20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Immaculate Conception Church of Darby



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

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

Dear People of God,

As you read this, I will be on my way to another visit to Ireland. I decided to go along this season because the tour will take me to a few places I've not been and where I believe it would be good to go. Of course, I'm talking about Down Patrick and the tomb of the great patron of Ireland, Patrick. Legend tells us that St. Bridget and St. Colmcille are also buried there; with three of the primary patrons of the Emerald Isle, it'll be a great stop.

On the way our tour will be going to New Grange. Growing up in Ohio, I became familiar with the mound builders (did you know there are three serpent mounds n the world. Ohio's is, of course, the finest. There's one in Ontario and another in Scotland). New Grange in Ireland is just that, a burial mound. But unlike the "modern" mounds here, it's six thousand years old. It's a unique structure with a high stone wall and a channel which goes to the center. On the Spring Solstice the sunrise reaches along this corridor to the very center of the mound. I've wanted to visit it each trip but getting tickets is difficult so with the opportunity to get there, off and away I go!

As pastor of parishes whose roots are deeply set n the soil of Ireland, I find these trips to be spiritually enriching. Some of the churches, although fairly new when it comes to places of worship in Europe (remember, the Catholic Church was banned in Ireland from about 1550 until the late 1800's), the people were enthused to do their very best. I get some ideas while there for ways and means to bring sustainability to the parish as well and have met some great people including a bishop or two.

Sustainability means those things which cause people to choose to attend our parish, not one closer to home. You may recall a church which offered free soda pop to attract people who they hoped would then stay because they liked the services. Closer to home, not too long ago a gathering of folks for a funeral led someone to comment that they don't come downtown for Mass because there isn't convenient parking. It's sad that the sustainability of any church relies on a parking lot! However, given the inner city and the history of our parish as a "walk up" (everybody lived within walking distance which was a lot farther than most people are willing to walk today), it's imperative that we all give serious thought to ways and means of attracting people so they're willing to walk six or seven blocks to be part of our praying community.

I will pray for everyone back here in Ohio from whichever church I attend today (or did because it's six hours later over in Ireland) and trust you will commend me to our loving God.

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.

OCIA 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.

<u>Pastoral Care of the Sick</u>: 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!



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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!

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CALENDAR August 16-24, 2025

Sat. **Immaculate Conception Confessions** 3:30 pm Immaculate Conception Mass 4:00 pm Fr. Reinhart **Intention: Maria Hernandez** 8:00 am Historic St. Patrick Mass Sun. Fr. Steinbauer 9:30 am Historic St. Patrick Confessions Historic St. Patrick Mass 10:00 am Fr. Rudi 10:30 am **Immaculate Conception Confessions** 11:00 am Immaculate Conception Mass Fr. Reinhart **Intention: Helen Steinmetz**

No IC Weekday Mass until 9/2

Wed. 5:30 pm HSP Weekday Mass-Fr. Steinbauer Sat. 3:30 pm **Immaculate Conception Confessions** 4:00 pm Immaculate Conception Mass Fr. Reinhart **Intention: Alexina Parker** Historic St. Patrick Mass Sun. 8:00 am Fr. Steinbauer 9:30 am Historic St. Patrick Confessions 10:00 am Historic St. Patrick Mass Fr. Steinbauer 10:30 am **Immaculate Conception Confessions** Immaculate Conception Mass 11:00 am Fr. Rudi **Intention: Darby Alumni**

<u>Upcoming Events</u>			AUGUST				2025		
August 24	Back to School Mass	S	M	Т	W	Т	F	S	
September 2	Return of Tuesday Mass @ 9 am	3	4	5	6	7	1 8	2	
September 13-14	Veterans Collection	10 17	11 18				15 22		
September 28	Finance Committee Meeting	24 31	25	26	27	28	29	30	

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We continu	ne 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!

8/17 Diane Garcia Angie Hernandez Jodi Lipscomb

8/18 Bruce Brodbeck

8/19 Sophia Billman

8/21 Susan Duncan Araceli Ramirez Millie Davis

Michael Popovich 8/22 Christine Schumann





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Together Let Us Pray

Deacon Tom, James Laberdee, Louis Laberdee, Deacon Dave, Pedro & Pauline Rodriguez, Marie Irons, Maya Bautista, Roberta Soto Lonnie, Baum, Annette Poulson, Georgeann O'Connell, Joyce Scarbrough, Donna Haynes, Judy Westmeyer, Crystal Morales, Rachael Morales, Jim DoVilbiss, Janie Caster, Amy Meagher, Judy Place, Mary J. Burgan Urbina Selleck, Mary Mantey, Frank Trembley, Pam Clark, Linda Garcia, John Mason RIP, Joe Vega, Rozelio Sanchez, Geinn Wend, Greg Wend, Matilda Sanchez, Florentino Sanchez, Francis Mary F.,

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STEWARDSHIP REPORT

July 1, 2025- June 30, 2026

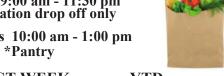
	LAST WEEK	YEAR TO DATE
Goal	\$ 2,693.00 (X3)	\$ 140,000.00
Sat. Loose	\$ 1,399.00	\$ 2,903.00
Sat. Env.	\$ 2,173.00	\$ 3,673.00
Sun. Loose	\$ 880.00	\$ 2,143.00
Sun. Env.	\$ 5,694.00	\$ 7,797.00
Actual	\$ 10,146.00	\$ 16,516.00
Over/(Under)	\$ 2067.00	\$ (123,484.00)
Preservation	\$ 1,100.00	\$ 3,391.00
General Repair	\$ 173.00	\$ 303.00
Candles	\$ 55.00	\$ 69.00
Outreach	\$ 200.00	\$ 444.00
Good Friday	\$ 10.00	
Memorial	\$ 50.00	- Ibaniba
Memorial Flowers	\$ 100.00	you
Mass Count	Saturday: 51	Sunday: 91



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

July Expenses: \$1,206.68-Thank you for your donations to help keep us running!

Donations needed: dish soap, laundry detergent, fabric sheets, hygiene products, cleaning products



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH SCHEDULE & ANNOUNCEMENTS



Minister/Lector Schedule

August 16-17, 2025 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time		
1st Reading	Jeremiah 38:4-6, 8-10	
2nd Reading	Hebrews 12:1-4	
Gospel	Luke 12:49-53	
Lector	Saturday: John Madigan	
	Sunday: Anne Boyle	
Eucharistic Ministers	Saturday: Becky Crabtree Mary Jo Robinson	
	Sunday: Dave Degener Brenda Degener	
Children's Liturgy is on a break!		

August 23-24, 2025 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time		
1st Reading	Isaiah 66:18-21	
2nd Reading	Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13	
Gospel	Luke 13:22-30	
Lector	Saturday: Dan Streeter	
	Sunday: Bill Carroll	
Eucharistic Ministers	Saturday: Linda Garcia Mary Jo Pilcher	
	Sunday: Cathy Carroll Annette Poulson	
Children's Liturgy is on a break!		

Sanctuary Lamp Altar Flowers

August 31

August 17 Helen Steinmetz August 17 Helen Steinmetz

August 24 (Available) August 24 (Available)

(Available)

Registration for Adult and school kids religious education will begin on the weekend of Aug. 23/24th. We will have forms for you to fill out, and ask that you complete all parts on both sides so we will have all the necessary information. Please return the form as soon as possible so that we may have the necessary materials for all.

August 31

One person stepped up to volunteer for training as a Eucharistic minister and lector. We have begun training, so if anyone else is interested, please see Mary Jo after the weekend masses.

(Available)

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To best update our Veteran Plaque information we kindly ask that you fill out the information below and put it in the offering basket or drop it off at the office. Please print clearly. Thank you!
Name (first & last):
Military Ranking:

There are still tickets available for our summer fundraiser Lottery! If you would like to take some to sell, call the parish office or see Louann after Sunday mass! We appreciate your help in making this a successful fundraiser!



Faith sharing group meets this Tuesday, Aug. 19th at 6:00 PM in the children's liturgy room. All are welcome!



The parish office will be closed on Friday, August 22nd. All email and voicemails will be returned on Monday, August 25th.



There are still shirts available to purchase for \$15 each. Shirts are purple or teal with the pictured design. Contact Nicole in the office to purchase one. Thanks!



Love children and want to make a difference in our corner of the world?

Christ Child Society of Toledo is looking for women to join its organization. Christ Child is dedicated to serving the needs of underserved children and youth—for the love of the Christ Child.

Christ Child is an all-volunteer organization with more than 200 local members who donate over 15,000 hours annually.

Christ Child's largest program is Clothe-a-Child. Each year the organization purchases and distributes more than 2,000 new coats, hats, gloves, and books to children birth through eighth grade. Through the Layette Program, more than 1,600 layette/newborn care packages are distributed to underserved new moms in the fall and spring.

Christ Child volunteers also tutor and offer library assistance at Rosary Cathedral, Gesu, Queen of Apostles School and Hope Learning Academy. Volunteers also teach classes for new and expectant parents at several local service agencies and assist with other programs including Angel Layettes and Theatre Vision.

For more information on joining Christ Child, please visit www.christchildsocietyoftoledo.org Click on the drop-down menu and select NEW MEMBER INOUIRY.



For those who have asked, Deacon Tom says "Hello". He is currently receiving rehab at the Lakes of Sylvania, and will have a little more time there. Thanks to those who have sent cards!



Ice cream socials will continue through August.
Our last ice cream feast will be August 31st.
Thanks so much to the volunteer scoopers who help!!

Mark your calendar! We've been through a lot with the Broadway and adjoining streets reconstruction and now we're ready to celebrate! The Broadway Reintroduction Party will be on Friday, Sept. 5th from 5-8 pm...Come up to Broadway and celebrate the event!



Due to the extreme heat in the office at times, I may be working from home. Please call the office before stopping by or send me an email. I check both throughout the day. Thank you!





This Week on Formed

Week of August 17, 2025



Saint Bernard of Clairvaux | Catholic Saints

Who was St. Bernard of Clairvaux? In this FORMED Now episode, Dr. Ben Akers is joined by Dr. John Sehorn to discuss this great saint and Doctor of the Church.



The Queen Mother | Lectio: Mary | Episode 4

Mary serves as our Queen Mother. What does that mean? Join Dr. Brant Pitre as he explores the scriptural roots of this title.



Mary, Queen of Heaven | Brother Francis

Based on the historical records and the personal testimony of his fellow friars, this is the amazing true story of the life of the famous stigmatic monk, St. Padre Pio, a contemporary saint who died in 1968.

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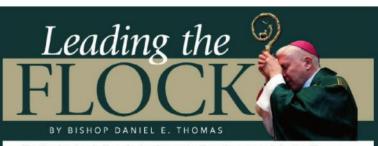
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"I will take the chalice of salvation and call on the name of the Lord" (Psalm 116:13)

Response most often chosen for the Ritual Mass with the Ordination of Ritual Mass with the Ordination of priests. In fact, it was these very words we prayed this year during the ordination of our three new priests! These words express the sentiments of the psalmist who prays in thanksgiving that the Lord has heard his prayers and supplications. He writes: "Because he inclined his ear to me, therefore I will call on him as long as I live." In the Ordination Mass, as we pray these words, we thank the Lord for all he has done for us in the gift of new priests, we thank the Lord for all he has done for us in shedding his blood to save us, and we thank the Lord that our priests live to pour themselves out for us as did Jesus

Just two years ago I wrote that the Eucharist and the

Priesthood are inseparable and highlighted our great need for diocesan priests in the July 2023 Leading the Flock column. At that time, we introduced a new initiative for the

Diocese of Toledo which invited everyone in our Diocese to

pray one Hail Mary each day for an increase in priestly vocations, and to do some fasting or abstinence for the same intention. There is no doubt that your prayers and intention alfasting and abstinence are bearing fruit. Over a

three-year period we've accepted 1, then last year 4, now

Two years ago I observed: "While the challenges we face may seem daunting, I ask that you approach your prayer and fasting/penance for priestly vocations with hope. Just think, if every parish in our diocese sent just one man to the seminary every ten years, we would have 122 seminarians over a ten-year period. If just half of them were ordained priests, we would be ordaining an average of over 6 men per year! This would be a huge shift from our current 20-year average of less than 2 ordinations per year. Dare we hope?"

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this year 6 new seminarians! And more are com



Now, we find ourselves in this Jubilee Year of Hope, called to be Pilgrims of Hope, and recognizing signs of hope! Please join with me in renewed prayer and renewed hope for priestly vocations! newed hope for priestly voca

As with our Diocesan Prayer, we are committed to praying for all holy vocations, conscious in particular of the need for deacons and consecrated women religious. Pope Saint John Paul II reminds us: "There can be no Eucharist without the priesthood." So in these final days of the month of July, dedicated to the Most Precious Blood of Jesus, I am renewing my call that every person in our diocese continue or begin to offer a daily Hall Mary, along with some weekly Friday observance of fast or abstinence, for the intention of priestly vocations for our diocese. We need men who are ready and willing to take up the chalice of self-sacrifice and call on

and willing to take up the chalice of self-sacrince and call on the name of the Lord, and to offer the Body and Blood of our Lord at Mass. We need men who are ready and willing to make present the Lord's Paschal Mystery both at the altar and in their very persons. We need more priests who are happy, holy, humble, healthy, and honest. We need more priests, and with God's grace and your prayers, more priestly

With that in mind, this month we are launching a new initiative in sending out, over time, to all our 122 parishes, two traveling "chalices" provided by our Knights of Columbus, for the purpose of inspiring prayers for vocations, in particular priestly vocations. These are actually replicas of chalices, with an artistic representation of the body and blood. One chalices will travel through the northern counties and the other chalice will travel through the southern counties of our 19 county diocese. My intention with this effort is to till the soil of our diocese with deep prayer asking,

or better, begging the Lord to send more priests to serve in our local Church. Each chalice will spend one month on our local church, each challee will spend one month on display in a prominent place in the parish church as a visible reminder for the parishioners intentionally to pray for holy vocations, with a particular emphasis on praying for priestly vocations. It may result that parishes and schools may take the initiative of having their own traveling "chalice," which could go from family to family and classroom to classroom, to pray for an increase in priestly vocations. I know some have started this already. May it continue!

It is so encouraging that we have 6 new seminarians for the Diocese of Toledo this year - the largest number of new seminarians in a decade! That raises our total number of seminarians to 14. We are already seeing the fruit of our intentional prayer, fasting and abstinence!

And where do such young men come from you might ask? And where do such young men come from you might ask. They come most often from families and parishes that are striving for holiness; from families and parishes that encourage the young to serve the Church. You will find such young men at daily Mass, praying quietly in the church, attending Eucharistic adoration, stopping in for confession, or sefflessly serving their neighbors. A daily habit of listening and talking with the Lord fare reading from the Grape of and talking with the Lord after reading from the Gospel of the day allows them to hear the voice of God, to more closely ttend to the Will of God for their lives, and to act with courage and conviction

In the recent 2025 CARA report on newly ordained priests from around our country, we find the following insightful

- 89% said they were encouraged by someone to consider the call to the priesthood
- 78% of them spent time in Eucharistic Adoration before entering seminary 73% attended Catholic School, either elementary,
- high school, or college, before entering seminary
- 72% were servers at Mass growing up
- 72% said they pray the rosary
- 66% of the newly ordained priests said it was a priest specifically who encouraged them to consider the priesthood
- 66% of the new priests were in full time employment before entering seminary
- 50% attended public school, either elementary or high school
- 46% said they served as lectors at Mass
- 15% were homeschooled
- 6% were in the military prior to entering seminary

That report also shares that the loudest discouragement for a man considering the call to the priesthood can be a family member. I want to reassure all our families that it is a source of joy and grace to have a priest in the family because the priest son or brother can be, for those close to the Church and those family members far



removed from the Church, a genuine bridge to God. One of the most significant ways a family can support a young man considering the call to the priesthood is to promote the habit of daily prayer and openness to whatever God has in store for him, even if that may be different than what you might expect or desire for him. Openness of family members to welcome a priestly vocation may well be critical in a young man's discerning his vocation. Because God's plan is always the best plan for all our lives.

To any young man reading this column, I want to encourage you and assure you that being a priest is an amazing and rewarding life! It is a full life, a blessed life, and a life deep with meaning and purpose. Yes, you should have a natural desire for marriage and children, but if God is calling you to the priesthood, He will give you the grace joyfully to live out the life of chaste cellbacy, obedience, and prayer. Quite simply, priesthood is a heroic adventure of selfless service in the person of Christ Jesus! I am confident more and more men are coming to see it as such! The same qualities that would make for a great husband and father are the same qualities we are looking for in candidates for the priesthood loving, selfless and self-possessed, kind, prudent and sensitive, strong, faithful, dedicated to the poor and those in need, prayerful, patient, joyful, and courageous! Above all, we need men who are serious about their spiritual lives and about prayer, which brings interior peace and an abiding sense of God's presence.

Please join me in welcoming the travelling chalice throughout our diocese. May each parish take in the replica of the chalice of salvation, and may parishioners call on the name of the Lord. I am confident that these chalices will prompt us to pray for more young men who are ready and willing to respond to a priestly vocation, to take the chalice of salvation, and to call on the name of the Lord!



Most Rev. Daniel E. Thomas Bishop of Toledo July 25, 2025

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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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