

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church

October 31, 2021

Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

This weekend's readings are Number 944 in your Glory & Praise Missal

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday Evening: 6:00pm

Sunday Morning: 8:00am

Weekday Masses

Wednesday Evening: 6:00pm

Thursday Morning: 11:00am

Confessions: Wednesday:
5:30pm

Office Hours

Monday—Friday

10:00am—2:00pm

(After hours, please leave a message and your call will be returned as soon as possible)



We extend a special welcome to everyone! No matter if you're visiting from another Catholic Parish, or just exploring the Catholic Church for the first time. No matter your state in life, we're glad you're here. If you like what you see and you'd like to join, we're always accepting new members! Just drop us a note and we'd love to help you join the family!



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Sacramental Information

Infant Baptism

Call the Parish Office to schedule a preparation class and baptism. Please arrange with the pastor in advance to discuss pre-baptism instructions. Those wishing to have their baby baptized must be practicing Catholics.

Adult or Child Baptism, Confirmation, or Adults Considering Becoming Catholic

Call the Church Office to learn more about the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA), or Rite of Christian Initiation for Children (RCIC).

Weddings

Weddings require a 9-month notice and preparation prior to the wedding.

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick

Please let us know if someone is seriously ill.

To register, or for any questions, please call the Church office at **(814) 635-2919**

(If no answer, please leave a message and your call will be returned as soon as possible)



Mass Intentions

Weekend of October 30 & 31, 2021

Sat 6:00pm +In memory of Renee Putt req. by Larry & Cookie Reich

Sun 8:00am For the People of our Parish

Daily Masses-November 3 & 4, 2021

Wed 6:00pm +In memory of Ralph Laughlin req. by the estate

Thu 11:00am +In memory of Susan (Pookie) Gracey req. by Margaret Wright

Weekend of November 6 & 7, 2021

Sat 6:00pm +In memory of Susan (Pookie) Gracey req. by Josephine Kelly

Sun 8:00am For the People of our Parish

Lector Schedule

Saturday (6:00pm)

Sunday (8:00am)

Oct. 30	Kirby Lockard	Oct. 31	Katie Fink
Nov. 6	Dave Mazzaferro	Nov. 7	Rose Lynn
Nov. 13	Matt Meck	Nov. 14	Linda Clapper
Nov. 20	Jane Brown	Nov. 21	Diana May
Nov. 27	Kelly Querry	Nov. 28	Katie Fink

Weekday Mass Lectors: Volunteers

Monthly Operating Expenses

\$6,500.00

Checks

\$500.00

Cash in Envelopes

\$126.00

Loose Cash

\$136.00

Total Collection: (Oct. 23/24, 2021)

\$762.00

Month-to-Date Total

\$6,412.00

Greater/Less than Budget

(\$88.00)

Diocesan Collections Listed Below

Yearly Operating Expenses (\$6,500 x 12)

\$78,000.00

Year-to-Date Total (Fiscal Year)

Greater/(Less) than Budget

A note from The Pastor

October 31, 2021

This weekend Jesus tells us what is truly important: Love God . . . and love your neighbor. Ultimately, these are the guiding principles of our Faith. We are called to love God by fostering our relationship with the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. We continue to pray both formally (prayers) and informally (conversation throughout our day), read scripture, and meditate to build up our bond with our Creator. Additionally, we imitate God by trying to love as he loves and look out at the world with that same love toward our fellow human beings.

This week, let us especially focus on these commands and how well we are living them. And if we find ourselves needing help, let us not hesitate to call upon the saints, whom we celebrate Monday on the Feast of All Saints, to walk our journey with us and intercede for us before our loving God in Heaven.

Fr. Mark

Eat This, Not That...Maybe

Many of us are trying to “eat right”, but it can often be difficult to figure out what is really good for you. Products have all kinds of health claims on the label but how do you figure out which ones are really true? Well, that is why the FDA has a website that lists qualified health claims so you can find out for yourself. For an example, do tomatoes help fight cancer? Well, this is what they have to say about it, “One study suggests that consuming tomatoes does not reduce the risk of pancreatic cancer, but one weaker, more limited study suggests that consuming tomatoes may reduce this risk.”

Well, that certainly clears everything up! In religion much like our diets, many are also searching for real answers. But in many modern day religions, they find half-truths and contradictory advice. Their message is as convoluted and vapid as that FDA claims. Jesus was never that way. He spoke as one having authority. (Mark 1:22; Luke 4:32) His commands were clear. (John 8:24, Mark 16:16) He focused on truth not popular sentiments. (Matthew 22:16; John 8:31-32) As his followers, we also stand by the authority of Jesus and preach and teach the clear and true commands of God.

Barry Haynes

October 31, 2021
(31st Sunday (Mark 12: 28b-34))

In a family, children are taught to be respectful if they want to be respected, to share, if they want their fair share and listen if they want to be heard. Family life recuses us from arrogance by teaching us to love others as we love ourselves.

Stewardship Reflections

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time (October 31)

Today’s Gospel reading brings us to the very essence of a stewardship way of life, in answer to the question, “Which is the first of all the commandments?” The use of time refers primarily to our relationship with the Lord. It is the most essential gift from God. We can show our love and gratitude for this gift by giving Him the best portion of intentional time in prayer.

The use of talents in the context of stewardship refers to the way we offer the abilities, skills, and interests the Lord has given us. God intends us to use our talents in a practical way to, “love my neighbor as myself.” The use of material gifts also demonstrates God’s love to our neighbor. When we offer a sacrificial gift to God through the offertory gifts we are showing God in a tangible way that He comes first. My gift is a gift to my neighbor through the actions of my parish community. When we live for God and others, we are living a stewardship way of life.

(Stewardship Reflection, Catholic Stewardship Consultants, Inc. 2018/10/18)

Remembering Our Loved Ones

Our parish remembers all those who have passed into eternal life since All Souls Day 2020

Let Perpetual Light Shine Upon Them

Thomas Matthews, Jr.

Emily Kormanski

Ruth Reed

Robert Harclerode

Zane Treece, Sr.

Michelle E. Chaney

Renee Putt

William (Butch) Neuder

A candle will be lit on the altar on All Souls Day and throughout the month of November in remembrance of those we’ve lost.

Immaculate Conception News & Events

Upcoming Events

- Nov. 6 Holiday Bazaar
- Nov. 13 Monthly Bingo
- Nov. 10 Parish Council Meeting
- Nov. 21 Basket Bingo

Religious Education Schedule for October 2021		
Oct. 3	8th-12th Grade Religious Ed.	9:00am
Oct. 17	8th-12th Grade Religious Ed.	9:00am
Oct. 20	K-7th Grade Religious Ed.	6:00pm
Oct. 24	SHYCON Grades 9-12	9:00am
Oct. 31	8th-12 Grade Religious Ed.	9:00am

Prayers for our Homebound members

Let us say a prayer for our Catholic members who are homebound and unable to attend church. If you know of someone that should be added to our prayer list, please call the church office at 635-2919.

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| Omer Black | Lora Bridestine |
| Mary Lynn Dickson | Nancy Detwiler |
| Iola Cimbalista | Dora Mellot |
| Elaine Rheem | |

November Birthdays

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| Maria Duvall | November 6 |
| Donna Hess | November 7 |
| Gloria Ritchey | November 8 |
| Robert (Poe) Reed | November 13 |
| Randy Meck | November 14 |
| Susan Dickson | November 16 |
| Colton Watkins | November 24 |
| Christopher Crawshaw | November 24 |
| Frank Gracey | November 26 |
| Justin Duvall | November 28 |
| Kenneth Minnick | November 28 |

300 Club Winner

The winner of this week's 300 Club drawing is Lisa and Chris Crawshaw. The winning ticket was sold by Lisa.

(*Note: Although Chris coordinates the 300 Club tickets and payments, he is not involved in the drawing of each week's winner).

300 Club Winners by Week			
Date	#	Winner	Seller
09/11/21	046	Kaye Angelo	Ralph Altobelli
09/18/21	044	Ron Brennan	Ralph Altobelli
09/25/21	286	Brayden/Monica Reihart	Kelly Query
10/02/21	296	Vivian/Shannon Foster	Jane Brown
10/09/21	241	Karen Watkins	Bob Watkins
10/16/21	091	Ryan Minnick	Theresa Minnick
10/23/21	033	Steve Wilson	Ralph Altobelli
10/30/21	289	Chris/Lisa Crawshaw	Lisa Crawshaw

Rosary Society Upcoming Events

The Rosary Society will hold its annual Holiday Bazaar on November 6 and Basket Bingo on November 21. If anyone would like to help with either of these events, please let Jane know.

We can use donations of prize items, items for children, gift cards, and people to help at the event.

Bingo News

Our next monthly Bingo is set for Saturday, November 13. Doors open at 5:30pm. Games begin at 6:45. Please remember that mass is in progress so please be considerate.

Parish Council Members

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| Father Mark Reid (Admin) | Cyndy Maletta (DRE) |
| Kelly Query (Chair) | Cathie Maslanik |
| Elaine Meck (Secretary) | Jane Brown |
| Belinda Bones | Linda Crocker |

THE PERSON WHO IS ALL WRAPPED UP IN HIMSELF IS OVERDRESSED