

CHURCH OF THE ASSUMPTION

CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

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Year of St. Paul



March 8, 2009
Second Sunday of Lent

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

<u>Saturday, March 7 Vigil: Second Sunday of Lent</u>	
5:30 PM Gino Battista	Mem.
<u>Sunday, March 8 Second Sunday of Lent</u>	
7:45 AM Knights of Columbus	
9:00 AM Francesco Segreti	Mem.
10:30 AM Parishioners and Their Families	
12:00 PM Domenico Richichi	Mem.
5:30 PM Antoinette Mower	Mem.
<u>Monday, March 9 St. Frances of Rome</u>	
8:30 AM Loretta & Leslie Bennett	Mem.
12:00 PM Nicola Mainiero	Mem.
<u>Tuesday, March 10 Lenten Weekday</u>	
8:30 AM Gilda Chisari	Mem.
12:00 PM Catherine Curtin Fenzel	Mem.
<u>Wednesday, March 11 Lenten Weekday</u>	
8:30 AM Nicola Di Capua	Mem.
12:00 PM Raffaella Ciciretto	Mem.
<u>Thursday, March 12 Lenten Weekday</u>	
8:30 AM Francis X. Byrnes	Mem.
12:00 PM Essie Rice	Mem.
<u>Friday, March 13 Lenten Weekday</u>	
8:30 AM Diane D'Agostino and Carmine & Olga D'Agostino	Mem.
12:00 PM Antonia Rocchio Perrino	Mem.
<u>Saturday, March 14 Lenten Weekday</u>	
8:30 AM Adeline & Carmine Di Ponte	Mem.
<u>Saturday, March 14 Vigil: Third Sunday of Lent</u>	
5:30 PM Charles & Adele Marlow	Mem.
<u>Sunday, March 15 Third Sunday of Lent</u>	
7:45 AM Marcella Rolandelli	Mem.
9:00 AM Giuseppe & Maria Mozzone	4 th Ann.
10:30 AM Michele Judge	Mem.
12:00 PM Parishioners and Their Families	
5:30 PM Giovanna Patafio	Mem.

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Sat	3/7	7:30 PM	Parishioners and their Families
Sun	3/8	8:30 AM	Adolph Fattorusso
		10:30 AM	Dec'd Members of Piro & Rossi Families
		12:00 PM	<i>La Comunidad Hispana</i>
Mon	3/9	7:30 AM	Lena Marrano
Tues	3/10	7:30 AM	Lucy, Angelo & John Cardelli
Wed	3/11	7:30 AM	Aloisia Stufano
Thurs	3/12	7:30 AM	Rocco Pagnotta
Fri	3/13	7:30 AM	Berta Cirioni
Sat	3/14	8:30 AM	Karin Ranellone
		7:30 PM	William Ciamarra
Sun	3/15	8:30 AM	Parishioners and their Families
		10:30 AM	Sam & Grace Carapella and Family
		12:00 PM	<i>La Comunidad Hispana</i>

Collection for March 1

Church of the Immaculate Conception: \$14,774
Church of the Assumption: \$2,215

Please Remember to Pray for the Sick:

Noel Corbett • Rosalie DiLeo • Carole Fagella
Thomas Fusco • Caroline Denning Inello • Tina Lavista
Jeannine Le Bloas • Reina Luardo • Gloria Petrucci
Kathleen Rasmussen • Sr. Theresa Ruth
Antonia Nina Gianni

and for the Departed:

Anna Maria West

SCRIPTURE READINGS: MARCH 9 - MARCH 15

Mon:	Daniel 9:4b-10; Ps. 79; Luke 6:36-38
Tues:	Isaiah 1:10, 16-20; Ps. 50; Matthew 23:1-12
Wed:	Jeremiah 18:18-20; Ps. 31; Matthew 20:17-28
Thurs:	Jeremiah 17:5-10; Ps. 1; Luke 16:19-31
Fri:	Genesis 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a; Ps. 105; Matthew 21:33-43, 45-46
Sat:	Micah 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps. 103; Luke 15:1-3, 11-32
Sun:	Exodus 20:1-17; Ps. 19; 1 Corinthians 1:22-25; John 2:13-25

Bread & Wine - Immaculate Conception

In Memory of Giuseppe & Maria Mozzone

From: Angelo & Angela Scialabba

Memorial Flame - Immaculate Conception

In Memory of Mary & William Mayes

From: Connie & Bob Mayes

IS GOD CALLING YOU?

Young men in Grades 8-12 are invited to attend a Votive Mass for Priestly Vocations at St. Joseph's Seminary on Thursday, March 19 - the Feast of St. Joseph. Cardinal Egan will celebrate the Mass, which begins at 5:00 PM and is followed by dinner. Please RSVP to the Office of Vocations at 968-1340 or vocations@archny.org.

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 Home Bound:

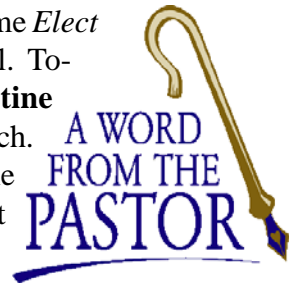
Weekly or monthly. Please call the rectory to arrange visitations.

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.



Last Sunday, Ray Graves, Teunti Lee, Lindsey Amanda Castillo, and Brandon Rosado became *Elect* for the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation, Holy Eucharist) at the Easter Vigil. Today, we are sending three candidates down to the Cathedral: **Robert Gordineer, Kristine Hjellest, and Tess Alleyne**, who will be brought into full communion with the Catholic Church. Robert, Kristine and Tess already have been baptized into another faith community. At the Easter Vigil, they will pray the creed and receive the sacraments of Confirmation and First Eucharist. Our prayers are with them, and we look forward to the great day when they will join us in full communion.



Today, we also will honor **Nick and Hilda O’Ruffalo** at the St. Patrick’s Day Dinner hosted by the Knights of Columbus at Fr. Fata Hall. Nick and Hilda are very active members of Assumption Parish who spend many hours in cooking, serving, and helping so many people. It is very fitting that in the spirit of the Irish Saint, we honor two Italians, who will be Irish for the day. Congratulations for a well-deserved honor. Your dedication, family-life and Christian charity and service are an example to us all.

Speaking of Saint Patrick, next Sunday, the 5th Annual St. Patrick’s Day Parade will take place once again in Eastchester. The day’s festivities begin with Mass at 10:30 AM, with the blessing of the flags and the line of march. After Mass, in the Cafeteria of the school, there will be a bit of “the bread and the mist” and some “coffee” as well. The parade steps off at 3:00 PM. All our parishioners are most cordially invited to march under our parish banner. We will be gathering at the upper lot from around 2:00 PM. Look for our parish banner and flags.

2009 Cardinal’s Appeal

Today is the official kickoff of the **2009 Cardinal’s Annual Appeal**. There are so many reasons why the Appeal is important to those in need in the Archdiocese. Your support of the Annual Appeal helps countless men and women, and it sustains the fabric of our ministries throughout our parishes.



If you have not already, you will be receiving a letter from Cardinal Egan, along with some material that illustrates the deep impact of the Cardinal’s Appeal on our community. His Eminence is asking you to participate by making a gift to this important annual initiative.

Your Gift to the Appeal helps educate our children, provides for retired priests and religious, helps to educate our future clergy studying at Saint Joseph’s Seminary, and helps fund Catholic Charities. I know it is a tough time for many of our parishioners; however, even if it is a little bit, it will help. In this Holy Season of Lent, one of the acts is to give alms to those in need. Your generosity will not go unnoticed by God, who loves a cheerful giver!

Father Raaser

SCHEDULE

<u>Sunday, March 8</u>			<u>Thursday, March 12</u>		
RCIA	11:30 AM	Lower Rectory	Baptismal Catechesis	7:30 PM	Lower Church
Knights’ St. Patrick’s Dinner	3:00 - 7:00 PM	Fr. Fata Hall	Legion of Mary	7:30 PM	Meeting House
<u>Monday, March 9</u>			<u>Friday, March 13</u>		
Exposition & Benediction	12:30 - 7:00 PM	Immaculate Conception	Stations of Cross	following noon Mass	Immaculate Conception
<i>Convivencia</i>	7:30 PM	Fr. Fata Hall	Stations of the Cross	7:30 PM	both Parishes
8th Grade Parents	7:30 PM	Lower Church	<u>Saturday, March 14</u>		
<u>Tuesday, March 10</u>			Day of Reflection	8:30 AM - 2:30 PM	Assumption/Fr. Fata Hall
Choir	7:30 PM	Immaculate Conception	Eucharistic Ministers Meeting	3:00 PM	Lower Church
<u>Wednesday, March 11</u>			The Passion of the Christ	6:30 PM	Lower Church
	Dinner Served to the HOPE Community		<u>Sunday, March 15</u>		
Centering Prayer	10:30 AM	Lower Rectory	St. Patrick’s Mass	10:30 AM	Immaculate Conception
Youth Choir	6:30 PM	Immaculate Conception	RCIA	11:30 AM	Lower Rectory
Bible Study	7:30 PM	Lower Rectory	CYO	6:30 PM	Lower Church
Men’s Cornerstone	7:30 PM	Meeting House	<u>Monday, March 16</u>		
			Exposition & Benediction	12:30 - 7:00 PM	Immaculate Conception

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME

Daylight Saving Time for 2009 begins on Sunday, **March 8** at 2:00 AM and ends on Sunday, November 1, at 2:00 AM. Please remember to advance your clocks.



RCIA

During 10:30 AM Mass at Immaculate Conception, the Candidates are being sent to St. Patrick's Cathedral for the Call to Continuing Conversion.

LENTEN DAY OF PRAYER AND REFLECTION

SATURDAY, MARCH 14

All are invited to a free Lenten Day of Prayer and Reflection hosted by the Assumption Altar Rosary Society. The day begins with 8:30 AM Mass at Assumption, followed by a Continental Breakfast in Fr. Fata Hall. It includes presentations by the Sisters of Blauvelt, praying of the rosary, a light lunch and discussion. Closing prayer is at 2:30 PM. Please RSVP to Michele Pinto: 337-7901.

THE PASSION OF THE CHRIST

There will be a three-part presentation of *The Passion of the Christ* with discussion by Rev. James Villa, OFM on the following evenings:

Saturday, March 14 - Lower Church

Saturday, March 21 - Lower Church

Saturday, March 28 - ICS Cafeteria

Following the 5:30 PM Mass, there will be a Lenten Supper of soup and bread. At about 7:00 PM, there will be a viewing of a part of *The Passion of the Christ*. Instruction and a Q&A period on that evening's segment will begin at approximately 7:45 PM.

Fr. Villa is a Bronx native who became a Franciscan brother in 1961. He was ordained a priest in 1969 and received a Doctorate in Ministry in 1980 from the Pittsburgh Theological Seminary. He resides in Mount Vernon and is on the regular faculty of St. Joseph's Seminary forming the permanent diaconate.

EASTCHESTER'S ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE

The Eastchester Irish-American Social Club is again sponsoring a St. Patrick's Day Parade on Sunday, **March 15**. This year's Grand Marshall will be Eamon Fitzpatrick. The day begins with Mass at 10:30 AM at Immaculate Conception. The parade will start at 3:00 PM at Immaculate Conception and will end at the Lake Isle Country Club. *All are welcome to join us as we march under the Immaculate Conception banner.* For more information, visit the social club's web site: www.eastchesterirish.org.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

The next session of the Bereavement Support Group will be on Wednesday **March 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 journeys from grief to healing and hope. Anyone who has endured the loss of a loved one is welcome to attend.

FEAST OF ST. JOSEPH

Thursday, March 19 is the Feast of St. Joseph. To celebrate the occasion, there will be a special Mass at Assumption at 7:30 PM, followed by hospitality at Fr. Fata Hall.

PALM CROSSES

Will be available for purchase after all Masses at Assumption & Immaculate Conception Churches the weekends of:



March 21st & March 22nd,
March 28th and March 29th, and
April 4th and April 5th



Prices are \$10.00 per Palm Cross
All proceeds benefit the children of
Immaculate Conception School

PARISH BLOOD DRIVE - SUNDAY, MARCH 29

Our parish blood drive will be held in the lower church on March 29 from 8:30 AM to 1:00 PM. Our last appointment will be at 12:45 PM. Anyone in good health between 17 and 75 years of age can be a donor, as long as your last blood donation was made before February 3 (56 days prior to our drive). There is an acute shortage of blood. Please try to donate. You could save a life. Sponsored by: Knights of Columbus Keogh Council #2108.

ICS News

How do you get to Carnegie Hall? Practice, of course! But on March 25, Carnegie Hall comes to ICS with a live jazz concert. *Jazz Interactive* will take place in the Lower Church and feature renowned musicians from the New York City jazz scene. For some of our students, it will be their first concert. How cool is that!

Our first graders are learning early in life that Lent is a very special season. Their Lenten promises to Jesus include: being kind to their brothers and sisters, helping to set the table, remembering to say "Good Morning," and trying to be a better person.

Parish School of Religion

The 8th grade parent meeting, which had originally been scheduled for March 2 but cancelled due to snow, has been rescheduled for Monday, March 9th at 7:30 PM in the Lower Church. Attendance is mandatory.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Stations of the Cross are scheduled at 7:30 PM every Friday in Lent at each parish and after the Friday noon Mass at Immaculate Conception. There will be a special schedule for Holy Week.

“BEHOLD THE LAMB” DAY TRIP

Please join the Assumption Altar Rosary Society on Thursday, **May 7** on a trip to Lancaster, PA to experience the sight & sound play, “Behold the Lamb,” an extraordinary play of Easter. The greatest words ever spoken ... the greatest miracles ever done ... and the greatest sacrifice ever given. Let the greatness and glory of the life of Jesus Christ fill you with His life-changing love. “Behold the Lamb” is a powerful presentation of the timeless message of the Savior, that “whoever believes in Him, shall not perish, but have eternal life!” The cost of \$100 per person includes bus, play and smorgasbord dinner. The bus leaves Assumption Church at 9:30 AM and returns at 9:30 PM. **Reservations must be in by April 5** and are on a first come basis; please call Michele Pinto: 337-7901.

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.

CHILDREN’S LENTEN PRACTICES

You may have noticed the small baskets on the ushers’ tables holding slips of papers called *Lenten Practices*. We encourage all our parish children, ages 6 and older, to take one slip every weekend and to carry out the suggested practice the following week. We also encourage, after the practice has been completed, for the children to sign (first names only) the slip of paper and place it into the collection basket as their official Lenten offering to Jesus.

CYO TEAMS

6TH GRADE BOYS BASEBALL

6TH - 8TH GRADE GIRLS SOFTBALL

The Immaculate Conception CYO still has openings in its 6th Grade Boys Baseball Team and 6th-8th Grade Girls Softball Team. To join the team, call Joe Annunziata at 804-7554 or e-mail nycon123@aol.com.

COMMUNITY NOTES

The Eastchester Police Department and members of the Frey family invite members of the community to attend the 13th Anniversary Mass in honor of Eastchester Police Officer Michael R. Frey, who was tragically slain in the line of duty on March 21, 1996. His memory will live on forever; he was a true hero and a friend to all. The Mass will be on Saturday evening, March 21 at 7:30 PM at Immaculate Conception.

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

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 3 years
 4 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.