WELCOME TO IMMACULATE CONCEPTION - ST MARY

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*If you are interested in joining our parish, becoming Catholic, marriage prep, baptism prep, confirmation, funerals, returning to the Church, spiritual direction, information on grief support, would like communion brought to you, inquiring about an annulment or have other concerns, contact Father Albert 920-604-1260.

*Questions regarding religious education and registration can be addressed to Carolyn Lemanski 715-528-3008

*Call St. Vincent de Paul Conference for assistance with basic needs: 715-528-2030

*To schedule a Mass intention, volunteer for a parish ministry, rent the parish hall, request a prayer shawl or request prayers, call the parish office. 715-528-3310

**Parish Office is open: Tuesday.- Friday 8 a.m. - 2 p.m. **

Weekend Masses

Saturday - 6:00 p.m. Sunday - 8:30 a.m.

Weekday Masses

Tuesday - 5:30 p.m.

Thursday - 4:30 p.m. 1st Thurs. Holy Hour with Eucharistic Adoration, Reconciliation, and Benediction

Other Thurs. – Reconciliation/private prayer Friday - 8:30 a.m.

1st Fri. 10:00 a.m. Florence Health Services

Confession available 30 minutes before all Masses

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, February 15 - + Nick Lantagne Friday, February 18 - + Scott Yadro Saturday, February 19 - + Edith Stankovsky Sunday, February 20 - + Marie Leffler

Ministry Schedule Feb. 19 & 20

Saturday

Sacristan - Francie Freeberg Eucharistic Minister - n/a Lector - Carla Kramer

Servers - open

Ushers - Ron Van Wychen & Mark Kramer

Sunday

Sacristan - Roy Rietz

Eucharistic Minister - n/a Lector - Carolyn Lemanski

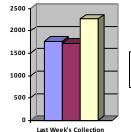
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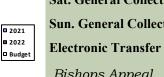
Ushers - Mike Lemanski, Dan Jazinski

& Jerry Divine

Money counters - Kathy & Dan Jazinski

Church/Office Cleaning - Open, any volunteers?





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Sat. General Collection Loose...\$86.00 **Sun. General Collection** Loose...\$422.00

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St. Vincent de Paul Reflection: In the Gospel today we hear the Beatitudes and we find the blessing of Jesus standing with those who are poor, hungry and weeping. Dear St. Mary's members, Thank you very much for all the gifts you provide for the Giving Tree. There we 39 families with 87 children who received new toys, clothing and food for Christmas. God Bless You, The St. Vincent Members



This week as we think about those we love, let us remember that God our Father loved each of us so much He send His son Jesus to save us. Jesus asks us to "Love one another as I have loved you." John 13:34. We

would like to share a little of this love. Please take a sweet scripture treat from the baskets in the entryway as you leave Mass today. Love & prayers, The Arts and Environment (decorating) Committee

Lent fast is approaching!

Any palms you have may be brought in and placed in the basket in the church entryway.

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Homily Excerpt: 6th Sunday of **Ordinary Time**

In the Sermon on the Mount, Christ proclaims the beatitudes of the kingdom which are diametrically opposed to the worldly standards. "Blest are the poor

and blest are you who hunger," declares Jesus in the Gospel. On the other hand, Jesus says, But woe to you rich for your consolation is now, woe to you who are full, for you shall go hungry," Christ undeniably is a sign of contradiction because what he is proclaiming is different from earthly wisdom. As St Paul tells us, "The wisdom of this world is foolishness in the eyes of God" (1 Cor. 3:19).

The one thing which shuts a man off from God is self-sufficiency. Love's greatest glory is to be needed. But a person who puts his trust and security on his possessions will not feel a clamant need for God. He is self satisfied. He is not open to the love of God, to the need of forgiveness, to the necessity of obeying God's will, and to the life beyond this world. But no matter how wealthy he is, his heart remains empty because the core of every human heart is the -Rev. Albert Balderas need for God.

Bible Background: A **beatitude** (Latin *beatus*, blessed or happy) identifies a person and gives the reason why he or she is blessed. In the Old Testament, the blessed are those who received from God an earthly fulfilment of prosperity, offspring and long life. Jesus' beatitudes describe those who wish to enter his kingdom. -Words of Grace

Food for Thought: "Our goal is God, the source of all good. Place your trust in God and in no one else. If you remain constant in faith in the face of trial, the Lord will give you peace and rest for a time in this world, and forever in the next." -St Jerome Emiliani

Schedule of Events for the week of February 14-20

Tues. 8:00 - 1:00 Church open for private prayer 1st - 8th grade Religious Ed. Wed. 3:30 - 5:00 Wed. 6:00 - 7:30 9th - 12th grade Religious Ed. Thur. 4:30 - 5:30 Reconciliation & Private prayer 8:00 - 1:00 Church open for private prayer

The observances of National Marriage Week (February 7-14) and World Marriage Day (Sunday, February 13) are an opportunity to focus on building a culture of life and love that begins with supporting and promoting marriage and the family. Our theme for 2022 is "Called to the Joy of Love."

Prayer for Married Couples: Almighty and eternal God, You blessed the union of married couples so that they might reflect the union of Christ with his Church: look with kindness on them. Renew their marriage covenant, increase your love in them, and strengthen their bond of peace so that, with their children, they may always rejoice in the gift of your blessing. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen