

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 1, 2010  
EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**



**FILM FESTIVAL – SUMMER SMILES**

**Groundhog Day** with Bill Murray – A Comedy about Reality - **Wednesday, August 4<sup>th</sup>**

**The Loved One** with Jonathan Winters – A Comedy about Death – **Wednesday, August 11<sup>th</sup>**

**Liar Liar** with Jim Carrey – A Comedy about Truth – **Wednesday, August 18<sup>th</sup>**

**All Films are at 7:00 p.m. – Air conditioned space and High Definition – Free**

**MASS SCHEDULE**

**MONDAY – August 2**

7:00 a.m. Donald Fitzgerald  
9:00 a.m. Madeleine Chicavich  
12 Noon Florence & Louis Petrocelli

**TUESDAY – August 3**

7:00 a.m. Michael DePace  
9:00 a.m. Marie Pecararo & Peggy Monaco  
12 Noon Maria, Calogero & Concetta Farruggio

**WEDNESDAY - August 4**

7:00 a.m. Nancy & Antonio DePace  
9:00 a.m. Gerarda & Onofrio Pezzuto  
12 Noon Phil & Amedo Piacere

**THURSDAY- August 5**

7:00 a.m. Mary Porcari (Birth. Remb.)  
9:00 a.m. Frank & Nina Antoncic  
12 Noon Mary & Edward Casey & Family

**FRIDAY - August 6**

7:00 a.m. John Dredger  
9:00 a.m. Adolfo Magnifico  
12 Noon James & Patricia Ryan

**SATURDAY - August 7**

7:00 a.m. Angela Arnone  
9:00 a.m. Angela Sarro (4 Anniv.)  
**11:15 a.m. Memorial:** Angela Asaro  
12 Noon Kathryn & Lester Frank  
5:00 p.m. All those enrolled in the Purgatorial Society

**SUNDAY - August 8**

7:00 a.m. Melanie & Rene Sylvestre  
9:00 a.m. Angela Sarro  
10:30 a.m. Living & Deceased Parishioners  
11:45 a.m. **Spanish-** San Nicolas  
1:00 p.m. Phyllis Cagalosi

**Lower Church:**

9:00 a.m. **Italian-** Antonietta Paolo

**THE BREAD AND WINE** are donated this week in loving memory of Attilio D'Alessandro requested by Omar & Milena Vendome & Family

**THE CANDLES ON THE ALTAR** are donated this week in loving memory of Attilio D'Alessandro requested by Omar & Milena Vendome & Family

**THE SANCTUARY LAMP** is burning this week in loving memory of German Rodas, Luis Ovidio & Carlos Alberto Montoya & Family.

**PLEASE KEEP THEM IN YOUR PRAYERS**



Please pray for the recently deceased:

Philip Quattrocchi  
Maria Del Carmen Rivera  
Anthony Corbo  
Thomas Connelly

Grant them eternal rest, O Lord, and may perpetual light shine on them forever. +

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM**

The Religious Education Office is now closed for the summer. It will reopen on September 7<sup>th</sup>. First Registration date will be September

12<sup>th</sup> . To all of our students and parents have a wonderful Summer!!! See you in September.

### **SCHOOL NEWS**

Immaculate Conception School is proud to announce that our Pre K teacher, Ms. Maritza Gomez, was awarded a \$2,500 grant from Alive in Hope Foundation's Archbishop McEntegart Fund for Catholic Education. This grant will be used to meet Diocese Curriculum Standards for the Pre-Kindergarten Class for the 2010-2011 School Year.

Mrs. Christou, Mrs. Graeper, Mrs. Bertorelli and Mrs. Regazzi, members of Immaculate Conception Faculty, attended a Leadership Program Workshop held at The United Nations in Manhattan. Teachers are responsible for continuing their academic and leadership skills.

Immaculate Conception Summer Camp participants went to Governor's Island on Friday, July 23. Despite the stormy weather, it was an interesting excursion.

Registration continues to be ongoing for grades N to 8 until August 15, please leave a message on the School Office phone 718-728-1969 or email Ms. Harnischfeger at principal@icsastoria.org if you would like to set up a meeting to register your child for the 2010-2011 School Year. We look forward to meeting with you and giving you the best Catholic Education in Astoria!

Our school will be selling gift cards to some of your favorite stores (GameStop, Barnes & Noble, Shop and Stop, Peapod, Amazon.com, CVS, Toys R Us to just name a handful). Each gift card you buy earns money for the school, and you pay nothing extra, just the value of the card. We have literally hundreds of different gift cards available for purchase and each one will help support Immac. For a complete list of available gift cards, pick up an order form.

This will be offered on an ongoing basis, beginning in September, but since several people have inquired about placing back-to-school related orders (think : Staples for book covers and desk supplies, Toys R Us for fun backpacks, Payless for sneakers, CVS for lunchboxes and snacks, etc) we are doing a mid-summer order

Order forms are available in the school gym during the hours of 7:45 am – 5:45 pm. If the gym is closed due to a field trip, please go to the rectory. Forms can be returned to the same location. Look for the drop box.

If you are interested in ordering, but cannot get / drop-off forms during these hours, please contact scrip@icsastoria.org to make alternate arrangements. We will try to accommodate anyone who is interested."

### **AUTUMN AUCTION**

The Immaculate Conception School Alumni Association is happy to announce that it is hosting an Autumn Auction to benefit our students and school on Sunday, October 10, 2010 at Riccardo's by the Bridge from 1-5pm. A buffet dinner, beer, wine, soda and dessert will be served. Tickets cost \$45.00 per person and are available in the school office or the rectory. Bring your family and friends. Volunteers for the event are also needed. For more information call Committee Chairperson: Ms. Frances Rocco at 917-482-6124.

Autumn Auction Committee members are already at working securing and collecting donations from our business neighbors and hope to have an extensive array of 200 gifts, baskets and certificates. Chances will be sold

<b>COLLECTIONS:</b>	
<b>Week of:</b>	<b>July 17 &amp; 18</b>
<b>Amount:</b>	<b>\$7,672.16</b>
<b>Attendance:</b>	<b>1,480</b>
<b>Per Capita:</b>	<b>\$5.18</b>
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<b>Week of:</b>	<b>July 24 &amp; 25</b>
<b>Amount:</b>	<b>\$7,795.09</b>
<b>Attendance:</b>	<b>1,578</b>
<b>Per Capita:</b>	<b>\$4.98</b>

**"DO YOUR SHOPPING WITH IMMAC!!**

the day of the auction and these prizes raffled away. If you would like to donate an item or basket, please contact : [kprager@stjohnsprepschool.org](mailto:kprager@stjohnsprepschool.org)

**THE MISSIONARIES OF OUR LADY OF LA SALETTE WILL PREACH THE ANNUAL PARISH APPEAL**

Having brought the fullness of Life to our world when He rose from the dead, Jesus sent his disciples to share this life with all creation. "*They went forth and preached everywhere*" (Mk16:20). The Missionaries of Our Lady of La Salette minister to people of every race, language, culture and way of life -- beginning at the La Salette Shrine in France where Our Blessed Mother appeared in 1846. Her final words, "*Well, my children, you will make this known to all my people,*" echo Jesus' Gospel mandate. It is little wonder that the La Salette Congregations has always been mission orientated. When called upon by the Vatican to preach the Gospel in foreign lands, they eagerly responded. This spirit brought them to mission in 27 countries, especially among the poor in Angola, Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, India, Madagascar, Myanmar and the Philippines. With your cooperation, the Missionaries of La Salette can continue to provide spiritual and financial assistance to these mission countries as they bring God's reconciling message to the poor.

Fr. Jeff L'Arche, MS will be making the appeal next weekend, August 7 & 8. Please be as generous as possible.

**THE BRIDGE TO LIFE WISH LIST**

Bridge to Life is in dire need of cribs with mattresses and car seats (not older than 5 years) to avoid babies sleeping with their moms & allowing moms to take their newborns home from the hospital. Also needed are strollers and car seats (not older than 5 years old) Also layette items; hooded towels, crib sheets, baby wash and pacifiers. Please help the less fortunate with your donations and prayers. Any questions, please call Bridge to Life at 718-463-1810.

Yet another example of the ongoing flood of success stories with non-embryonic stem cells is that of three year old Alyssa Dupuis who suffered brain damage at birth that caused cerebral palsy. Her parents decided to bank her umbilical cord blood which was recently given to Alyssa via stem cell transfusion. Immediate positive results were seen and at last report this little girl, according to her mother, is "about 85% cured from cerebral palsy."

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**FREE ENGLISH CLASSES**

Catholic Charities Neighborhood Services, located at 23-40 Astoria Blvd., is offering free ESL classes - 4 days a week for 10 weeks. Register now. For more information please call 718-726-9790.

**REMEMBER IMMAC!**

Countless charitable organizations rely on Estate Planning and Bequests to help them survive financially in a troubled economy. Our beloved parish is no different. Occasionally a far thinking and generous parishioner remembers the parish in the will.

It is important that everyone plans for the future by naming a health care proxy and an individual to be the Executor of their estate. To not plan is to give the government a foothold to make its own demands. So plan ahead for your family's sake and when you do, please remember to name Immaculate Conception Parish or School as one of your beneficiaries. The thanks of future generations will accompany you on your journey to the Lord!

***"One's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions."***

If simplicity of life and the evangelical counsels of poverty, chastity and obedience especially attract you, discover that life as a priest, deacon, sister or brother. Speak with a priest or religious or contact the Vocation office at 718\_827-2454 or [vocations@diobrook.org](mailto:vocations@diobrook.org).

### **IN SEARCH OF PHOTOS**

The Holy Union Sisters are going to open a **Heritage House** in 2011 in Groton, MA. This will be a museum displaying various artifacts and historical documents relating to their 125 years in the United States. If you have any pictures or memorabilia that you would be willing to contribute to the museum, the Sisters would be very grateful to receive it. They are especially interested in photos relating to the first years in each of the schools and ministries they staffed. For more information contact their Milton office at 617-696-8765.

### **CONGRATULATIONS!**

The following student has achieved Honor Roll Status at Holy Cross High School for the Fourth Marking period:

#### **Second Honors**

Norrin Martinez

