# Ammaculate Conception Parish & St. Jude Mission Church



454 Bow Street Elkton, MD 21921

#### **MASSES**

Saturday Evening: 5:00 pm Sundays: 7:00 & 11:00 am Holy Days: As announced Weekdays: Mon. - Sat., 8:30 am

#### **CONFESSIONS**

Saturday, 9:15 - 10:15 am

#### **BAPTISMS**

2nd & 4th Sundays of the month, 12:15 pm

#### OCTOBER 26, 2025

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Pastor

Rev. James Gebhart
Associate Pastor

Rev. Gerald Dunne, OSFS Priest in Residence

Mr. Michael Truman
Permanent Deacon

Mr. Ben Feril Permanent Deacon

## Schedule of Liturgies





928 Turkey Point Rd. North East, MD

#### MASSES

Sundays: 9:00 am Holy Days: As announced

#### **CONFESSIONS**

Before Sunday Mass, 8:20 - 8:50 am

#### **BAPTISMS**

3rd Sunday of the month, 10:15 am





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**Registration:** Please call the Parish Office for a registration form, or register online.

Office of Faith Formation Vickie Eichler / 410-392-3551 Coord. of Primary Faith Formation reledoff@gmail.com

#### Marriages

Please contact a priest one year in advance.

Ministry to the Sick and Homebound Deacon Michael Truman / 410-398-0009

Call Parish Office whenever you or a family member are hospitalized or needs a visit.

Parish Outreach / 410-398-2110 Open Mon, Wed., & Fri. from 9:30 am - 11:30 am

Coordinator of Music & Liturgy George I. Gregory / 410-398-3244 icsjmusic@gmail.com

Contemporary Ensemble Rehearsal Tuesday at 7:00 pm (Sept. to May)

Cantor Rehearsal Wednesday at 9:30 am

#### **Immaculate Conception Cemetery**

Our cemetery is conveniently located off of Rt. 213 and Childs Road, Elkton, MD 21921. For current availability and pricing, contact Peggy O'Donnell in the Parish Office at 410-398-1100 or iccmanager455@gmail.com.

Baptisms: Pregnant? Have a newborn? Does your child need to be Baptized? You are invited! Classes are on Monday evenings, 6:30 - 7:30 pm in the Parish Center. Please contact the Parish Office in advance to register for the Baptism Preparation Class or to arrange the date of Baptism. Call 410-398-1100 for information or to register.

#### Pastoral Council Meeting

3rd Wednesday of the month (*Sept. - June*) at 5:00 pm in the Parish Center.

Parish Liturgy & Finance Committees Meets monthly

#### REFLECTION

By Fr. Rich Jasper
Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 26, 2025

#### Oh, When the Saints Come Marching In ...

Growing up, I was mesmerized by the tales of the saints: Francis of Assisi's willingness to walk away from wealth and privilege to give his life to the poor; Catherine of Siena's holy boldness in telling a pope he was wrong; the Jesuit martyrs of Canada willing to risk all – including their very lives – to bring the Gospel to the native peoples. Their unique ways of demonstrating both faithful courage and love of Christ made me want to be a saint, too.

Then came my teen-age years ...

And yet, that youthful, innocent desire for holiness still remained buried, like a seed planted deep within the ground. It remains true for all of us, I suspect, no matter how far we may stray from the saintly path on our life's journey. God made us for Himself, and His covenantal love is constantly seeking us out, desiring that seed of holiness to sprout and bloom.

This is one of the many reasons why the Church places All Saints Day (November 1) on the liturgical calendar every year: to remind us that we are called to be saints, and that there are countless men, women and children who may never be officially canonized but who, with God's grace, are spending eternity praising Him and interceding for us. They pray that we will one day be where they now are. As Wilmington's second bishop once wrote: "May we remember on this day the vast army of unknown saints who did common things uncommonly well, who toiled, waited and suffered; who believed, hoped, loved and frequently repented. These we can imitate."

And indeed, we should. As All Saints Day falls on Saturday this year, it is not a Holy Day of Obligation. However, please consider joining us for Mass at 8:30 am at Immaculate Conception to remember the saints who are cheering us on and who light our way to Christ.

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<u>Special thanks</u> to the Bishop Becker Council of the Knights of Columbus, their families and the many volunteers who made our Annual Oktoberfest such a wonderful afternoon of food, fellowship and fun. We truly are blessed to have so many opportunities to come together as a family of faith to share our lives and our love of Christ with one another.



Join us today after the 9am Mass at St. Jude Church for <u>Trunk or Treat</u>. All families are welcome to participate!



Monday, October 27, 2025

Weekday - Feast Day of St. Frumentius

8:30 am ---- All Parishioners

Tuesday, October 28, 2025

Weekday – Feast Day of Sts. Simon and Jude,

**Apostles** 

8:30 am --- Kieran Sniadowski

Wednesday, October 29, 2025

Weekday - Feast Day of the St. Narcissus

8:30 am ---- Libby Cavalloro

Thursday, October 30, 2025

Weekday – Feast Day of the St. Alphonsus Rodriguez

8:30 am ----- Carmen Lagarelli

Friday, October 31, 2025

Weekday - Feast Day of St. Wolfgang

8:30 am ---- Catherine Blansfield

Saturday, November 1, 2025

Weekday - All Saints Day

8:30 am ---- All Saints

5:00 pm ---- William, Evelyn, and TJ

Sunday, November 2, 2025

**All Souls Day** 

7:00 am ----- All Souls in Purgatory

9:00 am SJ – John & Helen Koval, Sr.

11:00 am ----- All Souls

#### Weekly Calendar:

Monday, October 27th

9:15 am Adult Ed Class - PC

9:30am-11:30am Outreach Open - PC Lower Level

Tuesday, October 28th

5:00 pm Divine Mercy Group - PC

7:00 pm Contemporary Rehearsal – IC

Wednesday, October 29th

9:30am-11:30am Outreach Open - PC Lower Level

9:30 am Cantor Rehearsal - IC

7:00 pm OCIA - PC

Thursday, October 30th

7:00 pm Cub Scouts – ICS Cafeteria

Friday, October 31st

9:30am-11:30am Outreach Open - PC Lower Level

5:00 pm Blue Hen Rosary Cenacle - IC Chapel

No Evening Holy Hour (Adoration)

Saturday, November 1st

8:30 am All Saints Day Mass - IC

5:00 pm Mass - IC

Sunday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>

7:00 am - IC

9:00 am Mass - SJ

11:00 am All Souls Day Mass - IC

Daylight Savings Time Ends - Sunday, Nov. 2nd

#### Daily Readings: Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### Sunday

Sir 35:12-14, 16-18; 2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18; Lk 18:9-14

#### Monday

Rom 8:12-17; Lk 13:10-17

#### Tuesday

Eph 2:19-22; Lk 6:12-16

#### Wednesday

Rom 8:26-30: Lk 13:22-30

#### **Thursday**

Rom 8:31b-39; Lk 13:31-35

#### Friday

Rom 9:1-5; Lk 14:1-6

#### **First Saturday**

Rv 7:2-4, 9-14; 1 Jn 3:1-3; Mt 5:1-12a

### Readings for Next Week: All Souls Day

#### First Reading: Wisdom 3:1-9

Those who left this earth before us are at peace, in the hands of God. The Lord is their King forever, and His grace, mercy and love are with His elect.

#### Second Reading: Romans 5:5-11

Rejoice in our Lord Jesus Christ! For through His death and resurrection we have been reconciled and shall have eternal life. By the power of the Holy Spirit God has given us hope, and hope does not disappoint.

#### Gospel: John 6:37-40

Jesus calls Himself the Bread of God, the giver of life to the world. True bread from heaven, not the manna Moses fed his people in the desert. Through the Eucharist we remember, celebrate and believe. All who believe in Him will have eternal life, and the Father will raise them up on the last day.

#### WEEKLY CHURCH COLLECTIONS:

#### Week of 10/19:

Sunday Collection...\$ 6,797 Online Donations...\$ 4,137 Mailed In......\$ 3,995

TOTAL ..... \$14,929

#### PARISH INFORMATION

We extend a warm welcome to our newly registered members... Mary Brown, Travis & Samantha Hembree, Jonathan & Zena Creely, Augustine & Zonnie Gebeh, Casey Noll & Alexa McIntyre

Please join us next **Sunday, November 2**<sup>nd</sup> at St. Jude Church in the Praise Room for "<u>Donut Sunday</u>" following the 9am Mass.

<u>All Souls Day Mass</u> – Join us next **Sunday, November 2**<sup>nd</sup> at **11:00am** at Immaculate Conception Church to commemorate the faithful departed.

## We extend our condolences and prayers to the families of those who have recently died:

Eternal rest Grant unto them, O Lord; And let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.

Nancy Cassidy and Patricia Little

2025 Christmas Bazaar - November 8<sup>th</sup>: Many thanks to those who have signed up to help.

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The **Book Nook** is looking for hardback, paperback, and children's books as well as puzzles, CD's and movie DVD's (no text books or magazines). Please bring them to the parish

office during business hours.

<u>Baked Goods</u> – Please donate your favorite cakes, pies, cookies, desserts to the Baked Goods Table. Food donations should be brought to the Baked Goods Table on Friday, 11/7 between 3-7pm or Saturday, 11/8 between 8:30am to 9:30am. If you have questions contact Terry Gustafson at teresa.gustafson@verizon.net.

The Annual IC/SJ Christmas Ball will be on Saturday, December 6<sup>th</sup> at the Chesapeake Bay Golf Club, Rising Sun hosted by the Knights of Columbus. See flier on last page for more details and purchase tickets by scanning QR code or visiting the parish office. Checks need to be written to Knights of Columbus Bishop Becker Council 2427.

Jubilee of Hope Cross: This week we celebrate the feast of Saints Simon and Jude. Saint Simon was known as "The Zealot". God calls us all to be zealots by witnessing to our faith by practicing the Beatitudes or recalling this passage from Luke's Gospel: "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you." We are challenged. St. Jude is known as our "go to" saint for seemingly hopeless situations. We know when we pray, when we spend time talking with God, many situations are clarified, maybe not solved, but we can receive understanding, and clarity. God is always with us. His words are written on our hearts.

Rosary Cenacle – Join us in praying for our Youth. We will be hosting the Blue Hen Rosary Cenacle every Friday from 5-6pm in the IC Chapel and also via Zoom. Let's pray for our youth and children who have fallen away from practicing the Catholic faith, have substance issues, or any difficulty in life.

#### **FAITH FORMATION**

#### **Primary Faith Formation:**

#### Religious Education Class:

Family Catechesis (Fall 2025 Program) is a hybrid program combining classroom catechesis and at-home activities. In-person classes will be held on **the second Wednesday at 6:15pm each month** from November to April in the school building – second floor. Registration is now closed. If you have questions, please contact the Faith Formation office at 410-392-3551.

Please make sure you are signed up for **Flocknote**, as this is our method of communicating and keeping you up to date with information, cancelations, or any other needs that arise. If you have any questions, please contact the Faith Formation Office at 410-392-3551 or email Vickie Eichler at reledoff@gmail.com.

Academy Card Events (for Grades 1 - 5) and Edge Events (for Grades 6 - 8): The Registration for these events are now open and can be accessed through our website. Your child needs to complete 5 events. These are family events and at least one parent/guardian must attend with their child. If you have questions please contact the Faith Formation Office at 410-392-3551 or email reledoff@gmail.com.

#### Academy Card Events:

Nov. 5<sup>th</sup> -- Saints Stations - 6:30pm; ICS Nov. 19<sup>th</sup> - Rosary Making - 6:30pm; ICS

#### Edge Events:

Nov. 5<sup>th</sup> - Third Edge Event – 6:30pm; Youth Room Nov. 19<sup>th</sup> – Fourth Edge Event – 6:30pm; Youth Room

#### Life Teen (formerly Youth Group):

Come one, come all – bring a friend and join us for our Life Teen (Road Trip – "Blind Curve") on **Sunday**, **November 9**<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 to 7:30pm in the youth room at the parish center.

#### Young Families Group

This group is for families with young children ages 0-5 (older siblings are encouraged to attend). We will meet again on **Saturday**, **December 6**<sup>th</sup> at St. Jude Mission Church at 9am for Mass, Breakfast and Fellowship. If you have questions please contact Vickie Eichler at 410-392-3551.

#### **FAITH FORMATION CONTINUED**

#### **Catholic Adult Faith Formation:**

Adult Ed Classes: Our Adult Education classes are held Mondays at 9:15am in the Parish Center. The classes run until November 24<sup>th</sup>, take a break during the Advent Season, and continue into 2026. The course is "Foundations of Faith: A Journey through the Catechism of the Catholic Church" by Ascension Press.

**Looking for someone to facilitate** the Adult Education class on Monday Mornings from 9:15am to 11:15am. This is not a teaching duty. It is just playing the movie and making sure the conversation stays on track. Please contact Vickie Eichler if you can volunteer at reledoff@gmail.com.

<u>ICC Divine Mercy Group</u> meets weekly on <u>Tuesdays</u> in the Parish Center from <u>5-6:30pm</u>. We invite all adult parishioners to join us. Come learn about the message of divine mercy and pray with us. Members who prefer to continue to join via Zoom may contact Heather Ulmen at <u>huntrprtr@outlook.com</u> for the link.

**Spiritual Book Club** is open to all parishioners. The club meets via Zoom every Tuesday, except the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday in person. We will be discussing our next book entitled "Choosing Forgiveness" by Thomas Berg on **Tuesday**, **November 18**<sup>th</sup> **at 9:30am** in the Parish Center. If you are interested in joining, please email Mary Ann Hopkins at: mah106@verizon.net.

#### Opportunities for personal devotion:

- Blue Hen Rosary Cenacle: Fridays from 5-6pm in the Immaculate Conception Chapel
- Holy Hour: Fridays from 6:30 to 7:30 pm in the IC Chapel – NO HOLY HOUR on October 31st
- Pray the Rosary: Saturday mornings after 8:30am Mass in the IC Chapel
- Pray the Rosary Virtually: Sunday afternoons at 3pm, contact Maureen Whelan for the link at (fordewhelan@yahoo.com).

#### Sacraments:

#### First Reconciliation

There will be a parent/child meeting on **Sunday**, **November 9**<sup>th</sup> **at 2pm** in the school building on the second floor.

#### Confirmation:

Please bring in your Sponsor Eligibility Certificate and your Patron Saint Name paper to the November 12<sup>th</sup> class session. Confirmation classes to be held on **second**Wednesday of each month – from November through June at 6:30pm in the Parish Center Youth Room.

#### OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults):

Class will be every Wednesday at 7:00pm at the Parish Center and continue through the Easter Vigil Mass. If you or someone you know is interested in becoming Catholic or completing the Sacraments of Initiation, please contact Deacon Ben Feril at iccdeaconben@gmail.com.

#### MARRIAGE AND FAMILY LIFE

<u>Marriage Moments</u>: As Halloween approaches, is there anything that scares you about your beloved? Getting sick? Getting old? Getting bored with each other? Talk about any fears and face them together.

<u>Parenting Points:</u> Oct. 24 was United Nations Day. The U.N. recognizes 193 nations. It commemorates humankind's efforts to live peaceably together. Not easy for a family or our planet. Do you know what the newest country is? Try Googling it.

#### SOCIAL CONCERNS

**ICC OUTREACH:** Outreach is open every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday mornings from 9:30am - 11:30am located in rear of the Parish Center.

"A meal shared is a heart that cares—your food donation can change a life today".

If you can donate any of the items below, please drop them off at the Parish Center during business hours **before November 10**<sup>th</sup> . **- Thank you**.

**HOLIDAY MEAL NEEDS:** Turkeys (16-18 lbs.), canned cranberry sauce, canned green beans, canned whole corn, turkey stuffing, canned yams, canned fruit, tea bags, and brownie mix

Please bring in your <u>Redner's receipts</u> for Outreach! Check with Redner's courtesy desk to see how ICC Outreach can get credit for your purchase!

#### 2025 Angel Tree Program for Children in Need:

This year, in collaboration with CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates for Children) of Cecil County, we've adopted 90 children for our Annual Children Christmas Gift Program.

Each child will have 2 angels, one for clothing and one for toys. The Angel Christmas Trees will be up the weekend of November 8/9 at ICC and SJ. Please make sure you record your name and the identification number of the child you or your family has adopted on the sign-up sheet provided at each tree.

Please use the "angel" as the gift tag and securely attach it to the wrapped gift. The suggested price on gifts is \$40 per angel.

**GIFTS MUST** be returned to the church or parish office **by December 6/7.** 

#### PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

#### Knights of Columbus - Bishop Becker Council 2427:



The Knights of Columbus is an international Order of Catholic men who are called to lead with faith, protect our families, serve others, and defend values in a busy changing world. If you would like to join today, simply use the QR code or go to

<u>www.KofC.org/joinus</u> and enter our council #2427 for local information. We meet in the Parish Center on the **2**<sup>nd</sup> **Tuesday** of each month at **7pm**.

<u>Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians</u>: Friendship, Unity,



and Christian Charity is our motto. So, if you want to surround yourself with a dynamic and interesting group of local Irish women who enjoy their heritage and are committed to serving the community.

We meet on the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the month – November 5<sup>th</sup> at St. Jude Church from 1pm to 2:30pm. Please reach out to Chris Hild, President at 410-920-6242 if you are interested in joining.

**LAOH Book Club** is open to any book lover. We focus on Irish authors' novels, non-Irish writers' works set in Ireland, or nonfiction related to Ireland. Our next book selection is "An Irish Country Christmas" written by Patrick Taylor. We will meet on **Wednesday, November 19**th from **Noon to 2pm** (note new time) in the parish center. For additional information, please text Cheryl at 443-553-5625.



<u>ICC/SJ Leisure Club</u> is open to all parishioners who are 50 years old and above. We play cards and board games. We meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays of each month from 1-3pm in the Parish

Center Library. *Our next meeting will be Wednesday, November 12<sup>th</sup>*. For more information, please contact Bette Green at 443-553-9129.

<u>Cub Scouting</u> is for boys and girls from kindergarten to 5th grade. Regular weekly meetings will be on **Thursdays at 7:00 pm** in the ICS cafeteria. For more information about Pack 444, please contact: iccpack444@gmail.com.





## December 6TH, 2025

Join us for an evening of Dinner, Dancing, and Joyful Company as we welcome the Christmas Season!

## CHANTILLY BALLROOM

Chesapeake Bay Golf Club, Rising Sun

6:30 PM Hors d'oeuvres & Open Bar\*
7:00 PM Holiday Dinner & Fellowship

Music and dancing will fill the evening with faith, friendship, and festive celebration.

## TICKETS: \$80 Per Individual \$150 Per Couple

For tickets: Call John Notarangelo at 610-842-9398, or visit the Parish Office (Monday–Friday, 8:30 AM–4:00 PM). You can also purchase tickets online at icc-christmas-ball.square.site or by scanning the QR code at right.



\*Open bar includes beer & wine; liquor available for purchase.



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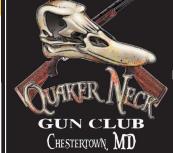
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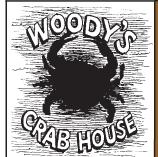


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