



CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

35 MOUNTAIN AVE. | SOMERVILLE, NEW JERSEY 08876

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

MARCH 8, 2026

The Lenten Forty Hours Devotion begins Sunday, March 8 at 7:00 pm through Tuesday, March 10 at 7:00 pm. Please consider spending time with the Lord.

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Welcome to Immaculate Conception

"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."

Whether this is your first Mass with us or you are a lifelong parishioner, we are so glad you are here. We hope Immaculate Conception can be a place for you to call home. If you are new here, check us out online at immaculateconception.org or visit the parish office. Please do not hesitate to reach out and introduce yourself. We'd love to meet you!

Readings for the Week

Sunday, March 8

Exodus 17:3-7; Romans 5:1-2, 5-8; John 4:5-42

Monday, March 9

2 Kings: 5:1-15ab; Luke 4:24-30

Tuesday, March 10

Daniel 3:25, 34-43; Matthew 18:21-35

Wednesday, March 11

Deuteronomy 4:1, 5-9; Matthew 5:17-19

Thursday, March 12

Jeremiah 7:23-28; Luke 11:14-23

Friday, March 13

Hosea 14:2-10; Mark 12:28-34

Saturday, March 14

Hosea 6:1-6; Luke 18:9-14

Mass Intentions

Sanctuary Lamp, Church
William Dean

Sanctuary Lamp, Chapel
Intentions of Edith Recto

Sunday, March 8

Third Sunday of Lent

7:30 Stephen Wendell Semian

9:00 Steven DeMarco

11:00 Anaes Armand

1:00 Juanita Villafañe

Monday, March 9

6:30 am Bon Liong Chua

8:00 am Brenda Wilson

Tuesday, March 10

6:30 am Asuncion Rico Chau

8:00 am Lilia Plasas

Wednesday, March 11

6:30 am Intentions of Mercedenia Lambino

8:00 am Daniel Memoli

Thursday, March 12

6:30 am Robert & Carol Axmann

8:00 am Susan Souter

Friday, March 13

6:30 am Intentions of Theresa Domider

8:30 am William Dean

Saturday, March 14

8:00 am Joseph Minarovich

5:00 pm For the People of our Parish

Sunday, March 15

Fourth Sunday of Lent

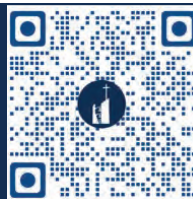
7:30 George & Ann Kavanaugh

9:00 Mary Celano

11:00 Barry Van Horn

1:00 Leonidas Henao

Scan the QR code or visit immaculateconception.org/masses to view this week's worship guide.



From the Pastor

A Reflection from the Second Sunday of Lent

Mt. Tabor in northern Israel is the traditional site of the Transfiguration of the Lord. It towers above the valley of Jezreel and offers a sweeping view of the surrounding area, from the Mediterranean to the west to the mountains of southern Syria to the north. Today, a church with two side chapels stands on Tabor, the Church of the Transfiguration, and its two side chapels are dedicated to St. Moses and the other to St. Elijah. The Church did centuries later what Peter could not do.

This event of the Transfiguration takes place at a pivotal moment in the Gospels. It marks the beginning of the journey to Jerusalem, where Jesus will face the cross for the world's salvation. This vision of Jesus in glory is meant to sustain the disciples through the dark days ahead when their faith in Him will be shaken to the core. But here on this mountaintop, caught up in the Spirit, wrapped in the cloud of the Father's presence, beholding Jesus in glory, there is a clarity of faith not tainted by doubt or uncertainty. Jesus shows Himself to be the fulfillment of the Law and the Prophets, the beloved Son of the Father, whose word is to be believed and lived. It is no wonder Peter exclaims, "Lord, it is good for us to be here!" There is wonder and awe on this mountaintop. There are no crowds here pressing in on them, trying to get to Jesus. There are no Pharisees here disputing with them, looking for ways to trap Jesus. There are no other disciples here bickering over who is the greatest or questioning Jesus' teaching. There is but Jesus in glory. Peter wants to stay here, basking in this vision. But he can't, and neither can we. The mountaintop is where the vision is given, but it is down below in the valleys where it must be lived.

The goal of Lent, indeed of the whole of the Christian life, is to have a new heart and become transfigured in Christ. The disciplines of prayer, fasting, and the practice of the works of charity are directed toward this end. We are given this vision of transfiguration, this hope of glory in Christ, to sustain us in the campaign for holiness that is the Christian life because it is in the valley of temptation, trial, and difficulties where it must be lived. So, what does this look like?

Well, the woman who lost her husband and who said to me at the wake, "I don't know how people can live through this without faith," she's been to the mountain.



The high school student who told me he was ridiculed by his classmates because he wants to remain chaste before marriage, he's been to the mountain.

The family that routinely visits their homebound neighbor and helps to take care of her needs has been to the mountain.

The man who spends hours with the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament like he's visiting with an old and trusted friend, he's been to the mountain.

People like these know what it is like to live in hope, sustained by this transfiguring vision of faith in the valleys and dark places of life.

It would be good to stay on this summit, to bask in the wonder and glory of this vision, but we cannot. Now, there is a race that must be won. There is a campaign for holiness that must be fought, and we must persevere in it. The vision of Christ in glory is given on the heights to be our hope, but it is in the valley of trial and testing where it must be lived

Servus,

Rev. Msgr. Joseph G. Celano
Pastor and Director of Schools

To read past messages from the pastor, visit: immaculateconception.org/news.

News & Events

Stations of the Cross

FRIDAYS IN LENT | 7:00 PM & 7:45 PM

During Lent, we invite you to pray the Stations of the Cross with our parish community every Friday at 7:00 pm (English) and 7:45 pm (Spanish).

Please also join us for the Living Stations of the Cross on **Wednesday, April 1**, at 7:00 pm. A beautiful and prayerful reflection on Christ's Passion.

Immaculata High School Spring Open House

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11, 2026 | 6:00 PM



Discover the Heart of Immaculata!

Calling all middle school students and families – you're invited to experience the wonder of Immaculata High School at our Spring Open House!

RSVP today!

Michele Blandino, Director of Admissions at (908) 722-0200 x1218.



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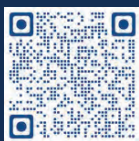


Men's Fellowship

SATURDAY | MARCH 14, 2026 | 7:30 AM

The Men's Fellowship group meets on the second Saturday of the month from 7:30 am to 9:00 am in the Talbot Room. Breakfast, prayer, a brief teaching, and discussion are held. All men 18 or older are welcome to join us Saturday, November 8.

Scan the QR code or visit immaculateconception.org/events to see more



UPCOMING COLLECTIONS

Food Collection: March 14 & 15

Children's Faith Formation

For next month, Children's Liturgy of the Word will be celebrated at 11:00 am Mass on the following Sundays in **March: 8, 15, and 22**.

Children in Kindergarten through Grade 3 are welcome to join. After the opening prayer at the beginning of Mass, the children will be called forward to hear God's Word, including the readings and a special homily tailored to their level. They will return to the congregation during the Offertory.

OFFERTORY FOR JANUARY

| | 2026 | 2025 |
|--|------------------|------------------|
| In Pew, Mail-in Giving | \$52,855 | \$ 60,585 |
| Electronic Giving | \$33,093 | \$ 30,277 |
| Total | \$ 85,948 | \$ 90,862 |
| <u>Special Collections not in numbers above:</u> | | |
| Catholic Communication | \$ 2,550 | \$ 5,931 |
| Offertory Budget/ Expected per Month | \$96,797 | |

Offertory totals for January 2026 were lower than both last year and our budgeted projections. This was due in part to a significant snowstorm that affected attendance during one of the January weekends.

To help provide our parish with steady and predictable income regardless of weather, we encourage you to sign up for online giving. Thank you for your continued support of our Parish.

For convenient online giving visit:
<https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/FD-630>.

Mothers' Retreat

SATURDAY, MARCH 21, 2026

Join us for a day of reflection, fellowship, and spiritual renewal. Take time to nurture your spirit, connect with other mothers, and rediscover the joy in your vocation.

Saturday, March 21, from 8:30 am - 4:45 pm. Retreat kicks off at 9:00 am. Cost: \$40.

Families are welcome to join us for 5:00 pm Mass.



Our Parish

BRUNCH, BLESSINGS & BAGPIPES PRE-PARADE CELEBRATION

Join us as we celebrate our Spartan Spirit at the Somerville St. Patrick's Day Parade on **Sunday, March 15, 2026!**

Parade Day Schedule:

9:00 am – Mass at Immaculate Conception Church.

10:00 am - 12:00 pm – Brunch, Blessings & Bagpipes in the ICS Cafeteria

12:30 pm – Meet up to march in the parade!

Parishioners, alumni, students, parents, faculty, and friends of Immaculate Conception Parish and Schools—we invite you to walk with us and show your Spartan pride in true Irish style!



**Scan Today
to order your
Brunch Tickets!**



*Please note: there will be no Sunday Morning Cafe
on Sunday, March 15.*

We will have a limited edition Spartan
St. Patrick's Day T-shirts for sale.



Lenten Season

FORTY HOURS DEVOTION MARCH 8-10

"Time spent with Christ is never time wasted."
—St. John Paul II

This devotion provides for forty hours of continued adoration of the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. It begins with Vespers at 7:00 pm on **Sunday, March 8**. Vespers will also be sung at 7:00 pm on **Monday, March 9**, and on **Tuesday, March 10**, when the Forty Hours Devotion will conclude.

Individuals, families, and parish ministries and organizations may commit themselves to a time of prayer and adoration either during the day or through the night during the forty hours. Please open your hearts to Christ in the Eucharist as His Heart is open to you.

To reserve time for devotion and adoration,
scan the QR code or visit
www.immaculateconception.org.



BOLD Youth Ministry

BOLD Youth Ministry Corner
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Questions? Contact Paulina Garcia at BAB@boldym.com or 908-552-0620

uServe SUMMER CAMP
MIDDLE SCHOOL SERVICE CAMP
Join us for the ultimate camp experience!
Service | Faith | Friends | Fun

All Incoming 6th - 9th Graders
(Current 5th - 8th)
Monday, August 3 - Friday, August 7 | 9AM - 3PM
Hosted by Immaculate Conception Church
Camp Fee: \$195 per camper
(\$135 for each additional sibling)

uServe Camp brings campers to local service sites each morning, then back to the parish for lunch and engaging, faith-filled activities in the afternoon. It's a meaningful way to spend a week while making a difference in our community!

Register at boldym.com/BAB/uServe

Questions about the uServe Camp? Are you a parent who would like to help during the week? Please reach out to Paulina Garcia at BAB@boldym.com

More than Luck: St. Patrick's Day Party!

Join us for a night of fun and faith as we celebrate St. Patrick's Day!

All in Middle School
Thursday, March 12th | 6:30 - 8:00PM
St. Bernard's Church

Wear **GREEN**, grab a friend, and get ready for a fun night of games, discussion, and prayer as we look to St. Patrick as a model of **BOLDly** sharing our faith!

Scan QR Code or visit boldym.com/BAB/events to RSVP

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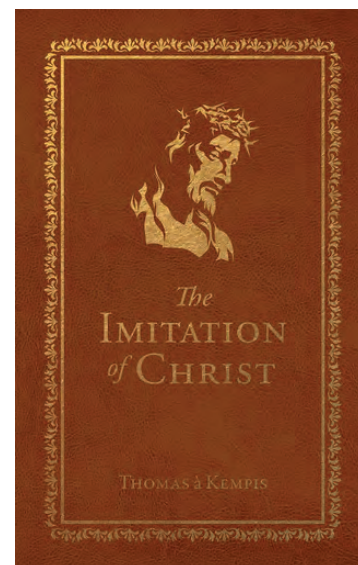
Our Parish

The Imitation of Christ

Consider taking part in a study on The Imitation of Christ by Thomas à Kempis, held on Wednesdays from 10:00 am to 11:30 am beginning **Wednesday, March 18**, in the St. Anne's Room at the Parish Office. This Christian devotional classic offers guidance on living a life centered on Christ. Written between 1418 and 1427, it is widely regarded as the most influential spiritual text after the Bible. Thank you to Jayne Danco for leading us in this study.

We will follow Father Mike Schmitz's podcast from Ascension Press, discuss the content, and share in prayer.

If interested, please contact office@icsomerville.org.



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Giving

Thank you! We are so encouraged by all of the ways that you respond to God's faithfulness and share your gifts. Gifts of prayer, time, and talent serve and support our community in so many ways. Your financial gifts are incredible acts of service that allow us to continue our mission and the work of the Church.

To give online, visit [immaculateconception.org/give](https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/FD-630) or to enroll in our simple, automatic giving system, visit: <https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/FD-630>



Helpful Info

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION COMMUNICATIONS

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NAVEX ETHICSPPOINT

The Diocese of Metuchen implemented an independent third-party reporting system initiative to provide a confidential method for the employees, volunteers, and parishioners to report suspected financial malfeasance in our parishes, schools, cemeteries, and diocesan institutions.

- Web: diometuchen.ethicspoint.com
- Mobile: Scan the QR code to the right
- Hotline: 844-796-1296



HOSPITALIZED OR HOMEBOUND?

Please notify the parish office at **908-725-1112** when a parishioner or family member is confined to their home, hospitalized, or entering a nursing home, so that the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick or a visitation to bring the Holy Eucharist can be arranged.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please have a family member or the individual contact us to have their name included on our prayer list. The request will be included for two months, unless otherwise notified.

HAPPENING THIS WEEK AT IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

MONDAY, MARCH 9

40 Hours Lenten Adoration

6:30 am Mass, Chapel

8:00 am Mass, Chapel

2:45 pm Children's Choir Practice, Church Music Office

4:00 pm & 6:15 pm Children's Faith Formation Classes

TUESDAY, MARCH 10

40 Hours Lenten Adoration

6:30 am Mass, Chapel

8:00 am Mass, Chapel

7:00 pm BOLD Youth Ministry Discipleship Night

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11

6:30 am Mass, Chapel

8:00 am Mass, Chapel

4:00 pm & 6:15 pm Children's Faith Formation Classes

6:30 pm Handbell Rehearsal, Church Music Office

THURSDAY, MARCH 12

6:30 am Mass, Chapel

8:00 am Mass, Chapel

2:00 pm Rosary for the Sick, Chapel

2:45 pm Girls' Choir Practice, Church Music Office

6:30 pm BOLD Youth Ministry Middle

7:00 pm Immaculate Conception Choir Practice, Church

7:00 pm Filipino/American Association of Immaculate Conception Prayer Group, Virtual

FRIDAY, MARCH 13

6:30 am Mass, Chapel

8:30 am Mass, Church

9:00 am - 7:00 pm Eucharistic Adoration, Chapel

7:00 pm Stations of the Cross, Church

SATURDAY, MARCH 14

7:30 am Men's Fellowship, Talbot Room

8:00 am Mass, Church

3:30 pm - 4:30 pm Confessions, Church

5:00 pm Vigil Mass, Church

SUNDAY, MARCH 15

7:30 am Mass, Church

9:00 am Mass, Church

10:00 am Brunch, Blessings & Bagpipes - Pre-parade Celebration

11:00 am Mass, Church

1:00 pm Spanish Mass, Church

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS WHO ARE SICK:

Jozelle Acampado, Don Alaburda, Lou Bickel, Erin Calicchio, Joseph Dina Sr., Larry Dwyer, Louis Grosso, Lynette Klar, Diana Konopka, Lygia Lewis, Megan Lisner, Joseph Malinowski, Thomas Malinowski, Mary Moody, Suzanne Petto, Christine Phillips, Amy Pitucco, Thomas Rucci, Sal & Jena Schellato and Robert & Pat Tocci

Gospel Today Third Sunday of Lent | John 4:5-42

The Samaritan woman shared her drinking water with Jesus, a stranger, and Jesus shared "living water" of the Holy Spirit with the woman. The woman and her neighbors believed in Jesus.

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Believe... Share with others

This week I can share my time, talents and treasure. What will I do?

Write down how you plan to share with others for each day of the week.

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
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The Third Sorrowful Mystery - The Crowning of Thorns

Think about this mystery before praying.
The Holy Spirit stayed with Jesus through
His final days.



*Through our baptismal water the Holy Spirit came to stay with you and guide you.
This third week of Lent, what can you do for others with help from the Holy Spirit?*

This week: Say an Our Father and color the large bead - say 10 Hail Mary's and color each small bead. End with Glory Be to the Father.

Parish Office

The parish offices are located in the white building in front of the church. The parish office hours are Monday through Friday from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm. The office will be closed daily from 12:30 pm - 1:00 pm.



OUR STAFF

Please know that all of us at the Church of the Immaculate Conception are here to be of service to you. Please never hesitate to seek our support whenever it may be needed. The parish office can be reached at **908-725-1112** or **office@icsomerville.org**.

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For sacramental emergencies only that require the immediate attention of a priest call 908-698-9107.



Bienvenido a la Iglesia Inmaculada Concepción

"La Inmaculada Concepción es una parroquia de la Diócesis Católica Romana de Metuchen, Nueva Jersey. Buscamos vivir el evangelio como fieles discípulos de Jesucristo. Como mayordomos de los dones que Dios nos ha dado, proclamamos la Buena Nueva de la salvación. Fortalecidos por el Espíritu Santo, somos comisionados como apóstoles para transformar todas las cosas en Cristo."

Ya sea que esta sea su primera Misa con nosotros o que sea un feligrés de toda la vida, estamos muy contentos de que esté aquí. Esperamos que la Iglesia Immaculate Conception pueda ser un lugar para llamar hogar. Si es nuevo aquí, visítenos en línea en immaculateconception.org o visite la oficina parroquial. Por favor, no dude en comunicarse y presentarse. ¡Nos encantaría conocerle!

Lecturas de La Semana

Domingo, 8 de marzo

Éxodo 17:3-7; Romanos 5:1-2, 5-8; Juan 4:5-42

Lunes, 9 de marzo

2 Reyes 5:1-15ab; Lucas 4:24-30

Martes, 10 de marzo

Daniel 3:25, 34-43; Mateo 18:21-35

Miércoles, 11 de marzo

Deuteronomio 4:1, 5-9; Mateo 5:17-19

Jueves, 12 de marzo

Jeremías 7:23-28; Lucas 11:14-23

Viernes, 13 de marzo

Oseas 14:2-10; Marcos 12:28-34

Sábado, 14 de marzo

Oseas 6:1-6; Lucas 18:9-14

Intenciones de Misas

Lámpara del Santuario, Iglesia
William Dean

Lámpara del Santuario, Capilla
Intenciones de Edith Recto

Domingo, 8 de marzo

Tercer Domingo de Cuaresma

7:30 am Stephen Wendell Semian

9:00 am Steven DeMarco

11:00 am Anaes Armand

1:00 pm Juanita Villafañe

Lunes, 9 de marzo

6:30 am Bon Liang Chua

8:00 am Brenda Wilson

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8:00 am Susan Souter

Viernes, 13 de marzo

6:30 am Intenciones de Theresa Domider

8:30 am William Dean

Sábado, 14 de marzo

8:00 am Joseph Minarovich

5:00 pm Por el Pueblo de nuestra Parroquia

Domingo, 15 de marzo

Cuarto Domingo de Cuaresma

7:30 am George y Ann Kavanaugh

9:00 am Mary Celano

11:00 am Barry Van Horn

1:00 pm Leonidas Henao

Solo para emergencias sacramentales que requieran la atención inmediata de un sacerdote, llame **908-698-9107**.

Del párroco

Reflexión del Segundo Domingo de Cuaresma

El Monte Tabor, en el norte de Israel, es el lugar tradicional de la Transfiguración del Señor. Se eleva sobre el valle de Jezreel y ofrece una vista panorámica de los alrededores, desde el mar Mediterráneo al oeste hasta las montañas del sur de Siria al norte. Hoy en día, en el Tabor se encuentra la Iglesia de la Transfiguración, con dos capillas laterales: una dedicada a San Moisés y la otra a San Elías. La Iglesia hizo siglos después lo que Pedro no pudo hacer.

Este acontecimiento de la Transfiguración tiene lugar en un momento decisivo de los Evangelios. Marca el inicio del camino hacia Jerusalén, donde Jesús enfrentará la cruz para la salvación del mundo. Esta visión de Jesús en gloria está destinada a sostener a los discípulos en los días oscuros que vendrán, cuando su fe en Él será sacudida hasta lo más profundo. Pero aquí, en la cima del monte, arrebatados por el Espíritu, envueltos en la nube de la presencia del Padre y contemplando a Jesús en gloria, hay una claridad de fe no manchada por la duda o la incertidumbre. Jesús se muestra como el cumplimiento de la Ley y los Profetas, el Hijo amado del Padre, cuya palabra debe ser creída y vivida. No es de extrañar que Pedro exclame: "Señor, ¡qué bueno es que estemos aquí!" Hay asombro y admiración en esta cima. No hay multitudes que los apremien intentando llegar a Jesús. No hay fariseos discutiendo con ellos, buscando cómo atraparlo. No hay otros discípulos discutiendo sobre quién es el más grande ni cuestionando su enseñanza. Está solo Jesús en gloria.

Pedro quiere quedarse allí, disfrutando de esta visión. Pero no puede, y nosotros tampoco. La cima del monte es donde se recibe la visión, pero es en los valles donde debe vivirse.

La meta de la Cuaresma, y en realidad de toda la vida cristiana, es tener un corazón nuevo y ser transfigurados en Cristo. Las disciplinas de la oración, el ayuno y la práctica de las obras de caridad están orientadas hacia este fin. Se nos concede esta visión de la transfiguración, esta esperanza de gloria en Cristo, para sostenernos en la lucha por la santidad que es la vida cristiana, porque es en el valle de la tentación, la prueba y las dificultades donde debe vivirse. ¿Y cómo se ve esto?



La mujer que perdió a su esposo y que me dijo en el velorio: "No sé cómo la gente puede vivir algo así sin fe", ella ha estado en el monte.

El estudiante de secundaria que me contó que fue ridiculizado por sus compañeros porque quiere mantenerse casto antes del matrimonio, él ha estado en el monte.

La familia que visita regularmente a su vecina confinada en casa y la ayuda en sus necesidades, ha estado en el monte.

El hombre que pasa horas con el Señor en el Santísimo Sacramento como si estuviera visitando a un amigo viejo y de confianza, él ha estado en el monte.

Personas como estas saben lo que significa vivir en esperanza, sostenidos por esta visión transfiguradora de la fe en los valles y en los momentos oscuros de la vida.

Sería bueno quedarnos en esta cima, disfrutar del asombro y la gloria de esta visión, pero no podemos. Ahora hay una carrera que debemos correr. Hay una lucha por la santidad que debemos librar, y debemos perseverar en ella. La visión de Cristo en gloria se nos da en las alturas como esperanza, pero es en el valle de la prueba y la dificultad donde debe vivirse.

Servo,

Rev. Mons. Joseph G. Celano
Pastor y Director de Escuelas

Ministerio Juvenil BOLD

BOLD Rincón del Ministerio Juvenil Preguntas? Contacta a Paulina Garcia por BAB@boldym.com o al 908-552-0620

uServe SUMMER CAMP

MIDDLE SCHOOL SERVICE CAMP

Únase a nosotros para el campamento inolvidable
Servicio | Fe | Amigos | Diversión

Todos los alumnos de 6th a 9th Grado
(Actual 5th - 8th)
Lunes 3 de Agosto - Viernes 7 de Agosto | 9AM - 3PM
Hosted by Immaculate Conception Church
Tarifa del campamento: \$195 por campista
(\$135 por cada hermano adicional)

uServe Camp lleva a los campistas a sitios de servicio locales cada mañana y luego de regreso a la parroquia para almorzar y realizar actividades interesantes y llenas de fe por la tarde. ¡Es una manera significativa de pasar una semana mientras marcamos la diferencia en nuestra comunidad!

Inscripciones por boldym.com/BAB/uServe

¿Preguntas sobre el Campamento uServe?
¿Es usted un padre y le gustaría ayudar durante la semana? Por favor contacte a Paulina Garcia en BAB@boldym.com

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Los niños desde Kindergarten hasta tercer grado están invitados a participar. Después de la oración inicial al comienzo de la Misa, los niños serán llamados al frente para escuchar la Palabra de Dios, incluyendo las lecturas y una homilía especial adaptada a su nivel. Regresarán a la asamblea durante el Ofertorio.

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ESTA SEMANA EN LA INMACULADA CONCEPCIÓN

DEVOCIÓN DE CUARENTA HORAS 8-10 DE MARZO

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Esta devoción consiste en cuarenta horas de adoración continua al Señor en el Santísimo Sacramento. Comienza con las Vísperas a las 7:00 p.m. del domingo 8 de marzo. Las Vísperas también se cantarán a las 7:00 p.m. del lunes 9 de marzo y el martes 10 de marzo, cuando concluirá la Devoción de las Cuarenta Horas.

Individuos, familias y ministerios u organizaciones parroquiales pueden comprometerse a un tiempo de oración y adoración, ya sea durante el día o durante la noche, a lo largo de las cuarenta horas. Abran sus corazones a Cristo en la Eucaristía, así como Su Corazón está abierto para ustedes.

Para reservar un tiempo de devoción y adoración, escanee el código QR o visite www.immaculateconception.org.



Vía Crucis

VIERNES DE CUARESMA | 7:00 PM & 7:45 PM

Durante la Cuaresma, los invitamos a rezar el Vía Crucis con nuestra comunidad parroquial todos los viernes a las 7:00 pm (inglés) y 7:45 pm (español).

También los invitamos a participar en el Vía Crucis Viviente el miércoles 1 de abril a las 7:00 pm. Una hermosa y profunda reflexión sobre la Pasión de Cristo.

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LUNES, 9 DE MARZO

Adoración Cuaresmal de las 40 Horas

6:30 am Misa, Capilla

8:00 am Misa, Capilla

4:00 pm y 6:15 pm Clases de Formación de Fe para Niños

MARTES, 10 DE MARZO

Adoración Cuaresmal de las 40 Horas

6:30 am Misa, Capilla

8:00 am Misa, Capilla

8:30 am - 3:00 pm Adoración Eucarística, Capilla

8:00 pm Oración Vespertina para Hombres, Capilla

MIÉRCOLES, 11 DE MARZO

6:30 am Misa, Capilla

8:00 am Misa, Capilla

4:00 pm y 6:15 pm Clases de Formación de Fe para Niños

7:00 pm Divina Misericordia, Capilla

JUEVES, 12 DE MARZO

6:30 am Misa, Capilla

8:00 am Misa, Capilla

2:00 pm Rosario por los Enfermos, Capilla

2:45 pm Práctica del Coro de Niñas, Oficina de Música de la Iglesia

7:30 pm Grupo de Oración Juan XXIII, Cafetería

VIERNES, 13 DE MARZO

6:30 am Misa, Capilla

8:30 am Misa, Iglesia

9:00 am - 7:00 pm Adoración Eucarística, Capilla

7:00 pm Renovación Carismática, Capilla

7:45 pm Vía Crucis, Iglesia

SÁBADO, 14 DE MARZO

8:00 am Misa, Iglesia

1:00 pm Ensayo del Coro Hispano, Oficina de Música de la Iglesia

3:30 pm - 4:30 pm Confesiones, Iglesia

5:00 pm Misa de Vigilia, Iglesia

6:00 pm La Hora Mariana, Virtual

DOMINGO, 15 DE MARZO

7:30 am Misa, Iglesia

9:00 am Misa, Iglesia

11:00 am Misa, Iglesia

1:00 pm Misa en Español, Iglesia

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