



# 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  
**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 prerequisite 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 Flower for This Week Were  
Donated By:

Gail Binni, in memory of Earline Ramsay.

### Sunday, May 17—The Ascension of the Lord

8:30 am Liturgy, The Homeless  
10:30 am Liturgy, Living & Deceased of Immaculate Conception  
10:30 am Confirmation Celebrated  
2:30-3:30 The Athanasius Center, DFFC

### Monday, May 18, 2026

9:30 am Rosary/Novena

### Tuesday, May 19, 2026

9:30 am Eucharistic Adoration

### Wednesday, May 20, 2026

9:00 am Liturgy, Terrance Flynn

### Thursday, May 21, 2026

9:00 am Liturgy, The Guarino Family

### Friday, May 22, 2026

9:00 am Liturgy, Florinda Sheahan

### Saturday, May 23—Vigil of Pentecost

3:30 pm Reconciliation, Church  
5:00 pm Liturgy, Gregory Ulrich

### Sunday, May 24—Pentecost Sunday

8:30 am Liturgy, John 'J.J.' Jones  
10:30 am Liturgy, Mary Toci dlowski

*Liturgical Color for May 23 & 24 is Red*



### Sanctuary Candle

A 14-day Sanctuary Candle will burn in memory of **Denise McGee**, and was donated by **the Staff of ICC**.

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

### Stewardship of Treasure Report

Due to early submission to the bulletin company, the offertory for the weekends of May 9 & 10 and May 16 & 17 will be in the bulletin for the weekend of May 23 & 24.

*Sorry for any inconvenience.*



WHITE  
Easter Sunday - Ascension of the Lord  
April 5 - May 16 & 17

RED  
Pentecost  
May 23 & 24

WHITE  
The Most Holy Trinity -  
The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ  
May 30 & 31 - June 6 & 7

## Diocesan Second Collection

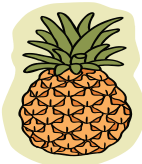
### Second Collection for Catholic Communications Campaign

This weekend take up the collection for the Catholic Communications Campaign (CCC). Your support helps the CCC connect Catholics with Christ in the United States and around the world, using the internet, television, radio, and print media. Half the funds we collect remain here in the Diocese of Raleigh to support local efforts.

Support this collection and be a part of this campaign to spread the gospel message. We thank you very much in advance for your generosity. For more information, or to donate online, please visit [usccbgivecatholictogether.org](http://usccbgivecatholictogether.org).

## 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 and fellowship begin at 8:30 am).

#### The Next Welcome Events

June 6, 2026

## The Help Center Needs

### The Help Center Food Donations

The following items are needed in **May 2026**:

May 3	Peanut butter
May 10	Jelly
May 17	Canned fruit
May 24	Canned tomatoes
May 31	One can meals (spaghetti, ravioli, beefaroni)



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

## Ways to Give at ICC

### Donating at ICC

Donations may be made via check or debit/credit card. Please make checks payable to Immaculate Conception Catholic Church and write the collection on the memo line. For debit/credit cards, scan the QR code on the front cover of the Breaking Bread book, or visit the parish website at [www.iccwilm.org](http://www.iccwilm.org). You can also set up regular electronic giving by going to the parish website, or by contacting Business Manager Charlie DaVolio at 910-791-1003, ext. 105 or [cdavolio@iccwilm.org](mailto:cdavolio@iccwilm.org).

## CONFIRMATION Immaculate Conception Church

May 17, 2026

Teddy *Teddy* Clifford

Kelsie *Theresa* Connaughton

Ethan *Martin* Gatt

Kiley *Kiley* Hanyok

Haley *Dymphna* Hilburn

Connor *Peter* McAuliffe

Brian *Brian* Nestasia

Emily *Emily* Nestasia

Abigail *Gianna* Remahl

Gabriella *Anne* Rimsky

Emily *Grace* Smith

*"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, and to proclaim a year acceptable to the Lord."*

*Luke 4:18-19*

# Our Parish COMMUNITY

May 17, 2026  
The Ascension of the Lord (A)  
Acts 1:1-11 / Ephesians 1:17-23 / Matthew 28:16-20



## Stairway to Heaven

MIGUEL DULICK

**E**ven by the Ascension, after forty days of eating and drinking with the resurrected Lord, the obtuseness of the Apostles still frustrates Jesus. In Acts, they're ready for a fight, "to restore the kingdom to Israel" (Acts 1:6). Matthew reports that "they worshiped, but they doubted" (Matthew 28:17). Pentecost cannot come soon enough, when they will be baptized with the Holy Spirit, and all will be made known.

So the next nine days are crucial. The apostles and other disciples, 120 persons in all, prepare for the arrival of the Holy Spirit, a spiritual retreat, the original "novena." Only then can the apostle go and "make disciples of all nations" (Matthew 28:19).

Jesus, who brought heaven down to earth in the Incarnation, now ascends, taking earth up to heaven, with his resurrection. Saint Paul gives us a hint of how special this interchange is when he wishes for the Ephesians to receive from Jesus "a Spirit of wisdom and revelation" (Ephesians 1:17).

Our own obtuseness can block the Holy Spirit when we think we have all the answers. When I first preached in Honduras, in the village where I live, I was so prepared, I said everything I could think of, all that I had learned in my courses for a masters degree in divinity. But then, when I heard the prayers and insights of poor and simple folks, supported by a rich, personal knowledge of the Lord himself, I cut my sermons in half and let the "saints," as St. Paul liked to call the people, finish the job. Thank you, Holy Spirit! ■



LEARN ABOUT THE AUTHORS OF OUR PARISH COMMUNITY



[Jesus said,] "You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, throughout Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

ACTS 1:8

### Reflect

How can I better cooperate with the Holy Spirit?

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### A WORD FROM POPE LEO XIV

Where are you...when the poor are blamed for their poverty, forgotten and discarded, in a world that values profit more than people? [W]here are you in a hyper-connected life where loneliness corrodes social bonds and makes us strangers even to ourselves?...

Fraternity...means rediscovering the face of the other...the very image of God in the face of the poor, the refugee, and even the adversary.

ADDRESS TO MEETING ON FRATERNITY, ROME, SEPTEMBER 12, 2025



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### Do you have a question for the Padre?

Go to [DearPadre.org](http://DearPadre.org) to send your question and to learn more about *Dear Padre*.

#### Monday

May 18  
Easter Weekday  
Acts 19:1-8  
Jn 16:29-33

#### Tuesday

May 19  
Easter Weekday  
Acts 20:17-27  
Jn 17:1-11a

#### Wednesday

May 20  
Easter Weekday  
Acts 20:28-38  
Jn 17:11b-19

#### Thursday

May 21  
Easter Weekday  
Acts 22:30; 23:6-11  
Jn 17:20-26

#### Friday

May 22  
Easter Weekday  
Acts 25:13b-21  
Jn 21:15-19

#### Saturday

May 23  
Easter Weekday  
Acts 28:16-20, 30-31  
Jn 21:20-25

#### Sunday

May 24  
Pentecost Sunday  
Acts 2:1-11  
1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13  
Jn 20:19-23



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## Ministry Opportunity

### Serving the Sick & Homebound

We are seeking compassionate and dedicated individuals to serve in a vital ministry to the sick and homebound members of our community. This ministry takes place on Thursday mornings and involves visiting those who are unable to attend church due to illness, age, or other limitations.

As a minister to the sick and homebound, you will bring comfort, prayer, and spiritual support—often being a meaningful connection to the faith community for those who need it most. This is a deeply personal and rewarding service that reflects Christ’s call to care for one another.

Volunteers in this ministry often experience a great sense of satisfaction, knowing they are making a real difference in someone’s life through compassion, presence, and faith.

If you feel called to serve, or would like more information, please contact **Tracey Kruger** at the parish offices at **910-791-1003, ext. 102**. Your time and care can bring light and hope to those who need it the most.

## Belmont Abbey’s Summer Schola

### Great Books, Great Adventure

Dive into classic philosophy and literature with Honors College faculty, enjoy the great outdoors, and experience the culture and recreation of Charlotte, NC. For sophomores and older, embark on a week-long journey filled with discovery, friendship, and joy. Schola 2026 will be held July 5-11 at Belmont Abbey College. Learn more at [www.bac.edu/schola](http://www.bac.edu/schola).



## Stewardship Reflection

*“I am praying for them...”  
(John 17:9)*

Prayer is the foundation of our faith and the foundation of stewardship. Prayer is always the first best option in any situation—not just our last resort. Pray for friends and family, and especially for those that don’t treat you very well. Pray to give praise, to thank, and to ask God for help. Pray to see what God wants you to do with the gifts He has given you. Teach others how to pray. It has been said that teaching someone how to pray is the best gift you can give someone.

## Pilgrimage with Bishop Luis

### Pilgrimage to Hungary & Poland

Join Bishop Luis Zarama on a Catholic pilgrimage to Hungary and Poland **October 4-14, 2027**, and journey together through lands rich in faith, history, and witness. This pilgrimage will take us to Budapest and Krakow, along the beautiful Danube River, and to sacred sites that have shaped the Church in Central Europe.

For more information, please visit: [www.bit.ly/ZARAMA27](http://www.bit.ly/ZARAMA27)

### 2027 DIVINE MERCY PILGRIMAGE

#### BUDAPEST & KRAKÓW



**Peace be with you.** It is with great joy that I invite you to join me on a Catholic pilgrimage to Hungary and Poland, October 4-14, 2027, as we journey together through lands rich in faith, history, and witness. This pilgrimage will take us to Budapest and Kraków, along the beautiful Danube, and to sacred sites that have shaped the Church in Central Europe.

<p><b>DAY 1</b> – Depart Raleigh</p> <p><b>DAY 2</b> – Arrival in Budapest, Hungary</p> <p><b>DAY 3</b> – Catholic Budapest &amp; Danube Dinner Cruise</p> <p><b>DAY 4</b> – Esztergom, the Danube Bend &amp; Buda Castle</p> <p><b>DAY 5</b> – Marian &amp; Eucharistic Budapest</p> <p><b>DAY 6</b> – Budapest to Kraków</p>	<p><b>DAY 7</b> – Kraków &amp; Old Town</p> <p><b>DAY 8</b> – Divine Mercy &amp; St. John Paul II</p> <p><b>DAY 9</b> – Auschwitz &amp; Wadowice</p> <p><b>DAY 10</b> – Wieliczka &amp; Częstochowa</p> <p><b>DAY 11</b> – Return to Raleigh</p>
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\$5499 per person from Raleigh, NC / Price Includes:

Round-trip airfare on international carrier	Daily breakfast and Table d’Hôte dinner
International taxes and current fuel charges	Full-time tour manager
Specially selected hotel accommodations	Medical insurance while traveling
Air-conditioned motor coach	Scan the QR code or visit <a href="http://www.bit.ly/ZARAMA27">www.bit.ly/ZARAMA27</a>



Contact: Belinda Heid 724-679 7450 / [belinda@Apilgrimsjourney.com](mailto:belinda@Apilgrimsjourney.com) or [Sara.Edwards@raidioc.org](mailto:Sara.Edwards@raidioc.org)

## 2026 Oblate Annual Appeal

*OBLATE*  
*Retirement*  
*Humility*



**A**fter so many years of devoted service to God and the Church, our retired and sick Oblate priests and brothers need our care and protection..

Annecy Hall is our assisted care living facility where more than 30 Oblates currently receive dignified care and a safe living environment for their twilight years. Even with our excellent cost-containment measures, escalating healthcare expenses now approach \$70,000 a year for a retired Oblate priest or brother to live at Annecy Hall.



Our entire Oblate community is deeply grateful to you, our friends, who generously give to help us meet this most necessary expense.

**The Oblate of St. Francis de Sales  
Collection will take place here at  
Immaculate Conception on the  
weekend of  
May 30 & 31, 2026**

## Altar Servers Needed



**Altar Servers** are needed at all weekend and weekday Liturgies, and we would love to have YOU!

Parishioners of all ages are welcome, and, in fact, families are encouraged to serve together in this ministry. Servers are asked to attend a brief training session, with the majority of training taking place during the Liturgy.

Please contact ministry coordinator Rena Morton at 704-621-2207 for more information.

(Note: Per Diocesan requirement implemented to protect children, anyone under the age of 18 years of age must be accompanied to the training session by a parent.)

*All are reminded to dress with  
reverence and respect as they come  
to the liturgy all year long.*

## Project Rachel

### Post-Abortion Healing

If you desire healing from a past abortion, you are invited to experience the love of Jesus Christ at a Project Rachel weekend retreat, being held June 12-14, 2026, in the Raleigh area. The weekend retreat is strictly confidential, for both women and men, and includes discussions, spiritual exercises, the sacrament of reconciliation, a memorial service, and a Mass of the Resurrection. Participation offers a beautiful opportunity to experience God's love, forgiveness, and compassion.

The cost for the retreat is \$350, which covers lodging, meals, and all retreat materials, with a discount of \$50 if you register before May 12. If there is a financial burden, assistance is available.

For more information, or to register for the retreat, contact Project Rachel at (919) 852-1021 by email at [project.rachel@raldioc.org](mailto:project.rachel@raldioc.org) or go to the website at <https://rachelnc.org>. Calls and appointments are kept strictly confidential.

## The Athanasius Center



Did you know that we have a Catholic ministry that welcomes people of all religious denominations to gather and discuss theological topics impacting personal and global

life? We are *The Athanasius Center*, and we welcome you to join us to share and explore ideas. All men and women, ages 18 and up, are welcome. We meet on Sundays from 2:30—3:30 pm in the DeSales Faith Formation Center, located on the campus of Immaculate Conception Catholic Church.

For more information, please email or text us:

- **Oliver Galbraith:** [olivergalbraith@gmail.com](mailto:olivergalbraith@gmail.com) or text 910-619-3933
- **Julianna Breit:** [julianna.breit@gmail.com](mailto:julianna.breit@gmail.com) or text at 910-338-8802

You can also find us on social media:

- **Instagram Name:** [athanasius\\_center](https://www.instagram.com/athanasius_center)
- **Whatsapp QR code:**



Besides our Sunday meetings, the Athanasius Center also offers the following activities, which are hosted at the homes of participating members:

- **Book Club: Christianity Through the Centuries - 1st Friday of the Month at 7:00PM**
- **Bible Study: 3rd Friday of the Month at 7:00PM**

## Ancient Order of Hibernians

### Lookin' For A Little Luck O' the Irish?



The Ancient Order of Hibernians of Brunswick County are selling raffle tickets for a 7 day/6 night vacation for TWO to Ireland! The trip includes:

- Round trip airfare from Wilmington
  - Vehicle rental
  - B&B lodging
- \$250 per person (total of \$500)

You must travel before June 1, 2027. Cash option of \$5,500 available in lieu of the trip.

Drawing will be held September 16, 2026, and tickets are \$100 each (only 150 tickets will be sold). If by August 31, 2026, a threshold of 100 tickets has not been sold, the drawing will revert to a 50/50. Final date for ticket sales is September 14, 2026. Additional information and online payment can be found at [www.brunswickncaoh.com](http://www.brunswickncaoh.com).

To purchase a ticket, please send your check for \$100, made payable to AOH, to:

Jim O'Reilly  
304 Kitts Way  
Winnabow, NC 28479

(Tickets will be mailed upon receipt of checks.)

**Please include your phone number and email with your check. A ticket will be mailed to the purchaser as soon as a check is received.**

For more information, please visit [www.brunswick.ncaoh.com](http://www.brunswick.ncaoh.com), or call Jim O'Reilly at 910-409-7025, email [joreilly@ec.rr.com](mailto:joreilly@ec.rr.com)



## Prayer Matters

*Please remember the following people in your prayers:*

Herbert Aiken	Darryl Lindner
Margaret Ager	Margaret Lupton
Kelly Avgerinos	Nicholas Lusk
Frank Ballard	John Lyons
Denise Barnes	Julia Macdougall
Marley Basurto	The Maney Family
Mike & Loretta Baumann	Petar Manolev
Donna Blackburn	Frankie Marcinkiewicz
Iliana & Maria Bouneva	Agnes Marshall
Ginny Bovelsky	Sonia Martin
Lee Bowling	Teri Massey
Andre Braima	CJ Miley
Edward Brennan	Diane Miller
Barry & Teresa Brighten	Irene & Kyle Muccia
Julie & John Bussi	Barbara McCann
The Casiere Family	Ed McCann
John Clavin	Paul McCauley
Christine Coco	Leah McDaniel
Eva Congleton	Maura McGoldrick
Joe Craig	Joan McKillop
Margaret Deaton	Loretta McManus
Marion DeCoursey	Maureen & Vince McNally
Bertha Dennard	Anne Obermeyer
Leslie Dixon	Edward O'Neill
Judith Dreisbach	Brad & Rebecca Owens
Kathy Driscoll	Joanne Owens
Skip & Charlotte Fairall	John Paulhus
Robert Flavin	Debra Paulson
Jennifer Freeman	Camden Peterson
Joan Fry	Natalina Pittari
Mary Gable	Martin Plage, Jr.
Jim Gallagher	Jo Anna Püllela
Keira Gibson	Lexie Queen
Donna Glisson	Alice Radewicz
Brenda Grainger & Family	Susan Reynolds
Lisa Plarre Griffith	Ken Rowe
Lenora Guy	Tom Russell
Maureen Hayes	Beatrice Schultz
Sandra Hobbs	Misty Moore Seals
Ruth Hohmann	Rita & Ralph Seidl
Marcia Horvath	Bob Smith
Pam Hults	Cynthia Spencer
Dan Janusek	Fr. Greg Spencer
Theresa Jeffers	Cynthia & Paul Streb
Denise Kassem	Christopher Swan
Loretta Kelly	Ginny Tascone
Tom Lakas	Mike Temple
The Lancaster Family	Sue Toppin
Tracy Langone	Marieange Tribie
Gene Laskowski	Jack Walsh
Riley Liberati	John Weisenreider
Rachelle Liberty	Diane Wiegand
Emily & Lauren Limbach	

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

## Summer Blood Drive

### Summer Blood Drive - June 26, 2026



Immaculate Conception Church will sponsor our Summer Blood Drive on Friday, June 26, from 10:00 am - 3:30 pm, in Brisson Hall in the DeSales Faith Formation Center. Please help us maintain

sufficient supplies for the busy summer season. Every two seconds, someone in the U.S. needs blood and/or platelets, and the average blood transfusion requires three units. To give blood, you must be at least 17 years of age, over 110 lbs., and in reasonably good health. There is no upper age limit. When you arrive, Red Cross staff will take a brief medical history and conduct a mini-exam to determine your eligibility. If you are a regular donor, you are eligible to donate if you have not given blood since on or before May 1, 2026. Whole blood donations can only be made every 56 days, and Power Red donations can be made every 112 days.

Volunteers will help with sign-ups before and after all Liturgies on the weekends of June 13 & 14 and June 20 & 21. Appointments are also available by phone or email, and by direct sign-up on the Red Cross website ([www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org)). The website has an option to complete your Rapid Pass medical history, along with required reading, online prior to your appointment. It is highly recommended that you download the American Red Cross Blood Donor app on your phone, as it will save you time and improve your donation experience. Please contact Mike Apicella at [beachblooddrive@gmail.com](mailto:beachblooddrive@gmail.com) to request an appointment or for further information. Please support this special stewardship and give the gift of life! Thank you for your support.



# ALTAR FLOWERS

## January to June 2026

**Our weekly Altar Flowers depend solely on donations from you, our parishioners. We need your help to ensure that we have flowers at all the weekend liturgies.**

Fill out this form with the date (s) you would like to donate the Altar Flowers in memory of a loved one or in celebration of a special event.

The size of the flower arrangement is determined by the number of households that contribute on a given weekend. We accept up to 4 households per weekend. Memorial contributions are **\$65.00**. Make your check payable to **Immaculate Conception Church** with *"Altar Flowers"* written on the memo line.

Place your form and check in an envelope marked **"Flowers - Tracey Kruger"** and put in the collection basket or drop off during office hours, Mon-Fri, 9:00 am to 4:00 pm.

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Song of Songs 2:12

**Choose from the following weekends:**

- Jan 3 & 4, 2026 - Epiphany of the Lord
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- Jan 17 & 18, 2026
- Jan 24 & 25, 2026
- Jan 31 & Feb 1, 2026

- Feb 7 & 8, 2026
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**No Flowers during Lent**

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- Apr 25 & 26, 2026

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- May 9 & 10, 2026 - Mother's Day
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- May 23 & 24, 2026 - Pentecost
- May 30 & 31, 2026 - Most Holy Trinity

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