

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church

28297 Old Village Road
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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.

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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.



April 8th, 2018
Second Sunday of Easter

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
*****NEW - Parish Website:** ICChurchmd.org

Mass Intentions

Saturday, April 7th, 2018

8:00 pm – Donna Hill

Sunday, April 8th, 2018

7:00 am – Kristopher M. Smith

9:00 am – Parishioners

11:00 am – Billy Guy

Monday, April 9th, 2018

7:30 am – Robert Ames

Tuesday, April 10th, 2018

7:30 am – Billy Guy

Wednesday, April 11th, 2018

7:30 am – Lester Cusic

Friday, April 13th, 2018

7:30 am – Donna Hill

Saturday, April 14th, 2018

4:00 pm – Isabelle Gorga

Sunday, April 15th, 2018

7:00 am – Ernest & Eleanor Dotson

9:00 am – George Weise

11:00 am – Parishioners

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 Easter Flowers were donated
in honor/memory
of the loved ones marked on the
envelopes on the altar.*

Thank You

Fr. Tietjen would like to thank everyone for their prayers and kind words during his illness. He is on the road to recovery.

Knights of Columbus Monthly Breakfast

Please join us for a Tax Day tasty breakfast on **Sunday, April 15th** following each Mass. The Knights of Columbus will offer a free breakfast of eggs, sausage, ham, pancakes, biscuits, home-fried potatoes, and a variety of breakfast drinks. Any donations you would like to make will go toward a local charity to assist in their worthy endeavors. Hope to see you there!

Parish Dinner/Festival

Our Parish Dinner/Festival is **Sunday, May 6th**.

Letters, donation slips, and raffle tickets have been mailed out. Please get your raffle tickets sold and back into the rectory as soon as possible. You can return them via the collection, in person during office hours, or in the mail to our P. O. Box 166, Mechanicsville, MD.

You can also begin bringing items for the white elephant table. Please call the rectory (301-884-3123) during office hours or George Briscoe (301-448-5237) to have your white elephant items put in the shed in the Parish Center parking lot. **NO CLOTHES PLEASE.**

Bible Study

We are planning to have bible study on **Monday, April 9th** at 7:00 pm in the Parish Center. Please remember to check the website (<https://ICChurchmd.org>) for any updates or cancellations.

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.

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, April 8st, 2018
Second Sunday of Easter
ALLELUIA, HE IS RISEN!

DID YOU KNOW – EASTER is celebrated until May 20th when we celebrate PENTECOST SUNDAY. All of us have been baptized into one and the same spirit; let us live, then, by the Spirit!

8TH GRADE CONFIRMATION REQUIREMENTS – Have you turned in your REQUIREMENTS?? IF you haven't, please see your teacher. You're late!

8TH GRADE TEACHERS AND KIDS – CONFIRMATION TRIP IS SCHEDULED FOR ST. CLEMENT'S ISLAND – SATURDAY, APRIL 14th. (Rain date is Saturday, April 21st.) Please return your permission slip and fee by Sunday, April 8th.

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.

ASSESSMENT MAKE-UP DATE – Sunday, April 15th. A special room will be assigned.

FIRST COMMUNION RETREAT – Saturday, April 28th, from 9:00 – 11:00, at Parish Center. Please check our Parish Website.

ATTENTION 6TH, 7TH, AND 8TH GRADE STUDENTS – The Festival Committee is looking for some students to volunteer to help out at the Parish Dinner/Festival on **Sunday, May 6th**. This is a good opportunity to earn some community service hours towards your requirement of 20 hours. Please contact the rectory if you are interested (301-884-3123).

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

PARISHIONERS/GUESTS, WHO SMOKE - If you can't put your CIGARETTE BUTTS in the receptacle, please don't put your ugly, smelly, dirty cigarette butts on our sidewalk. We walk on these sidewalks and there are children around. It's your choice to smoke-- the privilege could be taken away at the Parish Center. GOT IT!

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

The **Regular Collection** last week was \$4,404.00.
 The **Good Friday Collection** last week was \$1,023.00.
 The **Easter Collection** last week was \$11,056.00.
 The **Renovation Collection** last week was \$3,477.00.
Renovation Fund Account Update: We have \$155,687.64. Our ultimate goal is \$160,000.
 Thank you for your generous donations!!

SCHEDULE for Saturday, April 14th and Sunday, April 15th.

(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	Debbie Myers (sub)	Charlie Widmayer	Joseph & Sammy Chick
7:00 am Sunday	Mary Ann Bean (sub)	Judy Ramsey	Chris Holton & Meadow Sacadura
9:00 am	Mike McCauley (sub)	Terry Casselman	(none)
11:00 am	Joseph Thomas	Ann Thomas	Bryce Manuel & Christopher Swann

New Website AND Online Giving

Our new website is up and running. Please visit our website at www.ICChurchmd.org. Are you interested in online giving? Signing up is easy. 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.)

Grieving with Great Hope Workshop

Grieving with Great HOPE is a five-week grief support workshop series that offers a prayerful, practical and personal approach for anyone who is mourning the loss of a loved one. The workshop will be offered beginning **Wednesday, April 18th**, and continuing Wednesdays, **April 25th**, **May 2nd**, **May 9th**, and **May 16th** in the Parish Center.

Visit www.goodmourningministry.net for more information, and for registration contact the rectory (301-884-3123), Deacon Bill (240-230-3167), Tina Slaughter (301-884-9545 or 301-481-1961) or visit our website (ICChurchmd.org). Seating is limited. Advanced registration is kindly requested.

5k at Immaculate Conception

IC angels are hosting a 5k to take place on **Sunday, October 28th** at 9:00 am. The registration fee is \$25 before September 15th or \$30 after September 15th. The proceeds will go towards the Renovation Fund. If you have any more questions, please contact Jen Tucker (tuck262@gmail.com). A registration form for individuals can be found on the table in the vestibule. For companies that would like to sponsor this event, you may also find a registration form on the table in the vestibule.

The Story of Jesus Sight & Sound Theater

Join the Knights of St. John International, Ladies Auxiliary #359 to experience *the Story of Jesus* at the **Sight and Sound Theater** on **Saturday, September 29th**. Cost is \$160 and includes: transportation, show, lunch smorgasbord at Shady Maple, tax, tip, and refreshments on the bus. Does not include bus driver tip. The bus will leave Charlotte Hall Park and Ride at 7:00 am sharply for an 11:00 am matinee. Returning around 7:00 pm. For more information contact: Ella Burton (240-434-3016), Doris Martin (301-884-4423), or Clara Pate (301-645-9439). **First payment is due immediately.**

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.

- Deacon Bill

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; Donnie Bearup; Kathy Bergling; 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; Sonny Hill; Dwayne Hindt, Sr.; Marian Holley; Frederick Holton; Joshua Hosier; Kathleen Johnson; Rachel Stewart-Johnson; C.K.; Angie Kalnasy; Karissa Kyte; D. Lambert; Nancy Lippert; Jean Martin; Cole Martinez; Dennis Maury; Artina Miles; Louis Miller; Jennifer Burroughs Murphy; Jen Newman; Lisa Durst Owens; Max Padgett; Haley Palmer; Robert Palmer; Jennifer Peacock; Grace Pennington; Fr. Robert S. Pittman, SSS; Joel Rivera; Sis Robey; Diana Pelkey-Rockwell; James Smithy; Mary Smith; Carrie Stoots; Debbie Stoots; Ashley Thomas; Calvert Thomas; Joyce Thompson; Nicki Thorne; Rick Turner; Frankie Vera; Betty Williams; Amy Wood; 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.

Quo Vadis Hiking Trip

On **Sunday, April 15th** all high school aged men who are interested in learning more about the priesthood are invited to go on a Quo Vadis hiking trip on Sugarloaf Mountain in Montgomery County. The day will include Mass, lunch, Eucharistic adoration, dinner, and the opportunity to spend time with priests, seminarians, and other high school aged men who are open to the priesthood.

The day will run from 10:00 am – 5:15 pm, and the meeting location is St. Mary's Parish in Barnesville, MD. Bus transportation is available from throughout the archdiocese. More information is available and registration is open at www.DCpriest.org! Please contact the Office of Priest Vocations (vocations@adw.org or 202-636-9020) with any questions.

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

- Divine Mercy Chaplet will be said at **St. Mary's Church, Newport** on **Sunday, April 8th** at 3:00 pm. Our Dear Savior has said if we go to Mass – receive Communion – have been to Confession within 1 week – and recite the Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3:00 pm – we will be relieved of any punishment for sins because of Jesus' mercy. We can even apply this mercy to a soul in purgatory. Father Michael will be available for Confession.
- **Indoor Yard Sale** at Mechanicsville Volunteer Fire Department Social Hall will take place on **Saturday, April 14th** from 7:00 am – 11:00 am. You can rent a table or space for \$10. For more information or to reserve your space, please email JMTurner6207@gmail.com or call 301-399-3187.
- **23rd Annual Run & Fun Walk for Hospice** will take place on **Saturday, April 14th** at 8:30 am beginning and finishing at the **St. Mary's County Governmental Center** in **Leonardtown, MD** and will be held rain or shine. Runners can sign-up for either a 5K or 10K run, and walkers can sign-up for a 5K fun walk. Registration and fee is required. Please visit www.runforhospice.org for more information.
- **Pilgrimage to Mother Seton Shrine** in **Emmitsburg** will take place **Saturday, April 28th**, led by Fr. Conley, pastor of St. Mary's in Bryantown. We will leave at 8:00 am and be back by 7:00 pm. Pilgrims will go to the Shrine of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton where Mass will be offered, have a tour, and eat lunch. While in Emmitsburg a visit to the Lourdes Grotto will also take place. On the way back they will visit the Springfield Manor Winery in Thurmont for a wine and cheese tasting. Thanks to the generosity of a benefactor and the Keller Bus Company, the cost of the trip is just \$35 per person and includes lunch and the winery visit. For more information and to register contact Lauren Balderson (301-870-2220 ext 11 or smbassist@comcast.net.) Payment is due at registration. Checks should be made out to St. Mary's Church.