

LENT

Third Sunday

“We no longer believe because of your word; for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is truly the savior of the world.”

John 4:42

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IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH

1219 Paterson Plank Road  
Secaucus, New Jersey 07094  
March 23, 2025





**Sunday, Mar. 23rd - Third Sunday of Lent**

7:30 am - Rawlins Family  
9:00 am - People of the Parish - Spanish  
10:30 am - Louise Paula  
12:00 pm - Catherine Huston  
5:00 pm - Maureen Urban

**Monday, Mar. 24th - Lenten Weekday**

7:00 am - Mark Cord  
12:05 pm - Bridgetta Marra

**Tuesday, Mar. 25th - The Annunciation of the Lord**

7:00 am - Nikita Noonan (living)  
12:00 pm - George Wyville

**Wednesday, Mar. 26th - Lenten Weekday**

7:00 am - Mario Allegretta  
12:05 pm - Susan Calderon

**Thursday, Mar. 27th - Lenten Weekday**

7:00 am - People of the Parish  
12:05 pm - Antonio Adamo

**Friday, Mar. 28th - Lenten Weekday**

7:00 pm - People of the Parish  
12:05 pm - Giovanni Recalde (living)

**Saturday, Mar. 29th - Lenten Weekday**

8:00 am - Victorina Garcia Urmaza  
4:00 pm - Confession  
5:30 pm - Joann Ogilvie

**Sunday, Mar. 30th - The Fourth Sunday of Lent**

7:30 am - Maria Busanic  
9:00 am - People of the Parish - Spanish Mass  
10:30 am - Cheryl Matz  
12:00 pm - Elisa Formisano  
5:00 pm - Bobby Busanic

***Memorials***

The Memorial Candle in memory of Katherine Pacciarello

***Weekly Collection***

The Collection for 3/9 was \$8006. Parish Giving for 3/19 was \$1398.10. Thank you for your continued support to our parish.

The Second Collection next week is for Black and Indian Missions.

All requests for Contribution Statements that are needed BEFORE April 15th MUST BE submitted no later than Monday, 4/7 which will go out on 4/8. NO statements will be able to be issued after that until 4/28



**Sunday** Exodus 3:1-8a, 13-15/ 1  
Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12/ Luke 13:1-9

**Monday** 2 Kings 5:1-15b/Luke 4:24-30

**Tuesday** Isaiah 7:10-14; 8:10/Hebrew 10:4-10/Luke 1:26-38

**Wednesday** Deuteronomy 4:1, 5-9/Matthew 5:17-19

**Thursday** Jeremiah 7:23-28/Luke 11:14-23

**Friday** Hosea 14:2-10/Mark 12:28-34

**Saturday** Hosea 6:1-6/Luke 18:9-14


**Sunday** Joshua 5:9a, 10-12/2 Corinthians 5:17-21/Luke 15:1-3, 11-32


**Reflections for Sunday's Readings**


**Reading I: Exodus 3: 1-8a, 13-15:** Moses is granted a visible and audible manifestation of God's glory, technically a "theophany." He receives his calling to lead Israel out of slavery.

**Reading II: 1 Corinthians 10: 1-6, 10-12:** Paul urges his Corinthians to learn from Israel's mistakes. This means heeding God's call and avoiding any self-righteousness.

**The Gospel: Luke 13: 1-9:** Jesus refers to current events to teach spiritual truths. He then offers a parable which expresses both God's patience and the urgency to repent.

 We pray for those in our parish who are sick, Denise Swantek, Leslie Haller, the homebound, patients in Hudson Regional and Meadowview Hospital, Hudson Manor and the Fountain at the Manor

 We pray for our deceased  
Robert Cao Sr. "Lu" Angione  
May she rest in peace with the Lord.

 We welcome into our parish family  
Chandria Concepcion de Villa  
Jariel Rodriguez Brooks Tartaglia  
who were brought to the Lord through the Sacrament of Baptism. May the grace of the sacrament remain with them always.

**Sacrament of Baptism** - Baptism are normally celebrated on the Second and Fourth Sunday of each month. Parents are asked to make the arrangements at least one month in advance by calling the Parish Office at 201-863-4840.

**Sacrament of First Communion** - Please contact the Catechetical Leader , Veronica Stuart, at 201-520-0482.

**Sacrament of Confirmation** - is offered to Freshman in High School. Please contact the Catechetical Leader, Veronica Stuart for futher information at 201-520-0482

**Sacrament of Marriage** - Couples contemplating marriage should contact the parish office to speak with a priest at least one year in advance. 201-863-4840.

**Anointing of the Sick** - If you or any member of your family is in danger of death, a seriously issue or for any emergence, please call the parish office at 201-863-4840.

**Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA)** - For those who wish to enter the Catholic Faith - For those to be welcomed from other Christian Communities - or for Catholics who need to be fully initiated with the Sacraments of Baptism-Confirmation-Eucharist, contact the Parish Office for further information or email rcia.icc@gmail.com

**Bereavement Ministry** - If you lost a loved one and are seeking breavement support, our confidential, caring and supporting group meets every Tuesday in Notre Dame Hall at 7pm.Call the Parish Office at 201-863-4840 or email iccbereavement@gmail.com



**SUNDAY APRIL 6th  
11:30 AM IN ICC CAFE**



AGES 10-17

**Join our monthly Youth Group and meet new friends in your local area with brunch, fellowship, and sports/activities. See you there! Please email us at [youthgroupoficc@gmail.com](mailto:youthgroupoficc@gmail.com) by Friday 4/4/25 so you can receive a registration form. You may also contact:**


**Veronica 201-309-5584**

**Gabriela 917-701-0395**

*"Find God and you will find the meaning of your life."- Blessed (soon to be Saint) Carlo Acutis*



**\*\*NOTE: Starting on April 1, 2025, the NEW HOURS for the Parish Office will be 9:00am to 2:00 pm Monday through Friday. Please make a note of this change. Thank you!**



The **Music Ministry** would like to extend an open invitation to all parishioners who would like to sing for Holy Thursday and Easter Vigil masses.

If you are interested, please stop by to talk to Melanie or Michelle Sanchez after any mass during Lent. You can also send an email to [iccofficemail@gmail.com](mailto:iccofficemail@gmail.com) or leave a phone message at the Parish Office. All will be welcome to lift their voices in song together.



### **Trip to Sight and Sound for "NOAH" show**

Immaculate Conception Parish is sponsoring a trip to watch the live show NOAH at the Sight and Sound Theatres in Lancaster, PA on Saturday, July 5, 2025. The trip includes a pilgrimage to the historic St. Mary's Church in Lancaster. Tour price is \$180 for individuals 13 and older and \$120 for children 12 years and below. Price includes the show ticket, bus seat, driver gratuity and lunch. Seats are limited and will only be confirmed upon full payment. Bus seats are assigned based on the order of payment received. Fr. Sergio Nadres will be our chaplain, accompanied by Fr. Rolando Yadao. Registration forms with detailed itinerary, terms and conditions are available at the MAIN door of the church.







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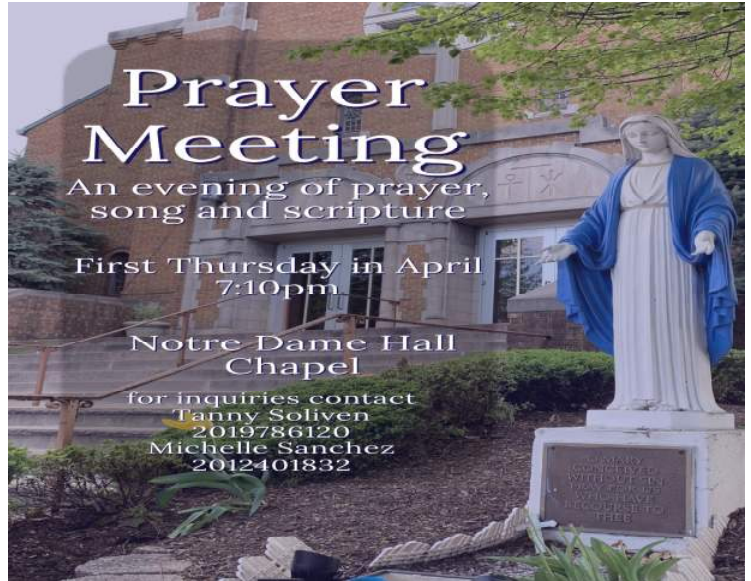


**TAKE-OUT**  
or **EAT-IN**

**Meatless Friday Dinner**  
**Fish Fry with Potato Salad,**  
**Cole Slaw, Dessert & Beverages**  
**Friday, April 11, 2025**  
**served from 5 to 7 p.m.**  
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**AGED 86 YRS**  
*Funeral and Memorial Mass*  
The Pastor and Faith Community of Immaculate Conception Church, Rev. Francis Pery Azah, and the entire Azah and Kpogo families cordially invite you to the Funeral and Memorial Mass of our beloved mother  
**Agnes Kpogo Azah**  
**Date: Saturday, March 29** **Time: 5:30 PM MASS**  
Venue: Immaculate Conception Church  
1219 Paterson Plank Road, Secaucus, NJ 07094  
RSVP required. Please email [iccp parishsecaucus@gmail.com](mailto:iccp parishsecaucus@gmail.com)  
Potluck reception to follow in parish gym  
All are invited to attend!

**SENT AT ICE**  
Every Friday, 7 PM  
Stations of the Cross  
Wed April 2, 7PM  
Lenten Retreat  
Mon April 7th, 7 PM  
Reflection and Penance  
Service

**LENT**  
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**HELP GIVE BACK THIS LENTEN SEASON**

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**Contact:**  
**Mrs. Agnes Bowman**  
[agnes.bowman21@gmail.com](mailto:agnes.bowman21@gmail.com)  
201-456-0584

*"For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink..." Mt 25:35*

**Parish Mission Statement**



We as the Catholic Christian Community of Immaculate Conception, Secaucus, in the Archdiocese of Newark, proclaim to be a Eucharistic Community, guided by the Spirit to proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ, as we journey by sacraments and service through love and compassion, to evangelize, to celebrate our diversity and to meet the challenge of our responsibility as disciples of the Lord Jesus.

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