

# Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish

A Roman Catholic Parish in the Diocese of Erie

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# TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | AUGUST 24, 2025

# Parish Administration

Very Rev. Fr. Andrew M. Boyd, V.F.

—Pastor & Dean of Greenville Deanery

# Rev. Mr. Edgar Gonzalez

—Permanent Deacon

# **Mr. Greg Cummings**

—Director of Faith Formation

# **Mrs. Barb Dumais**

- —Director of Outreach Ministry
- -Direct Line: (724) 907-7790

# Mrs. Marge McGinnis

-Business Manager

### Mrs. Maureen Minner

—Secretary

# **Mr. Tom Serge**

—Facilities & Maintenance

# Sacraments

Daily Mass Tuesday - Friday: **8 AM**Saturday Vigil Mass: **5 PM** 

Sunday Mass:

May - Aug - 8 AM & 10 AM Sept - April - 8 AM & 11 AM

Confessions - Saturday: 4 PM

and by appointment

# Office Hours

Tuesday—Thursday: 9am—3pm

Contact Us
100 Penn Avenue

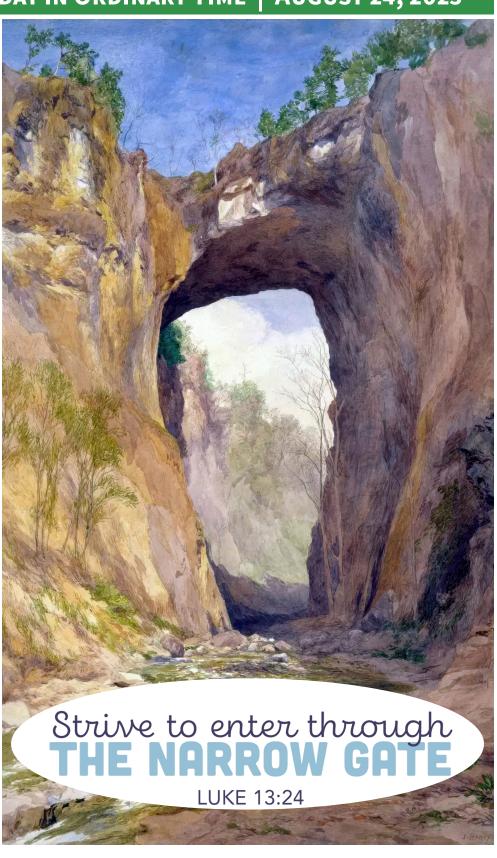
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# Around our Parish

# Parish Cookbook Orders Now delivered to the parish office by Open!

traditions of our community.

Cookbooks are \$20 each and A few thoughts for your week: will be ready for pickup in time in line.

keepsake celebrating the recipes, and fill your heart with peace. memories, and fellowship of our parish family!

### **Theme Basket Raffle**

The due date for our Theme Basket Raffle is approaching quickly! Please have all baskets

September 15. This earlier date Our 70th Anniversary Parish will give us more time to advertise Cookbook is complete—and it's a the baskets before our annual feast for the eyes and the table! Spaghetti Dinner. If you would like We've collected 266 delicious to sponsor a basket, sign-up sheets recipes from parishioners and are available at the doors of the friends, capturing the flavors and church. More details can be found in this weekend's bulletin.

Learning to ignore certain things for Christmas-perfect for gift- is one of the greatest paths to giving! To place your order, use inner peace. Not every burden is this meant to be carried, and not every weekend's bulletin or call the battle is worth fighting. Let go of parish office. Checks should be what weighs you down-old hurts, made payable to **Immaculate** needless worries, and voices that Heart of Mary Parish with steal your joy—and embrace what "Cookbook" written in the memo and who lifts you up. Surround yourself with people, places, and special habits that draw you closer to God

> Pax et Bonum, Fr. Andy



# Mass Intentions SATURDAY, AUGUST 23

**5pm** Jack Russell (Mary Ellen)

### **SUNDAY, AUGUST 24**

8am Living & Deceased Parishioners **10am** Joyce & Zorn Family & Friends (Jim & Dottie Joyce)

# **MONDAY, AUGUST 25**

8am No Mass

# **TUESDAY, AUGUST 26**

8am Thea Nixon (Fr. Andy)

**SCI Mercer** Faithful Departed

### **WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 27**

8am Frank & Dolly Secich (Daughter Cindy Wilpula)

### **THURSDAY, AUGUST 28**

**8am** Tim Bell (Minner Family)

### FRIDAY, AUGUST 29

8am Courtney Marx (Sharon & Andrew Samuto)

### SATURDAY, AUGUST 30

**5pm** Jim Wilson Sr.

(Farmartino & J. Wilson Families)

# SUNDAY, AUGUST 31

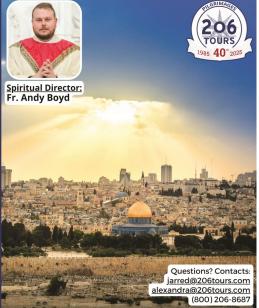
8am David Bicek (Family)

**10am** Living & Deceased Parishioners



Flight bag & Portfolio of all travel documents

www.206tours.com/frboyd



# Tabernacle Vigil Light

The Sanctuary Vigil Light is burning this month in memory of Joseph R. Stauff as requested by the Nancy Stauff. Eternal rest grant upon the souls of all the faithful departed.

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# **Ministries**

### **LECTORS**

23 Aug 5:00 pm - Tom Waterloo 24 Aug 8:00 am - Denise DeFiore

10:00 am - Matt Hazi

30 Aug 5:00 pm - Dennis Birch

31 Aug 8:00 am - Deborah Tenney

10:00 am - Bill Sajewski

### **EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

23 Aug 5:00 pm - Shelly DeMarsh

24 Aug 8:00 am - Mike Shomin 10:00 am - Tracy Peters

30 Aug 5:00 pm - Tony DeMarsh

31 Aug 8:00 am - William Oehlbeck

10:00 am - Jennifer Mausser

Access your online schedule via Ministry Scheduler Pro. Find the login link at: <a href="mailto:ihmercer.org/portal">ihmercer.org/portal</a>

# Parish Prayer List

James Anderson Diana Baker Elyse Duncan Kyren Lacy Gene Lazaroff Gerald Lazaroff Chuck Leydic JoAnna Stoner Maddox Weilham Shirley Whalen

Names on the Parish Prayer List remain for 4 weeks. After 4 weeks, you must contact the parish office to put the name back on the list. To be included in our prayer chain, call the parish office, or email **Prayers@ihmercer.org** 

# CARING CLOSET

### **NEEDED ITEMS**

Size 5 Huggies or Honest diapers Backpacks & School Supplies Baby Wipes

## New to our parish?

We'd love to welcome you personally! If you're visiting or new to Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish, please sign our Guest Book located at the back of church. We'll send you a note to thank you for joining us and share how you can become part of our parish family!

# Weekly Offering

August 17, 2025

### **COLLECTION BASKET:**

| Offertory              | \$3,477.00    |
|------------------------|---------------|
| Loose Money            | 658.12        |
| Loose Money Assumption | 163.00        |
| Assumption             | 735.00        |
| Latin America          | <u>179.00</u> |
| Total:                 | \$ 5,212.12   |

### **ONLINE:**

| Offertory | 800.00       |
|-----------|--------------|
| Total:    | \$<br>800.00 |

Needed weekly offering: \$7,300.00 Total \$6,012.12 Deficit: \$1,287.88

# CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL

2025 Assessment is **\$52,337** 2025 Goal plus repairs for handicap ramp is **\$152,337** 

80 Families - Pledged \$59,150 - Paid to date \$51,640

# SHARING SHED

### **NEEDED ITEMS**

Flour Cooking oil Cereals Rice and rice packets Any canned goods

### Please note:

We cannot accept donations of medication to our Sharing Shed or Caring Closet.

300 Club
Congratulations to
Ticket #143
for winning this week!



# Save the Date!



at Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish



Sunday, October 26, 2025 12:00 PM - 4:00 PM

During the dinner, there will be a Theme Basket Raffle with numerous baskets to try your luck on!



# Join us at our Parish Mission

September 8-II, 2025 6:30pm - 8:30pm



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"You will never be bored, and your life will be changed!"

--Fr. Larry Richards

# Theme Basket Raffle AT THE SPAGHETTI DINNER

We are seeking donations of themed gift baskets for our upcoming raffle. Your creativity and generosity will help make this event a success! Choose a theme and fill your basket with items that total over \$50.

# **Important Details:**

**Basket Value:** Please ensure each basket contains items totaling over \$50.

**Drop-off Date**: All baskets must be turned in by September 15 to the parish office. This allows us time to advertise and prepare for the raffle.

Where to Drop Off: Immaculate Heart of Mary
Parish Office

For more information, contact the parish office at (724) 662-2999 or office@ihmercer.org.

# Mass Schedule Reminder!

With the school year in our sights, our Sunday Mass Schedule will return to sam and 111 am beginning

Sunday, 18 September 7, 2025

Make sure to markyour calendars!!!



# PARISH COOKBOOK

# ORDER YOURS TODAY!

A COLLECTION OF 266 CHERISHED RECIPES FROM OUR PARISH FAMILY.



**Price:** \$20 each **Availability:** Pick up in time for Christmas — perfect for gift-giving!

Complete the form below and return to the parish office with payment by November 5.

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY PARISH

# IHM 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Cookbook Order Form

| NAME:                  |                        |
|------------------------|------------------------|
| PHONE:                 | MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO |
| EMAIL:                 | IMMACULATE HEART OF    |
| NUMBER OF COOKBOOKS:   | MARY PARISH            |
| TOTAL AMOUNT ENGLOCED. |                        |

Return this form with payment to parish office by November 5, 2025