

Immaculate Conception Parish
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Dear Parishioners,

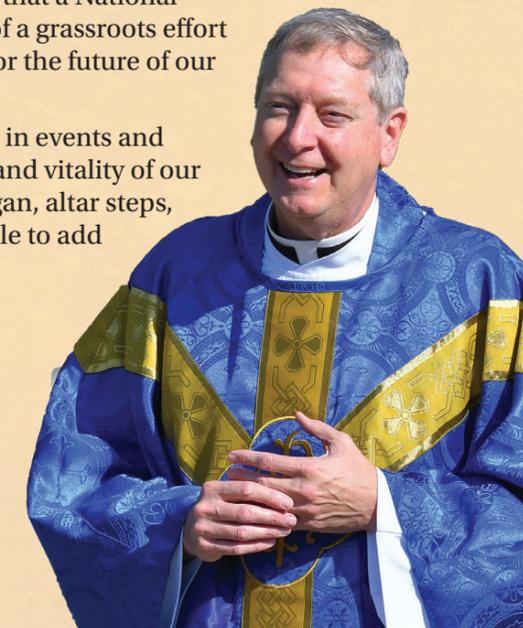
I am happy to present you with this year's Parish Annual Report titled *"thanksGIVING for God's Blessings."* I am so thankful for the blessings that the Lord has bestowed upon this faith community, and you will see many of those blessings in this publication.

With gratitude to our volunteers, be sure to take a look at the many ways our parishioners are dedicating their time and talents to strengthening our faith community, like our homebound ministry; ministry to the poor; and grief share and Catholics in recovery that provides comfort and spiritual healing in the difficult times of life. This report also includes a complete ministry listing so that you can join the efforts of the parish to serve those in most need of God's mercy!

With gratitude to our parish staff, take notice of the work they have been doing to light a fire for Christ in the hearts and minds of our parishioners. You may have heard that a National Eucharistic Revival is underway, which means our staff members are part of a grassroots effort to share the gift of the Eucharist. They are helping to build the foundation for the future of our Church!

With gratitude to each of you who attends Mass, offers prayers, participates in events and donates to the parish, take a look at the many ways you impact the culture and vitality of our parish. When you attend Mass, I hope you notice the recent work to our organ, altar steps, parking lots and three church doors. In addition to all the work, we were able to add \$225,000 to our Catholic Institute saving reserve.

Living a life rooted in gratitude requires us to express our thanks. And so I ask you, with prayerful consideration to your current situation, to make a year-end gift to our parish to show your gratitude for the good work being done here. Or if you are able, perhaps you will increase your weekly or monthly offertory as a part of our annual "Take the Next Step" program (see below) as a show of thanks for the blessings God has bestowed upon you.



Yours in Christ,
Father John

TAKING THE NEXT STEP!

As you begin your discernment process, please consider the following steps: 1) your current offering; 2) consulting the sacrificial giving guide below; 3) moving a percentage or dollar amount forward; and 4) promising yourself to maintain this new level.

Current Household Income				Weekly Gift to the Parish (Rounded to the nearest \$)								
Hourly	Weekly	Monthly	Yearly	1%	1.5%	2%	2.5%	3%	3.5%	4%	4.5%	5%
\$4.80	\$190	\$835	10,000	2.00	3.00	4.00	5.00	6.00	7.00	8.00	9.00	10.00
7.20	290	1,250	15,000	3.00	4.00	6.00	7.00	9.00	10.00	12.00	13.00	14.00
9.60	385	1,665	20,000	4.00	6.00	8.00	10.00	12.00	13.00	15.00	17.00	19.00
12.00	480	2,085	25,000	5.00	7.00	10.00	12.00	14.00	17.00	19.00	22.00	24.00
14.50	575	2,500	30,000	6.00	9.00	12.00	14.00	17.00	20.00	23.00	26.00	29.00
16.75	675	2,915	35,000	7.00	10.00	13.00	17.00	20.00	24.00	27.00	30.00	34.00
19.25	770	3,335	40,000	8.00	12.00	15.00	19.00	23.00	27.00	31.00	35.00	38.00
24.00	960	4,165	50,000	10.00	14.00	19.00	24.00	29.00	34.00	38.00	43.00	48.00
29.00	1,155	5,000	60,000	12.00	17.00	23.00	29.00	35.00	40.00	46.00	52.00	58.00
33.50	1,345	5,835	70,000	13.00	20.00	27.00	34.00	40.00	47.00	54.00	61.00	67.00
38.50	1,540	6,665	80,000	15.00	23.00	31.00	38.00	46.00	54.00	62.00	69.00	77.00
43.50	1,730	7,500	90,000	17.00	26.00	35.00	43.00	52.00	61.00	69.00	78.00	87.00
48.00	1,925	8,335	100,000	19.00	29.00	38.00	48.00	58.00	67.00	77.00	87.00	96.00
57.70	2,308	10,000	120,000	23.00	35.00	46.00	58.00	69.00	81.00	92.00	104.00	115.00
72.10	2,885	12,500	150,000	29.00	43.00	58.00	72.00	87.00	101.00	115.00	130.00	144.00

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GIVING
 For God's Blessings



Giving QR Code

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Become an Intentional Disciple

Enter into a deeper relationship with Christ and your brothers and sisters of the parish by attending one of these upcoming events:

- **November 22 – Thanksgiving Eve Mass, 6:30 PM**
- **December 9 – Santa Breakfast, 9 AM**
- **December 10 – Lessons and Carols with Immaculate Conception Parish Choir, Children’s Choir and Hand Bell Choir, 4 PM**
- **December 19 – Advent Penance Service, 6:30 PM**
- **Conference on Saint Catherine of Laboure and placing of her relic in altar – date TBD**
- **Eucharistic Conference – date TBD**

Watch the bulletin for more details on each event.



Our Parish by the Numbers:



Registered Households

2023: 2,671
2022: 2,672
2021: 2,467

Current Single Member Households

680



Baptisms

2023: 63
2022: 52
2021: 65

Weddings

2023: 10
2022: 22
2021: 23



Funerals

2023: 79
2022: 80
2021: 80

New to Our Parish



Bishop Larry J. Kulick has blessed us with the assignment of Father Louiegene Valdez from the Diocese of Bangueo in the Philippines! Father Louiegene (pronounced *La We Gin*) was ordained Dec. 5, 2012, and has served in various capacities over the past 11 years. He has

been assigned as a parochial vicar, teacher and spiritual advisory in the seminary as well as the chancellor to the Bishop. Father Louiegene asked for permission to come and serve in the United States, and his Bishop granted him the opportunity to serve here in the Diocese of Greensburg.

I am so excited to have the opportunity to share my priesthood and my beloved parish with him! If you have not had the opportunity to greet him at the parish picnic, please do so after Mass on Sunday. Thank you, Father Louiegene, for coming to serve our parish!

Giving With Gratitude

We are excited to showcase our new Giving QR Code. Please scan it to make a year-end gift or to increase your offertory.



BY MAIL:
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IN PERSON:
Monday – Friday – 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM



ONLINE:
icirwin.org

Our Ministries:



- Altar Servers/Acolytes
- Music Ministry
- Ministry to the Homebound
- Eucharistic Ministers
- Religious Formation Leaders and Youth Ministry Leaders
- Lectors
- Ushers
- Children’s Liturgy of the Word Ministry Leaders
- Landscape Committee
- Theology on the Vine
- Decorating Committee
- Burger Bash Volunteers
- Comfort Blanket Ministry
- Immaculata Women’s and Men’s Groups
- Christian Mothers/Women’s Guild
- GriefShare Program
- Bereavement Committee
- Welcome Committee
- Catholics in Recovery
- Saint Vincent de Paul
- 100th anniversary committee

We really do need volunteers to support our parish, specifically servers, lectors, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, ushers, greeters and catechists. Please call the parish office today at 724-863-9550 so we can walk you through the process of becoming a volunteer.

Parish Financials

	2022-23	2021-22	2020-21
Offertory	\$ 1,298,648	\$ 1,272,393	\$ 1,165,376
Other Ordinary Income <i>(monthly collections, votive candles)</i>	24,559	24,382	23,817
Extraordinary Income <i>(bequests, donations, fundraising, interest, rental income)</i>	104,465	109,033	79,272
Diocesan Lenten Appeal Refund	54,894	74,521	104,075
Other Non-Assessable Income <i>(The Catholic Accent, sale of property, insurance)</i>	147,800	58,464	74,578
Added to Our Catholic Institute Reserve	225,000		
Special Collections	16,575	21,998	12,001
Total Income	\$ 1,871,941	\$ 1,560,791	\$ 1,459,119
Expenses			
<i>Administration</i>	\$ 327,147	\$ 318,865	\$ 310,090
<i>Church</i>	111,709	100,408	99,014
<i>Rectory</i>	8,786	7,209	6,587
<i>Education and Ministry</i>	262,409	241,479	229,558
<i>General Expenses</i>	436,235	428,885	399,894
<i>Special Collections</i>	16,575	21,998	12,001
<i>Extraordinary Expenses</i> <i>(Includes \$225,000 added to CI Reserve)</i>	557,990	346,467	433,654
Total Expenditures	1,720,851	1,465,311	1,490,798
Net Operating Income (Loss)	\$ 151,090	\$ 95,480	\$ (31,679)