

CHURCH OF THE ASSUMPTION

CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

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Year of St. Paul



February 15, 2009
Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Assumption

Masses:

Saturday Evening Mass: 7:30pm
Sunday Masses: 8:30 and 10:30am
Italian Mass: 8:30am on the first Sunday of the month
Spanish Mass: 12:00pm *todos los Domingos*
Mondays - Fridays: 7:30am
Saturdays - 8:30am
Holy Days: 7:30pm in Vigil and 7:30am on Holy Day

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession):

Saturday: 7:00-7:30pm

Recitation of the Rosary:

Saturday: 8:00am

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

A Holy Hour begins after the 7:30am Mass on the first Friday of each month. Benediction and Reposition occur at 9:00am.

Immaculate Conception

Masses:

Saturday Evening: 5:30pm
Sunday: 7:45, 9:00, 10:30am, 12:00 Noon and 5:30pm
Monday - Friday: 8:30am & 12:00 Noon
Saturday: 8:30am
Holy Days: Anticipated Mass: 7:30pm
Solemnity: 8:30am, 12:00 noon and 7:30pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession):

Saturday: 3:00 - 4:00pm, 6:15 - 6:45pm

Miraculous Medal Novena:

Mondays after 12:00pm Mass and 7:30pm Benediction

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

Mondays and First Fridays after 12:00 noon Mass.
Reposition and Benediction is at 7:00pm

Pastor: Reverend Eric P. Raaser

Rev. Joseph Emmanuel • Rev. Kevin Malick • Deacon Anthony Viola

Pastor Emeritus: Rev. Msgr. Francis Oliverio

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH

Saturday, February 14 Vigil: Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:30 PM Parishioners and Their Families

Sunday, February 15 Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:45 AM Pasquale & Angiolina Venditto

9:00 AM Louis Mariani

10:30 AM John Taddeo

12:00 PM Ronald Doherty

5:30 PM Anthony J. Morra

Monday, February 16 Weekday

8:30 AM Ruth Buley

12:00 PM Anna Ruth Setchko

Tuesday, February 17 Seven Founders of the Order of Servites

8:30 AM Joseph Murtaugh

12:00 PM Gino Battista

Wednesday, February 18 Weekday

8:30 AM Teresa & Livio Righetti

12:00 PM Umberto Fava

Thursday, February 19 Weekday

8:30 AM Thomas Consolazio & Janet Musante

12:00 PM Robert J. Oswald

Friday, February 20 Weekday

8:30 AM Mary, Tom, and Nancy Dowling

12:00 PM Deceased of the Ruddy Family

Saturday, February 21 St. Peter Damien

8:30 AM Annette Mc Govern

Saturday, February 21 Vigil: Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:30 PM Thomas E. Culhane 3rd Ann.

Sunday, February 22 Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:45 AM Parishioners and Their Families

9:00 AM Geraldine Didona

10:30 AM Anthony Chisari

12:00 PM Joseph Quintessenza

5:30 PM Joseph Quintessenza

Bread & Wine - Immaculate Conception

In Memory of Caroline Helen Duffy

From: Gabriel & Helen Khawly

Memorial Flame - Immaculate Conception

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CHURCH OF THE ASSUMPTION

Sat 2/14 7:30 PM Parishioners and their Families

Sun 2/15 8:30 AM Andrew & Teresa Ragosta
10:30 AM Pasquale, Jennie & Charles Colarusso
12:00 PM *La Comunidad Hispana*

Mon 2/16 7:30 AM Rose Carlini

Tues 2/17 7:30 AM Onofrio Di Marzo

Wed 2/18 7:30 AM Lee Drews

Thurs 2/19 7:30 AM Lillian Deiso

Fri 2/20 7:30 AM Erminia Manganelli

Sat 2/21 8:30 AM Giuseppe & Maria Marcoccia
7:30 PM Enrica Palma

Sun 2/22 8:30 AM Parishioners and their Families
10:30 AM Carmine Carapella
12:00 PM *La Comunidad Hispana*



Wedding Banns

Joseph Chiazzese & Lori Iovine

Collection for February 8

Church of the Immaculate Conception: \$12,798

Church of the Assumption: \$2,029

Please Remember to Pray for the Sick:

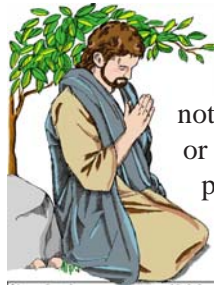
Thomas Carmody • Noel Corbett • Anthony De Laurentis
Carole Fagella • Thomas Fusco • Caroline Denning Inello
Tina Lavista • Jeannine Le Bloas • Reina Luardo
Gloria Petrucci • Kathleen Rasmussen • Sr. Theresa Ruth
Antonia Nina Yanni

and for the Departed:

Amelia Heiskell

SCRIPTURE READINGS: FEBRUARY 16 -22

- Mon:** Genesis 4:1-15, 25; Ps. 50; Mark 8:11-13
- Tues:** Genesis 6:5-8, 7:1-5, 10; Ps. 29; Mark 8:14-21
- Wed:** Genesis 8:6-13, 20-22; Ps. 30; Mark 8:22-26
- Thurs:** Genesis 9:1-13; Ps. 102; Mark 8:27-33
- Fri:** Genesis 11:1-9; Ps. 33; Mark 8:34-9:1
- Sat:** Hebrews 11:1-7; Ps. 145; Mark 9:2-13
- Sun:** Isaiah 43:18-19, 21-22, 24b-25; Ps. 41;
2 Corinthians 1:18-22; Mark 2:1-12



Very early in the morning, Jesus got up, left the house and went off to a solitary place, where he prayed. Mark 1:35

IS GOD CALLING YOU?

Depend on God for your future and hold nothing back. If you would like to be a priest or have any questions about the priesthood, please contact Father Luke Sweeney or Father Luis Saldaña at (914) 968-1340 or visit or www.NYPRIEST.com "The World Needs Heroes."

The Sacrament of Baptism:

Baptisms are scheduled at 1:30 PM every Sunday at Immaculate Conception. Baptisms are scheduled by request at Assumption for parishioners. Call the rectory as soon as possible to make arrangements. Baptismal catechesis (instruction) is offered on one Thursday of each month.

The Sacrament of Matrimony:

Please make an appointment with a member of the clergy at least six months in advance, prior to any other plans for your expected wedding date.

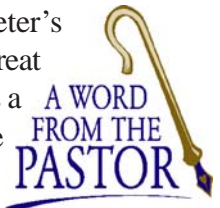
Communion Calls for the Homebound:

Weekly or monthly. Please call the rectory to arrange visitations.

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick: Anytime day or night. Call 961-3643.

Registration: New Parishioners may register by visiting one of the priests or by calling the rectory: 961-3643.

Next Sunday, the Archdiocese of New York will conduct the annual **Peter's Pence** collection. The Peter's Pence Collection derives its name from an ancient custom. In ninth-century England, King Alfred the Great collected money – a “pence” – from landowners as financial support for the Pope. Whether seen as a pious contribution, or merely a tax-levy, it evidently underwent various changes both before and after the Norman Conquest and the Protestant Reformation. Even when William the Conqueror refused homage to the pope, he promised that St. Peter's Pence should be paid. In fulfillment of his promise, he made detailed arrangements for the collection of this tax, in some cases even the serfs paying through the lord of their manor.



A free man who has possessions in the country to the value of thirty pence will pay St. Peter's Pence. But the lord will acquit his bordars, ploughmen, and serfs for one penny. A burgess, if he have the value of one-half mark in his own chattels, will pay St. Peter's Pence.

Peter-Pence (*Denarii Sancti Petri*) also known as *Romefeoh*, (the Fee due to Rome), was a tribute or rather charity given by the king on his pilgrimage to Rome every year. It was called Peter-pence, because it was collected on the day of the feast of St. Peter in Chains (*Ad Vincula*) – August 1st.

Pope Pius IX formally instituted the modern Peter's Pence Collection in 1871. The tradition of an annual collection continues today for the charitable works of the Holy Father.

The theme for this year's Collection — **Christ Our Hope** — is the same theme as that of the Holy Father's visit to the United States in April. The theme reflects the message of Pope Benedict XVI's encyclical letter. *Spe Salvi*. In the encyclical, Pope Benedict said that faith in Christ brings well-founded hope in eternal salvation, the “great hope” that can sustain people through the trials of this world.

Thus, in solidarity with the Pope, we Catholics participate in works of goodness with our brothers and sisters throughout the world. Every country has a Peter's Pence collection. It is one more aspect that distinguishes us as followers of the Gospel.

The Peter's Pence Collection supports the Pope's philanthropy by giving the Holy Father the means to provide emergency assistance to those in need because of natural disaster, war, oppression, and disease. The Peter's Pence Collection has raised nearly \$190 million in the United States alone to support our suffering brothers and sisters around the globe.

As always, we count on your goodness. The Peter's Pence collection envelopes are in the packets that you receive at home, if not, there are envelopes on the ushers' tables.

Father Raaser

SCHEDULE					
<u>Sunday, February 15</u>			Men's Cornerstone	7:30 PM	Lower Church
CYO Bake Sale	8 AM - 1 PM	Lower Church	<u>Thursday, February 19</u>		
RCIA	11:30 AM	Lower Rectory	Legion of Mary	7:30 PM	Meeting House
CYO	6:30 PM	Lower Church	<u>Sunday, February 22</u>		
<u>Monday, February 16</u>			RCIA	11:30 AM	Lower Rectory
Exposition & Benediction	12:30 - 7:00 PM	Immaculate Conception	<u>Monday, February 23</u>		
<u>Tuesday, February 17</u>			Exposition & Benediction	12:30 - 7:00 PM	Immaculate Conception
Dinner Served to the HOPE Community			Altar Rosary Society	7:00 PM	Fr. Fata Hall
Choir	7:30 PM	Immaculate Conception	<u>Tuesday, February 24</u>		
<u>Wednesday, February 18</u>			Padre Pio Prayer Group	7:00 PM	Assumption
Centering Prayer	10:30 AM	Lower Rectory	Rosary Society Board	7:00 PM	Off Site
Youth Choir	6:30-7:15 PM	Immaculate Conception	Choir	7:30 PM	Immaculate Conception
Bereavement Support	7:00 PM	Meeting House	<u>Wednesday, February 25</u>		
Bible Study	7:30 PM	Lower Rectory	Distribution of Ashes	all Masses	both Parishes
			Centering Prayer	10:30 AM	Lower Rectory
			Youth Choir	6:30-7:15 PM	Immaculate Conception
			Bible Study	7:30 PM	Lower Rectory

COLLECTING BLESSED PALMS

This weekend and next weekend, **February 15 and 22**, receptacles will be placed by the church entrances for collecting blessed palms from last year's Palm Sunday. These will be used to make the ashes that will be distributed on Ash Wednesday, February 25. Anyone interested in joining the ICS students who will witness the burning of the palms can join us on Tuesday morning, **February 24** at 2:00 PM at Immaculate Conception as we process to the upper parking lot.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

The next session of the Bereavement Support Group will be on Wednesday **February 18** at 7:00 - 8:30 PM in the Meeting House on Winter Hill Road. Meetings are confidential and involve prayer and dialogue as one journey's from grief to healing and hope. Anyone who has endured the loss of a loved one is welcome to attend.

PRESENTATION OF THE CREED

Next Sunday, February 22nd, at the 10:30 AM Mass at Immaculate Conception, the Creed will be presented to our Catechumens. This means that they will stand in front, and *listen* while we, in the Congregation make our Profession of Faith, thus, our presentation to the Catechumens.



CARNEVALE

The Assumption Altar Rosary Society is hosting a pasta dinner on Sunday, **February 22**, at 3:00 PM. The cost of the dinner is \$25 for adults and \$10 for children 12 and under. Please make your reservations early, this is a very popular annual event. Call Georgiene Walsh at 337-0291 to make your reservations.

ASH WEDNESDAY IS FEBRUARY 25

Ashes will be distributed at the regularly scheduled 7:30 AM Mass at Assumption. At Immaculate Conception, ashes will be distributed at the 8:30 AM Mass, 9:15 AM school Mass, noon Mass and an additional 7:30 PM Mass.

We will also distribute ashes at Immaculate Conception 4:00 PM – 5:00 PM and at Assumption 5:30 - 6:30 PM.

DAYS OF ABSTINENCE AND FAST

During days of abstinence, Catholics 14 and older do not eat the flesh of an animal. Ash Wednesday and every Friday in Lent are days of abstinence.

During days of fast (**Ash Wednesday** and **Good Friday**), Catholics aged 18-59 restrict their food intake to one full meal and two smaller meals - no eating between meals.

Pregnant? Need Help? 914-235-0505 or 1-800-640-0767.
Absolutely Confidential - Total Services Free.

IMPORTANT REMINDER:

Please do not mail Bicentennial donations to the Archdiocese. Mail or bring them to the rectory or drop in the collection basket in an envelope marked *Building Fund*, so we can update our information.

YOUTH CHOIR - NEW TIMES

The Immaculate Conception Youth Choir is open to all ICS and PSR students in grades 3 or higher. The Youth Choir sings at the **Sunday noon Mass** at Immaculate Conception. Choir robes are provided! Practices are 45 minutes on Wednesdays: 6:30 - 7:15 PM at Immaculate Conception Church. Registration is ongoing. Call 325-0208 or e-mail immaculateconceptionyouthchoir@yahoo.com.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

ANNUAL MEN'S COMMUNION BREAKFAST

The Knights of Columbus, Rev. John A. Keogh Council #2108, is holding its annual Sonny Dalton Memorial Mass and Men's Communion Breakfast on Sunday, **March 1**. Attendees will gather together for the 7:45 AM Mass at Immaculate Conception Church, with full buffet breakfast immediately following at Fogarty's, 60 Kraft Avenue, Bronxville. The Council will use this occasion to present pins to 50 year members. Our guest speaker this year will be Fredy Patino, a third year Seminarian from St. Joseph's Seminary at Dunwoodie. Fredy is one of two Seminararians sponsored by the Keogh Council and he will discuss priestly vocations and his experiences as a seminarian.

Please make your breakfast reservations early. For more information or reservations, please contact Fred Salanitro at 793-4662 or Paul Reisman at 722-6381. Tickets for the breakfast are \$20.00 per person. All men of the parish are warmly welcomed and encouraged to attend this enjoyable annual gathering.

ICS News

Our older students astounded family and friends at the annual Science Fair held in the Lower Church last Tuesday. On Wednesday, 15 7th and 8th graders were inducted into the National Junior Honor Society.

Our 5th graders are now participating in the DARE program. The sessions are being conducted by Officer Luke Yankowski of the Eastchester Police Department. Officer Yankowski's son attends our school. Thank you, Officer Luke!

Parish School of Religion

There are NO PSR classes due to President's Week. Classes resume next Monday, February 23, 2009.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION MUSIC MINISTRY

The Immaculate Conception Choir is open to those who like to sing and are willing to commit to the choir's schedule. We rehearse on Wednesday evenings and sing at the 10:30 AM Mass on Sunday. All voice parts are needed! We are also looking for *instrumentalists* to accompany the choir. If you are interested in joining this important ministry of our parish, please come to the choir loft and speak to Robert Harvey.

EXTENSION OF TAX LAW BENEFITING SENIORS

Senior citizens aged 70 1/2 or older who are required to withdraw a minimum amount each year from their IRA accounts can benefit from the extension of the IRA Charitable Rollover provision. This law allows them to make contributions to qualified charities *directly from their IRA accounts*, without the associated tax liability.

If you are 70 1/2 or older and want to redeem your pledge, or if you want to make a gift to Immaculate Conception or Assumption parishes, Immaculate Conception School or our Building Fund, then you might want to take advantage of this provision. Certain forms are required - please call the rectory and ask for Chris: 961-3643.

IS GOD CALLING YOU?

The Spring Discernment Weekend for young men (ages 18-40), who are contemplating the diocesan priesthood or who would like more information about it, will be held at St. Joseph's Seminary from Friday evening, April 3 through Sunday mid-afternoon, April 5. Palm Sunday Mass will be at the Cathedral of St. Patrick.

MASS TIMES

If you will be travelling in the United States and want to find the nearest Roman Catholic Church and its Mass schedule, you can visit the Mass Times site on the Internet: <http://www.masstimes.org> or call Mass Times at 1-410-676-6000. Many foreign cities are also included.



HAVE YOU VISITED OUR WEB SITE?

The parish web site is constantly being updated and expanded. It includes a bulletin archive, driving directions to both Assumption and Immaculate Conception Churches, and much more. You can even use resources on our site to plan your Nuptial Mass. Visit us at www.assumption-immaculate.org.

LEGION OF MARY

Please consider membership in the Legion of Mary. Won't you join us in this special ministry in honor of our Blessed Mother? Our meetings are held on Thursdays at 7:30 PM and last approximately one and a half hours. Our work takes us to Lawrence Hospital, Sunrise Assisted Living and The Fountains at Riverview.

The Legion promotes the recitation of the Rosary, the Divine Mercy Chaplets, and the wearing of Scapulars. Legionnaires perform spiritual works of Mercy at the direction of the pastor. If this looks as if it might be of interest to you, please join us at one of our weekly meetings for a hands on introduction to the Legion. To learn more, please contact Elizabeth Lockhart at 632-1606. We look forward to your joining us.

MATCHING GIFT PROGRAMS

Many companies sponsor matching gift programs to encourage employees to support charitable institutions. If your gift is eligible, simply request a matching gift form from your employer and send it, completed and signed along with your gift to: Campaign Office, Immaculate Conception Rectory, 53 Winter Hill Rd, Tuckahoe, NY 10707. If you have any questions or need help completing the form, please call the rectory and ask for Chris. **Please note: some companies will match the Gym Campaign and not the Church projects. Please read your company's policy carefully.**

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Through Faith We Grow



I/We would like to make a gift to my/our parish's **Bicentennial**

Campaign at _____
Immaculate Conception & Assumption Parishes

My total pledge will be: \$ _____

Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

Balance Due: \$ _____

My gift will be paid over 1 2 or 3 years
 4 or 5 years

My check is enclosed.

I wish to pay by credit card. My credit card information is on the back of this card.

I will make my gift in stock. Please send me stock transfer instructions.

I wish to use direct debit to pay my pledge. See my instructions on the back of this card.

My gift will be matched by my company. My company's name is _____

Other _____

Please send reminders:

Annually Semi-Annually

Quarterly Monthly

Please make checks payable to your parish's Bicentennial Campaign and return this card to your parish office.

Credit card options include MasterCard, VISA, and Discover.