

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

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NOVEMBER 9, 2025 | THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA

WELCOME!

No matter what your present status in the Catholic Church, no matter what your current family and marital situation, no matter what your personal history, age, background, race, etc., no matter what your own self-image, you are invited, welcomed, accepted, loved and respected here.

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Mon - Wed

9:00am - 2:00pm

MASS SCHEDULE

LORD'S DAY MASSES

Saturday Vigil: 4:00pm

Sunday: 7:30am, 10:00am

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday - Thursday: 9:00am

CONFESSION

Saturday: 3:00 pm - 3:30 pm

Or By Appointment

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THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA

His disciples recalled the words of Scripture,
Zeal for your house will consume me. - Jn 2:17

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SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 8

Vigil of The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

4:00pm † Dorothy Groden, by family

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 9

The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

7:30am Gertrude McDermott (Birthday), by family

10:00am † Bishop Daniel Reilly

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 10

Saint Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church

9:00am Cristina Co (Birthday), by family

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 11

Saint Martin of Tours, Bishop

9:00am All living and deceased Military Service members

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 12

Saint Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr

9:00am The Forgotten Souls in Purgatory

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 13

Saint Francis Xavier Cabrini, Virgin

9:00 am The Forgotten Souls in Purgatory

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 15

Vigil of the 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00pm † Edward Groden, by family

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16

The 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30am † Jackie Kohl, by a friend

10:00am † Denise Carlson, by her husband

CATHOLIC SACRAMENTS

INFANT BAPTISM

Celebrated on Saturdays at 2:00pm or Sundays at 11:30am. Please contact the church office.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FOR CHILDREN

From grades Pre-K to 11. Contact our Religious Education Administrator, Mary Sycks at 508-868-8119.

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For adults seeking full admission into the church through baptism, confirmation & eucharist. Please call the church office for registration which takes place during September.

ADULT CONFIRMATION

For Catholics who received first communion but have not yet been confirmed a diocesan-wide adult (18+) Confirmation celebration is offered every year in February at the Cathedral of St. Paul in Worcester. If interested, please contact the church office.

HOLY ORDERS

To learn more about the Permanent Diaconate, contact Diaconate Director Deacon Donald Pegg (617) 794-7702. To learn more about the Priesthood, contact Rev. Donate Infante at 508-630-4473.

HOLY MATRIMONY

Contact the Pastor at least six months in advance.

ANointing OF THE SICK & COMMUNION CALLS

Please call the office when a parishioner is confined at home, in the hospital, or placed in a nursing home. If there is an urgent need, dial the emergency extension.



Eternal rest grant unto them,
O Lord; and let perpetual
light shine upon them.

May the souls of the faithful
departed, through the mercy
of God, rest in peace.
Amen.

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GIVING TREE

On **November 15/16 and 22/23**, the Giving Tree will be filled with 110 tags for needy families and seminarians of our diocese. This project is coordinated by the Urban Ministries of Our Lady of Hope in Worcester, also known as The Little Store.

For Children: There are no restrictions on the number of tags you can take. Items range from inexpensive toys to winter jackets. Although there will be 2 gifts listed on each tag, only 1 gift is necessary. You will have 2 weeks to purchase the item you choose. **Be sure the giving tag is attached securely to the outside of your unwrapped gift.** No Christmas wrapping paper, no batteries, no food are allowed. **Return gifts in ordinary plastic bags by Sunday, December 7, by 11:00 a.m.**

For the seminarians: Please mail your gift card in the envelope attached to each tag. It has the address and the name of the seminarian who will receive your gift.

Questions? Call or text Michelle Deignan at 508-596-4778. Our sincere thanks for your help with the Giving Tree Project.

ALTAR GUILD

Join our Altar Guild to begin the spirit of Christmas at our Church. Prepare giving tree tags and hang on the Giving Tree on **Friday, November 14, 9:00 a.m.** in the Church. With plenty of helping hands, this task will take no more than 1 hour. Questions? Call or text Michelle Deignan at 508-596-4778.

TABERNACLE RESTORATION

Our silver tabernacle and sanctuary lamp have been sent for a much-needed re-plating. This tabernacle has been a part of our sanctuary since the foundation of the church in 1956 and it was notoriously worn out. The cost of this restoration will be around **\$14,000**. If you would like to assist us in paying for this, feel free to put your donation in an envelope with the memo: "tabernacle restoration" and place it in the collection basket. To date we have received **\$6,795** in donations. Thank you for your generosity.

COAT DRIVE

There will be a coat drive to support families of the St. Vincent de Paul Society. The coat drive will run on **11/8 & 11/9 and 11/15 & 11/16**. There will be bins at the entrances of the church for you to donate clean washed coats with no-rips. All sizes are welcome (infant, child and adult). Thank you for your support!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Religious Education classes take place on Sunday, November 9th, 8:45AM-9:45AM for children in K through 10th grade. Confirmation Class takes place at 11:00am-12:00pm at the Fr. Connors Center.

RECONCILIATION CLASS

During the week, our young people who are preparing to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time will be reflecting on the gift of forgiveness. Join them by reflecting on how you have given and received the gift of forgiveness in your life.

ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED

Altar Servers perform a very important and much needed role in liturgical services. This role includes assisting the presider so that the liturgy can be conducted with grace and reverence. It enables the presider to focus on leading all present through word, prayer and the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass.

Immaculate Conception is recruiting boys and girls for its Altar Server Ministry. The Altar Server Ministry is a special opportunity for children to participate in the life of the parish as they serve our Lord at the Altar. Altar Servers must be Baptized, have received their First Holy Communion, and be in the third grade or higher. Training is required. If you and your child(ren) are interested in pursuing this ministry, please contact Mary Sycks.

WOMEN'S PRAYER GROUP

The next gathering of the Women's Prayer Group will be **Saturday, November 15 at 9am** in the Coffee Shop. This will be a special gathering, called **PRAYER AND PIE!** We will pray, reflect on what we are thankful for, and enjoy various savory and sweet pies. All are welcome! For more info, please email Bridget Klofft, at bridgetbakes@yahoo.com

BAKERS NEEDED

We need bakers for the upcoming Church Fair! If you are interested in helping, please contact Alejandro Castro at 909-519-7663

CHURCH FAIR

Saturday, November 22, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Fr. Connors' Center. There will be food, door prizes, vendors, 50/50 raffle, raffle of gift cards and baskets. **Santa is coming to town from 1 pm to 3 pm.** Take pictures with him. Cash and Venmo accepted. For questions call/message Alejandro at 909-519-7663 or email at el1ercoach@yahoo.com

BISHOP'S HOLIDAY DINNER

We are about a month away from Catholic Charities Worcester County's Bishop's Holiday Dinner on Thanksgiving Day, and we are in need of compassionate volunteers to help make this meaningful event possible. Your time and support can make a real difference as we come together to serve individuals in our community who are facing hardship during the holiday season.

There are several volunteer opportunities available, including:

- Meal Packaging
- Meal Deliveries
- Sit Down Dinner

If you're available to volunteer on Thanksgiving Day or Christmas Day, we'd be grateful for your support. Please use the link below to sign up for the opportunities that work best for you:

<https://www.ccworc.org/bishopsdinnervolunteer/>

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

Peanut Butter, Jelly, Cereal, Pasta Sauce, Pancake Mix, Syrup, Tuna Cans, variety of canned soup, canned mixed vegetables.

The holiday season is upon us and there is an **increase in the need for food.** The Food Pantry group and the guests appreciate your generosity.

HYMNAL READINGS: 1044

Sunday: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17/Jn 2:13-22

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Wis 1:1-7/Ps 139:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8, 9-10/Lk 17:1-6

Tuesday: Wis 2:23-3:9/Ps 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19/Lk 17:7-10

Wednesday: Wis 6:1-11/Ps 82:3-4, 6-7/Lk 17:11-19

Thursday: Wis 7:22b-8:1/Ps 119:89, 90, 91, 130, 135, 175/Lk 17:20-25

Friday: Wis 13:1-9/Ps 119:1, 2, 10, 11, 17, 18/Lk 17:26-37

Saturday: Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9/Ps 105:2-3, 36-37, 42-43/Lk 18:1-8

Next Sunday: Mal 3:19-20a/Ps 98:5-6, 7-8, 9 (see 9)/2 Thes 3:7-12/Lk 21:5-19

*The waters of the river gladden the city
of God, the holy dwelling of the
Most High!
(PS 46)*



THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

(AMOUNTS INCLUDE ELECTRONIC GIVING)

Weekend of November 1 & 2, 2025

Sunday Ordinary	\$	3,355.00
Fuel	\$	185.00
All Saints	\$	210.00
All Souls	\$	397.00