

### The Immaculate Conception Church of Darby



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Pastor: Reverend Monsignor Christopher P. Vasko, JCD, Ph.D. Weekend Associate: Reverend Rudi Schwarzkopf, OSFS Deacon: Thomas S. Carone Deacon: David E. Smith Pastoral Emergencies Only 419-243-6031

#### Parish Staff for IC

#### **EUCHARISTIC LITURGIES**

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

#### **Immaculate Conception Outreach**

Director Natalie Fisher 1102 Broadway 419-243-1819

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



A Blessed and Happy Christmas to one and all!

Nollaig shona shona daoibh go léir

As we gather to commemorate the birth of Jesus our Lord and Savior, may the real meaning of the Holy Day infuse your thoughts, your words, and your actions. We might look at the event we recall to learn how it ought to affect us today.

Jesus was born in humble surroundings, an invitation to humility in our own lives, whether in terms of how or where we live, what sort of transportation we use, which kind of chair we sit in and all sorts of others things that can distract us from the needs of the world around us. That notion of humility might make us consider how we use or abuse the things of the earth to make ourselves comfortable. Do we really need water in plastic bottles that are clogging the oceans with toxic litter? Do we really need to crank the furnace up to 80° or the AC down to 65? Do we really need all those devices that use rechargeable lithium batteries that are so toxic that we don't yet know where to get rid of them when they die?

Jesus was born without anything of value, an invitation to consider what really matters for our own well-being and that of "our neighbor." As we think of the role we play in the civil structures around us, do we venerate power or do we seek justice? Is our first concern "What's in it for me?" or do we genuinely respect the dignity and worth of others with whom we share the earth? Do we have any idea the status of men, women and children in far flung areas of the world?

Christmas has become a secular spending spree sprinkled with football, super post—Christmas sales and presents, presents, presents. Take time in all of that – which is after all good – to allow some of what Jesus represents to be part of our celebration and you'll likely find it far more meaningful and far happier.

Today our Savior is born, let us rejoice and be glad.

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 <a href="www.iccatdarby.org">www.iccatdarby.org</a>. We hope to see you again soon!

#### **Immaculate Conception**

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John Madigan
Fred Mahaney
Barb Marquis

Louann Meagher Mary Jo Pilcher Judy Westmeyer

#### CALENDAR December 23-31, 2023

	Sat.	3:30 pm	Immaculate Conception Confessions
		4:00 pm	Immaculate Conception Mass
			Msgr. Chris
			Intention: Augustin Mendoza
	Sun.	8:00 am	Historic St. Patrick Mass Msgr. Chris
		9:30 am	Historic St. Patrick Confessions
		10:00 am	
		10.00 am	Fr. Rudi
		10:30 am	<b>Immaculate Conception Confessions</b>
		11:00 am	Immaculate Conception
			Msgr. Chris
			Intention: Fr. Paul Kwiatkowski
		4:00 pm	IC Children's Mass
		•	Msgr. Chris
			Intentions: Julie & Hailey Jameson,
			Terri & Vince Bronowski
		6:00 pm	HSP Children's Mass
		•	Fr. Rudi
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2:00 am	IC Midnight Mass Fr. Rudi
	HSP Midnight Mass Msgr. Chris
:00 am	IC Christmas Day Mass-Fr. Rudi HSP Christmas Day Mass-Msgr. Chris
:30 pm :00 pm	Immaculate Conception Confessions Immaculate Conception Mass Msgr. Chris Intention: Marty Hollister
:00 am :30 am 0:00 am 0:30 am 1:00 am	Historic St. Patrick Mass Msgr. Chris Immaculate Conception Confessions
:	30 pm 300 pm 300 am 30 am 0:00 am

#### **Upcoming Events**

December 22-January 3 Office closed

January 7 Epiphany of The Lord





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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!

12/23 Sarah Vallejo

12/24 Valerie Hernandez

12/27 Arianna Herrera

12/30 Emma Billman



#### Happy Anniversary!

12/29 Chuck & Monica Phillips 32 years



# 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

#### **Together Let Us Pray**

Deacon Tom, James Laberdee, Louis Laberdee, Charlene Laberdee, Wally Ibarra, Donald McManus, Janet Hickey, Barb Marquis, Pam Clark, Pat Rivito, Gary Bieczko, Wendy Wehrmeister, Dave Wehrmeister, Ernie Taegele, Marcia Kardos, Zenaida Cannon, Jessica Mendez, Judy Place, Jan Schiel, Otto Steele, Nick Decair, Marcos & Angie Revilla, Alexandra Hernandez, Nicole Magaña, Terry Lynn Byersmith, Connie Fonseca & family, Denise W., Sheryl Doggett, Jesus & Caroline P., Ruth Esparza, Lucy Jaso, Donna Haynes, Jane,



Oliver Hernandez, Adam B., Lupe & Lola Fonseca, Sister Lawrence, Pam Clark, Liliana Parga, Emiliano Padilla, Rodrigo Padilla



#### STEWARDSHIP REPORT

July 1, 2023- June 30, 2024

	L	AST WEEK	Y	EAR TO DATE
Goal	\$	2,116.00	\$	110,000.00
Sat. Loose	\$	D	\$	9,298.00
Sat. Env.	\$	Due to the holidays	\$	15,912.00
Sun. Loose	\$	and bulletin	\$	8,831.00
Sun. Env.	\$	deadlines the	\$	27,303.00
Actual	\$	stewardship report	\$	61,344.00
Over/(Under)		will be updated in	\$	(48,656.00)
		the next bulletin.		
Preservation	\$		\$	6,000.00
General Repair	\$	Thank you for your	\$	1,274.00
Candles	\$	understanding!	\$	451.00
Outreach	\$			
Holiday Flowers	\$		e j	



#### **OUTREACH CENTER**

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

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



Families served

LAST WEEK

1,208

Donations needed: food items, household items (dishes, utensils, gadgets), grocery bags (the ones you brought your groceries home in)



### IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH SCHEDULE & ANNOUNCEMENTS



#### Minister/Lector Schedule

	December 23-24, 2023 Fourth Sunday of Advent			
1st Reading	2 Samuel 7:1-5,8b-12, 14a, 16			
2nd Reading	Romans 16:25-27			
Gospel Reading	Luke 1:26-38			
Lector	Saturday: John Madigan			
	Sunday: Bill Carroll			
Eucharistic Ministers	Saturday: Becky Crabtree Mary Jo Pilcher			
	Sunday: Brenda Degener Dave Degener			
Children's Liturgy is back!				

	December 30-31, 2023 The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph			
1st Reading	Genesis 15:1-6; 21:1-3			
2nd Reading	Hebrews 11:8, 11-12, 17-19			
<b>Gospel Reading</b>	Luke 2:22-40			
Lector	Saturday: Mary Jo Pilcher			
	Sunday: Guadalupe Zarate			
Eucharistic Ministers	Saturday: Linda Garcia Georgeanne O'Connell			
	Sunday: Louann Meagher Tom Meagher			
Children's Liturgy is back!				

	December 24-25, 2023 The Nativity of The Lord		
1st Reading	4 pm- Isaiah 62: 1-5 Midnight– Isaiah 9: 1-6 9 am– Isaiah 62: 11-12		
2nd Reading	4 pm– Acts 13: 16-17, 22-25 Midnight– Titus 2: 11-14 9 am– Titus 3: 4-7		
Gospel Reading	4 pm– Matthew 1: 1-25 Midnight– Luke 2: 1-14 9 am– Luke 2:15-20		
Lector	4 pm-		
	Midnight– Mike Young		
	9 am  – Joyce Scarbrough		
Eucharistic Ministers	4 pm— Georgeann O'Connell Mary Jo Robinson *If needed: Louann & Tom Meagher		
	Midnight– Mary Jo Pilcher Dan Streeter		
	9 am– Mary Jo Pilcher		
Children's Liturgy is back!			



CCD continues on Tuesday evenings at 6 pm. The driveway door is open for access to the study room. There will be a break on Tuesday, Dec. 26th and the Tuesday after New Year, January 2nd. Have a blessed holiday!

RCIA, renamed ORIC, continues on Wednesdays at 6 pm. We welcome Shaun Webb to the studies as he begins his journey with Jesus! Anyone else interested in completing Sacraments, or learning about our Catholic faith?



No hospitality on, Christmas Eve, Sun. Dec. 24th or New Years Eve. Dec. 31st.

'Come let us adore HIM, Christ the Lord!"



Thanks to all who helped decorate for Christmas! Your help was greatly Appreciated.

### Merry Christmas

May the Lord Jesus fill your life with eternal joy and never ending happiness!



Thanks to our outside decorators for the flower pots. Barb and Dawn definitely have the touch!



The Parish Office will be closed

Dec. 22-Jan. 3 in observance of the holidays.



Have you seen our new banner? Thanks to the Rev. August Schaefer Endowment Fund grant we received we have this new display. We look forward to showcasing our new banners throughout the year!

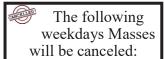
Each year, the Diocese of Toledo is required to undergo an audit to ensure that it is in compliance with the articles of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People. Bishop Daniel Thomas is pleased to announce that the Diocese was found to be in full compliance with the requirements in the Charter following the audit for fiscal year 2022-2023.

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 by any personnel of the Catholic Church, you are urged to report the abuse to your local police department, Children Services, and to contact the Diocean Victim Assistance Coordinator at (419) 214-4880; or to write to the Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator at 1933 Spielbusch Avenue; Toledo, Ohio 43604.



Your 2024 envelopes are ready

for pickup! You can find them in the vestibule.



IC—Dec.26 & Jan.2

HSP—Dec.27 & Jan.3

Our thanks to John Pena and his company, A.C.E.S. Services, LLC. for repairing the kneelers in our church! John is the son of parishioner, Hilda Wojciechowski. The kneelers haven't looked this good, or worked so well, since our own crew worked on the broken ones some years ago.



Please join us on Saturday, January 6, 2024 at 3:30 pm as Dan Streeter leads us in the Rosary.

We look forward to seeing you all there!



Eucharistic Ministers & Lectors

Those that receive a paper copy of the schedule may pick up their copy from the counter in the Chapel.



Thank you to all who contributed to Outreach to help a family in need this Christmas!



#### **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 dispensed from the obligation to attend Mass. If Masses are cancelled, Catholics are encouraged to participate in Holy Mass via television, radio or internet, making a spiritual Communion. When Mass is cancelled, all other diocesan, parish, or school events in the geographic area are also cancelled.

FREE AT-HOME COVID-19 TESTS This Fall, every U.S. household can again place an order to receive four more free COVID-19 rapid tests delivered directly to their home. Order at: https://special.usps.com/testkits. Need help placing an order for your at-home tests? Call 1-800-232-0233 (TTY

1-888-720-7489). Before your throw out "Expired" tests check FDA's website to see if your COVID-19 tests' expiration dates

have been extended.







#### Week of December 24, 2023



#### The True Meaning of Christmas | Lukas Storyteller

Christmas is coming and our friends Peter, Agnes, Paul and Anna expect to receive many gifts. but when they caught in one of their antics. Lukas and Noah will help them understand the true story of Christmas and how the birth of the Son of God should change our hearts.



#### Christmas | Sacred Art

Join Dr. Ben Akers and Taylor Kemp as they look at the painting Adoration of the Shepherds by Gerard van Honthorst to celebrate the Nativity of our Lord. This famous painting reveals the Christ Child as the light that has come into the world and also depicts the Blessed Mother, St. Joseph, and the shepherds to be models of adoration to our humble Lord who came as a helpless baby.



#### The 12 Days of Christmas

We are excited to announce our series of FORMED Now! Christmas and New Year special episodes. In these episodes, professors from the Augustine Institute Graduate School will lead us in reflections throughout the season.

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#### Christ Child Society of Toledo Seeks Members

Want to make a difference in the lives of Toledo-area children? Consider joining Christ Child Society of Toledo.

Christ Child volunteers teach newborn classes; tutor school children; staff school libraries and much more. The group purchases and distributes over 2000 new





coats, hats, gloves and books each year for children birth through eighth grade. They also distribute more than 1,200 baby layettes to underserved new moms.

For more information on joining Christ Child, visit christchildsocietyoftoledo.org or email christchildoftoledo @gmail.com.



#### 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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