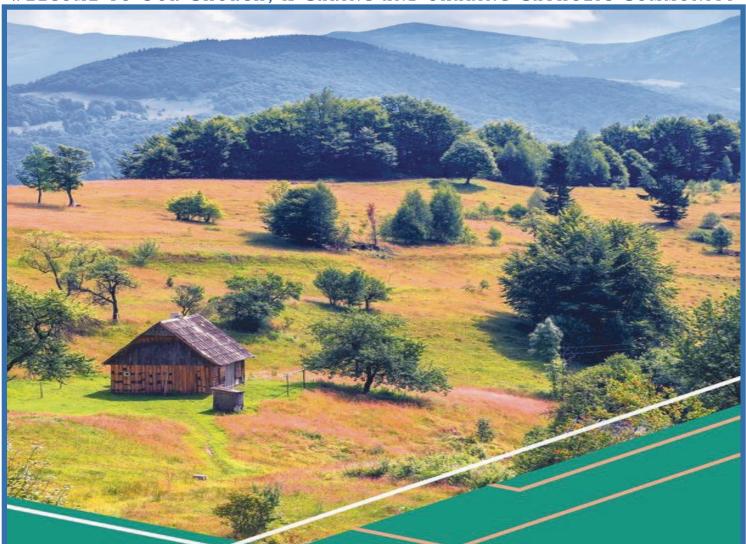




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excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass #2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

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# Parish Mission Statement

We, the parish community of Immaculate Conception Church, have as our mission to unite all of our members in God's Name to live the Gospel of Jesus Christ. We share our gifts through worship, education, fellowship, and community outreach, under the guidance of the Holy Spirit and the intercession of Mary Immaculate.



# **OUR LITURGICAL SCHEDULE**

Sat. Vigil: 4:30PM

**Sunday:** 8:00, 10:00AM, 12:00, 5:00PM Weekdays: Monday-Friday 7:00, 9:00AM

Saturday - 9:00AM

**Confession:** Saturday 11:30 to Noon; 3:30 to 4:00 PM **Adoration:** Fridays after 9 AM Mass to 6:00 PM

Rosary: Wednesday at 8:30 AM

Miraculous Medal Novena: Saturday after 9AM Mass

# MASSES AND REQUESTED INTENTIONS

### Sunday, May 7 (Fifth Sunday of Easter)

8:00 am For Our Parishioners

10:00 am Luis Nunez (r/o Phyllis Gaeta)

12:00 pm Joseph L. Lynch (r/o Tom Oven)

5:00 pm Patricia Sinni (r/o Bernie & Donna Sekula)

### Monday, May 8 (Easter Weekday)

7:00 am Intentions of Deacon Bill Bauer 40th Anniversary of Ordination 9:00 am Carl Mabie (r/o The Szalecki Family)

# Tuesday, May 9 (Easter Weekday)

7:00 am Roberto G. Bondoc, Sr. (r/o Robert & Lauren Pellechio)

9:00 am Robert L. Clare, Jr. (r/o Kathy Clare)

# Wednesday, May 10 (Easter Weekday)

7:00 am Lawrence McKenna (r/o The Trapp Family)

9:00 am Geraldine Canfield (r/o Connie Bocchieri)

# Thursday, May 11 (Easter Weekday)

7:00 am Lisa Famularo (r/o Caroline & Dave Magda)

9:00 am Jamie Stanley (r/o The Daly Family)

# Friday, May 12 (Easter Weekday)

7:00 am Richard Fuentes (r/o Family)

9:00 am Intention of Samantha Palmieri (r/o Grandma)

### Saturday, May 13 (Our Lady of Fatima)

9:00 am Ellen McCaffrey (r/o Mom & Dad)

4:30 pm Mother's Day Novena Intentions

### Sunday, May 14 (Sixth Sunday of Easter) Mother's Day

8:00 am Mother's Day Novena Intentions

10:00 am Mother's Day Novena Intentions

12:00 pm Mother's Day Novena Intentions

5:00 pm Mother's Day Novena Intentions

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Please pray for the repose of the soul of Eileen Gronwald

Our assistant PREP Director and Confirmation Coordinator who passed away last week.

we pray: Eternal Rest, Grant unto her O Lord,

and let perpetual light shine upon her! May she rest in peace.

# BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY

*Heal Your Grief* is an eight-week non-denominational support group open to all Christian adults who have lost a loved one due to death. We started our program this week, but you can still join us on Wednesdays at 1pm in the Parish Hall. For more information contact Diane Eisenhart 908.347.3065 or Bob Zappulla 908.268.7360.

Please pray for all of our PREP and ICS students receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation this Wednesday! Let us offer our confirmandi both our spiritual help and our authentic witness, so that they may truly live the sacrament that they are receiving.



# YOUTH GROUP MEETING: SATURDAY, MAY 13

We will meet in Parish Hall from 5:30pm - 8:00pm. This meeting will include a potluck supper. Please bring something to share main course, side dish or dessert. We will be saying Good Bye to our special Seniors. Any Questions? call Anita at (908) 745-9445

# WHERE'S THE BEEF?

On Saturday May 20th at 5:30 pm, The Knights of Columbus Council

#6245 will be hosting a Roast Beef Dinner Buffet in the parish hall. Cost is \$18 adult and \$12 for 12 years and under. Menu includes salad, potatoes, vegetable and roast beef. There will also be live music! The proceeds benefit the various charities and activities supported by the Knights of Columbus.

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- 12pm to support the Friendship Pregnancy Center in Flemington, Pregnancy Aid Center in Raritan & Life Choices in Phillipsburg. Please consider purchasing from our Scrip Program. Walmart & Shop Rite gift cards are most appreciated. Gift Cards will be available for purchase at the shower.



Congratulations Deacon Bill Bauer on the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of your Diaconate Ordination! Ad Multos Annos!



The Sanctuary Candle for May 7<sup>th</sup> - 13<sup>th</sup> is lit in Memory of Tony Branco







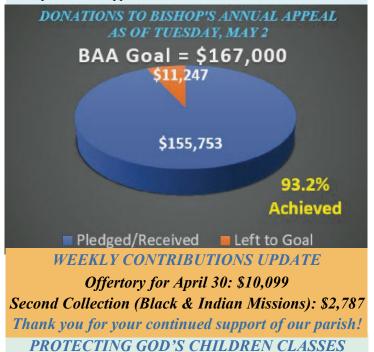
# From the Pastor's Desk

I realize that it is not the readings of the day, but this week as I was preparing for this day, I kept coming back to the First Letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians - Chapter 3 Verse 6: "I planted, Apollos watered but God caused the growth." It's a natural thing to think about as I am installed as your 10th Pastor, but I think I am in a unique position to say that I really have been distinctively influenced quite a bit by my predecessors through my journey to and in priesthood, and I truly am thankful for all of them. I probably know Msgr. Randy the best since he was my Vocation Director and then working with him both here at IC and for another 5 years in the Vocations Office. We traveled together to Colombia and many places within the US and we've shared many interesting stories. He is still one of my go-to supports and I consider him a good friend. Msgr. Andy was my first pastor, and many priests say that you become like your first pastor... I would be so honored if that becomes the case, and I try to emulate his love for his people and Catholic Education. Msgr. Benwell was serving as Vicar General when I was in Vocations and at Rutgers, and often shared lunch along with Msgr. Randy and Bishop Bootkoski, we chatted a great deal about continuing education, travel and the frustrations of the Mets and Devils. Although he had so much on his plate, he would always make time for me and always had an encouraging word. Finally, Fr. Jay, especially over the last year serving as my mentor has guided me in best practices as a pastor and helped me to make prudent decisions while also suggesting how I might improve in the future. All of them are different, but I am eternally grateful for all of the hard work they have put into me and the foundation they built here on St. Mary's Hill. As we continue this next chapter of our lives together, I thank you for your support in these first few months and I just ask for your continued prayers. I look forward to continuing to build upon that foundation, not to be them, but to carry on the good work that God has begun in us. I thank Bishop Checchio for the honor to serve you & please pray for vocations!

# BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

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We are getting very close to our goal and have already surpassed last year's total of \$150,608! Thank you to all 404 families who have given so generously to the 2023 Bishop's Annual Appeal thus far; the average gift amount has been \$385! If you have not made a pledge, there is still time to participate. Give online at: <a href="https://diometuchen.org/BAA">https://diometuchen.org/BAA</a> or via mail: Diocese of Metuchen, Bishop's Annual Appeal, PO Box 4000, Metuchen, NJ 08840



Tuesday, May 30<sup>th</sup> & Monday, August 28<sup>th</sup> 7 - 10 PM ICC Parish Hall

Anyone who is working with youth in the parish *must* be PGC certified, pre-registration is required and class size is limited. New ICS families are particularly encouraged to attend.

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Protecting God's Children program is restricted to adults who are defined as persons over 18 who have graduated high school.



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REGISTER NOW! ICS Summer Academy sets sail on Wednesday, July 5th, from 9:00 - 12:00. The voyage sails Monday through Thursday throughout the month of July and docks (ends) on Thursday, July 27th. The entire month of quality learning costs just \$1,000.00 (plus \$60.00 non-refundable commitment fee). Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact Mrs. Pepperman.

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# Parish **Festival**

### ICC PARISH FESTIVAL IS JUNE 21-25

Volunteers can begin signing up online the weekend of **May 20th** through Signup Genius. There will be plenty of volunteer opportunities available for everyone.

Save the dates and we hope to see you here!



Many of our students and teachers are fans of hockey, the coolest sport on earth, but what happens when the NJ Devils and the NY Rangers play in the playoffs? Well, as these Rangers fans learned, sometimes you win and sometimes you lose... all were good sports as they threw on some Devils Jerseys and kept smiling after the 7-game loss to New Jersey. Did you know the last four pastors all preferred Jersey's team?

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### AN INVITATION FROM FR. JAY

Father Jay Toborowsky, who served as Pastor here in Annandale from 2018-2022, celebrates the 25th anniversary of his priestly ordination this year. He is having a Mass of Thanksgiving on **Friday**, **June 16** at **7:00pm** at St. John Vianney Church, 420 Inman Ave in Colonia.

# MARY-THON EVENT SATURDAY MAY 13

At 10:30am at the National Blue Army Shrine of Our Lady of Fatima. Join in celebrating the 100th anniversary of the First Fatima apparition. Speaker is WAF Executive Director David M. Carolio and our Celebrant is Raymond Leo Cardinal Burke. Holy Mass is



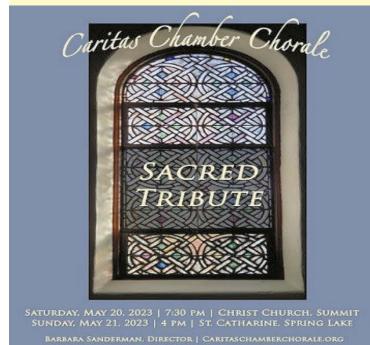
followed by Exposition, Eucharistic Procession, Benediction, the Divine Mercy Chaplet, Blessing of Religious Articles, Fatima Farewell and Enrollment in the Brown Scapular. For more information please visit: http://bluearmyshrine.com



# SILVER & GOLD WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

The Diocesan church cordially invites couples celebrating their 25th or 50th wedding anniversaries in 2023 to attend the Silver and Gold Anniversary Prayer Service with Bishop F. Checchio on **Sunday, October 22** at 3:30 PM at

the Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi, 548 Main Street, Metuchen. Registration is required to attend the Prayer Service. **Registration will close October 6.** Although no fee is required, in the past many Jubilarian couples have given a free-will donation of gratitude to the Church in memory of this special occasion.







# PARISH MINISTRIES

Altar Rosary Society	Kathy Clare	908-256-2803	
(2ND. Tues. of the month, 6:30pm, Parish Hall)			
Altar Servers	Fr. Ariel Bautista	908-735-7319	
Bereavement Ministry	Diane Eisenhart	908-347-3065	
	Bob Zappulla	908-268-7360	
Bible Study Coordinator	Marianne Tasy	908-730-0722	
Cub Scouts	Nora Burke Klippstein	908-735-9520	
Eucharistic Ministers	Ed Reitter	908-268-9671	
Girl Scouts	Toni Rice	732-570-5940	
Grocery Certificates/SCRIP	Christine Benson	908-735-6334	
Haiti Project	Deacon Bill Bauer	610-248-7131	
ICC Employment Circle	Michael Szalecki	908-268-6732	
ICC Home & School	Jessica Eisenhart	908-735-7319	
Thurs. Scripture Sharing	Ed Reitter	908–268-9671	
Mary Choir	Diane Eisenhart	908-347-3065	
Spirit Alive Choir	Marylu Korkuch	908–236-9103	
Youth Choir	Jamie Parmese	908-328-4116	
Knights of Columbus	Mark Breese	908-625-5908	
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### (1ST & 3RD Thurs., 7:30 pm, Parish Hall)

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Mens Journey	Michael Szalecki	908-268-6732
Mens 50+ Club	John Baka	908-437-0285
Parish Book Club	Carol Curcio	908-735-4463
Prayer Shawl Ministry	Mary Hegarty	908-399-8514
Pre-Cana	Dan & Claudia Roose	908-304-5221
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Stepping Stones	Mary Ellen Berg	908-892-4332
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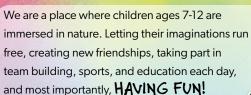
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