



The Immaculate Conception Church of Darby



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Jesus took Peter,
 James, and John
 and led them up
 a high mountain
 apart by
 themselves. And
 he was
 transfigured
 before them,
 and his clothes
 became dazzling
 white.

Mark 9:2,3

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EUCCHARISTIC 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

Dear People of God,

Ah, Lent and what do we give up this year? How about Brussels sprouts? Or maybe spinach. Or let's go out really big and give up chocolate! After all, Lent is a time to give up and make a sacrifice. . . maybe.

The Lenten practice of self-sacrifice has little to do with giving up something we like or enjoy for the brief forty days of Lent. Rather it is meant to be a serious examination of our inward being to give up all of the accumulated cultural trash we may have picked up since last Lent. Today we live in a culture which is toxic, dangerous and often only leads to the diminution of our self-respect and the tipping of our society into chaos. We might think of it in the terms of our founders. They selected *e pluribus unum*: from the many, one, as our official national motto. The notion of the United States on their minds (the same as that of Jesus the Christ) was not "what can I get from others" but how can we cooperate and work together to lift up everyone: rich and poor, every race, every creed or belief. You may recall a couple of weeks ago that St. Paul discussed this from the Christian perspective: Are you not aware that in baptism you became one with Jesus?

Lent as a time of sacrifice invites us to focus not so much on ourselves but on actions which assist in the building up of community, be it in the family, the town where we live, the nation, the Church or humanity in general. That can call for a real sacrifice. I read a number of overseas news outlets to have some idea of what's happening around our globe. Among them is the Irish Times where I occasionally see an article about someplace I've been. Lately hardly an edition doesn't include a report of an arson set at a building either already established for or about to be opened for migrant housing. If we truly believe that we are all one in Christ by virtue of Baptism, then such actions are actively abusing that unity even in such a limited way as denying housing to those who share the same unity! We are, in effect, giving the lie to the professed oneness poured out to all in the waters of baptism!

Most of us don't bother to think in such broad strokes and that's why we have Lent. It's a few days when we can step back from the selfish culture of me, my way, me first and change that "m" to a "w" and seriously think about, pray about, and listen for God's directions about the we-ness of our family, our community, our Church and the world around us. That kind of Lent can demand a far greater sacrifice because it demands we give up ideas and ideologies which distract us from the unity to which we are summoned by our faith. We can be so attached to those ideas and ideologies that even the thought of giving them up for the days of Lent can cause excruciating spiritual pain., the penance about which Lent speaks and to which it draws us.

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


February 24-March 3, 2024

Sat.	3:30 pm 4:00 pm	Immaculate Conception Confessions Immaculate Conception Mass Msgr. Chris Intention: Harvey Parker Jr.
Sun.	8:00 am 9:30 am 10:00 am 10:30 am 11:00 am	Historic St. Patrick Mass Msgr. Chris Historic St. Patrick Confessions Historic St. Patrick Mass Msgr. Chris Immaculate Conception Confessions Immaculate Conception Fr. Rudi Intention: Luis Alberto Silva Gaona
Tue.	9:10 am	IC Weekday Mass

Wed.	5:30 pm	HSP Weekday Mass
Sat.	3:30 pm 4:00 pm	Immaculate Conception Confessions Immaculate Conception Mass Msgr. Chris Intention: Janice Winkle
Sun.	8:00 am 9:30 am 10:00 am 10:30 am 11:00 am	Historic St. Patrick Mass Msgr. Chris Historic St. Patrick Confessions Historic St. Patrick Mass Fr. Rudi Immaculate Conception Confessions Immaculate Conception Msgr. Chris Intention: Dorothy Young, Michelle Young, Helen Steinmetz

Upcoming Events

February 24 & 25	Blest Art
March 2 & 3	Lenten Confessions
March 7	Parish Council Meeting @ 6 pm



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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!

2/27 Angelo Cervantes

3/2 Andrew Kulczak 



Happy Anniversary!

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, 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, Dakota, Mary Bodi, Josaria Manzanarez, Alonso Pratt, Alexandra Hernandez, Nicole Magaña, Kathleen Yates, Tom Yates, Sylvia & Roman Gonzales & family, Mike Leroux, Bridget Caranza, Maria Ochoa, Bobby Ochoa, Tia Frazier, Fr. Mike Brown, Wendy Wehrmeister, Debra Coon, Dave Smith, Tom Carone, Cindy Gray, Mary Bodie, Fred & Linda Garcia, Pam Clark, Dave Wehrmeister



STEWARDSHIP REPORT

July 1, 2023- June 30, 2024

	<u>LAST WEEK</u>	<u>YEAR TO DATE</u>
Goal	\$ 2,116.00	\$ 110,000.00
Sat. Loose	\$ 476.00	\$ 14,047.00
Sat. Env.	\$ 320.00	\$ 21,300.00
Sun. Loose	\$ 314.00	\$ 11,268.00
Sun. Env.	\$ 1,057.00	\$ 36,411.00
Actual	\$ 2,167.00	\$ 83,026.00
Over/(Under)	\$ 51.00	\$ (26,974.00)
Preservation	\$	\$ 9,000.00
General Repair	\$ 10.00	\$ 1,899.00
Candles	\$ 12.00	\$ 585.00
Outreach	\$	
Ash Wednesday	\$ 312.00	



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	56	1,648

Donations needed: men's clothing, 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

February 24-25, 2024
Second Sunday of Lent

1st Reading	Genesis 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18
2nd Reading	Romans 8:31b-34
Gospel Reading	Mark 9:2-10
Lector	Saturday: John Madigan Sunday: Mike Young
Eucharistic Ministers	Saturday: Becky Crabtree Mary Jo Robinson Sunday: Marie Irons Garis Martin

Children's Liturgy is back!

March 2-3, 2024
Third Sunday of Lent

1st Reading	Exodus 20:1-17
2nd Reading	1 Corinthians 1:22-25
Gospel Reading	John 2:13-25
Lector	Saturday: Dan Streeter Sunday: Bill Carroll
Eucharistic Ministers	Saturday: Linda Garcia Mary Jo Pilcher Sunday: Monica Phillips Sue Smith

Children's Liturgy is back!

Sanctuary Lamp



February 25 (available)
March 3 Dorothy Young
March 10 (available)

Altar Flowers



Our Friday Soup and Such must have been forgotten. A small group of 3 attended, then prayed the stations of the cross with the school kids. Wouldn't you like to DO something special for Lent and not just GIVE something up? Join us at 12:30 for lunch, with viewing of an episode of The Chosen to follow. This week, the stations will be without the school kids who will be on an outing, so your presence would be great!



Welcome to Shaun Webb who is continuing his journey to full communion with the church and was recognized last Sunday! Let's pray for him and our other religious ed students.



Even though we are early in Lent, we are thinking ahead to Easter. Flower envelopes are in our pack, or can be found in the front pews. Thank you!



Please join us the Saturday, March 2, 2024 at 3:30 pm as Dan Streeter leads us in the Rosary!



We've had lots of visitors in the last few weeks. Please be sure to welcome all!



For our students who are candidates for Confirmation, please remember that Confirmation is your entry into Catholic faith as an adult. Confirmation is not just a fancy ceremony, but is your acceptance of the role as a Catholic; You are therefore expected to attend weekly Mass, and all sessions of CCD in preparation for the sacrament.

It is also good to know that our education in our faith is a lifelong journey. Even if you are not preparing for a sacrament, you should be attending Tuesday classes at 6 pm here at the church in the Childrens' Liturgy room.



Side Boards still have open slots! Is one of them the lucky winner?!



Reverse Raffle preparations are in full swing! If you can donate wine or liquor, you can bring it with you to church. Please don't put it in the Outreach bin, but give to one of the Raffle folks: Louann Meagher, Doug Grey, or Fred Mahaney Jr..
THANK YOU !



Please welcome the folks from Blest Art and take a look at the display in the entry way at the main entrance. It could be an opportunity for gifts for those getting ready to graduate, come into the church at Easter, and other sacramental moments.



Mar. 14th (Raffle Day) is a little bit off, but Mary Jo Pilcher will be asking for your baked goods to supply desserts for the dinner. Darby bakers are the best!



Pray for our parishioners who are going through serious health issues. Most times, this is the most powerful help!



Still looking for some regular church cleaning teams! Could you and a family member or friend (or two) volunteer one weekday or weekend a month? "How can I make a return to the Lord for all the good He has done for me?" (Psalm 116:12) Check with Mary Jo or call the office to volunteer.



A HAPPY HEALTHY HEART

Lunch N' Learn. Don't miss this life-saving presentation and enjoy a heart healthy lunch during National Heart Month! Speaker:

Lisa-Graves-Austin, MD, FACP. This will be an informal presentation you won't want to miss and will include time for you to "Ask the Doctor" your heart related questions. Tuesday, February 27, 2024, 11:30am – 1:00pm at The Toledo Clinic Maumee Cancer Center, 1200 Medical Center Pkwy, Maumee. Cost: \$5.00 per person. Payable via check or cash at the door. Seating is limited. RSVP to Karen at kculler@toledoclinic.com or call 419-304-5062.



Fernanda Gonzalez has AGAIN offered to organize our Easter Morning egg hunt! We ask for your donation of bagged wrapped candy and plastic eggs! The green baskets in the back of church will be the collection point!



Kids' Liturgy of the Word continues on Sundays! Encourage your little ones to take advantage of this activity and learn more about God.

CATHOLIC SISTERS WEEK 2024 // MARCH 8-14

FOOD DRIVE

FRIDAY, MARCH 8TH // 6 AM - 6 PM

Walt Churchill's Market
3320 Briarfield Blvd., Maumee, OH 43537



All proceeds will benefit the Toledo SeaGate Food Bank



URGENT ITEMS NEEDED:

CANNED FRUIT & VEGETABLES, CANNED TUNA, CANNED MEAT, PEANUT BUTTER & JELLY, RICE, BEANS, SEASONINGS, MONETARY DONATIONS

The women religious congregations invite you to come together during Catholic Sisters Week to help end hunger in northwest Ohio.

Let's Make A Difference!



Sponsored by the Sisters of Notre Dame of the United States, Ursuline Sisters, Sisters of Mercy of Alma, Sylvania Franciscan Sisters, Tiffin Franciscan Sisters, and the Sisters of the Visitation.

THIS WEEK ON FORMED

Week of February 25, 2024



The Three Temptations with Dr. Brant Pitre

Reflect with Dr. Brant Pitre on the temptations of Jesus in the desert as he gets to the heart of the meaning of Lent.



The Hour of Our Death | Eternal Rest | Episode 3

The Anointing of the Sick is one of the seven sacraments of the Church. This session, we discover the role of this sacramental anointing in the spiritual struggle during serious illness, the final stages of our temporal life, and the hour of our death.



Talking Back: Scripture's to Answer Common Fears | Fearless | Episode 3

How can the Word of God help us face fear and win back victory from the Enemy's control? Chris continues his conversation with Fr. Dave Pivonka about how people of faith address fear. Scripture provides concrete ways to wield the power of God's Word against the fear of need, abandonment, vulnerability, condemnation, and more. Unlock the means for the Lord to free you from all fear.

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Immaculate Conception and The Historic Church of St. Patrick 2024 LENTEN SCHEDULE



LENTEN WEEKDAY

9:10 am **Tuesday** Mass @ Immaculate Conception
4:00 pm **Wednesday** Adoration @ Historic St. Patrick
5:30 pm **Wednesday** Mass @ Historic St. Patrick

FRIDAY STATIONS OF THE CROSS (during Lent)

12:00 pm @ Historic St. Patrick followed with Soup & Bread in the Rectory
2:20 pm @ Immaculate Conception Stations of the Cross

HSP & IC ANOINTING

Saturday, February 17—4:00 pm—Immaculate Conception
Sunday February 18—11:00 am—Immaculate Conception

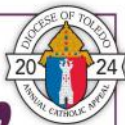
Sunday, February 18—8:00 am—Historic St. Patrick
Sunday, February 18—10:00 am—Historic St. Patrick

HSP & IC PENANCE SERVICE

Saturday, March 2—4:00 pm—Immaculate Conception
Sunday March 3—11:00 am—Immaculate Conception

Sunday, March 3—10:00 am—Historic St. Patrick

Yesterday, Today, & Forever



"Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever." - Hebrews 13:8



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your will and financial planning!



NATIONAL
Eucharistic
Congress

Diocese of Toledo Pilgrimage Wednesday, July 17 - Sunday, July 21, 2024 Indianapolis, Indiana

As part of the National Eucharistic Revival, Bishop Daniel E. Thomas invites you to join him to witness what God has in store for his Church in the U.S. through the National Eucharistic Congress in July 2024! The Diocese of Toledo is forming a delegation to represent our local Church in this historic event at the Lucas Oil Stadium in Indianapolis, IN, where 80,000 Catholics are expected to gather to deepen our understanding of, love for, and living out the great mystery of the Eucharist.


"I am the living bread that came down from heaven;
whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread
that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world."
-John 6:51

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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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