethany**

**Lector:** Mike Jackson  
**Altar Servers:** Evan & Shea Amberger  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Ryan Shormann  
 Debbie Schmidt

**UPON THIS ROCK UPDATE:** Dear Parishioners,  
 I can't wait to announce to you once more that  
 your investment in Upon This Rock is yielding a  
 happy dividend. So far our Parish has received  
 three disbursements from Upon This Rock as  
 follows:

1) August 10, 2017	=	\$13,299.03
2) February 14, 2018	=	\$ 4,738.24
3) August 2, 2018	=	\$10,487.54
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>=</b>	<b>\$28,524.81</b>

I cannot thank you enough for your devotion at  
 paying your pledges. Please keep it up; so we do  
 not miss out on our disbursements, which we are  
 already putting to good use.

Remember to call Laura Genco at 716-847-8740 if  
 you have any problems or questions with your  
 pledges or payments.

Once more; thank you and **CONGRATULATIONS**  
 to all of us!

***Father Innocent***

**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.

**NEW PHONE NUMBER:** St. Mary's rectory  
 phone number has changed. The new number is  
 (585) 252-3091.

**EMERGENCY CONTACTS:** In case of emergency  
 please contact:

***Deacon Walter Szczesny***  
 Cell – 585-993-1697  
 e-mail – [wszczesny@rochester.rr.com](mailto:wszczesny@rochester.rr.com)

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:** We are accepting registration for new students. Please complete the form at the back of the church, or call Christine Bow @ 576-3576.

**RETIRED DIOCESAN PRIESTS MEDICAL**

**BENEFITS FUND:** The second collection on August 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> was for the Retired Diocesan Priests Medical Benefits Fund. Please give as generously as you can.

**COFFEE HOUR:** There will be a Coffee Hour after 8:00am Mass next Sunday, September 2<sup>nd</sup>, at Conlin Hall. All are welcome!!

**WACY GOLF TOURNAMENT AND BASKET**

**RAFFLE:** Saturday, September 15, 2018 at Quiet Times in Attica, 1 pm shotgun start, 4:00pm dinner, 5pm Basket Raffle numbers drawn. The funds raised during this event provide for all the activities WACY does during the year, including meetings, retreats, Youth convention, Shadow Stations, community service projects and leadership training. Most importantly it provides an opportunity for Catholic Youth to come together, build friendships, learn, and grow in their faith. More information can be found in the back of church. For questions or to sign-up contact [theresazieliniski8@gmail.com](mailto:theresazieliniski8@gmail.com) or (585)492-0820 or a WACY youth from your Parish.

**TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME:**

After Jesus explained that His flesh and blood are true food and drink, by which eternal life is afforded all who eat and believe, there were many disciples who refused to believe and returned to their former ways of life? How is God asking you to bring reconciliation to those who have lost sight of His Eucharist? 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](http://www.buffalovocations.org).

**FAITH MOMENT:** This week's readings compel us to reflect on intimacy with God. Witnessing miracles and feeling God's protection on their journey out of Egypt, the Israelites committed to serve Him. They trusted Him as the one true God and their intimacy grew stronger. But after spending some time in the Promised Land, their trust and commitment began to waiver. In the scripture reading we find Joshua not only recommitting his life to God, but also challenging the Israelites to renew their trust and commitment to serve God. Joshua and the Israelites remind us that God wants an intimate relationship with each of us. But we are also reminded that true, honest intimacy requires an enduring trust and commitment from us. Do you feel you have deep intimacy with God? Commit to Him and trust in His plan for you. The reward of an intimate union with God will be a level of happiness beyond your imagination...both in this life and the next.

*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](http://www.faithmomentsonline.org).*

**CHICKEN BBQ:** Saints Joachim & Anne Parish is having a Chiavetta's Chicken BBQ on Labor Day, Monday, September 3<sup>rd</sup> in St. Vincent's Auditorium on Walnut St. in Attica. The BBQ will be from 11:00 until 2:00 or sold out. Cost is only \$10.00 which includes dessert and beverage. Take-outs are available. There will also be a basket raffle.

**MARRIAGE MOMENT:** Two questions to consider when you disagree with your beloved: 1. Tell me about what you are seeing that you think I might be missing. 2. What are you most concerned about or worried might happen?

**PARENTING PERSPECTIVE:** The kind of adults my children are now is directly related to the kind of children I continually told them they were.

**ANNIVERSARY MASS:** The Diocese of Buffalo delights in honoring couples who will observe their 50<sup>th</sup>, 60<sup>th</sup>, and 70<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversaries and recognize the beauty of their faithfulness, sacrifice, challenges and comforts in daily married life. Bishop Malone is inviting couples who would like to celebrate their Golden and Diamond anniversaries of marriage in 2018 to a special mass at St. Joseph's Cathedral on Sunday, October 14, 2018 at 10:30 a.m. During the Mass the couples will renew their marriage vows. Following Mass, formal pictures of the anniversary couples with Bishop Malone will take place in the Lady Chapel. There is limited seating and the Diocese will need to know no later than September 4, 2018 if you would like to attend.

**HEARTY APPRECIATION TO JILL GOULD:**

On behalf of Mary Immaculate Parishioners, I heartily appreciate Jill for accepting to take over from Cheryl, the Chairpersonship of Winter Escape, 2019. I hereby testify to her that we have amazingly generous people in our lovely Parish. We will support you in whichever area of the work you will need us. You have surprised us with your sacrificial intervention; we will surprise you with our unflinching support.

I am pleased to use this medium, to whole-heartedly thank Cheryl and all the amazing ladies who have, with unbelievable devotion and hard work, helped our Parish to stay out of debt all these years.

A mom is the bank where her children deposit ALL their worries and hurts. These awesome women are like Moms to our Parish; taking in all our troubles.

A Mom is the cement that keeps her family together. These abundantly generous ladies have been our coagulants and Bridge builders over the years.

With all my heart I asked God to richly make it up to them! Amen!

***Father Innocent***

**SECOND COLLECTION FOR ONE OF OUR BESTS:** Mary Shaughnessy has with tremendous devotion served the Church here in our parish all her life, in so many areas of the Church's life and ministry:

1. Lector
2. Eucharistic Minister
3. Counting
4. Religious Education Teacher
5. Parish Council Member for many years
6. Top Notch Member of Ladies of Charity
7. Always there to help out at our BBQ's and Parish Breakfasts

She never quits volunteering to help out in one area or the other. Recently, she has been hit by recurrent hospitalizations. She is not asking for help; but as Pastor of the people of God here; I know that she really needs help. On the weekend of August 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> we took up a second collection to help her with her medical expenses and other necessities. People gave generously from their hearts. If you would still like to donate it would be greatly appreciated. Donations can be accepted in the Sunday collection. Place them in an envelope marked "Mary Shaughnessy" and also mark your name on it. Please give as generously as you can to your very own in need. Make your checks and donations to Mary Immaculate Parish.

Thank you for being your Sister's keepers.

***Father Innocent***

**ALL BABIES CHERISHED:** The Annual Fund Raising Banquet will be held Thursday, September 27, 2018 from 7 to 9 pm at the Quality Inn on Park Road in Batavia. Come and listen to the amazing story of our speaker Lisa Kratz-Thomas, who rose from addiction to serve on a Senate Sub-Committee to study prisoner reentry in Virginia and submitted three pieces of legislation that became state law. She is a leading authority on prisoner reentry programs. The dinner is paid for by the underwriters but guests will be given the opportunity at the end of the evening to donate to this worthwhile ministry. Please call to reserve a seat as seats are on a first come first serve basis. You can RSVP no later than September 10<sup>th</sup> to (558)344-5660.

**150<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY:** Please join St. Joseph Catholic School in celebrating their 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary by ordering an engraved brick. Your personalized brick will be added among the current personalized bricks already installed in the walkway leading to the entrance of the gym. Three different sized bricks are available and all proceeds will go directly towards St. Joseph School. You may engrave your brick with a personalized message, honor or in remembrance of a loved one, or recognize a special event. These personalized bricks will connect your family to St. Joseph School for many years to come. Order forms are located in the back of the church.

**PARISH BREAKFAST** The Mary Immaculate Church Breakfast is scheduled for Sunday October 21st. The first planning meeting is scheduled for Wednesday September 12th, at 7pm in Conlin Hall. Everyone is welcome!! We welcome any suggestions and helping hands from our fellow parishioners in order to make this fundraiser for our church a HUGE SUCCESS!! If you need a ride please call Lisa (585) 245-3478. See you on the 12th!

**AUGUST 24<sup>TH</sup> ST BARTHOLOMEW (1<sup>ST</sup> CENTURY):** One of the Twelve Apostles and the Son of Tolomai, Bartholomew is thought by some scholars to be the Apostle, Nathanael, who went with Philip to see Jesus. After Jesus's ascension, he spread Christianity to India and in Armenia, where he was martyred. He is the patron saint of Armenia and Belgium, among other places.

*From Scripture:*

*John 6:60-69, To Whom Shall We Go?*

*This reading comes at the end of Jesus' Bread of Life Discourse, in which he explained the meaning of the Eucharist. Jesus said that he is the Bread of Life. Unless we eat his flesh and drink his blood, we will not have eternal life. Many of his listeners left, horrified.*

*The Apostles were also shocked. The day before, enthusiastic crowds were ready to make Jesus king. Now they were running away and Jesus let them go. He understood that the truth is more important than popularity.*

*Jesus turned to the Apostles and asked if they wanted to leave, too. Peter, speaking for the group, replied, "Master to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life" (John 6:68). They all recognized Jesus as the source of eternal life. They believed him, even though they didn't fully understand.*

*Followers of Christ know that there is always hope even in times that appear hopeless. We remember Peter's words: "Master...you have the words of eternal life." With God, we all can have hope. He can bring us eternal life.*

*Heavenly Humour*

*A Texas oilman died and went to heaven. After a few days, his bragging was getting on Saint Peter's nerves. Not matter what part of paradise he was shown, the oilman claimed it failed to measure up to Texas. Finally Saint Peter took him to the edge of heaven so he could look straight into hell. Have you got anything like that in Texas?" the Saint demanded. "No," the oilman replied, "But I know some ol' boys down in Houston who can put it out."*

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