



Happy Mother's Day

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The loveliest
 masterpiece
 of the heart
 of God
 is the heart
 of a mother.

- St. Thérèse of Lisieux

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Saturday 4:00 pm @ IC
 Sunday 11:00 am @ IC
 Tuesday 9:00 am @ IC

Immaculate Conception Outreach

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Dear People of God,

I've begun a series on why people have abandoned Mass and the Church and last week touched on the notion of entitlement. That subject affects all three requirements of being a part of the Catholic Church. I concluded that far too many people have allowed the entitlement behavioral pattern to invade their spiritual life. They believe God owes them and because he hasn't paid off, they leave the auditorium just like Elvis! I noted that far too many men and women, young and old, no longer believe in the real presence so don't grasp the immense gift being offered at Mass.

Here's what God owes us: "Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof." We say it every time we're at Mass, just before we receive not what we are owed but what God gives us as a gift of love: the Eucharist. God owes us nothing. In fact, we owe God everything. God has certainly been generous to us.

A famous English atheist physicist was going to prove that there was no God and turned to a careful examination of the Big Bang – what we Catholics believe was the immediate result of God's words: *let there be light*. His research examined the first brief particles of the pico seconds of that event and concluded that had they occurred in any other sequence than they did, we'd not be here today. That very beginning, before time had a chance to intervene in the ordering of the universe, so astounded him that he became a very committed Christian!

Are we entitled to the air we breathe? No. It's a gift, and a precious one we ought to care for with far greater reverence. Are we entitled to the light of the sun? No. It's a gift, and a precious one which we ought to appreciate with awe that the science works and the light of the sun reaches us. The litany goes on to every physical reality, to the working of our bodily functions, to the ground which will open for our grave. Are we entitled to life? No. Our founders understood that and enumerated it as one of the rights with which we are endowed by our Creator, and they understood that rights carry with them certain obligations which entitlement erases, like the necessity for Christians to offer back to God some of their time, talent and treasure.

Yet all around the world people have come to believe that they are entitled. When the entitlement isn't met, they get angry, depressed, frustrated and often act out. Much of the acting out is not communal; it's not the community but a crowd of disconnected individuals. The sad fact is that entitlement is not a social reaction but the result of placing the individual before the good of the society of which the individual is but a single part. Benjamin Franklin understood what happens if the social entity is fractured and divided: *if we don't all hang together, we shall all certainly hang separately*.

Entitlements are historically destructive. We might look back at Rome and discover that it wasn't the lead pipes that destroyed the empire; rather, an entitlement culture – people who ought to have been sharing their time, talent and treasure were increasingly avoiding any of that so they could indulge in personal pleasures (you may recall that Dante attended to these folks on his journey through hell) at the expense of the Roman state. The wealthy and entitled sought ways and means of avoiding taxes, family formation and those wealthy families died out. The poor came to expect free lunch and free entertainment and most of the genuine Roman poor died out to be replaced by foreign invaders. Next week will see more thoughts on this topic of declining participation in the Church. Join me in the hope that it is not a permanent trend in our society.

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 the church @ 419-243-1829.

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
May 13-21, 2023**

Sat. 3:30 pm Immaculate Conception Confessions
Immaculate Conception Mass
Msgr. Chris
Intention: Gretchen Wiedemann O'Loughlin

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
Msgr. Chris
Intentions: Sharon Steele, Simona Sanchez, & Estella Rosales

Tue. 9:10 am IC Weekday Mass

Wed. 5:30 pm HSP Weekday Mass

Sat. 3:30 pm Immaculate Conception Confessions
Immaculate Conception Mass
Msgr. Chris
Intention: Andrew John McCarthy

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
Fr. Rudi
Intentions: Carol & Ed Reynolds

Upcoming Events

May 14 Mother's Day Bake Sale
June 6 8th grade graduation
June 11 Finance Committee meeting



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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!

5/14 Tevin Gregory
5/15 Cynthia Gonzalez
5/18 Janet Brodbeck
Steven Mahaney



Together Let Us Pray

Deacon Tom, James Laberdee, Luis Laberdee, Annette Gaffney & son, Jeanette Gaffney-Puckef, John Gaffney & son, Mrs. John Parker Gaffney, Jeff V. Shlieman, Rev. Father Sam Saraja & family, Vickie Sawyers, Charlene Laberdee, Sharon Vincent, Michael Simmons, Justin Garte, Brandon Havens, Benjamin Place, Matthew Place, Dave Wehrmeister, Terry Baithelon, Mark, Stephen Youngs, Janet Madigan Delores Sutter, Terry L. Byersmith, Jeff Seger, Lola Hernandez, Donna Haynes, Kevin King, Tony Ramos, Suzie Narra, Jane Herclor, Rose Garcia, Mary Katherine Kries, Juanita Miller-Garcia, Lola Tomachec-Garcia, George Miller & family, Pam Wilson-Adams, Tyela Lake, Danny Havens, Terrence Gregory, Eugene L. Donahoo Jr., Juanita Watkins, John Wagner, Mary Ann Oess



STEWARDSHIP REPORT

July 1, 2022- June 30, 2023

Happy Anniversary!

5/13 Paul & Terry Byersmith
16 years
5/20 Fred & Linda Garcia
16 years



LAST WEEK

YEAR TO DATE

Goal	\$ 2,020.00	\$ 105,000.00
Sat. Loose	\$ 595.00	\$ 13,518.59
Sat. Env.	\$ 568.00	\$ 28,401.00
Sun. Loose	\$ 215.00	\$ 15,059.41
Sun. Env.	\$ 1,060.00	\$ 40,072.88
Actual	\$ 2,438.00	\$ 97,051.88
Over/(Under)	\$ 418.00	\$ (7,948.12)
Preservation	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 16,000.00
General Repair	\$ 65.00	\$ 1,835.00
Candles	\$ 43.00	\$ 688.57
Mother's Day	\$ 196.63	
Outreach	\$ 1,143.00	



PRAY FOR THOSE SERVING OUR COUNTRY

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	50	1,915

Donations needed: Cleaning products, hygiene products, diapers (size 1)

Please NO WINTER clothing at this time



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH SCHEDULE & ANNOUNCEMENTS



Minister/Lector Schedule

May 13-14, 2023
Sixth Sunday of Easter

1st Reading	Acts of the Apostles 8:5-8, 14-17
2nd Reading	1 Peter 3:15-18
Gospel Reading	John 14:15-21
Lector	Saturday: Dan Streeter Sunday: Bill Carroll
Eucharistic Ministers	Saturday: Becky Crabtree Georgeann O'Connell Sunday: Kelly Mahaney Fred Mahaney

Children's Liturgy is back!

May 20-21, 2023
The Ascension of the Lord

1st Reading	Acts of the Apostles 1:1-11
2nd Reading	Ephesians 1:17-23
Gospel Reading	Matthew 28:16-20
Lector	Saturday: Dan Streeter Sunday: Kerry Gibson
Eucharistic Ministers	Saturday: Mary Jo Pilcher Becky Crabtree Sunday: Brenda Degener Dave Degener

Children's Liturgy is back!

Sanctuary Lamp



May 14 (available)
May 21 (available)
May 28 (available)

Altar Flowers

May 14 (available)
May 21 (available)
May 28 (available)



CCD is done for this season, but we will resume in September! We continue to grow in knowledge, so be ready to come back.

If you have a kiddo that will need sacramental preparation, call the office to get put on the notification list, (419)243-1829.



Congratulations to our First Communion kids; please come often to this table of our Lord! Thank you to Mary Jo Pilcher and Guadalupe Zarate for preparing our parish students!



In observance of Memorial Day we will be honoring our deceased veterans on May 28th.



Please join us every Saturday for the month of May at 3:30 pm as Dan Streeter leads us in the Rosary.



It was very good to have Deacon Tom back with us last week! We continue our prayers for you, Deacon Tom, and for our other clergy.



Happy Mothers' Day to all who nurture kids! We honor you today with a flower, and keep you all in prayer!



We will be looking for volunteers for a couple of church projects this summer. There may be no pay, but retirement is heavenly.



Bake Sale.

Thanks to those who offered goodies for our Mothers' Day bake sale, and for those of you who purchased. We are blessed with generous parishioners!

No Hospitality on Mothers' Day!



Hospitality is winding down. Our last weekend gathering will be June 11, followed by our Fathers' Day bake sale on June 17 & 18. We will resume our ice cream socials in July, every other week beginning July 2nd.



The Catholic War Veterans are in need of 80 volunteers to place flags at Calvary Cemetery beginning May 25th for the Memorial Day Holiday. If you are able to help please contact Dee Pakulski at 567-277-2743 or vetsandpets2@aol.com.

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2023 SENIOR FARMERS' MARKET NUTRITION PROGRAM

The Area Office on Aging of Northwestern Ohio is now accepting applications for the 2023 Senior Farmers' Market Nutrition Program. Go to www.areaofficeonaging.com and click the "Apply Now" button to fill out the application. This program provides \$50 worth of coupons to eligible adults 60 years of age or over to purchase locally grown fresh fruits, vegetables, herbs and honey from local farmers. This USDA program serves our Northwestern counties. For any questions, contact the agency at 419-382-0624.



We are looking for a proactive, efficient, part-time church custodian. For a more detailed list of responsibilities and requirements or to submit your resume, please email Nicole at nicole@iccatdarby.org.



The parish office will be closed Monday, May 29th.

Health News for May 14, 2023

Who is at Risk for Metabolic Syndrome? In recent years this syndrome has become much more common in the United States. Over 34% of U.S. adults have it. It's also increasing globally. Although some people are genetically prone to developing metabolic syndrome, others get it as result of their lifestyle or other factors. Several things that increase your risk of metabolic syndrome are:

- Obesity/overweight. Excessive fat in and around the abdomen (stomach) is most strongly associated with metabolic syndrome.
- Insulin resistance. This is when the body can't use insulin efficiently. Some people are genetically predisposed to insulin resistance.
- Race and gender. Although Black men are less likely than white men to have metabolic syndrome, Black women have a higher rate than white women.
- Age. Risk of developing metabolic syndrome increases with age.

Source: American Heart Association
Parish Nurse Ministry of Central Toledo:
Kathy Jeffery, RN, 419-242-1598



Mother's Day Flowers

In Honor/Memory of:

Velma Nehiser
Lil Bit & family
Scarborough & McManus families
Ramona Flores
Elaine Wojciechowski

In Memory of:

Dorothy Zaper	Elizabeth Clark
Virginia Marquis	Eileen Bell
Evelyn Harding	Pilcher & Quinlan moms
Evelyn Byersmith	Michelle Irons
Evarista Mosqueda	Virginia Meagher
Marie Kries	Eileen Harrison
Rose O'Leary	Yolanda Magaña
Loretta Schrader	Maria Mendiola
Rosalee Johnson	
Florence Bounwans	
Lola Hernandez	
Marian Kohler	
Claire Place	

Mother's Day Flowers

In Memory of:

Julia Vasko
Julie Jameson
Velma O'Connell
Marguerite Kranz
Mary Alice Hickey
Agnes Hollister
Loretta Crown
Cecelia Pugh
Dorothy Young
Helen Steinmetz
Mary McManus
Esther Scarborough
Mary Tolles

In Honor of:

Betty Morin	Nicole Hachigian
Marie Irons	Alexis Schlagheck
Mary Jo Pilcher	
Maureen Intagliata	
Carey Scarbrough	

THIS WEEK ON FORMED

Week of May 14, 2023



A Bible Study on the Glorious Mysteries: The Ascension (Part 2 of 5)
Join Dr. Ben Akers and professors from the Augustine Institute Graduate School as they walk through the Glorious Mysteries of the Rosary through the lens of Sacred Scripture.



Station 13 | Via Lucis
Commentary | The Ascension
Pray with Dr. Ben Akers and Dr. Tim Gray as they walk through the Stations of the Resurrection. In this meditation, you will reflect on the mystery of Christ's ascension into Heaven.



The Ascension | Sacred Art

Join Dr. Ben Akers and Taylor Kemp to expand your knowledge of sacred art. In this episode on FORMED, they discuss The Ascension of Christ by Jacopo Tintoretto.

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An offering from the AUGUSTINE INSTITUTE and GRACIOUS PRICES

World War II Stolen Art Tour at HSP and The Toledo Museum of Art



When: Sunday, May 21 after 10:00 a.m. Mass

HSP PARISHIONER AND TMA DOCENT, AL GEHA, will present a PowerPoint presentation at Historic St. Patrick's focusing on the stolen & looted artwork by the Nazis during World War II. He will introduce some of the main personalities involved, as well as the more celebrated works of art that were implicated during this horrific time.

A light lunch will be provided during the PowerPoint presentation.

After the PowerPoint presentation (around noon) we will proceed to the Toledo Museum of Art for the 1:30 tour. The approximately one hour tour will consist of the works of art in the Toledo Museum of Art with a WW II provenance.

Cost: \$10 per person

****Reservations required and limited to the first 25 people.

Contact: Martha at martha.farrell15@gmail.com or call Sherri at HSP at 419-243-6452.

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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