

HAVE A RESTFUL Labor Day

In
green pastures
He makes
me lie down;
to still waters
He leads me;
He restores
my soul.

Psalms 23:2-3

Immaculate Conception CATHOLIC CHURCH

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PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

To know, love and serve God and one another as a true community of faith.

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Reverend Peter A. Sagorski, Pastor Emeritus
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SUNDAY MASSES:

Saturday Vigil: 4:30 p.m.
Sunday: 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

HOLY DAY MASSES:

Holy Days: 10:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

DAILY MASS:

8:00 a.m. - Monday through Friday
9:00 a.m. - Saturday

CONFESSIONS:

Saturday: 4:00 - 4:25 p.m.

BAPTISMS:

Call the office for appointment.

MARRIAGES:

Call the Office at least four months in advance.

NEW PARISHIONERS:

Welcome to the Parish.
Please register after Mass or at the Office.

WEB SITE:

www.icparishmb.org

Please remember Immaculate Conception in your will.

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Mass Intentions

Saturday, September 2

9:00 a.m. Ann Sugrue Blanke by niece, Karen
4:30 p.m. Mary Duffy by Ed & Stephanie Doran

Sunday, September 3

7:30 a.m. Diane Spinosa by Nat & Sonja Villaire
9:00 a.m. People of the Parish
11:00 a.m. Mary Lou Petrozelli by the Petrozelli Family

Monday, September 4

8:00 a.m. George Polster by Toni Polster

Tuesday, September 5

8:00 a.m. Frank Minutti by Wendy & Judy Ellis

Wednesday, September 6

8:00 a.m. Anita Fadden by Tom & Ann Youngblood

Thursday, September 7

8:00 a.m. James Lambkin by the Mendes Family

Friday, September 8

8:00 a.m. Anita Fadden by Deacon Mike & Dolly Biennas

Saturday, September 9

9:00 a.m. Kevin Shugrue by Karen Joos
4:30 p.m. Bill Leigh by Jim & Eileen Totten

Sunday, September 10

7:30 a.m. People of the Parish
9:00 a.m. Anthony Guido by the Immaculate Conception Women's Guild
11:00 a.m. Mickey McDonough by Nora & Bob Wallace



Offertory Collection \$9,215.50



If you would like to purchase fresh flowers for the altar for a special occasion or in memory of a loved one contact Joy Dimon at 956-1834.

Altar Flowers: September 3, 2017 – In loving memory of Deceased Members of the Daukshus & Torelli Families

VISITS FOR THE SICK

If you know someone who is homebound, in a nursing home or rehabilitation center, and would like a visit from the Ministers to the Sick or a priest, please notify Susan Misner at 514-9548.

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA

A Miraculous Medal Novena will be held every Monday immediately following the 8:00 a.m. Mass. Booklets for the Novena are in the center aisle.

PRAYER LINE

Please call in prayer requests for the Telephone Prayer Line to Marian Kulik at 728-1302 or Rosemarie Meerbott at 725-7053.

DAILY ROSARY AND BOOK OF PETITIONS

There is a prayer petition book to Our Lady of the Rosary located on the shelf at the back of the church. List your petitions - they will be included with the recitation of the rosary prayed before and after daily Mass. All are welcome to join us.

FAITH FORMATION

Faith Formation will begin on Wednesday, September 6th at 3:30 p.m. For questions please contact Debbie Weir-Khan at dweirkhan@icparishmb.org

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS
OF HOLY COMMUNION**

Saturday, September 9

4:30 p.m. Vicezina Bates, Dolly Biennas, Maria Elliott, Andy Klausman, Mary Pat Maguire, Marlene Marando, Judi Mendes, George Rybicki, Dan Savage

Sunday, September 10

7:30 a.m. Jackie Baduini, Bill Devaney, Bonita Payne, Amy Sullivan
9:00 a.m. Carol Colombo, Gary Easton, Bill & Linda Fadden, Lois Keefe, Angela Phillips, Camille Stimpson, Barbara Van Dam, Sonja Villaire
11:00 a.m. Mike Benner, Ava & Terry Cronin Jr., Agnes Crowley, Sheila Didier, Jim Gilliam, Barbara Lizardi, Terry Pierce, Judith Rohan

READERS

Saturday, September 9

4:30 p.m. Andrew Klausman, Adam Blackwell

Sunday, September 10

7:30 a.m. Eric Smith, Amy Sullivan
9:00 a.m. Jennifer Helin, Christopher Kehm
11:00 a.m. Barbara Loftus, Sarah Malesic

ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday, September 9

4:30 p.m. Samuel & Evan Blackwell

Sunday, September 10

7:30 a.m. None available
9:00 a.m. Coral Kehm, Mylee Rainbow
11:00 a.m. Ellie & Grady Bonenberger

BIRTHRIGHT/GENESIS HOUSE

This weekend, **September 2nd & 3rd** is Birthright Weekend, for our parish. Checks should be made out to "Birthright" or "Genesis House". In conjunction with this collection we will also have the **Penny Sunday Collection**. Please consider giving your pennies to Birthright, an organization that helps pregnant, needy mothers.

IN SYMPATHY

Please pray for the eternal repose of the souls of John Michael Boltz, and Joan Yeisley, parishioners who died recently. On behalf of Immaculate Conception, we extend our prayerful sympathy to their families. May they rest in peace.

**HURRICANE HARVEY EMERGENCY
SECOND COLLECTION
THIS WEEKEND**

Please be as generous as possible to aid those who have been affected by Hurricane Harvey. "In solidarity with our brothers and sisters, we join dioceses throughout the country to participate in an emergency collection to assist the victims of Hurricane Harvey. Our hearts and prayers go out to the families that have lost loved ones and to all who have lost homes and businesses along with their sense of peace and normalcy. We pray for the first responders as they minister to those who are suffering. We ask God to enlighten the eyes of our heart that we might bring hope to His people". Bishop John Noonan, Diocese of Orlando

WOMEN'S GUILD

MARK YOUR CALENDAR for 2017

Sept. 11 at 9:30 a.m.	Board Meeting
September 27	Card/game party w/lunch
Nov. 6 at 9:30 a.m.	Board Meeting
Nov. 11	Dinner/Dance
December 4 at noon	Christmas Luncheon

Adoration Chapel News

Is the Lord asking you to spend an hour with Him?

The Blessed Sacrament is now exposed on:

Mondays from 12 midnight – 8 a.m. & 9 a.m. – 9 p.m.

Tuesdays from 9 a.m. – 9 p.m.

The chapel is open 24 hours, 7 days a week for prayer.

Permanent adorers needed Mondays 2-3 p.m. & 4:00

p.m. – 5:00 p.m. every other week & Tuesdays 11:00

a.m. – 12 noon. Substitute adorers needed for Mondays

& Tuesdays.

Call (321)514-9548 to volunteer, or fill out a card and leave it in the basket in the chapel.

RCIA*, A JOURNEY OF FAITH

What is God's plan for you? This year's RCIA program will start with an organizational inquiry meeting on Monday September 18, at 7:30 PM in the Parish Cato Office Building. The program is open to all (including Catholics) who wish to know more about the Catholic Church, its beliefs and teachings. We will discuss the traditions and prayers of the Church, the Sacraments, the Mass, Lent etc. There is no cost or obligation. For more information contact the office or call Bob Hildebrand at (321)779-8444.

STEPHEN MINISTERS PROVIDE CHRISTIAN FOCUSED CARE IN LIFE'S CRISES

Stephen Ministers are your parishioners who have been trained to offer Christian care giving support to people struggling through difficult times like the loss of a job or a loved one, after a relationship ends, or during a difficult medical situation. To find out more call us at 321-725-0552.

MINISTRY TO THE SICK

Are you being called to serve the community as a Minister to the Sick? It is a tremendous privilege and gift to bring the Lord to hospitalized, nursing home, rehab and homebound Catholics. There is a current need for ministers to visit Holmes Regional Medical Center during the week and weekends, mornings and afternoons, and also to visit nursing home, rehab and homebound parishioners. For more information please contact Susan Misner 321-514-9548.

SHEPHERD'S CENTER - BEACHSIDE Fall Term - 2017

Time for "Adventures in Learning" at the Shepherd Center! Classes meet Thursday, starting September 28 at Eastminster Presbyterian Church in Indialantic, and Fridays at Ascension Lutheran Church (1053 Pinetree Drive) in Indian Harbour Beach. More information is in the brochure, in the Church or Parish Office. Any questions, call the Shepherd's Center (610-3937) or Judy Rohan (953-8368.)

BIBLE TIMELINE STUDY STARTS OCTOBER 4TH!

If you want a better understanding of our faith, and a deeper relationship with God, then you should join us for The Bible Timeline Study, beginning Wednesday, October 4th at 9:00am in the Parish Office. The Bible Timeline is a Catholic Bible study that can help anyone to make sense of the Bible and experience the life-changing power of God's Word. For more information or to register for the study contact Jean Roye at 954-873-0746 or jcrove122@yahoo.com

FR. BEN'S "PAPER CLIPS"



Blessings on this great Day of the Lord!

Religious education/faith formation is getting underway, and I highly encourage our parish families with children and teens to participate! **It's**

not too late to sign up!

Our young people are daily bombarded (as are adults) with all sorts of "messages" about how to live, make decisions, what's important, who and what can be thrown away, what will make you happy and successful...and most of these messages are miles from the beautiful Gospel of Christ, which is our surest anchor in a turbulent world. So, if we want our young people to know a different message from that of their world, then they need to be engaged with us in religious education/faith formation! We'll celebrate all our catechists in a couple of weeks at the 11am Mass on September 17!

I'm most excited to share with you **that we will begin celebrating the wonderful Sacrament of Infant Baptism at Mass, and the first celebration is coming Saturday, September 9 at the 4:30pm Eucharist!** In my previous 12 years as a pastor, I was blessed to celebrate baptisms in this manner for 10 of those years—and I can tell you, the celebrations are not only transformative for the baptism families themselves, but even more so for the parish as a whole, especially when you get to witness and participate at the Mass.

A few words about WHY celebrate at a Sunday Eucharist? In the Introduction to the Rite of Baptism for Children, the Church tells us: "to bring out the paschal character of baptism, it is recommended that the sacrament be celebrated during the Easter Vigil or on Sunday, when the Church commemorates the Lord's resurrection...**so that the entire community may be present and the relationship between baptism and eucharist may be clearly seen...."**

So instead of a very small group of family and friends gathering in a mostly "empty" church, sharing a virtual monologue of prayer—our families who present their children for baptism will be welcomed into a joyful gathering of our parish community—their little family literally surrounded by OUR Immaculate Conception parish family! We proclaim that baptism is new life in Christ and incorporation into the "body" of Christ—so what better place to live this out than when the "body" gathers for the greatest day of the week, the Lord's day, and we are all here to say, "You aren't alone! We are here for you in raising your child in the Catholic faith!"

From my own personal (and yes, biased) experience, I know that nothing touches, moves or teaches an assembly of God's people more than the sight of a beautiful, vulnerable baby emerging from the waters of baptism. It's the surest way to put a smile on anyone's face! Oh...and by the way...being the practical guy I am (and knowing many of you are too)—**celebrating baptisms at Mass will not make the Mass longer**—only more amazing and joyful!

Make it a great week ahead!

Fr. Ben

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