

Diocese of Allentown

# The Immaculate Conception Parish

Churches of  
Immaculate Conception & St. Joseph  
Jim Thorpe, PA 18229

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Tues. & Thurs. 12:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.  
*St. Joseph Church side entrance is open  
daily for private prayer*



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The Diocese of Allentown provides assistance to anyone, who as a minor, was sexually abused by a priest, deacon, or employee / volunteer of the Diocese / Parish. Parents, guardians, children, and survivors of sexual abuse are invited and encouraged to contact the Diocese of Allentown for more information about the program. The fullness of compassion should be extended to these victims by the Church.

If you have an allegation of abuse against a bishop, please contact the Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service  
[www.ReportBishopAbuse.org](http://www.ReportBishopAbuse.org) or by calling 800-276-1562.

*November 6, 2022 ~ The Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time*

**WORSHIP**

Saturday Vigil: ..... 4:30 p.m. @ Immaculate Conception  
Sunday: ..... 8:30 a.m. @ St. Joseph Church; 10:30 a.m @ Immaculate Conception  
Daily Mass: ..... 8:00 a.m. Mon. & Thurs. @ ICC; Tues. & Fri. @ SJC; Wed., rotates weekly  
Holy Days: ..... As announced  
First Saturday: ..... 9:00 a.m. rotates Church every month, Dec-ICC; Jan-SJC; Feb-ICC  
Exposition & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Wednesdays, 12 Noon to 6pm, Rotates Weekly

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:**

Wednesdays at 5:00 p.m.  
1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of month @ ICC  
2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of month @ SJC

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:**

Call the Rectory for registration and necessary preparations. Parents must attend a Baptism Prep Class, which are offered monthly.

**SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:**

Call the rectory at least six months in advance of proposed wedding date for registration and any necessary preparations.

**ANOINTING OF THE SICK:**

This Sacrament is provided to any sick, or elderly person who requests it. Notify the Rectory office as soon as someone becomes seriously ill, so that they might receive this Sacrament, please do not wait until death is imminent.

**COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND:**

Fr. Minner & Eucharistic Ministers visit monthly those who are homebound and wish to receive Communion. Please call the Rectory to notify us about someone who wishes to be visited.

**NEW MEMBERS:**

Welcome! Please call or email the Rectory in order to register. Please notify the office if you change your address or move away.

**PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM:**

PREP Classes are held Sunday at 9:30 a.m. Sept-May  
Rose Strubinger, CRE , iccprep1@gmail.com

**ST. JEROME REGIONAL SCHOOL:**

Mrs. Amy Hannis-Miskar, Principal  
570-668-2757; sjrschool.com

**ST. JOHN NEUMANN REGIONAL SCHOOL:**

Mrs. Mary Comensky, Principal  
610-826-2354; altcsjn@ptd.net

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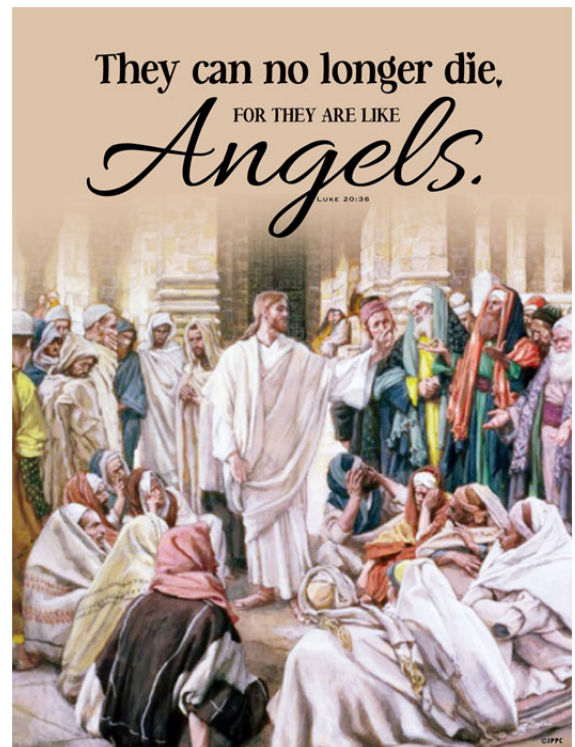
Mr. Michael Brennan, Head of School  
570-467-3335; mariancatholichs.org

**WEEK AT A GLANCE**

**Mon. 11/ 7:** RCIA, 6:30-8:30 pm  
**Tues. 11/8:** Flame of Love Rosary, 8:30 am;  
Baptism Class, 6:30-8 pm  
**Thurs. 11/10:** SJC Choir, 7pm

**No Confessions or Adoration  
this week due to Diocesan  
Priest Convocation**

Lay Ministers Nov. 12/13			
Ministry	Sat. 4:30pm ICC	Sun. 8:30 am SJC	Sun 10:30am ICC
Lector:	Karen Sofranko	John McGuire	James Novak
E.M.:	Rose Reese Caitlin McArdle Deacon Jack	Gloria Kehrli, Mary McGuire, Pam Heydt	Deacon Jack



# The Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

*Special Prayer Intentions- these are the people for whom we will be praying at Mass:*

## **Sat. Nov. 5**

4:30 pm (ICC) **Bill McElmoyle** (Fern Miller)

## **Sun. Nov. 6**

8:30 am (SJC) **In Honor of All Veterans**

10:30 am (ICC) **Jessica Heaney Brown** (Dave & Children)

## **Mon. Nov. 7**

8:00 am (ICC) **All Souls / Richard Klepper** (Venice & Frances Klepper)

## **Tues. Nov. 8**

*Election Day*

8:00 am (SJC) **Joseph Moss** (Sarah Moss) / **Eleanor Stoneback, 22<sup>nd</sup> Anniv.** (Roush Family)

## **Wed. Nov. 9** **The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica**

\*\*\* No Mass or Adoration \*\*\*

## **Thurs. Nov. 10** **St. Leo the Great**

\*\*\* No Mass \*\*\*

## **Fri. Nov. 11** **St. Martin of Tours; Veterans Day**

\*\*\* No Mass \*\*\*

## **Sat. Nov. 12** **St. Josaphat**

9:00 am (SJC) *Rosary for Life*

*The 33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time*

## **Sat. Nov. 12**

4:00 pm (ICC) **In Honor of the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Carbon LAOH**

## **Sun. Nov. 13**

8:30 am (SJC) **George Marzen** (Dinh Nguyen & Family of CA) /

**In Honor of Sister Maureen Donati on her 25<sup>th</sup> Jubilee** (Theresa & Terry Popek)

10:30 am (ICC) **All Our Parishioners, Living & Deceased**

### IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH

FLOWERS ON THE MAIN ALTAR are In Loving Memory of *Eleanor Stoneback* (by, Roush Family)

### ST. JOSEPH CHURCH CANDLES

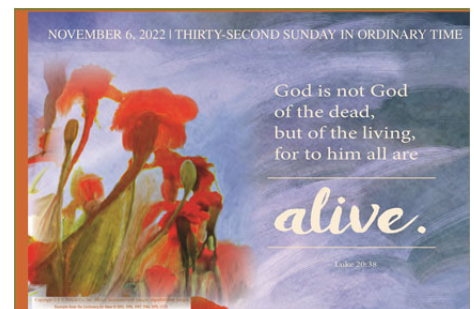
SAINT JOSEPH: In Memory of *Robert Lauer, wedding anniversary* (Requested by Mary Louise)

**PARISH STEWARDSHIP:** 10/2/22: \$ 5,774.00

**Thank you** for your continued support & generosity.

**PLEASE NOTE:** There are no Masses Wednesday, Thursday, or Friday this week due to the Diocesan Priest Convocation.

**THE ALL SOULS DAY ENVELOPES** included in the mailed packet will be placed on the Altars during the month of November. Please complete the back of the envelope if you wish to have someone remembered at all the Masses in November.



### **TAKE NOTE!!**

**Special Mass time next Sat., Nov 12.** Mass will be held 30 mins earlier at 4:00 p.m.

**REST IN PEACE:** Kindly pray for the souls of **Victor Turner, Connie Marzen, and Anne Borosh**, who were called to their eternal reward. Please remember them and their loved ones in your prayers. May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, rest in peace.

**RECTORY OFFICE CLOSED:**

Immaculate Conception Rectory office will be closed Mon. Nov. 7<sup>th</sup>.

Saint Joseph Rectory Office will be closed Thurs., & Fri., Nov. 10/11.

Messages and emails will be checked or you may call Immaculate Conception at 570-325-2791.

Thank you.



**PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING:**

The first meeting for our Parish Council will be Tuesday, November 15<sup>th</sup> at 6pm in the Immaculate Conception Rectory. Those parishioners who approached Fr. Minner by email, text, phone call and verbally are invited to attend.

Our first meeting will be somewhat lengthy as there are details to be laid out before we start the council agenda. Thank you to those who agreed to take part.



**BASKET NAME DONATION DEADLINE!**

If you would like to donate a basket please contact Judy at 570-325-3310.

**The type or name of Basket is due by Monday, November 7<sup>th</sup>** to be included on the ticket. All physical baskets need to be donated by Friday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>. Drawing will be held Friday, December 9<sup>th</sup> and baskets available for pickup at Masses that weekend at ICC.



**MEMORIAL FUND DONATIONS:** We would like to acknowledge donations made in memory of **Frank & Mary Alice Jacobs** from Kevin & Nancy Trice; In Memory of **Josephine Walsh** from the Walsh Family.

**ST. JOSEPH MISSALS** for Cycle A (begins First Sunday of Advent, Nov. 27<sup>th</sup>) are available in both Churches. As a gift to the parish, we have reduced the suggested offering to \$2 per missal.



**THANKSGIVING BASKETS OF FOOD:**

Are you in need of some extra food assistance? Or do you know someone, a couple, or a family, that could use some extra help of a Food Basket this Holiday? Our Thanksgiving Food collection will begin soon, and there are many people in need in our area. Please call or send a note to the Rectory office.



**FOOD BOXES** will be in both Churches this week. We are asking for donations of canned goods and nonperishable items for those in need. Food items will be distributed for Thanksgiving. Thank You!!



**THE 2023 MASS BOOK IS NOW OPEN FOR REQUESTS.**

Requests for specific dates must be scheduled through Immaculate Conception Rectory Office, 570-325-2791, Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri, from 8:30am to 2pm, or email iccjt@ptd.net. General Mass intentions without a specific date request can be done through either St. Joseph or Immaculate Conception Rectory.

Also, Mass intention envelopes are available in the Church for requesting a Mass. You can fill out an envelope, providing the name of the person the Mass is being requested for, the date requested, & include the name & phone number of person requesting the Mass. Mass requests can be done through the mail, the collection, email, or over the phone. The Mass stipend is \$10/request. Please note that due to the high volume of weekend requests, a limit of two requests a year per family will be accepted for a Saturday vigil/Sunday Mass. Weekday Mass requests are not limited at this time.



**LAOH 25<sup>th</sup> JUBILEE CELEBRATION**

Next Saturday, Nov. 12<sup>th</sup> the Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians will celebrate the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of their charter. A special Mass will be held at 4pm that weekend to commemorate the milestone. A dinner celebration with dancing will be held at 5:30pm at the Mauch Chunk Ballroom following Mass. Tickets prices are \$50/person and includes wine & beer. Trolley service will be available from the Church's lower parking lot. Contact Sallianne Newton, at 570-952-1822, or sallianne37@gmail.com, for additional information and tickets.



**MEN'S MISSION:** Our collection for the children in Tanzania amounted to \$596.34. Thank you to all who support this mission each month. Our next collection will be November 19 & 20.



**THANK YOU VETERANS!!**  
To all Veterans of our parish & community that faithfully served their country. Your sacrifices are appreciated.  
God Bless You!

**BE A FAITHFUL CITIZEN AND VOTE THIS TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8<sup>th</sup>!**



**ADVENT WREATH CANDLES** ~ The 4 Advent Wreath candles are available to be memorialized for \$10 each. The First Sunday of Advent is Nov. 27<sup>th</sup>. Please call or email the Rectory if you are interested in remembering or honoring someone in this way.



**STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS:** Many of our students should be receiving their report cards soon, or they have already- Father Minner is looking for any student who achieved an academic honor, (Distinguished, First or Second) or has been noted as outstanding in some subject or awarded some other type of honorable recognition within a marking period. Call the Rectory office or let Fr. Minner know!

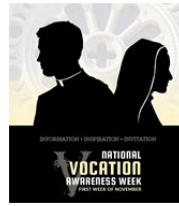
**NEW ITEMS ARRIVED: FOR SALE!** Sofa: 87"x38", Solid Oak Craftsmen style, Navajo pattern of green, blue and burgundy with 6 cushions- \$150; Wicker Trunk, 35"w x 19"d x 19"h -\$30; Folding Camping chair - \$5; Microwave - \$30.



**THRIFT SHOP AND GARAGE SALE DONATIONS:** The parish will NOT be accepting donations beginning November 1 through April as we did in the past. The upcoming winter season makes it difficult for our volunteers to sort through items left outdoors and the parish does not have the additional space for storage. The Thrift shop will remain open on Mon., Wed. & Sat. as usual, but we will not be having garage sales until Spring.

**BOOK RECOMMENDATION:** *With God in Russia* by Father Walter Ciszek, S.J. If anyone is interested in reading this book, please stop in the St Joseph Rectory office. "This book is a life changer" said a parishioner. Father Ciszek being considered for sainthood. He lived in Shenandoah, PA. As a youth and by his admission, page 18 of the book, he was a bully, the leader of a gang, a streetfighter, etc. and was headed for reform school. Then it all changed for the better!

**THEOLOGY ON TAP:** Thursday, Nov. 10<sup>th</sup>, 7pm, held at Hops at The Paddock, 1945 W. Columbia St, Allentown. All Young Adults are invited to join us for an evening of fellowship, libations, and reflections on living the Catholic faith. The event is FREE to attend - just pay for your choice of refreshments!



**TODAY BEGINS VOCATION AWARENESS WEEK:** As Catholics, we firmly believe that God has a plan for our lives! He calls some to marriage, some to the priesthood, and others to religious life or to live as generous single people. Fully living our own vocations—and teaching young people how to discern God’s call—is a serious duty, but also a joyful one. During this week, please encourage the young people in your life —children, grandchildren, students, and friends—to be open if God calls them to priesthood or religious life.

**"WRITING YOUR LEGACY LETTER" WORKSHOP:** For most people, writing a will that outlines your financial matters is a standard part of estate planning. But what happens to the non-financial valuables left behind? The Diocese of Allentown is hosting a legacy letter writing workshop to guide individuals in sharing their wishes with their loved ones for items like family photos, recipes, heirloom furniture, and more.



The workshop, led by Ginny Downey from the Diocesan Office of Stewardship & Development, will offer a brief history of legacy letters & ethical wills, & provide guidance & hands-on exercises so that participants can create unique, personal documents to share with heirs & loved ones. The "Writing Your Legacy Letter" workshop is free & will be held at John Paul II Center for Special Learning on Fri., Nov. 11, from 10am to 2:30pm. Lunch will be provided. Participants will learn how to create an "ethical will," which will share love, wisdom, faith, & life lessons with loved ones. To register for the Legacy Letter Workshop contact Ginny, gdowney@allentowndioocese.org or 610-871-5200 ext. 2244.

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