

# Immaculate Conception Catholic Church

December 11, 2022

Third Sunday of Advent (Year A)

This weekend's readings are Number 789 in your Glory & Praise Missal

## Immaculate Conception Mass Schedule

### Weekend Masses

Saturday Evening: 6:00pm

Sunday Morning: 8:00am

### Weekday Masses

Wednesday Evening: 6:00pm

Thursday Morning: 11:00am

Confessions: Wednesday: 5:30pm

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### Office Hours

Monday—Friday

9:00am—1:30pm

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and your call will be returned as soon  
as possible)



### The 3rd Sunday of Advent

we are  
invited to  
reflect on

the **joy** we have access to  
because of our faith in Jesus.

One of the defining  
characteristics of Christ-  
followers is their *joyful*  
*demeanor*. Let's not allow the  
struggles of this year to steal  
from the **great joy** we have  
because of Jesus.

**Philippians 4:4-5** says,  
"Rejoice in the Lord always. I  
will say it again: Rejoice! Let  
your gentleness be evident to  
all. The Lord is near."

Over this Advent, would you  
pray that the *joy of the*  
*Lord* would be evident in your  
heart and home? May God's  
spirit transform the days  
leading up to Christmas into a  
time of holy anticipation;  
preparing our hearts, as we  
joyfully await the chance to  
celebrate the arrival of our king.

The third Sunday of Advent is  
traditionally called Gaudete  
Sunday. Gaudete is the Latin  
word for **rejoice**, and this  
Sunday is the time for us to  
rejoice because Jesus came and  
died so that we may live forever  
with him!

The tradition for the third  
Sunday of Advent includes  
lighting a third sometimes pink  
candle that is a symbol of **joy**.  
This third Sunday of Advent we  
read, pray, and reflect on the  
joy that God's plan gives us  
(foretold by the prophets and  
fulfilled by the life and death of  
Christ), and we meditate on the  
promise of Christ's coming  
glory-filled return.

## Mass Intentions

### Weekend Masses: December 10 & 11

Sat 6:00pm For the People of our Parish

Sun 8:00am For the health of Robert Black req. by Christie Black

### Daily Masses: December 14 & 15

Wed 7:00pm Advent Penance Service

Thu 11:00am In memory of Margaretta Taylor req. by the estate

### Weekend Masses: December 17 & 18

Sat 6:00pm In memory of Darci Ziegler req. by Matt & Elaine Meck

Sun 8:00am For the people of our Parish

### A Quick Glance at Upcoming Events

Dec. 10 Monthly Bingo (doors open at 5:30)

Dec. 14 Penance Service: 7pm. (no 6pm mass)

Dec. 16 December Food Pantry (10am-noon)

Dec. 28 Parish Council meeting @ 6:30pm

Jan. 1 Holy Day of Obligation

### Poinsettia Donations

To help defray the cost  
of the Christmas  
poinsettias, there is a  
basket on the back  
table if anyone would  
like to make a  
donation. We would  
like to thank all those  
that made a donation  
last weekend.

## Liturgical Ministers

### Saturday, December 10

Lector Brant Baer  
 E. Minister Frank Gracey  
 Usher Volunteers

### Sunday, December 11

Lector Linda Clapper  
 E. Minister Cyndy Maletta  
 Usher Volunteers

### Saturday, December 17

Lector Jane Brown  
 E. Minister Kirby Lockard  
 Usher Volunteers

### Sunday, December 18

Lector Katie Fink  
 E. Minister Bill Fink  
 Usher Volunteers

## 300 Club Winner

The winner of this weeks 300 Club drawing is Gladys Houser of Bellefonte. The winning ticket was sold by Linda Clapper.

## Upcoming Events and Schedule Changes

Next Wednesday, December 14, is our Penance Service with Fr. Mark and 2 or 3 other priests. It will begin at 7pm. The Penance Service at Most Holy Trinity in Huntingdon will be held the following evening at 7:00pm if you choose to go there.

## Food Bank

Don't forget the December Food Pantry is being moved up one week this month due to Christmas. It will be held next Friday, December 16 from 10:00am until noon.

## Parish Council

The December meeting of the Parish Council is scheduled for the last Wednesday of December on the 28th. It had to be moved due to other events occurring earlier this month.

## 2023 Northern Deanery Raffle

We still have plenty of tickets available for the 2023 Northern Deanery Raffle. It's an opportunity to help out our church as well as a chance to win some great prizes. Tickets are only \$10.00. Top prize is a 2022 Chevrolet Trax LS AWD. Other prizes are a Kubota Zero-Turn Mower, a Snapper Riding Mower and more. Contact Fr. Mark or Dave for tickets and more information.

I tithed and the windows of heaven open with such a blessing I cannot contain it all!.....Malachi: 3-10

## Financial Report (Fiscal year runs from July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023)

<b>Monthly Operating Expenses</b>	<b>\$6,500.00</b>
(Checks: \$1775.00, Cash in Env: \$275.00, Loose: \$94.00)	\$2,144.00
Poinsettias	\$123.00
<b>Total of Last Weekend's Collection (12-04-22) (Stays at ICC)</b>	<b>\$2,267.00</b>
<b>Month-to-Date Total</b>	<b>\$2,267.00</b>
Greater/ <b>Less</b> than Monthly Budget	<b>(\$4,233.00)</b>
<b>Diocesan Collection (Catholic Charities: \$35/Rel. Retire: \$115)</b>	<b>\$150.00</b>
<b>Yearly Operating Expenses (\$6,500 x 12)</b>	<b>\$78,000.00</b>
<b>Fiscal Year-to-Date Total</b>	<b>\$39,180.00</b>
Greater/ <b>Less</b> than Yearly Budget	<b>(\$38,820.00)</b>



## 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.

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