IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

"A Pennsylvania Charitable Trust"

July 17, 2022

16th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

A Parish of the Diocese of Greensburg



SACRAMENTS

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

The sacrament is available during Confession hour and after each Mass per request.

MATRIMONY

Couples wishing to celebrate the Sacrament of Matrimony must contact a priest of the parish one year in advance of the wedding. Diocesan regulations require that couples begin to work with the parish at least one year prior to a wedding.

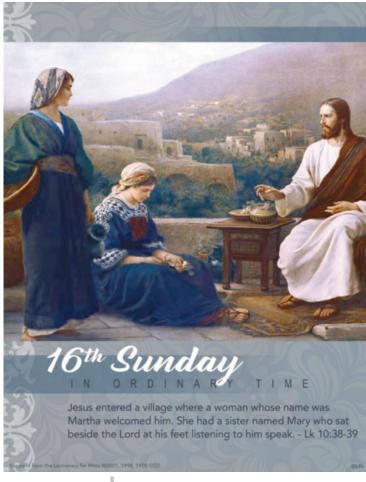
BAPTISM

Families of our parish who wish to have their child baptized should call the parish office to register for Baptism Prep. Please call well in advance of birth of your child.

CONFESSION

Anytime by appointment

Tuesday: 5:15 - 6:15 p.m.; Saturdays: 9:00 - 10:00 a.m.



MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, July 16

4:30 p.m. John & Mary Surmacz (Family)

Sunday, July 17

8:00 a.m. Anne & Ed Miller (Ed & Donna)

10:00 a.m. Our Parish Family

11:30 a.m. George Curley (Children)

Monday, July 18

7:45 a.m. Mary Jo Ott (Pat Smiy)

Tuesday, July 19

7:45 a.m. Glenn Williams (John & Linda) 6:30 p.m. Colleen Lissy

(Lectio Divina Prayer Group)

Wednesday, July 20

7:45 a.m. Betty Balcerek (Barb)

Thursday, July 21

7:45 am Cecelia Uhron (Family)

Friday, July 22

7:45 a.m. George & Marie Salopek (Children)

Saturday, July 23

8:00 a.m. Robert Dansak

(IC Staff)

4:30 p.m. Gloria Natale

(Cheryl)

Sunday, July 24

8:00 a.m. Dave Stitely

(Fichtner Family)

10:00 a.m. Robert Bracknev

(Steve & Marlene)

11:30 a.m. Our Parish Family

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IC's On The Corner Event Planner

Theology on the Vine Schedule 2022

July 28th Fr. Vaseyl Yakubych – Pastor of St. Stephen Byzantine Church August 18th Tom Jacobsen – President of Diocesan Central Council Society of

St. Vincent DePaul

September 29th Bishop Barron movie on St. John Neumann

October 13th Relic of St. John Neumann (program will be held in Church)

December 1st TBD

Christian Mother's/Women's Group

➤ Board Meetings Thursdays at 5:30pm:

August 25th October 27th December 1st

➤ General Membership Meetings Tuesdays following 6:30pm Mass:

August 9th – Election of Officers

September 6th – Installation of Officers and New Members

November 15th

December 4th – Christmas Party

Immaculata Men's Group/Immaculate Women's Group (IMG/IWG) – August 13th

CASH BASH - Saturday October 22nd Immaculate Conception and St. Elizabeth Ann Seton – at Seton

Save the Date: Immaculate Conception Parish Picnic – August 20, 2022

FAITH FORMATION—Parish Playground Days

Wednesday Mornings 10:00 am July 6th - August 17th. Contact Susan Cheplic with any questions. skcheplic@dioceseofgreensburg.or

Interested in volunteering. We have many opportunities to become involved: If you are interested in volunteering or planning to resume volunteering for our parish ministries and parish activities please contact Sharyn Gesmond at **sgesmond@dioceseofgreensburg.org** or 724-863-9550 to update and/or obtain your clearances.

This Week on the Corner

Christian Mother's/Women's Guild Board Meeting



Tuesday - July 21st /5:30 pm
We will be meeting in the Caravaggio Conference Room.

REV 316 July 22nd/6:00 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

Get ready to join us as REV316 presents AMPED! We'll com- bine games, sports, and music for a great night of fellowship and fun! Bring anyone and anything, we're here to relax and have a good time with some great people. We will all be pitching in for pizza! When you arrive, pull around to the parking lot in the back of the school.

Follow the REV signs!

> Where?: Queen of Angels Catholic School, North

Huntingdon, PA

>When?:Friday, July 22nd 6:00-9:30 PM

➤ Who?: Any young adult from the ages of 18-39



Flowers are blooming... And so is the Garden Club. New members welcome!

> Work sessions: 2nd Monday of every month, at 5pm

Come join us! Get your

hands a little dirty, make some new friends, and help keep our Church grounds beautiful!!

Questions? Text Lisa at 724-875-7730



Bishop Kulick desires to recognize all couples celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary during the calendar year 2022. The Jubilarians, their children, relatives or friends *should contact their local*

parish office to register couples for this recognition. Ideally, the Jubilarians will be invited to join the bishop for a special Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass to be celebrated in Blessed Sacrament Cathedral on Sunday, October 9, 2022. Even though personal circumstances may not permit individuals to participate in the Mass, all registered couples will receive a scroll signed by the bishop commemorating their anniversary.

JULY 2022 BURGER BASH SUMMARY

Platinum Sponsor – Davis Torres Financial
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Gold Sponsor – Immaculate Conception
Christian Mothers/Women's Guild
Bronze Sponsor – Larry Lint Flooring &
Wallcovering

July Business Sponsorship - \$950.00 July French Fry Families - \$116.67 July Hot Dog Club - \$450.01

Thank you to everyone who supported July's Burger Bash. Our Total Profit for July's Burger Bash is: \$5,847.28

Let's make August's Burger Bash an even greater success!

August Sponsors

Ott Funeral Home Immaculate Conception Christian Mothers/ Women's Guild McManus Merchants

Thank you to Scozio Bakery at Giant Eagle in White Oak & Penn Township, our bun sponsor since 2006!

Thank you to Jordan Banana Food Service for their continued support!

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Thoughts from the Pastor



Martha and Mary

Jesus entered a village where a woman whose name was Martha welcomed him. She had a sister named Mary who sat beside the Lord at his feet listening to him speak. Martha, burdened with much serving, came to him and said,

"Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me by myself to do the serving? Tell her to help me." The Lord said to her in reply,

"Martha, Martha, you are anxious and worried about many things. There is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part and it will not be taken from her."

Luke 10:38-42

(The article below was written by Jennifer Gregory Miller. Following the writing is information and a link for Jennifer's bio.)

Volumes have been written about Martha and Mary, with all sorts of conclusions and "insights" about the two sisters, so I don't want to belabor the point except sharing a few thoughts. Growing up my grandmother and aunts used to identify the females in the family with their tendency as either a Martha or Mary. My mother was a Mary, I was a Martha. It wasn't until I was older that I could see that I needed to aim at imitating not just one of the saints, but the combination of the two.

Imitation of Martha and Mary

Martha shouldn't be identified solely with her complaining to Jesus and preoccupation with work. She was chastised by Jesus for not having her priorities and she took it to heart. Martha learned her lesson, showing later when Lazarus died that she had learned to contemplate our Lord. When she comes to greet Jesus, she makes her statement of belief: "Yes, Lord. I have come to believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one who is coming into the world (Luke 11:27)." If Martha had continued her state of busyness without prayer she could not have come to this act of Faith and recognition.

Imitating Mary doesn't mean a life of inactivity and all contemplation. Yes, she sat at Our Lord's feet in life at Bethany and repeated the gesture with anointing of Jesus' feet (John 12:25) and again at His feet while He hung on the cross (John 19:25). But she is also recorded with actions of penitence and anointing, and also the intention of anointing Jesus' body. She also bears the distinct privilege having the first recorded Resurrection appearance in the Gospels (John 20:11-18), afterwards running to notify the disciples immediately.

In contemplating both Mary and Martha in the Gospel, it seems we need to imitate both of them in action and contemplation. Even in our work we need to be in prayer, directing our thoughts to God, similar to the theme *Ora et Labora* of the order of the earlier July saint, <u>St. Benedict</u>. One of my favorite books provides practical advice for putting into action this contemplation in work is *Praying While You Work: Devotions for the Use of Martha Rather than Mary* by Dom Hubert Van Zeller (which is reprinted by Sophia as *Holiness for Housewives*).

Contemplating Christ at Bethany

This passage draws thoughts about Mary and Martha together with their brother Lazarus at their home in Bethany. How many times did Our Lord come to visit His friends? Bethany seemed to be His place of refuge from the crowds, where He could be comfortable and treated like family. Thinking of Bethany recalls the recent feast of Corpus Christi and the dedication of the month of July to the most Precious Blood and thoughts on the Eucharist and contemplation of Christ in the Blessed Sacrament. St. Josemaria Escriva always called the tabernacle Bethany:

For me the tabernacle has always been a Bethany, a quiet and pleasant place where Christ resides. A place where we can tell him about our worries, our sufferings, our desires, our joys, with the same sort of simplicity and naturalness as Martha, Mary and Lazarus. That is why I rejoice when I stumble upon a church in town or in the country; it's another tabernacle, another opportunity for the soul to escape and join in intention our Lord in the Sacrament (Christ is passing by, Number 154).



And we draw on imitating the sister saints in approaching Our Lord. We recall their intimacy with Jesus:

If you wish to get close to Our Lord through the pages of the Gospels, I always recommend that you try to enter in on the scene taking part as just one more person there. In this way (and I know many perfectly ordinary people who live this way) you will be captivated like Mary was, who hung on every word that Jesus uttered or, like Martha, you will boldly make your worries known to Him, opening your heart sincerely about them all no matter how little they may be (St. Josemaria, *Friends of God*, 222).

Depending on our state in life will decide whether we are primarily contemplative like Mary and adding work in our contemplation as Martha, or being primarily active as

Martha, but praying while we work. May the dear friends of Jesus, Saints Martha and Mary, help us in our prayer and sanctification of our ordinary duties in life.

Jennifer Gregory Miller is an experienced homemaker, mother, CGS catechist and authority on living the liturgical year, or liturgical living. She is the primary developer of Catholic Culture.org's liturgical year section. See full bio.



SAINT PEREGRINE CONFERENCE

God's Blessings bestowed upon us!

This past week, at Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Church, we held a two day conference in honor of Saint Peregrine as our intercessor for cancer patients. The two-day event allowed me to share with others, who were participating in Cancer, thoughts on how to embrace it as the cross of Christ and as a gift of purification and Holiness. I compared the five steps of the cross to the five stages of grief, contrasting the difference between an earthly experience and a spiritual one. That first night we also shared in the litany of Saint Peregrine followed by the blessing, of all those suffering from cancer and their support persons, with the relic of Saint Peregrine.

I felt so blessed to have been able to share in the lives of so many others who are carrying this cross of suffering. I only hope that I inspired them to persevere and become "holy" through their suffering as Saint Peregrine taught us.

The second evening we celebrated Sacred Mass and Father Roniel and I anointed all those who were present both the sick and those who aid the sick. It is important to me that we realize the importance of intercessory prayer and the over whelming power of the Sacrament of the Sick and the Holy Eucharist. We can never forget the ordinary way that God reaches us through the Sacraments and how He empowers us to be witness to His Son, our Crucified Lord, in times of suffering as witness to our Faith on the way, our love to share in His suffering and our Hope to share in the glory of the cross!

Spiritual Reflections:

I have posted 32 spiritual reflections on OSM as part of my Health and Spiritual updates. Each of the reflections deals with the reality of walking the way of the cross while trusting in God's Miraculous power of grace and healing power. IF you are interested in sharing these videos please use the QR code provided here. It will take you to a full playlist of these reflections. Please pray for all who suffer without knowing the value of the cross. Pray that they see it as a walk with Christ to perfection and holiness.



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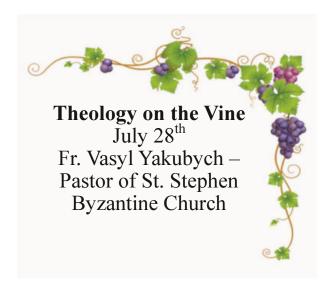
Save the Dates!!!



412 Youth Ministry - OhioPyle Sign Up! - Our
OhioPyle Date is July 30th from
10 a.m. -3p.m.! We will hike, pray in
the mountains, and enjoy the river.

In order for us to have a better count of who is coming, we ask you to sign up for our OhioPyle trip! There is no registration cost. We will provide \$10 for 412Youth members for lunch. We will meet at OhioPyle at 10 AM! Our location to meet will be by the "OhioPyle Bike Trail" location on Apple Maps, located next to the Falls Market. We will hike, spend some time in prayer, and hang out by the river. We will be done by 3 PM. This event is not just limited to high schoolers, families are always allowed as well. All students are responsible for their own ride to / from the park. If you need a ride, please let me know.

Please sign-up by July 24 so we have an accurate count. signupgenius.com/go/10...



Eucharistic Procession



Watch the bulletin for more information about our upcoming Eucharistic Procession that will be held in August. It is such a beautiful event and you don't want to miss it.



Volunteers are also needed to help setup and clean up. Please call Sharyn Gesmond at the Parish Office 724-863-9550.

ST. REGIS PARISH FESTIVAL TRAFFORD, PA

St. Regis Parish will be having a community parish festival Friday and Saturday, July 22nd and 23rd from 6:00 to 10:00 p.m. on the church grounds located at 517 Homewood Avenue, Trafford. This "Summer Spectacular" event is free and open to all surrounding communities. The two day event will include great food, basket raffle, 50/50, games for all ages, DJ - Music and Memories and Kona Ice Truck to keep you cool!

To find out more about the parish festival, to be a booth sponsor or volunteer contact Guy Lucas at 412-992-1173 (glucas762@comcast.net)

Lud Sharek at 724-691-5590(<u>lps123@comcast.net</u>)

PARISH FESTIVAL AND FOOD TRUCK RALLY

St. Edward Parish in Herminie will sponsor a Festival and Food Truck Rally on Sunday, July 24th from 12:00 Noon - 6:00pm. The afternoon includes Games, Cash Raffle, Basket Raffle, Free Hayrides, Kids Games, Bingo, Cold Refreshments, Desserts, delicious food from our 7 Food Truck vendors along with entertainment by the Woods Family Trio from 2-5pm. Come early to get the best food selections! All are welcome!

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Candles

Sanctuary Candle: In Memory of John & Mary Surmacz by Family

Easter Flame Candle: In Memory of Theodore Kelly, Jr

Divine Mercy Candle: In Memory of Harry Waite

St. Peregrine Candle: In Memory of Mary Vesco

Altar Candles for the Month of July:

In Memory of Carol Brush by Mike & Diana Hoke

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

July 17th - 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Genesis 18:1-10a Colossians 1:24-28 Luke 10:38-42

July 24th - 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Genesis 18:20-32 Colossians 2:12-14 Luke 11:1-13

Prayers and Sympathy

Prayers and sympathy for the families of Jennifer Borgo and Sandra Trentini who passed away recently. May they rest in

Eucharistic Adoration



is held every Tuesday beginning after morning Mass. If you need to leave and there is no one else in the church during Adoration, please call the church office at 724-863-9550 and someone will come over. Thank you

Join us for the Divine Mercy Chaplet Monday through Friday at 3:00 PM.

Stewardship Corner

Weekly Offering	
Sunday Offertory Week of July 3, 2022	\$18,916.08
OSV Online Giving for June 2022	\$14,631.46
Diocesan Online Giving June 8 - 15, 2022	\$461.93

Angels Corner



Queen of Angels Catholic School - Our preschool and Pre-K programs are filling up fast, but we still have a few spots remaining! If you or someone you know is interested in registering their student, please call 724-978-0144 to schedule a tour and reserve your spot.

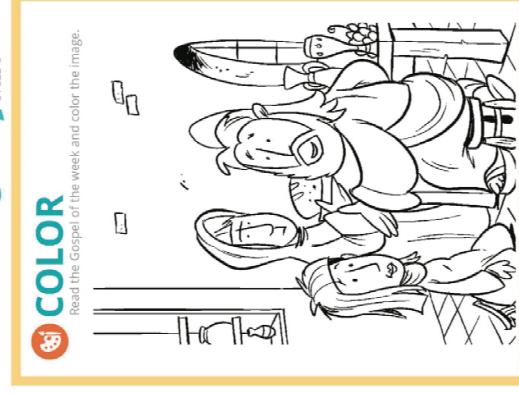
QUEEN OF ANGELS CATHOLIC SCHOOL - St. Agnes Parish have asked our parents to

coordinate and volunteer at the St. Agnes Bazaar – Children's Corner on August 5th, 6th, and 7th. So I am asking for your help. We will be responsible for all the games under the Children's Tent. Our PTO will also be assisting this year along with any student entering Grades 6-7-8. I have worked at the St. Agnes Bazaar for over 35 year and have enjoyed every minute of this ministry. Please call me at 724-331-6216 or e-mail me at rnoblick@queenofangelssch.org and let me know when you are available to help!! Thank you for your help and support!

– Mrs. Ruth Ann Noblick

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chosen better Unscramble words from today's Gospel: anxions Martha >Φ istening serving ⊏ ⊐ woman Mary 0 lentsingi ourney village jnreyou axinosu sigvern ceshon hartMa warnno vagelli bretet rayM

Ask your family to join you in reading the Bible

or praying at meal time.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

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THE SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

July 17, 2022 - Order of the Mass

VOCATIONS PRAYER

Lord Jesus, raise up from our homes those called by the Father: courageous and humble men to the Priesthood, generous servants to the Permanent Diaconate, faithful people to Consecrated Life, and holy men and women to the Sacrament of Marriage. Holy Spirit, help us to live our universal vocation to holiness by listening to the Father's voice and responding with a sacrificial love. Holy Mary, Model of vocations, pray for us.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say



GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless, you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Genesis 18:1-10a

The LORD appeared to Abraham by the terebinth of Mamre, as he sat in the entrance of his tent, while the day was growing hot. Looking up, Abraham saw three men standing nearby. When he saw them, he ran from the entrance of the tent to greet them; and bowing to the ground, he said: "Sir, if I may ask you this favor, please do not go on past your servant. Let some water be brought, that you may bathe your feet, and then rest yourselves under the tree. Now that you have come this close to your servant, let me bring you a little food, that you may refresh yourselves; and afterward you may go on your way." The men replied, "Very well, do as you have said." Abraham hastened into the tent and told Sarah, "Quick, three measures of fine flour! Knead it and make rolls." He ran to the herd, picked out a tender, choice steer, and gave it to a servant, who quickly prepared it. Then Abraham got some curds and milk, as well as the steer that had been prepared, and set these before the three men; and he waited on them under the tree while they ate. They asked Abraham, "Where is your wife Sarah?" He replied, "There in the tent." One of them said, "I will surely return to you about this time next year, and Sarah will then have a son."

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 15 Michel Guimont

He who does justice will live in the presence of God.

SECOND READING

Colossians 1:24-28

Brothers and sisters: Now I rejoice in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am filling up what is lacking in the afflictions of Christ on behalf of his body, which is the church, of which I am a minister in accordance with God's stewardship given to me to bring to completion for you the word of God, the mystery hidden from ages and from generations past. But now it has been manifested to his holy ones, to whom God chose to make known the riches of the Glory of this mystery among the Gentiles; it is Christ in you, the hope for glory. It is he whom we proclaim, admonishing everyone and teaching everyone with all wisdom, that we may present everyone perfect in Christ.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL READING

Luke 10:38-42

Jesus entered a village where a woman whose name was Martha welcomed him. She had a sister named Mary who sat beside the Lord at his feet listening to him speak. Martha, burdened with much serving, came to him and said, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me by myself to do the serving? Tell her to help me." The Lord said to her in reply, "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and worried about many things. There is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part and it will not be taken from her."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST



EUCHARISTIC ACCLMATIONS

Jubilation Mass James Chepponis



Lamb

God,

Last time

world,

you take a-way the sins of the

peace.

grant us

world, have mer-cy on us.

To repeat

COMMUNION HYMN

I Am the Bread of Life



Text: John 6; Suzanne Toolan, RSM, b.1927 Tune: BREAD OF LIFE, Irregular with refrain; Suzanne Toolan, RSM, b.1927 ₱ 1966, 1970, 1986, 1993, GIA Publications, Inc.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

Go Make of All Disciples



Text: Matthew 28:19-20; Leon M. Adkins, 1896-1986, alt. © 1964, Abingdon Press Tune: ELLACOMBE, 7 6 7 6 D; Gesangbuch der Herzog!, Wirtemberg, 1784

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Looking for Activities for the family? Looking for fellowship? Here is a list of all of the ways to be a part of the Immaculate Conception Family Community

(For more information on these groups and more activities please visit our website www.icirwin.org)

Immaculata Men's Group (IMG)

IMG is an interactive men's group that is focused on the development of men in the modern world. It combines the best research for science with the teachings of the Catholic faith and the wisdom of the saints to develop the vision of authentic men capable of transforming society. The group meets regularly on Saturday mornings in Our Lady's Plaza beginning promptly at 6:30 a.m. until 7:50 a.m.

Immaculata Women's Group (IWG)

The IWG brings women of all ages together on a spiritual journey to grow in faith and to better understand and apply the teachings of the church. Women share how their Catholic faith has impacted their lives amidst the challenges of today's society. The group meets regularly on Sunday mornings in Our Lady's Plaza beginning promptly at 6:30 a.m. and concludes at 7:50 a.m.

Christian Mother's/Women's Group (CM/WG)

The CM/WG brings women together to share their spiritual relationship with our Lord and to further enhance that relationship within their own families, parish and community. Through prayer, conferences and fellowship the Christian Mothers/Women's Guild strive to support the spiritual growth our parish families. Meetings are bi-monthly on Tuesdays following the 6:30 pm Mass.

Theology on the Vine (TOV)

Intended for anyone 21 and older, this group meets on the last Thursday of the month for ten months during the year. Sessions begin at 6:30 p.m. with a community social and refreshments of wine and cheese followed by the main presentation/guest speaker at 7 p.m. and a question and answer session.

Conferences

Our parish offers educational conferences every the fall and during the Advent and Lenten seasons. These conferences are designed to allow for a deeper understanding of various topics that may be a famous religious painting or a particular reading from the Bible.

REV316

REV316 is a Catholic young adult group that helps each other grow in faith and love for God. All young adults ages 18-35 are welcome to participate in fellowship, activities and small groups. Please visit REV316's website at https://rev316.wixsite.com/rev316 for more information about this exciting program or email rev316.catholic@gmail.com.

Please contact the parish office to register your child for appropriate formation training.

YOUTH FORMATION

Faith formation is necessary and mandatory for those children attending public school in grades 1-8. This program teaches the necessary lessons in the Catholic faith that the child will carry throughout his/her life. Volunteer Catechists provide encouragements and guidance.

Faith Formation Options for Public School Children

PRESCHOOL AND KINDERGARTEN

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

Grades 1 and 2

Faith Formation Class – held on Saturday mornings from 9–10:30 a.m. usually twice a month

Sacramental Preparation

Children preparing for the Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion participate in family centered preparation in addition to their classroom sessions. This preparation includes a family meeting as well as 4 workshops throughout the year. Sacraments are received in 2nd grade.

Also just grades 3, 4 and 5 meet Monday nights at this point, 6th grade has been swept into Middle School, which is the Matthias Project

The Matthias Project is our Confirmation Preparation program. Starting in 6^{th} grade, the young men and women learn about following the call to the "The 12^{th} Apostle" and boldly follow Christ the way that St Matthias did when he replaced Judas. The Sacrament of Confirmation is received in the 8^{th} grade year.

Grades 3-6

Faith Formation Class – held on Monday nights from 6–7:30 p.m. usually twice a month.

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd is a faith formation option for young children offered at Immaculate Conception. It is based on the philosophy that even the youngest child is in a relationship with God.

412 Youth is the combined youth ministry program for the three area parishes of Immaculate Conception, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton and St. Agnes for all students in grades 9-12.

SUPPLEMENTAL YOUTH FORMATION

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Intended for children from Kindergarten to grade 5, Children's Liturgy of the Word is offered during all four weekend Masses.

Vacation Bible School

Vacation Bible School is our summer program that combines, music, crafts, learning and fun! It takes place in the month of June and is open to kids entering Pre-K 4 to Grade 5. Watch the bulletin for dates and registration information!













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