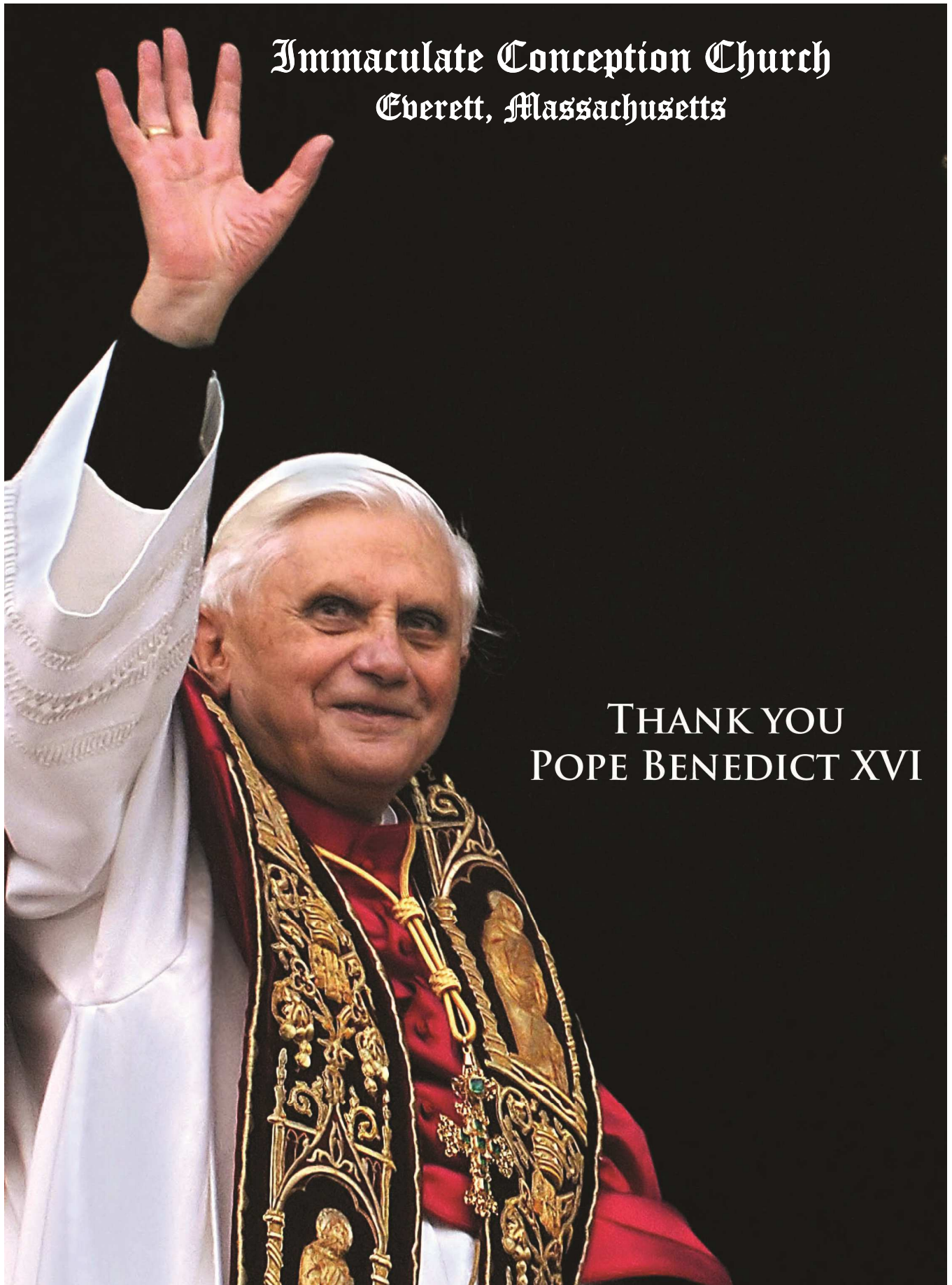


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 Faith Formation & Confirmation 6-10

FAITH FORMATION
GRADES 1-5
 Sundays 10:15AM-11:30AM In Our School
 617-387-7009

Fran Foley, Co-Director Grades 1 and 2
 Janine Keller, Co-Director Grades 3, 4, 5

SPANISH FAITH FORMATION
 Sunday: 10:15AM-12 NOON In Our School

FAITH FORMATION GRADES 6-10
 Thursdays 6:00-PM7:15PM In Our School

ADORATION OF THE
BLESSED SACRAMENT
 Thursday after 7:00AM Mass (Chapel)
 Benediction 6:30PM

CHARISMATIC PRAYER MEETING
 Friday: 7:30PM In The Chapel

SODALITY
 First Friday of the Month at 12:15PM

RECONCILIATION (Confession)
 Saturday: 3:00PM-3:45PM

BAPTISM
 1st and 3rd Sundays at 2:00PM (Chapel)
 Call Rectory to make arrangements

WEDDINGS
 Call Rectory at least 6 Months prior for appointment

RECTORY HOURS
 8:30AM-12PM and 12:30PM-3PM

PARISH MASS SCHEDULE
DAILY
 Monday-Saturday 7:00AM (Chapel)
SATURDAY
 (Sunday Vigil) 4:00PM
SUNDAY
 7:00AM; 9:00AM(Family); 11:00AM
 12:15PM Spanish Community
 4:00PM Haitian Community
 5:30PM (Chapel)

Mass Intentions for the Week

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 23 (St. Polycarp)
 7:00AM.....Mass of Thanksgiving.....
 4:00PM.....Christine and Henry Falzarano.....Memorial
Jennie DiLoreto.....Memorial

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 24 (St. John Theristus)
 7:00AM.....Philip Thomas DiCecca Sr.....Memorial
Madeline O'Connell.....Memorial
Herbert Vaughan Howland Sr.....Memorial
 9:00AM.....Dianne McCabe.....2nd Anniversary
 11:00AM.....Grace Allen.....44th Memorial
 5:30PM.....Sean W. Grogan and Elaine O'Rourke
Anniversary Memorial

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 25 (St. Tarasius)
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 26 (St. Isabel of France)
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 27 (St. Leander of Seville)

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 28 (St. Hilary, Pope)
 7:00AM.....John Hill.....Memorial

FRIDAY, MARCH 1, (St. David)
 7:00AM.....Nicholas DiMauro.....Memorial

SATURDAY, MARCH 2 (Bl. Charles the Good)
 7:00AM.....Vietnamese Intention.....
 4:00PM.....Eleanor Ragucci & Phyllis Sico.....Memorial

SUNDAY, MARCH 3 (St. Katharine Drexel)
 9:00AM.....Religious Education Mass.....
 11:00AM.....Thomas Clifford.....1st Anniversary
 5:30PM.....Bennie Capuano.....Birthday Memorial

Bereavement Mass
SUNDAY, MARCH 17TH AT 11:00AM. As an expression of sympathy for our families that have lost a loved one, every month we will celebrate a Mass for those that have passed away. This month is for those who passed away In February.

Let Us Pray for our sick and those we have been asked to remember:

Especially, Mary Agnes, Mark Amaral, Sal Barresi Sr., Mary Ann Burley, Janet Burridge, Lorraine Callinan, J. Case, Matthew Chaves, Robert DelRossi, Rose and Tom Douglas, Katherine Draper, Michelle Fraser, Robert Freedman, Carol Garafano, Irene Hickey, William Kemp, Eddie King, Christopher Lever, Shirley Melanson, Maria Moscaritolo, Christine Muise, Philip Mutebi, Diane O'Brien, Joe Palmacci, Dina Piazza, Harry Presti, Trixie Ricci, Peggy Riley, Laura Rumasuglia, Marcie Serve, Laura W.

Let Us Pray for the deceased of our Parish:

Especially, Margaret Avakian, Rita Diamond, Jean Metelus.



Let Us Pray that our men and women in the service might be safe in the days and weeks ahead. Especially those connected to our Parish as well as those unknown to us:

Mark Baldacchino, Kevin Caulfield, Jr, Anthony Cruciotti, Joseph Dang, Matthew Evans, John Fitzgerald, John Fitzpatrick, III, Joe Forte, Christopher Grace, David Grace, James Lally, Andrew McGlinchey, John O'Rourke, Christina Racca, Stephen Ramunno, Alex Recupero, Alex Sclafani, Melissa Lynn Vizena .

We ask that you remember all those that have given so much for us: The Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines and Coast Guard. Please bless them and their families.



The Altar Bread, Wine and Sanctuary Candle for the Weekend of February 24th are in remembrance of: JOHN KEARNS.

Thank you and blessings!



"90 PLUS" God Bless those who are celebrating a birthday this month:

MARY AGNES, WALTER MACIEJOWSKI, MARY BAGARELLA, TERESA O'DONNELL.

Scripture for the Week of February 24th

24 SUN Gn 15:5-12, 17-18/Phil 3:17—4:1 or 3:20—4:1/
Lk 9:28b-36 (27) Pss II
25 Mon Dn 9:4b-10/Lk 6:36-38 (230)
26 Tue Is 1:10, 16-20/Mt 23:1-12 (231)
27 Wed Jer 18:18-20/Mt 20:17-28 (232)
28 Thu Jer 17:5-10/Lk 16:19-31 (233)
1 Fri Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Mt 21:33-43,
45 -46 (234)
2 Sat Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32 (235)
3 SUN Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15/1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12/Lk 13:1-9
(30), or, for Year A, Ex 17:3-7/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/
Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42 (28)

MIDWEEK REFRESHER

Read: Luke 9: 28-36

Reflect: Every year the first two Sundays of Lent present the whole gamut of human existence, the whole range of the history of salvation. On the first Sunday of Lent the temptation of Jesus recalls the temptation of every human being since the beginning. On this second Sunday of Lent the transfiguration of Jesus holds out the transformation in glory which is the goal of every human hope.

The transfigured Jesus, however, models not only the goal of the Christian but also our ongoing life. The passage forms a fitting climax that Jesus' transfiguration took place "while he was praying", an action integral to Christian life. Secondly, he speaks with Moses and Elijah concerning his exodus, his transit to the Father through death, resurrection, and exaltation, which is announced in the first passion prediction. The disciples also are called to take up the cross and follow Jesus in order to arrive at life. Then they will see the glory of the Son of Man and of the Father. This appearance is a foretaste of that glory. Finally, at the transfiguration the voice from the cloud, heard at Jesus' baptism, is heard again, this time commanding, "Listen to him." The disciples are those who "listen to the word of God and keep it."

Thus we see in the transfigured Jesus both the goal and the way. We must not confuse the one for the other. The transfiguration marks only a temporary halt in the journey to Jerusalem, only a pause in this exodus. We who follow Jesus must continue to the end, strengthened by the glorious hope to which we are called.


Pray: Dear Jesus, though not favored with the enlightenment granted to Peter, James and John, I believe and trust in you as the Son of the Almighty.

Act: Help others to believe that Jesus is Lord.

RITE OF WELCOME

At this time of year, we celebrate the individuals who have begun a journey toward Easter Sacraments. Soon we shall be requesting your special prayers for some adults who wish to be confirmed and for one adult who wishes to make a Profession of Faith and receive First Eucharist. They will be attending the Rite of Election at the Cathedral of the Holy Cross and joining candidates from across the Diocese. This takes place on the First Sunday of Lent each year.

Announcements

THANK YOU FOR  YOUR

OFFERTORY
\$2,598 (2/10)


GRAND ANNUAL
\$28,800 Given by 205 Families

Catholic Appeal/Living Our Faith Together

Many parishioners are receiving a letter from Cardinal Sean, asking for prayerful support of the 2013 Catholic Appeal. The Appeal sustains 50 ministries that assist the work of the Church with and beyond parish boundaries. Here at Immaculate Conception, our ministry is supported by the Archdiocesan ministries of: Pro Life, Adult Faith Formation, Religious Education, Hospital and Prison Chaplaincies, RCIA, Tribunal, Permanent Diaconate, and Clergy Formation. We are also assisted in the management of the parish through Archdiocesan human resources, parish financial services, risk management, and property management. Your gift to the Catholic Appeal helped our Parish and many good works throughout the Archdioceses. Please visit:

www.BostonCatholicAppeal.org

- PRAYER MINISTRY
EVERY SUNDAY 10:00-10:45AM
Meets at the St. Joseph's Altar
- SPARE CHANGE
SUNDAY, MARCH 17TH
All Masses
- SODALITY
FRIDAY, MARCH 1ST
12:15 Mass/Luncheon (Chapel)
- BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC
SATURDAY, MARCH 2ND
3:15-3:45 (Upper Church)
- SACRAMENT OF THE SICK
SUNDAY, MARCH 3RD
11:00AM Mass

 1000 CLUB:
SATURDAY, MARCH 9TH AT 4:45

Our club has been part of our Parish for over 30 years. It has helped in paying many bills and it continues to do that. We would like to increase membership so that it may pay a few more bills. If you are a member—thank you! Maybe you could give one as a gift or buy another. If you don't have one, please consider purchasing one. Thank you in advance.

 ONLY \$4

SUNDAY MARCH 10TH
7:30-10:30AM
In Our Church Hall

Join your fellow parishioners for breakfast (Pancakes, scrambled eggs, sausage, toast, juice, coffee and tea yummy!)

 FOXWOODS TRIP:
TUESDAY, MARCH 19TH-\$23PP
Bus leaves Rectory by 7AM Sharp!
Return to Rectory by 7:30PM

Free Buffet or \$10 Food Credit and
\$10 Keno Play
Coffee AND.....on
Bus Down

Call Rectory to Reserve a Seat!
NO PAYMENTS ON BUS...Please Pay at Rectory

Eucharistic Adoration Of The Blessed Sacrament:

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be held EVERY THURSDAY from 7:45AM to 6:30PM in the Chapel. Each Thursday's adoration will conclude with Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament at 6:30PM. All are welcome to come and spend some time in the Lord's presence. Please invite other to join you.

The Rosary at 6:30AM (Before Mass)
The Angelus at 12:00PM
The Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3:00PM
The Rosary at 5:30PM for Peace and the Holy Father's intentions
The Divine Mercy Chaplet (Sung) at 6:00PM

If you would like more information, call
Madeline McComish at 617.387.7820.

10th Anniversary of Eucharistic Adoration Of The Blessed Sacrament In Our Parish

February, 2013, marks the 10th Anniversary of Eucharistic Adoration every Thursday in our Parish. Help celebrate this wonderful Anniversary by signing up to spend some time with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. Adoration takes place from after the 7:00AM Mass and concludes with Benediction at 6:30PM.



2013 INFO

GRADES 6-10

As we enter into the Season of Lent, we will be taking Grades 6-10 to Mass on the following Thursdays:

THURSDAY, MARCH 7 AT 6:00PM
HOLY THURSDAY, MARCH 28 AT 6:45

We will meet at the Lower Church Hall (instead of the school) and attend Mass as a Class.

GRADE 2
SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

GRADE 2 PARENT'S MEETING: This has been rescheduled to **TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 26TH**. Thank you.

The Second Graders in the Religious Education Program will be receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation on **March 2nd** and **March 9th**. We ask for your prayers as they begin their journey to receiving their First Holy Communion.



BELOW ARE SOME WAYS
IN WHICH YOU CAN HELP OUR CHURCH

LECTOR: Proclaim God's Word to those who come to worship with us.

SPECIAL MINISTER OF THE EUCHARIST: Distribute the Eucharist at Mass, the Hospital, Nursing Homes and the Homebound.

USHERS AND GREETERS: Ensure a Welcome to all, assist at offertory time, pass out bulletins when leaving.

CLEANERS: This Ministry cleans on Friday afternoons.

If you are interested in any of these or other Ministries in our Parish, please call the Rectory and let us know your interest and we will get you started!



CONGRATULATIONS: Our Parish would like to recognize **EMILEE COCUZZO**, who received First Honors and **NATHAN WILCOX**, who received Honors at Arlington Catholic High School. Way to go Emilee and Nathan.



RESPECT LIFE
VALENTINE'S DAY ROSE DRIVE



Due to the inclement weather last week, **THIS WEEK-END**, volunteers from Massachusetts Citizens for Life will distribute silk roses after all the Masses. Proceeds from this Rose Drive will be used in work to protect the right to life of the unborn, the handicapped, the sick and the elderly. Please support this effort by taking a silk rose and making your most generous contribution.

SOCIAL JUSTICE

Many people today are asking themselves what it means to be a follower of Christ, a Catholic, a believer in the Good News. One answer that is gaining ground in many denominations, is the idea of Social Justice as integral to living an authentic Christian life. Interestingly, this idea of Social Justice is a long standing tradition of the Catholic Church, which some would argue is our "best kept secret."

Are you interested in learning about the "secret" of the Social Justice Tradition of our Church in an inclusive and open way? Have you ever wondered how to develop the skills and knowledge necessary to lead a more effective and authentic Christian Life? If so, then let's get together in an open and informal way to begin the journey of learning about Social Justice. Please call the Rectory and leave your name and we will get back to you shortly. Thank you.

UPCOMING EVENTS
AT OUR NEIGHBORING SCHOOLS/PARISHES



Don Guanella Center
invites you to
Pasta Fest 2013
Saturday—March 2nd at 5PM

Our Lady of Grace Parish Hall
 59 Nichols Street
 Chelsea, MA 02150

For tickets....

Tickets: \$10.00 for Adults

\$5.00 for children 6 to 12

Free for children under 6

Raffle: Cash and Baskets

Don Guanella Center: (617) 889—0179



MASS SCHEDULE FOR LENT

MONDAY; WEDNESDAY; FRIDAY
7:00AM AND 12:15AM

TUESDAY; THURSDAY
7:00AM AND 6:30PM (CHAPEL)

SATURDAY
7:00AM (CHAPEL)

ADORATION
THURSDAY 7:30AM-6:30PM

STATIONS OF THE CROSS
FRIDAYS 7:00PM

FUEL COLLECTION HELP

The envelope packet from Sunday marked Utility is actually our FUEL COLLECTION for this year. Just as your fuel costs have increased, so has ours. We have and continued to do things to lower our costs, such as Plexiglas windows to keep more heat; turning heat off more hours than we have done. However, our bill, as yours does, continue to go up. We would appreciate any help please. See flyer insert.

SOUP KITCHEN

We would like to open a Soup Kitchen on Saturdays. We are looking for a group to take on ONE Saturday a month on Every month. It can be a group like the Elks, Knights of Columbus or maybe 2 or 3 families that would like to do it. We will supply the utensils, the kitchen and the food. We need you to prepare and make welcome our guests!! We are also looking for large soup pots, and industrial can opener, etc.

Our parish is blessed with many wonderful people including those that read our bulletin. Sometimes a simple act of kindness gives initiative by us. So to the friends that we sometimes forget to say thank you to... Thank you! Maybe you just picked up paper in the Church or did an act of kindness by welcoming a new parishioner or maybe you invited someone. Thank you!!

As we come to the end of a wonderful Christmas Season, we want to thank everyone who thought of us at Christmas time. The cards sent to the Rectory or the gifts that make this a great celebration of our Saviors birth. Thanks and many blessings!

NEED AND WISH LIST

Several people have asked about items the Church may need or want. The items can be left in Remembrance of someone or just donated to the Church. A couple of items on our Wish List: a New Processional Cross; Water and Wine Cruets; and Processional Candles. Please contact Rick if interested in purchasing any of these items.



Our parish would sincerely like to thank NAVARRO'S HEATING OIL for sponsoring our bulletin. Without them this publication would not be possible.

