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### IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

### AUGUST 10, 2025 NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### Saturday, August 9, 2025

8:00 a.m. Robert Fichtner (Family)

4:30 p.m. John & Pat Huemme (Family)

### Sunday, August 10, 2025

8:00 a.m. Sondria Gordon (Family)

10:00 a.m. Marty McHugh (Parents)

11:30 a.m. Danne & Anne Kapanak (Family)

### Monday, August 11, 2025

7:45 a.m. Anthony Nese (Family)

### Tuesday, August 12, 2025

7:45 a.m. Jerold Gesmond (Mom & Dad)

5:15 p.m. - 6:15 p.m. Confession

6:30 p.m. Our Parish Family

### Wednesday, August 13, 2025

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

### Thursday, August 14, 2025

7:45 a.m. Lloyd Neal (Wife)

6:30 p.m. Paul Dirling (Betty)

### Friday, August 15, 2025

8:00 a.m. Bill Kunic (Mario & Becky)

12:00 p.m. Mary Guidice (DeFelice Family)

6:30 p.m. Brittany Erni (Tatarek Family)

### Saturday, August 16, 2025

8:00 a.m. Francine Kresicki (Trish & Pete)

4:30 p.m. Deceased Members of Pagnanelli Family (Patty & John)

### Sunday, August 17, 2025

8:00 a.m. Our Parish Family

10:00 a.m. Priscilla Volpe (Family)

11:30 a.m. Thomas Chonko (Friends)

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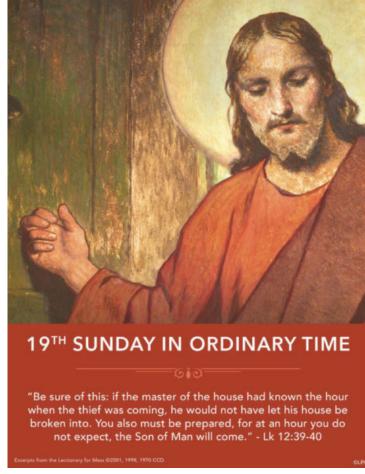
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Parish Office Hours: 8 am to 3 pm

### **PASTOR'S NOTES**

Do you find yourself struggling to pay attention during prayer time?

Do you read your prayer book or the daily Mass readings and find yourself lost in the long and at times repetitious wording?

Let me offer you a good technique I use to help me focus! I've learned this from others!

- Grab a word in prayer. Think of yourself as fishing for good words. When
  you are reading, grab onto a word or phrase that strikes you and hold it in
  your mind as you read for a few moments.
- When you are praying the Rosary, try to grab a different word in the Hail
  Mary with each decade you pray. Example: Hail Mary full of grace, the Lord
  is with Thee. Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy
  womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now, and at
  the hour of our death, Amen.

Notice how I highlighted "Mother of God." For this decade I am grabbing the thought of Mary's motherhood of Jesus, and focusing only on that as I recite. In the next decade, I might grab the words; "Pray for us sinners," and focus on the joy that our spiritual Mother can pray for me and meditate on where I need prayers the most for my spiritual growth.

This same method can be used for reading scripture or any other prayer. It even works with Hymns. Try this method of grabbing words or phrases to mentally freeze and meditate on as you pray. This is a good way to anchor into prayer and receive better clarity during the time we spend with God each day!



### **CANDLES**

### **Sanctuary Candle:**

In Memory of Sondria Gordon (Family)

### **Divine Mercy:**

Special Intentions Immaculate Conception Parishioners

### St. Peregrine Candle:

Special Intentions Father John Moineau

### **Easter Flame Candle:**

In Memory of Mihalko Family (Family)

### St. Joseph's Candle:

In Memory of Deceased Members of the Donnelly Family (Kathleen)

### Altar Candles for the Month of August: In Memory of Liddie Blank (Family)

In Memory of Liddie Blank (Family)

If you would like to have a candle lit in memory of your loved one, please call the parish office at

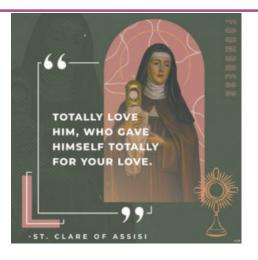


Please pray for all our faithful departed that the purgative love of Jesus Christ will make them perfect in heaven as they look forward to the resurrection of the body.

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

### **BACK TO SCHOOL PRAYER**

Father of all mercies We ask that you would bless the youngest and littlest of learners, the most helpless and powerless of persons, with Your infinite and loving mercy, granting them the strength to learn, concentrate, and act appropriately towards their teachers and fellow students. We also ask that You would watch over them, at home and at school and grant them proper direction so that they may learn of Your wonderful virtues. We ask this in the name of Your Son, Jesus Christ, Amen



### **SACRAMENTS**

### **Anointing of the Sick**

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

### Matrimony

Couples wishing to celebrate the Sacrament of Matrimony must contact the parish office one year in advance of the Wedding.

### **Baptism**

Families of our parish who wish to have their child baptized please email Susan Cheplic at skcheplic@dioceseofgreensburg.org to register for Baptism Preparation.

### Confession

Tuesday 5:15 - 6:15 p.m. & Saturday 9-10 a.m. (except for the first Saturday of the month)

### **Divine Mercy**

Join us for the Divine Mercy Chaplet Monday through Friday at 3:00 pm in the church.



Eucharistic Adoration is on Tuesdays after 7:45 am Mass & continuing until 6:15 pm.

"Our desire for God can only grow when we place ourselves in His presence." ~Pope Francis

**Sunday Offertory** 

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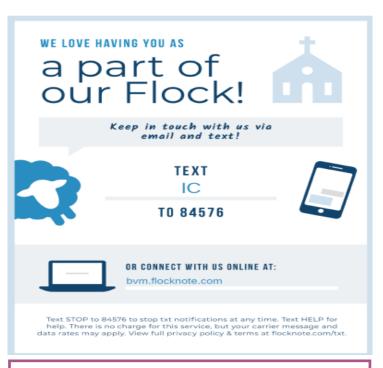
If you decide to switch to online giving and would like to discontinue your envelopes please contact the parish office. Thank you!



Christian Mothers/Women's Guild new member registration forms will be available after all Masses August 16th & 17th and August 23rd & 24th. Please considering joining!



Christian Mothers/Women's Guild general membership meeting is in Our Lady's Plaza Tuesday August 19th after 6:30 pm Mass.



### GRIEF SHARE SUPPORT GROUPS

Two Grief Share groups are available:

Wednesday evenings Grief Share support group will be held at Immaculate Conception in the Children's Liturgy Room on Wednesdays from 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. beginning August 20, 2025 Contact Gerri Dornin at <a href="mailto:gdornin@comcast.net">gdornin@comcast.net</a> to register or for additional information. You are welcome to start attending at any point, as each session is "self-contained."

Thursday afternoons Grief Share support group will be held at St. Agnes in the Bertolina Room in the Faith Formation Center (Old Convent),
Thursdays from 1:00 pm - 2:30 p.m. Contact
Audrey Quinlan at <a href="mailto:audreyquinlan@comcast.net">audreyquinlan@comcast.net</a> to register or for additional information. You are welcome to start attending at any point, as each session is "self-contained."







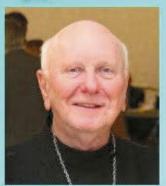
PLEASE JOIN US FOR MASS AT IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CEMETERY ON SEPTEMBER 1, 2025 AT 8:00 AM

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All Adults 21 years or older are invited to







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# Thursday Aug. 28, 2025

Doors open 6:00 pm

Program begins at 6:30 pm

# OUR LADY'S PLAZA

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A great opportunity for Catholic adults to meet in a comfortable setting to explore our faith and how it affects our lives.

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### **Diocesan Lenten Appeal**

Our Diocesan goal is \$162,067.00. We would like to see as many people as possible donate to support our parish and ministries like International Priests, Seminarian's Education, Faith Formation programs, and Catholic Charities. Any amount will help towards our goal. Fr. Jim, Fr. Louiegene, Fr. Vijay, Immaculate Conception Staff and your fellow parishioners appreciate your support.

As of August 5th total pledged is \$144,171.30. That is 89.1% of our Diocesan goal. We are \$17,745.70 away from our Diocesan goal. We have received gifts from 455 parishioners, which is only 17% of our parish family. Please remember if we do not reach our diocesan goal the parish will receive a bill for the difference that must be paid out of our parish savings.

> Thank you to all who have already given a gift to the 2025 Diocesan Lenten Appeal and to those who will give a gift. Thank you for supporting our parish!



### **2025 DIOCESAN LENTEN APPEAL** Please prayerfully consider one of the following gift options this year. My 2025 Commitment: A One-time Gift of: \$1,200 \$600 \$430 \$100 \$50 Bishop's Circle A Monthly Gift of: \$150 \$75 \$53.75 \$12.50 \$6.25 Bishop's Average 2024 Gift (8 monthly payments thru Dec. 31) PLEASE BELOW. To make a safe and secure gift online scan this QR Code or visit: DioceseofGreensburg.org/DLA2025

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- · October 4th
- November 1st

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### ANGELS CORNER—QUEEN OF ANGEL CATHOLIC SCHOOL



### **Queen of Angels Catholic School -**

Dear Parishioners, Queen of Angels Catholic School is excited to welcome the 2025–2026 school year! We hope your summer has been filled with rest, joy, and time spent with loved ones. As we look ahead, we are filled with anticipation and hope. We joyfully welcome back our returning students and are eager to greet the many new faces joining our school family. This year, we are blessed to serve over 285 students—including 50

bright-eyed kindergarteners—who will soon fill our classrooms with faith, laughter, and learning. We are deeply grateful for your ongoing support of Queen of Angels. Your prayers, generosity, and presence enrich our mission and make it possible for us to continue nurturing children in a Christ-centered environment. We are truly blessed to have you as part of our faith community. Our Catholic faith calls us to begin each school year with gratitude and purpose. Together, may we embrace the year ahead with hearts open to God's grace and minds ready for the learning and growth that awaits. Looking forward to a wonderful year together!

With gratitude and prayers,

Mrs. Filak Principal





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### IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

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### THE NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

August 10, 2025 - 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

### God Whose Giving Knows No Ending





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Wisdom 18:6-9

The night of the passover was known beforehand to our fathers, that, with sure knowledge of the oaths in which they put their faith, they might have courage. Your people awaited the salvation of the just and the destruction of their foes. For when you punished our adversaries, in this you glorified us whom you had summoned. For in secret the holy children of the good were offering sacrifice and putting into effect with one accord the divine institution.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 33

Howard Hughes

Blessed the people the Lord has chosen to be his own, to be his own.



SECOND READING Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-12

Brothers and sisters: Faith is the realization of what is hoped for and evidence of things not seen. Because of it the ancients were well attested. By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; he went out, not knowing where he was to go. By faith he sojourned in the promised land as in a foreign country, dwelling in tents with Isaac and Jacob, heirs of the same promise; for he was looking forward to the city with foundations, whose architect and maker is God. By faith he received power to generate, even though he was past the normal age —and Sarah herself was sterile- for he thought that the one who had made the promise was trustworthy. So it was that there came forth from one man, himself as good as dead, descendants as numerous as the stars in the sky and as countless as the sands on the seashore.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL READING Luke 12:35-40

Jesus said to his disciples: "Gird your loins and light your lamps and be like servants who await their master's return from a wedding, ready to open immediately when he comes and knocks. Blessed are those servants whom the master finds vigilant on his arrival. Amen, I say to you, he will gird himself, have the servants recline at table, and proceed to wait on them. And should he come in the second or third watch and find them prepared in this way, blessed are those servants. Be sure of this: if the master of the house had known the hour when the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be prepared, for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come."

The Gospel of the Lord.

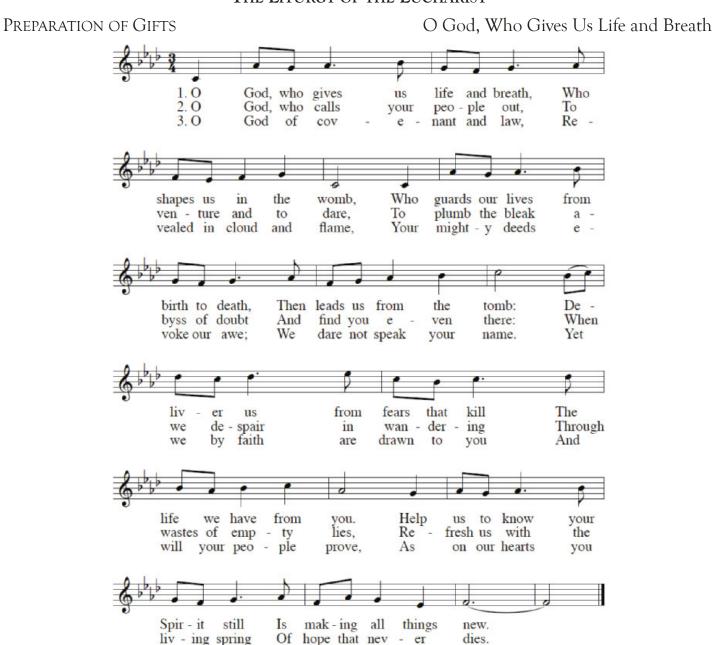
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

### 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

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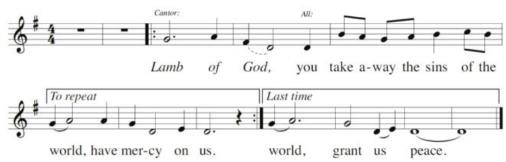
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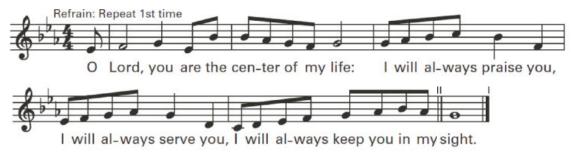
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