

CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

35 MOUNTAIN AVENUE, SOMERVILLE, NEW JERSEY 08876

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December 22, 2019
Fourth Sunday of Advent

Weekend Masses

Saturday—5:00PM

Sunday

7:30AM, 9:00AM, 11:00AM,
in English and 1:00PM in
Spanish

Holy Day Eve (Vigil) 7:00PM

Holy Day

6:30AM, 8:30AM,
12:10PM, and 7:00PM IN
ENGLISH & 8:30PM IN
SPANISH

Daily Masses

6:30 and 8:00AM

*Note: September to
June the schedule
changes as follows:*

Friday, 6:30 and 8:30AM
First Friday, 6:30, 8:30
and 10:15AM

Religious Formation

Grades: K-8:

Monday—4:00-5:15PM
6:15-7:30PM

Wednesday—4:00-5:15PM
6:15-7:30PM

Confessions

Saturday	Sunday
4:00–5:00PM	10:15–
7:30–8:00PM	10:45AM

CONFESIONES EN ESPAÑOL
DOMINGO 12-12:45PM

Parish Center

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Monday through Thursday, 9:00AM–8:00PM

Friday, 9:00AM–5:00PM

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Schools

Immaculata High School:

(908) 722-0200 www.immaculatahighschool.org

Ms. Joan Silo, Ed.S. *Head of School*

Immaculate Conception School:

(908) 725-6516 www.icssschool.org

Mr. Jeffrey Martinelli, MA, *Principal*

Liturgy and Prayer This Week

Parish Mission

*Immaculate Conception is a parish of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Metuchen, New Jersey. We seek to live the gospel as faithful **Disciples** of Jesus Christ. As **Stewards** of our God given gifts we proclaim the good news of salvation. Empowered by the Holy Spirit we are commissioned as **Apostles** to transform all things in Christ.*

Mass Intentions

Monday, December 23, St. John of Kanty

6:30AM PHERO LANG HUYNH

8:00AM ANGEL EDANG

Tuesday, December 24, Christmas Eve

8:00AM JACK REDMOND

5:00PM CHRISTMAS EVE MASS

7:30PM CHRISTMAS EVE MASS

12:00AM CHRISTMAS MIDNIGHT MASS

Wednesday, December 25, The Nativity of the

Lord

9:00AM BISHOP HUGHES

11:00AM CAROLYN NORRIS

1:00PM FOR THE UNBORN BABIES IN THE WOMB

Thursday, December 26, St. Stephen

8:00AM JAMES & FLORENCE LONGO

Friday, December 27, St. John

6:30AM ISABELLE DAVIS

8:30AM INTS. OF MARA DOMIDER

Saturday, December 28, The Holy Innocents

6:30AM ROLANDO MENDOZA

8:00AM FLORA FERER

5:00PM FOR THE PEOPLE OF OUR PARISH

Sunday, December 29, The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

7:30AM JOSEPH CHARLES FRITCH & CONCETTA LOBUE

9:00AM NICOLETTA FAZAN

11:00AM JOSEPH & GLORIA MANTELLA

1:00PM PETER CASTELE

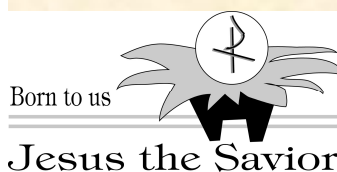
Scripture Readings For This Week

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Sunday, December 22, 2019

Today's Readings:

Is 7:10-14 Ps 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 Rom 1:1-7 Mt 1:18-24



December 23: Mal 3:1-4, 23-24 Ps 25:4ab, 8-9, 10 and 14 Lk 1:57-66

December 24: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16 Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29 Lk 1:67-79

December 25: Is 52:7-10 Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6 Heb 1:1-6 Jn 1:1-18

December 26: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59 Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 8ab, 16bc and 17 Mt 10:17-22

December 27: 1 Jn 1:1-4 Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12 Jn 20:1a, 2-8

December 28: 1 Jn 1:5—2;2 Ps 124:2-3, 4-5, 7cd-8 Mt 2:13-18

December 29: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 Col 3:12-21 Mt 2:13-15, 19-23

Rosary

The Rosary will be recited every Monday at 2:00PM in the Chapel. All are welcome.

The Rosary For Life is the first Saturday of the month at 8:30AM in the Chapel.

Novena and Evening Prayer

This service takes place every Monday in the Chapel, beginning with the Rosary at 7:00PM, followed by the Perpetual Novena Devotion in honor of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal and Evening Prayer at 7:30PM.

Adoration & Exposition:

Mon. 8pm-Tues. 6am; Tues. 8:30am-6pm; Thur. 9pm-Fri. 6am; Fri. 9am-6pm.

Divine Mercy Chaplet:

The Divine Mercy Chaplet is recited every Tuesday evening at 7:00PM in the Chapel.

Baptisms



Baptisms are celebrated in *English* on the 2nd and 4th Saturday of the month at 11AM and on the 3rd Sunday within the 11 AM Mass. Baptisms in *Spanish* are on the 1st and 3rd Saturday of the month at 11:00AM. Catholic parents are obliged to attend a preparation session before the baptism of their 1st and 2nd child. We recommend parents attend this class prior to the birth of their child. These preparation classes are held on the first Tuesday of the month at 7:30PM in the Parish Center in English and on the first Monday of every month at 7:30PM in Spanish at the Nazareth House. To register for the baptism of a child, call 725-1112. The next available session in English: is 1/7/2020.

Stewardship. A Way of Life Tithing, God's Plan For Giving



**Our next Food Collection is
1/18 & 1/19/2020**



**Our next Penny Collection
is 1/4 & 1/5/20**

The Fourth Sunday of Advent December 22

"When Joseph awoke, he did as the angel of the Lord had commanded him and took his wife into his home." (Matthew 1:24)

Putting our complete trust in the Lord without expecting anything in return. Striving to put God first in all things and follow Him wherever He may lead us. As we prepare for the birth of our Lord, pray for the strength and courage to be a model of discipleship, just as Joseph was.



Christmas Collection

Our Christmas Collection is a very important part of our overall annual budget. We encourage all parishioners to give prayerful reflection to your Christmas donation to our church. Please use the envelope you received in the mail or pick one up in the vestibules and use it to "wrap" your gift to God and His Church just as you would wrap any other Christmas gift. Let your gift be truly a sacrifice, a reflection of your love for your church and your desire to see a more effective and widespread proclamation of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. We thank you and embrace your gift and you the giver. Have a Blessed Christmas.



Or you may give electronically through FaithDirect, or Parish QR code, just scan it to your phone to get access to Faith Direct!
Have a Blessed Christmas.



Msgr. Brennan

This Week at a Glance

MONDAY, DECEMBER 23

2:00PM ROSARY—CHAPEL

NO CFF

7:00PM NOVENA

7:30PM CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER GRP—NH 2

8:00PM MONDAY —6AM TUESDAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION—CHAPEL

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 24, CHRISTMAS EVE

NO ACTIVITIES; NO ADORATION, PARISH CENTER CLOSED

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 25, CHRISTMAS

NO ACTIVITIES; NO ADORATION, NO CFF, PARISH CENTER CLOSED

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 26

NO ACTIVITIES; NO ADORATION, PARISH CENTER CLOSED. ONE MORNING MASS AT 8:00AM

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 27

NO ACTIVITIES

9:00AM-12:00 NOON EUCHARISTIC ADORATION—CHAPEL

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 28

9:00AM CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER SOJOURNERS—TR

9:00AM BIBLE STUDY—NH 1

11:00AM BAPTISMS—CHURCH

8:00PM AA—CAFÉ

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 29, THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH

ENGLISH MASSES: 7:30AM, 9:00AM, 11:00AM, SPANISH MASS: 1:00PM

9:00AM RCIA—ST ANNE

10:15-10:45AM CONFESSIONS—CHURCH

12-12:45PM CONFESIONES EN ESPAÑOL—CHURCH

Parish Center Holiday Office Hours:



The Parish Center will be closed on 12/24 thru 12/26. The Office reopens on Friday, 12/27 at 9AM. On Friday 12/27, the office will be open from 9AM to 2PM. The Parish Center will be closed on Tuesday, 12/31 and will reopen Thursday, 1/2 at 9AM.

Immaculate Conception Church

Pro-Life Corner



The angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for behold, I proclaim to you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. For today in the city of David a Savior has been born for you who is Messiah and Lord." (Luke 2:10-11). This proclamation should fill us with overwhelming joy. God, the Creator of the universe, loves us so much that He has taken on our human nature to offer Himself as our salvation. He comes to serve and save us all. Christmas has changed everything for humanity. Christmas teaches us that God, by becoming one of us, has infused each human life with profound dignity and sacredness. Christ the Savior becomes man for the benefit of all who share human nature, including the child in the womb. We are given the example of Mary and Joseph in how we are to value human life, especially human life at its earliest stages. Mary gives us the example of a young mother with an "unplanned" pregnancy who proved that by following God's will in her life she could overcome her apparent impossible circumstances. Joseph gives us the example of a man who does not abandon a young mother even though his culture would say he has no obligation to this child and mother. And they both give us the example of parents who risk all to keep their child safe. Mary's "Yes" to God in accepting to become the mother of Jesus, and Joseph's acceptance of God's will that he protect Mary and the Child Jesus, transformed the future for all humanity. As Mary and Joseph cherished and protected Jesus from the time of His conception, we too are to realize that all children in the womb are made in the image and likeness of God, and are to be cherished and protected as was Jesus. The good news of Christmas is applied to all. Jesus has come for all - for you personally, for the just conceived boy or girl living in their mother's womb, for the elderly, for those forgotten by others, for those living in poverty, for those gravely ill - He excludes nobody. By becoming man, God gives us a resounding affirmation of the goodness and value of each human life. It is up to us to spread the joy and message of Christmas to all we come in contact with and move our world to embrace the Culture of Life. Welcome the Savior this Christmas with gratitude and a realization of what God has done for you and all of humanity. As Jesus has taught us, let each of us be an advocate for the Culture of Life and live the Christmas message bearing witness to the sanctity of all human life.

Submitted by Kevin Dugan



A Blessed Christmas and Happy New Year!

On behalf of the priests, deacons, and parish staff, I wish all our parishioners, visitors and guests a very blessed Christmas and a Happy New Year. We hope you can join us in worship as we celebrate on **Wednesday, January 1st for the Solemnity of Mary, Mother God, and January 5th for the Epiphany of the Lord.** If we can be of service to you or your family, please do not hesitate to call the church office at 908-725-1112 or email us at cjanuse@icsomerville.org. For information on our ministries and programs go to our website at www.immaculateconception.org

Msgr. Brennan

HOLIDAY BULLETIN DEADLINE

Take note: all bulletin submissions for the 1/5/20 bulletin must be emailed to cjanuse@icsomerville.org on Friday, 12/20/19 by 12 noon.



Remember Our Sick



Prayers Requests for our Parish Sick:

Mary Ellen (Mimi) Brown
Sharon Connors
Elaine & Donald Grimm
Milton & Mary Januse
Josephine Marchetti
Vincent Menci
Richard Moody
Rebecca Pierce
Chelsea Rivard
Bill & Marilyn Silvaney
William Sternadori
Sheila White

To request to be placed on the Parish prayer list for the sick listed in the bulletin, please contact the Parish Center at 908-725-1112 to complete the necessary registration.

Advent/Christmas Schedule 2019

Immaculate Conception, Somerville

Sundays of Advent: Dec. 1, 8, 15, 22

Regular Mass Schedule

Saturday: 5:00 PM Vigil Mass

Sunday: 7:30, 9:00, 11:00 AM in English and 1:00 PM in Spanish

Tuesday, December 24th (Christmas Eve Masses)

5:00 PM, 7:30 PM and 12:00 MIDNIGHT

★ (The 5PM is the children's Mass – and there is a nativity play before mass about 4:50 pm. Musical Meditations on the Nativity before Midnight Mass starting at 11:15 PM)

Wednesday, December 25 (Christmas Day)

9:00 AM, AND 11:00 AM in English

1:00 PM in Spanish

Sunday, December 29 (The Feast of the Holy Family)

Saturday: 5:00 PM Vigil Mass, Sunday: 7:30, 9:00, 11:00 AM in English and 1:00 PM in Spanish

Wednesday, January 1 (Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God)

VIGIL MASS 5:00 PM ON TUESDAY DECEMBER 31ST,

WEDNESDAY 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM, 11:00AM in English and 1:00 PM in Spanish

Sunday, January 5 (The Epiphany of the Lord) and January 12, (The Baptism of the Lord.)

Saturday 5:00 PM Vigil Mass, Sunday: 7:30, 9:00 and 11:00 AM in English and 1:00 PM in Spanish

Schedule of Confessions

Saturday, December 14: 4:00-5:00 PM; 7:00-8:00 PM

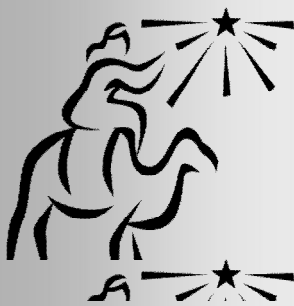
Monday, December 16: 4:00-5:00 PM AND 7:00-8:00 PM

Tuesday, December 17: 7:00-8:00 PM

Saturday, December 21: 12 Noon—1:00 PM; 4:00-5:00 PM; 7:30-8:00 PM

Saturday, December 28: 4:00-5:00 PM; No Evening Confessions

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Social Ministry

SHIP's Galley is a service provided by the Samaritan Homeless Interim Program as a response to the need for an on-site meal program to feed the hungry in our region. It is run through the efforts of Faith Communities and other volunteers whose purpose is to provide a nutritious meal to those in need. Our parish



provides two teams of volunteers for SHIP on the first Wednesday of each month. One team prepares food and the other serves the food at St. John's Episcopal Church in Somerville. **We are most in need of volunteers to prepare food for this endeavor.** Would you please consider taking a small amount of your time to prepare a casserole, side dish, salad, sandwiches or to shop to purchase bread, milk, or fruit for this meal program? The food should be prepared or purchased in order to be dropped off at the Parish Center on the first Tuesday of the month. The food is then delivered to the Galley on the following day to be heated and served. If you would be so generous to assist with this tremendous need, you will be contacted by phone regarding your assigned food. You do not need to commit to every month in order to assist. You may assist according to your availability. This is a wonderful opportunity to get your family involved with an effort to serve those who go without one of the basic needs to survive - food. In addition to nourishing the body, you also nourish the soul. *If you would like more information or to schedule yourself for future SHIP Galley dates, please contact Jeanine Cavanagh, at 725-1112 x1126 or contact Janet Pernini, at 908-725-9294 or email janetpernini@aol.com. Thanks for your consideration.*

Saint Peregrine Ministry



St. Peregrine Ministry is an outreach of our parish family to address the needs of those diagnosed with cancer. It is a like to like ministry connecting parishioners who are cancer survivors, healthcare workers, or others who can closely relate to people struggling with cancer, to those who are presently diagnosed. Currently, we have ministers who have experience with various forms of cancer, chemotherapy, radiation therapy, major surgery, loss of loved ones, successful cancer treatments, and those who are healthcare workers in the area of oncology. It is a goal of the St. Peregrine Ministry to find a comparable match between a volunteer minister and a recently diagnosed parishioner in need of support. If you, or someone you know is struggling with a cancer related illness, or if you are interested in becoming a St. Peregrine Minister, please contact Jim and Jeanine Cavanagh at 725-1112 x1126

Mothers of Immaculate Conception Church -You are invited to an overnight Mothers' Retreat entitled

A Mother's Sorrow is Mary's Sorrow

Hope and Strength in Times of Suffering Through the Seven Sorrows of Mary



"The painful pieces of Mary's life help us to get through our own rough-edged moments. We see how she too questioned what was confusing and unclear, how she needed others to be with her in her pain, how she reflected her experiences in order to find meaning. We also see how her faith sustained her, and how her Son gave her the strength to endure. We discover that we are not alone in what is most difficult for us.

By entering into the sorrows of Mary we can find a vast resource of courage and wisdom. After the storm has passed and the pain has ceased, wisdom and tenderness often bloom in the garden of our hearts." ~Joyce Rupp

Sponsored by our Office of Social Ministry Saturday, February 29, 2020 beginning at 8:00 a.m. through, Sunday, March 1, 2020 at 1:30 p.m.
Held at The Franciscan Retreat House,

Easton, Pennsylvania. Join us for a week-end of prayer, reflection, sharing and growth, given *by moms for moms* that will spiritually enhance your mothering. There will be an opportunity for reconciliation on Saturday. Eucharist will be celebrated on Sunday. The cost of this retreat is \$140 all-inclusive. For more information, please call: Debbie Scott (908) 217-4715 or DTY-ALJ@aol.com

March For Life - SAVE THE

DATE: Our Parish will sponsor the annual bus trip to participate in the March for Life in Washington, DC on **Friday, January 24, 2020.**
See Insert for more details.

Have a Blessed Christmas & New Year!



For unto us a
Savior is born

12 day Holy Land Pilgrimage with Msgr. Brennan, Thomas Smith and Kelly Wahlquist

Millions of pilgrims are now visiting the Holy Land every year. Immaculate Conception parish and Msgr. Seamus Brennan have created a once in a lifetime itinerary with two of the most sought after Catholic authors and teachers: Thomas Smith and Kelly Wahlquist as our guides. Visit Bethlehem, Calvary, the Tomb of Jesus, the Garden of Gethsemane, Nazareth, Mount Carmel, Capernaum, the Sea of Galilee, Cana, Mount Tabor, and more. Space will be limited and we expect it will fill very quickly. Our parish community has the first opportunity to fill the spots. On 9/1 this pilgrimage was advertised nationally. We will depart on 6/16/20 and return on June 27. Brochures are in the vestibules. Please contact the New Evangelization office at 908-725-1112 ext 1124 or 908-635-7900 with questions. For a more information click here. <https://selectinternationaltours.com/product/thomas/>

Childrens Faith Formation



The Office of Children's Faith Formation would like to wish all of our families a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Please be reminded that there is no class on Dec. 23, 25, 30, 2019 and January 1, 2020. Classes will resume on January 6 and January 8, 2020.

God Bless, Karen A. Bohler, CFF Director

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2020 Children's Envelopes

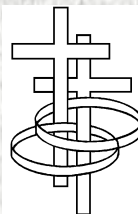
Boxed childrens church envelopes for calendar year 2020 are available for pick up in the

church vestibules. Each box contains 52 envelopes, one for each Sunday of the year. Please take the entire box and use according to date on envelope. All childrens contributions are reported separately and are used exclusively for charity and not for annual operational costs. Any contribution, a nickel, a quarter or more is deeply appreciated. The amount is not an issue but rather forming the habit of thinking of others and giving back in gratitude to God for the blessings He has given us.

The 2020 Church Calendars are available at all entrances. We are grateful to *Cusick Funeral Home*, *VanArsdale Funeral Home* and *Bongiovi Funeral Home* for their kindness in providing these calendars.

Wedding Banns

As this couple prepares to meet Christ in the Sacrament of Matrimony, let us pray that their relationship will grow in Him.



FIRST Stephanie Peppe, Immaculate Conception Church, Somerville, NJ/
Michael Daley/Somerville, NJ

Marriage Encounter



Now that fall is here, why not treat yourselves to a Marriage Encounter Weekend?

A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend gives you the time and tools to revitalize romance, deepen communication, and nourish the spirituality in your marriage.

The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend will be held January 24 -26.

Please register by January 10, as space is limited. Phone **1-732-904-9636** for registration and information.

Visit us at: www.aweekendforyourmarriage.org for more information.

30 Days to the Devout Life: A Fresh Approach to a Timeless Classic



Are you feeling stuck in your spiritual life? Do you wish you had a spiritual director to help you navigate desolation and make a spiritual plan that fits your life?

St. Francis de Sales wrote his classic *Introduction to the Devout Life* precisely to meet these needs. But, his book is filled with so much wisdom, that it can leave us not knowing where to begin!

So, I've organized this classic into a step by step process called, *30 Days to the Devout Life: A Fresh Approach to a Timeless Classic*. Join us to get "unstuck" in your spiritual life.

Bio:

Blake Robinson writes at JoyOfDevotion.org, where he draws from the wisdom of St. Francis de Sales to help you have more joy in your spiritual life, find the hidden sins slowing your progress, and orient your prayer towards growing in holiness. He lives with his wife in Somerset, NJ, where he works as a computer programmer.

January 22, 2020 at 7:00 pm at The Theater at Immaculata High School 240 Mountain Ave., Somerville, NJ.

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Parish Directory

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- **Appalachian Relief Services**
- **Camp Fatima of NJ/Mentally Disabled**
- **Elizabeth Ministry**
- **Interfaith Hospitality Network-shelters homeless**
- **Habitat for Humanity**
- **Hospital Ministry**
- **Monthly Food Collection**
- **Monthly Penny Collection for SHIP**
- **Nursing Home Visitations**
- **Parish Nursing Program**
- **Pro-Life Outreach**
- **St. Joseph Workers**
- **Samaritan Homeless Interim Program (SHIP)**
 - SHIP's Galley—*Serving or preparing meals*
 - SHIP's Mobile Kitchen—*Serving meals*
 - SHIP's SOS Unit—*personal hygiene items*
- **St. Peregrine Ministry—Cancer Outreach**
- **St. Zita Ministry—Judy Hancock, 908-432-2371**
- **Project Linus —Lynette Klar**
- **Persons with Disabilities—Regina Tegeler, 908-963-8473**
- **MATthew 25 Ministry – Anne Lurski, 908-285-4326**
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† Liturgia y Oración esta Semana †

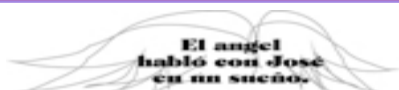


Boletín en Español CUARTO DOMINGO DE ADVIENTO

22 de Diciembre del 2019



Lecturas del Domingo



Primera Lectura: Isías 7:10-14

Acáz recibe de Isaías una profecía que indica que será exitoso en la guerra y es exhortado a pedir una señal de que la profecía es verdadera. La señal es "La joven está encinta y va a tener un hijo, al que pondrá por nombre Emanuel."

Segunda Lectura: Romanos 1:1-7

Pablo saluda a los romanos señalando que Jesús es el Cristo que les fue prometido en las escrituras. El, Pablo, es el apóstol favorecido con el encargo de dar a conocer el nombre de Cristo a todos.

Evangelio: San Mateo 1:18-24

En una corta, directa y simple narrativa, Mateo cuenta los eventos que culminan con el nacimiento de Jesús. Cuenta de la aparición del ángel a José en un sueño y recalca que "Todo esto sucedió para que se cumpliera lo que el Señor había dicho por medio del profeta."

Intención de la Santa Misa 22 de Diciembre, 2019

Dora Tíncoco

**Que tengas una Bendita
Navidad & ¡Año Nuevo!
Porque para
nosotros
Nació un Salvador**



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Mensaje Espiritual



"Por él hemos recibido la gracia y la misión apostólica, a fin de conducir a la obediencia de la fe, para la gloria de su Nombre, a todos los pueblos paganos, entre los cuales se encuentran también ustedes, que han sido llamados por Jesucristo. A todos los que están en Roma, amados de Dios, llamados a ser santos, llegue la gracia y la paz, que proceden de Dios, nuestro Padre, y del Señor Jesucristo."

¿Ha contado cuántas tarjetas de Navidad recibe? ¿Las clasifica como religiosas, fotos familiares, o seculares? A veces una tarjeta expresa cómo piensa la gente de usted, o de la época de Navidad. Estamos a punto de celebrar el nacimiento de Cristo. ¿No es el pasaje de San Pablo a los romanos un bello deseo navideño? Puede que no estemos en Roma, pero su interés en los que Dios ama es muy claro. Primero, pertenecemos a Jesucristo. Segundo, somos llamados a la santidad. Tercero, nos desea la gracia. Cuatro, la paz es el resultado de la presencia del Señor.

Que las bendiciones de Cristo descendan sobre usted y los suyos.



Lecturas del Día

Domingo

Is 7:10-14; Rom 1:1-7; Mt 1:18-24

Lunes

Mal 3:1-4, 23-24; Lk 1:57-66

Martes

Mañana: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Lk 1:67-79

Miércoles

Vigilia: Is 62:1-5; Acts 13:16-17, 22-25; Mt 1:1-25 or 1:18-25

Jueves

Acts 6:8-10, 7:54-59; Mt 10:17-22

Viernes

1 Jn 1:1-4; Jn 20:1a, 2-8

Sábado

1 Jn 1:5-2:2; Mt 2:13-18

Ministerios Hispanos en Nuestra Comunidad

Horas de Adoración Eucarística

8:00 P.M. Lunes - hasta las 6:00 A.M. del Martes
8:30 A.M. - 6:00 P.M. - Martes
9:00 P.M. Jueves - 6:00 A.M. Viernes
8:30 A.M. - 6:00 P.M. - Viernes



Movimiento Parroquial Juan XXIII de Somerville

Es un movimiento de evangelización y trabaja principalmente por aquellos alejados de la Iglesia y los marginados por la sociedad. Es un movimiento que no trabaja tanto hacia adentro sino hacia fuera.

Los invitamos a ser parte de este movimiento que se reúne los **Jueves de 7:30 PM a 9:00 PM**; en la **Casa de Nazareth**.

Para más información puede contactarse con:
Marianela Delgado al 908-635-8486

Círculo de Oración Renovación Carismática



Adoración y alabanza a Jesús.

El grupo se reúne todos los Viernes de 7:30 PM-9:30 PM en la capilla. El último Viernes de cada mes: Exposición del Santísimo. Los miércoles se hacen visitas a los hogares que necesiten oración. Para más información puede contactarse con:
Carilu Colón al 908-240-2987



La Hora Mariana

Únete a al Hora Mariana cada **Sábado de 6:00 PM a 8:00 PM en la Capilla**. Para más información se puede comunicar con: **Margarita Spencer al (908) 281-7054**

"Grupo de Matrimonios "Invitando a Cristo a Nuestro Hogar"



Invitamos a todas las parejas que deseen de corazón mejorar y mantener su relación matrimonial que nos acompañen. Nos reunimos el tercer Sábado de cada mes a las 7:00 PM en la Casa de Nazareth.. Para más información comunicarse con: **El Diacono Reynaldo o su esposa Julia Lopez al número 973-632-1701**



Divino Niño Jesús

El Niño Jesús te invita que le abras la puerta de tu casa y tu corazón con la Oración y el Rosario en Familia.
Para más información favor de contactar a:

Claudia (908) 240-352, Luz (908) 698-3523 o Mary (908) 392-1584

**¡Bendíceme Divino Niño Jesús
Ruega por mí sin cesar
Aleja de mí el pecado hoy y en todo momento!**

Información y Requisitos para los Bautismos

LAS CLASES PRE- BAUTISMALES SERAN EL PRIMER LUNES DE CADA MES A LAS 7:30 P.M. EN LA CASA DE NAZARETH (88 West End Ave., Somerville)

El Próximo curso
Pre-Bautismal será:
el 6 de Enero del 2020.

RECUERDEN QUE LOS BAUTISMOS EN ESPAÑOL SON EL PRIMER Y EL TERCER SABADO DE CADA MES A LAS 11:00AM.

Nota: Los próximos Bautismos disponibles serán el 4 y 18 de Enero del 2020.

Para más Información y registración, por favor llamar a la oficina parroquial al 908-725-1112 Ext. 1117 con Joselynn Toro-Santiago

Padrinos para el Bautizo

Requisitos:



Los Estados de derecho canónico (Iglesia) de un Padrino deben ser:

- **Ser un Católico Bautizado y Confirmado que asiste a la Misa semanal y recibe la Eucaristía.**
- Al menos 14 años de edad (siempre que el Padrino o la Madrina hayan recibido la Confirmación)
- No ser uno de los padres
- Llevar una vida moral según la doctrina de la Iglesia, y ser un buen modelo Católico.
- **Si es casado, estar casado según la ley de la Iglesia**
- Ser un usuario registrado de su parroquia actual y obtener un certificado de elegibilidad
- **Sólo podemos dar Certificados de Elegibilidad a aquellos que están registrados en nuestra parroquia.**

Ya que se requiere solamente un padrino Católico, un miembro Bautizado de otra iglesia cristiana (**pero no católico**) puede servir como un testigo Cristiano. Puesto que los Padrinos renuevan su Promesa Bautismal prometido durante el rito del bautismo; una persona no bautizada no puede servir en este importante papel.

† Nuestra Parroquia †



Horario del Centro Parroquial por los días festivos de Navidad



La Oficina Parroquial estará cerrada el **24, 25 y el 26 de Diciembre** por la Navidad y reabriremos el **Viernes 27 de Diciembre a las 9:00AM. El Martes 31 y el Miércoles 1ro de Enero del 2020 la Oficina Parroquial permanecerá cerrada y reabrirá el Jueves 2 de Enero del 2020 a las 9:00AM. Gracias. Dios les bendiga.**



¡Bendiciones Navideñas para todos!



En nombre de los Sacerdotes, Diáconos y el personal de la Parroquia, deseo a todos nuestros feligreses, visitantes e invitados una muy bendecida Navidad y un Feliz Año Nuevo. Esperamos que pueda unirse a nosotros en la adoración mientras celebramos el Miércoles 1 de Enero por la solemnidad de María, Madre Dios, y el 5 de Enero por la Epifanía del Señor. Si podemos servirle a usted o su familia, no dude en llamar a la oficina de la iglesia al 908-725-1112 o envíenos un correo electrónico a

jtoro@icsomerville.org

cjanuse@icsomerville.org. Para obtener información sobre nuestros ministerios y programas, visite nuestro sitio web en www.immaculateconception.org



Msgr. Brennan



FECHA LÍMITE DEL BOLETÍN

Tome nota: Todas las presentaciones para el boletín 1/5/20 deben enviarse por correo electrónico a jtoro@icsomerville.org el 20/12/19 antes de las 12 del mediodía.

† Formación de Fe de los Niños (CFF) †



La Oficina de Formación de Fe de los Niños: Le desea desear a todas nuestras familias una Feliz Navidad y un Feliz Año Nuevo. **Recuerde que no hay clases los días 23, 25, 30 de Diciembre del 2019 y 1 de Enero de 2020. Las clases se reanudarán el 6 y 8 de Enero de 2020. Dios Bendiga,**
Karen A. Bohler, Directora CFF



Marcha por la vida

MARCH for LIFE

Nuestra parroquia patrocinará el viaje anual en autobús para participar en la Marcha por la vida en Washington, DC el **Viernes 24 de Enero de 2020**. Más detalles en futuros boletines.

Esquina Pro Vida



El ángel les dijo: "No tengan miedo; porque he aquí, les proclamo buenas noticias de gran gozo que serán para toda la gente. Porque hoy en la ciudad de David ha nacido un Salvador para ustedes que es el Mesías y Señor." (Lucas 2: 10-11). Esta proclamación

debería llenarnos de alegría abrumadora. Dios, el Creador del universo, nos ama tanto que ha asumido nuestra naturaleza humana para ofrecerse a Sí mismo como nuestra salvación. Él viene a servir y salvarnos a todos. La Navidad ha cambiado todo para la humanidad. La Navidad nos enseña que Dios, al convertirse en uno de nosotros, ha infundido en cada vida humana una profunda dignidad y santidad. Cristo Salvador se hace hombre en beneficio de todos los que comparten la naturaleza humana, incluido el niño en el útero. Se nos da el ejemplo de María y José en cómo debemos valorar la vida humana, especialmente la vida humana en sus primeras etapas. Mary nos da el ejemplo de una joven madre con un embarazo "no planeado" que demostró que siguiendo la voluntad de Dios en su vida podría superar sus circunstancias aparentemente imposibles. Joseph nos da el ejemplo de un hombre que no abandona a una madre joven a pesar de que su cultura diría que no tiene ninguna obligación con este niño y su madre. Y ambos nos dan el ejemplo de padres que arriesgan todo para mantener a sus hijos seguros. El "Sí" de María a Dios al aceptar convertirse en la madre de Jesús, y la aceptación de José de la voluntad de Dios de proteger a María y al Niño Jesús, transformaron el futuro para toda la humanidad. Como María y José apreciaban y protegían a Jesús desde el momento de su concepción, nosotros también debemos darnos cuenta de que todos los niños en el útero están hechos a imagen y semejanza de Dios, y debemos ser apreciados y protegidos como lo fue Jesús. Las buenas noticias de Navidad se aplican a todos. Jesús ha venido para todos, para usted personalmente, para el niño o niña recién concebido que vive en el útero de su madre, para los ancianos, para aquellos olvidados por otros, para aquellos que viven en la pobreza, para aquellos gravemente enfermos, no excluye a nadie. Al hacerse hombre, Dios nos da una rotunda afirmación de la bondad y el valor de cada vida humana. Depende de nosotros difundir la alegría y el mensaje de la Navidad a todos con quienes entramos en contacto y mover nuestro mundo para abrazar la Cultura de la Vida. Dé la bienvenida al Salvador esta Navidad con gratitud y con una comprensión de lo que Dios ha hecho por usted y toda la humanidad. Como Jesús nos enseñó, que cada uno de nosotros sea un defensor de la Cultura de la Vida y viva el mensaje de Navidad dando testimonio de la santidad de toda la vida humana.

Presentado por: Kevin Dugan

† Nuestra Parroquia †

Calendario de Adviento / Navidad 2019

Inmaculada Concepción, Somerville

Domingos de Adviento: 1, 8, 15, 22 de Diciembre

Horario Regular de Misas

Sábado: 5:00 PM Misa de Vigilia

Domingo: 7:30, 9:00, 11:00 AM en Inglés y
1:00 PM en Español

Martes 24 de Diciembre (Misa de Nochebuena)

5:00 PM, 7:30 PM y 12:00 MEDIANOCHE

(La misa de las 5PM es la misa de los niños, y habrá una obra de Natividad antes de la misa alrededor de las 4:50 pm. Meditaciones musicales sobre la Natividad antes de la misa de medianoche que comenzará a las 11:15 PM)

Miércoles 25 de Diciembre (Día de Navidad)

9:00 a.m. y 11:00 a.m. en Inglés

1:00 PM en Español

Domingo 29 de Diciembre (La Fiesta de la Sagrada Familia)

Sábado: 5:00 PM Misa de Vigilia,

Domingo: 7:30, 9:00, 11:00 AM en Inglés y

1:00 PM en Español

Miércoles 1 de Enero (Solemnidad de María, Madre de Dios)

MISA DE VIGILIA 5:00 PM EL MARTES 31 DE DICIEMBRE,

MIÉRCOLES: 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM, 11:00 AM en Inglés y

1:00 PM en Español

Domingo 5 de Enero (La Epifanía del Señor) y el

12 de Enero (El Bautismo del Señor).

Sábado: 5:00 PM Misa de Vigilia,

Domingo: 7:30, 9:00 y 11:00 AM en Inglés y

1:00 PM en Español

Horario de Confesiones

Sábado 14 de Diciembre: 4: 00-5: 00 PM; 7: 00-8: 00 PM

Lunes 16 de Diciembre: 4: 00-5: 00 PM Y 7: 00-8: 00 PM

Martes 17 de Diciembre: 7: 00-8: 00 PM

Sábado 21 de Diciembre: 12 del mediodía a 1:00 p.m.

4: 00-5: 00 PM; 7: 30-8: 00 PM

Sábado 28 de Diciembre: 4: 00-5: 00 PM; No habrán confesiones nocturnas

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