

Mary Immaculate Parish



St. Mary's
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November 15, 2020
33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31
Thessalonians 5:1-6
Matthew 25:14-30 or 25:14-15, 19-21
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Mass Schedule

Saturday Mass: 4:00pm

Months of October – March at St. Mary's

Sunday Mass: 8:00am at St. Mary's

9:30am at Immaculate Conception

Until further Notice, all weekend Masses will be celebrated with **30 people** at East Bethany Location.

And with **40 people** at Pavilion Location.

Confessions: Any time by appointment.

Daily Masses are celebrated as scheduled.

Kindly log-on to our diocesan website for:

LIVE-STREAMED MASSES.

Entrance Antiphon: *The Lord said: I think thoughts of peace and not of affliction. You will call upon me, and I will answer you, and I will lead back your captives from every place. (Jeremiah 29:11, 12, 14)*

Welcome to Mary Immaculate Parish

Mother Mary: We Love You, intercede for us at this time of COVID -19! Amen.

Mass Intentions

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, November 14

4:00PM – Mary Wozniak (RIP) Birthday Remembrance by
Dave & Ron Colantonio

Sunday, November 15

8:00AM – All Souls by Parishioners

Sunday, November 15

9:30am – Mary King (RIP) by Family

Saturday, November 21

4:00PM – Jeremy Davis by Ret & Gordon

Sunday, November 22

8:00AM – All Souls by Parishioners

Sunday, November 22

9:30am – Rose Gould by Ronald & Tammi Rodgers

Mon. 11/16 Revelation 1:1-4, 2:1-5;
Luke 18:35-43; (St Margaret of Scotland, St
Gertrude, Virgin)

Tue. 11/17 - **Mass 8.30am East Bethany**
Reading - Revelation 3:1-6, 14-22;
Luke 19:1-10 (St Elizabeth of Hungary,
Religious)

Wed. 11/18 - **Mass 8.30am Pavilion**
Reading - Revelation 4:1-11;
Luke 19:11-28 (Dedication of the Basilicas of
Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles)

Thur. 11/19 – **Mass 8.30am East Bethany**
Reading - Revelation 5:1-10;
Luke 19:41-44

Fri. 11/20 – **Mass 8.30am Pavilion**
Reading - Revelation 10:8-11;
Luke 19:45-48

Sat. 11/21 – Revelation 11:4-12;
Reading Luke 20:27-40

Lector Schedule:

Saturday, November 14– 4:00pm – **Pavilion**

Lector: Elaine Lemley

Sunday, November 15– 8:00am – **Pavilion**

Lector: Chuck Bishop

Sunday, November 15– 9:30am – **East Bethany**

Lector: Lisa Bernard

Saturday, November 21– 4:00pm – **Pavilion**

Lector: Max Whalen

Sunday, November 22– 8:00am – **Pavilion**

Lector: Randy Mastin

Sunday, November 22– 9:30am – **East Bethany**

Lector: Volunteer Needed

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK:

Julia Barniak, Joseph Dean, David Welliver, Emma
Burkell, Carl Taylor, Doris Elliott, Bonny Winspear,
Jimmy Stothers, Erica Dombrowski, Etta Winter,
Maverick Brumsted-Shaw, Robert Collette, Herman
Hensel, Clarence Winspear, Ellie Volpe, Patrick
Birmingham, Maryann Loiacona.

PLEASE REMEMBER OUR NURSING HOME
PARISHIONERS: Louise Lynch, Father Richard
Cilano (Carol Stream, Illinois).

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,
November 19, 2020 at 7pm, St. Mary's. All interested
persons are welcome to attend.

ENVELOPES: If you plan to attend mass at a different
church, feel free to put your envelope in at that church.
It will make its way to our parish. The church you attend
will happily mail your envelope to Mary Immaculate
Parish on your behalf.

UPCOMING COLLECTIONS

Cath. Camp. For Human Develop.....Nov 22
Immaculate Conception.....Dec 8
Retirement Fund for Rel.....Dec 13

Thank You To Those Who Already Gave

PARISH REPORT

Regular Collection (11/8/20)	\$2382.00
Catholic University	\$ 118.00
All Souls (cumulative)	\$ 322.00

Thank You to All Who Have Continued To Give

**Almighty every living God, have mercy on us and
heal us from this deadly virus COVID -19.**

Reflection:

Matthew 25:14-30

A man called in his servants and entrusted his possessions to them.

Valued at nearly twenty years' wages, even one talent was an astonishing amount of money. So, the master was not giving his servants a small gift or an insignificant coin. While we often think these talents represent our own gifts or abilities, a number of commentators suggest that we look at them as the extremely valuable gifts of mercy and love that God lavishes on us. And as we learn from the servant who hid his talent, those gifts multiply, not when we try to guard and keep them, but when we use them.

That is where our first reading comes in. The **"worthy wife"** of Proverbs 31:10-13 is not just a quaint lesson, or worse, the product of a patriarchal society. Her story is much closer to the servant in today's Gospel who doubled his five talents by using them- by multiplying mercy and love by sharing it.

Look at how she is described: She works busily within her household and does it **"with loving hands"**. But she does not stop there. **"She reaches out her hands to the poor and extends her arms to the needy"**. She does not hoard the self-giving love and compassion she has received from God. She generously gives it away, both to her family and to anyone she sees in need.

You see, it is not her charm or beauty that gives her value. It is her fear of the Lord, her reverence for God. It is the way she recognizes the wideness of his mercy and love and imitates him by sharing them. That is what brings her, and her whole family, such joy.

Each one of us has received God's precious gifts of mercy and love. Each of us has the opportunity to open our hands and our hearts to give them away to the people around us. The wife from Proverbs 31 did it. Let us go out and do the same.

"Father, you have given me precious gifts. Help me to multiply them by sharing them."

Fr. Alphonse Arulanandu

Bible quiz – 4
Gospel according to Matthew
Chapters 22- 24

1. Why the man without the wedding garment was thrown out of the wedding feast? -
2. What is the meaning of "To God what belongs to God"?
3. At the resurrection, how we would be?
4. Can you find Old Testament reference for the greatest commandments (Love of God and love of neighbor) which is called, the first and second commandments? (Just quote the name of the book, chapter, and the verses).
5. Why did Jesus say not to follow the example of the Pharisees?
6. What is the meaning of "first cleanse inside the cup, so that outside also may be clean"?
7. Why did Jesus lament over Jerusalem?
8. Who will be saved from calamities and tribulation?
9. Who knows the end of the day and hour?
10. Whom the Father will put in charge of his property?

The last date to submit your answer 11.25.2020

Some tips to participate in the Bible Quiz

- Use New American Bible
- Read the questions and answers of the past months; you will know how to be precise in the answer.
- Write only the answers
- You can e-mail to me at alfeeainarul@gmail.com or hand over to me personally.
- Read the footnote of certain verses to find answers to some questions.

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS: If you are interested in becoming a Council member and to help out your parish, please contact Father Alphonse or any Council member. If you have never been to a meeting, we invite you to join us at our next meeting on Thursday, November 19th, 7pm. We need your participation to make our parish alive and growing. Please do not think someone else will step up ... we need YOU!

COUNTER & LECTOR NEEDED: We are in need of a volunteer to assist in counting the collection and another volunteer for Lector at our Immaculate Conception location. The counter is needed for one week per month and an additional week one time during the year. If you can assist us with either need, please let the office know. Your parish is in need of your help. Please volunteer.

RELIGION EDUCATION NEWS: Grades 2nd and 3rd will meet on November 22nd from 10:45 till 12:15pm for 1st Reconciliation and Holy Communion Preparation.

LOTTERY BASKET: This was a fundraiser that was started at the March 15th Chicken BBQ and was supposed to end at the annual breakfast. Plans changed due to the recent events. We will be selling tickets after each mass starting November 1st and finishing on November 22nd. Winning tickets will be pulled after the 9am Thanksgiving Mass. This is a great opportunity for some possible extra Christmas money!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: The Monsignor William C Kirby Council #325 will be hosting a new format 1st-3rd Degree at Ascension Parish Catholic Center, 19 Sumner St, Batavia, NY on Tuesday, November 17th. Candidates will check in at 7:00pm and Degree starts at 7:15pm. Use the parking lot at the corner of Sumner and Swan and enter the front door of the church on Swan St. Face masks required. Please come in church appropriate attire. To register for the event call Steve Oginbene at 585-409-8358 or email sognibene@gmail.com. The deadline is Sunday, November 15th.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION: Those who do not wish to attend mass on Sunday may attend a mass of their choice during the week and it will count as their weekly obligation. This will only be accepted during the coronavirus pandemic.

COMMUNION CHALICES: Immaculate Conception Site is in need of a new communion set. We are currently using a mismatched crystal set. We are required to use metal communion cups. Any donation received would be greatly appreciated to offset the cost. Please mark your envelope "Chalice Fund." Thank you to those who have already donated.

MARY IMMACULATE 2020 APPEAL: Thank you! Thank you! Thank you! The total donations received through our 2020 Appeal is \$10,265.00!! We have started working on projects for both sites. For those Parishioners that responded to our outreach, we are working on how best to serve your needs and we will be reaching out to you individually. May God Bless our parish.

VOLUNTEER NEEDED: Our parishioners who are still unable to join us for weekend masses have shown much interest in seeing the mass livestreamed. A volunteer is needed to **livestream** the Saturday mass at St. Mary's Church. If you are interested in helping out and have the know how to do this please call the office to lend a hand. We could use your help!

GIVING TREE: Our annual tradition of giving gifts to children of local families is in its 20th year. There are more families than usual who are feeling the effects of job interruption and job loss this year. We have already contacted the families and the gifts described on the cards are what the parents feel would be best suited to their children's needs. PLEASE RETURN THE GIFT TO THE CHURCH WHERE YOU GOT THE CARD. Return the gifts before or on DECEMBER 13. Do not wrap the gifts. For those of you who want to buy for a child but are social distancing, you may call Christine Bow 576-3576 or Mary Eisenhard 409-4839 to receive information about a gift you could buy. **May Mary Immaculate Parish reach out to those in need to add love and comfort to others at Christmas.**

THANK YOU: Mary Immaculate Parish would like to express words of thanks and appreciation to John & Sylvia Callari, Tim Sexton and Chuck Bishop for excellently redoing the ramp at St. Mary's, Pavilion. A word of thanks to Lisa Schiske for providing lunch. Thank you so much and God bless you all.

Actual Announcements from Church Bulletins

-The Rector will preach his farewell message after which the choir will sing "Break Forth into Joy."

-Eight new choir robes are currently needed, due to the addition of several new members and to the deterioration of some older ones.

-Scouts are saving aluminum cans, bottles and other items to be recycled. Proceeds will be used to cripple children.

Update from your Finance Council: Parish Budgets

The Bulletin for November 7-8 weekend contained the Parish Budget for 2020-21 in numbers only. This letter will supply some background and information needed to fully understand that budget and the financial state of your parish.

Mary Immaculate Parish has two budgets that Finance Council uses to track and plan parish revenues and expenses. These are an Operations Budget, which covers the day-to-day workings of the parish, and a Capital Projects Budget, which covers projects that are non-reoccurring in nature, such as repair of the septic system or a new boiler. Having these two budgets is critical due to the **Upon This Rock** Campaign which impacts capital projects and is running from 2017-2022.

On the Operations side, the 2019-20 financial year (9/1/19 – 8/31/20) ended with a \$6,083 surplus. The key factors contributing to this surplus on the revenue side were a small increase of about 1% in Sunday collections (remarkable given the lost masses, etc. due to Covid) and a SBA PPP grant of \$14,500 secured by Fr. Alphonse. On the expense side, the diocese was late with their liability insurance charge, sending it in September instead of August. Therefore, it missed the 2019-20 budget, which reduced expenses by \$7,200. So, while the good news is we show a surplus for 2019-20 operations, we should have shown a \$1,200 deficit.

For Capital Projects, our special Maintenance collection raised \$978 and **Upon This Rock returned \$11,156.42**, which more than covered our \$2,576 in repairs. This left the parish with a \$8580 surplus for the year, which not only caught us up on the deficit we had from prior years, but left the parish with a \$6,357 surplus. Finance Council voted to return \$6,000 of this surplus to the parish savings. When launched in 2017-18, the Finance Council borrowed \$40,000 from our St. Joseph Account savings to start the IC parking lot and St. Mary's AC projects ASAP. With this \$6,000 transfer, only \$10,000 remains to be paid back by the Upon This Rock funds, and 3 more payments are expected in the future. At this time, Finance Council expects to fully restore these funds through **Upon This Rock**.

For the 2020-21 budget, Finance Council primarily used its 2019-20 budget since Covid resulted in so many anomalies to the budget that using any of those numbers to make changes was deemed impractical. There are a few changes that Finance Council

was aware of and incorporated them into the 2020-21 budget. These include the extra \$7200 insurance premium that will show up this year, a **20% reduction in all diocesan assessments**, and a \$2000 cushion for potential legal fees associated with pending abuse case. The net results for the 2020-21 budgets were an Operations Budget with a potential deficit of \$18,450 and a Capital Projects budget with expected revenue of \$9600 and no major projects planned.

As a result of the budget numbers, Finance Council has taken the following actions. The surplus in 2019-20 Operations has been reduced to \$83, with the \$6000 being applied to the new budget, as opposed to being returned to the St. Joseph fund. The \$6000 returned from the Capital Projects budget will be retained in the parish checking account as opposed to returning it to savings, to address the potential shortfall in 2020-21. Finally, in the late spring/early summer of 2020, the parish withdrew \$10,000 from the St. Joseph's fund to be used to cover the loss of Sunday collections when masses were cancelled. The PPP loan arrived shortly thereafter, and the \$10,000 was not used. Therefore, if we earmark \$6450 of these funds for **the 2020-21 budget**, the parish budget **is balanced**. We have routinely used \$10,000-14,000 in savings to balance our budgets the past 4 years, so this is nothing out of the ordinary.

As we go forward into the 2020-21 budget year, we ask that those of you who actively support Mary Immaculate continue to do so. It is your example and sacrifice that keeps us viable and we THANK YOU. If you know of inactive parishioners, please reach out to them and invite them to get involved. You get out of your faith what you put into it, so if you desire a closer relationship with God, come spend some more time with Him. As always, if you ever have any questions about the parish finances, please contact us and we will do our best to answer those questions. Have a Blessed Thanksgiving and may our heavenly Father keep you and yours safe this holiday season. Your Finance Council

Mike Jackson, Norma Bartz, Craig Mollon, and Nicole Urbanczyk

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