

3RD SUNDAY OF *L*ENT



The Immaculate Conception Church of Darby



He made a whip
out of cords and
drove them all
out of the temple
area. "Take these
out of here, and
stop making my
Father's house
a marketplace."

John 2: 15,16

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EUCCHARISTIC LITURGIES

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

Immaculate Conception Outreach

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

Dear People of God,

We're taking a closer look at Lent and how best to make use of what remains of these forty days. This weekend I invite us to attend to one of the Big Three Areas of Life which are more or less off limits for discussion: money. I can already feel the breeze from all the cringing going on as people peruse this week's missive during the homily! [If you don't believe this is a touchy subject, get out your clip board, head over to the mall and ask a few randomly selected people how much they earned last year. You may get a dirty look, an offensive word or gesture, a punch in the nose or, given the lack of respect for life, shot]

Money, wealth, savings and the good-old 401K are, for most people, a survival aspect of the inner self, an extension of the "I" into the material world around us. So what does that have to do with Lent? In a word, Almsgiving. For most people the term suggests spare change and since we use credit or debit cards, we sigh: "Ah, hah, I'm off the hook!" Almsgiving isn't spare change. We might reference Jesus' own admonition that when you give, don't let your right hand know what your left is doing. In a simpler way, Jesus reminds us to quit worrying about what wealth is hidden away in our pocket, bank account or credit limit and start worrying about what we can do to fulfill God's plan with that wealth.

Lent is an opportunity to step back from the material world and consider what portion of the wealth God has provided by virtue of the opportunities I've had to work, get a degree or professional certificate, find a great job, run a big company, or whatever. Remember, in Baptism we become one with Jesus and with all the others who are one with him so our wealth should be considered as much in terms of what we do for others as what we do for ourselves.

For most of us, the consideration of sharing our wealth with God revolves around a fixed number we presume (or rationalize) is adequate for what we personally get out of God. It's a reaction based on our culture of entitlement and "me first." If God thought that way, most of us would be paupers because we return to God very little of our actual wealth when seen in terms of the time we could invest in the work of the Church, the talents God gave us that could be used in the Church's ministry, or the green stuff in our wallet or purse that could do a lot to enhance everything about our parish. To show how this works, we recently completed the pledge phase of Living Christ. There was a reasonable fear that because people have that fixed number, we'd see not an increase in return to God what is his but a shifting from one bucket to another. If you follow the weekly report on Sunday Offerings, you'll see that we're behind and the departure from where we should be is just about the exact amount being turned in to the capital campaign. Thinking about Almsgiving during Lent allows us to discern that God will always be there for us and we ought to be there for God with generous hearts, minds, and wallets.

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
March 2-10, 2024

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 Intentions: Dorothy Young, Michelle Young, Helen Steinmetz
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: Frank Lenz
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: Estella Rosales

Upcoming Events

March 2 & 3	Lenten Confessions
March 14	Reverse Raffle
March 21	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

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Happy Birthday!

3/2 Andrew Kulczak 

3/5 Arturo Flores

3/8 Janelle Davis



Happy Anniversary!

3/9 Alfred & Elvira Vallejo
45 years



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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

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Together Let Us Pray

Deacon Tom, James Laberde, Louis Laberde, Charlene Laberde,
Wally Ibarra, 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, 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, Alexandra Hernandez,
Nicole Magaña, Judy Place, Bob Mick



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	\$ 696.00	\$ 14,743.00
Sat. Env.	\$ 667.00	\$ 21,967.00
Sun. Loose	\$ 370.00	\$ 11,638.00
Sun. Env.	\$ 440.10	\$ 36,851.10
Actual	\$ 2,173.10	\$ 85,199.10
Over/(Under)	\$ 57.10	\$ (24,800.90)
Preservation	\$	\$ 9,000.00
General Repair	\$ 7.00	\$ 1,906.00
Candles	\$	\$ 585.00
Outreach	\$ 75.00	
Ash Wednesday	\$ 20.00	
First Offering	\$ 5.00	
Mass Attendance	Saturday:80	Sunday:123



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	70	1,718

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

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!

March 9-10, 2024
Fourth Sunday of Lent

1st Reading	2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23
2nd Reading	Ephesians 2:4-10
Gospel Reading	John 3:14-21
Lector	Saturday: Becky Crabtree Sunday: Kerry Gibson
Eucharistic Ministers	Saturday: John Madigan Georgeanne O'Connell Sunday: Tom Meagher Louann Meagher

Children's Liturgy is back!

Sanctuary Lamp



March 3	Dorothy Young
March 10	Michelle Young
March 17	Helen Steinmetz

Altar Flowers



Our special Lenten service of Soup and Such continues on Fridays during Lent beginning with lunch at 12:30 pm, followed by an episode of The Chosen. (I apologize that I have NOT mastered the tech part, but this week will be better) We will then be led in the Stations of the Cross by some of our Queen of Apostles kids. Lent isn't only about "giving up". It counts when you do something special too, maybe giving up a little of your time!



Prayers for those of our parishioners who are undergoing serious health issues right now! Our prayers are working, but don't stop!



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!



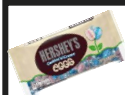
The green bucket under the back pew by the Usher materials is for the collection of plastic Easter eggs and candy that will fit in the eggs! Thanks all for your generosity! And thanks to the Gonzalez family for playing "Bunny" again!



There was an error in last week's bulletin regarding the Parish Council date. Council meeting will be Mar. 21st at 6:00 pm. Hope to see you there!



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



Outreach is hoping to make about 40 Easter baskets for kiddos ages 2-10. They are seeking candy donations to help make this happen. Feel free to drop off candy donations directly to Outreach or contact Natalie to coordinate a time to get your donation to them, (419)481-0858.



Outreach is in need of both non-perishable food items and women sanitary products. Any and all donations can be placed in the big brown rolling box at the back of Church, taken directly to Outreach, or you may coordinate a time with Natalie to get your donation to them.
Thank you!



AOoA Telecare Program
Older adults can receive a daily call from Area Office on Aging volunteers, Monday through Friday for 3-5 minutes. It is a wellness & safety check. To sign up or become a volunteer give us a call at 419-382-0624. Getting a call gives adults 60+ living alone a chance to interact with someone, even for a few minutes. It can boost mental health and quality of life. Volunteers on the call give a sense of hope and can boost your quality of life. If you want to receive or want to sign someone up for calls from our Telecare Program, call us at 419-382-0624 and ask for the AmeriCorps Senior RSVP Department.



As some of you may or may not know I am working remotely as I accompany my cousin, Alexandra, who has been in the hospital and was recently transferred to Cleveland Clinic. I appreciate your patience and everyone that has stepped in to lend a helping hand! If you need something, please still send me an email or leave a message on the church phone and I will get back to you ASAP.



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 !



Offerings for the Reverse Raffle?
Desserts? If you're not coming, I can meet you here at church on Wednesday....let me know what time. Or if you prefer a lovely drive, you could deliver that to Sullivan Center at Gesu on Thursday morning between 9:30-10:30 am.
Contact Mary Jo at 419-343-8489.



Thank you to the ladies who have stepped up to help clean the church! We will meet here at church at the side door off of Western Ave (by the garage) at 9:30AM. My focus is the main altar and steps, so if any if you have an idea for candle wax removal, please feel free to advise! I thought I'd bring my hair dryer...that might work!

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

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THIS WEEK ON FORMED

Week of March 03, 2024



Liturgical Living | Catholic All Year at Home w/ Kendra Tierney

Join the Tierney family as they celebrate the feast of Saint Frances of Rome, patroness of homemaking! Learn about practicing the corporal works of mercy in the home, the very Catholic Lenten history of pretzels and beer, and watch Kendra and three-year-old Barbara make something they like to call "trash can soup." Find this episode's feature recipes and more about liturgical living in the home at Catholic All Year. <https://catholicallyear.com/at-home/>.



The Faithful Departed | Eternal Rest | Episode 4

What is left for the living to do after someone dies? In this session, we talk about the final ways in which those still living on earth care for the body and soul of the dead. We discuss the work that remains for the living to do as we grieve for the deceased and as we turn to the work of preparing for our own death, and the hope in which we live and die as Christians.



Death, Where is Your Sting? w/ Sarah Kirchner | Fearless | Episode 4

Despite our attempts to cheat it, we all must face death eventually. Listen as Chris shares the powerful story of Sarah Kirchner and her courageous battle against pediatric bone cancer. Who can bring us victory in the face of such significant trials? Find out in this lesson.

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An offering from the AUGUSTINE INSTITUTE and GRACIOUS PRAYER

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

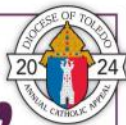
Sunday, February 18—8:00 am—Historic St. Patrick
Sunday, February 18—10:00 am—Historic St. Patrick

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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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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