

# IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH

## ST TERESA OF CALCUTTA PARISH

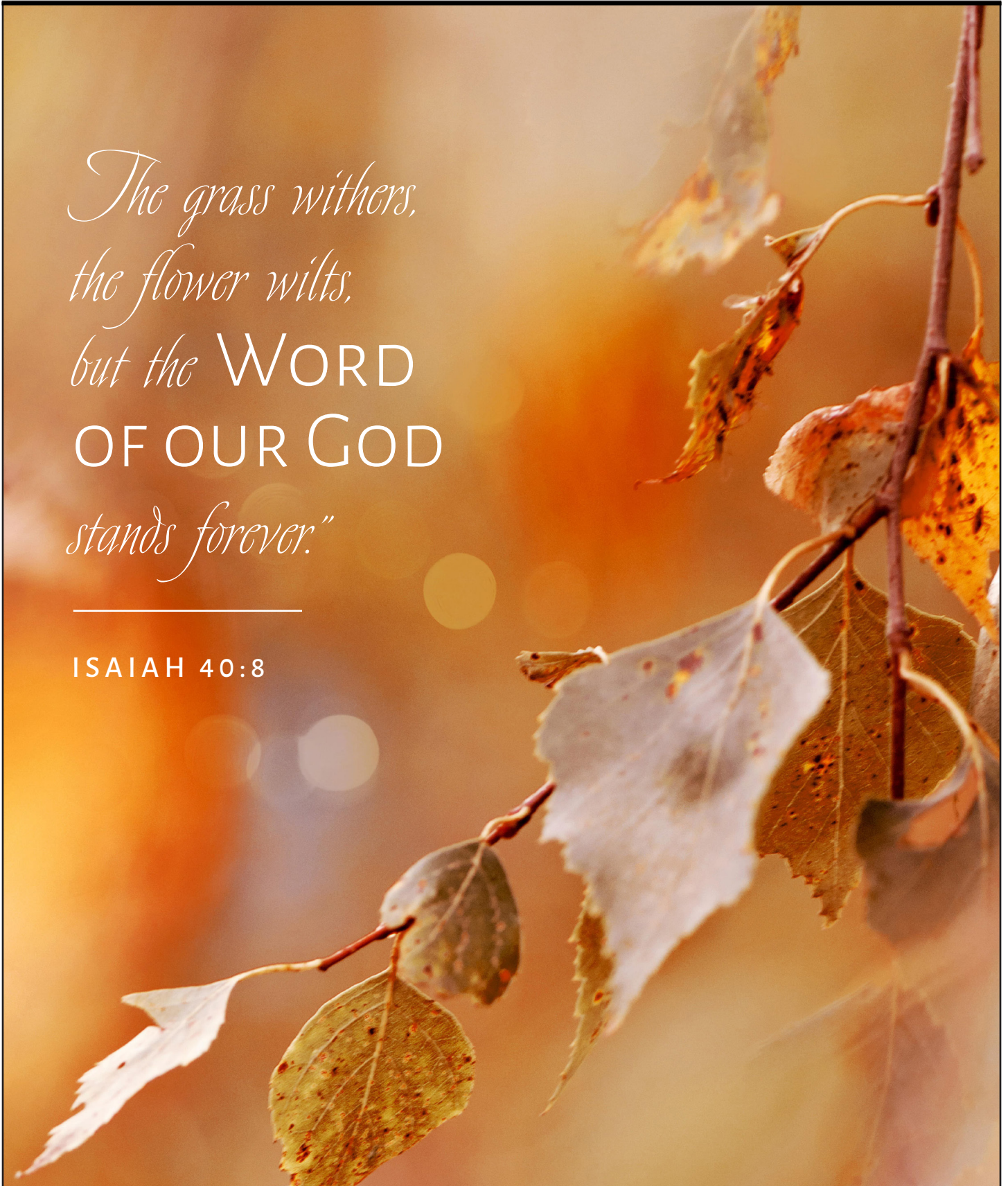
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OCTOBER 13, 2024 | 28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*The grass withers,  
the flower wilts,  
but the WORD  
OF OUR GOD  
stands forever.*

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ISAIAH 40:8



# Parish Info



## PARISH CENTER CONTACT:

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## OFFICE HOURS:

**MONDAY- THURSDAY** 9:00 am-4:00 pm  
**OFFICE CLOSED** Friday, Saturday and Sunday

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## MASS SCHEDULE

### IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH

30 North Fullerton Avenue  
 Montclair NJ 07042

Indicates the Mass is livestreamed.

**CONFESSION:** Saturday 4:30 pm (or by appointment)

### WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 5:00 pm  
 Sunday: 8:00 am | 10:30 am | 6:00 pm

### WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE:

Monday - Friday at 8:00 am

## SEPTEMBER 2024 STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURY REPORT

NUMBER OF REGISTERED PARISHIONERS AT MONTH END: 876

Description	Total	YTD	Average Monthly	Average Weekly
Budgeted	30,346	98,625	32,875	8,219
Actual	31,179	97,850	32,617	8,154
Favorable (Unfavorable)	833	(775)	(258)	(65)
Envelopes	199	624	208	52
Loose Checks	42	115	38	10
Online Gifts	338	979	326	82
Other	7	30	10	3

## MASS INTENTIONS

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12

5:00 pm † Gregorio A. Prado  
 † Christopher D'Andrea

### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13

8:00am † Eleanor Matthews

10:30am † Antonina Trotta

6:00 pm People of the Parish

### MONDAY, OCTOBER 14

8:00am † Emma Petronaci

### TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15

8:00am † Gary Camejo

### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16

8:00am † Sylvia Dwarika

### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17

8:00am † Mario Corado Avila  
 † Marie Antoinette Lily Sicard

### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18

8:00am † Francis Watson  
 † William Giangrosso

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19

5:00 pm † Helen Fleming

### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20

8:00am People of the Parish

10:30am † Roberto Fernandez  
 † Grazia Ruggiero Di Feo

6:00 pm † Al SgROI

*"To everything there is a season, and a time for every purpose under heaven." - Ecclesiastes 3:11*

### "... A TIME TO BE HEALED..."

Michael Bruder III, Anthony Pacifico Jr, Joel Rivera, Carmen Kessler, Ieda Giles, Doreen Carson, Lauren Ojido, Connie Romano, Maria Metzel, Eileen Burriss, Sylvia Magliaro, Kevin Haber, Karen Potucek, Frank Gallo, Barbara Regan, Jose Fidalgo Sr, Bridget Connell, Jaxson Rivera, Carole DeCepoli, Oneida Fernandez, Michelina Giuliano, Chester Karnas Jr., Laura McGannon, Joseph Carrier, Fabiola Fong, Kenneth Busku, Rose Bruner, Edward T. Crowe, William Crowe, Terry Henson, Robert Henson, John Rahilly, Kent Riggs, Harriet Riggs, Jim Norris, Gary Davila, Melba Espinoza, Kevin Cole, Carlos Mario Moreno, Anne Granja, Shannon Finnegan, Jacob Rivera, Clara Rojas, Cliff Schaffer, Lindsay Trembulak, Don Peters, Stefano Rum, Ayan Kapoor, John Nicastro

Please contact the Parish office if you would like to add someone to the sick list.

### "... A TIME TO DIE..."

#### Recently Deceased

MAY ALL THE SOULS OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED REST IN PEACE



# LEGACY *Dinner*

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH BIENNIAL FUNDRAISER

*Wednesday, October 23*

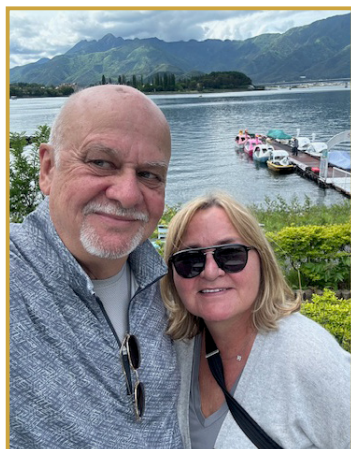
NANINA'S IN THE PARK

Belleville, New Jersey

Cocktail Reception 6:30 pm ♦ Dinner to follow

COCKTAILS, DINNER & WINE PULL | 50/50 RAFFLE | SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES | AD JOURNAL

## THE HONOREES



**JAN & ELIZABETH ZIOBRO**

Elizabeth and Jan Ziobro have truly made a lasting impact in their community and family. With a journey that started 44 years ago with "love at first sight", their story is a testament to enduring commitment. Their marriage has been blessed with four children, their spouses, and 16 grandchildren.

Their dedication to Immaculate Conception Church since 1991 highlights their faith and involvement in the community. As they work to make the Ziobro name as well-known as Smith, their story of love, family, and faith serves as a powerful and inspiring example.

The Ziobro family's parish journey began with a warm and welcoming community that embraced them from the start. Joining the parish in 1991, Elizabeth and Jan found a nurturing environment where their young children could grow in faith and receive their Sacraments. Over the past 32 years, they've formed lasting friendships and became integral members of the church.

Elizabeth and Jan have dedicated themselves to serving in numerous impactful ways. As Eucharistic Ministers, RCIA team leaders, and members of the Engaged Encounter presenting team, they play

crucial roles in fostering faith and guiding others in their spiritual journeys.

Elizabeth's involvement with Cornerstone and the Church Choir showcases her commitment to worship and community enrichment.

Meanwhile, Jan's service extends to distributing Communion at local nursing homes and to the homebound, reflecting his compassion and dedication. His membership in the Knights of Columbus further highlights his commitment to both faith and service.

Their deep connection to the parish and its people is a beautiful reflection of their commitment to both their faith, family and their community.



**ROSE BAKER**



**DEANA CAMPION**

### EVENT SPONSORSHIP

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**TICKETS**  
\$150 each



**50/50 RAFFLE** Chances may be purchased for \$50 each. First prize will be 25% of proceeds, second prize 15%, and third prize 10%. Please indicate the number of chances requested. Winner need not be present. 50/50 tickets are also on sale after Mass, or stop by the Parish Office!



# THE HISTORY OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH: A 2,000 YEAR JOURNEY

**7 PM  
MADONNA  
HALL**

*This illustrated presentation by divided into three parts, will give general audiences an overview of the most significant developments in the history of the Catholic Church from its ancient roots in Judaism through the challenges of today.*

**Wednesday, October 30**

## ANCIENT ROOTS:

### HOW CHRISTIANITY BEGAN AND DEVELOPED

- Jewish Underpinnings
- Jesus and His Time on Earth
- Followers of Jesus Lay Institutional Foundations Despite Roman Persecution
- How practices, prayers, traditions began and developed to about 750 A.D.

**Wednesday, November 6**

## THE MIDDLE AGES 500-1500:

### THE CHRISTIAN CENTURIES

- The Church was Never More Powerful than in the Middle Ages
- How and Why This Happened
- The Catholic Church as the Shaper of Medieval Life
- The Unfortunate Results of All This

**Wednesday, November 13**

## THE CHURCH CONFRONTS MODERNITY:

### 1500 TO TODAY

- Protestantism breaks the unity of Christianity
- Growth of trade, industry, commerce make people more materialistic
- Powerful Rulers resented Church Power and Influence
- New Ways of Thinking Attack Tradition
- Science Begins to Provide the Foundation of Truth
- New Political Ideologies Openly Attack Religion and Embrace Atheism

*DR. MARIE MARMO MULLANEY has been teaching history at Caldwell University since 1980. She holds a B.A. in history and political science from Seton Hall University and M.A. and Ph.D. degrees in history from Rutgers University. She teaches a wide range of courses in European history, American history, African-American history, the history of New Jersey, the history of Hispanics in America, and women's history. In recent years, Dr. Mullaney has expanded her research interests to include the history of Catholicism. For three years, she worked with Caldwell students as campus coordinator for the Sister Story oral history project, a national project which created an online archive of the experiences of American Catholic religious sisters. From 2018-2020 she was part of a Caldwell University team that brought the St. John's Bible to the campus community. Dr. Mullaney has been a National Merit Scholar, holder of a Danforth Foundation Fellowship, and winner of a Sears-Roebuck Foundation Excellence in Teaching Award. She received the Excellence in Teaching Award from Caldwell University in 2024.*

# Welcome to CHERUB CHOIR!



Music for our young ones,  
pre K - 2nd grade. Rehearsals  
in church with Brenda:

Sunday, October 6

10:00-10:15 am

Sunday, October 13

\*9:30-10:15 am

Sunday, October 20

10:00-10:15 am

Sunday, October 27

\*9:30-10:15 am

Brenda Ferguson, Director of Music  
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St. Teresa of Calcutta Parish

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**YOUTH GROUP  
180**

**KICKOFF MEETING!  
OCT 27 • 7PM  
MADONNA HALL**

# TOM'S THOUGHTS IN HURRICANE SEASON

“**D**ID YOU WIN?” I demurely laughed at the intrusion by the lottery pop-up on my phone as I was reading today’s gospel from Mark to prepare for this article. (I would stick a happy face emoji here if I could). Hand to God, it came just as I read Jesus’ retort to the disciples, “How hard it is for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!” I still want to win. It seems to be human nature. I tell myself that I don’t have to win the millions by myself. I just would like a little bundle to provide some security, especially now that I’m retired and on a fixed income. Then I hear that lady saying to her sister in the life insurance commercial, “We’re all on fixed income!” And I laugh again! I haven’t named this hurricane yet, but each day in these elder years is a challenge, a whirlwind, indeed, a HURRICANE.

Of course, HURRICANE TEVYE comes to mind, as I hum, “If I were a rich man,” from “Fiddler on the Roof.”

**A political HURRICANE** has been stirring for months now. Candidates, one old, that is, repeated or shall I say, familiar, and the other surprisingly new and quicker to the stage than planned. No one can deny that an inequity of riches exists in our capitalistic society. If the United States were in a snow globe, maybe it would just need a good shake for the snow to settle more evenly. We have to give it the first shake, that is, we voters. Do not take your hard-fought-for and blood-spilled right to vote for the leadership of our country for granted. May the candidates take to heart another part of today’s psalm, “Let your work be seen by your servants and your glory by their children; and may the gracious care of the Lord our God be ours; prosper the work of our hands for us! Prosper the work of our hands!” Then the news comes on and world leaders who got tired of playing “War” on board games or card games, when they were children, decidedly continue to bomb the hell out of each other. They forget that they were children once and luckily survived the horrors of warfare in the lands of their birth. Those games ended with the recognition that there was a winner and a loser—and no one got hurt. Hummus and matzoh were the rewards of the day. Hands were shaken in a manner of speaking, until the next game depending on who brings the cards. They lost sight of the prayer they no doubt prayed, and which formed them. We heard in today’s reading from Wisdom, “I prayed, and

prudence was given me; I pleaded, and the spirit of wisdom came to me.” Now, bloated egos and stone-cold hearts replace dignified respect. It wasn’t safe for Jesus to walk the streets of the Holy Land. It hasn’t been safe for world travelers and pilgrims for so long to do the same. And, sadly, a HURRICANE of hate that has a name, refuses to dissipate. A year in. The map of the Middle East will need to be redrawn.

**The HURRICANE in Ukraine** also has a name but doesn’t deserve to have it mentioned. Today’s Wisdom continues, “I preferred her to scepter and throne, and deemed riches nothing in comparison with her.” Were these words never heard? Or have they just been drowned out by other phrases like, “I want more” or “I’ll build bigger barns?” Or, better yet, “I’ll build them in another country because my ego can’t fit here.” Again, sadly, the words of today’s Psalm 90 are buried under the rubble of bombed buildings in Ukraine along with countless human parts, “Teach us to number our days aright, that we may gain wisdom of heart.”



**HURRICANE IGLESIAS**, I’ll call it. No, not the MLB baseball player, OMG! Though Jose has had a powerful effect on his team and the sport! I’m talking Pope Francis, the end of the Synod, the papal visits to parts distant geographically and those distant in temperament. I always understood “presence” to be at the center of healing. Pope Francis impacted the East, inviting a growth in practice of the faith. His presence in Belgium may have caught him somewhat off-guard when truth was spoken to authority, but he was present. The last question is “What will the Synod produce?” No doubt, Pope Francis, present there, will leave an impression with a tilt of the eye of the storm. What will that eye see?

**HURRICANE HELENE**, and all the others in this HURRICANE SEASON, has and will destroy property and take lives, but they will, as always bring about the indomitable human, American, spirit to survive, recover and move forward. Survivors will do it with our financial help (this is where it helps to be rich), our constant thoughts (this is where it helps to be altruistic), and our never-ending prayers to the God of wisdom (you guessed it, this is where it counts to live our faith).

If we center ourselves in the eye of whatever hurricane we find ourselves in and remember what it is that is most precious and important to us, then we all hit the jackpot!

*-Retired Fr Tom*