



# IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

*Inspired by the Holy Spirit, We Live the Good News of Christ  
Through Worship, Community, and Stewardship*

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**NEW PASTORAL COUNCIL commissioned on 10-11-20**

Chair Denise Pavageau, Vice Chair Maria Batayola, Secretary Beth Miller, Deacon Joseph Connor, Alex Soto, Fred Verzosa, Janet Morris, Dr. Ngozi Oleru and Toni Hall.

### **FINANCE COUNCIL**

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Kindly submit mass intentions, prayer requests & pulpit announcements to [bconnor@icseattle.org](mailto:bconnor@icseattle.org).

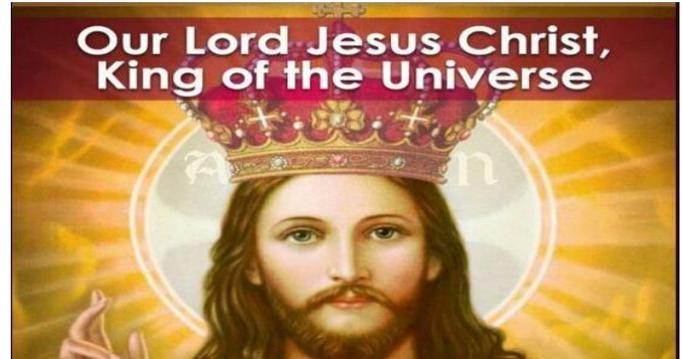
**Submit bulletin items to** [bulletin@icseattle.org](mailto:bulletin@icseattle.org).

### **Reporting Abuse**

**Victim Assistance Help-Line 800-446-7762**

[helpline@seattlarch.org](mailto:helpline@seattlarch.org)

[protectandheal.seattlearchdiocese.org](http://protectandheal.seattlearchdiocese.org) Report any suspicion of abuse by any church personnel to the local law enforcement. Call the Helpline if you know of sexual abuse or misconduct by a member of the clergy, an employee, or volunteer of the Archdiocese of Seattle. The Archdiocese of Seattle has a longstanding commitment to transparency, accountability, and assistance to persons sexually abused by clergy or anyone working on behalf of the church. **For children's safety and victim assistance see** <https://preventionusccb.org/resources>.



### **34<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Please register to attend Mass in person, go to** <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040544A9A62DA>

**AF58-phase**

**10 a.m. live-streamed Sunday Mass**

[facebook.com/ImmaculateConceptionSeattle](https://facebook.com/ImmaculateConceptionSeattle)

**Reading 1: Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17**

**Responsorial:**

**"The Lord is my shepherd;  
there is nothing I shall want."**

**Reading 2: 1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 28**

**Gospel: Matthew 25:31-46**

### **MASS INTENTIONS & PRAYERS**

Healing prayers for the sick and Carisma Cortedano.

#### **Ways to Keep Our Faith**

8:30 a.m. Daily Mass

[www.Facebook.com/ArchdioceseofSeattle/](https://www.Facebook.com/ArchdioceseofSeattle/)

9 a.m. Mass PDT EWTN.com,

Channel 130 on SIRIUSXM, TV Channel 233

Pilipino Masses: YouTube: Filipino Cath Community

6 p.m. Tuesday Holy Rosary w/Immaculate family

Dial-in# 1-425-436-6260 Access code: 9088549

### **Upcoming Events**

**BOILER STILL NOT WORKING: BUNDLE UP  
FOR 9:30 HOLY ROSARY & 10 AM MASS**

**10 AM Nov 26 Thanksgiving Mass**

The ICC Office will be closed on November 25<sup>th</sup>,  
26<sup>th</sup> and the 27<sup>th</sup> for Thanksgiving Holiday.

### Preparing for Thanksgiving



### Gratitude and Thanksgiving

Pope Francis Homily  
at Vespers St. Patrick's  
Cathedral, NY on 9-224-15

I accompany you at this moment of pain and difficulty, and I thank God for your faithful service to his people.

In the hope of helping you to persevere on the path of fidelity to Jesus Christ, I would like to offer two brief reflections.

The first concerns the spirit of gratitude. The joy of men and women who love God attracts others to him.... Joy springs from a grateful heart. Truly, we have received much, so many graces, so many blessings, and we rejoice in this.

It will do us good to think back on our lives with the grace of remembrance. Remembrance of when we were first called, remembrance of the road travelled, remembrance of graces received...and, above all, remembrance of our encounter with Jesus Christ so often along the way. Remembrance of the amazement which our encounter with Jesus Christ awakens in our hearts.... Let us seek the grace of remembrance so as to grow in the spirit of gratitude. Let us ask ourselves: Are we good at counting our blessings, or have we forgotten them?

A second area is the spirit of hard work. A grateful heart is spontaneously impelled to serve the Lord and to find expression in a life of commitment to our work. Once we come to realize how much God has given us, a life of self-sacrifice, of working for him and for others, becomes a privileged way of responding to his great love.

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Catholic Education Resources Center  
<https://www.catholiceducation.org/en/religion-and-philosophy/spiritual-life/gratitude-and-thanksgiving.html>

**Immaculate Thanksgiving Mass  
will be celebrated on Thursday  
November 26 at 10 AM.**



### Advent Season December 1 to the 24<sup>th</sup>



This sacred time invites us to slow down from all the holiday preparations and parties, take a deep breath, and remember the reason for the season: the eternal Jesus Christ taking on human flesh. When we hear Christmas music, recall the reason for the season. Let Christmas lights and decorations everywhere remind us that Jesus is the light of the world. Oh Come, Oh Come **"Emmanuel", the name which means God is with us. (Matt.1:23)**

### Embracing the Universal Holy Rosary



Thank you Ngozi Oleru for leading the Holy Rosary last Sunday Nov. 15 in Igbo language of southeastern Nigeria. All responses are in English. If you wish to lead the Holy Rosary in English or in another language, please contact Mely Andrada at 206 351-0329 or [t.andrada@comcast.net](mailto:t.andrada@comcast.net). Training is provided.

#### Still Recruiting Lectors for Mass

#### Please see Updated Contact Information

COVID-19 precautions reduced our Lector pool from 19 to 6 readers. For many, this is a family tradition. Please contact our Coordinator [maryab.castillano@gmail.com](mailto:maryab.castillano@gmail.com) or contact her at (206) 325-1718. Training will be provided. God bless!

#### Still Recruiting Live Streamers for Mass

Sharing our Mass with those who can't come to Immaculate is a blessing. We need 2 more livestream camera operators for our team. Please contact our Mass Livestreaming coordinator Shawn Young at [Shawn D Young@hotmail.com](mailto:Shawn D Young@hotmail.com) God bless!

## Stewardship: Caring for Each Other

### ICC Leadership Meeting

On November 7, 2020, Fr. Maurice convened an Immaculate Conception Leadership meeting of Finance Council, Pastoral Council, Health & Human Concerns Commission and Liturgy Commission. With the able facilitation of Elizabeth Furrer, the group worked on updating the ICC Action Plan given the impact of COVID-19 pandemic on Church ministries, Masses and operations to keep safe.

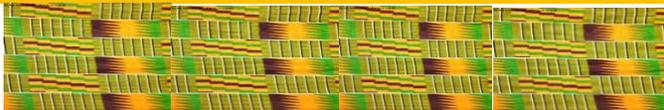
### ICC Collections Compared to Budget July 1 through Nov 18 Period

	2020	Budget	Difference
Sunday Collections	\$54,056.68	\$63,825.00	-\$9,768.32
ACH Transfers	\$17,877.75	\$12,075.00	\$5,802.75
Called To Christ Rebate	\$241.50		
	\$72,175.93	\$75,900	-\$3,724.07

**Thank you for your generosity.**

Please see Call for Immaculate  
Stewardship of Treasure on page 4.

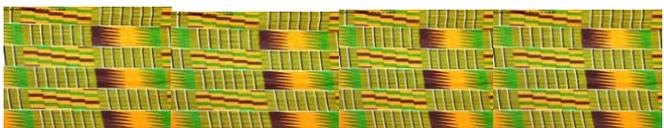
The Life of the Parish  
Our Church is in our hearts!



## November is Black Catholic History Month

**A Collaboration: Immaculate Conception Church  
Seattle and Seattle University Campus Ministry**

**November 29, 2020** - Mass Immaculate Conception Seattle 10 am, Facebook livestream, followed by Black Catholic History Month Presentation - Sherrell Mitchell, Immaculate Conception Music Director and William McNamara, Campus Minister, Seattle University.



### Native American Heritage Month...A Present History by Yuly Osorio 11-20-20

<https://quartzbenefits.com/health-and-wellness/detail/member-blog/2020/11/10/native-american-heritage-month-a-present-history>

...The first formal American Indian Day was celebrated in New York in May 1916. The journey to this initial celebration began with Indian rights advocate Red Fox James. In 1914, Red Fox began a 4,000-mile trek on horseback to Washington, D.C., to petition the president for an "Indian Day." The next year, he traveled state to state seeking approval from 24 governors to have a day to honor Native Americans.

That day of recognition became a month in 1990 when President George H. W. Bush signed a resolution designating November "National American Indian Heritage Month."

Native Americans represent people who lived and flourished in North America for thousands of years before European settlers arrived. They lived off the land and maintained strong family and cultural traditions within their respective tribes. Today, tribal elders strive to pass down a rich cultural heritage from generation to generation.

More than 3 million people in the U.S. are Native people. According to the Bureau of Indian Affairs, there are 574 federally recognized Indian tribes in 2020....

**The difference between Cultural Appreciation and Cultural Appropriation and why it matters....**Culture Appreciation is taking interest in learning and understanding about another culture to connect and exchange perspectives with others cross-culturally. ....Culture Appropriation is taking one or many aspects of a culture that is not your own and using it for your interest. Taking, using, or sharing elements of another culture without understanding what they mean is harmful and offensive to that culture, its people, and everyone.

#### How can you avoid cultural appropriation?

- **Explore your own culture...**
- **Learn about other cultures...**
- **Be mindful.** Before using elements from another culture, ask about or research the meaning and the background. Consider if it is appropriate and if it fits into the context of your actions.
- **Share & exchange cultures** for mutual appreciation...



## CALL FOR STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE RENEWAL PLEDGES FOR 2021

Every year, we ask our parishioners to make a pledge to our parish that you can bring to or mail to church or complete online at <https://www.icseattle.org/stewardship-commitment-form>.

We use the pledge to build our budget. Please prayerfully reflect on your many blessings with a heart full of gratitude. If you pledged last year, please prayerfully consider making a small increase in your pledge. Could you increase your current pledge by 5% or 10%?

2020 was a most difficult and challenging year for our parishioners, our parish, and our community due to the pandemic. We hope those who are more fortunate or who have not experienced economic hardship will pledge more generously.

Where does the Stewardship of Treasure go?

- children's faith formation and adult faith formation programs, workshops
- liturgy, Mass celebrations, music ministry and sound system
- Immaculate presence and evangelization through livestreaming, website, Zoom, and social media
- general operations, utilities, maintenance, supplies, postage, IT, equipment maintenance (i.e. boiler)
- parish salaries and benefits, taxes and insurance
- social justice ministry/Black Lives Matter Movement, interfaith activities and St. Vincent DePaul

**GOD IS GOOD. ALL THE TIME.  
ALL THE TIME? GOD IS GOOD!**