

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church

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Parish Clergy

Rev. Michael Tietjen, Pastor

Deacon William Kyte

Weekend Masses:

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



Weekday Masses:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday at 7:30 am

First Saturday of the month at 9:00 am



Confessions:

Wednesdays from 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm



Holy Hour:

Fridays immediately following the 7:30 am Mass until approximately 9:00 am.

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).

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

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.**



September 19th, 2021

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Intentions

Saturday, September 18th, 2021

4:00 pm – William Davis

Sunday, September 19th, 2021

7:00 am – Thomas 'TJ' Bowman

9:00 am – Donna Cranford

11:00 am – Parishioners

Monday, September 20th, 2021

7:30 am – Nancy Reardin

Tuesday, September 21st, 2021

7:30 am – Michael E. Slaviski

Wednesday, September 22nd, 2021

7:30 am – Roger Wayne Copsey

Friday, September 24th, 2021

7:30 am – Robert Osborne

Saturday, September 25th, 2021

4:00 pm – Parishioners

Sunday, September 26th, 2021

7:00 am – Msgr. Paul Langsfeld

9:00 am – Sara & Jerry

11:00 am – Mary Agnes Owens

The Altar Flowers were
donated in memory of
Eleanor & Gilbert Robey.

14th Annual Friends of the Poor Walk

The St. Vincent de Paul Society 14th Annual Friends of the Poor Walk will be on **Saturday, October 2nd, 2021**, at 9:00 am at Father Andrew White S.J. School in Leonardtown. There will be a post-walk silent auction, door prizes and food. We will be following the CDC guidelines that are in effect for that day. Please register at www.fopwalk.org. Same day registration begins at 7:30 am. There is no registration fee, but walkers are encouraged to collect pledges or donate to the St. Vincent de Paul Society. If you would rather just send in a donation, please mail your check to St. Vincent de Paul, PO Box 166, Mechanicsville, MD 20659 or drop it in the collection basket. Please place WFP (Walk for the Poor) in the memo line. Our Walk is a fundraising effort organized by the National Council of St. Vincent de Paul and carried out locally by the St. Vincent de Paul Conferences at St. Aloysius and Immaculate Conception Parishes. For more information you may contact Kathy Miller (kmillern@aol.com), or text 301-520-5461).

Rosary Confraternity at Sacred Heart, La Plata, MD

You are invited to attend the **5th Annual Convocation of the Sacred Heart (La Plata, MD) Chapter of the Confraternity of the most Holy Rosary**. This year will be "A Week with the Blessed Mother and Her Rosary." Father Basil Cole, O.P., who was the speaker at the founding of our chapter, will preach on the Rosary and the Confraternity at the Masses at Sacred Heart on **October 2nd/3rd**.

On **Monday, October 4th** at 7:00 pm Dr. Michael Pakaluk, a well-known Catholic author and Catholic University professor, will speak on "**The Voice of Mary in the Gospel of John**". New members will be inducted following the talk.

On **Thursday October 7th** at 7:00 pm, the Feast Day of Our Lady of the Rosary, Fr. Scott Woods will speak briefly on Novenas and then lead us in a Rosary and Novena prayer to our Lady. The only requirement when joining the confraternity is to pray the Joyful, Sorrowful and Glorious mysteries once a week. In return we share in all the Masses, Rosaries and good works of the Dominican order. In doing so, you will also be included in all of the rosaries of all of the members of the Confraternity worldwide both now and when we are deceased. If you have any questions, please contact the Sacred Heart Parish Office at 301-934-2261.

Grieving with Great Hope

It is not too late to register for **Grieving with Great Hope**. There are still openings available! Grieving with Great HOPE, a six-week Catholic-based Grief Support Workshop, will be offered in our Parish Center on **Tuesdays, September 28th – November 2nd** from 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm. Guided by the Holy Spirit, Grieving with Great Hope is presented in a DVD format that offers prayerful reflection, practical learning and personal fellowship. If you are grieving the death of a family member or a friend and trying to learn how to cope with your loss, you are encouraged to attend. For information and/or to register, please contact:

Jean Ferrante (301-943-1221, jeanferrante44@comcast.net),
Tina Slaughter (301-481-1961, tinamslaughter@comcast.net), or
Marian Taylor (301-904-2944, tmtaylor72@comcast.net).

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)

Do you know someone who is interested in becoming Catholic? Maybe someone who left the Catholic Church that might be open to learning about things they struggle with? Are you an adult who has not received all the sacraments of initiation and would like to do that? RCIA (Rite of Catholic Initiation for Adults) is a program that assists those who want to learn more about the Catholic faith. For anyone interested in this program please contact Fr. Tietjen (301-884-3123) in the rectory during office hours, or Amy Downs (301-904-7439).

Natural Disasters – Special Collection (10/2-3/2021)

As you know, in recent months there have been natural disasters, such as the earthquake in Haiti, the flash floods in Middle Tennessee, and most recently, Hurricane Ida, which caused devastation in Louisiana, Mississippi, and the East Coast of the United States. These, and many other areas, suffered great loss of life and the work of rebuilding communities will last years. In response to the continued enormous need, parishes are asked to support relief efforts for these recent Natural Disasters by taking up this special collection during the weekend of October 2nd/3rd.

All received by the Archdiocese of Washington will be used to support the rebuilding efforts in the areas affected by natural disasters. Here are the ways you can donate whether through cash or check or online:

- Collection basket in church on Oct. 2nd/3rd in the marked basket.
- Online at ICChurchMD.org/natural-disasters
- Online at ADW.org/relief

Call the Office or Email Clare.ICC20659@gmail.com

if you are interested in:

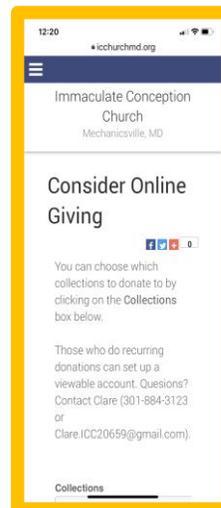
- **Altar Flowers** for available weekends (\$48)
- **Mass intentions** (Donation accepted)

Parish Finance Information

The **Regular Collection** last week was \$5,879.50.

The **Catholic University Collection** last week was \$1,651.00

Thank you for your generous donations!!!



Online Giving

Many families have already chosen to give one-time or recurring donations through our website. Explore the convenience of online giving at ICChurchMD.org/online-giving, and be one of the families who set their donations to **automatically occur** when, how often, and in the amount you would like to give. You always have access to update your information, change gift amounts, enter new payment methods, or pause/cancel a gift at any time. With online giving, you can forget about writing checks or swinging by the ATM.

If you have any questions, contact Clare (301-884-3123 or Clare.ICC20659@gmail.com).

Roman Catholic Mass on St. Clement's Island

All are welcome to join a Roman Catholic Mass on St. Clement's Island in Colton's Point on **Sunday, October 3rd** beginning at 3:00 pm. This is the site of the Maryland's first colonial landing in 1634 and the birthplace of religious freedom in America. The Mass will be celebrated by - Father Stephen Wyble, Pastor of Holy Angels Church, Avenue, MD and Sacred Heart Church, Bushwood, MD. Join us for a special celebration Blessing of the Fleet Admission: \$10.00 (children 10 and Under: Free) Includes: Free Boat rides to St. Clements Island to attend the Mass as well as Free Admission to St. Clements Island Museum. Sponsored by the Optimist International Friend of the Youth. For more information Contact: John Laychak, Blessing of the Fleet Chairman (410-610-3457 or gamehunter.md@yahoo.com).

Parish Weekly Events

Faith Formation (during the school year)

- Sundays at 8:00 am and 10:00 am (planned to be in-person)

Rosary Recitation

- Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays immediately following Mass in church, as well as Saturdays before the 4:00 pm Mass.
- Saturdays at 12:00 noon outside in Mary's Garden.

Bible Study (in person or online)

- Mondays at 7:00 pm in the Parish Center.

Intercessory Prayer

- Tuesdays at 7:00 pm (online). Contact Tammy Hildebrand (240-346-3933 or hildetpj@md.metrocast.net).

Ladies Auxiliary to the Knights of St. John

- Meetings are the **second Sunday** of each month at 12:00 pm in the Parish Center. Contact Clara Pate (301-645-9439 or CPat923@verizon.net). All Catholic women are welcome.

IC Angels

- Meetings are the **third Sunday** of each month at 12:00 pm in the Parish Center. All Catholic women are welcome.

Knights of St. John

- Meetings are the **first Sunday** of each month at 12:00 pm in the Parish Center.

Knights of Columbus

- Business meetings are held the **second Monday** of each month at 7:00 pm in the **Parish Center**.
- Social meetings are held the **fourth Monday** of each month at 7:00 pm in the **Parish Center**.
- Contact Greg Walcutt (301-751-9950).

St. Vincent de Paul Society (Organization to help those in need)

- Meetings are held the **first Wednesday** of each month at 6:00 pm in the **Parish Center**. All are welcome.

Mary's Garden

Mary's Garden needs some assistance to make it as beautiful as possible. We need help to weed whack around the pond, Mary of Light Shrine, and the Holy Cross. If you would like to volunteer your time, please contact Deacon Bill at 240-577-0923.

Bulletin Item Deadline

All information for the upcoming bulletin needs to be emailed to Clare.IC20659@gmail.com by the close of business on Tuesday. Messages will be edited when necessary.

Faith Formation

Thank you to all who helped make the first day of Faith Formation successful. Gratitude also for everyone working to maintain the requested (Archdiocese-required) safety actions.

The Knights of Columbus monthly breakfast is today (Sunday, 9/19). Some classroom catechists allowed their students to bring food and drink back to the classroom in the past. Or, some classroom catechists would take their classes to the large meeting room to participate in the breakfast. Out of an abundance of caution, a pause of these activities will occur while the Archdiocese has a school building mask mandate. Instead, we encourage families to attend the breakfast as a family outside of class(es).

Congratulations, and thank you if you are reading this information in our parish's Weekly Bulletin. Please encourage others to read this excellent source of information about Faith Formation, parish events, meetings, and other opportunities in print format or on the Web each week. These options are better than bulk emails, which quickly get filtered out by spam filters after the first one or two messages. Email messages are often only accessible on one computer due to the ease of email software. The print version of the Weekly Bulletin is "always on" and easily carried. The Weekly Bulletin web page is available on any device that can display Web pages.

Important Details:

Learning materials for Grades 1 through 8 will include the online resources provided by My Catholic Faith Delivered. In-person and home-school students will use these learning materials and the associated assessments. We will provide usernames and passwords to in-person and home-school students using the email address provided with the Faith Formation registration. When Faith Formation is in session, all people entering the Parish Center must wear a mask covering their nose and mouth regardless of vaccination status. This requirement does not include non-school functions in the large meeting room and directly associated side rooms.

Adults responsible for students currently registered as in-person students in our Faith Formation program may take advantage of the opportunity to home-school their children. A virtual school option is not available at this time. We do offer resources and assistance to our home-schooling families. Please contact Tim Steelman (steelman@faithformation.us) for more details. All of our Faith Formation classes have a classroom catechist. Some of these catechists are teaching two sessions. If you have been considering or have felt a calling to help the children in our parish grow in their knowledge of the faith, please contact Tim Steelman at steelman@faithformation.us for more information. The Faith Formation calendar is now online:

<https://icchurchmd.org/faith-formation-calendar>

Contact Information

Tim Steelman (DRE): steelman@faithformation.us

FlockNote

Would you like to receive updated information as it comes in? Would you like to be able to join us in a prayer request at a moment's notice? FlockNote is a way to receive important messages. Please consider signing up for FlockNote. Just go on our website (ICChurchmd.org) and sign-up today.

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Prayers for the Sick

Please remember the sick members of our parish community in your prayers: Edrena Adams; Glenn Adams; Marie Aley; Pat Anderson; Evelyn Arnold; Chicchina Bailey; Mary Ann Balenger; Michael Balenger; Heather Ballard; Mary Ann Bean; Sr. Rosalie Bean; Vickie Bellet; Wendy Blush; Doris Anne Bradburn; Lorne Brickey; Cassie Michelle Brown; Leroy Buckler, Jr.; Ricky Burroughs; Joy Cheryl Coppage; Jessie Davis; Jimmy Davis; Fr. Eamon Dignan; Fr. Michael Dobbins; Sharon Dombrowski; Josie Economy; J D Elrod; Marsha Fitzmaurice; Michael Ford; Jo-Ann Fredericks; Donna Gardner; Rose Marie Goldsworthy; Stephanie Gonzalez; Judy Gough; David Greene; Iris Hager; Duane Hindt; Thelma Holt; Christopher Holton, Sr.; Scott Hughes; Meagan Humbert; Edie Kans; Chelsea Knopp; Kellie Knopp; Sarah Knopp; Christine Koehler; Linda Sue Kyte; Doris Lawrence; Ralph Lawrence; Ferdinand Locantore; Jean Locantore; Penny Lynn; Doris Martin; Jean Martin; Mike McDonald; Artina Miles; Jennifer Burroughs Murphy; Sandy Nelson; Joan Wood Odell; Joseph Owens; Lisa Durst Owens; Brandy Pennington; Grace Pennington; Bernadine Pilkerton; Jeffrey Pilkerton; Barbara Quade; Carolyn Quade; Denny Raley; John Redding; Laura Redding; Shelly Reinke; Louise Rogers; Dianna Saufley; Elizabeth Shifflette; Joe Shifflette; Linda Kyte Simon; Catherine Smith; James Smith; Patti Smith; Claude Stevens; Eddie Stump; Joey Sweat; Calvert Thomas; Richard Turner; Charlie Waggoner; Edward Wardell; Charlotte Wathen; Rachael Weaver; Terrie Widmayer; and Linda Worthington.

If you would like to add your family member to the sick list, please call the rectory (301-884-3123) or email Clare.ICC20659@gmail.com. Please help us keep our sick list updated.