

# Immaculate Conception Catholic Church

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**Rectory Office:** 301-884-3123  
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## Parish Clergy

Rev. Michael Tietjen, Pastor  
Deacon William Kyte, D.R.E.



September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2018  
23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Weekend Masses:

Saturday at 4:00 pm  
Sunday at 7:00, 9:00 and 11:00 am

## Weekday Masses:

Monday – Wednesday & Friday at 7:30 am  
1st Saturday Mass at 9:00 am (only 1st of the month)

## Confessions:

Saturdays at 3:00 – 3:45 pm, and after the vigil Mass.

## Eucharistic Adoration:

1st Friday of each month, beginning after the  
7:30 am Mass & ending with Benediction at 6:30 pm.

## Baptisms

Parishioners of Immaculate Conception Church should contact the rectory so we can explain the process to you. Baptisms are traditionally held on the first Sunday of each month.

## Marriages

Active and participating parishioners are welcome to be married at Immaculate Conception! Please contact the rectory *at least* 6 months in advance (preferably a year) so there is time to complete the marriage preparation process and confirm a wedding date.

Please do not reserve a reception hall before scheduling a meeting with the pastor.

## Shut-Ins

If you wish to have your homebound loved-ones receive Holy Communion, please call the rectory (301-884-3123).

**Parish Email:** [Immaculateconception.md@adw.org](mailto:Immaculateconception.md@adw.org)

**Parish Website:** [ICChurchmd.org](http://ICChurchmd.org)

## Catholic Education:

### Grades Pre-K-8

Little Flower School – 301-994-0404  
Mother Catherine Academy – 301-884-3165

### Grades 9-12

Ryken High School – 301-475-2814

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Lambs



## Mass Intentions

**Saturday, September 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

4:00 pm – Parishioners

**Sunday, September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

7:00 am – Dickie Norris

9:00 am – Ralph Downs, Sr.

11:00 am – Fiorino D'Onofrio

**Monday, September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

7:30 am – Ray Greene

**Tuesday, September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

7:30 am – Ralph Downs

**Wednesday, September 12<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

7:30 am – Frances Holyoak

**Friday, September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

7:30 am – Candice Patterson

**Saturday, September 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

4:00 pm – Dorothy Nelson

**Sunday, September 16<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

7:00 am – Parishioners

9:00 am – Ray Greene

11:00 am – Joe Richardson

**To Register at Immaculate Conception:** We welcome you to Immaculate Conception Parish. If you are new to the Parish please register using the forms found in the church vestibule or on our website and drop off the completed form at the church office which is open: Monday through Friday from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm.

The altar flowers were donated  
in memory of  
Dorothy Nelson.

### What Can I Do? I'm Only One Person.

When something bad happens, we find ourselves wondering what we can do individually. The answer is "Prayer and Fasting." When done together, fasting amplifies the prayer intention. A good example on how to do this is to fast at lunchtime and while you're not eating, fill that time with prayer. Take your intentions to our Lord. As we all know, the scriptures portray that Jesus himself prayed and fasted all the time. Praying as a group is always good, but an individual can make a big difference themselves by prayer and fasting.

### Cross Catholic Outreach

Msgr. Andrew Martin of Cross Catholic Outreach will be visiting our parish next weekend to speak at all the Masses on behalf of the poor in developing countries. Cross Catholic Outreach was founded to create a meaningful link between parishes in America and the priests and nuns working in the Church overseas in the Caribbean, Africa, Asia, Central and South America.

### Altar Flowers

If you're interested in dedicating altar flowers in memory of a loved one, please call Clare (301-884-3123) and she will help you schedule an available weekend. The cost is \$47.

### Bible Study

Join us on for Bible study on Mondays in the Parish Center at 7:00 pm.

### Bulletin Item Deadline

If you have an item for the bulletin, please note that all information needs to be sent to [Clare.ImmaculateConception@gmail.com](mailto:Clare.ImmaculateConception@gmail.com) by the close of business on **Tuesday**. Messages will be edited when necessary.

### Rosary

Please join us to recite the rosary. The rosary is prayed at the following times:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month – 30 minutes before each Mass.
- Saturdays – 30 minutes before the 4:00 pm vigil Mass.
- 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month – 30 minutes before 9:00 am Mass.
- Wednesdays – immediately following the 7:30 am Mass.

### RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) Classes begin in September

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) is a program that assists those who want to learn more about the Catholic faith. If you have questions, please call Fr. Tietjen (301-884-3123) or Amy Downs (301-904-7439). Classes for RCIA will begin on **Wednesday, September 12<sup>th</sup>** at 7:00 pm in the Parish Center.

### Prayers for the Sick

Please remember the sick members of our parish community in your prayers: Lacey R. Adams; Phillip Adams; J.A.; Chicchina Bailey; James Cecil Barber; Donnie Bearup; Kathy Bergling; Rita Bond; Doris Anne Bradburn; Therese Braithwaite; Sandy Burns; Taylor Burns; T.C.; Dennis Carr; Gregory Chapman; Kenneth Chapman; Bob Chick; Jimmy Davis; Ben DeWees; Dottie Estep; Walter Fredericks; Dewey Fritzman; Melanie Gibson; Frank Gough; Sonny Hill; Dwayne Hindt, Sr.; Marian Holley; Frederick Holton; Joshua Hosier; Kathleen Johnson; Rachel Stewart-Johnson; Angie Kalnasy; Patrick Kelly; Warren Kitts; Kathleen Krznarich; D. Lambert; Nancy Lippert; Max Long; Edward "Buddy" Marshal; Jean Martin; Cole Martinez; Dennis Maury; Terrie McClintock; Artina Miles; Lou Miller; Louis Miller; Kathy Mulcare; Jennifer Burroughs Murphy; Tommy Norsworthy; Lisa Durst Owens; Haley Palmer; Jennifer Peacock; Brandy Pennington; Grace Pennington; Fr. Robert S. Pittman, SSS; Laura Redding; Sylvia Resha; Joel Rivera; Sis Robey; Diana Pelkey-Rockwell; James Smith; Martin Smith; Carrie Stoots; Debbie Stoots; Richard Szatkowski; Ashley Thomas; Calvert Thomas; Joyce Thompson; Nicki Thorne; Rick Turner; Sharon Turner; Frankie Vera; Betty Williams; and James Zalovick.

If you'd like to add your loved one to the sick list please contact the rectory (301-884-3123 or email

[Clare.ImmaculateConception@gmail.com](mailto:Clare.ImmaculateConception@gmail.com)).

### Prayers for our Soldiers

We pray for those soldiers serving our Country – serving away from home are: Trevor Adams, Anthony T. Braxton, Ivan Cerkez, Alex Costa, Davon Eaton, Taryn Eaton, Blake Guy, Jeremy Heacock, Kellem R. Holt, Kevin Holt, Nathan J. Holton, Matthew Pennington, Joseph G. Thomas and Gregory Wilkinson.

### IC Angels

The IC Angels will have its meeting on **Wednesday, September 19** at 7:00 pm in the Parish Center. All Catholic ladies are invited to attend.

### Help Needed!

The Auction Committee needs volunteers to help with placing signs out in the community. The signs vary in sizes, they are: 4' x 8', 4' x 4', and also some smaller yard signs. If you are able to help, please call Georgia Russell (301-904-3807) or the Rectory during business hours (301-884-3123).

### Online Giving

If you are interested in online giving, just go to our website, hover over *Online Giving* and click on *Church Donations*. If you have any questions please call Clare in the rectory office (301-884-3123) during office hours (Monday – Friday, 9:00 am – 4:00 pm).

### SCHEDULE for Saturday, September 15<sup>th</sup> & Sunday, September 16<sup>th</sup>.

(Parents—it is very important that if your child cannot serve at this time to please arrange a substitute.)

	Lectors	EMoHC	Altar Servers
4:00 pm Saturday	Mary Ann Bean	Charlie Widmayer	Joseph & Sammy Chick
7:00 am Sunday	Joseph Woodland	Tim Steelman	(none)
9:00 am	Terry Casselman	Sara Neill (sub)	Christian & Allie Redding
11:00 am	Jean Adams	Richard Adams	(none)

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**FAITH FORMATION INFORMATION**  
Sunday, September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2018  
TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**FAITH FORMATION FOR THE NEW YEAR SCHOOL YEAR 2018 - 2019 began this weekend.** If you haven't REGISTERED YOUR CHILD(REN) yet, please see the Deacon right away. Your child's spiritual life depends on it.

**Is GOD CALLING YOU to pass on your faith to the children of this Parish? - BE A FAITH FORMATION TEACHER OR AIDE? - We have a Teaching/Aide position open for 7<sup>th</sup> grade, session B, ONLINE class.** Please give me a call, stop by and see me, or send me an e-mail. If God is calling you to teach, PLEASE ANSWER HIM.

**FAITH FORMATION TEACHERS/AIDES** - This weekend, Father "COMMISSIONED" all of our wonderful teachers and aides who teach our Faith Formation classes. Parents and kids of the Parish, please pray for our Teachers/Aides.

**\*\*\*ALL PARENTS\*\*\*** - Please attend an open floor meeting, **Wednesday, September 19<sup>th</sup>** at 6:30 pm in the Parish Center, to discuss any new items on this year's calendar. This will be an opportunity to ask teachers or myself any questions YOU might have on your mind about FAITH FORMATION.

**PARENTS** - A new school year is here! You are the primary educators in transmitting the truths, doctrines, wealth of traditions, and richness of culture found in our Catholic Church today. Please spend time with your children. Help them learn their FAITH. Teach them how to LOVE themselves and others. I pray that our Faith Formation school year will be a successful and productive one.

**PARENTS AND KIDS - NEW RULES FOR DROPPING OFF AND PICKING UP KIDS** - For the safety of the kids of the parish, please BRING your children to the classrooms WHERE they have been assigned and pick them up there also. I know this is a change from years past, but the Teachers and I are forming a new policy for the KIDS safety entering and being picked up from class and we have not yet completed the document. So, until we finish the new policy, please be nice and understand that this is for the safety of all the children of the parish who attend FAITH FORMATION.

**PARISH WEBSITE** - Please visit the Parish Website @ [www.ICChurchmd.org](http://www.ICChurchmd.org) often to learn about Parish and Faith Formation events. The 2018/2019 calendar and registration information is now posted. If you have any questions, please contact me at 240-230-3167 or [deacon.kyte@gmail.com](mailto:deacon.kyte@gmail.com).

*Deacon Bill*

240-230-3167 or [Deacon.Kyte@gmail.com](mailto:Deacon.Kyte@gmail.com)

**Food Pantry Donations**

In addition to non-perishable food items, consider also donating one household item, for example: paper towels, toilet paper, dryer sheets, laundry soap, dish soap. Thank you for your continued donations.

**11<sup>th</sup> Annual Friends of the Poor Walk**

The St. Vincent de Paul Society 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Friends of the Poor Walk will be held on **Saturday, September 29<sup>th</sup>** at 9:00 am at Father Andrew White S.J. School in Leonardtown. The St. Vincent de Paul Society offers assistance to those in need in our community. The walk will begin at Father Andrew White School and the course will take walkers through the streets of Historic Leonardtown. There will be a post-walk silent auction, door prizes and food. Health Connections from MedStar St. Mary's Hospital will be at the walk offering free blood pressure screenings.

Please register at [www.fopwalk.org](http://www.fopwalk.org). Same day registration begins at 7:30 am. Tee-shirts are available while they last. There is no registration fee, but walkers are encouraged to collect pledges or to make a donation to the St. Vincent de Paul Society. Walk with us on September 29<sup>th</sup>. You can make a difference!!

For more information contact: [kmillern@aol.com](mailto:kmillern@aol.com).

**Annual Feast Day  
of Our Lady of Sorrows  
Mass**

The Catholic Cemeteries of the Archdiocese of Washington (CCAW), Southern MD Regional Office, will be hosting its Annual Feast Day of Our Lady of Sorrows Mass on **Saturday, September 15<sup>th</sup>** at the **St. Mary's Queen of Peace Cemetery, Helen, MD**. The Rosary and Mass is offered for the deceased members of our community and the Church especially encourages people who have recently suffered the loss of a loved one to participate. The Rosary and Mass will begin at **9:00 am** with Rev. Robert G. Maro as our celebrant. An enclosable tent will be erected for everyone's comfort so the Mass will be held in the cemetery rain or shine. For additional information, please contact CCAW at (301-475-5005).

**Grief Share  
Postponed**

Grief share is postponing its meetings for the time being. We will update you on the next start-up date. For more information, please call Jan (301-481-7470) or Jean (301-943-1221).



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### Prayer

*Whether it is formal or just a  
conversation between you and  
God, He is very glad to hear  
from you. Something he'd like to  
have happen every day!*

*Have you been away from the  
sacraments?*

*The Sacrament of Reconciliation  
is the place to find healing.*

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### Other Events in Town

- A Seafood Dinner will be held at **Holy Angels, Avenue, MD** on **Sunday, September 9<sup>th</sup>** from 11:30 am – 4:00 pm. The menu includes: fried oysters, steamed spiced shrimp, crab balls, fried chicken and more. Served buffet style – all you can eat! The cost is \$28 for adults, \$8 for children 12-6 years old, and free for children 5 and under. Carry-outs are available at \$26 each. For advanced tickets, or more information, please call 301-769-3332.
- 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Crab Feast at **Loyola on the Potomac** will be held on **Sunday, September 9<sup>th</sup>** from 2:00 pm – 5:00 pm. Menu will include: all you can eat on-site crabs, fried chicken, hotdogs, hamburgers and more. Early bird tickets price is \$50 for adults, children 7 - 12 is \$35 and 6 and under eat free. After September 1<sup>st</sup>, adult tickets are \$65. Contact Alice Case (301-292-0819 or [alice.case@loyolaretreat.org](mailto:alice.case@loyolaretreat.org)) for more information.
- *Walking with Purpose*, a women's Catholic Bible study, will take place at **Sacred Heart, La Plata, MD** beginning **Monday, September 17<sup>th</sup>** at 7:00 pm. There will also be a meeting on **Monday, September 10<sup>th</sup>** at 7:00 pm to learn more. There will be a talk from guest speaker Kevin Wells, author of the book, *Burst: A story of God's Grace When Life Falls Apart*. Bring a friend. The meetings will take place in the Friendship Room. Contact Phillis Laidley or Mary Rottman via email ([women@sacredheartlaplata.org](mailto:women@sacredheartlaplata.org)) or visit [www.sacredheartlaplata.org/walking-with-purpose](http://www.sacredheartlaplata.org/walking-with-purpose) for more information.
- *Prayer Breakfast* at **Camp Maria** on **Saturday, September 15<sup>th</sup>**. The speaker will be Diana Phelps, author of the book about the ministry of Fr. John Lubey! The breakfast will begin at 8:30 am at Camp Maria Retreat Center (41290 Camp Maria Road, Leonardtown). The morning will begin with music followed by recitation of the Rosary, breakfast, testimony and closing prayer. Register now by stopping by Heavenly Presents or by calling Bread of Life Center for Peace (301-475-7139). You can also register online at: [www.breadoflifecenterforpeace.org](http://www.breadoflifecenterforpeace.org). The cost is still only \$15 if you register in advance by **Thursday, September 13<sup>th</sup>**. Registration at the door will be \$17. All are welcome – men and women!
- *Country Fixin's Dinner* will be held at **Sacred Heart Church, La Plata, MD** on **Sunday, September 30<sup>th</sup>** from 12:00 noon until 5:00 pm. Menu includes: fried chicken, pulled pork, baked crab balls, and much more. Cost for adults is \$25 per dinner (all you can eat – eat in only), for children 6-12 the cost is \$10, and free for children under 6. Carry-out/Drive-thru menu is \$16 for a meal of 4 pcs. fried chicken, pulled pork, potatoes, green beans, cole slaw, and a roll or 8 pcs. fried chicken and 4 rolls. The cost for 6 baked crab balls is \$5.