

The Church of the Immaculate Conception

Welcome to our parish! As a Church Family, we will use the wisdom of the past to shape our thoughts, words and actions, to bring the love of Christ to the world." (ICC Mission Statement)

Online Opportunities in this newsletter! Click on the words in blue! You can also find this newsletter on our website iccgreene.com. From there, click on weekly bulletins. Scroll down to find the bulletin or flier you want to see, then click the words in blue to access the extra news and articles.
To watch our Sunday Mass via livestream [click here](#) for our Youtube channel.

Confessions are held before or after weekend Masses.
Saturday Vigil Mass- 4:00 PM
Sunday Mass- 10:00 AM

To read the readings below on the USCCB website [click here](#)

First Reading

Jeremiah 31:31-34
 Jeremiah tells the people that the Lord will make a new covenant with them, planting the law within their hearts.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 51:3-4, 12-13, 14-15
 A prayer for God's mercy and forgiveness


Second Reading

Hebrews 5:7-9
 Through his sufferings, Jesus gained salvation for all who obey him.

Gospel Reading

John 12:20-33
 Jesus teaches his disciples about the way in which he will be glorified by God, and a voice from heaven is heard to affirm this teaching.

The Saturday Mass Intention is for Joan Trepa and Marilyn Michelet requested by Jean Stevens.
The Sunday Mass intention is for Dorothy Turrell requested by Judy Adams and for Susan Lewis requested by Bev Doughty.
 (.Per the Diocese request, we now ask for \$15 per Mass Intention to help Father with his gas and car upkeep.)

 **"Lord, hear our prayer"** ~ The ICC Prayer Chain requests your prayers for the following people: Barbara Bok, Fred Hadlick, Jebediah Trepa, Kristin and Justin and their family, Gary Husband, Dilon Dickerson, Felix, Vinny and Frank Lamanna and family, and Selena Wanjiku Wangui, our sponsored friend from Kenya.
Reminder: If you requested prayers for someone and it has been over 2 weeks, please call Ruth Coppola, Pam McLaren or the church office if you would like them to remain as recipients of our prayer chain. Thank you~



Liturgy Team Schedule:

	March 16, 2024 4:00 PM Vigil Mass	March 17, 2024 10:00 AM Mass	March 23, 2024 4:00 PM Vigil Mass	March 24, 2024 10:00 AM Palm Sunday Mass
Sacristan	John & Marie Carucci	Peggy Stanton & Barb Coleman	Janet Taylor & Lori Edwards	Lorraine Detweiler
Lector	Jerry Lademan	Donna Heisler	Bunny Delaney- Passion read by Joe Trepa	Bonnie Norton-Passion read by Andrew Erickson
E.M.	John Carucci	Bonnie and Jim Norton	Bev Doughty	Jackie & Joe Henninge
Altar		Keaton Browning		Arie King and Alex Anastos
Counters		Joanne Lasmarcik and Bonnie Norton		Joanne Kasmarcik and sub

* LITURGY TEAM MEMBERS THAT GET SUBS FOR DAYS AWAY SHOULD MARK THE INFORMATION ON THE SCHEDULE IN THE SACRISTY. THANK YOU!



Please consider donating to the work of our parish using online giving. [Click here](#) for a direct link to WeShare, our safe online giving platform. It will take you to an option for a one time or a recurring donation.



Would you like to sing with the ICC choir at the Easter Vigil or Easter Sunday Masses? We will hold two special rehearsals for all who wish to join us. Sun. March 24 from 11-12:00 PM & Tues. March 26 from 4-5:30.

IGNITE MEN'S CONFERENCE- Sat. March 23, 2024 - Bishop Ludden Junior/Senior H.S.I in Syracuse. [register here](#)



Wednesday Stations of the Cross opportunity.

The church will be open for individuals to pray at the Stations of the Cross on Wednesday mornings from 9-11:30 AM. Booklets will be available to assist you on this powerful prayer journey. Karen will be in the church office if you need other assistance.

Good Friday Stations at ICC- 5:30 PM - March 29 We will once again offer this special sung version of the Stations of the Cross prayer called, "He knows my pain". All are welcome.



The Bible Timeline Great Adventure Bible Study- Thursdays- 5:30-7:00 PM



The ICC Volunteer Thank You Luncheon will be immediately after the Sunday Mass on April 28! All volunteers at our parish are invited!



SUNDAY CONNECTION - A Bible Study on this week's Gospel Reading- By Loyola Press.com

Today's Gospel reading is taken from the Gospel of John. Chapter 12 of John's Gospel is a preparation for the beginning of the passion narrative to follow.

In the 12th chapter of John's Gospel, Jesus is anointed at Bethany and enters Jerusalem in triumph. Following his triumphant entry into Jerusalem, Jesus predicted his suffering, death, and Resurrection and prepared his disciples to believe in the salvation that his death would accomplish. Using the metaphor of the grain of wheat, Jesus presented the idea that his dying would be beneficial. He also taught that those who would be his disciples must follow his example of sacrifice. This theme will be repeated in John's account of the Last Supper, when Jesus washed the feet of his disciples as an example of how they must serve one another.



The final section of today's Gospel might be read as John's parallel to the agony in the garden. Jesus gives a confident response to the question he raises when asking God to save him from his impending death. After announcing his conviction that it is for this purpose that he came, a voice from heaven speaks, as if in answer to Jesus' prayer. This voice, like the one heard at Jesus' baptism and at Jesus' Transfiguration affirming that God welcomes the sacrifice that Jesus will make on behalf of others. In John's Gospel, Jesus teaches that this voice was sent for the sake of those who would believe in him.

In today's Gospel, we also hear Jesus speak about the cosmic framework against which we are to understand his passion, death, and Resurrection. Through his death and Resurrection, Jesus conquered Satan, the ruler of this world. In this way the world is judged, but the judgment is not condemnation. Instead, through Jesus' dying and rising, salvation is brought to the world.

Dear friends,

Here's some interesting statistics about Communication. First, communication is the basis of all relationships. I think that's true for people and animals as well, don't you? Next is that communication consists of 7% words, 35% tone of your voice and 58% body language. This means that the non-verbal part of communication is extremely important! First impressions are made before any words are spoken! These play such an important role in our relationships, as well as truly listening to others. (I know I need to improve in this area!) King David wrote these words in 1000 BC: "Set a guard, O Lord, over my mouth; keep watch over the door of my lips!" (Psalm 141:3). We may think we're so sophisticated, but basic things like communication were issues over 3000 years ago. Let's remember these beautiful words this week:

"Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable unto thee, O Lord." (Psalm 19:14)
Peace my friends, Mary Wentlent



Cards and Conversation! Tuesday March 19 ~ The Circle of Friends of ICC invite you to join them for a fun morning playing the card game "Golf". Come to the church hall from 10:30-12:00 for some laughs, conversation, refreshments and a lively card game.

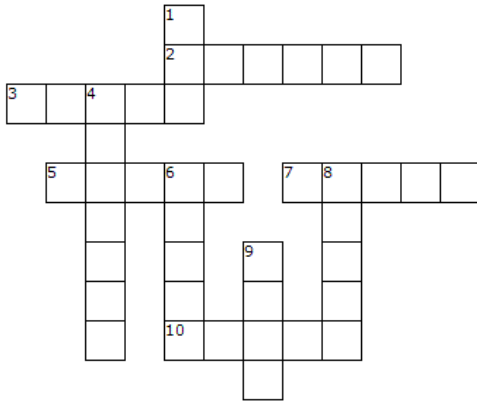
Parish Council Nominations will be taken at both Masses April 23 and 30. New members will begin at the May meeting and will serve for 2 years. This council meets 4x per year to discuss the pastoral life of the church. (May, August, November and February) We offer zoom participation for those that cannot make it to these in person meetings. Each meeting lasts 1 hour and is focused on cooperation and thoughtful discussions about the life of our parish. Start thinking of who you could nominate to represent you!

Family page

The Power of His Love

"But I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all men to myself." John 12:32 (NIV)

Based on John 12:28-33 (NIV)



ACROSS

- 2. To be raised up
- 3. A heavenly servant of God, often pictured as a human with wings
- 5. What we humans use to speak or sing
- 7. The Son of God
- 10. The end of life

DOWN

- 1. Everyone and everything
- 4. To bring praise and honor to God
- 6. A large group of people
- 8. The land surface of the world
- 9. To attract someone or something

DEATH	ANGEL	VOICE	EARTH	JESUS
ALL	DRAW	GLORIFY	LIFTED	CROWD

ST. PATRICK'S BREASTPLATE PRAYER

I bind to myself today
 The strong virtue of the Invocation of the Trinity:
 I believe the Trinity in the Unity
 The Creator of the Universe.
 I bind to myself today
 The virtue of the Incarnation of Christ with His Baptism,
 The virtue of His crucifixion with His burial,
 The virtue of His Resurrection with His Ascension,
 The virtue of His coming on the Judgement Day.
 I bind to myself today
 The virtue of the love of seraphim,
 In the obedience of angels,
 In the hope of resurrection unto reward,
 In prayers of Patriarchs,
 In predictions of Prophets,
 In preaching of Apostles,
 In faith of Confessors,
 In purity of holy Virgins,
 In deeds of righteous men.
 I bind to myself today
 The power of Heaven,
 The light of the sun,
 The brightness of the moon,
 The splendor of fire,
 The flashing of lightning,
 The swiftness of wind,
 The depth of sea,
 The stability of earth,
 The compactness of rocks.
 I bind to myself today
 God's Power to guide me,
 God's Might to uphold me,
 God's Wisdom to teach me,
 God's Eye to watch over me,
 God's Ear to hear me,
 God's Word to give me speech,
 God's Hand to guide me,
 God's Way to lie before me,
 God's Shield to shelter me,
 God's Host to secure me,
 Against the snares of demons,
 Against the seductions of vices,
 Against the lusts of nature,
 Against everyone who meditates injury to me,
 Whether far or near,
 Whether few or with many.
 I invoke today all these virtues
 Against every hostile merciless power
 Which may assail my body and my soul,
 Against the incantations of false prophets,
 Against the black laws of heathenism,
 Against the false laws of heresy,
 Against the deceits of idolatry,
 Against the spells of women, and smiths, and druids,
 Against every knowledge that binds the soul of man.
 Christ, protect me today
 Against every poison, against burning,
 Against drowning, against death-wound,
 That I may receive an abundant reward.
 Christ with me, Christ before me,
 Christ behind me, Christ within me,
 Christ beneath me, Christ above me,
 Christ at my right, Christ at my left,
 Christ in the fort,
 Christ in the chariot seat,
 Christ in the [deck],
 Christ in the heart of everyone who thinks of me,
 Christ in the mouth of everyone who speaks to me,
 Christ in every eye that sees me,
 Christ in every ear that hears me.
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 MARCH 10, 2024

Folks ask me if I'm a practicing Catholic. I tell them, 'Yes, I am. I'm gonna keep practicing 'til I get it right.'

— HARRY CONNICK, JR.

TODAY'S #MICROCHALLENGE

PRAY FOR PERSEVERANCE THROUGH ANY "BUMPS ON THE ROAD" THAT YOU'RE EXPERIENCING IN YOUR FAITH LIFE.

