

**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
**1016 RIDGE AVENUE, NEW CUMBERLAND, WV 26047**  
**Phone: 304-564-5068 Website: <https://immaculateconceptionnc.org>**

**Pastor:** Fr. Bill Matheny Email: [wkmathenyjr@gmail.com](mailto:wkmathenyjr@gmail.com)

**Secretary:** Janice Juszczak Email: [icp2236nc@dwc.org](mailto:icp2236nc@dwc.org)  
[shp2226ches@dwc.org](mailto:shp2226ches@dwc.org)

**Financial Secretary:** Pam Riggi Email: [icp2236nc@dwc.org](mailto:icp2236nc@dwc.org)

**Director of Music:** Nick Riccardi



- Baptism:** Please call the parish office  
**Reconciliation:** Sunday & Friday 7:30-8:15 AM or by appointment  
**Marriage:** Arrangements made at least 6 months in advance. Call the parish Office for information.  
**Parish Registration:** Contact the parish office. Registration is important for pastoral and other church needs and services. There are registration forms in the gathering space.  
**Sick & Homebound:** Let us know if you wish for a visit.  
**In the Hospital:** If you are in the hospital, have someone call the parish office to inform us.  
**Prayer Line:** Dorothy Swearingen 304-564-5177.

| <u>Mass Dates &amp; Times</u> | <u>Intentions</u>                                  |
|-------------------------------|--|
| March 12, Sunday, 8:30 AM     | +John & Gladys Moran                               |
| March 15, Wednesday, 8:30 AM  | +David Perkinson                                   |
| March 17, Friday, 8:30 AM     | The People of the Parish                           |
| March 18, Saturday, 8:30 AM   | +Donald Bowen <i>by Nora A. White &amp; Family</i> |
| March 19, Sunday, 8:30 AM     | +Keith & Dolores Matheny                           |

| <u>Ministry Schedule</u>      |                 |                              |                                    |
|-------------------------------|-----------------|------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| <u>Mass Dates &amp; Times</u> | <u>Reader</u>   | <u>Host</u>                  | <u>Altar Server</u>                |
| March 12, Sunday, 8:30 AM     | Bonnie Burskey  | Matt Burskey                 | Vanessa Dicks & Caleb Dicks        |
| March 19, Sunday, 8:30 AM     | Carol Lorenzoni | Jo Ellen Kessel              | Jennifer DiLullo & Taylor Woodbury |
| <u>Mass Dates &amp; Times</u> | <u>Greeters</u> | <u>Gift Bearers</u>          |                                    |
| March 12, Sunday, 8:30 AM     | Christy Wilson  | Norma Moore & Bonnie Burskey |                                    |
| March 19, Sunday, 8:30 AM     | Dan Robinson    | Pam Riggi & Dan Robinson     |                                    |

**March 5, 2023 *Sharing Our Time, Talents, and Treasures. Thank you for your Generosity!***

|                        |                   |
|------------------------|-------------------|
| Envelopes              | \$2,038.00        |
| Loose                  | \$55.00           |
| Candles                | \$33.00           |
| Earthquake Relief      | \$3.00            |
| Food Closet            | \$20.00           |
| Priest Retirement Fund | \$40.00           |
| Easter Flowers         | <u>\$30.00</u>    |
| <b>Total</b>           | <b>\$2,511.00</b> |

**Attendance 67**

**Please pray for the sick and shut ins**  
 Kendall Dunbar, Anthony Everly, Daniel Frederick, Anita Guire, Eliza Mazezka, Diane & Mickey McHaffie, Flo Merritt, Irene Mesler, Ed Rettinger, Cindy Roeger, Linda & Ray Terpack, Nora White, Kurt White & Will White.  
**We are starting over with our sick and shut-in list, if you have a name to be added to or removed from this list, please call the parish office.**

**New Cumberland Food Closet Needs**  
 Boxed Potatoes  
 Thank you for your generosity!

**From the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston**  
 To report an incidence of suspected child sexual abuse, please contact your local law enforcement agency, or you may contact WV Child Protective Services at Confidentially 800-352-6513. To report suspected cases of sexual abuse by Personnel of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston, please contact the Diocese at 888-434-6237 or 304-233-0880.

**2022 OFFERTORY CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS** If you want your contribution statement for your 2022 taxes, please contact Janice, 304-564-5068, 304-387-0198, or [shp2226ches@dwc.org](mailto:shp2226ches@dwc.org) or [icp2236nc@dwc.org](mailto:icp2236nc@dwc.org).

**SARRIS EASTER CANDY SALE** Candy orders will be available for pick up on March 26, after Mass.

**MEN'S CLUB** will have their next meeting Sunday, March 19, after Mass.

**RCIA (ADULT CATHOLIC EDUCATION)** next session is Friday, March 17, 10:00 AM, at the Sacred Heart parish center library. *Topic: The Nicene Creed.*

**DIVINE MERCY CENACLE GROUP** has its next meeting in the Sacred Heart parish center on **Monday, March 13**, after the 6:00 PM Mass. Please join us for prayer, scripture study, and the reading of Saint Faustina's works.

### LENT 2023

1. **The Three Pillars of Lent:** *Prayer – Fasting – Almsgiving*
2. Fridays during Lent are days of abstinence from meat products, ages 14 and older. Those younger than 14 are encouraged to abstain from meat. Our former bishop, the late Bernard Schmitt, also encouraged us to abstain from meat on Wednesdays as another form of sacrifice.
3. **Weekday Mass schedule during Lent:**
  - a. Sacred Heart: Monday 6:00 PM, Tuesday and Wednesday 8:30 AM, Friday 6:30 PM
  - b. Immaculate Conception: Thursday, Friday, and Saturday 8:30 AM
4. **Stations of the Cross** will be each Friday at 6:00 PM at both parishes.
5. **Confessions** are Mondays 5:00-5:45 PM and Saturdays 4:00-4:45 PM(SH); Fridays and Sundays 7:30-8:15 AM (IC).

**LENTEN CONFESSIONS** at Sacred Heart will be **Sunday, March 19, 3:00 - 4:00 PM. Fr. John, Fr. Leo, and Fr. Bill will hear confessions.** Immaculate Conception has its Lenten Confessions on Sunday, March 26, 3:00 – 4:00 PM. Fr. John and Fr. Bill will hear confessions.

**RETIRED SCHOOL EMPLOYEES LUNCHEON** The Women's Club will host the luncheon for the Hancock County Retired School Employees on Tuesday, March 21. This is a fundraiser, so please consider donating a salad for the luncheon. The back door will be open for you to drop off your salads on Monday, March 20, from 4-8 PM or they can be dropped off on Tuesday, March 21 before 11:00 AM.

**SPRING SPORTS** Please email Fr. Bill, [wmatheny@dwc.org](mailto:wmatheny@dwc.org), if your son and/or daughter are playing spring sports (baseball, lacrosse, softball, tennis, or track and field) for their middle or senior high school team. Provide the name, grade level, school, and sport. We will list the names in the April 2 bulletin.

### SAINT OF THE WEEK *Saint Patrick, Bishop*

Although many legends abound with Saint Patrick, we know that he was **humble** and **courageous**. His determination to accept suffering and success with equal indifference guided the life of God's instrument for winning most of Ireland for Christ. At 16, he and his father's slaves and vassals were captured by Irish raiders and sold as slaves in Ireland. Forced to work as a shepherd, he suffered greatly. After six years Patrick escaped. His captivity had meant spiritual conversion. When he was ordained a bishop at 43, Patrick desired to return to Ireland to bring the Good News. He suffered much opposition from pagan druids and was criticized in both England and Ireland for the way he conducted his mission. Nevertheless, in a relatively short time, the island had become strongly Christian. When one considers the state of Ireland when he began his mission work, the vast extent of his labors, and how the seeds he planted continued to grow and flourish, one can only admire the kind of man Patrick must have been. The holiness of a person is known only by the fruits of his work. He is the patron saint of engineers, Ireland, and Nigeria. His feast day is March 17.

### UPCOMING SPIRITUAL ACTIVITIES IN WEIRTON

**Monday-Wednesday, March 13-15, 7:00-9:00 PM** Parish Mission Saint Joseph the Worker Parish. Presenter: Dr. John Bergsma, Professor at Franciscan University 7:00 PM Presentation, 8:00 PM Confessions. Contact SJW 304-723-2054, for more information.

**CAMP CARLO** Huttonsville, WV June 25 – July 29. This camp is open to students in grades 3 thru 12. The rate is \$325 per child with Early Bird Special Rate of \$275. There are 5 one-week camps from which to choose. Please email either [rgodwin@frontiernet.net](mailto:rgodwin@frontiernet.net) or [mmoran@dwc.org](mailto:mmoran@dwc.org) for more information. **Need a Summer Job?** They are looking for young people to be camp counselors for Summer 2023, please contact the above emails for an application.

