

Dear People of God,

The Liturgical year has rung down to its conclusion. Ordinary Time gives way to Advent, four weeks of joy-filled preparation for our recollection of the Birth of Christ. I'm not sure why, but Advent has become a rather dour season. It shouldn't be. Unlike the people of the Old Testament who spent thousands of years waiting, we know exactly what's coming (actually "what came" since our celebrations are all based on past events) and that ought to make us unbelievably happy and ready to sing, dance, and shout out our alleluias. I think about the chant mode we use to sing "O, Come, O, Come, Emmanuel." Compared to the music we hear at Levis Commons or Westfield Mall or the Galleria for those who like shopping in Houston, it seems pretty slow and sonorous, but for its time it was really avant garde considered by many way too spicy for use in the Church! Unfortunately (at least from my perspective), we've allowed the piety of respect for God's presence to overwhelm the festival nature of our celebrations. Before I was ordained, I was the DRE and Youth Minister at my home parish and among my many duties was director of the children's choir. I don't like to boast, but when forced I have to admit it was a pretty good choir that at Christmas sang popular carols in the six languages of the immigrant peoples who settled in the territory of the parish. Many of these are songs which speak "happy" even if you don't know the language so are sprightly and up tempo. They also call for some solo work, including the familiar French carol *Minuit Chretien* which requires a broad range for the soloist which in this case was a sixth grade boy who hit the full range, held all the notes he was supposed to, and smiled when I gave him the thumbs up sign after his performance. Now, at that parish the choir loft was up high but over one of the transept wings so the soloist could be seen from the pews. After Mass, several people nailed the poor kid because "how dare you make light of the Mass in church!?!". I lost a member of the choir that day and had difficulty in convincing the lad and his family to remain in the parish. I found it difficult to believe anyone would complain to a sixth grader, let alone about smiling, that his rare talent had been well used to give praise to his God. I continue to be saddened that many people continue to think that way, smiles and joy have no place in church, a joyous noise unto the Lord has to be sung in a dirge tone, and how dare anyone think to try and teach us a new hymn that has a more lively cadence. I wonder what Jesus, whose first miracle was at a wedding reception which had obviously gotten to the point of boisterous loudness (the wine was all gone you may remember), thinks about such an attitude. I don't believe we need to throw out the organ and set up drums in the sanctuary as happened at one main stream Protestant parish near Dayton, but I do ask that we all consider the Mass as the greatest, happiest, most joy-filled experience we could ever wish to have short of the beatific vision. Make Advent a time of excited expectation this year.

Msgr. Chris

The Celebration of Sacraments

Infant Baptism: The Sacrament of Baptism is regularly celebrated on Sunday during or after the Eucharistic Liturgy. Registered parishioners are asked to arrange for the Baptismal Preparation Class and the Liturgical Celebration by calling the Parish Office.

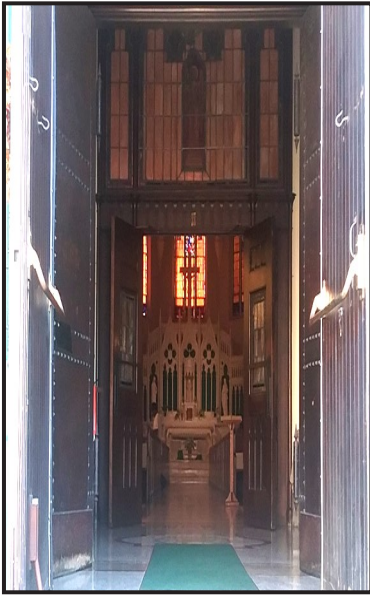
Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults: RCIA is the process of growing in your faith and love of God. Weekly gatherings take place from September until Easter. If you are interested in learning about Catholicism and joining us please call Deacon Tom at the rectory at Historic St. Patrick @ 419-243-6452.

Penance: The Sacrament of Penance is celebrated at 3:30 p.m. on Saturday at IC, 9:30 a.m. at HSP and 10:30 a.m. at IC every Sunday or by appointment.

Matrimony: Anyone planning to be married must contact the parish at least six months in advance. The exact date and time of your wedding should not be determined until after consultation with a priest or deacon. If either party has previously been civilly or religiously married, the Presider is not permitted to set a date for the wedding without resolving the previous marriage.

Pastoral Care of the Sick: When a parishioner is admitted to the hospital, nursing home, or confined to home because of age or infirmity, please call the Parish Office. Parishioners are ready to visit and to bring Holy Communion. When one is seriously ill, the healing Presence of the Lord should be requested in the Sacrament of the Sick.

WELCOME TO IMMACULATE CONCEPTION



Welcome to Immaculate Conception where all are truly made a welcome part of our parish family whether in Ministry, Service or Leadership. Here, all are God's children, their dignity as God's own affirmed and celebrated. If you are interested in becoming a parishioner please call the parish office at 419-243-1829. Registration forms for new parishioners can be found on the visitor's stand in the back of church. Also available on line at www.iccatdarby.org

STEWARDSHIP REPORT
July 1, 2019-June 30, 2020

The bulletin had to be submitted before our weekly offering . The numbers will be updated next week.

Legacy Update:

\$23,988.95—Money in the bank
\$9,139.25— Donated amount
\$57,220.00—Pledged amount

Thank you to everyone who has contributed so far! There are envelopes by the progress thermometer in the back if you would like to donate or you can also donate online at <http://www.iccatdarby.org/>

CALENDAR November 30, 2019– December 8, 2019

Sat. 4:00 pm Immaculate Conception Mass
Fr. Chris
Confessions during/after Mass
Intention: Harvey and Alexina Parker (r)

Sun. 9:30 am Historic St. Patrick Confessions
10:00 am Historic St. Patrick Mass
Fr. Chris/D.Tom
11:00 am Immaculate Conception Mass
Fr. Rudi/D. Dave
Confessions during/after Mass
Intention: Frank and Virginia Meagher (r)
Lee and Eileen Harrison (r)

Tues 9:10 Immaculate Conception Weekday Mass

Wed 5:30 pm Historic St. Patrick's Mass
Pints with the Pastor

Thurs. 6:00 pm Reverse Raffle meeting

Sat. 3:30 pm Immaculate Conception Confessions
4:00 pm Immaculate Conception Mass
Fr. Chris
Intention: Natasha Smith

Sun. 9:30 am Historic St. Patrick Confessions
10:00 am Historic St. Patrick Mass
10:30 am Immaculate Conception Confessions
11:00 am Immaculate Conception Homecoming
Fr. Chris/Fr. Rudi/D. Dave/D.Tom
Intention: Fr. Paul Kwiatkowski

Mon. 9:00 am Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary Holy Day Mass

Are you or someone you know an Alumni of Darby? We are updating our Alumni list, please fill out the form below and send it back to the office at 434 Western Ave. or place it in the collection basket. Thank You.

Name _____
Address _____
Phone # _____

Past member of parish/school "Darby" class of _____



**WELCOME TO
IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH
"THE DARBY"**



Happy Birthday!

12/6 Analicia Juarez
12/8 Mary Jo Robinson



On Tuesday, December 10, our weekday Mass will be celebrated at 10 am instead of 9:10 am. The students from St. Rose will be joining the students from Queen of Apostles that day.

Advent Confessions

November 30 and December 1

Homecoming is quickly approaching! Please plan on being here for our parish feast day, Dec. 8th, AND a chance to celebrate those that have gone before us, and those of us who are "keeping it going". Of course, homemade donations of appetizers and desserts are always welcome!

Minister/Lector Schedule

**November 30-December 1, 2019
First Sunday of Advent**

1st Reading:	<u>Isaiah 2:1-5</u> Saturday: Mary Jo Pilcher Sunday: Fred Vallejo
2nd Reading:	<u>Romans 13:11-14</u> Saturday: Mary Jo Pilcher Sunday: Judy Place
Eucharistic Ministers	Saturday: Georgeanne O'Connell John Madigan Sunday: Louann Meagher, Tom Meagher Linda Garcia, Cathy Carroll
Servers	Augustine, Tony, Carmen, Shawn
Children's Liturgy	Sierra Parra

**December 7-8, 2019
Second Sunday of Advent**

1st Reading:	<u>Isaiah 11:1-10</u> Saturday: Mary Hinson Sunday: Fred Garcia
2nd Reading:	<u>Romans 15:4-9</u> Saturday: Mary Hinson Sunday: Kerry Gibson
Eucharistic Ministers	Saturday: Michele Miller John Madigan Sunday: Kelley Mahaney, Fred Mahaney Barb Marquis, Emily Young
Servers	Nathan, Angel, Guadalupe, Jacob
Children's Liturgy	Marcia Phillips

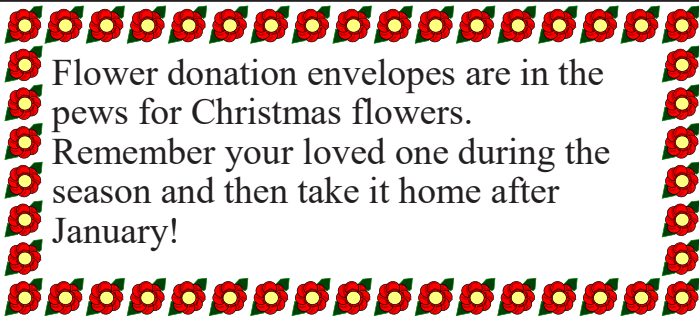
Name _____ Phone # _____

Address _____ E-mail _____

Birthday _____ Anniversary _____



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS



Flower donation envelopes are in the pews for Christmas flowers. Remember your loved one during the season and then take it home after January!

Advent books are available for your use in this journey through the season. Take one to share with a friend who may not have one.

A “color each day” Advent page for the kids is available! Maybe tape it to a bedroom door or wall to help the little ones remember it’s about more than gifts, but about the GREATEST gift of all, Jesus!

Pray For Those Serving Our Country

Capt. Joseph Andrew Garcia, Marines
Capt. Brian Wood, Army
STGSN Joshua J. Teneyck
St. Sgt. Tom, Army
M SGT Chuck Hindbaugh, Army
Major Jeremy A. Schiel, Army
Major Ryan A Schiel, Army
SGT. Acea Hindbaugh, Army
SN Trevor Smith, Navy
SGT Monique Losoya, Army
PRVT Elijah Hindbaugh, Army



Sanctuary Lamp

December 1 Harvey and Alexina Parker
December 5 Dick Schrader
December 8 (available)
December 15 (available)
December 22 Fr. Paul Kwiatkowski

Altar Flowers

December 1 (available)
December 8 (available)
December 15 (available)
December 22 (available)

Our Giving Tree awaits your offering of socks, gloves, hats, and scarves at this time for all ages and girls or boys! We will have family requests up soon, and we ask that you register your choice in the notebook on the kneeler by the tree. This way we can make sure that every request is filled, and not just blown off the tree and laying under a radiator!



Together Let Us Pray

Levi Hindbaugh, Joyce Mason, Jan Schiel, Francisco Villagomez, Janet Madigan, Elaine Wojciechowski, Fred Garcia Sr., John Garcia, Terry Byersmith, Anna Rose Dunn, Mary Jane Anderson, Bill Kistner, Loretta Schrader, Sharon Steele, Winters Family, Tony & Kay Westmeyer, Patty Westmeyer, Dan Gonzales, Kay McHugh, Georgeanne Hobson, Jean Voegeli, John Markland & family, Joselle Huebner, Denny Garvin, Pamela Wilson-Adams, Mary Trinidad, Kimberly Place, Ron Garcia & Family, Ray Garcia & Family, Louie Laberdee, James Laberdee, Connie Sabo, Jim and Mary Zwart, Josephine and Jerald Chesser, Dale and Ann Headley, Gloria Martinez, Charlene Laberdee, Georgeanne O’Connell, Bridgit Carranza, Trevor Carranza, Andre Trevino, Joseph Extejt, Robert Ochoa, Vicente Parra, Vanessa Losoya, Donna Haymer, Irene and Anthony Gonzalez, Casey and Mary Jones, Blaylock family, Sandy Schumann, Lupe Contreras, Devyn Hinson, Donna Haynes, Mason and Berry family, Connie Fonseca, Gonzalez and Garcia family, Jane and Julie Wheelock, Pam Clark, Ryan Williams, Paul D Zink, The Husen Family, The Keith Family, The Moore Family, Chi Nguyen, Eric Stallkamp, John Conrad, Lonnie Good, Jim Conrad, Tom Wagner, Michael Simmons, Sharon Vincent, Juan Oresco, Jr., Leon Hollowell, David Laub



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH & OTHER COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS



For donation drop off only

**Tuesdays
10:00 am -1:00 pm**

Pantry Hours

**Wednesdays
10:00 am—1:00 pm**

For any questions or information
Please call the Outreach Center
@ 419-243-1819

OUTREACH

Families served

LAST WEEK

65

YTD

985

Upcoming Events

2019

Sat.	Nov. 30	4:00 pm	Advent Confessions
Sun.	Dec. 1	11:00 am	Advent Confessions
Thurs.	Dec. 5	6:00 pm	Reverse Raffle meeting
Sun.	Dec. 8	11:00 am	Homecoming Mass
Mon.	Dec. 9	9:00 am	Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Tues.	Dec. 24	4:00 pm	Children's Mass
	Dec. 24		Midnight Mass
Wed.	Dec. 25	9:00 am	Christmas Day Mass

2020

Wed.	Jan. 1	10:00 am	New Years Day Mass
Sun.	Jan. 12		Finance meeting after Mass
Thurs.	Jan. 16	6:30 pm	Parish Council meeting
Thurs.	Mar. 12	6:30 pm	Reverse Raffle

Prayer For Our Parish

For Our Parish Heavenly Father, You have chosen the parish as the place by which you encounter us in our daily lives.

Here Your Word is proclaimed, the Eucharist is celebrated, and your people are united to a family of believers. We thank you for the abundant blessings You have given to our parish, and pray that we may continue to serve You in faithfulness and love.

Keep us open to our need of Your love and fellowship. Help us to work together to serve You and each other for the good of the Church, for the people of our Parish and for Your greater glory.

Amen



Immaculate Conception

Finance

Bill Carroll
Mike Young
Fred Mahaney
Tom Meagher
John Madigan
Joe Westmeyer

Parish Council

Fred Vallejo
Maria Ochoa
John Madigan
Fred Mahaney (Fin. Rep)
Judy Westmeyer
Mary Jo Pilcher
Louann Meagher
Barb Marquis
Shawn Parra
Sierra Parra
Linda Garcia

Committees of Parish Council meet to help support the non-finance driven parts of our parish!
The contacts are :

Fundraising: Louann Meagher and Barb Marquis

Outreach: Maria Ochoa

Liturgy and Christian Formation: MJ Pilcher, Janet Hickey, Judy Place

Children's Liturgy of the Word:

Cathy Carroll, Judy Westmeyer, Marcia Phillips, Sierra Parra

Veteran's Ministry: Linda Garcia

American Table Family Restaurant
3026 Glendale Ave

Please continue to patronize American Table Family restaurant. For every original receipt turned in, American Table will give back 10% to Immaculate Conception. You can drop them off at the parish office or put them in the collection basket.

Credit card and senior discount receipts are not accepted

Thank You
for participating!

Services offered by Mayores Center
2 Aurora Gonzales Drive
Next to the Fire Station on South Street
419-242-1144

Hot Lunch served Monday through Friday—11:30 am

M 1:00-3:00 pm Senior Jam
MWF Exercise Class at 10:30 am
MWF Walking Club at 12:30 pm
MW Spanish Class at 10:30 am
TTH American Bingo at 9:30 am
TTH Mexican Bingo at 1:00 pm
W Wii Bowling at 10:00 am
M-F Open computer lab, billiards, crafts

Snow Emergency

Whenever a county/city within the Diocese of Toledo is placed under a Level 3 Snow Emergency during which all roadways are closed to non-emergency personnel, the Catholic Churches within that geographic region will cancel the scheduled Saturday Vigil, Sunday, or Holy Day Masses. Roman Catholics in that region, therefore, are

The Diocese of Toledo remains committed to ensuring the protection of children and providing a safe environment for all young people. If you have any knowledge of abuse that has been committed by a cleric, or any employee or volunteer of the Catholic Church, please report the abuse to your local police department, Child Protection Services, and Mr. Frank DiLallo, Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator. Mr. DiLallo can be reached at (419) 214-4880 or by mail at 1933 Spielbusch Avenue, Toledo, Ohio 43604.

Is it time for you to re-enroll in the Kroger Community rewards program? Check the bottom of your sales receipt to see if it still states that Immaculate Conception is your chosen recipient! If there is nothing indicated, it may be time to re-enroll.

Parish/family members may re-enroll at www.krogercommunityrewards.com Select Immaculate Conception or VK979 Rewards money will go to Outreach.



Shop on Amazon and donate to Darby!

When you shop at AmazonSmile, Amazon will donate to Immaculate Conception Church. Support us every time you shop! Use the link below or search for us while on Amazon.

<https://smile.amazon.com/ch/34-4455667>

