

Immaculate Conception Church



GEORGE GREEN PARISH CENTER ••• 113 North Geneva Street ••• Ithaca, NY 14850 ••• 607-273-6121

Hours: Mon. – Fri. 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM, Sat. 9:00 AM – 6:00 PM, Sun. 8:00 AM – Noon

PARISH WEBSITE: www.immconch.org

February 20, 2011

Staff Connection...

On January 31, the Local School Advisory Board (LSAB) gave a presentation to the Tompkins County Covenanting Council representing the local catholic faith communities in our region. The Covenanting Council had expressed interest in the state of the school & how the region could support it. The LSAB presented 10 Ways Tompkins County Catholic Communities Can Support Immaculate Conception School, hoping the representatives would take these points back to their Pastoral Councils for discussion & support.

- ⇒ Encourage families to choose ICS & enthusiastically support those who do
- ⇒ Put ICS on your calendar three weekends a year:
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- 1. Allow ICS children to solicit Fun Walk sponsorships in late September
- 2. Celebrate Catholic Schools Week at a Mass in late January or early February
- 3. Host a registration open house social hour after Mass in the spring

- ⇒ Increase collections for ICS to 3-4 times a year to help close budget gap
- ⇒ Internet link with ICS banner on parish website homepage
- ⇒ Parish representative from each Catholic Community to join the ICS Local School Advisory Board and help develop a strategic action plan
- ⇒ Fixed annual budget item (transfer) dedicated to ICS
- ⇒ Dedicated space at each parish for ICS promotion/information, including a promotional postcard in each welcome packet, & a regular spot in the weekly bulletin
- ⇒ Access to parish census for Catholic Schools Appeal
- ⇒ Increased presence of Catholic Community members/staff at ICS celebrations
- ⇒ Establish volunteering relationship between ICS children & Catholic college students

The LSAB has been doing a fantastic job promoting the school & building up enthusiasm both within the school & in the community. Thanks to all of you for your support for the school . May the Lord continue to bless all of our endeavors.

Fr. Leo

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We are the people of Immaculate Conception (est. 1860) in Ithaca, NY (Tompkins County), a Parish of the Roman Catholic Church of the Diocese of Rochester. Inclusive and rich in diversity, we joyfully embrace our baptismal call to worship, celebrate sacramental life, nurture spiritual growth, foster lifelong faith formation, minister to others, share our gifts of time, talent and treasure, and affirm the Good News of Jesus Christ. We seek to welcome everyone no matter where they are in their spiritual journey.

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM: A preparation session is required **before the baptism of your child.** Please call 273-6121 prior to your due date for an appt.

RECONCILIATION: Saturday 3PM – 4:00PM

MARRIAGE: Please call 273-6121 at least 6 months in advance of your anticipated wedding date.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Call 273-6121 to request this sacrament.

Hospitalizations

Call 273-6121 if your loved one is in the hospital.


MASS SCHEDULE:

Mon., Thurs. 12:10PM, Tues., Wed., Fri., 7AM, Vigil Mass Saturday 4:30PM, Sunday 8:30 & 10:30AM

**February 20, 2011 – Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
Second Collection—Black, Native American & Hispanic Missions**

| DATE | EUCCHARISTIC INTENTIONS | PARISH EVENTS...THE WEEK AHEAD |
|---|---|--|
| Sunday, February 20 | 8:30AM—Salvatore Sciarra & family by Gerardo & Emma Sciarra 10:30AM—Edward Schano by Mary Schano (1 st Anniversary) | |
| Monday, February 21 President's Day | 12:10PM—Karen L. Jackson by Mary & Betty | 3PM—Mass Videos 3 & 4—McGraw House Parish Office Closed |
| Tuesday, February 22 | 7:00AM—John Boronkay by Richard & Carolyn Boronkay | 11AM—Food Pantry—Carges Hall Distribution begins at 1PM |
| Wednesday, February 23 | 7:00AM—Doug Fairgrieve By Jim & Sak Fairgrieve | |
| Thursday, February 24 | 12:10PM—Margaret Amici by the Andersons—Mary, Pat & Pam | 12:40PM—Adult Faith Formation—CH 7PM—All Committees Meeting—CH |
| Friday, February 25 | 7:00AM—Eileen Graham by Mary Graham | |
| Saturday, February 26 | 4:30PM—Darlene J. Adams by Birthright | Bunko Night—Following 4:30 Mass Dish-to-Share Dinner—Carges Hall |
| Sunday, February 27 | 8:30AM—Joseph M. Salino by Jeanne Salino 10:30AM—Bruno Kozak by Jim & Carolann Darling | Coffee Hour After 8:30 & 10:30AM Masses—CH 9:20AM—Religious Ed—School 11:45AM—Youth Group—School Gym 2PM—Regional Choir Practice—Church |

OUR SANCTUARY LAMP WILL BURN THIS WEEK
IN MEMORY OF WILLIAM "BILL" BRAZO
FROM THE BRAZO FAMILY



Adult Faith Formation—February Schedule

Thursdays following the 12:10PM Mass

The Following DVDs will be shown in February:

February 24th—Spirituality - Video

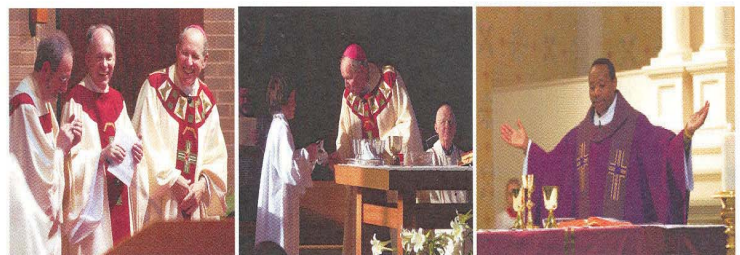
—Sister Joan Chittister, OSB

| OUR OFFERING TO THE LORD | |
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| February 13, 2010 | |
| Collection 2011 | \$ 7,825 |
| Budgeted (\$10,118 weekly) | \$ 333,894 |
| Actual Collections: wk 33of FY | \$ 284,864 |
| OVER/(UNDER) to date | \$ (49,030) |
| Collection 2010 | \$ 7,306 |
| ***** | |
| School Support 2011 | \$ 1,645 |
| School Support 2010 | \$ 1,580 |
| ***** | |
| Attendance 2011 | 725 |
| Attendance 2010 | 734 |
| CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL | |
| Goal = \$52,588 | |
| We have reached 68% of our goal! | |

Our sincere thanks to the families of
ROBERT KOPF and RITA BANGS
for remembering Immaculate Conception School
in the obituaries of their loved ones.



Have you ever wondered about PRIESTHOOD?



°What's it like to be a priest?
°How does a person know God wants him to be a priest?
°What if I'm thinking about it? °Who do I talk to? °What steps should I take now?
Meet Fr. Bob Werth and some of our seminarians and get the answers to these and other questions!
Find out what Becket Hall is all about.

Come and See
Friday, February 25th, 2011 at Becket Hall 5:30 to 8:00pm
2617 East Avenue, Rochester

PIZZA—PRAYER—PEOPLE YOUR AGE!—this event is for young men in high school.
Call Becket Hall at 585-267-7149 or email vocations@dor.org by Wednesday, 2/23, to reserve your spot.

ORDER OF THE MASS:

The Liturgy of the Eucharist I

WHAT IS THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST?

The phrase "Liturgy of the Eucharist" has two uses. It can describe the overall celebration of Mass, with all its parts. Or it can describe the particular section of the Mass that involves the taking, blessing, breaking and sharing of the gifts of bread and wine. It is this second usage that we will be describing in this insert and the next one.

"For Christ took the bread and the chalice and gave thanks; he broke the bread and gave it to his disciples, saying, 'Take, eat, and drink; this is my Body; this is the cup of my Blood. Do this in memory of me.' Accordingly, the Church has arranged the entire celebration of the Liturgy of the Eucharist in parts corresponding to precisely these words and actions of Christ:

"1. At the Presentation of the Gifts, the bread and the wine with water are brought to the altar, the same elements that Christ took into his hands.

"2. In the Eucharistic prayer, thanks is given to God for the whole work of salvation, and the offerings become the Body and Blood of Christ.

"3. Through the fraction and through Communion, the faithful, though they are many, receive from the one bread the Lord's Body and from the one chalice the Lord's Blood in the same way the apostles received them from Christ's own hands."

The components of the Liturgy of the Eucharist are:

Preparation of the Gifts and Altar The Prayer over the Offerings

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Communion Rite

The Lord's Prayer

The Rite of Peace

**Breaking of Bread or Fraction
(with "Lamb of God")**

Communion Procession

Prayer After Communion

In this insert we will consider the first two parts of the Liturgy of the Eucharist: the preparation of the altar and gifts and the Eucharistic Prayer.

THE CHURCH OFFERS THANKS AND PRAISE TO GOD

Many centuries ago, the Psalmist raised the question: "How can I make a return to the Lord for all the good he has done for me?" (Psalm 115:12). The question is ours as well: how do we acknowledge the wonderful gifts of God given to us? We offer simple gifts – the Psalmist offered "the cup of salvation" – that contain a whole world of meaning.

The Christian community takes simple bread and wine, the elements used by Jesus at the Last Supper, as the means of giving thanks and praise to God. Both elements are "fruit of the earth and work of human hands." They represent not just basic food and drink; but more deeply they represent our whole lives. All that our lives are about – our

work, our struggles, our hopes, our joys, our hungers, our satisfactions – are symbolized in these gifts. We are united in our offering, just as many grains make one loaf and many grapes make one cup. When the bread and wine are carried up the aisle to the altar, it is all our lives being carried there. It is our lives, just as they are, in the form of bread and wine, which we place upon the altar as our offering.

The donations of money and gifts for the poor also symbolize the gift of our lives to God. These gifts are given in response to the Word of God to support the mission of Christ through the parish community.

A Prayer over the Offerings is then prayed as a way to express our intention and hopes for these gifts.

Then "the center and summit of the entire celebration begins:" the Eucharistic Prayer. This is the great prayer of thanksgiving and sanctification. The priest/presider invites the congregation to lift up their hearts to the Lord; "he unites the congregation with himself in the prayer that he addresses in the name of the entire community to God the Father through Jesus Christ in the Holy Spirit." Through the Eucharistic Prayer the entire congregation of the faithful, with one voice (literally – the voice of the priest), joins itself with Christ in confessing the great deeds of God and in offering the sacrifice.

The Eucharistic Prayer sanctifies or consecrates the offerings through the power of the Holy Spirit, so that our gifts of bread and wine (our lives) become the Body and Blood of Christ. It is as though God responds to our praise and gratitude by sharing even more richly and deeply the presence of his love.

There are ten (10) Eucharistic Prayers currently approved for use in the dioceses of the United States: Eucharistic Prayer I or The Roman Canon, Eucharistic Prayer II (basically a third century text of

Hippolytus), Eucharistic Prayer III (a 20th century composition based on the Roman Canon), Eucharistic Prayer IV (a fourth-century text of Saint Basil), two Eucharistic Prayer of Reconciliation (used in Lent and other appropriate occasions), three Eucharistic Prayers for Masses with Children, and a Eucharistic Prayer for Masses for Various Needs and Occasions (also used for appropriate occasions).

We stand for the first part of the Eucharistic Prayer, known as the Preface. It is highly variable, changing with the particular day, feast, occasion or liturgical season. It states our motives for praising and glorifying God and leads to the acclamation *Holy, Holy, Holy*.

After the *Holy, Holy, Holy*, the Prayer continues to give God thanks and praise as we remember the wonderful works done for us, especially in the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. The centerpiece of this prayerful remembrance is the "institution narrative." We remember how "on the night he was betrayed," Jesus took the bread and cup and said "This is my Body, this is my Blood."

In the Prayer too we ask God to send the Holy Spirit on our gifts of bread and wine, and on us who will receive these gifts that they that we may be consecrated to be "one body, one spirit in Christ." We pray as well for the Church, and all the living and dead. And we end the Prayer on another note of praise.

The Great Amen, sung by the congregation, gives consent to all that has been voiced.

The material in this insert is based on paragraphs #72-79 of the *General Instruction of the Roman Missal*. The full text is available from the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops at 1-800-235-8722 or www.usccb.org.

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Lenten Small Faith Sharing Groups Opportunities

The Evangelization Team encourages parishioners to join others from the parish to share your faith and encourage discussion to increase your faith during the 6 weeks of Lent starting the week of Ash Wednesday (March 9th).

During the 3 years that the Disciples in Mission (DIM) program was offered, an average of 10 small faith sharing groups met for the 6 weeks of Lent, primarily in homes and some at the parish center.

This year, with the introduction of Roman Missal III in November, the English speaking church has been asked to reflect on the Mass in our lives. Lent is a wonderful time for us to gather & to share our reflections on the Eucharist. It is a good time for us to ask people who perhaps have wandered away from the church to come to learn & reflect on the Eucharist. Instead of reflection on the Sunday readings, the Mass prayers for the Sundays of Lent & other resources regarding the parts of the Mass will be made available:

1. INTRODUCTORY RITES - Entrance Song/Penitential Rite through Opening Prayer
2. LITURGY OF THE WORD - First Reading through Homily and General Intercessions

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LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Preparation of the Altar and the Gifts through Prayer over the Gifts

Preface through Memorial Acclamation (Sanctus)

Eucharistic Prayer

Lord's Prayer through Sign of Peace

Breaking the Bread through Prayer after Communion

6. CONCLUDING RITE – Going Forth with Joy

If you are interested in joining a faith sharing group for the 6 weeks of Lent, please complete the following form and return it through the collection basket or to the Parish Center before February 28th. Please print clearly.

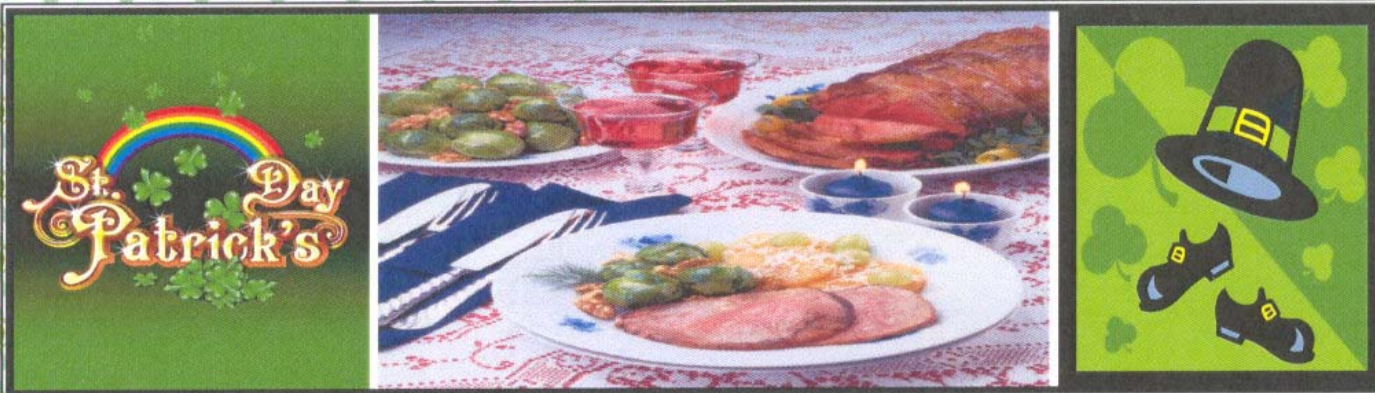
NAME: _____ PHONE: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____

I AM INTERESTED IN JOINING a FAITH SHARING GROUP FOR THE 6 WEEKS OF LENT.

I PREFER TO ATTEND SESSIONS _____ During the day – AM or PM , Mon./Tues./Wed./Thurs./Fri. (circle)

_____ Early Evening – Mon./Tues./Wed./Thurs. (circle)



SAINT PATRICK'S DINNER

SATURDAY, MARCH 12th
IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
CARGES HALL

Doors open at 5:30 p.m., Blessing @ 5:45, Dinner Served at 6:00 p.m.

Menu Includes:

Salad, Soda Bread, Corned Beef, Cabbage, Boiled Potatoes, Carrots
Coffee, Tea, Soft Drinks, and Desserts.

Adults \$9.00

Children (under 12) \$5.00

A fundraiser by and for the
FAMILY BASED RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED

PLEASE COMPLETE THE ATTACHED RESERVATION FORM
AND RETURN, WITH PAYMENT, TO PARISH CENTER
NO LATER THAN MONDAY, MARCH 7th.
Don't delay, this event SELLS OUT quickly!

St. Patrick's Dinner Reservation

Name : _____

of Adults _____ X's \$9.00

of Children under 12 _____ \$5.00

TOTAL \$ _____

Join Us... BUNKO NIGHT & DISH-TO-SHARE
 SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 26
 AFTER 4:30PM MASS
 ~SEE YOU IN CARGES HALL~

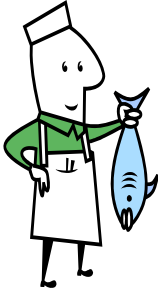
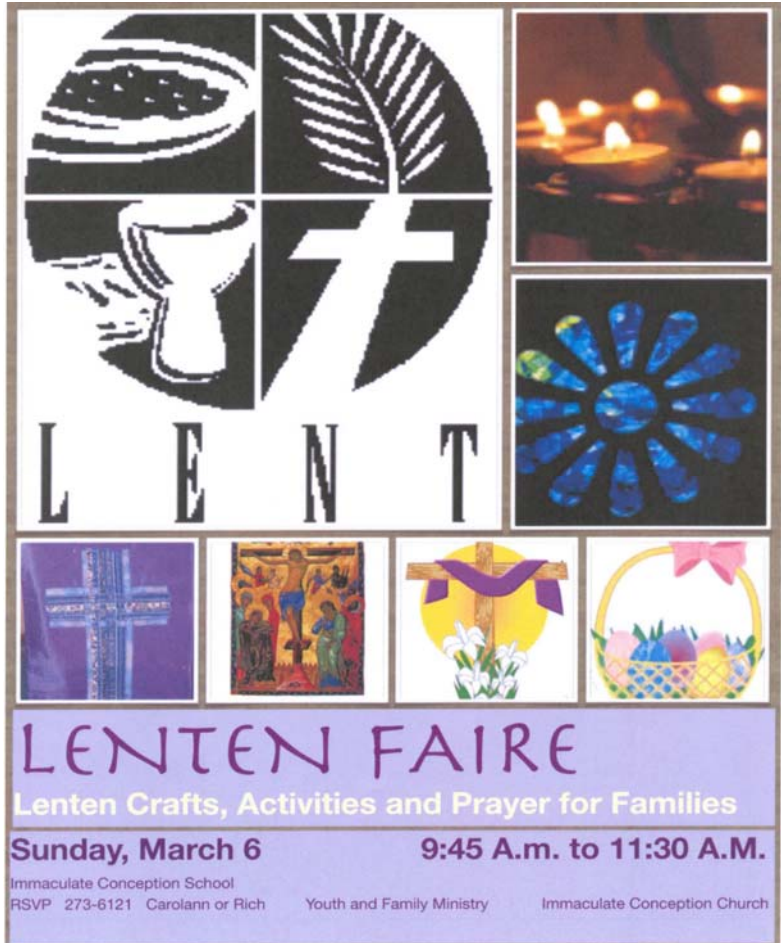


LENTEN FISH FRY

Friday March 25, 2011
 5—7PM Carges Hall

Tickets on Sale at the ICC Rectory
 Advanced Ticket Sale ONLY

Sponsored by the
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

LENTEN FAIRE
 Lenten Crafts, Activities and Prayer for Families
Sunday, March 6 9:45 A.m. to 11:30 A.M.
 Immaculate Conception School
 RSVP 273-6121 Carolann or Rich Youth and Family Ministry Immaculate Conception Church

EVERYDAY EVANGELIZATION

Jesus, I Trust in You

In the spirit of "Disciples in Mission,"
 the Evangelization Team
 presents these easy, everyday ways
 to give witness to our faith,
 as our Lord asked us.

Suggestions-

1. Give public witness to what you believe by how you treat others.
2. Be a living witness to the Gospel by doing good things for others without any expectations of any direct reward.

Be not afraid

"If you want others to be happy, practice compassion.
 If you want to be happy, practice compassion."

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL:

Health Care Facilities Chaplaincies is overseen by Deacon John Brasley, Health Care Ministry Coordinator. This ensures the roll of the chaplain in all hospitals, long-term facilities, psychiatric care, and veterans' care throughout the diocese.



SATURDAY MARCH 5, 2011

ST. MARY, ELMIRA

10 A.M. - 5 P.M.
 \$15 PER YOUTH

COST INCLUDES SNACKS, LUNCH AND SUPPLIES

CONTACT: LINDA MEHLENBACHER
 DOR COORDINATOR OF YOUTH MINISTRY

585-328-3228 X 1279 OR LMEHLENBACHER@DOR.ORG

**RETREAT FOR
 MIDDLE SCHOOL
 YOUTH
 GRADES 6-7-8**

PARISH STAFF

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 Bulletin requests must be re-
 ceived no later than close of
 business on Tuesdays.