

Immaculate Conception Church

75 Church Street • Franklin, New Jersey 07416

March 29, 2020

Fifth Sunday of Lent

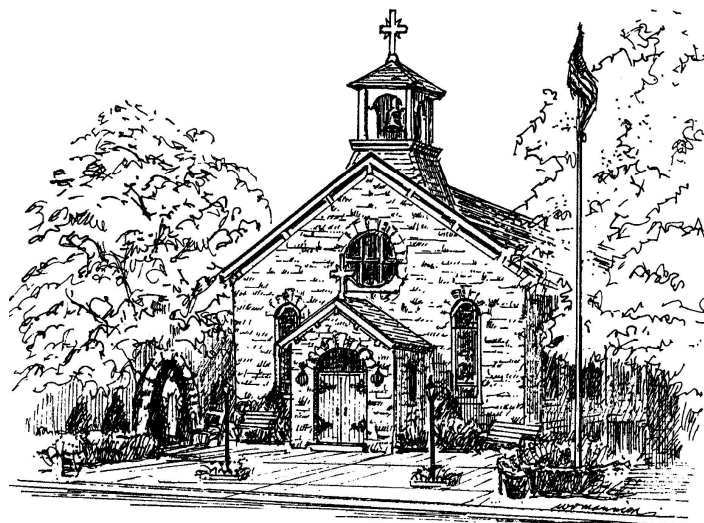
Mission Statement of Immaculate Conception Parish

We, the faith community of Immaculate Conception Parish in Franklin, New Jersey, commit ourselves to share our gifts and love to make the presence of God a reality in our lives by welcoming all to worship and serving those who are in need.

Welcome to Immaculate Conception Parish

The faith community of Immaculate Conception welcomes all visitors, parishioners, family and friends. We hope you find your visit warm and inviting as well as spiritually nourishing. We will keep all of you in our prayers and wish you God's Blessings.

New members may register by calling the Parish Office. If you are moving out of the parish or change your address, please notify the Parish Office.



REV. BOGUSLAW KOBUS, PASTOR

MRS. VICKY YAHM, RELIGIOUS EDUCATION ADMINISTRATOR

MS. MALDEN COMANDA, MUSIC DIRECTOR

OFFICE HOURS:

PARISH OFFICE: MON through WED 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM (THURS BY APPT.) **RECTORY PHONE:** 973-827-9575

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE: MON through WED 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE PHONE: 973-827-9501

Parish WEBSITE: WWW.ICCFRANKLIN.ORG **FAX:** 973-827-7375

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SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY: 5:00 PM ANTICIPATED MASS

SUNDAY: 7:30 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:30 AM

DAILY MASSES

(RECITATION OF THE ROSARY AFTER MASS)

MONDAY: MASS, NOVENA, & BENEDICTION 7PM

(6:15PM DURING LENT, NO BENEDICTION)

TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, FRIDAY: 7:30 AM

THURSDAY NO DAILY MASS

SATURDAY: 9:00 AM

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

HOLY DAY: 7:00 AM, 7:00 PM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

SATURDAYS: 4:00-4:30 PM OR BY APPOINTMENT
AND FIFTEEN MINUTES BEFORE FIRST FRIDAY MASS

MONDAYS DURING LENT 7-8:30PM

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

MONDAYS DURING LENT 7PM-8:15PM

FRIDAYS DURING LENT 3PM-6PM

BAPTISMS

PARENTS MUST BE REGISTERED PARISHONERS AND

ATTEND A PREP CLASS BEFORE SCHEDULING BAPTISM.

PREP SESSIONS HELD ON FIRST TUESDAY OF THE MONTH
AT 7:30PM. PLEASE CALL TO REGISTER.

MARRIAGE CONTACT THE PARISH ONE YEAR IN ADVANCE
MUST BE REGISTERED PARISHONERS FOR AT LEAST 6 MONTHS.

ANointing OF THE SICK

ANY TIME FOR THE SERIOUSLY ILL.

HOMEBOUND MINISTRY

VISITATIONS UPON REQUEST.



THE WEEK OF March 29, 2020

No Public Masses will be celebrated until further notice. All priests of the Paterson Diocese must celebrate Mass privately each day for the good of all people during this critical time. The private Masses will be offered for the scheduled intentions.

SATURDAY March 28

9:00am

✠ Peter Shelton reqby Lisa Gallagher

5:00 pm—Sunday Anticipated

✠ Peter Shelton reqby Anne Zayacz

SUNDAY March 29

7:30 am

♥ People of the Parish

9:30 am

♥ People of the Parish

11:30 am

✠ Peter Shelton reqby Gail Hodas

MONDAY March 30

6:15 pm

✠ Michael Elekes reqby Mom & Dad

TUESDAY March 31

7:30 am

✠ James Elekes, Jr. reqby Mom & Dad

WEDNESDAY April 1

7:30 am

✠ Peter Shelton reqby Colleen & Bill Crouch

THURSDAY April 2—No Mass

FRIDAY April 3—First Friday

7:30 am

✠ Joe Massey 10th Ann. reqby John Swiss

SATURDAY April 4—St. Isidore, First Saturday

9:00am

♥ Mark Samuels, Jr. Birthday Blessings reqby Philips Family

5:00 pm—Sunday Anticipated

✠ Mary & Stephen Wronka reqby Family

✠ Mary Tobias Birthday Rem. reqby Grace & Martin

Next Week: April 5, 2020—Palm Sunday

7:30 am

♥ People of the Parish

9:30 am

✠ Peter Shelton reqby Pat & John Christiano

11:30 am

✠ Grzegorz Przybojewski reqby Family

✠ Halina & Wojciech Gbur reqby Family

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Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD;
LORD, hear my voice! — *Psalm 130:1*

Mass and Memorial Donations -

Please Contact The Rectory

✠ A Holy Mass for the Deceased

♥ A Spiritual Bouquet Mass for the Living

Ex: Requests for healing, recovery or for God's Blessing for anniversaries, birthdays, or any other special occasion.

ENVELOPES FOR SCHOOL

SUBSIDY AND

CHURCH MAINTENANCE



Thank you for contributing to offset our church maintenance and school subsidy obligations. As with a home, there are always unexpected repairs in the Parish, in addition to planned expenses. Thanks to your positive response to our Increased Offertory Program and continued generosity, we have been meeting our ever-increasing expenses. Anything you are able to give by using the green maintenance or yellow school envelopes, located in the vestibule, is deeply appreciated. Maintenance of the school building and modular units is the responsibility of the Parish. The parish is expected to support Reverend Brown School and Pope John XXIII Middle School. Thank You again.

Weekly Contributions

Last Week's Collection: \$ 844 *

Heat & A/C: \$ 313 *

* Includes Online Giving



2019-2020 Diocesan Assessment: \$28,008

Collected to Date (Project Faith): \$ 7,465

At this time of uncertainty, please remember to continue to support your parish. Offerings can be mailed to the Parish Office or put through the mail slot at the Rectory Office. Online giving is available to provide support to your parish while worshipping from home.

Please know that we are most appreciative for all of your donations. We all know how difficult things are financially for families. So, too, is it to run a parish, as expenses continue to rise. The parish is dependent on income from collections and Mass stipends. Thanks to the positive response from many parishioners to the Increased Offertory Program, our Sunday collections increased, and we are grateful for your continued and increased generosity in support of our parish. Please know that any donations earmarked for a specific purpose, such as maintenance or payment of oil bills, remain in the parish. We rely on the generosity of parishioners to be able to meet both planned and unplanned expenses. For whatever you are able to give, may God bless you; you and your intentions are always in our prayers. Remember, God always rewards a generous giver.

MARCH 19, 2020—ADDITIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY MEASURES By Mandate of the Bishop

As events and civil guidelines continue to unfold the following Health and Safety Measures are effective immediately.

Deferral of Baptism

Until further notice all baptisms administered by the ordinary minister of the sacrament within the parish settings are deferred except in case of urgent necessity. Should an urgent necessity arise, the faithful should contact a priest immediately.

Funeral Rites

Because of the impossibility of limiting large gatherings of family and friends for a Funeral Mass, all Funeral Masses are to be discontinued until further notice. The Rite of Committal as established in the Order of Christian Funerals may be used for a graveside service with no more than 8 members of the immediate family present. All are to keep the recommended social distance. The priest is to offer a private Mass for the repose of the soul of the departed. A public Memorial Mass can be arranged for a later date when restrictions on the gathering of large crowds have been lifted.

Norms for Holy Week, the Paschal Triduum, and Easter in the Diocese of Paterson By Mandate of the Bishop

By mandate of the **Supreme Pontiff, Francis**, the diocesan bishop has been given wide discretion by Decree of the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments (Prot. N. 153/20) regarding the observance of Holy Week, the Paschal Triduum, and Easter for the year 2020 in the local church entrusted to his apostolic care.

In keeping with the provisions of the aforementioned decree and as moderator of liturgical life among the faithful entrusted to my care (Code of Canon Law: c. 835 1) I make the following provisions for all parishes and institutions of the Diocese of Paterson:

The date of Easter is the linchpin of the entire liturgical year and is declared immovable by the Apostolic See through mandate of the Supreme Pontiff. The date of Easter remains April 12, 2020.

The Chrism Mass is postponed to a date following Easter. The announcement of the date of the celebration will be given at a later time. The Sacred Chrism and Holy Oils consecrated and blessed last year remain for the administration of the sacraments. The administration of sacraments are completely valid and licit with the use of the Sacred Chrism and Holy Oils consecrated and blessed last year.

Holy Week, the Paschal Triduum, and Easter will be celebrated without the physical participation of the faithful.

Passion (Palm) Sunday: Palm is not to be blessed for distribution at this time; it will be blessed and distributed at a later time.

Holy Thursday: The priests of the parish may celebrate the evening Mass of the Lord's Supper at any hour of the day and in any suitable place without people. The washing of feet, already optional, is omitted in every celebration this year. The procession to the place of adoration is omitted and the Blessed Sacrament is not available for adoration. The parish church should not be kept open on the evening of Holy Thursday to prevent the gathering of large crowds.

Good Friday: To the measure that it is possible, the parish priest should celebrate the Liturgy of the Lord's Passion without people present. There is no veneration of the cross by the people. The parish church should not be kept open on Good Friday to prevent the gathering of large crowds.

The Easter Vigil: Where there is a real possibility of doing so, determined by the pastor responsible, the Easter Vigil is celebrated in the parish church without people present.

All expressions of popular piety and processions are suspended, and may be moved to a later date. Easter food is not to be blessed at the parish or any other public setting.

Given at the Chancery of the Diocese of Paterson, this 20th day of March, 2020.

**Most Reverend Arthur J. Serratelli, S.T.D., S.S.L., D.D.
Bishop of Paterson**

The coronavirus is having a spiritual and financial impact on all of us. Even though Masses are currently suspended, Parish expenses and financial obligations continue. We gratefully welcome your continued generosity and sacrificial giving. For those wondering how best to support the parish while Masses are suspended, please prayerfully consider the following options: (1) Contributions may be put through the mail slot at the Rectory. (2) Use USPS or banking electronic check services. Many people currently mail their offertory or have bank-issued checks sent directly to the parish. (3) Consider the option of Online Giving, which is an ideal way to provide ongoing financial support to your parish. To enroll in Online Giving, please click the "On Line Giving" Link on the right of the website (www.iccfranklin.org) home page. Thank you and God Bless you.

**The Church will be open for private prayer
9am-4pm Monday through Saturday**

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
2pm-4pm Monday through Saturday**

Sunday schedule TBD

In keeping with the Bishop's mandate, all parish events and meetings are suspended until further notice. The Parish Office is closed until further notice. Phone messages and emails will be checked during the day,

Summary of Lenten Requirements

Catholics between the ages of 18 and 59 are obliged to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. In addition, all Catholics 14 years old and older must abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and all the Fridays of Lent.

Fasting as explained by the U.S. bishops means partaking of only one full meal. Some food (not equaling another full meal) is permitted at breakfast and around midday or in the evening — depending on when a person chooses to eat the main or full meal.

Abstinence forbids the use of meat.

We must all turn from sin and make reparation to God for our sins. We must forgive and show love for one another just as we ask for God's love and forgiveness.

Praying the rosary, making the way of the cross, visiting the sick—all of these are meaningful and demanding forms of penance

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Thus says the Lord GOD: I will open your graves, have you rise from them, and settle you on your land. Then you shall know I am the LORD, O my people! (Ezekiel 37:12-14).

Psalms — With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption (Psalm 130).

Second Reading — If Christ is in you, the spirit is alive even if the body is dead because of sin (Romans 8:8-11).

Gospel — Lazarus, dead for four days, came out of his tomb when Jesus called his name (John 11:1-45 [3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45]).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 [41c-62];
Ps 23:1-6; Jn 8:1-11

Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9; Ps 102:2-3, 16-21; Jn 8:21-30

Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Dn 3:52-56;
Jn 8:31-42

Thursday: Gn 17:3-9; Ps 105:4-9; Jn 8:51-59

Friday: Jer 20:10-13; Ps 18:2-7; Jn 10:31-42

Saturday: Ez 37:21-28; Jer 31:10, 11-13; Jn 11:45-56

Sunday: Mt 21:1-11 (procession);
Is 50:4-7; Ps 22:8-9, 17-20, 23-24;
Phil 2:6-11; Mt 26:14 — 27:66 [27:11-54]

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fifth Sunday of Lent

Wednesday: April Fool's Day

Thursday: St. Francis of Paola

Friday: First Friday; Abstinence



Prayers for those who are currently sick, in the hospital or undergoing surgery, or who have recently died are included in the General Intercessions offered at every weekend Mass. These names are usually included once unless the person is seriously ill for a number of weeks. After three weeks the name will be placed in the Bulletin and will still be prayed for at Mass, but referred to as "those listed in the bulletin".

Dot Priestner, Jim Priestner, John Priestner, Leonard Riccardi, Antoinette Rogers, Marie Sohayda, John L. Sullivan, Mike Tatka, Barbara Yarusinsky

Please notify us when you have recovered from your illness. **Hospitals** are bound by privacy laws and **can not release the names of their patients**. It is up to a **family member** to let us know if a parishioner is hospitalized or homebound.

If you have loved ones to add to the sick or military lists, please contact the Parish Office (icchurch@ptd.net or 973-827-9575).

PLEASE NOTE: DUE TO PRIVACY REGULATIONS, ONLY FAMILY MEMBERS MAY REQUEST NAMES TO BE LISTED.

Prayers for the Sick

Names included in the weekly Prayers of the Faithful are those who are currently hospitalized, undergoing surgery or who have recently died.

The parish office should be notified by an immediate family member to include names in Prayers of the Faithful, and when names should be removed from the list of the sick.

PARISH MINISTRIES CONTACT LIST

Religious Education & Youth Protection/ Safe Environment Coordinator	Vicky Yahm	973-827-9501
Eucharistic Ministers	Christine Muller	973-827-9575
Lectors	Kim Vieira	973-545-2276
Music Director	Malden Comanda	973-827-9575
Ushers	Ron Hoffman	973-827-0585
Hospitality	George&Katie Drossel	973-903-7735
Children's Liturgy	Barbara DeRenzo	973-209-4381
Grief Support Ministry	Frank Elmo	973-827-4396
Evangelization	Frank Elmo	973-827-4396
Altar Servers	Kim Vieira	973-545-2276
Homebound Ministry	Fr. Bogie	973-827-9575
Legion of Mary	Brunilda Gillespie	908-619-0128
Bible Sharing	Fr. Bogie	973-827-9575
Prayer Shawl Ministry	Shirley Riccardi	973-827-9058
	Toni Dionisio	973-827-9575
Praise & Worship Ministry	Fr. Bogie	973-827-9575
	W. Ricardo Izquierdo	973-827-9575

The parish community of Immaculate Conception has an active, living liturgical life. Through the talents and skills of all those involved in various liturgical ministries, our experiences of worship provide prayerful and meaningful signs of God's presence. If you are interested in becoming a part of a Ministry at Immaculate Conception, please contact Fr. Bogie at the Rectory Office.



In the Military: LCpl. Ian Cunningham
1st Lt. Kevin Good
Kaitlyn Dembowski
Jason Robertson

Welcome! Every member should be registered in the Parish, become active, financially support **Immaculate Conception**, and be known to Fr. Bogie. **Letters of testimony for godparents and sponsors will not be given unless one is registered in the parish and children in the family are receiving religious education.** When moving, please notify the parish office.

Bring your friend or someone dear to you to church... our parish community welcomes their presence



MEMORIAL DONATIONS FOR SANCTUARY LAMP, SANCTUARY FLOWERS AND ALTAR BREAD & WINE
PLEASE CONTACT THE RECTORY

SANCTUARY LAMP, a reminder of the Divine Presence in the Eucharist, may be donated in memory of loved ones. **SANCTUARY FLOWERS**, are a beautiful way to remember a loved one or commemorate a special intention.

ALTAR BREAD & WINE, consecrated at each liturgy, may be donated in memory of a loved one or for a special intention.

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