

Mary Immaculate Parish



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Second Sunday In Ordinary Time
January 19th and January 20th, 2019

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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 – January 19 in Pavilion
Week of Prayer Has Begun

Sunday, 8:00am – January 20 in Pavilion
Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, 9:30am – January 20 in East Bethany
Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, 4:00pm – January 26 in Pavilion
Saint Timothy and Saint Titus, Bishops

Sunday, 8:00am – January 27 in Pavilion
Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, 9:30am – January 27 in East Bethany
Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

DAILY MASS: 8:30 am
Tuesday and Thursday in East Bethany
Wednesday and Friday in Pavilion

NO DAILY MASSES

UNTIL TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 26TH.



PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK:

Joan Dowdell, Rose Gould, Julia Barniak, Joseph Dean, David Welliver, Emma Burkell, Carl Taylor, Doris Elliott, Bonny Winspear, Jimmy Stothers, Erica Dombrowski, Mary Shaughnessy, Maverick Brumsted-Shaw, Jerry Rider, Jr., Sharon Gebel, Ron Krezmien, Robert Collette, David Korytkowski, Herman Hensel, Father Richard and Father Kemp

PLEASE REMEMBER OUR NURSING HOME

PARISHIONERS: Rose Gould, Louise Lynch and Barbara Edwards

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 Knowler, Michael Rigoni, Mark Wilkinsen, Hunter Schiske and Sgt. Mike Steffenella

PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS: Next meeting, February 14, 2019, East Bethany. 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”

MARY IMMACULATE PARISH COLLECTION REPORT	
Regular Collection: (1/12 & 1/13)	\$ 1929.00
Christmas (cumulative)	\$ 2499.00
Ladies of Charity	\$ 548.00
Christmas Flowers (cumulative)	\$ 790.00
<i>Please make checks payable to “Mary Immaculate Parish”</i>	

All the earth shall bow down before you, O God,
and shall sing to you, shall sing to your name, O
Most High.

Psalm 66 (65):4

Lector
Altar Server
Eucharistic Minister
Schedule:

Saturday, January 12 – 4:00pm – Pavilion

Lector: Brian Dills
Altar Servers: Chris Doody
Eucharistic Ministers: Bruce & Samantha Platek

Sunday, January 13 – 8:00am - Pavilion

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

Sunday, January 13- 9:30am – East Bethany

Lector: Mike Jackson
Altar Servers: Ava Strathearn
Ryan Williams
Eucharistic Ministers: Carol Wittman
Debbie Schmdt

Saturday, January 19 – 4:00pm – Pavilion

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

Sunday, January 20 – 8:00am - Pavilion

Lector: Owen Sidhu
Altar Servers: John Callari
Cathy Johnson
Eucharistic Ministers: John Callari
Cathy Johnson

Sunday, January 20- 9:30am – East Bethany

Lector: Lisa Bernard
Altar Servers: Oscar & Francine
Stringham
Eucharistic Ministers: Carol Wittman
Ryan Shormann

UPCOMING RELIGIOUS EDUCATION DATES:

January 27th, February 10th and February 24th.

COFFEE HOUR: There will be a Coffee Hour after 8:00am Mass on Sunday, February 3rd at Conlin Hall. All are welcome!!

ATTENTION SNOWBIRDS! If you are a snowbird this year, please be sure to let the office know if you want your envelopes held until your return. If you prefer, you can mail in your contributions during your time away.

COFFEE & DONUTS: All are welcome to join us at Immaculate Conception Hall after the 9:30 Mass on Sunday, January 20 for coffee and donuts.

ST. JOSEPH'S OPEN HOUSE: St. Joseph's School of Batavia will be sponsoring an Open House in recognition of Catholic Schools Week on Sunday, January 27th at 10am. All are welcome. Families considering a Catholic School education for their children are encouraged to attend. Please call the school with any questions (585-343-6154) or email Nora O'Neill at noneill@sjsbatavia.org. Thank you.

FATHER INNOCENT'S JOURNEY HOME: This is how my journey began: My first flight was delayed because of a blizzard at Washington Dulles International Airport from where my first flight was coming, so I missed the rest of my flights. I have been checked into a hotel in Buffalo by the airline, to fly on the 15th. Unfortunately, I will not get home to Nigeria until Thursday the 17th.

Please continue to keep me in your prayers and may this delay allow me to get some much needed rest before my long flight as I had no sleep at all Sunday night due to packing my things.

Father Innocent

'WINTER ESCAPE' POSTERS ARE AVAILABLE: If you know of a proper place to put up a poster announcing our family friendly event on **February 2, 2019**, please take a poster or as many as you can properly display. Be sure to tell your friends, family, and coworkers about our exciting event!!

MARRIAGE MOMENT: "Speak, for your servant is listening." (1 Samuel 3:18) A common complaint among couples is, "You are not listening to me." When is listening hard for you? If you're busy or tired, ask for a better time. Is there a conversation you've been avoiding?

PARENTING PERSPECTIVE: "Where there is forgiveness..." (Hebrews 20:18) Where, indeed, is there forgiveness today? Is there anyone you or your child need to forgive to make peace in the family or with your neighbor (or your enemy) before the season of peace can begin?

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: The miracle that Jesus performed at the Wedding at Cana made it clear that Jesus came to do remarkable acts of love for us. These acts continue, and Jesus asks some of us to assist him in very privileged ways. 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.

WACY YOUTH CONVENTION: All 9th to 12th Graders - You're invited to explore the Annual Diocesan Youth convention. Gather with over 800 people from March 1-3, 2019 at the Buffalo Grand Hotel in Buffalo! The weekend is a time to "Power Up" faith. It is a great time to show our unity as Catholic youth. There are workshops, prayer opportunities, general sessions and the weekend concludes with Mass on Sunday. The evening activities include a coffee house, Expo and a dance. This is a weekend you don't want to miss!

For more information there is an informational meeting January 13 at 4pm at Weber Hall, St. John Neumann Parish, 991 Centerline Rd., Strykersville, or contact TeresaZielinski8@gmail.com or text (585)322-3880. It will be an experience you won't want to miss! Deadline to sign up is January 18th.

OFFICE COMPUTERS: It has come to our attention that the office computers are being shut off after use during non-office hours. The office staff is instructed to leave the computers turned on so that those who are authorized to remotely use them can access their information. If you have permission to use the office computers remember to leave them turned on when you are finished using them.

Similarly; we spent \$1,054.13 in repairs for the office copier. Please; do not use the copier if you do not know how to use it.
Thank you for your cooperation.

Fr. Innocent

THANK YOU:

Beloved Parishioners,

I wasn't sure I was going to travel to Nigeria because I cannot stand the look of starved, sick people staring at me for help. Your Christmas gifts to me did not only lift up my spirit, they filled me with hope for my desperately needy people in Nigeria. So, I am picking up things and getting ready to go and deliver your message of love and Divine Providence to them. I bet your message will make many drooping Spirits to Glow; and the Almighty God, in whose Name you did it, will take all the glory of your generosity. Amen!
Thank you children of God; thank you!

I will leave the United States of America for Nigeria on Monday the 14th of January; and come back on Tuesday the 19th of February. Please take good care of our parish as you have always done. Support the Winter Escape Drive with all your hearts.

Remain blessed my Beloved!

Father Innocent

FAITH MOMENT: Our readings today come on the Feast of the Baptism of Jesus and are filled with vivid language of renewal. They show us much about how to continually renew ourselves and our relationships with those around us and, most importantly, with God. The first reading portrays God as a loving parent who wants to take us by the hand and lead us down the path of a good life. It's a path that seeks justice, for us and for our neighbors. When we follow that path – when we help others to see God... or free someone from the confines of poverty or oppression – we renew for them faith in the good life which God wants for us all. Ask yourself what you might do to bring that sense of renewal – of goodness and justice – to someone else today.

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.

ALL BABIES CHERISHED: Our Baby Bottle drive to All Babies Cherished is off to a good start with just over half of the bottles returned. Please bring the remaining bottles in ASAP as the Knights of Columbus will be processing the coins over the next few weeks, and bottles will continue to be picked up.

Thank you all who have so generously donated to this cause.

HOW ARE SEMINARIANS TRAINED TODAY AND HOW HAS THE PROCESS CHANGED? Pages 8 and 9 of the January *WNY Catholic* features an informative article that answers these questions that many have today. "Understanding Seminary Life: Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow," was written by Rev. John M. Staak, OMI, Interim President-Rector of Christ the King Seminary in East Aurora. It describes both the application procedure for the priesthood as well as the education and formation program at Chris the King Seminary and seminaries in general. It provides important information about the past process, how it differs today, and forthcoming changes. We invite you to read it and share it.

ITEMS FOR GIFT BASKETS: As you begin making room for all the exciting new items you "hope" to get for Christmas, don't forget that we are looking for new items or **VERY** gently used items to make gift baskets for our 'Winter Escape.' Items can be dropped off at the parish office or left in the breezeway between the garage and rectory at Immaculate Conception. Your help is greatly appreciated. Keep in mind that if you get a gift that doesn't suit you donate it to a gift basket to be re-gifted.

WINTER ESCAPE SET UP TIMES: We are looking for volunteers for the following:

Wed., January 30th – 5:00pm – Auction Basket Making

Fri., February 1st – 5:00pm – Decorating and Table Set

Sat., February 2nd – 3:00pm – Final Decorating

All of the above will take place at Immaculate Conception Site.

If you have any questions please call Jill Gould at 716-474-0850.

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES: The second collection next weekend, January 26th and 27th is for Catholic Relief Services. Catholic Relief Services (CRS) is the international humanitarian agency of the Catholic community in the United States. Founded in 1943 by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, the agency provides assistance to 130 million people in more than 90 countries and territories in Africa, Asia, Latin America, the Middle East and Eastern Europe. CRS provides relief in emergency situations and helps people in the developing world break the cycle of poverty through community-based, sustainable development initiatives. Please give as generously as you can.

MARY IMMACULATE HOME MISSION:

Certainly; one thing I am sure you will not say about me when I leave this parish is that I am a flatterer. And so when I say that my parish – is a small but mighty parish, I am not joking. The most generous people in the world live in my parish.

You have prepared me and sent me forth on a mission to Nigeria, could you please do the same on the home front – our parish. Please take a number of Winter Escape tickets and sell or buy.

Remember, many of us do what we do just to help our parish. Please help your parish succeed with this year's Winter Escape. Thank you!

Father Innocent

A CHRISTMAS SEASON MESSAGE FROM FR.

RICHARD: My deepest thanks for the many cards I have received from Mary Immaculate parishioners. It is very comforting to know that the people who were so close to me for over six years have not forgotten me. Although my physical condition is very trying, my spirits are kept bright by your thoughts and prayers for me. I move very slowly now with a cane and may soon have to resort to my walker. However, I can still celebrate Mass, hear confessions, and perform anointings when called upon to do so at church.

I write this message on December 31 and will celebrate the vigil Mass of Holy Mary, the Mother of God, at 5 P. M. today. Through Mary Immaculate I give thanks to her divine Son for all that I can still do and for all the people who, even at a distance, have been so close to me through these years.

May God let his face shine upon you and be gracious to you all your days.

Fr. Richard

CAN YOU HELP! One of our parishioners, Donna Gaffke, is unable to bring herself to mass and is looking for a ride. She would like to attend the 8:00am mass at St. Mary's in Pavilion. She lives at Hilltop Mobile Home Park #48, 7273 Morrow Rd, Pavilion and her number is 584-7022. If you think you can help please contact her. Thank you.

How To Care For Poinsettias

To rejuvenate your poinsettia for next year's holiday season, move it outside when night temperatures are not apt to fall much below 50° F and prune to keep it bushy and compact. To initiate flowering, the poinsettia needs long nights in complete darkness starting in early October. Cover the plant with a cardboard box or keep it in a closet from about 5:00pm to 8:00am and water sparingly. When buds form in early December, stop the dark treatment.

Today no one in our world feels responsible; we have lost a sense of responsibility for our brothers and sisters. We have fallen into the hypocrisy of the priest and the Levite whom Jesus described in the parable of the Good Samaritan: we see our brother half-dead on the side of the road, and perhaps we say to ourselves, "Poor soul ...!" and then go on our way. It's not our responsibility, and with that we feel reassured, assuaged. The culture of comfort, which makes us think only of ourselves, makes us insensitive to the cries of the other people, makes us live in soap bubbles which, however lovely, are insubstantial; they offer a fleeting and empty illusion which results in indifference to others; indeed, it even leads to the globalization of indifference. In this globalized world, we have fallen into globalized indifference. We have become used to the suffering of others: it doesn't affect me; it doesn't concern me; it's none of my business!

Pope Francis

A Grave Error

A minister on vacation was reading his hometown newspaper. He was stunned to come across his own obituary. Shocked, and not a little upset, he immediately telephoned the editor.

"I'm calling you long distance about the report of my death in your paper yesterday," he explained with great indignation.

"Yes, sir," came the calm reply. "And from where are you calling?"

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