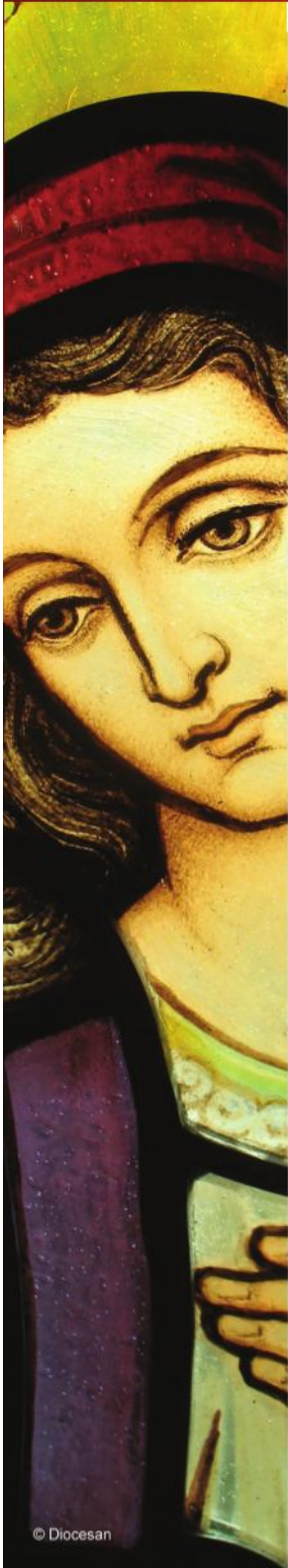


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ALL ARE WELCOME! A MEMBER OF BLESSED TERESA OF CALCUTTA DEANERY

Dear People of God,

We've been into a series on topics that don't often come up in a homily and thus have been looking into hell. It isn't a regular sermon topic because Jesus and the other writers of the New Testament rarely mention it. You may recall that Jesus speaks about "Gehenna" when he's sharing with the disciples and others what happens to those who do evil, consequences which are the opposite of life in the Kingdom.

In Jesus day Gehenna was an actual place, a valley adjacent to Jerusalem which was avoided as a sink of evil desecrated by the blood of slaughtered innocents. It was used as a place (a landfill) for the garbage and filth of the city where the dead bodies of animals and criminals were consumed by constantly maintained fire. It had a bad reputation as the site of child sacrifice. In fact, some ancient peoples who shared the territory with Israel did practice child sacrifice as they thought a son was about the most precious offering anyone could make to appease the gods; this practice was prohibited by God when he spared Abraham's son Isaac. The Romans, who had arrived in Jerusalem about sixty years before Jesus's public ministry, practiced cremation and used a place in the valley for that practice which may be why Jesus says there's an unquenchable fire there where the evil are burned forever. It was also the site of numerous tomb burials where decaying bodies would, as we might expect, attract those worms Jesus talks about.

Although Jesus does not specifically mean "hell" when he speaks of "Gehenna," early commentators certainly did. It was not purgatory (the Jews had something like purgatory called Sheol where people could expiate their sins before being admitted to paradise), but a place they understood as a necessary expedient for those who utterly rejected God. Jesus, you may recall, uses a story about Lazarus the beggar and the rich man to point out that if we work for a temporal reward now, we're wasting the opportunity to work for an eternal reward later. In the story heaven and hell are close enough that people can communicate from one to the other but are divided by a deep chasm so cannot actually go from one side to the other. The imagery is more akin to the Greco-Roman notion of hades, the place of all the dead, good or bad, who are separated into areas of the place reserved for the good and the bad. He is not talking about contemporary theological understandings of the hell we ought to be worrying about, a place totally and forever cut off from God and everything that is good.

Jesus never specifically talks about the place we call "hell" and neither do any of the works we would be hearing at Mass over the three-year cycle of readings. Jesus does use the word "Gehenna" (commonly rendered as "hell") in the gospels of Matthew, Mark and Luke to illuminate the dangers of not falling in line with the way of the Lord. The enemies of the Father are destined to an eternity of destruction in the fiery pits of what we call "hell." That makes it really difficult to insert hell into a homily because we're a people of good news (that's the meaning of evangelization) who proclaim a God of mercy and love. There's a famous prayer that begins "O Lord who prefers the conversion of the sinner to his death.." That's the foundational building block of any homily.

Fr Chris

The Celebration of Sacraments

Infant Baptism: The Sacrament of Baptism is regularly celebrated 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.

Hello!



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. You can also find registration forms for new parishioners on the visitor's stand at the back of the church or online at www.iccatdarby.org. We hope to see you again soon!

Immaculate Conception

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**CALENDAR
December 3-11, 2022**

Sat. 3:30 pm Immaculate Conception Confessions
 4:00 pm Immaculate Conception Mass
 Fr. Ed Littlemann
Intentions: Jason & Margie Brinkman

Sun. 8:00 am Historic St. Patrick Mass
 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 Mass
 Fr. Rudi
Intention: Ignacio "Nacho" Tagle


Tue. NO MASS

Wed. 5:30 pm HSP Weekday Mass

Thur. 9:10 am & 5:30 pm
 IC: Feast of the Immaculate Conception


Sat. 3:30 pm Immaculate Conception Confessions
 4:00 pm Immaculate Conception Mass
 Msgr. Chris
Intention: Ron Pilcher

Sun. 8:00 am Historic St. Patrick Mass
 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 Mass
 Msgr. Chris
Intention: Ellen Jane Wiser



Upcoming Events

Dec. 3 & 4	Advent Confessions
Dec. 6	NO Mass
Dec. 8	Feast of the Immaculate Conception, Mass @ 9 am & 5:30 pm
Dec. 11	Homecoming & Reception
Dec. 17 & 18	Anointing



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We continue to update/add to our parish data base. Even if you think we have your correct information, please fill out the information below and put it in the offering basket or drop off at the office.

Name _____ Phone # _____

Address _____ E-mail _____

Birthday _____ Anniversary _____




WELCOME TO IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH
“THE DARBY”



Happy Birthday!



12/6 Analicia Juarez

12/8 Mary Jo Robinson




Together Let Us Pray

Deacon Tom, Francisco Villagomez, Sue Rufenacht, Estella Rosales, James Laberde, Johnny Pauls, Family of Janet Mosqueda, Tim Huebner, Joseph Kappouta, Troy Huebner, Tia Frazier, Tanae Gregory, Tre’ Gregory, Terrence Gregory, Tevin Gregory, Robert Gregory, Chris Huebner, Terry Huebner, Ashley Huebner, Dale Klar, Rose Garcia, Robert & Carmen Martinez, Frank Garcia, Lola Garcia-Tomachek, Riley Faith, Donna J., Michael Rosales, Joseph Flores, Anita Ybarra, Kathy & Mireya Santiago, Ashley Beers, Ryan & Anita Cooley, Michael P. Sheehy, Christina, Sandra K. Sheehy, Rylee Faith, Lynn Fisher, Marta Mata, Connie Fonseca, Jane H. Fonseca, Terry L. Byersmith

STEWARDSHIP REPORT
July 1, 2022- June 30, 2023

	<u>LAST WEEK</u>	<u>YEAR TO DATE</u>
Goal	\$ 2,020.00 (x2)	\$ 105,000.00
Sat. Loose	\$ 500.00	\$ 6,448.32
Sat. Env.	\$ 910.00	\$ 14,533.00
Sun. Loose	\$ 1,643.00	\$ 6,920.25
Sun. Env.	\$ 1,171.00	\$ 19,313.25
Actual	\$ 4,224.00	\$ 47,214.82
Over/(Under)	\$ 184.00	\$ (57,785.18)
Preservation	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 8,000.00
General Repair	\$ 20.00	\$ 858.00
Candles	\$	\$ 347.00
Outreach	\$ 3,082.00	\$ 9,467.00
All Souls	\$ 2.00	
Thanksgiving	\$ 421.00	
Christmas Flowers	\$ 160.00	



Happy Anniversary!

PRAY FOR THOSE SERVING OUR COUNTRY

Capt. Joseph Andrew Garcia, Marines
 Capt. Brian Wood, Army
 STGSN Joshua J. Teneyck
 Major Jeremy A. Schiel, Army
 Major Ryan A Schiel, Army
 SSG Acea Hindbaugh, Army
 SN Trevor Smith, Navy
 SGT Monique Losoya, Army
 SPC Elijah Hindbaugh, Army
 Vincent Caraccio, Army Reserves
 1SG Charles Hindbaugh, II
 SSG Joseph Malagon
 SGT Jasmine Hindbaugh
 LCPL Carlos Negrin III, Marines
 AO Alicia Negrin, Navy
 PVT Damian Cutcher



OUTREACH CENTER

Tuesdays 9:00 am - 11:30 pm
 *For donation drop off only

Wednesdays 10:00 am - 1:00 pm
 *Pantry




	<u>LAST WEEK</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Families served	60	974
Thanksgiving baskets		

Donations needed: hats, gloves, mittens, new or slightly used winter coats (all sizes)



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH SCHEDULE & ANNOUNCEMENTS



Minister/Lector Schedule

December 3-4, 2022 Second Sunday of Advent	
1st Reading	Isaiah 11: 1-10
2nd Reading	Romans 15: 4-9
Gospel Reading	Matthew 3: 1-12
Lector	Saturday: Mary Jo Pilcher Sunday: Guadalupe Zarate
Eucharistic Ministers	Saturday: Mary Jo Robinson Michele Miller Sunday: Barb Marquis Marie Irons
Children's Liturgy	Judy Westmeyer

December 10-11, 2022 Third Sunday of Advent	
1st Reading	Isaiah 35: 1-6a, 10
2nd Reading	James 5: 7-10
Gospel Reading	Matthew 11: 2-11
Lector	Saturday: Dan Streeter Sunday: Bill Carroll
Eucharistic Ministers	Saturday: Georgeann O'Connell John Madigan Sunday: Monica Phillips Dave Degener *Fred & Kelley Mahaney, Doug Grey
Children's Liturgy	Guadalupe Zarate

Sanctuary Lamp



December 4 (available)
December 11 (available)
December 18 (available)

Altar Flowers



December 4 (available)
December 11 (available)
December 18 (available)



You may have noticed that the "old" missalettes are still out, along with the new, Choose Christ, issues. It seems that our new books do not contain some of the hymns we often use, but they DO have the current readings. If the song selected by our music person is from Breaking Bread, it will be designated on the song board with a BB.



Thank you to Kathleen Mick for agreeing to continue as our 4 pm musician! She has many duties at SS.Peter and Paul with music, so her presence is a real blessing.



The RCIA "team" has been blessed with another person to help. Thanks to Jan Schiel for stepping up. Jan worked with RCIA candidates for many years at St. James and Immaculate, so her help is much appreciated!



Holy Hour at The Monastery of The Visitation
All are welcome to for an evening prayer (Vespers),
the Rosary, Homily and Benediction.

Sunday, December 4, 2022 @ 4 pm
1745 Parkside Blvd., Toledo



Thanks to all who “adopted” a child from the Giving Tree! Please make sure your wrapped gift is returned, with tag attached, on or before Dec. 17/18th!



Homecoming is next week, Dec. 11th. It will be celebrated at the 11 o’clock Mass. A reception will follow, and of course we invite you to bring finger foods to share. Stay and visit with old friends and meet some new ones!



Pray for Deacon Tom who is very ill. May he feel the healing presence of our Lord, and the comfort of our prayers!



Please continue to pray for Sue Rufenacht who is no longer able to play at the 4 pm Mass due to serious illness.



Envelopes for Christmas flowers in memory/honor of loved ones are available in the pews.

Happy 2nd week of Advent!



Church “decking the halls” will take place after Mass on Dec. 18th! If you are able to stay after Mass...or come around noon...please do. We have the stable to put up, the tree to add to the sanctuary, and wreaths to be hung on the doors. Coffee and light refreshments will be served to entice you. Hope to see you here!



Immaculate Conception is pleased to provide a free opportunity for parishioner, their families, and friends. If you haven’t signed up, here’s the information.

To subscribe:

1. Go to <https://signup.formed.org/>
2. Enter parish zip code: 43604 (Historic St. Patrick)
3. Enter your name and email address
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After you signup, download the FORMED app by searching “FORMED Catholic” in your app store.

WE'RE HIRING



We are looking for a proactive, efficient, part-time church custodian. The custodian will ensure that all areas of the church are clean and ready for other staff members and the congregation to use. The custodian will be responsible for minor repairs, vacuuming/sweeping/scrubbing floors, cleaning, sanitizing, restocking items, lawn maintenance, snow removal, and event preparation.

To be a successful custodian, they must be able to lift 50 lbs, successfully pass a background check, and be observant, respectful, motivated, and committed to providing church members, visitors, and staff with a clean, orderly place to worship and congregate.

For a more detailed list of responsibilities and requirements or to submit your resume, please email Nicole at nicole@iccatdarby.org.



Parish Office Hours
Mon.– Fri. 8 - 3:30

*Please call the office before stopping in. Thank you!



Living Christ

Diocese of Toledo

Commitment Weekend is Coming

We are close to wrapping up our involvement in the Diocesan-wide *Living Christ* Campaign. At all Masses next weekend, we will invite parishioners who have not yet made their sacrificial gift in support of the *Living Christ* Campaign to do so. Please give very careful consideration to Msgr. Vasko’s request for a 5-year pledge. Every gift is welcome and needed. Every gift will help Immaculate Conception meet the needs of both our parish and the Diocese. We are grateful to the families who have already made their pledge/gift. The success of this capital campaign depends on the sacrificial generosity of all parishioners, not just a few. Though we may not all be able to offer gifts of equal dollar amounts, we can each offer the Lord, and each other, gifts of equal sacrifice. We need every parish family to prayerfully consider how you can participate in this historic effort. It is only through the sacrificial generosity of all of us that we can truly be successful.

How Do I Prepare for Commitment Weekend?

- 1) Read the campaign materials.
- 2) Pray with your family about your pledge to the campaign.
- 3) Be prepared to complete a pledge card next weekend.

“No one shall appear before the Lord empty-handed, but each of you with as much as he can give, in proportion to the blessings which the Lord, your God, has bestowed on you.” (Deuteronomy 16:16-17)

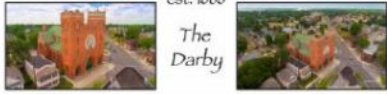
HOW WILL YOU SACRIFICE?

Total Pledge	Annual Sacrifice	Monthly Sacrifice	Weekly Sacrifice	Daily Sacrifice	Consider Foregoing...
\$9,000	\$1,800	\$150	\$34	\$4.95	Premium Cable Subscription
\$6,000	\$1,200	\$100	\$23	\$3.28	Weekly Pizza Night
\$3,000	\$600	\$50	\$11	\$1.64	Daily Soft Drink
\$1,800	\$360	\$30	\$7.50	\$1.00	Monthly Movie Date





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The
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Homecoming

Join us for **The Darby Homecoming Mass and celebration on Sunday, December 11, 2022 at 11 am.**

Reception and fellowship following Mass.

Feel free to bring an appetizer or dessert to share.

THIS WEEK ON FORMED

Week of December 04, 2022



Guadalupe: The Miracle and the Message

Enjoy this film narrated by Jim Caviezel that walks us through our Mother's miraculous appearance to Juan Diego, an encounter that has influenced the conversion of millions of people.



FORMED Live: Do We Make Too Much of Mary?
Why do Catholics think so highly of Mary? Join Dr. Tim Gray and Dr. John Sehorn as they discuss our Lady's esteemed place among the saints.



Marian Dogmas with Brant Pitre

Listen in as Matt Fradd and Dr. Brant Pitre explore the Church's understanding of Mary's role in the Church.

Our parish has a FORMED subscription. Visit signup.formed.org and select our parish name.

An offering from the AUGUSTINE INSTITUTE and SPECIATIA PRIMO

ECCE YOUNG ADULT CHOIR PRESENTS

ADVENT LESSONS and CAROLS



Ponder the wonder and beauty of the Incarnation through an evening of sacred music, Scripture, and prayer.

December 3rd at 7:30pm, St. Michael Parish
312 N Broad Street, Kalida, OH 45853

December 4th at 3:00pm, St. Mary Parish
414 Madison Street, Decatur, IN 46733

December 10th at 7:00pm, St. Vincent de Paul Parish
1502 E. Wallen Road, Fort Wayne, IN 46825

December 11th at 4:00pm, Monastery of the Visitation
Followed by Evening Prayer with the sisters at 5pm
1745 Parkside Blvd, Toledo, OH 43607

ALL EVENTS ARE FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

FREE HEALTH CLINIC

The Community Care Free Medical Clinic



To protect the staff, the staff will wear full personal protective equipment. We ask that all patients wear facemasks and maintain social distancing.

Volunteer doctors, nurses, pharmacists, translators, and church personnel provide all of the medical care and free medications. In addition, the newly minted medical doctors from the University of Toledo College of Medicine will also be providing their services. We ask that patients bring their medication bottles and wear facemasks along with maintaining safe social distancing.

For more information, patients or those in the community looking to help can contact us at 419-482-8127 or find us online at utcommunitycare.org

New Free Clinic Schedule

Cedar Creek Church West Toledo Campus
2600 W. Sylvania Ave.
Every Tuesday
5:30 pm – 9:00 pm

All patients registered within the first 2 hours of each clinic will be seen.

Cedar Creek Church South Toledo Campus
2150 S. Byrne Rd.
Every Thursday
5:30 pm – 9:00 pm
Every Saturday
10:00 a.m. – 2:00 pm

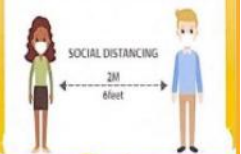
Labre Street Clinic

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CCFMC will continue working with St. John's Jesuit, St. Ursula Academy, and Catholic Charities to provide free medical care to the low income and homeless through the **Labre Street Clinic every Monday evening (except Level 3 snow emergencies):**
5:30pm-8:30pm at 235 Courtland Ave.
In the parking lot behind Queen of Apostles School

6:30pm – 7:30pm
In the parking lot of St. Louis Helping Hands 443 Sixth Street.
A permanent hand washing station will also be set up at this location.



Diocese of Toledo Prayer for Vocations

Almighty God, make me an instrument to encourage others to give of themselves and challenge me to do the same. Inspire men and women to respond generously to your call to service and leadership in your church as priests, consecrated religious and deacons. Amen

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