The Parish of
Immaculate Conception & Assumption of Our Lady

Immaculate Conception Church, Rectory and Offices: 53 Winter Hill Road, Tuckahoe, New York 10707
Assumption Church and Fr. Fata Hall: 125 Wallace St • Tuckahoe, NY 10707
www.assumption-immaculate.org
Rectory & Cemetery: 961-3643 • Immaculate Conception School: 961-3785 • Religious Education Office: 961-1076

Pastoral Staff
Rev. Anthony Sorgie, Pastor
Rev. Paul Waddell, Parochial Vicar
Rev. Seán Connolly
Deacon Anthony Viola
Deacon Carl Degenhardt

Parish Staff
Sr. Cora Lombardo, Director - Religious Education
Ms. Maureen Harten, Principal - ICS Regional School

Offices Hours:
Monday-Friday: 8:30 AM - 8:00 PM
Saturday-Sunday: 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Weekend Masses:
Saturday Evening
4:00 PM at Assumption
5:00 PM at Immaculate Conception

Sunday at Immaculate Conception:
8:00 AM • 10:00 AM • 12:00 PM • 5:00 PM

Sunday at Assumption:
9:00 AM

Spanish Mass/*Misa en Español:*
11:30 AM at Assumption
todos los Domingos

Bilingual Italian/English Mass/*Messa in Italiano:*
9:00 AM at Assumption
on the first Sunday of the month

Weekday Masses:
(recitation of the Rosary before Mass)

Monday - Friday:
7:30 AM at Assumption
8:30 AM • 12:00 PM at Immaculate Conception
Saturday:
8:30 AM at Immaculate Conception

Holy Day Masses:
Vigil: 7:30 PM at Immaculate Conception
Solemnity: 8:30 AM, 12:00 Noon, 4:30 and 7:30 PM at Immaculate Conception
7:30 AM at Assumption (Monday-Friday only)

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions)
Assumption on Saturday: 3:30 - 3:55 PM
Immaculate Conception on Saturday: 4:00 - 5:00 PM
or by appointment with priest on duty

Miraculous Medal Novena:
Mondays after 12:00 PM Mass
with 7:00 PM Benediction

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:
Mondays and First Fridays after the 12:00 PM Mass at Immaculate Conception
Reposition and Benediction is at 7:00 PM

Christ Cleansing A Leper
Jean-Marie Melchior Doze - 1864

Ash Wednesday: February 14

Schedule for the Distribution of Ashes:

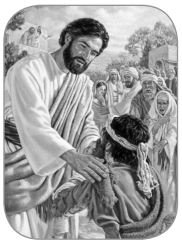
7:30 AM	Mass at Assumption
8:30 AM	Mass at Immaculate Conception
9:30 AM	School Mass at Immaculate Conception
12:00 PM	Mass at Immaculate Conception
4:30 PM	Liturgy of the Word at both Churches
7:30 PM	Mass at Immaculate Conception

Ashes will only be distributed at these times. Small packets of Blessed Ashes with prayers for the homebound may be requested from the Sacristans after the Mass or Service.

February 11, 2018
Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mission Statement

With the Eucharist as our source, Mary as our patroness and the Holy Spirit as our guide, we the Roman Catholic Parish of Immaculate Conception and Assumption of Our Lady, Tuckahoe, seek to give meaning to our faith by following Christ's command to care for His people, by fostering actions that nourish both the spiritual and social needs of our people and build community within and without our parish.



From the Desk of Fr. Paul

February 11, 2018

Time for a Fight

There is a real danger of indifference that can come over those who profess to be followers of Christ. Call it what you will, but I think it is the same decay of love that the Old Testament frequently speaks about in the Chosen People and that, which at times, has marred the members of the Body of Christ over the course of the ages! We all can become dull; and if we don't move forward on the path to salvation, we are moving backward. Archbishop Fulton Sheen put it this way:

> As time goes on, the good and the bad have different attitudes. The good are less conscious of their goodness. They strive to be zealous, close to the Lord; they're more conscious of their failings. But evil people, and ***those that are not living up to their full commitment to Christ, they're very satisfied***. Samson did not know that his strength had left him. Saul, the first king of the Israelites, did not know that the Lord had left him. We can become self-satisfied and resent any challenge to change.
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> Take a frog; put that frog in water. Then heat the water imperceptibly, day by day increasing the temperature until the water is boiling. At no point during the increase of temperature will the frog ever offer resistance. It will never realize that the water is too hot – until it's dead. That's the way we are spiritually. We just become used to the temperature of the world. And we don't realize that it is gradually possessing us, until we are in its grip. So, we are doing battle therefore with triteness and shallowness, and dullness, and we have to resist and begin to go in the other direction.

Now is the time for that move in the other direction. Lent is upon us, at the end of which we will celebrate the Lord's Passion, Death and Resurrection, the Feast of Feasts, the Passover from death to life of Our Savior! And all of this was for us – for you and for me. Take Lent seriously, lest you be unworthy to celebrate the Feast! I don't know about you, but I am daily reminded that we shall all appear before the fearsome judgment seat of Christ – life is ***very*** short!

It's time to ask ourselves during Lent: *where am I headed?* Only those who are courageous will take up the challenge to look into one's life and repent. The means: lots of prayer, penance, almsgiving and real soul searching! Are you ready for a battle? Embrace the unconquerable weapon, be proud of the royal insignia you received in Baptism, which is the Cross, the power of believers and the shield of faith! Then will you be valiant in battle!

Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time

First Reading: Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46

A good deal of the Book of Leviticus sets forth rules and standards for the good of the people.

This selection refers specifically to identifying leprosy and protecting others from contagious skin disease. It was the priest who pronounced when a person was unclean. If the sore or disease goes away, it was also the priest who would declare someone cured of the disease.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 10:31 - 11:1

St. Paul reminded the Corinthians about how they are to behave: first and foremost, do everything for the glory of God. After that, we are responsible for helping each other.

Gospel: Mark 1:40-45

The leper believed that Jesus could make him clean. Jesus was moved with pity at the man's dilemma and did cure him. He told the now-cured leper to tell no one but to show himself to the priest – presumably to be declared clean by the priest. The leper was unable to contain his joy and shared his joy with others. Although quite understandable, the man's actions actually made things more difficult for Jesus; who found it impossible to move around freely.

Next Week: First Sunday of Lent

1st Reading: Genesis 9:8-15
2nd Reading: 1 Peter 3:18-22
Gospel: Mark 1:12-15

Immaculate Conception Church

Saturday, February 10 *Vigil: Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time*
5:00 PM Thomas E. Culhane 12th Ann.
Sunday, February 11 *Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time*
8:00 AM Deceased of De Leonardis & Minotti Families Mem.
10:00 AM Dana Davis Mem.
12:00 PM Ada Farewell Mem.
5:00 PM William Mc Kinney Mem.
Monday, February 12 *Weekday*
8:30 AM Daniel Mulvey Mem.
12:00 PM Josef Tûma Mem.
Tuesday, February 13 *Weekday*
8:30 AM Mary Nemecek Mem.
12:00 PM Vito Scavone Mem.
Wednesday, February 14 *Ash Wednesday*
8:30 AM Joseph Battista Mem.
9:30 AM School Mass
12:00 PM George Nasti Mem.
7:30 PM Parishioners and Their Families
Thursday, February 15 *Thursday after Ash Wednesday*
8:30 AM Mario Ascione Mem.
12:00 PM Angelo Fortunato Mem.
Friday, February 16 *Friday after Ash Wednesday*
8:30 AM Mike White Mem.
12:00 PM Antonio Luciano Mem.
Saturday, February 17 *Seven Founders of the Servite Order*
8:30 AM William Iannarelli Mem.
Saturday, February 17 *Vigil: First Sunday of Lent*
5:00 PM Parishioners and Their Families
Sunday, February 18 *First Sunday of Lent*
8:00 AM Francesco Goncalves Mem.
10:00 AM Rosa Ferreira Mem.
12:00 PM Caroline Khawly Duffy Mem.
5:00 PM Kelly Mc Gowan Mem.

Assumption Church

Sat 2/10 4:00 PM Anthony Joseph Morra Mem.
Sun 2/11 9:00 AM John F. Brennan Mem.
11:30 AM Luis Gonzalez Rubio Mem.
Mon 2/12 7:30 AM Holy Souls in Purgatory Mem.
Tues 2/13 7:30 AM Phillip Cangiolosi
Wed 2/14 7:30 AM Maria Prosperino Mem.
Thurs 2/15 7:30 AM Margaret Korte Mem.
Fri 2/16 7:30 AM Ann Megaro Mem.
Sat 2/17 4:00 PM Maddaloni & Pereagine Families
Sun 2/18 9:00 AM Living & Deceased of the Legion of Mary
11:30 AM Luis Gonzalez Rubio Mem.

Next Weekend's Celebrants:

Immaculate Conception:

Vigil: 1st Sunday of Lent - Saturday, February 17
5:00 PM: Fr. André
1st Sunday of Lent - Sunday, February 18
8:00 AM: Fr. Collins
10:00 AM: Fr. Sorgie
12:00 PM: Fr. Connolly
5:00 PM: Fr. Paul

Assumption

Vigil: 1st Sunday of Lent - Saturday, February 17
4:00 PM: Fr. Paul
1st Sunday of Lent - Sunday, February 18
9:00 AM: Fr. Connolly
11:30 AM: Fr. Ulloa (Spanish)

Cardinal's Appeal 2018

Many of our parishioners have received mail from the 2018 Cardinal's Annual Appeal. Because we are still winding down the Renew + Rebuild Campaign, we ask that you put that mail aside until after Easter, when we shift our focus from the Campaign to the Appeal.

If you have made a pledge to the Renew + Rebuild Campaign, please do not put any pledge reminders aside. The pledge payments should be sent to: Renew + Rebuild, 1011 First Avenue - 14th Floor, New York, NY 10022-4112.

Thank you for your stewardship and generosity.

The Sacrament of Baptism: Baptisms are scheduled at 1:30 PM on select Sundays at Immaculate Conception or Assumption. Call the rectory as soon as possible to make arrangements. Baptismal catechesis (instruction) is offered on one Thursday of each month.
The Sacrament of Matrimony: Please call Fr. Sorgie, our pastor, to arrange for the date and church of your wedding at least six months in advance, prior to any other plans for your expected wedding date. Wedding arrangements will be handled by our Wedding Coordinator, Mrs. Marge Russo: (914) 629-1691.
Note: there are no weddings on Sundays.
Godparent/Sponsor: Eligibility forms to be a godparent or sponsor can only be given to active and participating members of the parish who have been registered for 6 months or more.
Communion Calls for the Home Bound: Weekly or monthly. Please call the rectory to arrange visitations.
Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick: Anytime day or night. Call 961-3643.
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Anytime - call the priest on duty: 961-3643. Also on Saturdays: 3:30-3:55 PM at Assumption, 4:00-5:00 at Immaculate Conception.
Registration: New Parishioners may register by visiting one of the priests or by calling the rectory: 961-3643.

Please Remember to Pray for the Sick:

Robert D'Agostino • Maria Rose D'Onofrio
Rose De Benedictis • Angie DiGioia • Donna Fleming
Caroline Giordano • Vito Giordano • Marge Gotsch
Ana Herrera • Jennifer Johnson • James Leung
John LoMurno • Joann Napolitano • Margaret Scott
Mary Patricia Spruck

Please Remember to Pray for the Departed:

Helen Cade • Elizabeth Kane • Marianne Polizzano
Albert White
and for those in the military who have died
in the service of our country

The Sanctuary Candle Burns at Immaculate Conception
In Memory of Deceased of
Myskow & Culhane Families
From: Culhane Family

Schedule

Sunday, February 11

Donations for Catholic Schools Expense

Altar Rosary Society	after 9:00 AM Mass	Fr. Fata Hall
Renew + Rebuild		
Donor Reception	after the Noon Mass	Lower Church

Monday, February 12

Exposition & Benediction	12:30 - 7:00 PM	Immaculate Conception
7th Grade Parent Meeting	7:00 PM	Lower Church
RCIA	7:00 PM	Lower Rectory

Tuesday, February 13

Parents Connect	10:00 AM	Fr. Fata Hall - Lower Level
Choir	7:30 PM	Immaculate Conception
Legion of Mary	7:30 PM	Lower Rectory

Wednesday, February 14 *Ash Wednesday*

Ashes Distributed at All Masses
Dinner Served to the HOPE Community

Ashes at Mass	7:30 AM	Assumption
Ashes at Mass	8:30 AM	Immaculate Conception
Ashes at School Mass	9:30 AM	Immaculate Conception
Ashes at Mass	12:00 PM	Immaculate Conception
Ashes at Special Service	4:30 PM	Both Churches
Cenacles of Life	6:00 PM	Immaculate Conception
Ashes at Mass	7:30 PM	Immaculate Conception
Bible Study	7:30 PM	Lower Rectory

Friday, February 16

Stations of the Cross	after the Noon Mass	Immaculate Conception
PREP Pot Luck	6:00 PM	Lower Church
Stations of the Cross	7:00 PM	Immaculate Conception

Sunday, February 18

Rite of Election at Mass	10:00 AM	Immaculate Conception

Monday, February 19

Exposition & Benediction	12:30 - 7:00 PM	Immaculate Conception
RCIA	7:00 PM	Lower Rectory
Rosary Society	7:00 PM	Lower Church
Knights of Columbus	7:45 PM	Fr. Fata Hall

Lent

This Wednesday is Ash Wednesday: the beginning of Lent. The front cover of this bulletin includes our schedule for distributing ashes.

Pages 7-8 contain important information about Lent, including: what you can do to keep Lent, Adult Faith Formation opportunities with our parish priests, our Lenten Mission with guest priests, times and places for Stations of the Cross, special ways we observe Lent, the rules for fasting and abstinence, and our schedule for Palm Sunday, Holy Week and Easter.

Please consider tearing out and keeping those pages and plan what you can do to make this Lent special!

Baptisms

During the month of January, we welcomed into our Parish Family the newly baptized:

Sebastian Angelo Aleksa
Frank Victor Casullo
Anthony Peter Hoffman
Ryan Paul Michetti
Emilia Faith Parinello
Mateo Valor Pineyro

Unannounced Masses for January 2018

Carmela Artusa
Intentions of Marie Burke
Frank Canal
Debra Caraccio
Paul Corbutt
Intentions of Maureen Harten
Patricia Healy
Mary Geraldine Johnson
Intentions of Rita Martin
Margaret McLoughney
Christy Morgan, Sr.
Robert M. Moynihan
Bob Moynihan
Colm Muldoon
John Murtagh
Stephen O'Halloran
David Pekera

Annual Parish Dinner Dance
This Year Honoring
St. Joseph and St. Patrick
Saturday March 24

Join us on Saturday, March 24 for our Annual Parish Dinner Dance: 6:00 - 10:00 PM. This year, we will honor St. Joseph and St. Patrick in the ICS Cafeteria, which will be transformed into an Italian Piazza and an Irish Square.

The cost will be $60 per person; food will include passed appetizers, delicious buffet dinner, an assortment of luscious desserts, espresso, beer, wine and soda. Seating will be limited. Why not form a table of family and friends? Please contact the rectory office to make your reservations by March 15.

Don't forget to buy Bonanza raffle tickets before (or at) the dinner dance. Our next $2,000 prize winner will be selected that night! There will also be door prizes, a 50/50 raffle, and raffle baskets celebrating our Irish and Italian heritage.

2018 Paschal Candles

At Easter, our churches will be adorned with beautiful *Coronation of Christ* Paschal candles that will burn by our Baptismal fonts. Our candles have been donated as follows:

Paschal Candle at Immaculate Conception
In Loving Memory of Kevin Koester
From: His Wife Linda

Paschal Candle at Assumption
In Memory of
Agostino, Concetta and William Celestino
From: James Celestino

Pair of Side Candles at Assumption
In Memory of
Maria Maruzella & Maria Concetta Pinto
From: Michele Pinto

RENEW + REBUILD

As of February 6, we have
$2,443,810
in donations and pledges from
385 families!

Reception for Renew + Rebuild Donors
This Sunday

There will be a reception for all those who participated in our Renew + Rebuild Campaign this Sunday, February 11 in the Lower Church after the Noon Mass.

It is so important that we get full parish participation. No gift is too small! If you have not made your gift or pledge, please do so as soon as possible. Pledge forms are available at the entrances to our churches. They will also be available at the reception for those who have not yet been able to contribute to this initiative.

Our commitment to the Archdiocese has been fulfilled. From now on, 100% of all donations will benefit our parish.

The Archdiocese has set up a secure web site to make donations and pledges:
renewrebuild.org/donate

Please make sure that, under the "Designation" section, you select

Immaculate Conception and Assumption, Tuckahoe

Otherwise, your donation will not be applied to our parish projects!

For Those Who Have Already Made a Pledge Over Time

Once we have received your pledge, we ask that subsequent pledge payments be mailed to the Renew + Rebuild Campaign headquarters at the Archdiocese:

Renew + Rebuild
1011 First Avenue - 14th Floor
New York, NY 10022-4112

You should receive a reminder from the Archdiocese before your pledge payment is due.

Our Renew + Rebuild Projects

Immaculate Conception Church & Grounds

- Air Conditioning – new units*
- Sound Systems*
- Blacktop Sealing: All Parking Lots and Breezeways
- Blue Slate on Portico, Walkway of Immaculate Conception Church, Repoint Steps*
- Concrete Buttresses & Moat Wall Repair*
- New Heating – Boiler Replacement
- Grand Entrance & Demolition of 253 White Plains Road

Immaculate Conception Rectory & Parish Center

- The Parish Center - 1st Floor of the Immaculate Conception School
- All New Windows in Rectory*
- Vinyl Siding of Rectory*
- New IP Phone System for Immaculate Conception Rectory, Church, Parish Center, & PREP Office*

Immaculate Conception School & Parish Gym

- Conversion to LED Lights in Gym*
- Air Conditioning of the Gym*
- Boiler*

Assumption Church & Property

- Interior Restoration of the Church of the Assumption
- Air Conditioning Units (6)
- Sound Systems*
- Carillon – Verdon Bell System*
- Blacktop Sealing*
- Concrete Work & Railings*

Holy Mount Cemetery

- Blacktop sealing*
- Section Markers
- Landscaping

* Indicates project has been completed.

Memorials & Honoraria

Memorials & Honoraria Taken at Assumption

Presiders Chair
In Memory of Monsignor John T. Servodidio
from the Servodidio Family

Deacon Chairs
Paul and Maria Reisman

Altar Server Chairs
Joseph and Marie Carapella

Stations of the Cross

1 - Jesus is Condemned to Death
Mr. & Mrs. Dominic Chirico

2 - Jesus Carries His Cross
The Ciaramella Family

3 - Jesus Falls - 1st Time
In Honor of Joseph & Grazia Alfonzetti

4 - Jesus Meets his Mother
Giovanna & Philip Patafio

5 - Simon of Cyrene helps Jesus Carry His Cross
In Loving Memory of Gil and Agnes Aliberto

6 - Veronica Wipes the Face of Jesus
The Savarese Family

7 - Jesus Falls - 2nd Time
In Memory of Terence and Margaret Rice and
Herbert and Gladys Humphries

12 - Jesus Dies on the Cross
Assumption School Alumni

13 - Body of Jesus is Taken Down from the Cross
In Loving Memory of Ann Orlandi and Elaine Sticca

14 - Jesus is Laid in the Tomb
Diana and Michael Winocur

Restoration of Sanctuary & Artistic Painting of the Church
In Memory of Antonio Nurzia
In Memory of Pasquale and Caterinto Servodidio
from the Servodidio Fmily

Memorials & Honoraria Taken at the Parish Center and Office Complex

Chapel of Divine Mercy

Name & Sacristy
IIn Honor of Divine Mercy
from John & Barbara LoFrumento

Tabernacle
In Memory of Nicholas Lian
from Cheri Lian

Pulpit
The Altenau Family

Pews
Rita and Robert Williams

The Palisi Family

In Memory of Suzanne McCaffrey, O.P.

Meeting Room: Youth and Parenting Groups
Anderson - Farewell Families

Pastor's Office and Furnishings
In Honor of Fr. Seán Connolly

Staff Office Complex and Dining Area
Anonymous

Priest Offices and Furnishings
The Russo Family

Other Memorials & Honoraria Taken

Verdin Carillon Bell System at Assumption
The DiRienzo Family

Memorials and Honoraria Opportunities Are Still Available

The minimum donation/pledge level for Memorials/Honoraria is $10,000. Families and other groups can combine their contributions for a group dedication.

Updated information will be available on the Renew + Rebuild page on the Parish web site:

www.assumption-immaculate.org/info/rr.php

If you or your group are interested in a Memorial or Naming Opportunity, please contact Fr. Sorgie.

Lent

Ash Wednesday Schedule

Ash Wednesday: February 14

- **Immaculate Conception Masses:** 8:30 AM, 9:30 AM, Noon, 7:30 PM.
- **Immaculate Conception Liturgy of the Word with Ashes:** 4:30 PM
- **Assumption Mass:** 7:30 AM
- **Assumption Liturgy of the Word with Ashes**: 4:30 PM

Ashes will only be distributed at these times. Small packets of Blessed Ashes with prayers for the homebound may be requested from the Sacristans after the Mass or Service.

What Can I Do To Keep Lent?

Daily Mass: Monday - Friday

- 7:30 AM at Assumption Church
- 8:30 AM at Immaculate Conception Church
- 12:00 PM at Immaculate Conception Church: the ***Miraculous Medal Novena*** on Mondays

Pray the Rosary as a Family!

- Before every Mass: Monday - Friday.
- At Immaculate Conception Church on Saturdays after the 8:30 AM Mass

Adoration

Be in Jesus' Presence in the Eucharist!

- **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament** Mondays after the Noon Mass until 7:00 PM at Immaculate Conception Church, closing with the ***Miraculous Medal Novena***.
- **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament** every 1st Friday after the Noon Mass until 7:00 PM at Immaculate Conception Church.

Reconciliation (Penance)

- Saturdays - 3:00-3:55 PM at Assumption
- Saturdays - 4:00–5:00 PM at Immaculate Conception

March 26: Reconciliation Monday

3:00-9:00 PM Confessions at Immaculate Conception

Lenten Adult Faith Formation

Select Tuesdays, 7:30 - 9:00 PM
in the Lower Church

Feb. 20 *Introduction to Sacramental Life* with Fr. Sorgie
Feb. 27 *Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, Confirmation and Communion* with Fr. Sorgie
Mar. 13 *Sacraments of Vocation: Matrimony and Holy Orders* with Fr. Connolly
Mar. 20 *Sacraments of Healing: Reconciliation and Anointing of the Sick* with Fr. Paul

Lenten Mission

Monday, March 5 - Wednesday, March 7
7:00 - 8:30 PM at Immaculate Conception Church

Mon. *The Living Word of God: Studied and Prayed*
Fr. James Villa, OFM
Tues. *The Living Word of God: Lived in the Divine Office and the Holy Face*
Dom Bernard Shinn, OSB
Wed. *The Living Word of God: In the Stories of Our Lives*
Msgr. Joseph Martin

Stations of the Cross

Every Friday
Journey with Jesus to Calvary! Ponder His love.

February 16
- 12:30 PM at Immaculate Conception
- 7:00 PM at Immaculate Conception

February 23
- 12:30 PM at Immaculate Conception
- 7:00 PM at Assumption

March 2
- 12:30 PM at Immaculate Conception
- 7:00 PM at Immaculate Conception

March 9
- 12:30 PM at Immaculate Conception
- 7:00 PM at Assumption

March 16
- 12:30 PM at Immaculate Conception
- 7:00 PM at Immaculate Conception

March 23
- 12:30 PM at Immaculate Conception
- 7:00 PM at Assumption

Lenten Fast and Abstinence Regulations

Note: The Ill and Elderly are Excused from Fast and Abstinence Rules

"Then Jesus was led by the Spirit into the desert. He fasted for forty days and forty nights, and afterwards He was hungry."

Matthew 4:1-2

Let us be inwardly renewed through the self-discipline of our lives, turning from worldly things to spiritual things. Let us deny ourselves, training for the spiritual battles before us.

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday

Days of Fast and Abstinence (totally abstain from meat). Limit of one full meal and two smaller meals for all between the ages of 18 and 59, inclusive.

How Do I Fast?

Fasting requires that those between the ages of 18-59 only eat one full meal per day. Two smaller meals may be taken during the day to maintain physical strength, but these two meals together do not equal a full meal as well as no eating between meals. Those not obliged to fast (under 18 or over 59) are encouraged to join in the discipline to the extent that they are able.

What is Abstinence?

Abstinence prohibits all those 14 years old and older from eating meat on Ash Wednesday (March 1), Good Friday (April 14) and all of the Fridays of Lent. This obligation continues throughout our lives. Those younger than 14 are encouraged to join the in discipline of abstaining to the extent that they are able.

Fridays in Lent

Fridays in Lent are days of abstinence for all who have reached the age of 14. This means to abstain totally from meat. During the other weekdays of Lent, fasting is not mandatory. Voluntary acts of self-denial and sacrifice are recommended. We practice giving up something good, so as to desire something far better.

What are Days of Abstinence?

Ash Wednesday, Good Friday as well as all the Fridays of Lent. Catholics 14 and older do not eat meat, but are allowed to eat eggs, milk products, and condiments made from animal fat. Abstinence does not include meat juices or liquid foods made from meat (broth, consommé, meat gravies or sauces, etc.)

Holy Week

Palm Sunday Masses

March 25

Immaculate Conception Church

- 5:00 PM Saturday,
- 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, Noon, 5:00 PM Sunday

Assumption Church

- 4:00 PM Saturday,
- 9:00 AM and 11:30 AM Sunday

Sacred Triduum

Holy Thursday, March 29

10:00 AM **Tenebrae** at Immaculate Conception
7:30 PM **Mass of the Lord's Supper** at Immaculate Conception

Good Friday, March 30

10:00 AM **Tenebrae** at Immaculate Conception
3:00 PM **Liturgy of the Lord's Passion** at Immaculate Conception
7:30 PM **Liturgy of the Lord's Passion** at Assumption

Holy Saturday, March 31

10:00 AM **Tenebrae** at Immaculate Conception
7:30 PM **Easter Vigil** at Immaculate Conception

Easter Sunday

April 1

Immaculate Conception Church

8:00 AM, 10:00 AM Upper Church, 10:00 AM Lower Church, Noon Upper Church, Noon Lower Church

Assumption Church

9:00 AM, 10:30 AM, 11:30 AM

Did You Know?
Every Sunday is a mini celebration of the Resurrection, so we break our fast!

If you have questions about any aspect of our Catholic Church and Faith, just drop us a note or call and we will answer them to the best of our ability.

128. What are the fasting and abstinence rules for Fridays in Lent? Are chicken and poultry considered meat?

Catholics (at least 14 years old) in the United States are obliged to abstain from the eating of meat on Ash Wednesday and on all Fridays during the season of Lent.

Chicken is considered poultry and poultry is meat and therefore not to be eaten on the Fridays of Lent, Ash Wednesday, or Good Friday.

Catholics (from 18 to 60 years old) are also obliged to fast on Ash Wednesday and on Good Friday.

Self-imposed observance of fasting on all weekdays of Lent is strongly recommended. This is where people also give up chocolate, sarcasm, or something else for Lent.

Parents Connect - Tuesday, February 13

Our Mission is to provide an opportunity for parents to connect and learn from each other in a welcoming, open, and faith-filled environment. We meet once a month, 10:00 - 11:30 AM in the Lower Level of Father Fata Hall. Childcare is provided!

We will be discussing *Building Better Families – A Practical Guide to Raising Amazing Children* by Matthew Kelly. Please join us even if you cannot read the book; we simply use the book to initiate conversation. If you are interested in joining us, please contact Michelle Horvers at 787-0005 or chorvers@optonline.net for more information.

Morning Out! - Tuesday, February 27th

Parents or grandparents of infants, toddlers, and preschool children are invited to discuss behavioral, social and discipline topics while their children engage in supervised play and craft time. New York Archdiocesan-trained facilitators will help in the discussions. All sessions are on selected Tuesday mornings from 10:00 AM until 11:30 AM in the lower level of Fr. Fata Hall.

Our topic for February 27th will be: *How Can I Help My Child with Emotional Hurts?* Join us to learn simple techniques that can be used immediately. Register with Michelle at chorvers@optonline.net or 787-0005.

ICS News

Touring Tuesdays

Immaculate Conception School participates in Touring Tuesdays, offering tours every Tuesday that the school is open: 9:00 – 11:00 AM. This is an opportunity for prospective families to see our school in action and gain a personal snapshot from an ICS insider: one of our dedicated parents. Call Mrs. Ranallo in our Admissions Office to schedule a tour: 961-3785 option 2.

Parish Religious Education Program (PREP)

PREP Plans for Ash Wednesday

Afternoon Session

Students will leave their classrooms at 5:00 PM to celebrate a Liturgy of the Word in Church and then receive ashes, followed by dismissal from Church. *Parents, plan on picking up your child at church.*

Evening Session

Students will celebrate a Liturgy of the Word and receive ashes at the *beginning* of PREP, followed by class and dismissal as usual.

Potluck Supper & Stations of the Cross

Friday, February 16

Join us in the Lower Church for a **Potluck Supper** this Friday: 5:30-6:30 PM in the Lower Church. Following our meal, we will go up into the Church for **Stations of the Cross** at 7:00 PM. Celebrate the First Friday of Lent with Jesus' triumph over death! Walk the Way of the Cross with Jesus and Mary! Ponder the events in last few hours of Jesus' life! Invite family and friends to join you this First Friday of Lent!

Ways you can help:

- Confirm a ***meatless*** appetizer or entrée to share. Or bring a salad, bread & butter or veggies or dessert to share!
- Call to volunteer to help set up, clean up, decorate, or serve!

Thank you kindly in advance for your generosity and participation.

Reservations are required! Please contact Sister Cora to reserve your place. All are welcome!

Contact Information for Sr. Cora
sr.cora@icc-coa.org • 961-3643

And the Winners Are

Bonanza 3 Lottery

Winners for February 5

Karl & Emina Hormann
Deacon Anthony Viola

We will continue to draw two tickets per week for $200 each from now through the end of May. In addition to the weekly drawings, there are three drawings for $2,000 prizes. ***Our next $2,000 drawing will be drawn at the Parish's Annual Dinner Dance*** (March 24). The final $2,000 drawing will occur at the end of the ICS Carnival: June 3.

Winning tickets will be re-entered for subsequent drawings - so it is possible to win multiple prizes with the same ticket. Although you may have missed this drawing, there is still time to buy a ticket and be included in ***all of the upcoming drawings***. Tickets are available at the rectory and in the school offices.

Thank you, as always, for your generosity and stewardship. Please continue to pray for our Parish, our clergy, and the staff members who serve you.

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Our total Bonanza Revenue as of February 5 is:

$44,000

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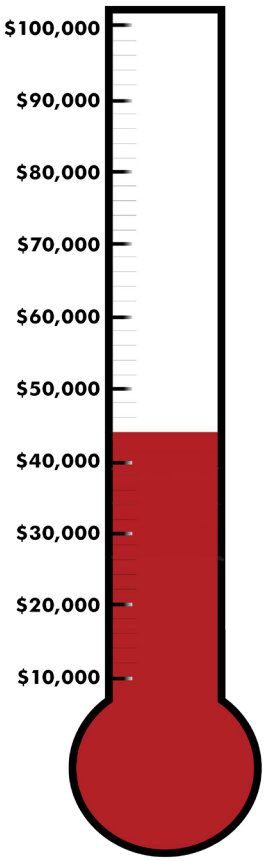

Stewardship for Sunday, February 4

Sunday Collection:

Church	$16,064
WeShare	$3,139
Total:	$19,203

Peter's Pence Collection:

Total:	$3,801

Gold Envelope Donations for Gym Debt and Extraordinary Maintenance:

Church	$750
WeShare	$75
Total:	$825

Christmas to Date:

Total:	$97,886

If You Have Not Participated in the Renew + Rebuild Campaign

- We are looking for ***full participation*** from every family that is part of our parish. ***No gift is too small.***
- At this point in the Campaign, ***100% of all Dollars stay with Immaculate Conception and Assumption of Our Lady Parish*** because we have gone beyond the amount that requires 26% go down to the Archdiocese of New York.
- There are still ***Naming Opportunities*** for some of the items that are part of the Campaign. Please speak with Fr. Sorgie if your gift is at the $10,000 or more level.
- We will most certainly complete all of the projects identified in the campaign; ***but by exceeding our goals, we can tackle some new projects as well as be ready for the inevitable emergencies that arise in a Parish of this age***. We already had compromised very old pipes in the Lower Church that connect our heat to radiators – an unexpected cost. Thank God for the Gold Envelopes!

HOPE Soup Kitchen - February 14 & 20

Due to the increased number of people in need of meals at the HOPE soup kitchen, we are reaching beyond our dedicated group of "Volunteer Angels" who cook and donate food once a month to anyone able to help whenever possible.

The next scheduled days for our Parish are Wednesday, February 14 and Tuesday, February 20. The menu consists of Barbecued Chicken (legs and thighs) over chicken-flavored rice, 2 large bags of frozen peas & carrots, 2 large bags of mixed salad greens and a bottle of Italian dressing (donations of any of the above are appreciated).

Aluminum pans or plastic bags will be available on the back porch of the rectory for the cooked entrée (enough for 10-15 people). Food should be brought to the Immaculate Conception rectory back porch by 2:30 PM on the designated days. For information, call Kathy Doscher: 337-3356 or visit:

www.assumption-immaculate.org/ministries/hope.php.

The Knights of Columbus - February 19

The Reverend John Keogh Council meets on the third Monday of every month at 7:45 PM at the Chambers on the lower floor of Father Fata Hall. All members are urged to attend. For more information on the Keogh Council, visit the web site at:

www.assumption-immaculate.org/ministries/koc.php

New to the Parish? Visit the Rectory or Register Online:

www.assumption-immaculate.org/icc/icc_regform.php

Pregnant? Need Help? 914-235-0505 or 1-800-640-0767. Absolutely Confidential - Total Services Free.

Grieving for a Child? Come to An Emmaus Ministry Retreat

Saturday, February 24

Losing a child under any circumstance is terrible. Focusing on the spirituality of the grieving process can help tremendously.

The Emmaus Ministry for Grieving Parents serves parents whose children of any age have died by any cause. There will be a retreat on Saturday, February 24 at the Church of the Magdalene, Sleepy Hollow (Westchester), 9:30 AM – 7:30 PM. The cost of $25 per person or $40 per couple includes breakfast, lunch, and dinner. Scholarships are available. Register online at www.emfgp.org/2018-archny or contact Sue DiSisto, Parenting and Family Life Education: susan.disisto@archny.org or call (646) 794-3191.

A Centennial Franciscan Retreat Experience

Fr. André will be directing a retreat focusing on St. Bonaventure's *Journey into God* August 9-17 at the Mount Alvernia Retreat House in Wappingers Falls.

The retreat will open with a presentation on the life of St. Bonaventure, born eight centuries ago. Each day of the retreat will be dedicated to one of the chapters of *The Journey*. Every day includes a balance of instruction on the text, periods for reading, and personal and communal participation in the Eucharist, Morning and Evening Prayer.

You can get complete information at
www.assisijourney.com
or stop by the rectory and ask for a brochure. You can also call/leave a message for Fr. André at his Friary: 914-699-1221

Travelling?

If you will be travelling in the United States and want to find the nearest Roman Catholic Church and its Mass schedule, you can visit the Mass Times site on the Internet:

www.masstimes.org

You may want to sort the results by distances. You can also call Mass Times at 1-858-207-6277. Many foreign cities are also included.

La Comunidad Hispana

Los Sacramentos

Sacramento de Reconciliación o Confesión: A cualquier hora. Llame al sacerdote del turno al 961-3643. Además, los días sábados de 3:30 a 3:55 PM en la Iglesia de la Asunción, y de 4:00 a 5:00 PM en la Iglesia de la Inmaculada Concepción.

El Sacramento del Bautismo: Los Bautismos deberán ser programados para efectuarse durante domingos seleccionados, en la iglesia de la Inmaculada Concepción. Por favor llamar a la rectoría a la brevedad posible para hacer los arreglos pertinentes. La Catequesis o Instrucción Bautismal se ofrece durante, un jueves seleccionado una vez al mes.

Primera Comunión y Confirmación: La Catequesis para prepararse a recibir estos Sacramentos se ofrece en las Clases de Religión de la Escuela Parroquial de la Inmaculada Concepción y deben registrarse en la oficina de la Escuela Parroquial de Formación Religiosa *(Parish School of Religion)*: 961-1076.

El Sacramento del Matrimonio: Por favor llamar al Padre Sorgie, para acordar la fecha y la iglesia en la que se quiera efectuar el matrimonio. Se debe acordar fecha e iglesia con seis (6) meses de anticipación, previo a cualquier otro plan del matrimonial. Es importante saber que no se efectúan matrimonios durante los días domingos.

Sacramento de Extremaunción (Unción) de los enfermos: A cualquier hora del día o de la noche. Por favor llame al (914) 961-3643

Llamadas para la Comunión a los enfermos y confinados en casa: Semanal o mensualmente. Por favor llame a la rectoría para acordar las fechas de visita.

Registro de nuevos parroquianos: Se pueden registrar visitando uno de los sacerdotes de las iglesias o llamando al (914) 961-3643

Requisitos: Para poder recibir todos los Sacramentos en nuestra parroquia, los interesados deben registrarse en la oficina parroquial de la Inmaculada Concepción para certificar que son católicos practicantes en nuestra Parroquia, y que asisten a Misa todos los domingos. Una vez registrados en la parroquia se les enviarán a su dirección postal unos sobres para poner la ofrenda dominical.

Si alguna persona desea celebrar alguno de los sacramentos en nuestra comunidad pero pertenecen a otra Parroquia, deberán presentar un permiso del párroco de la parroquia donde estén registrados. De igual modo, si están registrados en la Inmaculada Concepción y desean celebrar alguno de los sacramentos en otra parroquia, nuestro Párroco extenderá la constancia necesaria.

Misa en Español: La Misa se celebra ***todos*** los domingos a las 11:30 AM en la Iglesia de la Asunción:

125 Wallace St • Tuckahoe, NY 10707
100 Pleasant Ave • Tuckahoe, NY 10707

Hospitalidad: Compartimos en una Convivencia el primer domingo de cada mes después de la Misa del mediodía n el Salón Parroquial de Father Fata Hall, ubicado al lado de la Iglesia de la Asunción.

Reserve esta Fecha
Parroquia de la Inmaculada Concepción y Asunción de Nuestra Señora
Cena Anual Bailable
Rindiendo honor este año honor a San José y a San Patricio
Sábado 24 de Marzo

Acompáñenos el sábado, 24 de marzo a nuestra Cena Bailable Anual: 6:00 - 10:00 PM. Este año en la Cafetería ICS rendiremos honor a San José y a San Patricio. Este año nuestra cafetería se convertirá en una Piazza Italiana y en una Plazoleta Irlandesa.

El costo por persona será de $60. La cena incluirá aperitivos, cena buffet y una gran variedad de deliciosos postres. Los asientos serán limitados. RSVP: Jueves 15 de marzo.

No olvide adquirir los boletos para la rifa Bonanza antes o durante nuestra cena anual. ¡Nuestro próximo ganador de $2,000 será seleccionado esa noche! También habrá otros premios como la rifa 50/50; también, se rifarán canastos llenos de sorpresas celebrando así nuestra herencia irlandesa e italiana.

Giras durante los días martes

ICS ofrece giras los todos los días martes en los que la escuela está abierta. La hora para las giras es de 9:00 a 11:00AM. Está es una oportunidad para que las familias de las perspectivas estudiantes vean nuestra escuela en acción y puedan llevarse consigo una fotografía instantánea de lo que ocurre dentro de ICS. Para concertar una gira llame a la señora Ranallo al teléfono 961-3785 en nuestra oficina de admisiones o como segunda opción llame al 646-794-2885 teléfono de la Oficina bilingüe de la Arquidiócesis.