

Immaculate Conception Parish

520 Oakwood Avenue, East Aurora, NY 14052

Pastor

Rev. Robert W. Wardenski

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MASSES:

Saturday: 4:30 pm
Sunday: 8:00 am, 9:30 am, 11:15 am
Weekdays: 8:00 am
Holy Days: As Announced

CONFESSIONS: Saturday at 3:30 pm
or at anytime by calling the Rectory.

NEW PARISHIONERS:

Please contact the Rectory to register as members of our parish family. We hope you will find a loving Christian community here. Letters of recommendation can only be given to members of our parish who are in good standing and have been formally registered in the parish and active for at least three months.

MARRIAGES:

Arrangements must be made with the Pastor at least four months in advance. Please call the Rectory for an appointment. Saturday weddings can be scheduled only at 11:00 am and 2:00 pm. Due to the large volume of weddings for our parishioners, our policy is that we do not perform weddings for those who are not registered members of our parish.

MUSIC DIRECTOR:

Anthony A. Kalinowski - 1-585-535-0488

PRAYER WHEEL:

If you need prayers for yourself or others, call 652-6167, 652-4111 or 652-7572 **anytime**.

BAPTISMS:

Baptisms are celebrated on the last Sunday of each month. To help parents prepare for their child's rebirth into a life of grace, a class is offered on the first Friday evening of January, March, May, July, September and November in the rectory. All parents must attend this class before Baptism. Please call the Rectory to register.

LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION:

Letters of Recommendation are given only to registered parishioners in good standing. In order to receive a recommendation as a Godparent or Confirmation Sponsor, you must be a registered parishioner, attend Mass regularly and receive the Sacraments regularly, be Confirmed in the Catholic Church, and if married, you must be married in the Catholic Church. Please call the Rectory to obtain a letter.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK:

Administered at the 8:00 am Mass on Wednesday. Please contact the Rectory prior to the Wednesday you would like to be anointed.

HOLY EUCHARIST FOR THE HOMEBOUND:

If you know of someone in the parish who is homebound and would like to receive Communion, please call the Rectory - 652-6400.

Mass Intentions for the Week

- Monday, August 11, 2008 St. Clare**
 8:00 AM Bruce Keller -Sister
- Tuesday, August 12, 2008**
 8:00 AM Vince George -Willis & Jane George
- Wednesday, August 13, 2008 Sts. Pontian & Hippolytus**
 8:00 AM Special Intention
- Thursday, August 14, 2008 St. Maximilian Mary Kolbe**
 8:00 AM Special Intention Jane Lynch
 6:00 PM Bill LeVeque -Wife & Children
- Friday, August 15, 2008 The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**
 8:00 AM Agatha Brunner -Family
 12:00 PM Irene Ivery-All Your Friends
- Saturday, August 16, 2008 St. Stephen of Hungary**
 4:30 PM Mary Schnitzer -Betty Norton
- Sunday, August 17, 2008**
 8:00 AM Msgr. Arthur Sullivan -Dolly & Virgil Austin
 9:30 AM Howard Knab -Family & Friends
 11:15 AM Ruth Foster -Burt & Deb Foster

August 16/17

ALTAR SERVERS

- 4:30 PM M. Hadley, A. Hadley, J. McClure, A. McClure
- 8:00 AM N. Hackford, A. Hackford, E. Sendor
- 9:30 AM P. Bure, K. Lehrbach, M. Richey, E. Richey
- 11:15 AM M. McPherson, L. McPherson, J. Jarlinski, K. Bett

LECTORS

- 4:30 PM J. Kosinski 9:30 AM J. Lamond
 8:00 AM B. Ochterski 11:15 AM P. Shea

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

- 4:30 PM W. Lang, M. Raupp, J. Hadley, C. Burgess, C. Hebert, J. Warner
- 8:00 AM D. Dombrowski, S. Schaub, J. Stanley, J. Garvey, E. & F. Pellegrine
- 9:30 AM P. Synor, P. Reidy, H. & D. Walczyk, P. Thiesen, M. Bittner
- 11:15 AM J. Blind, L. Easton, B. Foster, J. Wiedl, K. Furlong, TBA

SACRISTANS

- 4:30 PM A. Maniak 9:30 AM P. Thiesen
 8:00 AM S. Schaub 11:15 AM J. Wiedl

GREETERS

- 4:30 PM I. Yoerk, K. Fones
 8:00 AM T. Snyder
 9:30 AM P. Reidy, R. & T. Sessamen
 11:15 AM B. & C. Howard, J. Semenza

HOLY DAY

Friday, August 15 is the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is a Holy Day of Obligation. All Catholics are obligated to attend Mass on this Holy Day. The Vigil Mass will be on **Thursday, August 14 at 6:00 pm**. On **Friday, August 15 there will be an 8:00 am Mass and a 12 Noon Mass.**

Ministers

August 14 -6:00 pm

Sacristan M. Pitt **Lector** J. Kosinski
Eucharistic Ministers P. Bremer, M. Pitt, M. Zittel, H. & D. Walczyk, L. Easton
Altar Servers M. & P. Zittel

August 15-8:00 am

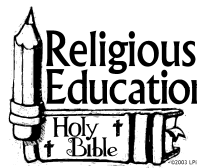
Sacristan Theresa Woodward **Lector** B. Kirsch
Eucharistic Ministers M. McNaboe, P. Reidy, S. Brady, T. Thomas, P. George, B. Foster

12 Noon

Sacristan J. Blind **Lector** J. Grubka
Eucharistic Ministers J. Warner, B. Lamond, D. Weigel, K. Weigel, T. Smith, P. Miliotto
Altar Servers C. Hawk, P. Bure, S. Smith

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Schedules and room assignments for students attending Grades 1-10 will be available after all the **Masses on August 16 & 17**. You may also pick up the schedule in the office, **Monday through Thursday, 8:30 am-2:30 pm**. Schedules are for families who have reregistered their children for Religious Education. **Registration** -There are still families who have not reregistered their children for class. A late fee is to be included when making your payment. You will receive your schedule upon reception of the registration form. **Teachers needed!!!** There is a need for teachers in the following grades: Saturday -Grades 1, 3, and 5 & Tuesday -Grades 7, 8 and 9, even if you are only available for one semester (Sept-Dec or Jan.-Apr.). There is always a need for substitute teachers and hall monitors.



AUGUST COLLECTION**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY**

The members of St. Vincent de Paul would like to say **"THANK YOU"** for your generous help in the past with your monetary donations. It's because of your generosity to us that people in need, which is increasing each year, are able to survive. With food prices, clothing, utilities and of course gas prices rising, it has become increasingly difficult to meet these needs. Some of our clients have, in their expression of gratitude, called us their angels from heaven. We remind them it is not us alone but the generosity of our parishioners who give from their heart that makes it possible to assist in their needs.

In your August packet of envelopes the green envelope is for your donation to Saint Vincent De Paul. We ask you again to be as generous as possible. May Our dear Lord Bless all of you.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

The Knights of Columbus will have a Business Meeting on **Monday, August 11 at 7:30 pm** at St. John's Hall, Christ the King Seminary. Reminder-Installation of Officers is set for **Sunday, September 14 at 10:00 am** at Christ the King Chapel, Mass and brunch will follow.

CHICKEN BARBECUE

The Immaculate Conception Sports Program will be hosting a BW's Chicken Barbecue Dinner on **Sunday, August 24 from 12:30 pm to 5:00 pm at Immaculate Conception School**. The cost is \$8.50 per dinner which includes-1/2 Chicken, two side salads, roll, butter, beverage and dessert. Dine In and Take Out available. Presale tickets for sale after all the Masses on **August 16/17** or you may call Tim Jones at 655-3682 or Joe McPherson at 655-2406.

BRIDGES

Bridges is a group for divorced, separated and widowed individuals. Many have found great comfort in attending meetings on the **third Wednesday** of each month at **7:00 pm** in the Rectory Conference Room of St. Bernadette Church, 5930 South Abbott Road, Orchard Park. For more information call Dawn at 472-2491 or your Office of Family Life Ministries at 847-2210.

RCIA

Do you know anyone who might be interested in becoming Catholic? Is there anyone in your family who might be interested in becoming a Catholic? Do you have a neighbor who has expressed interest in learning more about the Catholic Faith? Invite any and all of these people to become part of the **RCIA** process. The **Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults** is how we welcome new members in to the Catholic Church. This year long process will begin in September and will end with welcoming new members into the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil. For more information, please call the Rectory at 652-6400 during normal business hours (8:30 am-3:30 pm).

ARE YOU REGISTERED TO VOTE?

The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops encourages us all to be active in the political process. Shaping the moral character of society is a requirement of our faith. You need to register if you have turned 18 years old/if you have moved/or if you wish to change your political affiliation. Forms are available on-line at www.elections.state.ny.us. When completed, send to Erie County Board of Elections, 134 Eagle St., Buffalo NY 14022. You may also obtain a form by calling ECBE at (716) 858-7816. The same applies for an absentee ballot. The ECBE must receive your form before **August 15**, to be eligible to vote in the **September Primaries**, and by **September 8** to be eligible to vote in the **November Elections**.

FISH DONATIONS

For the month of **AUGUST**, **FISH** is asking our parishioners to donate **canned pasta with meat**. We thank the members of St. Vincent de Paul for coordinating this collection.

*Readings for Next Week**Isaiah 56:1, 6-7**Psalms 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8**Romans 11:13-15, 29-32**Matthew 15:21-28*

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RECYCLE YOUR PAPER AND SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL

Recycle your paper and support our school: Your recyclable paper is now being accepted in the **green and yellow** "Paper Retriever" bin located in the parking lot next to the school entrance. Immaculate Conception School will be paid for the paper deposited in the bin. Please donate your used newspapers, magazines, shopping catalogs, office and school paper, junk mail, spiral notebooks and stapled paper, paperback books, hard cover books (just remove the covers), manila folders, construction paper and shredded paper (place shredded paper in a clear plastic bag). **Cardboard and kitchen/bathroom paper are not accepted.**

Thank you for your continued support of our school!

ANNUAL PICNIC

Annunciation Church in Elma will hold its annual picnic on **Friday-Sunday, August 15-17, 2008** at the parish grounds, Clinton & Girdle Roads, Elma. There will be a Cruise Night on Friday with music by Crash Cadillac. Pork Chop Dinners on Saturday at **5:00 pm** and music by Hit'n Run. A Polka Mass Sunday featuring John Stanczyk & The Statesmen at **11:30 am** in the Church, Chicken BBQ dinners Sunday starting at Noon. Sunday's music featuring DynaBrass and Lenny Gomulka and Chicago Push. Grand raffle is a 46" Sony 1080p LCD & Wii Game System. Large food court, clam chowder, children's games, adult games of chance and much, much more!

FOURTEEN HOLY HELPINGS

14 Holy Helpers Church, corner of Union Road and Indian Church Road, is hosting our 2nd Annual "14 Holy Helpings" **August 17 from 2-6 pm**. We will have 14 plus food vendors. In addition to the food and beverages, there will be music, raffles, activities for the kids and many fun-filled events held throughout the day.

SURVIVE

Survive is a support group for those who have experienced the death of a spouse. We serve people who have had a recent loss as well as those who may have lost a spouse a while ago. Survive meetings offer information, understanding, friendship and reassurance. SURVIVE is a place where you can talk about your loss with people who truly understand. For more information call your Office of Family Life Ministries at 847-2210.