Mission Statement of Immaculate Conception Parish

We, the faith community of Immaculate Conception Parish in Franklin, New Jersey, commit ourselves to share our gifts and love to make the presence of God a reality in our lives by welcoming all to worship and serving those who are in need.

Welcome to Immaculate Conception Parish

The faith community of Immaculate Conception welcomes all visitors, parishioners, family and friends. We hope you find your visit warm and inviting as well as spiritually nourishing. We will keep all of you in our prayers and wish you God’s Blessings.

New members may register by calling the Parish Office. If you are moving out of the parish or change your address, please notify the Parish Office.

Rev. Boguslaw Kobus, Pastor
Mrs. Vicky Yahm, Religious Education Administrator
Ms. Malden Comanda, Music Director

Office Hours:
Parish Office: Mon—Wed 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM (Thurs by Appt.) Rectory Phone: 973-827-9575
Religious Education Office: Mon & Wed 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM, Tues 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Religious Education Office Phone: 973-827-9501
Fax: 973-827-7375
Website: www.iccfranklin.org
SussexCountyCatholicschools.org Pope John XXIII High School: www.popejohn.org
Pope John XXIII High School: 973-729-6125

Sunday Mass Schedule
Saturday: 5:00 PM Anticipated Mass
Sunday: 7:30 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:30 AM

Daily Masses
(Recitation of the Rosary After Mass)
Monday: Mass, Novena, & Benediction 7PM
Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday: 7:30 AM
Thursday: No Daily Mass
Saturday: 9:00 AM

Holy Days of Obligation
Holy Day: 7:00 AM, 7:00 PM

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturdays: 4:00-4:30 PM or by Appointment
And fifteen minutes before first Friday Mass

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
First Friday of the Month 3PM—6PM (Church)
First Friday of the Month 7PM—9PM (Chapel)

Baptisms
Parents must be registered parishioners and attend a Prep Class before scheduling baptism.
Prep sessions held on first Tuesday of the month at 7:30PM. Please call to register.

Marriage
Contact the parish one year in advance.
Must be registered parishioners for at least 6 months.

Anointing of the Sick
Any time for the seriously ill.

Homebound Ministry
Visitations upon request.
The sanctuary lamp burns this week in memory of John & Joan Gaba, requested by John’s sister, Rose.

Mass and Memorial Donations - Please Contact The Rectory

- A Holy Mass for the Deceased
- A Spiritual Bouquet Mass for the Living

Ex: Requests for healing, recovery or for God’s Blessing for anniversaries, birthdays, or any other special occasion.

ENVELOPES FOR SCHOOL SUBSIDY AND CHURCH MAINTENANCE

Thank you for contributing to offset our church maintenance and school subsidy obligations. There are always unexpected repairs in the Parish. Thanks to your positive response to our recent Increased Offertory Program and continued generosity, we had some funds available for our recent unexpected expenses. Anything you are able to give by using the green maintenance or yellow school envelopes, located in the vestibule, is deeply appreciated. Maintenance of the school building and modular units has reverted back to the Parish. A leak in the school roof was recently patched, and a classroom ceiling needs repair. We are still expected to support all the schools in the Catholic Academy of Sussex County, Reverend Brown, Pope John XXIII Middle School and Pope John High XXIII School. Thank You again.

Weekly Contributions

Last Week’s Collection: $ 4,432.50*
  Project Faith: $ 1,110.00*

* Includes last week’s Online Giving

2016-2017 Diocesan Assessment: $26,228
Collected to Date (Project Faith): $  2,444

Please know that we are most appreciative for all of your donations. We all know how difficult things are financially for families. So, too, is it to run a parish, as expenses continue to rise. The parish is dependent on income from collections and Mass stipends. Thanks to the positive response from many parishioners to the Increased Offertory Program, our Sunday collections have increased, but continue to fall short of needed revenue. We are most grateful for your continued and increased generosity in support of our parish. For whatever you are able to give, may God bless you; you and your intentions are always in our prayers. Remember, God always rewards a generous giver.

SAVE THE DATE—150th Anniversary Celebration Dinner
Saturday, September 16, 2017 6:30-10:30PM at the Lafayette House
This Event is in lieu of the Parish Picnic and the Beefsteak Dinner this year
150th Anniversary News

Celebration Dinner
Saturday, September 16, 2017,
6:30-10:30 PM, Lafayette House

Deadline for Dinner Reservations is September 1.
PLEASE NOTE: No one under 18 admitted
Information has been mailed, and is also available on the Parish website www.iccfranklin.org.

For your convenience, payments for the 150th Anniversary Dinner can be made through the Parish website from a bank account, MasterCard or Visa.

Click on “NEWS/EVENTS”, then on “150th Anniversary” for information, then on “Payments for 150th Anniversary” to pay online.

When paying online, please return a completed reservation form to the Parish Office.

******THIS WEEKEND******

Summer Sunday Brunch: Sunday, August 20, 10:30am-1:30pm in the Lyceum
Available for Sale at the Brunch:
T-Shirts, Mugs, Raffle Tickets and INTRODUCING:
the 150th Commemorative Ornaments

T-Shirts: Youth Sizes L, Adult Sizes L & XL $10
            Sold-out sizes can be reordered if there is enough interest. To request out-of-stock sizes, please leave your name and payment with Committee Members or email iccelebrate@ptd.net

150th Commemorative Mugs: $10

150th Commemorative Ornaments: $15

50-50 Raffle: The Annual 50-50 is being drawn at the Anniversary Dinner on September 16. Last year’s winner took home $3,878. Chance books have been mailed to parishioners. The prize to the winner as of August 15 is over $3,000

Please return raffle tickets as soon as possible

Check the Parish website iccfranklin.org for more information and forms.

Click on “NEWS/EVENTS”, then click on “150th Anniversary”

Please contact Committee Members for information.

Messages may be left at the Parish Office
**Immaculate Conception Cemetery**

Just as in life, we believe that in death the human body deserves to be treated with respect and dignity. The cemetery is an extension of the Church that ministers to our grief as the Church ministers to our faith. Being buried in the sacred grounds of a Catholic cemetery is an assertion of faith for both the deceased and their loved ones. Please refer to Bishop Serratelli’s Pastoral Letter of November 2014, which can be found on the parish website. In keeping with the Church’s tradition of respect for the body, remains and cremains should receive proper burial, entombment or inurnment.

**Immaculate Conception Cemetery** is located on North Church Road. Contact the Parish Office at 973-827-9575 or icchurch@ptd.net to make an appointment to obtain information about burial, entombment or inurnment arrangements.

**GRIEF SUPPORT**

For information, contact Frank Elmo 973-827-4396

**AA Meetings**

AA Meetings are held every week in the Lyceum

Mondays at 7:30pm

Wednesdays at 8pm

Fridays at 8pm (Men only)

**Diocese of Paterson—Marian Pilgrimage**

October 21, 2017

A true opportunity for a short-but important spiritual trip is taking place this October. The Diocese is running a two-day trip as part of the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Baltimore and Washington.

Please see Fr. Bogie or leave a message with the Parish Office if interested.

Please plan to join the faithful of the Diocese this October for the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Washington. There are one and two day options available. Sign-ups for the one-day trip will take place this September and for those interested in the two-day trip are asked to contact the Pilgrimage Office at 973-827-8030.

**Bus Trip** to Sight & Sound, Lancaster, PA to see “JONAH”

Wednesday, September 27, 2017, $115 per person

Includes bus, show, lunch, movie & snack on the ride home. Leaves from Littell Center, Franklin 8:00am, returning 8:30pm

For reservations, call Robin Elmo 973-827-4396

**The Knights of Columbus** will be holding their 34th Annual Golf Tournament at Rolling Greens Golf Club on September 9, 2017. Please contact Henry Zarzycki at 973-216-2702 for reservations & sponsorship info.

**TODAY’S READINGS**

**First Reading** — Thus says the LORD: “Stand firm in justice; do what is right” (Isaiah 56:1, 6-7).

**Psalm** — O God, let all the nations praise you! (Psalm 67).

**Second Reading** — The gifts and the calling of God are unable to be revoked (Romans 11:13-15, 29-32).

**Gospel** — Jesus told the Canaanite woman of great faith, “It shall be done as you wish” (Matthew 15:21-28).


**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

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**SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

Sunday: Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: St. Pius X

Tuesday: The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Wednesday: St. Rose of Lima

Thursday: St. Bartholomew

Friday: St. Louis; St. Joseph Calasanz

Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary

**THE POWER OF PRAYER**

Much prayer, much power!

Little prayer, little power!

—Anonymous

**Liturgical Ministers Schedule**

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**Pizza Night for Women with Bishop Serratelli**

Monday, September 25, 2017, 7-9pm

Pope John High School, Sparta

Open to all young women in High School or College

Adoration, reflection, fellowship & pizza!

Contact Delegate for Religious 973-777-8818 x207
Prayers for those who are currently sick, in the hospital or undergoing surgery, or who have recently died are included in the General Intercessions offered at every weekend Mass. These names are usually included once unless the person is seriously ill for a number of weeks. After three weeks the name will be placed in the Bulletin and will still be prayed for at Mass, but referred to as “those listed in the bulletin”.  

In Nursing Homes or Rehab: Mike Tatka, Carmen Ross, Irene Zipco, Sister Thomasina Gebhard, Mary Green, Evelyn Riley, Bernadette Hoffman  

At Home: Danielle Dionisio, Thomas Dionisio, Jr., Jeanine Hodgins, Joan Boyer, John Tidona, Lisa Stine, Marie Sohdaya, Jamie Escabar, Daniel Esposito, Daniel D’Andrea, Derek Mons, Robin Slate, Barbara Yarusinsky, Karl DaSalla, Sandra Barber, Gladys Sudjian, Ken Koleser, Anthony Picone, Jennifer Singer, Ronald Tedesco, Agnes Micali, Philip & Ruth Agatino, Tim Sherlock, Margaret Lorne, Anthony Dionisio, Antoinette Rogers, Jody Soluri, Freddie Ponti, Thomas Baginski  

Please notify us when you have recovered from your illness. Hospitals are bound by privacy laws and can not release the names of their patients. It is up to a family member to let us know if a parishioner is hospitalized or homebound.  

**PARISH MINISTRIES CONTACT LIST**

- Religious Education: Vicky Yahm 973-827-9501  
- Eucharistic Ministers: Christine Muller 973-827-9575  
- Lectors: Kim Vieira 973-545-2276  
- Music Director: Malden Comanda 973-827-9575  
- Ushers: Ron Hoffman 973-827-0585  
- Hospitality: George & Katie Drossel 973-903-7735  
- Children’s Liturgy: Barbara DeRenzo 973-209-4381  
- Grief Support Ministry: Frank Elmo 973-827-4396  
- Evangelization: Frank Elmo 973-827-4396  
- Altar Servers: Kim Vieira 973-545-2276  
- Youth Group Ministry: Renee Smith 973-209-6251  
- Homebound Ministry: Shirley Riccardi 973-827-9058  
- Legion of Mary: Tona Phillips 973-827-9575  
- Bible Study: Fr. Bogie 973-827-9575  
- Prayer Shawl Ministry: Shirley Riccardi 973-827-9058  
- Prayer Group: Fr. Bogie 973-827-9575  


Welcome! Every member should be registered in the Parish, become active, financially support Immaculate Conception, and be known to Fr. Bogie. Letters of testimony for godparents and sponsors will not be given unless one is registered in the parish and children in the family are receiving religious education. When moving, please notify the parish office.  

Bring your friend or someone dear to you to church... our parish community welcomes their presence  

DAILY MISSAL  
Please use daily missals Monday - Friday located on table by the Baptismal Font. After Mass, if you would be so kind, return Missals back where you found them.  

**MEMORIAL DONATIONS FOR SANCTUARY LAMP, SANCTUARY FLOWERS AND ALTAR BREAD & WINE**  
**PLEASE CONTACT THE RECTORY**  

**SANCTUARY LAMP,** a reminder of the Divine Presence in the Eucharist, may be donated in memory of loved ones. **SANCTUARY FLOWERS,** are a beautiful way to remember a loved one or commemorate a special intention. **ALTAR BREAD & WINE,** consecrated at each liturgy, may be donated in memory of a loved one or for a special intention.  

Please consider a future gift of money, stock, real estate or other valuables to Immaculate Conception by remembering our parish in your will. Call the Rectory office for more information  

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