



INCARNATION & RISEN LORD

ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISHES



February 26, 2017

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

INCARNATION OF THE LORD PARISH

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MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend Saturday - 4:00 PM & Sunday - 9:00 AM
Weekday Tuesday & Thursday - 8:00 AM

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MONDAY 8:00AM - 4:30PM
TUESDAY 1:00 PM - 4:30PM
WEDNESDAY 8:00AM - 12:00PM
THURSDAY 8:00AM - 4:30PM
FRIDAY 8:00AM - 12:00PM

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Weekday Monday, Wednesday, & Friday - 8:00 AM

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**Seek first
the Kingdom of God
and his Righteousness.**

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RECONCILIATION: Saturday afternoon 3:00 - 3:30 PM before the 4:00 PM Mass, or by appointment.
INFANT BAPTISM: To schedule a Baptism, please contact the Parish Office. Parents are expected to attend a Pre-Baptismal session which are held at Risen Lord Parish on the third Sunday of the month. The celebration and registration for the Sacrament of Baptism will still be at the individual parishes. Baptisms will take place on the last Sunday of the month.
MARRIAGE: Dates for Marriages are scheduled only through the priest and only after an initial meeting with the couple. Church law requires a minimum of six months notice before a wedding can be celebrated. In light of the many arrangements for a wedding, the couple should contact the priest as soon as possible after the engagement is announced.
INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC: Those wishing to share in the sacramental life of the Catholic Church are invited to contact the Parish Office. This specifically applies to those wishing to be baptized, who have not previously shared in the Eucharist, who have not sought to share the sacrament of Confirmation, or those raised in another faith but now choosing to share our Catholic faith.
HOSPITALIZED OR HOMEBOUND: If a parishioner is in the hospital or sick at home, please call the Social Ministry Office at Incarnation or the Main Office at Risen Lord to arrange for a pastoral visit. Each hospital has a chaplain for emergencies.
PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: Please call the Main Office or Social Ministry Office to request your loved one to be on the Prayer List. Due to HIPPA Regulations, only an immediate family member can make this request.
SPONSOR LETTERS: Only active and registered members will be issued a Sponsor Letter. The Sponsor should contact the Parish Office at least one week prior to the date needed.
BULLETIN: Submissions can be made to bulletinINCandRL@comcast.net. Deadline is 12:00 PM on Friday (nine days before the Sunday of the intended publication). Submissions are subject to approval and space limitations.
DIOCESAN VICTIM ABUSE HOTLINE: For anyone who has been abused by church personnel, please call (412)456-3060 or 1-888-808-1235.



WITHIN THE PAST TEN DAYS, parish financial statements for the 2014-2015 and 2015-2016 fiscal years were shared with the finance councils of both Incarnation of the Lord and Risen Lord parishes, respectively. In this week's bulletin you will find a copy of those statements for each of the fiscal years mentioned above. Copies of these reports have been sent to our vicar and then will be forwarded to the diocese. These reports are shared with you later than they should have been and I apologize to all for this serious error.

IN APRIL OF 2015, THE DIOCESE OF PITTSBURGH embarked on a new process for paying salaries to employees. The diocese now uses PAYCOR as the avenue by which salaries and benefits are paid. In using this process, it involved a significant change for pastors of multiple parishes. Pastors of multiple parishes had to choose one parish from which would come all funds necessary to meet salaries and benefits monthly. Your pastor chose Incarnation of the Lord parish to fulfill this requirement. Risen Lord parish would then be responsible for repaying Incarnation the portion owed them. From April, 2015, Risen Lord made payments back to Incarnation in various amounts. These various amounts total \$35,772.63. Beginning in January, 2017, Risen Lord began to pay back \$1,200.00 per month on the remaining balance. Additional information regarding the entire balance owed back to Incarnation will be forthcoming shortly.

A HUGE DEBT OF GRATITUDE is extended to the pastoral life committee of the parish pastoral council of Risen Lord parish for all the preparation and effort expended in connection with recognizing all our volunteers and those involved with various ministries within the parish. A great time was had by all in attendance!



Adoration at Incarnation of the Lord Church

Every Sunday from 2:00 to 4:00 PM.
The Chaplet of Divine Mercy
and the Rosary starts at 3:00 PM.



DEACON BOB'S CORNER

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

God is always present in our life.

Breaking Open the Word: Matthew 6:24-34

Listen to the Word: Food, drink, clothing are mentioned in this passage. What anxieties do you feel when you release control of these things and put your trust in God?

Look into your Life

Children: What do you worry about? What can you do to stop worrying and rely on God?

Youth: Do you serve two masters? If so, what can you do to stop and serve only God?

Adults: Who really is the master of your life?



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Saturday (2/25) Weekday

4:00 PM INC - Living & Deceased of the Parish
4:00 PM RL - Living & Deceased of the Parish

Sunday (2/26) Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 AM INC - Donald Hite (Claire & Robert Dorsch)
11:00 AM RL - John Stettner (Wife & Children)

Monday (2/27) Weekday

8:00 AM RL - Noralee Woods (Maroney Family)

Tuesday (2/28) Weekday

8:00 AM INC - In Honor of the Holy Face of Jesus (Anonymous)

Wednesday (3/1) Ash Wednesday

8:00 AM INC - Mathilda Zinno (Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Balestreire)
8:00 AM RL - Living & Deceased of the Parish
12:00 PM INC - Distribution of Ashes
12:00 PM RL - Distribution of Ashes
7:00 PM INC - Deceased Religious of Nativity & Incarnation
7:00 PM RL - Living & Deceased of the Parish

Thursday (3/2) Thursday after Ash Wednesday

8:00 AM INC - Beatrice & Raymond Enya (Legion of Mary)

Friday (3/3) Friday after Ash Wednesday

8:00 AM RL - Guy Hunter (Family)
3:00 PM INC - Stations of the Cross
7:00 PM RL - Stations of the Cross

Saturday (3/4) Saturday after Ash Wednesday

4:00 PM INC - Dorothy Kardell (Sr. Sharon & Felician Sisters)
4:00 PM RL - Living & Deceased of the Parish

Sunday (3/5) First Sunday of Lent

9:00 AM INC - Living & Deceased of the Parish
11:00 AM RL - Cecil Willis (Wife, Dolores & Family)

Have Your Best Lent Ever!!!

Join Dynamic Catholic for **Best Lent Ever**, a free, video-based e-mail program featuring internationally acclaimed speaker and *New York Times* bestselling author Matthew Kelly. From Ash Wednesday to Easter, Matthew will help you identify what stands between you and happiness...and what to do about it. Some of his discussion will be based on his book *Resisting Happiness*. FREE copies of this book are still available in the churches. To sign up, visit BestLentEver.com.

Stations of the Cross

The Stations of the Cross originated as pilgrims to the Holy Land would follow Christ's Way of the Cross, also known as the *Via Dolorosa*, and reflect on the key events of Good Friday. When the Holy Wars prevented pilgrims from traveling, European artists would make images of the various events, or stations, and Christians would be able to make a spiritual pilgrimage as we continue that tradition today. Stations of the Cross will be held on the Fridays of Lent at 3:00 PM at Incarnation of the Lord and 7:00 PM at Risen Lord.



Sick Relatives & Friends

Dolores Vazzana, Ray Kenneally, Kelly Finnegan, Kimberly Behr, Mary Ann Wilson, Lou Saban, Sr., Michelle Fetzer, Kathleen Grady, George Finley, Robert Kroll, Dennis Guthrie, Tom Fowler, Madge Gillespie, Lori Ann Love, Charles Wenzig, Sandy Zabierowsky, Marilyn Ruffner, Julie Fowler, and Gretchen Marker.

May God extend His helping and healing hands upon them all. In the letter of St. James 5:14-15 we are reminded, "If one of you is ill, he should send for the elders of the church . . . the prayer of the faith will save the sick man."



GUARD THOSE WHO GUARD OUR FREEDOM

Trevor L. McCallum, Michael Borus, Lt. Col. Katrina (Katy) Saban Coolman, Major Joseph Coolman, Joshua Crankshaw, Dalton Dailey, Joseph Dreves, Mark Enzerra, Jason Fullmer, 2nd Lt., Andrew Geisler, Dave Gratten, Matt Hahn, Christopher Kane, Tina Lippert, Christine May, PFC Russell L. Johnson, Alexa and Michael Brown, SFC Erin Shaw

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly): Need help losing weight? Looking for the "right" group for help? Look no further, TOPS is in your neighborhood. We offer great support and friendship. TOPS meets Monday evenings at Incarnation Church. Weigh-in is at 6:15 PM, followed by a meeting at 6:30 PM. Call Darren at (412)877-7761 for more information.

Weekly Collections

Weekend of February 18 & 19, 2017

Weekly Goal - \$ 5,900.00

Offering Collected - \$ 2,414.00

Deficit - \$ 3,486.00

Incarnation Social Ministry - Lenten Outreach

St. Joseph's House of Hospitality is a program of Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Pittsburgh. St. Joe's mission is to empower older homeless men to progress towards self-sufficiency through an active residential community. Incarnation Parish will support St. Joe's for our Lenten Outreach by collecting:

Standard Pillow Cases

Washcloths and Towels

All items should be new or gently used. Please see the brochure in the bulletin board for more details. Thank you for your support.

Mary Ann Burke

MINISTERS - MARCH 4 & 5, 2017

LECTORS

4:00 PM - M. Ruffner 9:00 AM - D. Gierl

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

4:00 PM - J. & R. Dengler
9:00 AM - G. Seidl, Sr. Barbara

ALTAR SERVERS

4:00 PM - R. Dengler 9:00 AM - M.L. Bassett

INCARNATION OF THE LORD PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

Christ became human, and we take up His ministry of love, service, and compassion as an expression of our faith in the Word Incarnate.

HIGH ANXIETY With all our worries about the economy, unemployment, healthcare, and terrorists, you'd think we have a lot more anxieties than the folks in Jesus' time. Yet people then had just as many anxieties and worries. So is Jesus telling people not to be concerned for their families or the poor when he tells us not to worry about food or clothing? No; concern is not the same as worry. Concern is love that asks what I can do for someone else in need. Worry is fear that I can't do anything to help either myself or others. Love leads us to act on the problem; fear tempts us to flee from the problem.

So Jesus encourages us not to worry with examples from the natural world. The birds are fed and the grass is clothed with flowers, all through no efforts of their own. Jesus is not saying that we can drift through life with no purpose and still get whatever we want. He gives us a definite purpose - to seek first the Kingdom of God. If we seek God first, we'll begin to see that our worries are needless. If knowing and loving God is the center of our lives, then we have no time or inclination for fear and worry. And that is where the concern comes in.

One description of the Kingdom is the realization that all things come from God and that God lives in all people. When we seek to bring the Kingdom of God into reality, we are concerned for all the poor, the sick, the dying. The Kingdom means seeing God in others, so that when we see those who are sick or in trouble, we are seeing Jesus on the cross. When we help someone whose faith is weak, they may see Jesus in us. By showing God's love to them, we can help free them from worry also. And they can help us to understand Jesus' words, "You cannot serve both God and mammon." We can't serve God when we are worrying about paying bills, saving for retirement, or getting the kids through college. But if we put God's kingdom first in our lives, "all these things will be given [us] besides" (Matthew 6:33).

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RISEN LORD PARISH NEWS

AS A PARISH WE LIFT IN PRAYER...

...Those requesting prayer

For the Healing and Well-Being of All
 For Agnes Sterbenac, Marie McConnell Scotty,
 Debra Butler, and Anonymous

...Those who have gone before us in faith



The Sanctuary Candle burns this week in honor of the Blessed Sacrament and in loving memory of

Veronica Markovich
 from her daughter Nancy.

Pastoral Life News for February

We have been planning the Volunteer Appreciation Dinner for February 19, 2017. This catered luncheon is in appreciation of all our volunteer efforts for Risen Lord Parish. Hope you were able to join us. **THANKS FOR ALL YOU DO VOLUNTEERS!!!!**

We volunteered to host a reception at church after the Memorial Mass for Father Raymond's father on Monday, February 20, 2017 at 7:00 PM.

We are in the process of planning a Lenten Day of Reflection for Sunday, March 26th. Tentative plans include a speaker for adults and families, craft activity for children, and a holy hour for adults. Of course, refreshments are always involved. Watch for further information in bulletin. Hope to see everyone there during Lent to help prepare for Easter.

Cradle to Kingdom



Baptism
 Chezina Danko

Deaths

Frank Kuziel
 Angelo Robibaro
 Guy Hunter



This Week's Time and Talent Stewards

In gratitude for God's gift of time and talent to all of us, we gratefully acknowledge and salute:

All Risen Lord Volunteers

They faithfully share their time and expertise to our parish. With deep gratitude we thank all parish volunteers. God Bless You!

Stewardship - Weekend of February 11 & 12, 2017

Budgeted Amount - \$5,124.00

Collection (104 Envelopes + \$158.00 Loose)	\$2,676.00
PSP - Blue (9 Envelopes)	<u>\$405.00</u>
Total	\$3,081.00
Debt Reduction (9 Env.)	\$226.00
Maintenance & Utilities (5 Env.)	\$70.00
Social Ministry Outreach (1 Env.)	\$5.00



Ladies of Charity Lenten Service Project

Each year during Lent, the Ladies of Charity sponsor a Lenten Service Project. This year we plan to assist Operation Safety Net. As you know, every Holy Thursday we have a sock drive to assist the homeless. This year we hope to expand this and assist both homeless men and women of our area. Soon you will receive a list of items that could be very useful to the homeless. This list is slightly different than in previous years. There will be boxes at the church doors for your donations. If you are not able to purchase items, you may make a monetary donation, or if not, then just pray for all the homeless men and women in our area.

Minister Schedule - March 4 & 5, 2017

Eucharistic Ministers

4:00 PM - M.A. Turkovich, M. Zahren
 11:00 AM - S. Murray, M. Miksic

Lectors

4:00 PM - M. Kushik 11:00 AM - M. Milsop

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Wednesday, March 1

Choir Practice

Saturday, March 4

Ladies of Charity Lenten Project Starts

Remember The Gathering of Women
 at Risen Lord last year? Let's do it again.



Sunday May 7, 2017

Look for details soon.

RISEN LORD PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

Our Risen Lord calls us to rejoice as a united people in the Good News that God loves us and has saved us. Each of us, by virtue of our baptism, is challenged to carry God's love to all in our neighborhoods. Through our communal participation in the Word of God and the Eucharist, as a parish, we seek to empower our people to meet this challenge to proclaim the love and hope that is our Risen Lord.



Keeping the Faith

by Marilyn Ruffner

We can imagine Jesus sitting among the people surrounded by nature. This week's Gospel reminds us that God takes care of all of nature. The only creatures that worry are human creatures. This week we are reminded to put our faith in God. We worry about everything from finances to situations that arise in our families. Trusting God to take care of us, as He cares for nature, is almost as hard as caring for our enemies. There are some things in life that are essential, such as food, water, and shelter. All of us worry about things that are not essential. What Jesus wants from us is total trust and faith in God. He knows we need food and drink, but if we seek God first, all things will be given to us. The Joy of the Gospel (Sophia Institute) created these questions that help us to put things in perspective. List five favorite possessions. List five things that you use each day. Look at your two lists. Circle anything on the lists that are essential to living. In other words, you would literally die without them. If Jesus appeared today and asked you to give up all things that are not essential to life and follow Him, could you do it? Is anything in your life preventing you from having a better relationship with Jesus? How can you spend more time and energy seeking Christ in your life?

Did you remember to pick up your copy of *Resisting Happiness* by Matthew Kelly? This book follows along with the **Best Lent Ever** program? Sign up at BestLentEver.com. You will receive short inspirational videos, practical tips, daily and a study guide. Copies of this book are still available at each church.

Upcoming Events

March 4: *On Mission for the Church Alive!* is offering a Lenten Morning Of Reflection, **Back to the Font**, at various locations from 9:00 AM -12:00 PM. The closest locations to Incarnation and Risen Lord Parishes are: St Alphonsus in Wexford (School Cafeteria), St Bonaventure in Glenshaw, and St. Paul Seminary in Crafton. **There is no registration fee.** To register call Parish Services at (412)456-3180 or go online at <http://tinyurl.com/LentenReflection>.

March 23: Sr. Lorita, a former Music Minister at Incarnation, will be offering a reflection of The Beatitudes. It begins at 7:00 PM in the Incarnation Library on the same floor as the church office. Come join us. All are welcome!

Get ready to be inspired and uplifted! Unabridged Press, Sisters of Divine Providence, and La Roche College presents *Standup Sisters: Border Crossings*. This event features five Catholic Sisters who will share stories of their work around the world. This FREE event will be held on Tuesday, March 14, 2017, 7:00-9:00 PM at La Roche College. To register, please call (412)200-2017, or for more information visit cdpsisters.org.

200 CLUB

Week 20 - Ticket 063 - *Anna & Hilda Dax* - \$100

Do you want to deepen your spiritual life this Lent by understanding better why we should come to Mass? Then join Bishop William J. Waltersheid in a three-part series that will be offered at Epiphany Parish, Uptown Pittsburgh.

Source and Summit:

An Examination of the Liturgy of the Mass

Bishop Waltersheid invites the faithful to reflect upon the Paschal Mystery of Christ made present at Mass. The three-part series will discuss the nature of the Sacred Liturgy, the prayers of the Mass, and the manner in which the action of Christ in the Eucharistic Sacrifice makes us shares in His life and transforms us and the world.

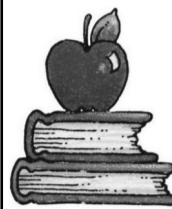
- Understand better the awesome reality that Mass is and why Our Lord gave it to His Church.
- See what an encounter with Jesus Christ at Mass can do to change your life and give you the peace, healing, and direction that you need each day.
- Increase your confidence in speaking to others about the power and the beauty of the Mass so that you can become a missionary in bringing others to Christ at Mass.

Where: The Conference room on the second floor of the office building of Epiphany Parish, 164 Washington Place, Pittsburgh, PA 15219

When: Sundays of Lent, March 12th, 19th, and 26th from 12:00 - 1:30 PM

To Register: E-mail at churchoffice@epiphanychurch.net with the names of those attending

St. Aloysius announces its first Rummage Sale of the 2017 Season on Saturday, March 4th, 8:00 AM to 2:00 PM and on Sunday, March 5th, 12:30 to 3:30 PM. Our eighteen rooms of treasures are restocked with hundreds of new items. Hot food and bakery will once again be offered in our cafeteria. We greatly appreciate your support and continued donations.



NORTHSIDE CATHOLIC NEWS February may be short but it is a busy month here in Preschool. We started the month with Catholic Schools Week. We enjoyed many special activities including "Wacky Wednesday". Next we made our predictions for Groundhog Day and charted the results.

Right after that we celebrated Valentine's Day. We exchanged Valentines and explored how the U.S. Mail system works and what e-mail is. Immediately following we investigated dinosaurs, checked up on our dental health, and visited Mardi Gras in New Orleans, where we made masks. We'll end the month with Ash Wednesday (really March 1). We'll make hot soft pretzels like the Bavarian Monks to learn about the Holy Trinity. The holes represent the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit and the twist represent hands folded in prayer. Stop in and see us sometime. We're always busy with something new!! For more information on our preschool through eighth grade school, give us a call at (412)761-5043 x3001 or stop in for a tour.