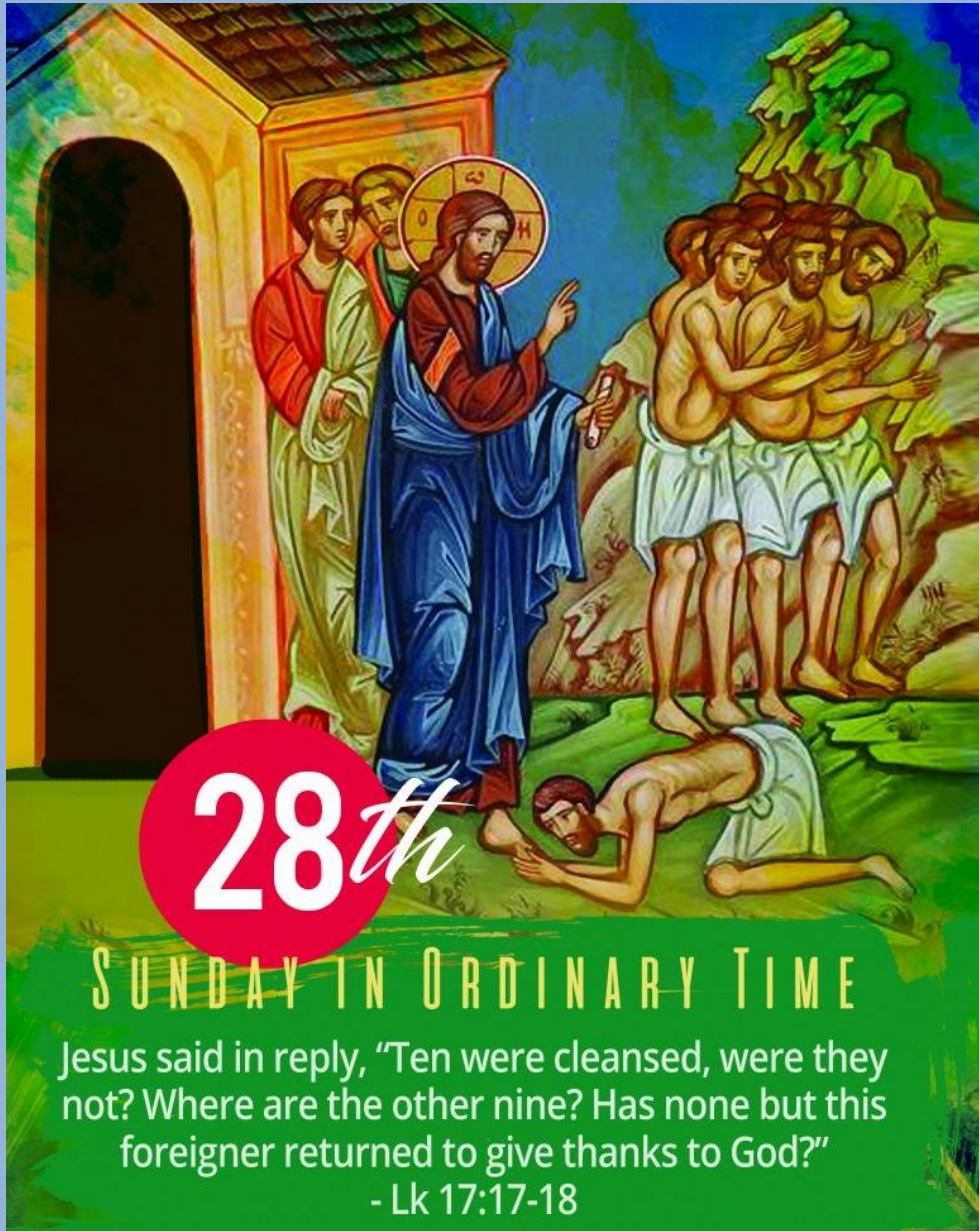


TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
October 12th, 2025



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH

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Welcome to Immaculate Conception Roman Catholic Church

We are glad you are here to join us for worship, or for guidance and instruction in the Catholic faith. If you are **NEW** or coming home, we invite you to register at www.ICChurchMD.org

The Gospel calls all people to holiness of life. Our parish is committed to living the Lord's Teaching, which is to worship God in Word and Sacraments; to live and share the riches of our faith; to serve and care for the poor; and to reconcile ourselves with God and with one another.

PARISH'S CLERGY & STAFF

Clergy: Fr. Paul Nguyen, *administrator*
Deacon Bill Kyte

Staff: Clare Navarra – *administrative assistant*
Mari Kyte – *business manager/bookkeeper*
Joseph Guy, Jr. – *Coordinator of Religious Ed*

MASS & CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Weekend Masses:

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

Weekday Masses:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday at 8:00 am
First Saturday of each month at 9:00 am

Confessions:

Wednesdays 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm
Fridays 8:45 am – 9:30 am
Saturdays 3:00 pm – 3:50 pm

Holy Hour (Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament):

Wednesdays 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm
Fridays, following the 8:00 am Mass until 9:30 am

Rosary Prayer recited after ALL daily Masses, and
30 min before 4pm Saturday vigil Mass.

CELEBRATING THE SACRAMENTS

BAPTISMS

Parishioners should contact the parish office to fill out a baptism registration form and complete a preparation class with Deacon Bill Kyte.

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 that there is enough time to complete the marriage preparation and confirm a wedding date. This must be done before securing a reception venue.

HOLY COMMUNION for the HOMEBOUND

If you wish to have your homebound loved ones receive Holy Communion, please call the parish office.

CATHOLIC EDUCATION

IC Church Youth Faith Formation (Sunday School)

Online registration is now open for Children's Faith Formation (CCD) for the school year 2025-2026. Please visit ICChurchMD.org and click on Faith Formation.

Grades Pre-K-8

Little Flower School – 301-994-0404
Mother Catherine Academy – 301-884-3165

Grades 9-12

Chesterton Academy – 301-800-0227
(Chesterton is located in our Parish Center.)
Ryken High School – 301-475-2814

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, October 11th, 2025

4:00 pm – Travis Davis

Sunday, October 12th, 2025

7:00 am – Roy Morgan, Jr.

9:00 am – Vivian Yorkshire Bonds

11:00 am – Parishioners

Monday, October 13th, 2025

8:00 am – Special Intention

Tuesday, October 14th, 2025

8:00 am – for the intentions of the Neill Family

Wednesday, October 15th, 2025

8:00 am – Margaret M. Slavinski

Friday, October 17th, 2025

8:00 am – Margaret Louise Morgan

Saturday, October 18th, 2025

4:00 pm – Parishioners

Sunday, October 19th, 2025

7:00 am – Robert Richardson

9:00 am – for the intentions of the Neill Family

11:00 am – Joe Luskus

REFLECTION ON OUR READINGS

Gratitude is the key to a stewardship way of life. Today's readings demonstrate the power and vital importance of gratitude in the life of the Christian disciple, for gratitude leads us to worship God who offers us salvation.

We see the power of gratitude on display in the Gospel passage from Luke after Jesus heals ten lepers. "And one of them, realizing he had been healed, returned." Only one of the ten recognized the tremendous blessing he had received from Jesus and returned to thank him. While it's easy to feel indignant at the failure of the nine others to return and thank Jesus, how often do we fail to recognize the blessings, answered prayers, and healings (both physical and spiritual) that the Lord showers upon us, day and night?

The truth is that our very lives and every breath we take are His gift to us. But we can get so caught up in the stresses and distractions of daily life that we lose touch with this truth.

The Samaritan reacts to his gift of healing with the proper response to our loving God. Recognizing what he had just received from the Lord, he "returned, glorifying God in a loud voice; and he fell at the feet of Jesus and thanked Him." He was grateful for what God had done for him, and this gratitude led to worship.

And because of this response, Jesus offered him a far more precious gift than physical healing; He offered him the gift of salvation. "Stand up and go; your faith has saved you."

Too often, we hear the phrase, "Count your blessings," and write it off as nothing more than a trite saying. Today's Gospel shows us otherwise. Gratitude is powerful. It deepens our faith in God and leads us to fitting worship of Him.

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Parish Finance Information

The **Regular Collection** last week was \$9,959.50.
The **Renovation Collection** last week was \$3,269.30.
Thank you for your generous donations!!

Online Giving

Online Giving is a way to give electronic donations through our website. You set the amount, how often and which collections you would like to donate to by visiting ICChurchMD.org/donations. If you have any questions or need help with this process, please contact Clare (301-884-3123 or ImmaculateConception.MD@adw.org). To make changes to your existing account please visit: ICChurchMD.org/payments.

Parish News & Announcements

Rectory Office Closed

The rectory office is closed on **Monday, October 13th** in observance of Columbus Day.

OCIA

Do you know someone who is interested in becoming Catholic or learn more about the faith? For anyone interested in this program please visit: icchurchmd.org/ocia. OCIA Class will be held every Saturday from 7:00– 8:30 am in the Parish Center.

Parish Picnic – Postponed til Sunday, October 26th

from 4:00 pm – 9:00 pm

Are you ready to come out and enjoy a fun-filled evening with fellow parishioners? How does hayrides, a moon-bounce for the kids, games, pumpkin carving or painting and more sound? Oh and don't forget the bonfire! Please consider bringing a side dish or dessert to share with others. We will supply the hamburgers and hotdogs and condiments.

Faith Formation

Beginning in October, on the second Sunday of each month, all faith formation classes will attend the 9:00 am Mass together. This will be a wonderful opportunity for our children to experience the liturgy as a community. Classes will start at 8:00 am and conclude at 8:50 am, allowing sufficient time for students to walk to IC Church with their teachers and classmates. The 8th-grade students will participate in the children's Mass during the second week of October, and in November, the 7th-grade Faith Formation students will take part.

Parents, please remember to pick up your children at the conclusion of Mass, from where they will be sitting together as a class.

Please take note of the following important dates:

- **May 4:** 7:00 PM - Confirmation Practice
- **May 5:** 7:00 PM - Confirmation Mass
- **May 8:** 5:30 PM - First Holy Communion Practice
- **May 9:** 9:00 AM - Saturday First Holy Communion

Fr. Paul beautifully reminded us that prioritizing Mass on weekends is not just a tradition; it is an essential way to nourish our faith and connect with God's grace. Our children closely observe our choices, so we must model our commitment to faith and community.

Blessings, JC Guy (CRE - ICC)

**Items for the Upcoming Bulletin must be emailed by
Tuesday at 4 pm to
ImmaculateConception.MD@adw.org.**

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Prayers for the Sick

Please remember the sick members of our parish community in your prayers. Especially: James Abatemarco; Edrena Adams; Matt Armstrong; Matt Armsworthy; Evelyn Arnold; Ann Becker; Alex Beklik; Debbie Bennett; Rita Bond; Rosalia Britt; Betty Brown; Gary Buchanan; David Calvano; Ann Cary; Stephen Calvano; Justin Casselman; Dan Clark; Fr. Rory Conley; Jimmy Davis; June Davis; Christine DeMauro; Donna Dixon; Tim Downey; Cindy Ford; Karen Ford; Pam Gill; Marco Glorioso; Baby Herycki; John Hildebrand; Sam Howard; BK; Barbara Lilly; Clare Malloy; Amber Martinez; Jeff McBride; Carolyn Mosley; Chase Paschal; Gary Raum; Linda Richter; Robey Family; Harry Rogers; Barbara Rottman; Jo Samrow; Ignatius Thomas; Joyce Thomas; Quinn Thompson; Mike Turner; Cliff Vasko; Sandra Vera; Zita Walker; Mary Walsh; Marian Watts; Pat Watts; Marie Weisenberger; Betty Williams; Lily Williams; Terrie Widmayer; Regina Williams; Nicky Winters and Sarah Zsak.

Military Prayer List

Please remember those of our parish community whose loved ones have been deployed to serve overseas. Especially: Hunter Ayers, Matthew Davis, Davon Eaton, Taryn Eaton-Peoples, Connery Guy and Paige Guy.