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"O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to you."

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Rev. Herbert T. DeGaris----------*Pastor*
Deacon Philip Marino
Deacon John Sadowski
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THE SACRAMENT OF THE EUCHARIST

Sunday | Main Church in Stony Point

Saturday Evening Anticipated Mass---------- 5:30 PM
Sunday Morning ---------- 9:30 and 11:30 AM

Sunday | Church in Tomkins Cove

Sunday Morning ---------- 7:30 AM

Weekday

Monday thru Friday---------- 7:30 AM
Saturday---------- 8:30 AM

Holy Days of Obligation: 5:30PM - Vigil 7:30AM and 12 Noon
St. Gregory Barbarigo at 7:30 PM

DEVOTIONS

Rosary: Recited daily after the 7:30 AM Mass

Novena: Monday after the 7:30 AM Mass the Miraculous Medal Novena is prayed.

RECTORY OFFICE
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Margie Celenza
Parish Secretary

Monday thru Friday:
9:00 AM to 12:00 PM;
1:00 PM to 5:00 PM

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Tuesday: 9:00 AM - 8:30 PM
Thursday: 9:00 AM - 6:30 PM

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Confessions are heard on Saturday afternoon from 4:00 to 5:00 PM and anytime upon reasonable request.

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: First & Third Sundays at 1:00 PM. Expectant parents may contact the Rectory Office to schedule one of the available Sundays. Adults are baptized and confirmed at the Easter Vigil after completing the stages of the Rite of Christian Initiation.

RCIA – Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults: A process for those who wish to enter the Catholic Faith, or for present Catholic individuals who after being baptized may need to receive the sacraments of Holy Eucharist and Confirmation. For more information, please call the Rectory Office.

THE SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY: Since Catholic marriage requires a time of preparation, arrangements should begin *at least six months* before the proposed date of the wedding to allow for the Marriage Preparation Program and Natural Family Planning (NFP). It is required that either the bride or groom must be a registered and practicing member of Immaculate Conception Church.

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK: If you are planning to enter the hospital for surgery, experiencing a prolonged or serious illness, or are very weak due to advancement of age, please call the Parish Rectory to arrange for the sacraments of reconciliation, communion and anointing at home. Communal anointing of the sick is celebrated at mass during the Advent and Lenten seasons. Please notify us of any hospitalization so that we may be of assistance.

WELCOME TO NEW PARISHIONERS: The Immaculate Conception community warmly welcomes you! Please introduce yourself to the celebrant of the mass you are attending as you leave the church so that, on behalf of the entire community you may be welcomed. You can register at the Parish Office and receive any information needed from the office receptionist. Kindly notify us of any change of address.

MISSION STATEMENT: *Immaculate Conception Parish is a Christian community of disciples in the Roman Catholic tradition, called by Jesus, united in Eucharistic worship and growing in faith, hope and love. Nourished through the sacraments and strengthened by God's transforming love, we are empowered to know the gospel message and to witness to others. As Christian stewards, we are thankful for God's many gifts and we commit ourselves to share our time, talent and treasure in Christ-like service within our parish community and beyond. We seek God's blessing and guidance to be faithful to this mission.*

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
January 24, 2021

Dear Friends in Christ,

"Unless you become like a child you will not inherit the kingdom of God." How much I dwelt on that statement of Christ yesterday as our second graders received their First Penance. What a grace filled moment to see nervous looks of innocent children turn into sheer joy upon the reception of God's mercy and forgiveness that each child showed. I shared with them a story of myself getting lost once at Orchard Beach, in the Bronx. I mentioned the frightened feeling of being all alone, at least in my mind since the beach was packed, was replaced with the sheer joy of receiving the tightest embrace from my father after I was found.

Isn't that what we all feel at the end of our own confessions? That embrace from God, gives us the continuing courage to go forth and be that imitator of Christ we are called to be. On behalf of all of us, I congratulate our second graders! May we all keep them in our prayers as they prepare for their reception of their First Holy Communion this coming Spring.

Last Friday, January 22nd, our country sadly commemorated the 48th anniversary of the Roe. vs. Wade Supreme Court decision which has resulted in the loss of life for countless millions of our unborn children. This Friday, January 29th the annual March for Life will take place in Washington, D.C. The annual rally will take place virtually and The National Office of the March for Life is asking all participants to stay home and to join the March virtually. They will invite a small group of pro-life leaders from across the country to march in Washington, DC this year. These leaders will represent pro-life Americans everywhere who, each in their own unique ways, work to make abortion unthinkable and build a culture where every human life is valued and protected.

The organizers of the rally are profoundly grateful for the countless women, men, and families who sacrifice to come out in such great numbers each year as a witness for life – and they look forward to being together in person next year. As for this year's march, they look forward to being with you virtually.

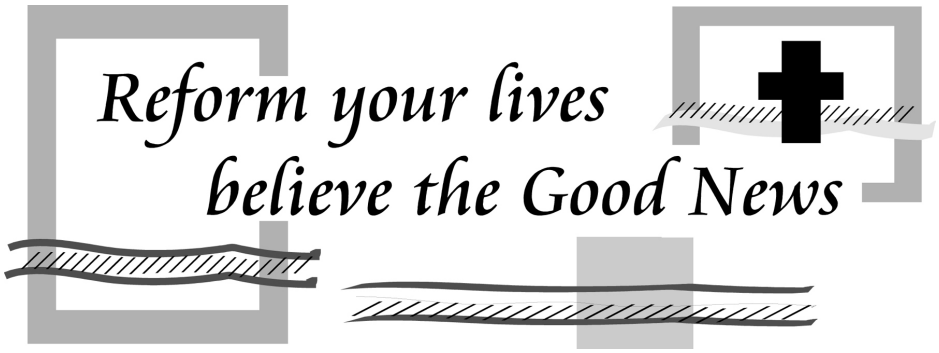
The March for Life Rally and march to the Supreme Court will be broadcast online for you to join virtually. You are invited to join online for the broadcast at https://marchforlife.org/2021-virtual-events/.

On January 29th, you will receive a link in your email inbox containing the link to watch the March for Life Rally and march.

Here at Immaculate Conception we will have our daily mass at 7:30 am. Mass will also be offered at 9:00am at Saint Gregory Barbarigo. On Friday, the 29th, the day of the March for Life, Immaculate Conception Church will remain open until 5:00pm for anyone who would like to spend time in the Lord's House to offer prayer and petition for the intention for respect of human life.

May all of us continue to show forth the image of Christ and his love for all as we show full honor and respect to all human life from conception to natural death.

-Fr. Herbert T. DeGaris



SCHOOL OF RELIGION "My Time with Jesus" – Our Faith in Action

Did you know… We all need healing. The following healing prayer is an intimate invitation to say YES to Jesus. Please pray this prayer often - in sincerity and with all your heart. - By Peter Mary Rookey, OSM

Lord Jesus, I come before you, just as I am.
I am sorry for my sins, I repent of my sins,
please forgive me.
In your name I forgive all others for what they have
done against me.
I renounce satan, the evil spirits,
and all their works.
I give you my entire self, Lord Jesus,
now and forever.
I invite you into my life Jesus,
I accept you as my Lord,
God and Savior.
Heal me, change me, strengthen me
in body, soul and spirit.
Come Lord Jesus, cover me with your precious blood,
and fill me with your Holy Spirit.
I love you Lord Jesus.
I praise you Jesus,
I thank you Jesus.
I shall follow you every day of my life. Amen.
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Mary, my mother, Queen of Peace, all the Angels and Saints please help me.
Amen.

So today and everyday…. Let us say **YES** to Jesus. The power of healing comes from Him if you ask.

FROM THE DEACON'S BENCH
THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Start by doing what's necessary, then do what is possible, and suddenly you are doing the impossible.
St. Francis of Assisi

An Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I
desire to receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there
and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY, JANUARY 23RD
5:30 Tracey Pappalardo
(req. by Bill & Eileen Hobbs)

SUNDAY, JANUARY 24TH
7:30 Cyril Kerr (req. by Jim Coyle & Family)
9:30 ***For the People of the Parish***
11:30 Domenic & Josephine Accurso
(req. by family)

MONDAY, JANUARY 25TH
7:30 Angelo Ieni (req. by family)

TUESDAY, JANUARY 26TH
7:30 Margaret & James Gaynor (req. by family)

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 27TH
7:30 Giuseppe Ieni (req. by family)

THURSDAY, JANUARY 28TH
7:30 Carmen Baez (req. by family)

FRIDAY, JANUARY 29TH
7:30 Raymond Rose (req. by Ed & Ellen Goggin)

SATURDAY, JANUARY 30TH
8:30 Bridie Knopf
(req. by Esther, Peter, & Claire Hatala)
5:30 Anna Sutherland (req. by Husband)

SUNDAY, JANUARY 31ST
7:30 ***For the People of the Parish***
9:30 James Schuler (req. by Diane Bronico)
11:30 Frank Petruzzi (req. by family)

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

All those who are ill at home, in the hospital and in nursing homes, especially: Eileen Kelly, John Capria, Lauren Shields, Billy Keenan, Joyce Robinson, Mary Murnane, Ruth Ann Melia, Eric McMahon.
Our recently deceased: Kathryn Weatherwax.

Please Pray for the Sick of the Parish

TAX INFORMATION 2020

If any parishioners require a contribution statement for income tax returns, please contact the rectory Monday - Friday 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. 786-2742.

WE SHARE YEAR-END STATEMENTS

All enrolled members with valid e-mails will receive an e-mail from We Share that will contain our 2020 Year-End Donations Statement. Thank You.

March for life in Washington, DC

For all who cannot go to the March for Life in Washington, DC please join us at noon on January 29th for a Prayer Service in support of the March for Life 2021. It will be held at Saint Margaret of Antioch Church, 115 West Central Avenue, Pearl River, NY 10965. There will be beautiful music and it will also be live streamed via You Tube. If you are unable to attend the Service in person. Visit the homepage of www.smparish.com for the link to the Service.

A Prayer for Life

Father and maker of all, you adorn all creation with splendor and beauty, and fashion human lives in your image and likeness. Awaken in very heart reverence for the work of your hands, and renew among your people a readiness to nurture and sustain your precious gift of life.

Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever. Amen.

Together we stand for all LIFE, together we can make a difference!

PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION FEBRUARY 14TH

The Peter's Pence Collection helps support the Holy Father in his charitable works. The Peter's Pence Collection is taken up worldwide to support the most disadvantaged: victims of war, oppression, and natural disaster and others in need of emergency assistance. Be a pilgrim of charity - please be generous in this Second Collection.

BEREAVEMENT

Saint Margaret of Antioch Parish will host a (6) week Bereavement Support Program starting Tuesday, February 9th. There will be two sessions: 10 AM for first time attendees and 11:30 AM for repeat attendees.

Note: Face covering is a must, seating 6 feet apart, hand sanitizer available, space limited

Dates: February 9, 16, 23, March 2, 9, 16

Location: 115 W Central Ave, Pearl River, NY - Doyle Center (room behind the elevator)

This is a safe place for the bereaved to share, to learn about grief & to receive support, empathy & acceptance.

To register please call Tracey at the Parish Center Office, 845 735-4746.

FLOWER MEMORIALS

Flower memorials are available for anyone desiring to memorialize a loved one. The cost is $50 for an arrangement of flowers, to be placed near the altar. Please call the rectory to reserve a specific date.

FOOD PANTRY NEWS

For the months of January and February we are collecting CEREAL. Thank you for all your generosity it is greatly appreciated.

Make A Difference

SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Sunday Collection Jan. 17, 2021 was:	**$5,274**
Sunday Collection Jan. 19, 2020 was:	**$4,746**

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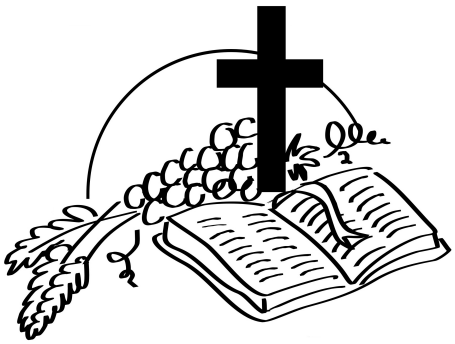

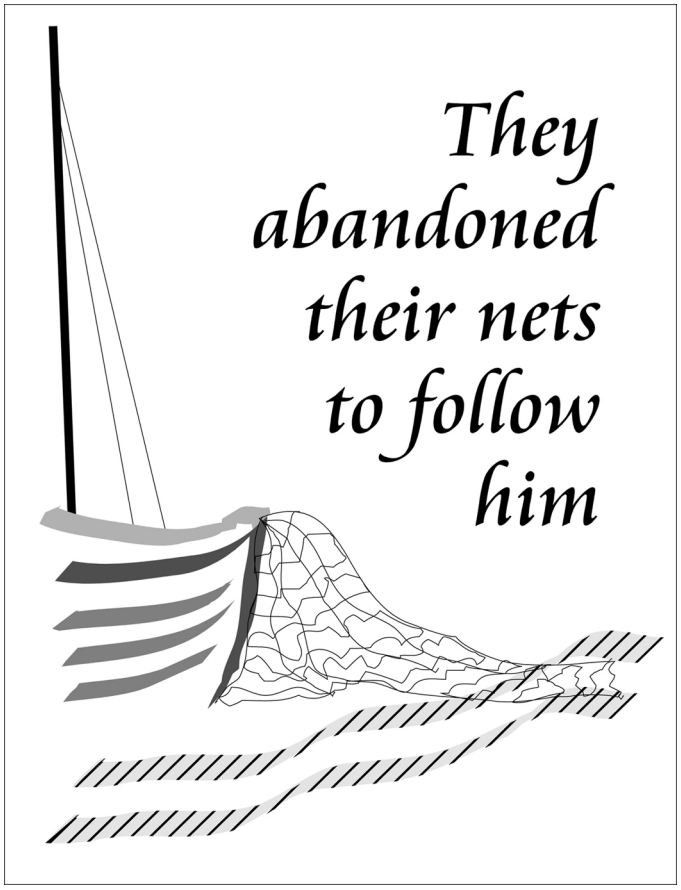

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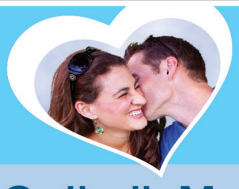

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