

WELCOME TO IMMACULATE CONCEPTION – ST MARY

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Live the Gospel! Whatever it takes.

- ◆ If you are interested in joining our parish, becoming Catholic, marriage prep, baptism prep, confirmation, funerals, returning to the Church, spiritual direction, inquiring about an annulment or have other concerns, contact Father Albert at 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, request prayers, have communion brought to your home or for information on grief support, call the parish office.
- ◆ Office hours: 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 TH Holy Hour
Eucharistic Adoration, Reconciliation, and Benediction
 following THs – Reconciliation and private prayer
 Friday - 8:30 a.m.
 1st FRI 10:00 a.m.
 Florence Health Services

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, October 26 - + Robert "Robin" Merhalski
 Fri. October 29 - + Julie Meyers
 Saturday, October 30 - + The Donaldson's Grandchildren
 Sunday, October 31 - + Janet Kelley

Ministry Schedule Oct. 30/31

Saturday

Sacristan - Francie Freeberg
 Eucharistic Minister - Francie Freeberg
 Lector - Francie Freeberg
 Servers - open
 Ushers - Ron VanWychen, Andy Kelley & William Kelley

Sunday

Sacristan - Roy Rietz
 Eucharistic Minister - Roy Rietz
 Lector - Debbie Zelten
 Servers - open
 Ushers - Jay Glime, Mike Lemanski, Dan Jazinski
 Money counters - Carla & Mark Kramer

Church/Office Cleaning - Caitlyn Kelley & open

Thank you for your Ministry!

ST. VINCENT de PAUL REFLECTION:



In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus ask Bartimaeus: "What do you want me to do for you?" And he answers, "Master, I want to see." Let us ask Jesus for the grace to "see" our brothers and sisters who are poor and lonely. Thanks for all the gifts you share. God Bless You!

Please call the store at 715-528-4720 to volunteer.

This week is World Mission Sunday! We celebrate this day by remembering our baptismal call- bringing the Gospel to all. This year the World Mission Sunday Collection will support Propagation of the Faith, Latin America, and Eastern Europe ministries. Envelopes will be available in the pews and in the entryway. Please make checks payable to: *St. Mary's Parish* with the Memo: *World Mission Sunday*. Thank You.

Our Parish Finance Council is meeting this Thursday, October 28 at 5:30 pm in the parish hall after Mass.

Our Deepest Condolences to all of the family and friends of **Lorraine Steber**, who passed away recently. May we continue to keep Lorraine and all her family in loving prayer during this difficult time.



Grant eternal life to our sister, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. Let the angels welcome her into Paradise and help us comfort each other with the assurance of our faith. May she rest in peace.

We are celebrating Mass at 4:00pm at St. Mary's for Our Beloved Dead on Monday, November 1st in anticipation of All Souls' Day. There will be a blessing at the cemetery following the Mass.

Tues., November 2nd -All Souls Day Masses will be: 8:00am in Armstrong Creek and 9:30am in Goodman, both with Blessings in the cemeteries to follow Mass.

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Father Albert's Homily excerpt titled "You Did for me"



When we die, we will be judged not on the talents and skills we have acquired. We will not be judged about the prestige and fortune we have earned. It is not about the popularity and degrees we have gained. But it is about the extent our help. Yes, it is how much we have helped. This help that is being asked from us are about the most common and essential needs of man; foods, clothing, and shelter. They need not be expensive clothing, neither very sumptuous meals nor cozy shelter. What is asked from us is to attend to their needs, to be sensitive about their situation, and to do something for them. Thus, is the challenge for us to be more charitable. We are ask to be more merciful and this mercy should be seen and translated into actions.

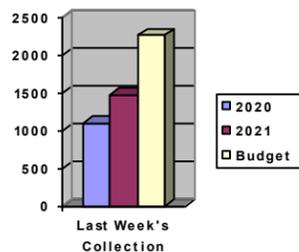
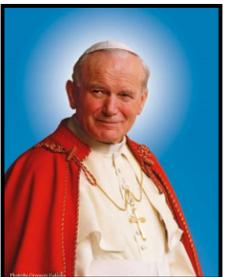


Thursday, November 4th at 4:30 pm

Please join us for our **Holy Hour**, which includes Eucharistic Adoration, Benediction and Reconciliation. This will be offered the first Thursday of each month. The following Thursdays we will offer confession and silent prayer..

St. John Paul II Feast Day is October 22.

St. John Paul II was born Karol Wojtyla in the small Polish town of Wadowice. During World War II, when the Nazis invaded Poland, Karol secretly studied for the priesthood in an underground seminary. He was ordained to the priesthood in 1946, appointed Archbishop of Krakow in 1964, and three years later he was made a cardinal. In 1978, he was elected the 264th pope, where he took the name John Paul II. St. John Paul II made evangelization a key part of his papacy and made pastoral visits to all parts of the world. In 1981, he was shot twice in an assassination attempt. Following Jesus' example of compassion, he later met with his would-be assassin in his prison cell, where he forgave him for what he had done. St. John Paul II was well-known to be an active sportsman throughout his life, hiking and skiing well into his 60s. In 1992, his health began to decline, and it was later discovered that he suffered from Parkinson's disease, a degenerative disorder of the central nervous system. Near the end of his papacy, it became difficult for him to speak, and his poor health and physical suffering made public appearances difficult. Still, he continued his pastoral work. He died April 2, 2005, and he was declared blessed on May 1, 2011. He became a saint on April 27, 2014.



Sat. General Collection	Loose...\$157.00	Envelope...\$125.00	Total...\$282.00
Sun. General Collection	Loose...\$316.00	Envelope...\$700.00	Total...\$1,016.00
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