



BEHOLD MAGI FROM THE EAST ARRIVED

The Immaculate Conception Church of Darby



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EUCCHARISTIC LITURGIES

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

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Dear People of God,

Time flies and so has the Christmas Season. Today we celebrate **Epiphany**, traditionally the day three wise ones showed up with gifts of gold, frankincense and Myrrh to pay homage to the newborn King of the Jews.

Since an epiphany is a sudden realization of something that's been there all along, we might wonder what was there all along that these three wise people wanted to make known to the world. Perhaps knowing that, we could better understand the three rather than the strange gifts (well, gold is understandable - we'd all like some and know what it can do).

The infancy narrative of the Magi occurs in the gospel of Matthew so we can begin by reviewing the thematic idea behind the gospel: Jesus fulfills all of the prophecies made in the Jewish Testament. That's essentially the truth the Magi want known: the time of expectant waiting is over, the prophets can rest in peace because in this child, all is fulfilled.

All. That's an important word in the context of Epiphany. Jesus is truly the Alpha (beginning) and Omega (end). There is nothing more that will be given by God beyond what Jesus brings until the trumpet sounds and the angels summon all of us to judgment. In Jesus are the seven sacraments which dispense the life of the New Covenant of Grace. In Jesus are all the works necessary to effect our salvation. In Jesus is the visible evidence of resurrection for all of us. What else is there?

Any number of charlatans and tricksters have tried to convince people there's more to come; there isn't. Millions have turned away from the truth in search of what doesn't exist - at the cost of their souls.

In our own lives we may well need to be awakened to the truth of Jesus the Christ. He's far more important than the Playoffs, or the Superbowl, or the next big super sale at the mall. He's got all the answers the internet or phone can't possibly give regardless of how powerful AI becomes (which I remind you is artificial, not real). Take some quality time to think through your own priorities as regards to where Jesus fits in; if it isn't right there at the top, pray extra hard for your own epiphany.

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

<p><u>Finance Committee</u> Bill Carroll John Madigan Fred Mahaney Tom Meagher Mike Young</p>	<p><u>Parish Council</u> Linda Garcia John Madigan Fred Mahaney Barb Marquis Louann Meagher Mary Jo Pilcher Judy Westmeyer</p>
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**CALENDAR
January 4-14, 2025**

Sat. 3:30 pm Immaculate Conception Confessions
 4:00 pm Immaculate Conception Mass
 Msgr. Chris
Intention: Bill O'Connell

Sun. 8:00 am Historic St. Patrick Mass
 Msgr. Chris
 9:30 am Historic St. Patrick Confessions
 10:00 am Historic St. Patrick Mass
 Fr. Rudi
 10:30 am Immaculate Conception Confessions
 11:00 am Immaculate Conception Mass
 Msgr. Chris
Intention: Marvin Hinson Sr.

Tue. NO IC weekday Mass

*will resume on 1/14 at 9 am for the dedication of our Blessed Carlo Acutis statue

Wed. 5:30 pm HSP weekday Mass—Msgr. Chris

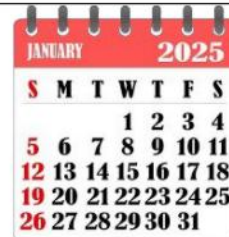
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 4:00 pm Immaculate Conception Mass
 Msgr. Chris
Intention: Rose O'Leary

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 10:00 am Historic St. Patrick Mass
 Fr. Rudi
 10:30 am Immaculate Conception Confessions
 11:00 am Immaculate Conception Mass
 Msgr. Chris
Intention: Sharon Steele

Tue. 9:00 am IC weekday Mass—statue dedication

Upcoming Events

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| January 6 | Office re-opens |
| January 5 | Epiphany of the Lord |
| January 12 | Finance Committee Meeting |
| January 14 | Blessed Carlo Acutis statue dedication Mass @ 9 AM |
| January 23 | Parish Council 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
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Happy Birthday!

1/4 Mary Mantey

1/5 Felicia Ruiz


1/6 Aaron Brodbeck
Anahsty Ballard
Richard Hernandez
Scott Luce

1/7 Alexandria Gonzalez
Judy Schwind

1/8 Christina Vasquez-Guerrero



1/10 Estella Cervantes

1/11 Brigette Bartko



Together Let Us Pray

Deacon Tom, James Laberdee, Louis Laberdee, Charlene Laberdee, Stephanie Maggiore, Alexandra Hernandez, Pedro & Pauline Rodriguez, Jody Harsh, Dave D., Donna Haynes, Sheryl Doggett, Pam Clark, Jane Hutro, Linda Garcia, David Aguilar, Charlene Thomas, Mary Clapp, Nancy Dey, David Wehrmeister, Nancy Samson, Wendy Wehrmeister, Jasmine Martinez, Medoli Martinez, Trey Martinez, Major Martinez, Omari Martinez-Huebner, Rita, Naveah Ruff, Terry Byersmith, Pam Clark, Deacon Paul’s 2 brothers, Pauline Hernandez, Sr. Berneta, Deacon Tom, Deacon Dave, Donna J, Norma H., Jim Veith, Steven Zarn, Stela , Tom Meagher, Joyce Scarbrough, Guadalupe Zarate, Maureen K. Moore, Tom & Pat O’Leary, Derrick Young, Linda Bollin

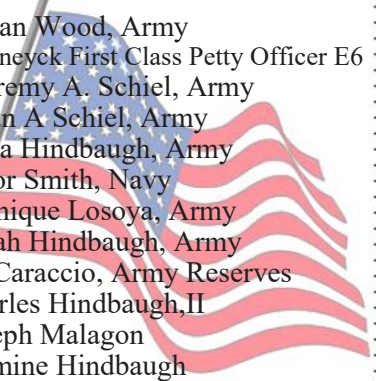



STEWARDSHIP REPORT
July 1, 2024- June 30, 2025

	<u>LAST WEEK</u>	<u>YEAR TO DATE</u>
Goal	\$ 2,404.00	\$ 125,000.00
Sat. Loose	\$	\$ 8,571.00
Sat. Env.	\$ Due to the holidays	\$ 13,669.00
Sun. Loose	\$ and bulletin	\$ 11,672.00
Sun. Env.	\$ deadlines the	\$ 22,442.00
Actual	\$ stewardship report	\$ 53,934.00
Over/(Under)	\$ will be updated in the January 12th bulletin.	\$ (71,066.00)
Preservation	\$	\$ 17,600.00
General Repair	\$	\$ 993.00
Candles	\$ Thank you for your understanding!	\$ 317.00
Outreach	\$	\$ 1,780.00
Christmas Flowers	\$	

Mass Count Saturday: Sunday:

Pray For Those Serving Our Country



Capt. Brian Wood, Army
 Joshua Teneyck First Class Petty Officer E6
 Major Jeremy A. Schiel, Army
 LTC Ryan A Schiel, Army
 SSG Acea Hindbaugh, Army
 SN Trevor Smith, Navy
 SGT Monique Losoya, Army
 SPC Elijah Hindbaugh, Army
 Vincent Caraccio, Army Reserves
 ISG 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:		1,528

November Expenses: \$1,885.35-Thank you for your donations to help keep us running!

Donations needed: blankets, hats & gloves



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH SCHEDULE & ANNOUNCEMENTS



Minister/Lector Schedule

January 4-5, 2025 The Epiphany of the Lord	
1st Reading	Isaiah 60:1-6
2nd Reading	Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6
Gospel Reading	Matthew 2:1-12
Lector	Saturday: Dan Streeter Sunday: Mike Young
Eucharistic Ministers	Saturday: Becky Crabtree Mary Jo Pilcher Sunday: Linda Garcia Fred Mahaney
Children's Liturgy is on a break!	

January 11-12, 2025 The Baptism of the Lord	
1st Reading	Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11
2nd Reading	Titus 2:11-14; 3:4-7
Gospel Reading	Luke 3:15-16, 21-22
Lector	Saturday: Becky Crabtree Sunday: Anne Boyle
Eucharistic Ministers	Saturday: John Madigan Mary Jo Robinson Sunday: Brenda Degener Dave Degener
Children's Liturgy is on a break!	

Sanctuary Lamp



January 5 (Available)
 January 12 (Available)
 January 19 (Available)

Altar Flowers



January 5 (Available)
 January 12 (Available)
 January 19 (Available)



CCD will resume on Tuesday, Jan. 7th at 6:00pm. Can't wait to see everyone back!



Eucharistic Ministers & Lectors: Those that receive a paper copy of the schedule may pick up their copy from the counter in the Chapel.



Don't forget to order your Eucharistic Revival sweatshirt. This helps support past & present students of Queen of Apostles fund their trip to the Assisi Shrine of Blessed Carlo. They are also accepting donations if you rather do that than order a sweatshirt. Contact Nicole, 419-243-1829, with any questions you may have.



Are you or someone else you know planning on having a Quinceañera at Immaculate Conception in 2025 or 2026? If so, plan on attending a mandatory retreat in April. This MUST be attended to hold a Quinceañera anytime from April 2025-May 2026 at Immaculate Conception. This retreat will also have a parent component. More details, including price and dates, will be shared once available. Questions? Please contact Nicole in the office.



Next weekend there will be a second collection. This collection is to help offset the cost of our Veterans Mass. This collection should take place the second weekend of every other month.



If you would like a statement of your 2024 church contributions for tax purposes, please call or email Nicole. We will print, mail, or email your statement ASAP.



Thank you to all that have grabbed their 2025 offering envelopes. If you have not, please do so. They will be moved to the chapel after this weekend.



Have you moved? Have you gotten a new phone number? If yes, contact Nicole!



Health News for January 5, 2025



Energy Drinks.

Energy drinks are widely promoted as products that increase energy and enhance mental alertness and physical performance. Next to multivitamins, energy drinks are the most popular dietary supplement consumed by American teens and young adults. Men between the ages of 18 and 34 years consume the most energy drinks, and almost one-third of teens between 12 and 17 years drink them regularly.

There are two kinds of energy drink products. One is sold in containers similar in size to those of ordinary soft drinks, such as a 16-oz. bottle. The other kind, called “energy shots,” is sold in small containers holding 2 to 2½ oz. of concentrated liquid. Caffeine is a major ingredient in both types of energy drink products—at levels of 70 to 240 mg in a 16-oz. drink and 113 to 200 mg in an energy shot. (For comparison, a 12-oz. can of cola contains about 35 mg of caffeine, and an 8-oz. cup of coffee contains about 100 mg.) Energy drinks also may contain other ingredients such as guarana (another source of caffeine sometimes called Brazilian cocoa), sugars, taurine, ginseng, B vitamins, glucuronolactone, yohimbe, carnitine, and bitter orange.

Source: National Center for Complimentary and Integrative Health

Parish Nurse Ministry of Central Toledo:
Kathy Jeffery, RN, 419-242-1598



Want to join the parish? Look for registration forms by our visitors book as you enter through the main doors of the church. Can't find one? Check with one of the ushers, Mary Jo, or contact the office. We'd love to have you as part of our family!



The Diocese of Toledo is in compliance with the articles of the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People (Charter) of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB).

Every year, the Diocese dutifully submits the necessary documentation required by the USCCB for a diocese to be in compliance.

Every three years an on-site audit is conducted, when not only all necessary documentation is dutifully submitted, but in addition, Pastoral Center, parish and diocesan school employees are interviewed concerning practices and protocols related to creating and maintaining a safe environment for our children and youth.

The last 3-year audit was conducted in September 2024 and all audited Articles within the Charter were found to be compliant. The next on-site audit will be conducted in 2027.

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

La Diócesis de Toledo está en cumplimiento con los artículos de la Carta para la Protección de Niños y Jóvenes de la Conferencia de Obispos Católicos de los Estados Unidos (USCCB).

Cada año, la Diócesis presenta diligentemente la documentación necesaria requerida por la Conferencia de Obispos Católicos de los Estados Unidos (USCCB, por sus siglas en inglés) para que una diócesis está en cumplimiento. Cada tres años se lleva a cabo una auditoría en el sitio, en la que no solo se presenta debidamente toda la documentación necesaria, sino que, además, se entrevista a los empleados del Centro Pastoral, de las parroquias y de las escuelas diocesanas sobre las prácticas y protocolos relacionados con la creación y el mantenimiento de un entorno seguro para nuestros niños y jóvenes.

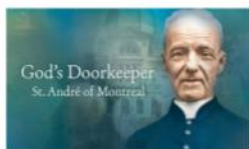
La última auditoría de 3 años se realizó en septiembre de 2024. La próxima auditoría en el sitio se llevará a cabo en 2027.

La Diócesis de Toledo mantiene su compromiso de garantizar la protección de los niños y proporcionar un entorno seguro para todos los jóvenes. Si tiene conocimiento de algún abuso que haya sido cometido por un clérigo o por cualquier personal de la Iglesia Católica, se le insta a denunciar con el abuso al departamento de policía de su localidad, Servicios para Niños y al Coordinador Diocesano de Asistencia a Víctimas al (419) 214-4880; o por correo a la siguiente dirección 1933 Spielbusch Avenue; Toledo, Ohio 43604.



THIS WEEK ON FORMED

Week of January 05, 2025



God's Doorkeeper

This week, we celebrate the memorial of a humble doorkeeper, St. André of Montreal. Learn how this man became a great saint through his small acts of love!



The Three Wise Men

Ms. Kim explains the Solemnity of the Epiphany and the importance of the wise men's gifts by teaching students how to draw the three magi. She challenges kids to do an act of kindness for someone, offering it as a gift to Jesus.



Epiphany

What is Epiphany? Join Dr. Michael Barber to find out.

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

An offering from the AQUEDUCT INSTITUTE and GRACIANA program

You are invited!



Blessed Carlo Acutis statue dedication

Tuesday, January 14, 2025

at the 9:00 AM Mass

Immaculate Conception Church, Toledo

Please join us as we celebrate the addition of this beautiful piece of art that was designed by the 2024 8th Grade Class of Queen of Apostles. These students undertook to become familiar with the two patrons of the Universal Church's Eucharistic Renewal and immediately were drawn to Blessed Carlo Acutis, a young teen who by the age of fifteen when he died had researched and developed two magnificent poster collections, one focused on the Eucharistic Miracles and another on Mary's numerous apparitions. Wanting to share their interest and love of the Eucharist, the students then began raising funds to design and have fabricated a statue of Blessed Carlo as seen through their eyes. Everything in the photo above was planned by the students as part of the overall image of a young teen who loved Jesus and who enjoyed life.



QUESTIONS? NO PROBLEM!
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Important Dates

November
Online scholarship applications are available for all opportunities.

February 11
Deadline for all of our Universal Scholarship opportunities, as well as the Edith Franklin Pottery Scholarship.

April 15
Deadline for Junior Achievement Scholarship.

June 8
Deadline for Summer scholarship applications.



Visit toledocf.org/scholarships/

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

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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):**

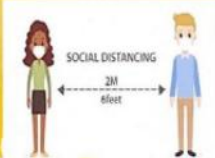
5:30pm-6:30pm at
235 Courtland Ave.

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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