

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church

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Rectory Office: 301-884-3123
Faith Formation: 240-230-3167

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Parish Clergy

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

Weekend Masses:

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

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Weekday Masses:

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

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Confessions:

Saturdays at 3:00 – 3:45 pm,
and after the vigil Mass.
Wednesdays during Lent 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm.

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Eucharistic Adoration:

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

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Stations of the Cross:

Fridays during Lent at 7:00 pm



February 25th, 2018 Second Sunday of Lent

Mass Intentions

Saturday, February 24th, 2018

4:00 pm – Parishioners

Sunday, February 25th, 2018

7:00 am – Diana Hoffman

9:00 am – Robert & Elizabeth Woodburn (Living)

11:00 am – Barbara Woodburn (Living)

Monday, February 26th, 2018

7:30 am – Catherine Raley

Tuesday, February 27th, 2018

7:30 am – Louise Diane Graves

Wednesday, February 28th, 2018

7:30 am – Mary Virginia Martin

Friday, March 2nd, 2018

7:30 am – Essie Mae Gibson

Saturday, March 3rd, 2018

9:00 am – Jack Theis

4:00 pm – Gary Szatkowski (Living)

Sunday, March 4th, 2018

7:00 am – Raymond Raley

9:00 am – Parishioners

11:00 am – Vi Evans (Living)

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.

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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.

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Shut-Ins:

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

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Parish Email: Immaculateconception.md@adwparish.org
Parish Website: www.ImmaculateConceptionMD.com

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 arrangements
were donated in memory
of Edith Tippett.*



2018 Annual Jubilarian Mass

Cardinal Donald Wuerl will celebrate the annual Jubilarian Mass honoring couples married 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, and 51+ years. The Mass will take place on **Sunday, June 17th** at 2:00 pm at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. Please call the parish office or use the sign-up forms in the back of church to register. Names of couples need to be turned in to the parish office by **Monday, April 2nd**.



Eucharistic Adoration

Our next day of Eucharistic Adoration will take place on **Friday, March 2nd**. Benediction begins at 6:30 pm followed by Stations of the Cross at 7:00 pm.



Save the Date

The IC Angels Ladies Auxiliary and the Ladies Auxiliary of the Knights of St. John are hosting a "Rectory Warming/Open House" get together for the newly renovated rectory on **Sunday, March 18th** from 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm. The event will take place in the Parish Center, but small group tours will take place every few minutes. More details to follow.

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 for Bible study this Monday 7:00 pm in the Parish Center. We're about to start, this week, the epistle of St. James.

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 at the end of the day by **Tuesday each week**. Messages will be edited when necessary.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)

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).

FAITH FORMATION INFORMATION

Sunday, February 25th, 2018

MESSAGES OF THE WEEK

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

GOT CHANGE – WANT TO HELP - RICE BOWLS have been given out to students. **PLEASE FILL THEM UP** and **RETURN** them after **LENT**. Then you can say to **GOD**, **"I saw You when you were poor and hungry and I helped."**

LIVING STATIONS FOR LENT – I hope you received the email I sent to all students and their parents. The parish needs your support. Both sessions need to come together to make this possible because time is our enemy. Practices for living stations will be held on Sundays 9:30 am – 10:15 am until **Thursday, March 22nd** (dress rehearsal in church at 6:30 pm). Living stations will take place on **Friday, March 23rd** at 7:00 pm.

8TH GRADE TEACHERS AND KIDS – CONFIRMATION TRIP IS SCHEDULED FOR ST. CLEMENT'S ISLAND – APRIL 14th, 2018. KIDS – Were you **PLANNING** to go or are you doing the long, long, report? It's all up to you and your parents. Please check with your teachers.

8TH GRADE CONFIRMATION REQUIREMENTS – A list of these requirements can be found on the Faith Formation calendar Web-page. **ALL REQUIREMENTS MUST BE TURNED IN BY APRIL 8th, 2018**. Any questions, please see your teacher.

PARENTS AND KIDS – PLEASE take a look at our Website and the Faith Formation Calendar. I promise, Spring will be here before you see the first robin.

KIDS AND TEACHERS – THIS IS A BIG DEAL! – The Faith Formation Knowledge Assessment Test is scheduled between April 8th and April 22nd. Please start making plans now. April will be here before we know it.

PARISH WEBSITE – CHECK OUT WHAT'S COMING IN THE NEXT FEW MONTHS. Please visit the Parish Website @ www.ImmaculateConceptionMD.com often to learn about Parish and Faith Formation events, updated Faith Formation calendar, and closing alerts for inclement weather.

POND – KIDS – GOOD NEWS – I have been feeding the fish. They are still **ALIVE**.

Deacon Bill - 240-230-3167 or deacon.kyte@gmail.com

Results from the Yard Sale

The yard sale was a success! We received \$772.51 to go to the Renovation Fund. Thank you for the donations, the purchases, and a special thank you to those that worked so hard.

The **Regular Collection** last week was \$7,294.00.

The **Ash Wednesday Collection** last week was \$891.00.

Renovation Fund Account Update: We have \$140,535.59. Our ultimate goal is \$160,000.

Thank you for your generous donations. The second collection next weekend will be for the *Renovation Fund*.

SCHEDULE for Saturday, March 3rd and Sunday, March 4th.

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

	Lectors	EMoHC	Altar Servers	Rosary Leaders
4:00 pm Saturday	Joseph Thomas	Charles Widmayer, John Krznarich, & Rosalie Krznarich	(none)	Evelyn Diehl
7:00 am Sunday	Mary Ann Bean	Judy Ramsey, Tim Steelman, & Debbie Myers	Chris Holton & Madison Myers	Janet Fulcher
9:00 am	Terry Casselman	Dan Clark, Sara Neill, & Levi Parker	Brandon Bowman & Allie Redding	Teresa McClintock
11:00 am	Jean Adams	†, Richard Adams, & Robert Blackwell	(none)	Joe LaBille

Parish Festival

Our Parish Festival is coming fast; this year it will be held **on Sunday, May 6th**. This is a very big event for us! Each year we've had local groups and businesses sponsor the printing of the raffle tickets to help defray the expenses of the printing cost. Last year, we had the following sponsors:

**Auman Automotive • Burch Oil • Ladies Aux. 359-KofSJ
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They paid \$100 and we printed their business or local group's name on each of the 30,000 tickets. This highlighted their community involvement and cut down on our printing cost. This year we are once again looking for sponsors for the raffle tickets. If you're interested in having your group's or business' name printed on the raffle tickets, please contact the Rectory @ 301-884-3123, Monday-Friday, 9:00 am – 4:00 pm. The first 15 Sponsors will be the ones printed on the tickets. *The cost is \$100 and the deadline is **Monday, March 5th**, to be a sponsor this year.*

There will be a Parish Festival Meeting on **Wednesday, February 28th** at 6:30 pm in the Parish Center. All are welcome.

The Light is ON for You

Every Wednesday during Lent, every Catholic parish across the Archdiocese of Washington and Diocese of Arlington, including our own, will offer the Sacrament of Reconciliation. This year you can find Lenten resources and view all the confession times across the region by using the NEW Confession Finder map online at www.TheLightIsON.org. You can also find additional confession resources in the back of church today.

**Fr. Tietjen will be hearing confessions
Wednesdays from 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm.**

Youth Group Meeting

The Youth Group for grades 9 – 12 will have a meeting on **Sunday, March 4th** from 10:00 am – 10:50 am in the Parish Center. For more information please contact Tim Steelman (tcsworkplace@gmail.com).

K of C Corner – Jesus, our Cornerstone – Council #8159.

Are you thinking about becoming a Knight at Immaculate Conception Church? If you would like more information on the Knights, you can also just LOG IN to Maryland State Council Web page: www.kofc-md.org. You can also get more information @ www.kofc.org/join.

- **Lenten Soup and Bread Supper** in the Parish Center on **Friday, March 2nd** from 5:45 pm – 6:45 pm. No charge for supper, but a free-will offering will be collected for a local charity whose representative will make a presentation about their work. The event will be over in time to attend Stations of the Cross. Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus.

- Deacon Bill

Prayers for the Sick

Please remember the sick members of our parish community in your prayers: Phillip Adams; J.A.; Chicchina Bailey; Larry Bark; Kathy Bergling; Dorothy Blackwell; Rita Bond; Doris Anne Bradburn; Therese Braithwaite; Sandy Burns; T.C.; Dennis Carr; Jimmy Davis; Joyce Edgington; Dottie Estep; Karen Finch; James Gibson; Eddie Grumbling; Cindy Hall; Courtney Hall; Jimmy Hawkins; Sonny Hill; Dwayne Hindt, Sr.; Marian Holley; Raymond Louis Holt, Sr.; Frederick Holton; Joshua Hosier; Kathleen Johnson; C.K.; Angie Kalnasy; Karissa Kyte; D. Lambert; Nancy Lippert; Jean Martin; Cole Martinez; Dennis Maury; Artina Miles; Jennifer Burroughs Murphy; Lisa Durst Owens; Max Padgett; Haley Palmer; Robert Palmer; Jennifer Peacock; Grace Pennington; Fr. Robert S. Pittman, SSS; Joel Rivera; Sis Robey; Mary Smith; Rachel Stewart-Johnson; Carrie Stoots; Debbie Stoots; Ashley Thomas; Calvert Thomas; Joyce Thompson; Nicki Thorne; Rick Turner; Frankie Vera; Betty Williams; Amy Wood; James Young; and James Zalovick. Immediate family members may place names of *parishioners* on our sick list.

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).

Prayers for our Soldiers

We pray for those soldiers serving our Country – serving away from home are: Trevor Adams, 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.

Come and See

Have you thought of becoming a deacon? Are you a man of faith and with a service-oriented heart? The Office of the Permanent Diaconate Formation will soon begin a series of events in various parts of the Archdiocese to select aspirants for the next formation program class.

A series of “**Come and See**” events will be offered that will afford interested men and their wives the opportunity to learn more about deacons and their ministry, the impact of formation and ministry on wives and families, and to ask and receive answers to questions. The remaining 2018 “**Come and See**” schedule is as follows:

- **Wednesday, March 7th – St. Aloysius, Leonardtown, MD – 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm**
- **Wednesday, March 14th – Archdiocesan Pastoral Center, Hyattsville, MD – 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm**

If you are interested in attending one of the scheduled sessions RSVP to Ms. Diane Biggs in the Diaconate Office (301-853-5345 or biggsd@adw.org.)

Non-Perishable Food Items and toiletries that are needed: jelly/jam; pancake syrup; pancake mix; canned fruit; cereal; tea bags; coffee; Manwich; Beefaroni, Ravioli, Spaghetti & Meatballs, etc.; Hamburger Helper; Pork & Beans; side dish packets of pasta or rice (Simply noodles, Knorr, etc.); dried beans; rice; sweets (cookies, etc.); pudding; jell-o; canned meats (chicken, Tweet, Spam, potted meat, vienna sausages, etc.); canned soup; dried or canned milk; instant potatoes; stuffing mixes; sugar; flour; cornmeal; salt/pepper; common spices; ketchup; mustard; mayonnaise; toiletries (soap, toilet paper, paper towels, toothbrushes, toothpaste, deodorant, feminine hygiene items, shampoo, conditioner, etc.); laundry soap; quart & gallon size ziploc bags. If you have something to give that isn't on this list, we will definitely put it to good use! Thanks so much for helping folks in our community that are in need! This food is for the food pantries at *Our Lady of the Wayside* and *Helping Hands* throughout the year.

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Other Events in Town

- The next Mass with Healing Prayers will be **Monday February 26th**, starting at 7:00 pm at **Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish in Lexington Park**. Confessions will begin at 6:30 pm. All are welcome!
- **Fried Fish Dinner** – Dine-in or Carry-out on **Friday, March 9th** from 5:30 pm – 7:30 pm at **MVFD Social Hall**. Cost is \$10 per dinner and includes fish fillets, french fries, coleslaw, applesauce, and roll.
- **Seafood Dinner** at **Holy Angels Church, Avenue, MD** on **Sunday, March 11th** from 11:30 am until 4:00 pm. The menu includes: fried oysters, steamed spiced shrimp, crab balls, fried chicken, parsley potatoes, green beans, coleslaw, pickled beets, and all the trimmings! Served buffet style -- all you can eat! Adults - \$28.00; Children (12 to 6) - \$8.00; and Children (5 & under) - Free. Carry-outs are available at \$26.00 each. The Raffle Prize this year is for a total of \$1,500 in cash! The First prize is \$1,000 and the second prize is \$500. You do not need to be present to win. For more information or to purchase advanced tickets, please call the rectory on or before **Thursday, March 1st** at 301-769-3332 or email holyo1angels@aol.com.
- The Kalnasy Concert Series presents Fr. David Beaubien in concert with the St. Aloysius Handbell Ensemble on **Sunday, March 11th** at 3:00 pm. The concert is free and will take place at **St. Aloysius in Leonardtown, MD**. For more information, contact keyofgmh@gmail.com.
- **Purses and Bags Bingo** will take place at **MVFD Social Hall** on **Thursday, March 15th**, doors open at 6:00 pm, early bird games start at 6:45 pm, bingo starts at 7:00 pm. Admission is \$25 book of regular games. Contact Sherry (240-925-6141) for reservations. All proceeds benefit the MVFD Auxiliary.
- **Fried Shrimp Dinner** – Dine-in or Carry-out will take place at **MVFD Social Hall** on **Friday, March 23rd** from 5:30 pm – 7:30 pm. The \$12 dinner includes butterfly shrimp, french fries, coleslaw, applesauce, and roll.
- **Breakfast with the Easter Bunny** at **MVFD Social Hall** on **Saturday, March 24th** from 9:00 am – 11:00 am. Cost is \$10 for Adults, \$5 for kids 5-12, and free for children 4 and under. Bring your own camera to get a picture with the Easter Bunny.

MVFD Social Hall = Mechanicsville Volunteer Fire Department Social Hall