



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH

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2nd SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

MASSES FOR JANUARY 19TH – JANUARY 24TH

There will be NO PUBLIC Saturday/Sunday MASSES until further notice.
Weekday Mass is available, with a maximum of 8 people (first come, first served).
Church will be open for private prayer 9:00-12:00 daily (except Monday)

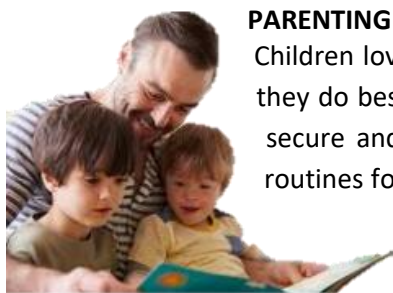
Tuesday, January 19 th	8:30 a.m.	– <i>For St. Jude</i>
Wednesday, January 20 th	8:30 a.m.	– <i>For St. Jude</i>
Thursday, January 21 st	8:30 a.m.	– <i>For St. Jude</i>
Friday, January 22 nd	8:30 a.m.	– John Bagshaw, requested by Dolly Foley & family
Saturday, January 23 rd	4:30 p.m.	– <i>For the people of Immaculate Conception Parish</i>
Sunday, January 24 th	9:30 a.m.	+ John Bagshaw, requested by the Choir
	11:30 a.m.	– <i>For the people of Immaculate Conception Parish</i>

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Aleesha, Neave Alderson, Audrey, Tim Ayotte, Fr. Bart Burke, Gwendolyn Craigen, Joan Cross, Marie Cullen, Hender Ellis, Sawyer Growden, Marc Guerin, Julianna & Mary Hauer, Bill Heasely, Betty Johnston, Bradley L., Cathy Lochner, Peter McCarthy, Erin Sullivan, Walter & Linda VanTol, Rose Marie Vitarelli and those who have no one to pray for them. MAY GOD BLESS YOU AND KEEP YOU CLOSE TO HIS HEART.

MONDAY SCHEDULE CHANGES: Effective January 2021, there is no Monday Mass and Fr. Stephen will be unavailable that day. Any messages left on the answering machine will be answered on Tuesday. Thank you for your understanding.

JANUARY OFFICE HOURS: Our Admin/Bookkeeper will be working remotely and picking up emails during the lockdown on the following days: January 5th, 12th, and 19th. Fr. Stephen will be available any day except Mondays to answer the phone.

SECURE DELIVERY OF OFFERTORY: Thanks to Paul Ayotte, we now have a mail slot in the front door of the rectory for those wishing to continue to support the parish during lockdown. The mail will go directly inside, protecting it from theft. We appreciate your ongoing generosity.



PARENTING TIP OF THE MONTH

Children love to read the same book repeatedly, eat the same lunch every day and they do best, in fact thrive, on a daily routine. The predictable makes children feel secure and competent because they know what to expect. With little children, routines for mealtimes, bed and bath times, prayer time and even playtime, can be a great comfort, making for happier children. This same wellness from routines also works for older children. The more routine in their lives, the more relaxed and happier their personalities. So, start the New Year

by creating a schedule for all family members, try it out and see how much peace can come to your household!

CHURCH DECORATING: We are looking for volunteers to take over the Church Decorating Ministry starting immediately after the lockdown. This involves decorating the altar on special occasions, such as: Christmas, Easter, Canada Day, Thanksgiving and Mother's Day; as well as changing the altar linens as required. Many hands make light work, so we are hoping several interested parties will volunteer. Training will of course be provided.

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY 2021: The 2021 theme: *"Abide in my love and you shall bear much fruit."* (John 15:5-9) – calls us to pray and to work for reconciliation and unity in the church, with our human family, and with all of creation. Drawing on the Gospel image of vine and branches, it invites us to nourish unity with God and with one another through contemplative silence, prayer, and common action. Please click the link below for some resources from the Pontifical Council for Promoting Christian Unity to prepare for the celebration of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2021 next week:

<http://www.christianunity.va/content/unitacristiani/en/settimana-di-preghiera-per-l-unita/en.html>

A Prayer for Protection in the Time of Pandemic



O Mary,
you always brighten our path
as a sign of salvation and of hope.
We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick,
who, at the Cross, took part in Jesus' pain
while remaining steadfast in faith.

O loving Mother,
you know what we need,
and we are confident you will provide for us
as at Cana in Galilee.

Intercede for us with your Son Jesus,
the Divine Physician,
for those who have fallen ill,
for those who are vulnerable,
and for those who have died.
Intercede also for those charged with protecting
the health and safety of others
and for those who are tending to the sick
and seeking a cure.

Help us, O Mother of Divine Love,
to conform to the will of the Father
and to do as we are told by Jesus,
who took upon himself our
sufferings and carried our sorrows,
so as to lead us, through the Cross,
to the glory of the Resurrection.

Amen.

Under thy protection we seek refuge,
O Holy Mother of God.
In our needs, despise not our petitions,
but deliver us always from all dangers,
O glorious and blessed Virgin.

Amen.

*“Ask God for the strength to love. Say to him:
“Lord, help me to love, teach me to forgive. I cannot do it alone, I need you.” — Pope Francis*