

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church

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Because of the limited size of our staff, hours are subject to change. It's best to call first.

April 17, 2016 – Fourth Sunday of Easter

Eucharist of the Lord's Day

Sunday: 8:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m.
7:00 p.m. (in Spanish)

Weekday Eucharist

Thursday 7:00 p.m. (in Spanish)

Holydays of Obligation

As announced in the bulletin

Reconciliation

After the Sunday morning Masses,
Thursday evening 6:30pm

And by appointment at any reasonable time

Pastoral Care and Liturgy

Very Rev. James S. Lentini, V.F., Pastor
Rev. John Olson, Associate Pastor
Rev. Anthony Giamello, Associate Pastor

Deacon James M. Tormey, Sr.
Deacon Sherman Mitchell, III

Christian Formation

Mrs. Alicia Poppiti, D.R.E.

Hispanic Ministry

Mrs. Arline Dosman

If you or someone you know is in need of
financial assistance, please call

St Vincent DePaul (302) 670-6702

The Sacraments

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the process in which adults and children of catechetical age join the Catholic Church. Please contact Deacon James M. Tormey, Sr., our R.C.I.A. Coordinator, for details at 302-697-2049.

Parents wishing to present their children for **Infant Baptism** must participate in an orientation session. Please call the parish office at 410-482-8939 for details.

Please contact Alicia Poppiti at 410-482-8939 about the preparation of young people for **Confirmation**, or about children's first reception of the Sacraments of **Reconciliation** and the **Eucharist**.

Couples planning **Matrimony** meet with the Pastor or one of the Deacons at least one year in advance of the wedding date they are considering. Please call the parish office to arrange for this meeting.

Pastoral Care of the Sick: The **Anointing of the Sick** is appropriate for anyone faced with hospitalization or a serious challenge to health. When a hospital admission is planned, please arrange to receive the Anointing here beforehand, if at all possible. Our lay ministers to the sick bring **Holy Communion** to those unable to come to Mass for any length of time. Please call the parish office to arrange for these services.

Your Pastor, Deacons and parish staff members are always happy to speak in confidence with anyone who senses a call to **ordained ministry** or **religious life**.

Pastor's Desk

Dear Parishioners,

Annual Appeal.

Last weekend, our Parish and the Diocese kicked off our Annual Appeal program. This appeal is vital to providing annual support for the function of our Diocesan ministries and the good work of our Holy Church. Additionally, if we surpass the goal set for us by the Bishop, we share in the surplus, which directly benefits our parish and its need. I would commend you, that if you have not yet made a pledge to the annual appeal, that you do in the days and weeks ahead, so that our parish can meet its goal, and provide support for our Diocese vis a vis our Parish. If our parish does not meet its goal, it must nonetheless pay the balance due – which would come from our coffers. So, by all means, let us strive together to meet our Appeal goal.

Note: Annual Appeal pledge cards are available in our parish, or if you unable to come by to get one, you can call or email a request, and we will send one out to you. Also, this year for the

first time, you can make your pledge online by using PayPal – you can do this at www.cdw.org/giving.

Of Names and Bywords

I enjoy researching the etymology of words, and the origins of names. In this week's column, I combine these two areas! You see, certain people's names, over the years, have come to take on pejorative meanings; not just as names but as words. Or, as it might be stated more fancifully, their names have become bywords. What do I mean by this? Well, let me give you two interesting Catholic-related examples:

Tawdry. This word, interestingly, comes from a contracted form of St. Audrey. St. Audrey was a saint in the middle ages who contracted bubonic plague, which caused red abrasions to appear on her neck. Her attempts to cover these marks were mimicked by others after her death. The practice of wearing gaudy and elaborate lace wraps around a woman's neck became in vogue; these wraps were dubbed "St. Audrey Lace"

– which later morphed in “tawdry lace.” Thus the word tawdry is descendent of the name St. Audrey, and it means gaudy.

Dunce. This word, usually denotes a person who is some form of an ignoramus. Ironically, it comes from the name of one of the most brilliant men in history. Catholic theologian and scholar John Duns (known as Duns Scotus), who lived in the 13th century, was a brilliant academic. However, his followers later engaged in arguing and debating endlessly about academic minutiae and nonsense. This brought Duns name into disrepute. And as result of his followers, within a few hundred years, the Duns named morphed into Dunce – an epithet to describe an ignorant person.

Well, as it turns out, the Bible also gives us some names-as-bywords that we use in our language. Here are five interesting ones to note:

Nimrod. Fans of TV’s “Welcome Back Kotter” may remember some buffoonish characters in the show being dubbed derisively as “schmendrich” or “schlemiel.” Those are Yiddish words that may seem to imply that one is, well, a nimrod. The word Nimrod itself, is of Biblical origin, wrapped up in later tradition. Nimrod is said to be the grandson of Noah. Noah built the Ark that saved mankind and much of creation. Nimrod didn’t do as well –he is said to be the man who decided to build the Tower of Babel that would reach to heaven (this had as much of a chance for success as a TV show called “CSI: Hartly”). Well, God trashed the project, and punished mankind by divvying him up into different languages, so that he could never conspire to hatch such a plot again. Thus, for his ridiculous idea, the name Nimrod, is now synonymous with terms like dork, dufus, and fool.

Judas. Well, we know this story all too well. Judas was the Apostle who betrayed Christ for 30 pieces of silver. Thus today, if someone is a Judas, they are a betrayer, a fink, and -- to use one of my favorite cool vocabulary words -- a “supergrass” (meaning a traitor). People who betray their nation, like a Benedict Arnold or Vidkun Quisling, are commonly identified as being a Judas.

Cain. Cain, we know, killed his brother Abel, somewhere east of Eden. God called Cain on the carpet, and asked Cain what

happened to his brother. Cain famously replied “Am I my brother’s keeper?” I guess God thought he should have been. And so, Cain was marked with the appropriately dubbed “mark of Cain,” to make of him a visible sign to others to avoid following his ways. Hence, when one is “raising Cain,” they draw attention to themselves by their words and deeds.

Beelzebub. You may remember in the Old Testament; several times reference was made to the false god called Ba’al. There was a famous episode in which Elijah the prophet challenged the Ba’al worshippers to a sort of a spirit rumble. Elijah challenged them saying something like: “You prophets of Baal, pray to your god, and I will pray to the Lord. The god who answers by setting fire to his wood is the true God.” They agreed. Elijah won, as the true God showed his presence. But Ba’al didn’t go away, he took on other names... one was Ba’al Zebub – which later became Beelzebub or Beelzebub. Ba’al Zebub literally means “Lord of the Flies” (yes, like that book where in young kids start acting devilishly). Interestingly, Ba’al Zebub is called Lord of the Flies as a pejorative: The name is meant to imply that Ba’al a pile of dung and his followers are the flies buzzing around it.

Jezebel. Jezebel was a Princess in the Old Testament. We know that you if called a woman a “jezebel” it is by no means calling her “princess.” I don’t recommend anyone testing this theory; it will end in a slap across the face. So, why does the name Jezebel carry the connotation of a woman of loose morals? Well, it is because Jezebel, who later became the wife of King Ahab, lured him away from the worship of Yahweh (the true God), and got him into the Ba’al worship. She also persecuted many followers of Yahweh. Ultimately, she was tossed out and window and eaten by dogs. From all of this, it developed a “Jezebel” is a woman who lures a man away from the righteous path.

And so, with all of this, we find the reason why we probably do not know anyone named: Nimrod, Judas, Cain, Beelzebub, or Jezebel. This is what happens when names become bywords: The names die out and the byword is what remains.

Yours in Christ,
Fr. James Lentini, Pastor

MASS INTENTIONS:

Sun., Apr 17 8:30am: Ron Lawson
11:00am: Rosa Cristiano
Misa en Español **7:00pm:** For the People
Thu., Apr 21 7:00pm: For the People
Sun., Apr. 24 8:30am: Tom & Doris Costello
11:00am: Souls in Purgatory
Misa en Español **7:00pm:** For the People

*Our Mass book for 2016 year is open.
Please stop by office or call to have Masses scheduled.*

TAX letters are in the office ready for you to pick up.
Please stop in to get yours today. Thank you.

COLLECTION TOTALS:

Regular Offertory: \$2434.68
Supplementary Offertory: \$ 399.00

Second Collection Today: Supplemental Offertory
Your continued support of the work of your Church is much needed, and appreciated.



Knights of Columbus: Meet every 2nd & 4th Tues., in the hall at 6:30pm. For more information contact Grand Knight, Clyde Hinebaugh 410-482-8699 or clydehinebaugh@gmail.com

Join us MOTHER’S DAY morning 9am for Breakfast in the Hall – Mothers Eat Free ☺

STEWARDSHIP OF TIME & TALENT

Collection Counters

Apr 17 Frank & Joyce Cristiano
Apr 24 Paul & Robin Engstenberg
May 1 Tom & Mary McGowan

Church Cleaning Crew

April 23, 2016 Grupo #3
Reynaldo Pérez, Maribel Ortiz, Juventino López,
Isenia Escalante, Clemente Escalante
April 30, 2016 Grupo #4
Hortencia Bamaca, Mainor Bamaca, Lucia Morales,
Rosemery Bamaca, Froilán Berduo
May 5, 2016 Grupo #5 Rectoría-Oficina
Alberto Morales, Maurilio Gabriel, Carlos Gabriel,
Carlos Miguel, Érica Miguel, Aurora Rivera

Altar Servers

April 24
8:30am Mass – Hannah Nagyiski
11:00am Mass – Meg & Vince Haass & Sherlin Santizo
Spanish Misa 7pm – Haylin Bartolon & Jennifer Morales

Lectors

April 24
8:30am Mass – Diane Smith
11:00am Mass – Jim Ward
Spanish Misa 7pm – Ángela Córdova, Javier Carreto

Eucharistic Ministers

April 24
8:30am Mass – Deacon Tormey, Sarah Bell, Paul McQuaide
11:00am Mass – Deacon Mitchell, Geri Garvin, Joan Stewart
Spanish Misa 7pm – Verónica Bravo, Carlos Gabriel, Antonio Pérez



Congratulations to our First Communicants

who received Jesus at the table of the Lord yesterday - Welcome! Jalexia, Mercedes, Briana, Miranda, Ashlee, Marco, Stephanie, Neida, Sofia, Grace, Edwin, Glendy, Chris, Erlin, Hunter, Fabian, Philip, Michael, Ashley, Justin, Shany, Abraham, Katie, Darley, and Janet

SCHEDULED EVENTS

Sun, Apr 17 9:40am SRE in Classrooms
Sun, Apr 17 3:30pm Jovenes
Mon Apr 18 & Wed Apr 20 7pm ESL
Tues. 19 7pm Estudio Biblico

Marriage & Family Life Corner

Marriage Moment –

"Talking to your man is different from talking to your girlfriend. By and large, a man wants the bottom line. Cut the amount of prelude by approximately 90%, and you'll get it just about right." (from *Smart Marriages*).
Yes, this is a stereotype but stereotypes often hold a kernel of truth. Does this fit your marriage?

Parenting Pointer – "Together were Simon Peter, Thomas, Nathanael, Zebedee's sons, and two others..." (John 21:2) Jesus' friends decide to go on a fishing trip. At first they don't recognize Jesus on shore. How many of your child's friends can you name? Talk together about their personalities and strengths.

2016 Annual Catholic Appeal

"Blessed are the Merciful for They Shall Obtain Mercy"

In celebration of the Holy Father's acclamation of the Holy Year of Mercy, we are called to "rediscover and make fruitful the mercy of God with which all of us are called to give consolation to every man and woman of our time." The 2016 Annual Catholic Appeal, with its theme, *Blessed are the Merciful for They Shall Obtain Mercy*, reminds us that we are given the opportunity to proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ through our actions, touching people's lives and offering hope.

Thank you to everyone who made a pledge to the diocesan Annual Catholic Appeal. The goal set for Immaculate Conception Parish is \$22,500. If you have not yet made your pledge, please fill out your pledge card and drop it in the collection basket or take home an appeal envelope and return it next week. We will post totals collected so far in next week's bulletin. Last year we passed our goal and received money to our parish. **YOUR GENEROSITY IS APPRECIATED.**

Your gift makes a real difference in the lives of thousands of individuals and families who reside within our 12-county diocese. Pledge envelopes are available in the pews [OR the appropriate designated location] and can be placed in the offertory basket. Thank you for your generosity and support.

To learn more about the Annual Catholic Appeal, visit www.cdow.org; click "Giving" then "Annual Catholic Appeal".

FROM THE DRE'S DESK
School of Religious Education

SRE Classes Today, 9:40 – 10:50 in Classrooms

REGISTRATIONS!! Registrations for 2016-2017 are now available at the office, SRE desk and online. Please get your registrations for school of Religious Education this weekend. We would like to have all registered for next year by May 1st.

Please return registrations to Alicia as soon as possible. Fees are as follows: \$25 per child, not to exceed \$100 per family. This is to defray all costs of books, materials, and supplies.

LAS MATRICULAS: para nuestro programa de formación cristiana de niños en domingo están todavía disponibles en el despacho parroquial, en la entrada principal del templo, y en el internet. Favor de someterlas en lo más pronto posible, con la cobra de \$25 por cada niño, y no más de \$100 cada familia.



Message from the Diocese Vocations Office

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Jesus says “My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me.” By virtue of our baptism, each of us is called to follow the Great Shepherd, but He calls each in a specific way. How does the Lord want *you* to follow Him? Might He be calling you to serve as a priest, a deacon, a religious brother or a religious sister? If you think that might be the case, please contact Father Norman Carroll, Diocesan Director of Priestly and Religious Vocations (302-573-3113, vocations@cdow.org). Be sure to visit our website: www.cdow.org/vocations!

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Theme: Jesus knows us and calls us.

Question for Children: Jesus promises to guard us like a shepherd does the sheep. How do you experience his loving care in your life?

Question for Youth: Jesus said “My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me.” How does Jesus speak to you? What new path is he asking of you?

Question for Adults: What is your experience of being a follower of Christ, of being cared for and guarded with him as shepherd?

Pregunta de la semana

4º domingo de Resurrección

Tema: Jesús nos conoce y nos llama.

Pregunta para los niños: Jesús promete protegernos al igual que un pastor protege a sus ovejas. ¿Cómo experimentan su amor en sus vidas?

Pregunta para los jóvenes: Jesús dijo: “Mis ovejas oyen mi voz, las conozco y ellas me siguen”. ¿Cómo te habla Jesús? ¿Qué nuevo camino te está pidiendo que sigas?

Pregunta para los adultos: ¿Cuál es su experiencia de ser seguidores de Cristo, de ser cuidados y protegidos por él como pastor?

Campaña Anual: La meta para la parroquia de la Inmaculada Concepción es \$22,500. Por favor llene su tarjeta de compromiso y póngalo en la canasta de la colecta o llévelo a casa y devuélvalo la próxima semana. Por favor sea generoso, gracias

Columna del párroco padre James Lentini
17 de abril, 2016

Estimados Feligreses,
Campaña Anual.

El fin de semana pasado, nuestra parroquia y la Diócesis iniciaron nuestro programa Campaña Católica Anual 2016. Esta campaña es vital, ya que proporciona ayuda para el funcionamiento de nuestros ministerios diocesanos y los trabajos que hacen nuestras parroquias. Además, si superamos la meta establecida para nosotros por el Señor Obispo, compartimos en lo que superamos que beneficia directamente a nuestra parroquia y sus necesidades. Si todavía no ha hecho un donativo a la Campaña anual, me gustaría exhortarle a que lo hagan en los próximos días y semanas, para que así nuestras parroquias puedan cumplir con su meta, y proporcionar apoyo a nuestra Diócesis por ende, a nuestra Parroquia. Si nuestra parroquia no cumple con su objetivo, no obstante, tenemos que pagar el saldo adeudado - que provienen de nuestras arcas. Así, por todos

los medios, juntos esforcémonos para cumplir con nuestra meta de la Campaña Anual.

Nota: Las tarjetas de la Campaña Anual están disponibles en nuestra parroquia, o si no puede venir para conseguir uno, puede llamar o enviar un correo electrónico, y le mandaremos una tarjeta por correo. Además, este año, por primera vez, puede hacer su compromiso en línea mediante el uso de PayPal - usted puede hacer su donativo a www.cdow.org/giving .

De Nombres y De Palabra

Disfruto mucho investigar la etimología de las palabras, y los orígenes de nombres. En esta columna, combino estas dos áreas! Ves, ciertos nombres de las personas, a lo largo de los años, han llegado a tener significados peyorativos (*despectivos*); no sólo como nombres, pero como palabras. O, como podría decirse más refinadamente, sus nombres se han convertido en términos despreciativos. ¿Qué quiero decir con esto? Bueno, te voy a dar dos ejemplos interesantes relacionados con católicos:

Tawdry-Hostera . La versión popular del nombre de Etheldreda fue Santa Audrey, esta palabra, curiosamente, es

origen de la palabra inglesa Tawdry ("hortera" en español), santa Audrey era una santa de la época medieval que contrajo la peste bubónica, que causó abrasiones rojas en su cuello y en su intento de cubrirlos usaba bufandas de encajes muy llamativos. Después de su muerte la moda fue imitado por otros y la práctica de usar envolturas de encaje llamativos y elaborados alrededor del cuello de una mujer se convirtió en moda; estas bufandas eran conocidos como "Encaje de santa Audrey" - que más tarde se transformó en "Encaje de Tawdry, Encajes de mal gusto". Así, la palabra Tawdry es descendiente de santa Audrey, que significa llamativo de mal gusto.

Dunce-Burro. Esta palabra, por lo general denota una persona que en cierta forma es un ignorante. Irónicamente, se trata del nombre de uno de los hombres más brillantes de la historia. Teólogo católico y erudito Juan Duns (conocido como Duns Scoto), que vivió en el siglo 13, fue un brillante académico. Sin embargo, sus seguidores más tarde se dedicaban a discutir y a debatir interminablemente sobre minucias académicas y sin sentido. Esto trajo el nombre Duns al descrédito. Y como resultado de sus seguidores, a unos cientos de años, el llamado Duns se transformó en dunce-burro - un apelativo que describe una persona ignorante.

Pues bien, como resultado de ser, la Biblia también nos da algunos nombres - con -peyorativas que utilizamos en nuestro lenguaje. Aquí hay cinco interesantes a tener en cuenta:

Nemrod La palabra en sí Nemrod, es de origen bíblico, envuelto en la tradición posterior. La historia nos dice que Nemrod fue, el bisnieto de Noé. La Biblia nos dice que fue Nemrod quien construyó Nínive. Ver Génesis 10:11. fue primer rey que unificó al mundo después del diluvio en ciudades. Bajo su supervisión la torre de Babel, en desafío a Dios fue construida que alcanzaría al cielo y también las antiguas ciudades de los Babilonios y Asirios, Génesis 10:10-12. Pues bien, Dios eliminó este proyecto, y castigó a la humanidad por causa suya, dividiendo al mundo en diferentes idiomas, por lo que nunca podría conspirar para tramar algo semejante. Por lo tanto, por esa idea ridícula, el nombre de Nemrod, es ahora sinónimo de términos como idiota, estúpido o tonto.

Judas. Bueno, todos sabemos que esta historia demasiado bien. Judas fue el apóstol que traicionó a Cristo por 30 monedas de plata. Por lo tanto hoy en día, si alguien se le llama Judas, es que es un traidor, también utilizar una de mis palabras favoritas de vocabulario fresco - un "informante" (lo que significa un traidor). Las personas que traicionan a su nación, como un Benedict Arnold o Felipillo, se identifican comúnmente como un Judas.

Caín. Caín, lo sabemos, mató a su hermano Abel, en algún lugar al este del Edén. Dios llamó a Caín a la carpeta, y le preguntó a Caín ¿Dónde está tu hermano Abel? Y él respondió: No sé. ¿Soy yo acaso guardián de mi hermano?"

Creo que Dios pensó que debería haber sido. Y así, Caín fue marcado con la forma apropiada conocido como "marca de Caín", para hacer de él un signo visible a los demás para evitar que sigan sus pasos. Por lo tanto, cuando uno está llamando la atención sobre sí mismos por sus obras y palabras puede estar siendo Caín.

Belcebú. Puedes recordar en el Antiguo Testamento; Se hicieron varias referencias de tiempo al falso dios llamado Baal. Hubo un famoso episodio en el que el profeta Elías desafió a los adoradores de Baal a una especie de estruendo espíritu. Elías los desafió diciendo algo como: "Ustedes profetas de Baal, oren a su dios, y voy a orar a mi Señor. El Dios que responda enviando fuego a la leña es el verdadero Dios. "Se pusieron de acuerdo. Elías ganó, como el verdadero Dios mostró su presencia. Pero Baal no desapareció, se enfrentó con otros nombres... uno era Baal-zebub - que más tarde se convirtió en Belcebú o Beelzebúb. Baal-zebub literalmente significa "señor de las moscas" (sí, como el libro en el que los niños pequeños comienzan a actuar diabólicamente). Curiosamente, Baal-zebub se llama señor de las moscas como un peyorativo: El nombre se pretende dar a entender que Baal es un montón de basura y sus seguidores están como las moscas zumbando alrededor de ella.

Jezabel. Jezabel era una princesa en el Antiguo Testamento. Sabemos que si una mujer es llamada "Jezabel" de ninguna manera es llamada "princesa" No recomiendo a nadie probar esta teoría; que va a terminar en una bofetada en la cara. Así que, ¿por qué el nombre de Jezabel lleva la connotación de una mujer de bajos morales? Bueno, es porque Jezabel, que más tarde se convirtió en la esposa del rey Ajab, le llevó de la adoración de Yahveh (el verdadero Dios), y lo metió en el culto a Baal. Ella también persiguió muchos seguidores de Yahveh. En última instancia, ella fue tirada por la ventana y comida por los perros. De todo esto, se desarrolló que una "Jezabel" es una mujer que atrae a un hombre fuera del camino recto.

Y así, con todo esto, encontramos la razón por la que, probablemente, no conocemos a nadie que se llama: Nemrod, Judas, Caín, Belcebú, o Jezabel. Esto es lo que sucede cuando los nombres se convierten en términos de palabras: Los nombres desaparecen y las connotaciones quedan.

Suyo en Cristo,
Padre James Lentini
Párroco