



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Catholic Church

A Stewardship Community served by the Oblates of St. Francis de Sales



A People Not a Place
Learning to Live Jesus

OUR VISION

Our parish is the vibrant expression of the presence of the Risen Christ through sacred worship and loving service.

OUR MISSION

We live Jesus Christ by proclaiming the Gospel, by celebrating the Eucharist, by nourishing our Faith and by loving and serving all God's people.

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Liturgies and Devotions

Weekend - Saturday: 5:00 pm
Sunday: 8:30 & 10:30 am
Weekday - See "This Week at Immaculate Conception" - Page 3
Devotions - Rosary for World Peace/
Novena to Our Lady, Monday - 9:30 am
Chaplet of Divine Mercy to end human trafficking, Thursday - 9:30 am
Rosary, Devotion to the Sacred Heart,
First Friday
Fatima Rosary Devotion,
First Saturday - 3:30 pm
Eucharistic Adoration -
First Friday, 9:45 am - 11:00 am *and*
Tuesdays, 9:30 am - 10:30 am

Bulletin Deadline

Bulletin requests must be emailed to the Bulletin Editor: tkruger@iccwilm.org, by 12:00 noon on Wednesdays, ten days in advance of the weekend of publication. All articles will run for three weeks, space allowing, and must have name, phone # of contact person, and dates requested to be in the bulletin. Articles must be limited to 100-150 words and include the *who, what, why, where and when*. A summary/result article with facts and figures should be submitted within a week of the event's completion.

New Parishioners

If you are new to Wilmington or to Immaculate Conception, we would like to take this opportunity to welcome you. We are an active and vibrant parish and ask, if you have decided to join us, that you will seriously consider giving of your time, talent, and treasure for the Lord's work. Completion of an Interest Card, Parish Registration Form and

attendance to a Welcome/Orientation/Registration Event is part of active membership and provides you with parish mailings. Please find an Interest Card located in the pamphlet rack in the Gathering Area of the church.

Sacramental Life

Infant Baptism: Celebrated monthly. Registered (minimum 3 months) and participating parishioners may schedule infant baptism after completion of a baptism preparation workshop and reception of godparent documents. Contact Gina Drost, Director of Faith Formation, at 910-791-1003, ext 112, preferably prior to the child's arrival. *Children over 7 are not baptized as "infants." Instead they are prepared to receive all 3 sacraments of initiation at a later date.

To Be a Godparent/Sponsor: for Baptism or Confirmation; you must be a registered, participating member for at least 6 months prior to requesting letter.

1st Reconciliation & 1st Eucharist: Second grade is our Sacramental year for First Reconciliation and First Eucharist. First grade faith formation is a pre-requisite for the second grade Sacramental year. We require four meetings for the parents/guardians of youth receiving these Sacraments.

Confirmation: Confirmation in our Diocese is celebrated in the high school years, and is a two year process. Candidates may enroll in Level I as a freshman with immediate preparation and celebration of the sacrament in Level II the sophomore year. Stewardship opportunities and attendance to a Confirmation retreat are mandatory.

Reconciliation: We celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation/confession, normally, Saturdays from 3:30-4:30 pm in the Church's Reconciliation Room. In addition, the sacrament is available by appointment. Please call the Parish Office to speak to the pastor.

RCIA: Adults seeking Initiation into the Full Communion of the Catholic Church are invited to contact Gina Drost, gdrost@iccwilm.org or 791-1003, ext.112

Matrimony: Only parishioners registered at ICC for at least 6 months may request to be married here. The couple must meet with a priest before setting a date and at least 6 months in advance of an anticipated wedding in order to complete the preparation process. All aspects of marriage planning requires the participation and approval of trained personnel. Contact: Claudia Sing, csing@iccwilm.org., 791-1003, ext. 100.

Anointing of the Sick: Anyone who is seriously ill or who is anticipating surgery or an extended hospital stay or who is weakened because of a prolonged illness or advanced age is encouraged to call the Parish Office to receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick.

Funerals: After a funeral director has been contacted but before any arrangements have been made public, the funeral director will contact the Parish Office in order to arrange for funeral time and/or vigil service. All aspects of parish funeral liturgy planning requires the participation and approval of trained parish personnel.

Vocations to Priesthood or Religious Life: Religious vocation as a priest, brother or sister, Fr. Michael Newman, OSFS, mnewman@oblates.us or 419-531-1421, x231. Vocation to diocesan priesthood, please visit the Diocese of Raleigh's Vocations website at dioceseofraleighvocations.org.

This Week at Immaculate Conception

The Altar Flowers for This Week Were
Donated By:

Carol Dubin, in memory and honor of **the Dubin
& Weir Families**.

Sunday, April 21 - 4th Sunday of Easter

8:30 am Liturgy, Chris Schrichte
10:30 am Liturgy, Living & Deceased of Immaculate
Conception
12:00-2:00 Elementary Faith Formation, DFFC
2:00-4:00 Homeworks Information Meeting, DFFC
2:30-3:30 ICC Young Adult Fellowship, DFFC

Monday, April 22, 2024

9:30 am Rosary/Novena

Tuesday, April 23, 2024

9:30 am Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesday, April 24, 2024

9:00 am Liturgy, Dr. Joseph Treman

Thursday, April 25, 2024

9:00 am Liturgy, Rita Pierce
9:30 am Chaplet of Divine Mercy, Adoration Chapel

Friday, April 26, 2024

9:00 am Liturgy, John Tomlinson

Saturday, April 27, 2024

3:30 pm Reconciliation, Church
5:00 pm Liturgy, Rose & Arthur Smith

Sunday, April 28 - 5th Sunday of Easter

8:30 am Liturgy, Living & Deceased of Immaculate
Conception
10:30 am Liturgy, Karen Kass
11:00-12:00 First Eucharist Rehearsal, Church
12:00-2:00 Faith Formation Easter Event, DFFC
2:30-3:30 ICC Young Adult Fellowship, DFFC

Liturgical Color for April 27 & 28 is White



Sanctuary Candle

A 14-day Sanctuary Candle will burn in
memory of **Dee Bogard**, and was
donated by **Judy Chmielenski**.

Stewardship - A Way of Life Following "God's Plan for Giving"

Stewardship of Treasure Report

April 13 & 14, 2024

Envelopes	162 (Envelopes)	\$ 6,444.00
e-Giving	—	—
Loose Check	35 (Checks)	\$ 1,895.00
Identifiable Contributions		\$ 8,339.00
Loose Cash		\$ 1,469.00
Total Contributions		\$ 9,808.00

Offertory/1st Collection:

Annual Budget: July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024

\$1,001,640.00

Total Collected YTD: July 1– Apr 14, 2024

\$ 905,937.14

Born To Eternal Life

Please remember this person in your prayers:



Betty Zoeller, parishioner. Condolences may be
sent to Betty's family via her nephew, John
Sally, at 18 Greenside Dr, Little Egg Harbor,
NJ, 08087.

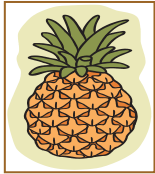
Reasons to sign up for e-Giving

- *No need to write checks or bring cash to church.
- *More secure than checks.
- *Peace-of-mind knowing that the church is receiving
your contribution even if you are unable to attend.
- *All contributions are recorded for you on your bank
statement with date of settlement.

Immaculate Conception Church offers an electronic
option for making regular offerings by debiting
automatically from your checking or savings account
or credit card. Our e-Giving program offers
convenience for you and much-needed donation
consistency for our parish. Contact Michele Bean,
mbean@iccwilm.org, 910-791-1003, ext. 105.

Welcome Events

Welcome/Orientation/Registration Events



New to the area? Want to join ICC? Pick up an Interest Card in the pamphlet rack in the Gathering Area, fill it out and return to the church office, then attend one of the listed Welcome / Orientation / Registration Events. The events are on Saturday mornings, 9:00 am-10:45 am (refreshments available at 9:00 am).

The Next Welcome Events

May 11, 2024 June 1, 2024

The Help Center Needs

The Help Center Food Donations

The following items are needed in **April 2024**:

- April 7 Peanut butter (small or medium)
- April 14 Jelly
- April 21 Canned meat
- April 28 Mac ‘n cheese



Any other packaged or canned food items or toiletries are gratefully accepted. **Thank you so much for your continued generosity.**

Auction & Raffle

Sister Isaac Center Quarter Auction & Raffle



The Sister Isaac Center is holding a Quarter Auction and Raffle on Saturday, April 27.

For more information, or to purchase raffle tickets online, please see the information below.



Join us for the Sister Isaac Center's Quarter Auction and Raffle! Great prizes will be available from local businesses.

When: April 27, 11:00 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Where: St. Mary Catholic School, Lower School Cafeteria, 412 Ann Street

Ticket Prices: General admission (\$15), extra paddles (\$10); raffle tickets (\$10)

Food and beverage will be available for purchase, courtesy of the Catholic Daughters.

Can't attend? You can still participate in the raffle! Winners will be notified by phone. Raffle prizes include weekend getaways and golf packages.

Contact congregch@thesisterisacparish.org with any questions or visit www.thesisterisaccenter.org.

Please join us to learn about valuable community resources and best practices for caregivers supporting people living with Alzheimer's Disease or other dementias. Both sessions include time for caregiver Q+A at the end.

April 27, 2024
9-10:30 am

ABCs of Dementia

Review the four most common types of dementia and their individual characteristics. This session includes information about how each type of dementia impacts all five senses.

May 25, 2024
9-10:30 am

Living with Dementia - Behaviors

Session focused on various behaviors associated with early, middle, and late stages of Alzheimer's Disease. The goal of this session is to have a better understanding of how dementia affects memory, thinking, and activities of daily living.



MONDAY
 April 22
 Easter Weekday
 Acts 11:1-18
 Jn 10:1-10

TUESDAY
 April 23
 Easter Weekday
 Acts 11:19-26
 Jn 10:22-30

WEDNESDAY
 April 24
 Easter Weekday
 Acts 12:24-13:5a
 Jn 12:44-50

THURSDAY
 April 25
 St. Mark,
 Evangelist
 1 Pt 5:5b-14
 Mk 16:15-20

FRIDAY
 April 26
 Easter Weekday
 Acts 13:26-33
 Jn 14:1-6

SATURDAY
 April 27
 Easter Weekday
 Acts 13:44-52
 Jn 14:7-14

SUNDAY
 April 28
 Fifth Sunday
 of Easter
 Acts 9:26-31
 1 Jn 3:18-24
 Jn 15:1-8

Our Parish COMMUNITY

April 21, 2024

Fourth Sunday of Easter (B)

Acts 4:8-12 / 1 John 3:1-2 / John 10:11-18



I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. These also I must lead... and there will be one flock, one shepherd.

JOHN 10:16

Living with Our Instincts

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

We live with a maze of instincts—some from the dark side and some from the light. In her book *Caste*, Isabel Wilkerson describes how cultures tend to consign certain individuals to the bottom of the social ladder. She specifically compares the caste system in India with how the Nazis sought to suppress and eliminate Jews and with the way blacks were oppressed by slavery and even in our own time. She describes the instinct in every society to relegate others to a lower class, always seeking to ensure that we are not at the bottom. This instinct can come from the dark side of people.

There is also an instinct for goodness to others, an instinct of light—to recognize everyone as brothers and sisters. As Saint John notes, “we are God’s children now”

(1 John 3:2). It is the voice of the Shepherd instilled in the human spirit that calls us into one fold, the voice of God urging us to healing goodness.

It is the dark side that nurtures white supremacy. It is the light that enables us to see beyond the color of our skin. It is the dark side that excludes those who seem different. It is the light that welcomes and offers hospitality. It is the dark side that succumbs to fear. It is the light of God’s love that confronts the wolves of hate and urges us to follow. There is always tension between darkness and light. ●

Reflect

How does the voice of the Good Shepherd call you to reject the dark and embrace the light?

Farewell to the Bean Family

Dear Members of Immaculate Conception Catholic Church,

It is with mixed emotions that we write to inform you of our upcoming departure from Wilmington, NC, and our beloved Immaculate Conception Parish. After five years of cherished memories and deep connections within this vibrant community, we are embarking on a new chapter in our lives that requires us to relocate to New Hampshire.

As we reflect on our time here, we are filled with gratitude for the warmth, love, and support that each of you has shown us throughout the years. From serving as Business Manager, Parish Pastoral Council Chair, and a Lector, to collaborating on various committees such as Maintenance and Social Ministries, and the annual C.A.R.E Program, every experience has been a testament to the strength and unity of our parish family. While we have been here, we truly tried to embody the Salesian intention “doing the ordinary extraordinarily well.”

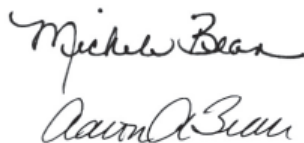
Our journey here has been marked by meaningful friendships, spiritual growth, and countless moments of joy and togetherness. We are truly blessed to have been part of such a caring and welcoming community that embodies the spirit of faith, compassion, and service. We will deeply miss Father John’s homilies and the immense teaching and education on the Bible passages each week.

While we are saddened to bid farewell, we take solace in knowing that the bonds we have forged will endure the distance. We plan to visit the area frequently, ensuring that we stay connected and continue to be part of the parish's journey.

As we embark on this new adventure, we carry with us the cherished memories and lessons learned from our time at Immaculate Conception. We hope to impart the Southern hospitality and Salesian spirituality we have learned from our time here with you. We thank each of you for being a source of inspiration, friendship, and unwavering support.

Please keep us in your prayers as we transition to a new chapter in our lives and know that you will always hold a special place in our hearts.

With heartfelt gratitude and fond memories,

The image shows two handwritten signatures in black ink. The first signature is 'Michele Bean' and the second is 'Aaron Bean'. Both are written in a cursive, flowing style.

Michele and Aaron Bean

Young Adult Fellowship Ministry

ICC Young Adult Fellowship Ministry

Are you a young adult looking for an opportunity to dialogue with fellow Catholics? The Young Adult Fellowship Ministry offers a uniquely intellectual and personal experience with other young adult members on a variety of topics of faith. We will meet on Sundays at 2:30 pm in the DeSales Faith Formation Center.

For more information, please email or text us:

- **Oliver Galbraith:** olivergalbraith@gmail.com or text 910-619-3033
- **Clint Turbeville:** turbeville_r@lynchburg.edu or text at 910-523-2987



Stewardship Reflection

*“I am the good shepherd...and I lay down my life for the sheep...and they will heed my voice.”
(John 10:14-16)*

When you pray, do you only ask Jesus for the things that you want? Do you ever ask Jesus what He wants from you? How do you listen for His response? Many times, Jesus responds in ‘quiet whispers’ that are not so obvious, so take time every day, in silence, to actively listen for His voice.

Pro-Life Prayer

St. Joseph, Defender of Life, Pray For Us

The USCCB is asking Catholics to join in prayer for the protection of women and the unborn from now through June 2024, as the Supreme Court prepares to hear oral arguments pertinent to the accessibility of chemical abortion.

A Prayer to St. Joseph, Defender of Life

Dearest St. Joseph,
at the word of an angel,
you lovingly took Mary into your home.
As God’s humble servant, you guided
the Holy Family on the road to Bethlehem,
welcomed Jesus as your own son
in the shelter of a manger,
and fled far from your homeland
for the safety of both Mother and Child.

We praise God that as their faithful protector,
you never hesitated to sacrifice
for those entrusted to you.
May your example inspire us also
to welcome, cherish, and safeguard
God’s most precious gift of life.

Help us to faithfully commit ourselves
to the service and defense of human life
—especially where it is
vulnerable or threatened.
Obtain for us the grace
to do the will of God in all things.
Amen.

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26-27TH APRIL

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2024 CATHOLIC CONFERENCE
21st Annual

Friday Night Praise & Worship for ALL ages in conjunction with Franciscan University of Steubenville

- Experience Mass with Bishop Zarama and Confession with numerous diocesan priests
- Listen and talk to our fantastic speakers
- See your friends & grow your children’s faith
- Be moved in Adoration or with saint’s relics
- Say a Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet with over 1000 fellow Catholics
- Learn more about your Catholic Faith

Don't Miss This Unforgettable Event!

 FR. DONALD CALLOWAY ST. JOSEPH Author of bestsellers Consecration to St. Joseph, and Champions of the Rosary	 FR. LAWRENCE CARNEY THE HOLY FACE Author of the Secret of the Holy Face Devotion	 MSGR. STEPHEN ROSSETTI SPIRITUAL WARFARE Exorcist for Washington DC, Head of the St Michael Center for Spiritual Renewal	 CHIKA ANYANWU PRAYER LIFE/YOUTH Popular Catholic youth evangelist & author of <i>My Encounter: How I met Jesus in Prayer</i>	 DCN. RALPH PONO ACTIVE APOSTLESHIP Deacon & Founder of the New Evangelization Ministries and Master of Ceremonies
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REYNOLDS COLISEUM FRI 6:30-9:30PM
MAIN STAGE • NC STATE • RALEIGH SAT 8AM-5:30PM

Adults 2-Day Admission \$25
Saturday Lunch Options: Pizza, Turkey Sub, or Bring Your Own
Students Age 10+ FREE Admission and Pizza
Free Food Provided Friday Evening

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FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Our Shepherd

God the Father,
 you are our shepherd,
 who offer us green pastures,
 and life-giving water.
 Through love and kindness,
 you lead your flock
 to a restful place.
 With your tender touch,
 you cast away our fears.
 There is nothing we want
 but to remain by your side.
 Through Christ our Lord. Amen.



Sunday, April 21, 2024
 The Good Shepherd



Today's readings: Acts 4:8–12; Psalm 118:1, 8–9, 21–23, 26, 28, 29; 1 John 3:1–2; John 10:11–18. When you see the Good Shepherd depicted in art, do you see yourself as the lamb? Do you see yourself as one to be protected, guided, and comforted? Or do you think the lamb reflects only a child? Imagining yourself as the lamb will provide insight into who God is for you. “I am the Good Shepherd, and I know mine, and mine know me,” Jesus says. This portrayal reveals the intimacy of our relationship with God. God knows us and has given us the capacity to know him.

The shepherd is willing to lay down his life for his sheep. The Good Shepherd has already done this for us,

dying on the cross so that we may have eternal life. A hired hand, however, does not have this connection to the sheep; he would not sacrifice his life for the flock. This man “sees a wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away.”

Our Shepherd is with us—in our loneliness and sorrow as well as in our joy. Spend a few minutes in quiet, imagining yourself with the Good Shepherd in a green pasture. Let him hear not only your voice but your deepest desires. Seek to expand your quiet prayer time this week so that you might hear the Good Shepherd’s voice. Remember your relationship with the Good Shepherd grows as you make space for him in your life.



THIS WEEK AT HOME

Monday, April 22

In Silence

“The sheep follow him because they recognize his voice.” The Gospel of John portrays the Lord as intimately connected to his followers. They know his voice, and he has come so that “they might have life and have it more abundantly.” Only by pausing our busy lives can we hear God’s voice. Consider where you might have even a few minutes in a day to listen to God. *Today’s readings: Acts 11:1–18; Psalm 42:2–3; 43:3, 4; John 10:1–10.*

Tuesday, April 23

Listen

In today’s Gospel, we hear that people continue to badger Jesus to prove he is indeed the Son of God. “How long are you going to keep us in suspense? If you are the Christ, tell us plainly,” they say. These people are among those who do not recognize the shepherd’s voice. Once the sheep are in the flock, Jesus says, “No one can take them [sheep] out of the Father’s hands. The Father and I are one.” In coming chapters of the Gospel of John, we will hear Jesus yearn for that same unity with humankind. *Today’s readings: Acts 11:19–26; Psalm 87:1b–3, 4–5, 6–7; John 10:22–30.*

Wednesday, April 24

Obedying the Spirit

Today’s account from Acts shows Barnabas and Saul sailing to Cyprus to spread the Good News. They wasted no time in responding to the Holy Spirit, who told the community, “Set apart for me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them.” How does your community help people discern their gifts and their mission in the Church? Is there anyone you can meet with in your parish to help you discern your calling to serve the Church and the world? *Today’s readings: Acts 12:24–13:5a; Psalm 67:2–3, 5, 6, 8; John 12:44–50.*

Thursday, April 25

Feast of St. Mark

On the Feast of St. Mark, Evangelist, we hear in the Gospel, “Go into the whole world and proclaim the Gospel to every creature.” St. Mark is believed to be the disciple referred to in Acts as “John who is called Mark” (12:25). He was the son of Mary of Jerusalem, who opened her home to the disciples. It is believed that he met Peter, Paul, and other disciples in his mother’s home and then joined them in evangelizing. *Today’s readings: 1 Peter 5:5b–14; Psalm 89:2–3, 6–7, 16–17; Mark 16:15–20.*

Friday, April 26

Always Loving

With Thomas voicing confusion, Jesus lovingly replies, “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.” Thomas had followed Jesus for years and still questioned where the Lord was leading the disciples. Believers live with questions. Whether your faith is new or lifelong, you may at times be unsure of the spiritual path you are to follow. Jesus offers assurance that he is not only the way but the truth and the life. *Today’s readings: Acts 13:26–33; Psalm 2:6–7, 8–9, 10–11ab; John 14:1–6.*

Saturday, April 27

In Silence

“Master, show us the Father, and that will be enough for us.” Philip tells Jesus. There is a Philip in all of us, looking for reassurance of the presence of God in our lives. Sometimes we ask God for a sign to calm our fears. Jesus directs Philip and us to look not only to his words but his works. Where do you see the work of God in your community? Is there someone who needs reassurance that God is present during struggles? *Today’s readings: Acts 13:44–52; Psalm 98:1, 2–3ab, 3cd–4; John 14:7–14.*



Prayer Matters

Please remember the following people in your prayers:

Herbert Aiken	Mildred Lowrance
Charles Babinski	Margaret Lupton
Traci Backes	Nicholas Lusk
Drew Baker	John Lyons
Megan Bardeen	Gregg Lysaght
Denise Barnes	Erin Mabry
Marley Basurto	The Maney Family
Gail Bean	Petar Manolev
Carol Bigwood	Frankie Marcinkiewicz
Iliana Bouneva	Teri Massey
Barry & Teresa Brighten	Kenneth May
Christopher Brooks	Connie Mercier
Tony Casiere	Ernest & Margie Messing
John Clavin	Diane Miller
Eva Congleton	Chris Moore
Joe Craig	Irene Muccia
Susan Craig	Kyle Muccia
Margaret Deaton	Ernie Munoz
Marion DeCoursey	Maurice Murphy
Patrick Delaney	Joanne McAteer
Berta Dennard	Barbara McCann
Leslie Dixon	Denise McGee
Kathy Driscoll	Josephine McGovern
Carol Dubin	Joan McKillop
Kathleen Estep	Ann Noack
AC Everett	Kelly O'Connor
Judy Faulk	Edward O'Neill
Eleanor Flannery	Joanne Owens
Robert Flavin	John Paulhus
Brenda Floyd	Debra Paulson
Jennifer Freeman	Martin Plage, Jr.
Walt & Mary Gable	Lexie Queen
Keira Gibson	Anne-Marie Regan
Sandy Greggs	Susan Reynolds
Dale Guy	Ken Rowe
Don & Gloria Harris	Melanie Ryan
Maureen Hayes	Kerri Schafer
Louise Hebert	Vivian Scharver
Sandra Hobbs	Jonathan Schoo
Angelique Hunter	Beatrice Schultz
Anthony Jenkins	Rita & Ralph Seidl
Barbara Jezek	Susan Self
J.J. Jones	Carol Stevens
Denise Kassem	David Stiver
Lauren Kelly	Cynthia & Paul Streb
David Kendziora	Bill Sunseri
Fred Koch	Marieange Tribie
Addison LaCourse	Pat Tyson
Robert LaGoe	Jack Walsh
Tracy Langone	T. Michael Werner
Eileen Lavelle	John Weisenreider
Christine Levy	Anita Wynn
Claudia Lewis	

Names will remain on the list for one month from time of request. Please call the office if you wish to renew.

Healing Spiritual Retreat

Recovering Our Soul Connections Retreat

The experience of sexual abuse can reach every level of our being and leave us feeling distant from ourselves and even God. You are invited to come together with other women for a weekend experience of reflection and inspiration to help you reconnect with your deepest self and the God who loves all of you.

The 2024 Recovering Our Soul Connections Retreat, which includes an exploration of sacred scripture, music, movement, expressive arts, mutual support, and liturgy, will be held at Well of Mercy Retreat Center (<https://wellofmercy.org/>) in Hamptonville, NC. The retreat begins at 6:00 pm on Thursday, June 20, and concludes at noon on Sunday, June 23. Over a period of two months prior to the retreat, you will meet with a spiritual director to build a supportive relationship.

Space is limited to 12 retreatants. Applications will be accepted until the retreat is full. If accepted to the retreat, the full retreat fee of \$200 is required to secure your reservation. Subsidies from the Diocese of Raleigh, the Catholic Community of St. Thomas More in Chapel Hill, and the North Carolina State Court of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas make this retreat possible.

For more information, or to request an application, please email us at soulconnection366@gmail.com or visit **Recovering Our Soul Connection on Facebook**.

Join Us in Steubenville

Power & Purpose Conference

St. Mary Magdalene Church in Apex is traveling to Franciscan University of Steubenville on June 14-16 for an adult Catholic conference. Come learn from great speakers and hear more about the power of the Holy Spirit.

We will be traveling via coach bus, and would love for you to join us. Learn more at steubenvilleconferences.com. Reserve your spot today by contacting Laura Werner at lwerner@franciscan.edu. You can also reach Laura by phone at 919-889-9904.

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