***From Father Jim***

**“Jeremiah ought to be put to death: he is demoralizing the soldiers that are left in the city, and all the people, by speaking such things to them; he is not interested in the welfare of the people, but in their ruin….let us rid ourselves of every burden and sin that clings to us and persevere in running the race that lies before us while keeping our eyes fixed on Jesus, the leader and perfecter of faith.”**

Jeremiah, the prophet, spoke for God. The role of the prophet is to disturb the comfortable and calm the disturbed. Unlike our current political promises, he was calling people back to the Lord. It is not easy to keep our eyes fixed on Jesus, as our culture of selfishness, greed, and consumerism, are the cause of detours and distraction, of sadness and division.

As a missionary disciple, I am counter cultural, seeking to walk with others in pursuit of the values of the gospel. In this way I work for the well being of all. Where are your eyes and efforts directed?

***Congratulations to those who were recently baptized:***

*Mia Elizabeth Kozlowski*



**Do you still need school supplies?** Shop at [Smile.Amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com/?fbclid=IwAR2uOXTMsl2TS-MiKWb5HDzkY62IBopa1iG2QpoRpi9ftTqEKvETE-mm8ug) and Amazon will donate a portion of your purchase total to ICC/SJ Parish!!

**National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children**

Our annual commemoration of 34 unborn children from an abortion clinic in Elkton will be held on **September 14th at 10am** at their burial site at Immaculate Conception Cemetery. Please join us in remembering these children and all others who have suffered abortion.

**Adoration for Vocations**

On the 1st Sunday of the month, exposition of the Blessed Sacrament occurs from 1pm-3pm in IC Chapel. Join us to pray for vocations. The next opportunity is, **September 1st.** Contact Dermott Mullan at 410-398-3368.



**August 19, 2019 St. John Eudes**

8:30 am Joseph McGlinn

**August 20, 2019 St. Bernard**

8:30 am Joseph Savino

**August 21, 2019 St. Pius X, Pope**

8:30 am Joseph McGlinn

**August 22, 2019 The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

8:30 am Charlotte Scherrill

**August 23, 2019 St. Rose of Lima**

8:30 am Rev. William J. Cox

**August 24, 2019 St. Bartholomew**

8:30 am Timothy R. Peters

5:00 pm Fr. John McMenamin, OSFS

**August 25, 2019 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time**

7:00 am People of the Parish

8:30 am Laura and Earl Koch

9:00 am SJ Dot Thomey

10:15 am Joseph McGlinn

12:00 pm William P. Ahern

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**ICS SUMMER PROGRAMS!!**

**Don’t Miss out!!** Immaculate Conception School is excited to offer programs throughout the summer!

* **Avoid summer ‘brain-drain’** and sign up for one of our **tutoring programs!**
* **We are continuing Story-Time** for children aged 2-5. Gwen Davis reads classic children’s stories, provides themed activities, music, & snacks! **Story-Time is FREE!!**

**Contact Emily Murphy at** 410-398-2636 or Emurphy@icschoolweb.org for more information or to register for any of these programs!

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**Popsicles with the Principal!**

ICS families: Don't miss Popsicles with the Principal, **Thursday, August 29th** at 6:00pm! Come hang with your classmates, meet some new friends, chat with the staff, and enjoy a sweet treat!

**Music Ministry needs volunteers!**

Do you play an instrument? Love to sing? If you can carry a tune in a bucket, please consider joining one of our choirs or cantoring! Now is a great time to start, and we are in serious need of volunteers! Contact Dana Brehany at icsjmusic@gmail.com or 410-398-1100.

**Readings for next week:**

***TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME***

**First Reading: Isaiah 66:18-21**

Isaiah portrays a time when people from many nations will gather in Jerusalem and proclaim God's glory. God's messengers will teach many nations about God. Just as the Israelites bring offerings; these messengers will bring people from all nations to worship.

**Second Reading: Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13**

The Hebrews are told that God disciplines those he loves. When a parent disciplines a child, the child usually learns what is expected of him. The Hebrews are encouraged to face life's trials as a form of discipline, and attempt to learn something from them.

**Gospel: Luke 13:22-30**

Jesus warns that the door to God's kingdom will be locked for those who ignored his wishes. Many people will come from all nations and take their place in God's kingdom. Others will not be recognized by God, and he will reject them.

**Daily Readings:**

***Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time***

**Sunday** ........... Jer 38:4-6, 8-10; Heb 12:1-4; Lk 12:49-53

**Monday** ................................... Jgs 2:11-19; Mt 19:16-22

**Tuesday** ................................. Jgs 6:11-24a; Mt 19:23-30

**Wednesday** ................................. Jgs 9:6-15; Mt 20:1-16

**Thursday** ............................... Jgs 11:29-39a; Mt 22:1-14

**Friday** .................... Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22; Mt 22:34-40

**Saturday** .................................... Rv 21:9b-14; Jn 1:45-51

**Are you unbaptized and have a desire to be baptized? Are you a baptized Christian interested in becoming a Catholic? Are you a baptized Catholic who never received the sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation? If you answer yes to any of these questions then RCIA is for you!!**

**A new RCIA program will be starting September 19th**. RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is the process by which baptized Christians and those who are unbaptized become members of the Catholic Church. It is also the process by which baptized Catholics who never received the sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation receive those sacraments. If you feel God calling you to have a deeper relationship with Him, please call the Parish Office at 410-398-1100 to register with Pat Kosman. The RCIA process is a wonderful way to have a greater understanding of the Catholic faith and become closer to God in the process.

**Sponsors are needed to walk with those** who are learning about the Catholic faith through the RCIA process. Do you love your Catholic faith? Do you want to share it with others? Please consider being a sponsor for RCIA. Call the Parish Office at 410-398-1100 to sign up. It requires a small amount of effort yet yields large rewards.

**Liturgical Ministers Next Week: *August 24th & 25th***

***5:00 pm***

• **Altar Servers:** Mason H, Grace B • **EM’s:** Carol K **\*UNFILLED\*** • **Lector:** Alison D • **Ushers:** Pat C, Bob E, Eileen P, Bill B

***7:00 am***

•**Altar Servers**: Sarah B, Jacob B • **EM’s:** Frank S, Ginnie D, Peter D • **Lector:** Christopher W • **Ushers:** Charles M

***8:30 am***

**Altar Servers:** Henry W, Damian W • **EMs:** Don H, Peter G, Cecilia G • **Lector:** Francis C • **Ushers:** Anthony D, Wendel S, Anthony M, Steve C

***9:00 am (SJ)***

**Altar Servers:** Alex F, Andrew F • **EM’s:** Tom V, Diane C, Mary Anne S, Pat D, Larry B • **Lector:** Monica V • **Ushers:** Jule V, Bill D, Kevin O

***10:15 am***

**Altar Servers:** Donovan O, Benedict J • **EM’s:** Rita M, Gwen D, Grace B •**Lector:** Ben F • **Ushers:** Bob W, Steve A, James D

**12:00 *noon***

**Altar Servers:** Valerie O, Gabriel O •**EMs:** Cynthia J, Charles C • **Lector:** Frank E • **Ushers:** Teresa G

**Children’s Liturgy of the Word**

CLW is for children ages 5-8 only. Children who are not in this category are asked to remain in church.

**There is NO CLW during the summer months!**

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**Does your child need to be Baptized?**

Parents are required to attend a Baptism Class before their child can be Baptized. The next Baptism Class is **August 19th**, 7:00pm in the Parish Center. It’s never too early to prepare for the Baptism of your child. Contact the Parish at 410-398-1100 to register.

**St. Jude 50th Anniversary:**

**Memories By: Cheryl Nickle**

This week’s note is about creating memories for the future. On Sunday, October 6th the Cecil County Crop Walk will take place. This activity financially supports our parish Outreach Program and is important for our local community. Please consider joining the walk. The actual walk begins at 1 pm at St. Mary Anne’s. Our Confirmation Class will be participating in the 9 am Mass at St. Jude’s. All who contribute to the walk either by walking or sponsoring another parishioner will be asked to stand for a special blessing during Mass. It is also Donut Sunday. After the Donut Social time, on the grounds of St. Jude’s, we will pray ‘Stations for the Environment’ based on the encyclical by Pope Francis. All are invited to attend and participate in the stations. Details for registration will follow. Let’s make this an annual event!

**Immaculate Conception**

**School News**

Our halls are quiet now that the students and staff are off for summer vacation! **Please keep our students and staff in your prayers** that they enjoy a wonderful and well-deserved summer break. They will return in the fall, ready to start another exciting year!

**The ICS Summer Photo Contest Returns!!**

We love seeing all of the places ICS goes during the summer! Take a picture of your child with a sign saying "ICS" and email it to Emurphy@icschoolweb.org with information about where it was taken. Photos will be posted on the ICS Facebook page throughout the summer. Prizes will be awarded for:

• The picture taken in a location furthest from ICS

• The silliest picture

• The most creative picture

**Story time continues at ICS!**

Bring your little ones, ages 2-5 to ICS this summer! Gwen Davis will read classic children’s stories and provide themed activities, music, crafts, and snacks! **Story time is FREE!!** Your children will love it! The next story time is **Wednesday, July 31st at 10:00am.** Call 410-398-2636 to reserve your spot!

**If you are interested in learning more about ICS or would like to enroll your child,** please contact our Advancement Director, Emily Murphy at emurphy@icschoolweb.org. Now is the time to consider the benefits of the strong, faith-based, challenging academic program that ICS provides.

**You may contact office personnel** including the secretary, principal, and advancement director throughout the summer. Phone and email messages will be checked regularly. Other school personnel are not required to monitor emails during the summer.

**office hours**

* **July & August**: 9:00a-1:00p Mon - Thurs.

**Contact Info:**

* Secretary jwilson@icschoolweb.org.
* Principal - bschilling@icschoolweb.org
* Advancement Director:-

 emurphy@icshoolweb.org

**Faith Formation**

**Religious Education & Sacraments**

**Religion Classes:** Classes are filling up quickly, register ASAP!

**Catechist Meeting:** opening catechist meeting will be held **TOMORROW Monday, August 19th** at 6:30pm in the Parish Center. Assistants are invited to attend. Both catechists & assistants, please let us know if you will or will not be able to attend. 410-392-3551 Thank you!

**We need Catechists and Assistants!** Would you like to share your Faith with the children of our parish? If so, the Religion Office needs you! We are in need of Catechists and Assistants for some of our Religious Ed classes. If you are interested in helping, please contact the Religious Ed office!

***We need of Catechists & Assistants in the following Classes:***

***Sunday***

K: Catechist & Assistant Gr 1: - Catechist

Gr 3: - Catechist Gr 4: - Assistant

Gr 7: - Assistant Gr 8: - Catechist

***Wednesday***

Gr 1: - Assistant Gr 5: - Catechist & Assistant

Gr. 7: -Assistant Gr 8: Assistant

**Outreach:** Please remember Outreach over the summer!

**Youth Ministry & Confirmation**

**CONFIRMATION**

The initial meeting for parents and candidates is on Sunday, **September 15th** at 2:00pm at ICC.

**YOUTH GROUP - Summer Calendar**

**Meetings are from 6-8pm in the Parish Center**

* **August 18th** -Meeting (Tonight)
* **Next meeting is after Labor Day**

**Prayers for our teenage drivers!** Newly licensed drivers stop by the religion office or youth group to pick a key chain blessed by our priests.

**YOUTH MINISTRY WISH LIST:** Youth group is looking for a donation of a replacement refrigerator. We also are asking for sodas (cans please!)

**ADULT EDUCATION**

**Adult Ed. Class, “Catholicism: Journey Around the World and Deep Into the Faith”**

We are offering a new Adult Ed. series entitled, “Catholicism: Journey Around the World and Deep Into the Faith.” This program is for anyone who would like to learn more about their faith! Following Christ takes more than simply believing in him or doing what he asks of us. Jesus wants you to be more than just a believer, he wants you to be his disciple and friend! “Catholicism” is a guide to a personal encounter with Christ! The **“Catholicism”** series will begin Monday, September 16th at 6:30pm and will repeat on Thursday, September 19th at 9:15am in the Parish Center. The cost for this class is $25. For more information call 410-392-3551. Registration forms are online and in the Parish Center.

**SOCIAL CONCERNS**

**Outreach**

**Please consider donating** to the Outreach! Thank you so much for your help, generosity, prayers, & donations to this essential ministry!!

**Food items:** canned fruits and vegetables, baked beans, and spaghetti sauce

**Non-Food items:** toothbrushes, toothpaste, soap, and shampoo

**No clothing please!** As much as we appreciate the gesture, we do not have the space to store them. Thank you!

**PARISH EVENTS/INFORMATION**

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**Weekly Church Collections: Week of August 11th**

 ICC $7,487

 St. Jude $2,251

Online $3,529

 Total Offertory $13,267

**Keep up with regular offerings by giving electronically!!**

Just as you rely upon receiving income on a regular basis, we rely on your regular contributions. We greatly appreciate the efforts of our parishioners to make consistent donations throughout the year! To assist you, the church provides a convenient electronic giving option for setting up regular contributions! Simply visit our website and click the Online Giving Button!

**How does Online giving benefit you?**

1. It’s easy, convenient, and safe
2. Allows you to give any amount, any time.
3. Allows you to track your giving

**How does Online giving benefit the parish?**

1. Creates consistency of giving
2. Increases efficiency of processing giving

**How to sign up?**

1. Visit www.iccparish.org
2. Click “Go to Online Giving”
3. Sign up! It’s that easy!

**PARISH & FAMILY LIFE**

**Parish Coffee**

There will not be Parish Coffee in June at St. Jude’s. Please join us for Parish Coffee on **Sept. 1st** following the 9:00 Mass.

**Join us** for Parish Coffee, **September 8th** after 8:30am and 10:15am Masses at ICC!

**PARISH EVENTS/INFORMATION**

**School Supply Shelf**

Many thanks to our volunteers who have loaded so many backpacks with school supplies! The School Supply Shelf will be open this month at Outreach. Monetary donations in support of this program are appreciated in the offertory collection or through online giving. Please mark your donation as “School Supply.”

**North East Triathlon is coming up on August 25th!** Those planning on attending Saint Jude’s that weekend please remember the changes in traffic and may need to leave for Mass a little earlier! This amazing race is spread out over the North East Community with the swim course in the Chesapeake Bay, the bike through Elk Neck State Forest, and the run through the main road in town.

**COME JOIN LEISURE CLUB!**

Come join the Immaculate Conception/St. Jude Leisure Club for an afternoon of games, laughs and good fun! We meet the 2nd & 4th Wednesdays of each month at the Parish Center Library from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. We are listed in the Parish Calendar Section in the Church Bulletin. Several other events are planned throughout the year. For more information contact Kathy Chamberlin at 410-398-7299 or e-mail kathchamberlin@yahoo.com. See you soon!

**Christmas Bazaar Planning:** Planning for the annual Christmas Bazaar is in full swing! Mark your calendars for the bazaar to be held on **November 9th & 10th.** The Committee invites you to help in the following ways: We are soliciting donations from individuals, groups, and businesses for our theme basket raffle. If you would like to donate a theme basket or items for a theme basket (including gift cards), please contact us! Anyone interested in vendor space at the bazaar can contact iccchristmasbazaar@gmail.com. The Book Nook will be collecting used books starting in September. Additional information about when and where to drop off donations will be in the bulletin starting in September. **Anyone interested in joining the Christmas Bazaar planning committee** is warmly invited to join us at our next meeting scheduled for **August 20th at 6pm** in the Parish Center. Points of Contact for the Christmas Bazaar are Lisa Kaminski, 410-392-9558, kaminski-uch@comcast.net; Jackie Gedz, 410-392-0396, Jackie.gedz@Verizon.net; or Terry Gustafson, 443-553-2324, teresa.gustafson@verizon.net



**Sunday, August 18**

8:20 AM - Confessions - SJ

10:30 AM - Baptisms - SJ

6:00 PM - HS Gathering - PC

Monday, August 19

9:00 AM - Novena - CH

6:00 PM - Christmas Bazaar Mtg - PC

6:00 PM - Religious Ed Catechist mtg-PC

6:30 PM - CYO Soccer

7:00 PM - Baptism Class - PC

8:00 PM - AA Mtg

Tuesday, August 20

9:00 AM - Holy Hour - CH

7:30 PM - Contemporary Rehearsal - IC

Wednesday, August 21

9:00 AM - Rosary Crusade / Novena-CH

5:00 PM - Parish Council Mtg - PC

6:30 PM - CYO Soccer - grounds

Thursday, August 22

9:00 AM - Rosary Crusade - CH

6:30 PM - Boy Scout Mtg - PC

6:30 PM - Cantor Rehearsal - IC

7:00 PM - Parish Choir Rehearsal - IC

Friday, August 23

9:00 AM - Rosary Crusade - CH

6:30 PM - CYO soccer - grounds

7:00 PM - NA Mtg - Caf

**Saturday, August 24**

9:00 AM - Rosary Crusade - CH

10:00 AM - NA Group - grounds

4:15 PM - Confessions - IC

7:00 PM - NA Mtg - Caf



**community EVENTS/INFORMATION**

**Knights of Columbus**

***Bishop Becker Council 2427***

**443-616-5370** or [**www.kofc2427.org**](http://www.kofc2427.org)

**Meetings:** 2nd & 4th Tuesdays of the month at 7:00 pm at the Parish Center

**LAOH (The Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians)**

**Help the LAOH feed the hungry!**

The Cecil County Division 1, Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians would like to thank this parish for helping us to raise $1600 dollars last year during our annual participation in Boscov’s “Friends Helping Friends” campaign! The funds were used to assist the Immaculate Conception/St. Jude Outreach Program and Good Shepherd’s St. Vincent de Paul Society.

**Once again, the LAOH will be assisting local charities** by collecting your $5 donation after Masses on **August 31-Sept 1**. The LAOH will also be at Boscov’s in Christiana on August 16 from 10am-6pm, September 20 from 2-9pm and on October 16 from 9am-6pm. Passes are also available in the Parish Office.

In return, you will receive a Boscov’s 25% discount shopping pass to be used on **October 16th** for “Friends Helping Friends” Day shopping pass at all Boscov locations. In addition, you are eligible to register to win fabulous prizes, including shopping sprees and more! Thank you in advance for helping us help others.

***Calling All Runners, Walkers & Sleepers!***

The Little Sisters of the Poor again invite you to enjoy one of the biggest and best 5k events in our area! Run or walk the 13th Annual Knights of Columbus Nun Run 5K, presented by DiSabatino Construction and Saul Ewing.

**When:** 9:00am start, Sat, Sept14 (registration opens at 8:00am)

**Where:** 185 Salem Church Road Newark, DE 19713

**Cost:** $25 (until September 13); $30 (on-site registration) Family Discount: $20 each for 3 or more members

**Fundraising Goal:** To raise funds for procurement of a 14-passenger transit bus/coach to accommodate our Residents who need assistance with wheelchair accessibility.

**Visit our website:** [www.nunrun5k.org](http://www.nunrun5k.org) or call our Development office 302 368-5886 for further information.

**Annual Catholic Appeal**

THANK YOU to everyone who made a pledge to the diocesan Annual Catholic Appeal! Giving to the Appeal greatly helps our Parish! We are **so close** to meeting our parish goal! We are only $4,172 away in pledges! If you have not yet participated, please consider doing so today! Thank you for your generosity and support! To learn more, visit [www.cdow.org](http://www.cdow.org). Click “Giving” then “Annual Catholic Appeal.”