# DO TO OTHERS AS YOU WOULD HAVE THEM DO TO YOU

The Immaculate Conception Church of Darby



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# EUCHARISTIC LITURGIES

| Saturday | 4:00 pm ( <i>a</i> ) IC |
|----------|-------------------------|
| Sunday   | 11:00 am @ IC           |
| Fuesday  | 9:00 am @ IC            |
|          |                         |

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

## Dear People of God,

Another topic we seldom preach about because the scriptures so seldom include them is the general issue of addiction. As I'm sure we all know, addictions of all sorts can be found in our community and some of them are deadly. Perhaps the most life-threatening is the abuse of drugs caused by addiction to the effects they arouse.

As I hope you know, the founder of the three Irish parishes here in Toledo did not initially come to establish any parish. Fr. Hannin was a significant force in the national temperance movement. He "took the pledge" at the age of thirteen from Theobald Mathew, a priest of Ireland who founded the Cork Total Abstinence Society. Other than the small amount of wine he used for Mass, he did not drink alcohol because he knew of its deleterious effects on the addict and on the addict's family. It isn't at all unusual to read about someone driving a vehicle under the influence of alcohol who kills innocent others by driving recklessly.

Most addictions are to substances which change one's affect state (emotional well-being). Many drugs enhance feelings of comfort and happiness. In a world which presents people with so much negativity and bad feelings, many turn to things which shut off the bad and create an artificial good. Unfortunately, the use begins to grow weak in its effect so the addict takes more. We all know that the results can be ruinous: criminal behavior to get the money for the drugs, side-effects which deteriorate one's health and in far too many cases, overdoses which kill.

The Church believes that as individuals and as a community, we all have an obligation to avoid those things which create an artificial environment mentally, physically or emotionally because what they actually do is remove us from the community and can cause irreparable harm to self and others. But the underlying problem is that far too many addictions occur entirely by accident, without our ever noticing. Take, for example, your cell phone. Are you addicted? Is it off during Mass or are you expecting an important call or text that can't wait for your encounter with Jesus to come to its end?

Dealing with addictions does call for prayer but the real answer will far more often come from an honest admission that we require the intervention of health-care professionals. Think about those things you crave, can't do without or which seem to be ever-present and distract from participating in society. They may be addictions.

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# 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.

# IMMACULATE CONCEPTION TOLEDO, OHIO

## 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 <u>www.iccatdarby.org</u>. We hope to see you again soon!

# **Immaculate Conception**

## Finance Committee

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## **Parish Council**

Linda Garcia John Madigan Fred Mahaney Barb Marquis Louann Meagher Mary Jo Pilcher Judy Westmeyer

# CALENDAR February 22-March 2, 2025

| Sat. | 3:30 pm<br>4:00 pm | Immaculate Conception Confessions<br>Immaculate Conception Mass |  | Wed.     | 5:30 pm                               | HSP weekday Mass—Msgr. Chris   |
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|      | 1                  | Msgr. Chris<br>Intention: Harvey Parker                         |  | Sat.     | 3:30 pm<br>4:00 pm                    | Immaculate Conception Confessions<br>Immaculate Conception Mass<br>Msgr. Chris |
| Sun. | 8:00 am            | Historic St. Patrick Mass<br>Msgr. Chris                        |  |          |                                       | Intention: The family of John &<br>Sophie Wesolowski                           |
|      | 9:30 am            | Historic St. Patrick Confessions                                |  |          |                                       |  |
|      | 10:00 am           | Historic St. Patrick Mass<br>Msgr. Chris                        |  | Sun.     | 8:00 am                               | Historic St. Patrick Mass<br>Msgr. Chris                                       |
|      | 10:30 am           | Immaculate Conception Confessions                               |  |          | 9:30 am                               | Historic St. Patrick Confessions   |
|      | 11:00 am           | Immaculate Conception Mass<br>Fr. Rudi                          |  | 10:00 am | Historic St. Patrick Mass<br>Fr. Rudi |  |
|      |                    | Intention: John Cassidy Jr.                                     |  |          | 10:30 am<br>11:00 am                  | Immaculate Conception Confessions<br>Immaculate Conception Mass                |
| Tue. | 9:10 am            | IC weekday Mass—Msgr. Chris                                     |  |          |                                       | Msgr. Chris<br>Intention: Ramona Flores  |

| E 1          | <u>Upcoming Events</u>                       |   |
|--------------|--|---|
| February 24  | Bible study @ 6 PM                           | <b>S</b> M T W T F S                                    |
| March 5      | Ash Wednesday Mass @ 9:10 AM & 5:30 PM       | 1   |
| March 7-Lent | Stations of the Cross every Friday @ 2:10 PM | 2 3 4 5 6 7 8<br>9 10 11 12 13 14 15                    |
| March 13     | Reverse Raffle @ 7 PM                        | <b>16</b> 17 18 19 20 21 22<br><b>23</b> 24 25 26 27 28 |

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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. |             |  |  |  |
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| Name  | Phone #     |  |  |  |
| Address   | E-mail      |  |  |  |
| Birthday  | Anniversary |  |  |  |



WELCOME TO IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH

# **"THE DARBY"**





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# **Together Let Us Pray**

Deacon Tom, James Laberdee, Louis Laberdee, Charlene Laberdee, Stephanie Maggiore, Alexandra Hernandez, Pedro & Pauline Rodriguez, Terry Byersmith, Deacon Paul's 2 brothers, Pauline Hernandez, 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, Brad Decp, Donna Haynes, Kathleen P. Lutheran, Susie Hartford, Linda Obney, Bennie Esparza Jr., Steven Ibarra, Rachael Moore, Pam Clark, Janie Caster, Joyce Scarbrough, Samual William Harper



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# STEWARDSHIP REPORT July 1, 2024- June 30, 2025

|                   | LAST WEEK        | YEAR TO DATE   |
|-------------------|------------------|----------------|
| Goal              | \$ 2,404.00      | \$ 125,000.00  |
| Sat. Loose        | \$ 487.00        | \$ 12,675.00   |
| Sat. Env.         | \$ 415.00        | \$ 19,360.00   |
| Sun. Loose        | \$ 103.00        | \$ 14,266.00   |
| Sun. Env.         | \$ 457.00        | \$ 32,041.00   |
| Actual            | \$ 1,462.00      | \$ 78,342.00   |
| Over/(Under)      | \$ (942.00)      | \$ (46,658.00) |
| Preservation      | \$               | \$ 20,800.00   |
| General Repair    | \$               | \$ 1,279.00    |
| Candles           | \$               | \$ 463.00      |
| Outreach          | \$               | \$ 4,102.00    |
| Initial Offering  | \$ 5.00          |                |
| Saturday Rome Col | lection \$293.00 |                |
| Mass Count        | Saturday: 47     | Sunday: 64     |







# Minister/Lector Schedule

| February 22-23, 2025<br>Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time |   |  |  |  |
|---|---|--|--|--|
| 1st Reading   | 1 Samuel 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23          |  |  |  |
| 2nd Reading   | 1 Corinthians 15:45-49                    |  |  |  |
| Gospel Reading  | Luke 6:27-38                              |  |  |  |
| Lector  | Saturday: Dan Streeter                    |  |  |  |
|   | Sunday: Bill Carroll                      |  |  |  |
| Eucharistic<br>Ministers                                | Saturday: Linda Garcia<br>Mary Jo Pilcher |  |  |  |
|   | Sunday: Cathy Carroll<br>Doug Grey        |  |  |  |
| Children's Liturgy is on a break!                       |   |  |  |  |

| March 1-2, 2025<br>Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time |   |  |  |  |
|---|---|--|--|--|
| 1st Reading                                       | Sirach 27:4-7                                 |  |  |  |
| 2nd Reading                                       | 1 Corinthians 15:54-58                        |  |  |  |
| Gospel Reading                                    | Luke 6:39-45                                  |  |  |  |
| Lector  | Saturday: Becky Crabtree                      |  |  |  |
|   | Sunday: Mike Young                            |  |  |  |
| Eucharistic<br>Ministers                          | Saturday: John Madigan<br>Georgeann O'Connell |  |  |  |
|   | Sunday: Annette Poulson                       |  |  |  |
| Children's Liturgy is on a break!                 |   |  |  |  |

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Our Genesis bible study will begin Monday at 6 pm in the kids' liturgy room. This is an

introductory session and will let you know what will be happening in this study. If you've already registered, thank you. If not, but you're interested come and see! We have some books available, and will try to order more if required, don't want to leave anyone out. We will ask for a free will donation to defray the cost of the books, but no one will be excluded. More information? Call Mary Jo at 419-343-8489.



Join us on March 1st at 3:30 pm as Dan Streeter leads us in the Holy Rosary. Still looking for any who might be interested in taking Eucharist to the homebound. Instructions will be given. Your service is appreciated. Call Nicole in the parish office or let Mary Jo know at weekend masses.

The second collection to assist the students in their trip to Italy will be this weekend! Bad weather last weekend limited the number of folks that were at church, so Msgr. Chris opted for a change.



Lent is fast approaching. Seems like the infant was just born, right? Various Lenten booklets are available at our

information stations, front and back. Please feel free to take what you want. We will again have the Black booklets for our Lenten reflections.

Join our Padre Pio Prayer Group (PPPG-CK) each FIRST SATURDAY (3/1/25) monthly for the 7:30 AM Rosary, 8 AM Mass, Anointing of the Sick, and Meeting at Christ the King Church, 4100 Harvest Lane, Toledo, OH 43623. Access: 'pppg.org' for info. Contact Magdalena Skiles (419.356.4208 or email: magdalena@magdalenaskiles.com). Who do you know that needs healing? With our International Padre Pio Prayer Groups exceeding 3,000 active groups, membership exceeds 300,000\*. We welcome your intentions in your time of need. Come and join us.

> Due to the large response no additional dinner tickets are available. Thank you for everyone's support!

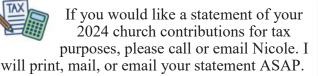


Snow removal around our church is very important for your safe entry into church, but is also very pricey. This is the first year in several that we have been

"blessed" with snow during these winter months, but it does increase operating costs. Thanks for your generosity in giving, so we can stay safe and snow free!

The Neuestra Gente sponsored Health Fair will be visiting us on April 27th, the Sunday after Easter, from 10 AM (before mass) until 1PM. We will have a delicious hospitality following Mass and you can get current data on blood pressure, blood sugar, and cholesterol. Thank you Linda, for arranging this!

> Get your side board spots today! See a seller after Mass before they are all gone.





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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 ióvenes.

La última auditoría de 3 años se realizó en septiembre de 2024. La próxima audioría 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 February 23, 2025



#### An American Blessed

In May 2020, Pope Francis approved a miracle attributed to the intercession of Fr. Michael McGivney, paving the way for his beatification. This documentary highlights Fr. McGivney's fraternal charity, evangelization, and empowerment of the laity.



### The Our Father

In this episode of his course on the Our Father, Dr. Ben Akers teaches us what we can learn from the perfect model and master of prayer: Jesus himself



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## BY BISHOP DANIEL E. THOMAS

#### "The Pursuit of the Common Good and Human Dignity: The Catholic Approach to Immigration"

As Bishop and Shepherd of the faithful in the immigration laws is the right of every nation and is Diocese of Toledo, I find it necessary to speak with not in itself an affront to this dignity. Nations in their

clarity amidst the confusion and polarization that currently surrounds the issue of immigration, which has recently come to the forefront of our national discussion

As recently reiterated by Archbishop Timothy Broglio, President of the United States

Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB), "The Catholic Church is not aligned with any political party... No matter who occupies the White House or holds the majority on Capitol Hill, the Church's teachings remain unchanged." Immigration issues are complex and we must be diligent in offering and advocating for the Church's teaching, especially concerning the common good and each person's right to human dignity.

Catholic Social Teaching has as its first principle the affirmation that every human being is made in the image and likeness of God and therefore possesses an inviolable dignity. Enforcement of just



foreigner and the responsibility to regulate national borders) which must be held together in balance The disregard or overemphasis of either principle will lead to a distortion of the Church's full teaching on this vital issue.

First: "The more prosperous nations are obliged, to the extent they are able, to welcome the foreigner in search of the security and the means of livelihood which he cannot find in his country of origin. Public authorities should see to it that the natural right is respected that places a guest under the protection of those who receive him" (CCC 2241).

Msgr. Christopher P. Vasko will be leading a group on a Pilgrimage to Italy! This group will include past and present students of Queen of Apostles School.

To help cover the cost of this experience multiple fundraisers will be held. If you find it in your heart please help support, thank you!

# MONTHLY 50/50 Drawings

-Each month from March-July students will be selling 50/50 tickets after Mass.

-Tickets will be sold the first 2 weeks of each month and the winner will be announced on the third week.

-If you have any questions please contact Nicole at Immaculate Conception, 419-243-1829.

or deportation policy which:

- · dehumanizes immigrants, legal or illegal, through hostile rhetoric or implies that they are anything less than children of God, made in His image and likeness
- · Detains immigrants indefinitely or deprives them of basic human necessities while in custody.
- permanently separates families, especially children from their parents, except where children are in danger of abuse.
- deploys excessive violence in enforcement of the law, except where needed to protect lives.
- The second principle, which balances the first, states: "Political authorities, for the sake of the
  - common good for which they are responsible, may make the exercise of the right to immigrate subject to various juridical conditions, especially with regard to the immigrants' duties toward their country of adoption. Immigrants are obliged to respect with gratitude the material and spiritual heritage of the country that receives them, to obey its laws and to assist in carrying civic burdens" (CCC 2241).

Because of this, we must reject any immigration policy (or lack thereof) which:

- illegal encourages normalizes or immigration.
- leads to de-facto "open borders," which harm the common good of both

#### Further Reading:

- Statement of Archbishop Broglio on Executive Orders Signed by the President https://www.usccb.org/news/2025/statement-archbishop-broglio-executive-orders-signed-president
- "Human Dignity is Not Dependent on a Person's Citizenship or Immigration Status" https://www.usccb.org/news/2025/human-dignity-not-dependent-persons-citizenship-or-im status
- USCCB Catholic Social Teaching on Immigration and the Movement of Peoples https://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/human-life-and-dignity/immigration/catholic-teaching-onimmigration-and-the-movement-of-peoples

must discern how best to regulate their while borders maintaining the common good and respect for each person, both immigrant and native citizen. The of the Catechism Catholic Church lays

out two balancing principles (welcoming the

Flowing from this, we cannot affirm any immigration

- the grave sins of violent crime, huma trafficking and drug trafficking. · exploits immigrants for cheap labor, which degrades their dignity and depresses the wages of native citizens.
  - implies that immigrants, whether legal or illegal, have no responsibility to serve the needs of their host country or obey its laws.

As faithful Catholics and responsible citizens, we are duty-bound to pray for unity and to advocate for just immigration laws that prioritize the common good and protect the human dignity of each person. You are encouraged to contact your elected officials and urge them to uphold our nation's laws without compromising our Catholic principles.

immigrant and native citizen by facilitating

Christ founded the Church, his Mystical Body, to be "the pillar and foundation of truth" (1 Timothy 3:15) amidst a chaotic and sinful world. We stand firmly upon this pillar, trusting our Lord to enlighten our minds, direct our hearts, and lead us to the fullness of truth. Only in this balanced pursuit of truth, enabled by God's grace, can we hope to defend the common good and the human dignity of all peoples, both immigrant and native citizen.

## + Deniel Florman

Most Rev. Daniel F. Thomas **Bishop of Toledo** February 3, 2025



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