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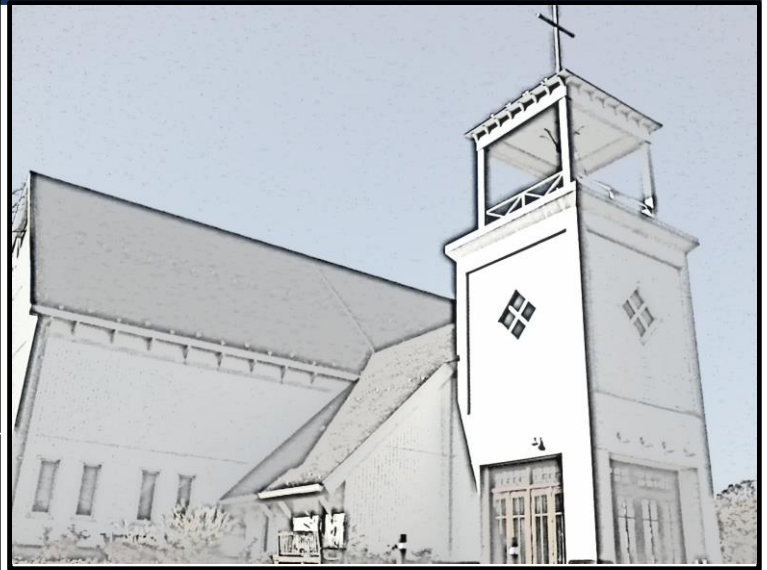
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Parish Clergy

Rev. Michael Tietjen, Pastor

Deacon William Kyte, D.R.E.



August 4th, 2019
Eighteenth Sunday
in Ordinary Time

Weekend Masses:

Saturday at 4:00 pm, Sunday at 7:00, 9:00 and 11:00 am

Weekday Masses:

Monday – Wednesday & Friday at 7:30 am

1st Saturday Mass at 9:00 am (only 1st of the month)

Confessions:

Saturdays at 3:00 pm – 3:45 pm, and after the vigil Mass.

Eucharistic Adoration:

1st Friday of each month, beginning after the
7:30 am Mass & ending with Benediction at 6:30 pm.

Baptisms

Parishioners of Immaculate Conception Church should contact the rectory so we can explain the process to you. Baptisms are traditionally held on the first Sunday of each month.

Marriages

Active and participating parishioners are welcome to be married at Immaculate Conception! Please contact the rectory at least 6 months in advance (preferably a year) so there is time to complete the marriage preparation process and confirm a wedding date.

Please do not reserve a reception hall before scheduling a meeting with the pastor.

Shut-Ins

If you wish to have your homebound loved-ones receive Holy Communion, please call the rectory (301-884-3123).

Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 3rd, 2019

4:00 pm – Mary A. Smith

Sunday, August 4th, 2019

7:00 am – Brad Quade

9:00 am – Special Intention

11:00 am – Parishioners

Monday, August 5th, 2019

7:30 am – Angela & Juan

Tuesday, August 6th, 2019

7:30 am – Patrick Wood

Wednesday, August 7th, 2019

7:30 am – Raphael Willett

Friday, August 9th, 2019

7:30 am – Alfred LaVacca

Saturday, August 10th, 2019

4:00 pm – Parishioners

Sunday, August 11th, 2019

7:00 am – Anthony Miranda

9:00 am – Shirley Parker

11:00 am – Special Intention

Catholic Education:

Grades Pre-K-8

Little Flower School – 301-994-0404

Mother Catherine Academy – 301-884-3165

Grades 9-12

Ryken High School – 301-475-2814

God's Little
Lambs



New to our Parish? We welcome you to Immaculate Conception Church. For new registrations or updates, please visit our website (ICChurchMD.org) or stop by the Rectory Office which is open: **Monday – Friday, 9:00 am to 4:00 pm.**

The altar flowers were donated in
memory of Agnes Bush Milburn.

Rectory Office Closing Early

The rectory office will close at 1:00 pm on **Monday, August 5th**. We will reopen on Tuesday during normal business hours.

Youth Choir

Co-directors Audrey McCray and Kara McCray Demer invite you to come join the Youth Choir! Anyone who is in Kindergarten through 12th grade, no experience necessary, is welcome to join us!

Practice: **Wednesday evenings** at 7:30 pm in the church. We will start practicing again the first week of school (following the SMCPs academic calendar). Please contact us if you would like more information!

Audrey: 410-610-4977 audreyo430@gmail.com

Kara: 410-610-4922 drdemer@stmarysdental.com

St. Vincent de Paul Society

There will be a St. Vincent de Paul Society meeting this **Wednesday, August 7th** at 6:00 pm in the Parish Center. If you are looking to help our friends in need, please join us that evening.

Auction

This year's auction will be held on Friday, November 22nd. In order to prepare and make this year's auction a success, we will have our **first meeting on Wednesday, August 7th** at 6:00 pm in the Parish Center. We are always willing to have new members join our group. You do not need to have any knowledge of an auction to assist. You just need to be willing to share your time and energy. If you are unable to make the first meeting or would like to learn more, please contact Annette Wood at 301-884-8721.

Parish Happenings

Here are some of the things planned for September and October 2019.

- **Faith Formation** begins – **Sunday, September 8th**.
- **Scarecrow Event** followed by a **Bonfire** – planned for **Sunday, October 27th**.

Vanguard

Have you ever wondered how you could make a difference in the world? We invite you to join Immaculate Conception's spiritual outreach group known as "Vanguard". Together we seek to spread the good news and bring others closer to Christ both in our parish and in our community. Efforts are currently focused on greater involvement of the youth in their own faith development. We are also working to increase participation in Eucharistic Adoration. The next meeting will be **Friday, August 9th** at 6:30 pm in the Parish Center. Please consider joining us. If you are unable to attend this meeting maybe you can join us at our next monthly meeting. Prayer is a powerful tool. We ask everyone to pray for the success of our efforts. Hope to see you there!

Virtus Training

VIRTUS TRAINING ("Protecting God's Children for Adults Training") is a mandatory Archdiocesan program for anyone 18 years of age and over who wishes to volunteer to be a Faith Formation Aide or Teacher or for any program or activity in the church that involves children. Please, **YOU MUST** register for an account at "www.virtus.org". During the online registration, read the ADW Code of Conduct and schedule to attend this training.

All volunteers who have Electronic Background Checks only on their VIRTUS accounts are now required to be fingerprinted. They all must be fingerprinted to be in compliance with this new Archdiocesan policy by January 31, 2020.

For your convenience, the Safe Hire Solutions Company Mobile Unit has been scheduled to come to our location (Parish Center) on **Wednesday, August 14th** at 5:30 pm. The cost is \$55 and will be reimbursed by the parish if desired. Any questions, please call Mari Kyte in the rectory.

Prayers for the Sick

Please remember the sick members of our parish community in your prayers: Pat Anderson; Chicchina Bailey; Heather Ballard; Wendy Blush; Doris Anne Bradburn; Cassie Michelle Brown; Sandy Burns; Ricky Burroughs; Nancy Calvano; Gregory Chapman; Mary Clancy; Cheryl Coppage; Jessie Marie Davis; Jimmy Davis; Thomas Dotson; Thomas Farrell; Michael Ford; Melanie Gibson; David Greene; Scott Hughes; Meagan Humbert; Kitty Huntington, Christine Koehler; Kathleen Krznarich; Don LeVine; Raymond Meyers; Jennifer Burroughs Murphy; Sandy Nelson; Lisa Durst Owens; John Redding; Laura Redding; Sis Robey; Catherine Smith; Richard Szatkowski; Jen Tucker; Philip Wilk; and Lily Williams. If you would like to add your family member to the sick list, please call the rectory (301-884-3123) or email Clare.ImmaculateConception@gmail.com.

Prayers for our Soldiers

We pray for those soldiers serving our Country – serving away from home. Trevor Adams; Anthony Braxton; Caralena Cooper; Blake Guy; Paige Guy, Kelle R. Holt; Nathan J. Holton; Ryan Elliott Lawrence; and Joseph G. Thomas. Please feel free to call us or email Clare.ImmaculateConception@gmail.com to add your soldier serving AWAY FROM HOME on the list.

Parish Finance Information

The **Regular Collection** last week was \$5,162.25.

The second collection next weekend is for the **Catholic Campaign for Human Development**.

Online Giving

For those interested in donating to our parish online and cancelling their envelopes, please visit our website and see the *online giving* tab under the *more* tab. If you have any questions, please call Clare M-W & F, 9:00 am – 4:00 pm. If you want to cancel your envelopes, please email Clare.ImmaculateConception@gmail.com and say "Cancel my envelopes please."

Non Perishable Food Donations

Thank you for your continued support of those who are hungry. Some non-perishable food ideas to donate are: bread or roll mix, hamburger helper, stuffing, spam, canned chicken, ravioli or other canned pasta, cereal, canned vegetables, pop tarts, gummies, crackers, and granola bars.

Toiletries such as: soap, shampoo, toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, and toilet tissue.

Schedule for Saturday, August 10th and Sunday, August 11th, 2019.

Please arrive 10-15 minutes before Mass begins.

	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Altar Servers
4:00 pm Saturday	Michael Munshaw	Charlie Widmayer	Benjamin and Michael McGrath
7:00 am Sunday	Mike McCauley	Julia Redding	Joe Davis
9:00 am	Eric Holm	Terry Casselman	Allie Redding and Adam Trossbach
11:00 am	Mary Ellen Evans (sub)	Joseph Thomas	Joe Davis

Altar Flowers

If you're interested in dedicating altar flowers in memory or in honor of a loved one, please call Clare (301-884-3123) and she will help you schedule an available weekend. The cost is \$47.

Bible Study

Please join Fr. Tietjen for Bible study on Monday, August 5th at 7:00 pm and Wednesday, August 7th at 10:00 am in the Parish Center.

Bulletin Item Deadline

If you have an item for the bulletin, please note that all information needs to be sent to Clare.ImmaculateConception@gmail.com by the close of business on Tuesday. Messages will be edited when necessary.

Intercessory Prayer

Join others for intercessory prayer on Tuesday evenings at 7:00 pm in the Parish Center.

Mass Intentions

Have you ever wanted to do something special for a family member or a friend? Consider having one of our regularly scheduled Masses said for someone, living or deceased. Contact the rectory if you are interested in scheduling a Mass. Typically, a donation goes with the request – a typical donation is \$10.

Rosary

The rosary is prayed at the following times:

- **First Sunday of the month** – 30 minutes before each Mass.
- **Every Saturday** – 30 minutes before the 4 pm Mass.
- **First Saturday of the month** – 30 minutes before the 9:00 am Mass.
- **Every Wednesday** – immediately following the 7:30 am Mass.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) is a program that assists those who want to learn more about the Catholic faith.

If you have any questions, please call Fr. Tietjen (301-884-3123) or Amy Downs (301-904-7439).

FlockNote

FlockNote is a way for us to reach out to all our parishioners, or a single group, at a moment's notice via text or email. If you want to sign-up, go to (ICChurchmd.org), click on *Subscribe-Flocknote* and choose the groups you would like to receive information.

Mother Catherine Academy Events

- *Open House* will be held on **Sunday, August 11th** from 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm.
- *First day of school for students* is **Tuesday, August 27th**. The students will be dismissed at 1:00 pm.
- *MCA Annual Auction & Social Event* will be held on **Friday, September 6th**. If you would like to donate gift cards, new or gently used items, artwork, event tickets (concerts, sporting events), handmade or homemade items, alcoholic beverages (bottle of liquor, wine or case of beer), cash or if you would like tickets to attend, please call the school. All proceeds go to MCA. There will be appetizers, open bar, full dinner, dessert dash, lots of fun with our silent and live auctions - this year's theme is 'Anchors Aweigh in the Chesapeake Bay'. Any family who donates an item valued at \$25 or greater will be entered into a drawing for a pair of free auction tickets (\$150 value).

If you would like to volunteer to solicit local businesses or volunteer to work the event, please contact Betsy Farrell, bfarrell@ftrinc.net.



Sunday, August 4th, 2019 Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

TO ALL FAMILIES OF THE PARISH – HEY, PLEASE TURN IN YOUR CHILD'S REGISTRATION FORM. It's never too early! FAITH FORMATION BEGINS ON **SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8TH**. SO, TAKE A LOOK AT THE FAITH FORMATION CALENDAR ON OUR WEBSITE AND GET READY. GOD WANTS YOU TO LEARN EVERYTHING ABOUT WHAT IT MEANS TO BE "CATHOLIC".

*****NEW PHONE NUMBER –** have a new Faith Formation Office phone number in the Parish Center. It's **240-249-6010**. Call me anytime or just come on by and see me.

DID YOU WAKE UP THIS MORNING WANTING TO BE A FAITH FORMATION TEACHER? GOD IS CALLING YOU. We have a few openings for *teachers and aides*. Please stop by and see me, or send me an email. please apply.

PARISH WEBSITE — Please visit the Parish Website @ www.ICChurchmd.org often to learn about Parish and Faith Formation events. A new calendar/schedule and registration information is now posted for the 2019-2020 year.

FAITH FORMATION MEETING FOR ALL TEACHERS — This is just a little reminder about our first Teachers' meeting scheduled for **Wednesday, August 28th**, beginning at 6:30 pm in the Parish Center.

MARY'S GARDEN — It's getting a new face lift. Come by and see it in a few weeks. A new family of fish will be moving in once Faith Formation begins. Also, a new CROSS will be placed right in the middle of the garden. Come and see.

WORD OF WISDOM TO GROW UP WITH:

If you FAIL, NEVER give up ...

because **F.A.I.L.** really means "First Attempt In Learning"
END is NOT the END ...

In fact **E.N.D.** really means "EFFORT Never Dies"

If you get NO as an answer...

just remember "**N.O.**" really means "NEXT OPPORTUNITY."

Deacon Bill Kyte, DRC

240-249-6010 or Deacon.Kyte@gmail.com

"Three in One Pilgrimage"

Please consider joining us on pilgrimage to Germany, Switzerland and Austria featuring the famous "Oberammergau Passion Play!" This trip also includes a beautiful scenic train ride up Mt. Pilatus overlooking Lake Lucerne in Switzerland and a day cruise down the Rhine River! We will be visiting many holy churches and shrines including: Our Lady of Shoenstatt, Our Lady Undoer of Knots, the Black Madonna, the Shrine in Cologne with the relics of the Magi and much more!

The intention of this trip is to pray that God would spare us through His suffering of all that is plaguing our Church and our Country. Especially in this 2020 election year, we will pray that God's voice will be in our hearts to make the right decisions. Please contact Bread of Life Center for Peace for the full itinerary and trip details at 301-475-7139 or breadoflifecenterforpeace.org and click on *Germany Pilgrimage* button at the top. right! Fr. Michael Tietjen will be the Chaplain! This trip will surely fill up fast, so don't wait to register!



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Other Events in Town

- *Healing prayers, preaching the Word of God and Holy Mass* to be celebrated at **Our Lady Star of the Sea Church, Solomons, MD** on **Tuesday, August 27th** at 7:00 pm and at **Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, Lexington Park, MD** on **Wednesday, August 28th** at 7:00 pm. All are welcome.
- **"HERE I AM LORD"** – Camp Maria and St. Mary's Ryken High School have teamed up to present DAN SCHUTTE in Concert & Retreat! This is a rare opportunity to experience firsthand, the music and ministry of Dan Schutte, composer of "Here I Am Lord", "City of God", "Sing a New Song" and many others. The **concert** will be held on **Friday, September 13th** from 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm at **St. Mary's Ryken High School, Leonardtown, MD**. The Concert includes an intermission with heavy hors d'oeuvres. The **retreat** will be held **Saturday, September 14th** from 9:00 am – 12:00 noon at **Camp Maria Retreat Center, Leonardtown, MD**. Cost is \$20 for Concert (or \$10 for any student). The retreat is \$35. The retreat includes continental breakfast. For more info call SMR at 301-373-4182 or Camp Maria at 301-475-8330.
- **Begin Again Catholic Women's Conference** is a day designed for women. Join other women on **Saturday, October 26th** for an all-day event at **St. Mary's Ryken High School, Leonardtown, MD**. Featuring keynote speaker Laura K. Fanucci (author of Everyday Sacraments, To Bless our Calling) and musical guest Corrie Marie, attendees will enjoy a day filled with inspirational, educational and engaging workshops and presentations that will help you get back to the basics of the faith. Session topics include: growing in your prayer life, living the sacraments, renewing our relationship with Our Blessed Mother, a return to relationship with our Heavenly Father, spiritual accompaniment, and the relationship between physical and spiritual wellness. Confession and Adoration will be available throughout the day. Cost includes breakfast and lunch, keynote, praise and worship sessions, 2 break-out sessions and so much more. Tickets on sale at www.encountergrace.co. Early bird registration is highly encouraged as tickets are limited. Contact Penny Bailey or Laura Roland at encountergraceco@gmail.com with questions.

Please see our website for upcoming Pilgrimages (found under the Events tab.)