

# Immaculate Conception Catholic Church

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



**May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018**  
**Sixth Sunday of Easter**

**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  
1<sup>st</sup> Saturday Mass at 9:00 am (only 1<sup>st</sup> 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:**  
1<sup>st</sup> 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.

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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](mailto:Immaculateconception.md@adwparish.org)  
**\*\*\*NEW\*\*\* - Parish Website:** [ICChurchmd.org](http://ICChurchmd.org)

## Mass Intentions

**Saturday, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2018**  
4:00 pm – William Davis  
**Sunday, May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018**  
7:00 am – Amy Wood  
9:00 am – Parishioners  
11:00 am – Norma Boling

**Monday, May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2018**  
NO MASS  
**Tuesday, May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018**  
NO MASS  
**Wednesday, May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2018**  
NO MASS  
**Friday, May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2018**  
NO MASS

**Saturday, May 12<sup>th</sup>, 2018**  
4:00 pm – Donna Hill  
**Sunday, May 13<sup>th</sup>, 2018**  
7:00 am – Mothers of our Parish  
9:00 am – Jay McMenamin (Living)  
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 altar flowers were  
donated by the  
IC Ladies Auxiliary #359  
in honor of the  
sick and shut-ins.*

### \*\*\*Daily Mass Cancelled\*\*\*

We will not be having daily Mass this week, **Monday, May 7<sup>th</sup> through Friday, May 11<sup>th</sup>**. Those who wish to attend daily Mass, please consider one of the local churches.

**Our Lady of the Wayside:** Monday – Thursday at 7:30 am.  
**St. Joseph's, Morganza:** Monday – Saturday at 8:00 am.  
**Sacred Heart, Bushwood:** Tuesday/Friday at 7:00 am.  
**Holy Angels, Avenue:** Monday/Wednesday at 7:30 am.

### \*\*\*Bible Study Cancelled\*\*\*

Bible study is cancelled for Monday, May 7<sup>th</sup>.



**Ascension**

Reminder, Ascension Thursday is transferred to Sunday. With that in mind, we will not have Mass on Thursday. Ascension will be celebrated Sunday, May 13<sup>th</sup>.

### 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](mailto: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).

The **Regular Collection** last week was \$5,656.00.

Your donations are greatly appreciated. Thank you!

The second collection next weekend is for the **Catholic Relief Services**.

### FAITH FORMATION INFORMATION

**Sunday, May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

**SIXTH Sunday of Easter – ALLELUIA, HE IS RISEN!**

**DID YOU KNOW?** – EASTER is celebrated until May 20<sup>th</sup> when we celebrate PENTECOST SUNDAY. All of us have been baptized into one and the same Spirit; let us live, then, by the Spirit! GOD LOVES YOU ALL AND SO DO ALL THE TEACHERS.

**PARISH WEBSITE – CHECK OUT WHAT'S COMING IN THE NEXT FEW WEEKS.** Please visit the Parish Website @ [www.ICChurchmd.org](http://www.ICChurchmd.org) often to learn about Parish and Faith Formation events and the updated Faith Formation calendar.

**CONFIRMATION GOWN FOR MAY 11<sup>th</sup>, 2018 AT 7:00 pm.** – All students will be wearing a red gown. Gowns will be given out at practice on **Thursday, May 10<sup>th</sup>** at 6:30pm. Gowns will be turned in, at the PARISH CENTER, right after CONFIRMATION and before the reception with Bishop Dorsonville. Any questions, please contact your teacher or the Deacon.

**THIS IS CONFIRMATION WEEK!!!**— Beginning on **Thursday, May 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm to 7:15 pm – Confirmation Practice**. Everyone should be there with their sponsors (if possible). We will discuss issues such as sitting arrangements, dress attire, pictures, questions/answers that the Bishop will ask and how to address the Bishop, etc. **Confirmation Confession— 7:15 to 7:45 pm**. Every student should be AND will be going to confession. Parents may also go. And yes, this is a very important part of Confirmation. Confirmation robes will be given out that same night.

**FRIDAY, MAY 11<sup>TH</sup> – CONFIRMATION DAY** -- Bishop Dorsonville will begin Mass at **7:00 pm**. You must be at the Parish Center by 6:00 pm with your Confirmation gown on. Parents please don't forget to drop off your food contribution in the Parish Center for the reception after Confirmation. Items to bring were given out in class. Please call me if you have any questions. **Right after Confirmation and before the reception, don't forget to turn in your Confirmation gown. I will be returning them back to the company on Saturday. Remember, the white stole is yours to keep. It's a gift from the church.**

**MAY PROCESSION – Sunday, May 13<sup>th</sup> – Crowning of Mary's Statues** — All Faith Formation children will be leaving from their classrooms. Students should arrive at the regular scheduled class times. Please remember, the Knights of Columbus #8159 will be serving Mother's Day Breakfast. KOC has the best breakfast in town. Please join us for breakfast after the Crowning of the Statues.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION WEEK** – First Holy Communion practice is scheduled for **Thursday, May 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm**. All students must attend. **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION** is **Saturday, May 19<sup>th</sup>**, beginning at **10:00 am**. **Please be at the IC Parish Center by 9:15 am**.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION – PARENTS** -- Please refer to the hand out given to your children on Sunday, May 13<sup>th</sup> listing what food donations to bring to the reception following Mass. Please drop items off in Parish Center.

### WORD OF WISDOM TO GROW UP WITH:

If you **FAIL**, NEVER give up ... because F.A.I.L. really means "First Attempt in Learning"

**END is NOT the END ...** In fact E.N.D. really means "EFFORT Never Dies"  
 If you get **NO** as an answer, just remember "N.O." really means "NEXT OPPORTUNITY".

*Deacon Bill* - 240-230-3167 or [deacon.kyte@gmail.com](mailto:deacon.kyte@gmail.com)

### SCHEDULE for Saturday, May 12<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, May 13<sup>th</sup>.

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

	<b>Lectors</b>	<b>EMoHC</b>	<b>Altar Servers</b>
<b>4:00 pm Saturday</b>	Mary Ann Bean	Charlie Widmayer	(none)
<b>7:00 am Sunday</b>	Joseph Woodland	Judy Ramsey	Chris Holton & Meadow Sacadura
<b>9:00 am</b>	Marian Taylor	Terry Casselman	Adam Trossbach & Rachel Garner
<b>11:00 am</b>	Joseph Thomas	Richard Adams	(none)

### Online Giving

Are you interested in online giving? Join other parishioners who have already signed up. 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.)

### Mothers Day Breakfast

The Knights will once again be fixing breakfast for all Mothers of our Parish and their families on **Sunday, May 13<sup>th</sup>** after all morning Masses. There will be a menu of all your favorites (including cheesecakes) and some surprises as well.

### Pope Francis A Man of His Word In Theaters May 18, 2018

**Pope Francis** – A man of His Word opens nationwide on Friday, May 18<sup>th</sup>. You may never have a chance to meet Pope Francis in person, but this movie, co-produced with the Vatican's Office of Communication, may make you feel as if you did.

#### **The inspiration and origins of the film:**

The Vatican wanted to make a film that was not about Pope Francis, but was rather from Pope Francis, directly addressing the audience, as if sitting face-to-face with them.

#### **Pope Francis's support for the film:**

The Vatican's team shared the idea for the film with Pope Francis, who generously made himself available for hours of interviews and taping. The result is one of a kind – a truly personal and intimate visit with the pope; never before seen on film in this way.

#### **Why Pope Francis's ideas and his message are central to this film:**

Everyone acknowledges that Pope Francis acts with meaning and purpose; he does it with his gaze, his gestures, his attitudes and teachings – and this film showcases all of them. The Vatican's team, along with unique and special locations within the Papal palaces and Vatican gardens, as well as footage of his many international journeys. In the film you will witness the kindness, understanding and sharing that is the sum of Pope Francis's pontificate. The humanity of the pope and his refined thought emerge from the images. The audience will be led into a relationship with Pope Francis, the man whom over a billion believers consider the successor of the Apostle Peter, and many others respect as a messenger of Jesus Christ, an advocate for the poor, and a humble person who is "a man of his word."

#### **The pope wants to reach people beyond the Catholic Church:**

This movie is made for Catholics and non-Catholics alike. It conveys that God loves each one of us unconditionally – no matter what our color or creed – and we are called to also love each other, and to love the world that God has entrusted to us.

### 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; Pat Croson; Jimmy Davis; Joyce Edgington; Dottie Estep; Karen Finch; Walter Fredericks; James Gibson; Cindy Hall; Sonny Hill; Dwayne Hindt, Sr.; Marian Holley; Frederick Holton; Joshua Hosier; Kathleen Johnson; Rachel Stewart-Johnson; C.K.; Angie Kalnasy; Patrick Kelly; Warren Kitts; D. Lambert; Nancy Lippert; Jean Martin; Cole Martinez; Dennis Maury; Terrie McClintock; Artina Miles; Lou Miller; Louis Miller; Kathy Mulcare; Jennifer Burroughs Murphy; Jen Newman; Tommy Norsworthy; Lisa Durst Owens; Max Padgett; Haley Palmer; Jennifer Peacock; Brandy Pennington; Grace Pennington; Fr. Robert S. Pittman, SSS; Laura Redding; Joel Rivera; Sis Robey; Diana Pelkey-Rockwell; James Smith; Mary Smith; Carrie Stoots; Debbie Stoots; Ashley Thomas; Calvert Thomas; Joyce Thompson; Nicki Thorne; Rick Turner; Frankie Vera; Betty Williams; 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](mailto: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.

### Worldwide Marriage Encounter

"This I command you: love one another." Learn how to love your spouse as Christ asks by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. Sign-up today to attend one of the upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends on:

August 3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup>, 2018 in Hanover, MD and

November 2<sup>nd</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup>, 2018 in Gaithersburg, MD.

Go to [moments4marriage.org](http://moments4marriage.org) to sign-up or call 301-541-7007. It's not too early to sign-up!

### 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](http://www.kofc-md.org). You can also get more information @ [www.kofc.org/join](http://www.kofc.org/join).

- Deacon Bill

**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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by helping others.

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## Other Events in Town

- A Marian Day of Prayer – “Blessed are You Who Believe” will take place on **Monday, May 7<sup>th</sup>** from 9:00 am – 3:00 pm at **Loyola on the Potomac**. The day of prayer begins with a continental breakfast and includes lunch. During the day, the retreatants are invited to spend time in quiet meditation, reflecting on the theme for the day. Confessions are offered, Mass is celebrated, and reflections are shared during the Motivation to Prayer time. To register contact Lisa White at (301-392-0801 or [reservations@loyolaretreat.org](mailto:reservations@loyolaretreat.org).) The fee for the day is \$40.00.
- 36<sup>th</sup> Annual Rosary Pilgrimage at **St. Ignatius Church-Chapel Point** on **Saturday, May 12<sup>th</sup>**. Join the celebration to honor Our Blessed Mother at historic and scenic St. Ignatius Church. The church overlooks the Port Tobacco River; where Jesuit Fr. Andrew White settled over 375 years ago. Mass will be held at 11:00 am in the church. It will be followed by a procession led by the Knights of Columbus to the Shrine of Our Lady, Queen of the Most Holy Rosary. The First Communion children will crown Mary at the Shrine and we will pray the Living Rosary led by the Knights of Columbus. Lunch will follow in the parish hall courtesy of the Catholic Daughters. For information, contact us at 301-934-8245.
- A Mother's Day Breakfast will be served at the **Mechanicsville Volunteer Fire Department Social Hall** on **Sunday, May 13<sup>th</sup>** from 8:00 am – 11:30 am. The cost is \$10 for adults, \$5 for children 5-12, and children 4 and under eat free. First 50 mothers will receive a free gift.
- The Kalnasy Concert Series presents... Chorus Reginae Angelorum at **St. Aloysius Church** on **Sunday, May 20<sup>th</sup>** at 3:00 pm. The concert is free. For more information, contact [KeyOfGMH@gmail.com](mailto:KeyOfGMH@gmail.com).
- NIGHT AT THE RACES Fundraiser: Please join new/old/current friends on **Saturday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>**, at 5:30 pm, Friendship Room, Sacred Heart Catholic Church in LaPlata for a fun filled evening of eating and horse racing. Dinner is \$20 per person (gourmet Italian Buffet); buying a horse is \$20 per horse; racing is \$2 per bet; cash bar. For more information please call Sharon Vaughan at 301-934-2983. This is a benefit for Mount Carmel Monastery of Maryland and is sponsored by the Restorers of Mount Carmel.