

# ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH *of* **IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH**

3555 South Fremont Avenue  
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## **Baptism of the Lord**

**“You are my beloved Son;  
with you I am well pleased.”**

**January 10, 2021**

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## **Sunday & Weekday Mass Schedule**

### **SUNDAY MASSES**

Sunday: 7:00AM; 9:00AM; & 11:00AM

Saturday (Vigil): 4:00PM

*Drive-through Holy Communion after the  
Saturday 4PM Mass & Sunday 9AM Mass*

### **WEEKDAY MASSES**

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday: 6:30AM

Wednesday: 6:30PM

Monday - Friday: 8:30AM

### **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Saturday: 2:30PM—3:15PM &

7:00PM—7:30PM in the Chapel

*Please enter through the Main Church  
and proceed to the Chapel hallway on your right.*

### **Sunday Mass—Livestreamed**

9:00AM Sunday

### **Weekday Masses—Livestreamed**

8:30AM: Monday—Friday

### **IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH**

**Parish Office: 417.887.0600**

**Fax: 417.887.0027**

**Webpage: www.ic-parish.org**

**Email: staff@ic-parish.org**

**Facebook: Immaculate Conception Parish Springfield MO**

### **SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

Please call the Parish Office.

### **SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY**

Call the Parish Office at least six months  
prior to intended wedding date. Do not schedule a venue  
before securing the wedding date.

### **EMERGENCY CALLS FOR THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK**

For an emergency requesting the  
Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick or  
if you have experienced the death of a family member  
call the Parish Office at 417.887.0600.

Prompt #2 will connect you with Fr. Tom

**PRAYER CHAIN: 417.887.0600**

Prompt #3 will connect you to the mailbox  
where you may leave a prayer request.

Please leave contact information with the request.

### **SECURITY TEAM CONTACT INFORMATION**

You may leave a message for the Security Team at the  
following email address: security@ic-parish.org

# IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD—JANUARY 10, 2021

## THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

ALL MASSES WILL BE IN THE MAIN CHURCH

### Sunday, January 10th—BAPTISM OF THE LORD

7:00AM SUNDAY MASS

8:30AM Rosary

8:45 AM Confirmation Class

9:00AM SUNDAY MASS—LIVESTREAMED

11:00AM SUNDAY MASS

11:00AM Children's Dismissal—CRB

### Monday, January 11th—

6:30AM Daily Mass

8:30AM Daily Mass—4th & 5th Grades—

LIVESTREAMED

7:00PM RCIA—CRA

### Tuesday, January 12th—

6:30AM Daily Mass

8:30AM Daily MASS—1ST, 2ND & 3RD GRADES—

LIVESTREAMED

### Wednesday, January 13th—

8:30AM Daily Mass—6th, 7th, & 8th Grades—

LIVESTREAMED

6:30PM Daily Mass

6:30PM Youth Group

### Thursday, January 14th—

6:30AM Daily Mass

8:30AM Daily Mass—LIVESTREAMED

### Friday, January 15th—

6:30AM Daily Mass

8:30AM Daily Mass—All School Mass—LIVESTREAMED

### Saturday, January 16th—Sunday Vigil

2:30PM Sacrament of Reconciliation

4:00PM SUNDAY VIGIL MASS

7:00PM Sacrament of Reconciliation

### Sunday, January 17th—2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00AM SUNDAY MASS

8:30AM Rosary

9:00AM SUNDAY MASS—LIVESTREAMED

11:00AM SUNDAY MASS

11:00AM Children's Dismissal—CRB

6:00PM Youth Group—CRA

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Monday, January 11th

6:30AM Luke Hair (Int.)

8:30AM + Warren Horine

### Tuesday, January 12th

6:30AM + Ann Kluth

8:30AM + Mary Francka

### Wednesday, January 13th —

**St. Hilary, Bishop and Doctor of the Church**

8:30AM + Paul Penn

6:30PM + Joseph Tuan Nguyen

### Thursday, January 14th

6:30AM + John Bartlow

8:30AM + Helen Samsel

### Friday, January 15th

6:30AM + Earl Straus

8:30AM + Margret McIntyre

### Saturday, Vigil Mass January 16th

4:00PM + Deacon Edward Ellman

### Sunday, January 17th

7:00AM The Parish Family

9:00AM Leonie Rivera (Int.)

11:00AM + Dorothy Sauter

## BISHOP RICE'S ANNIVERSARIES

January 3, 2021

34th Priesthood Anniversary

January 13, 2021

10th Episcopal Anniversary

Cards of Prayers & Congratulations may be sent to:

**Bishop Edward Rice**

The Catholic Center

601 S. Jefferson Ave.

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## PERPETUAL ADORATION

Holy Trinity's Church—2818 E. Bennett St.

Please call: Nicola Mullins 417.300.0840 to sign up for the Diocesan Perpetual Adoration.

**Adoration Hours: Weekdays 1:00PM—5:00PM**

Join our substitute list to experience the peace of adoration.

Please observe social distancing and wear a mask.

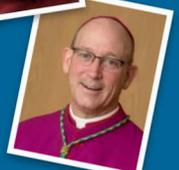
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Major Speake  
Announcement  
Coming Soon!



## SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR ...

### SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JANUARY 17, 2021

1 Samuel 3:3B-10, 19 / Psalm 40:2, 4, 7-10

1 Corinthians 6:13C-15A, 17-20

John 1:35-42

### PARISHIONERS WHO NEED SPECIAL PRAYERS

Dan Comoroski, Mike Wilkens, John Carpenter, Cheryl Haik, Dorothy Pfaff, Mark Stark, George Preisinger, Francis Barnes, Anne Davies, Stephen Kiely, Donald Borneman, Sherri Hawkins, Janice Hill, Sophia Griesbaum, Andrew Conklin, Cora Gumucio, Steve Schoen, Nick, Angie, Laura Seemuth, Gerald Martin, Eloise Fetter, Gerri Klesel, Tony Klesel, Corine Larson, Mary Miller, Katie, Jan Royster, Nicole Zangrilli, Tom Johnson, and all who need more prayers.

We also remember in prayer all healthcare professionals, those providing essential services, all who are battling chronic illnesses, COVID-19 victims, the homebound, and all of us who are in isolation.

*People are listed for 4 weeks, then transferred to the Prayer Intention book, unless family notifies us otherwise.*

### THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Please remember in prayers our faithful departed: Roberta Castellano, the mother of Laura Calvert; Maria Estrada; and all those who have died, may they know the fullness of Christ's glory.

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. And let perpetual light shine upon them. And may the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.*

### DRIVE—THROUGH COMMUNION

*Drive-through Holy Communion  
after the Saturday 4PM Mass &  
Sunday 9AM Mass*

Remember!

PRAYER CHAIN 417.887.0600

## From Father Tom's Desk



### The Promise of Baptism

When I baptized my three children I did a new generation kind of thing. We made a DVD for each of our kids so they can celebrate their baptism birthdays. They can see it, they can own it. We blow out the Baptism candle, we open a Baptism gift, and we celebrate the new life Jesus brings to them. They can trust in God's work. There's a lot we can do to make a child's baptism just as personal and memorable as an adult's. The one thing we shouldn't do is take this promise from our children. They need it and we need it.

*James Mueller*

### Two Forces at Work

"What's frightening about listening to John preach is that he puts you in the presence of God. And that's what everybody wants, and that's what everybody doesn't want. Because the light at the altar is different from every other light in the world. In the dim lamps of this world, we can compare ourselves with each other, and all of us come off looking good. We convince ourselves that God grades on the curve, and what's the difference? We're all okay. And then you come in the presence of God, and you're at the altar, and it's all different. For if our hearts condemn us, think of this - - God is greater than our hearts and knows everything. There's no way to modulate the human voice to make a whine acceptable. The whining is over. The excusing is over. It's the school, it's the church, it's the board, it's the government. It isn't! All that's over. It just stops. Like waking from a dream of palaces and patios to find the roof leaks and the rent's due. Like shutting off the stereo, and you hear the rat gnawing in the wall. That's just the fact of it. In my mind, I serve God. But there's another force in my life, and I say, 'I'm going to do that.' I don't do it. I say, 'I'll never do that.' I do it. Crucified between the sky of what I intend and the earth of what I perform. That's the truth."

*Fred B. Craddock, "Have You Ever Heard John Preach?", A Chorus of Witnesses: Model Sermons for Today's Preacher, ed. Thomas G. Long & Cornelius Plantinga, Jr. (Grand Rapids, Michigan: William B. Eerdmans Publishing Company, 1994), pp. 34-43.*

### No Need to Fear

"When I consider the briefness of my life," mused Pascal, "swallowed up before and behind it, the small space I fill, or even see, engulfed in the infinite immensity of spaces which I know not, and which know not me, I am afraid ... Who has set me here? By whose order and arrangement have this place and time been allotted to me?" For many, the secret remains concealed. Who am I? Why am I here? What am I worth? I am afraid.

In baptism the secret is out at the beginning, the truth is known at the inception, and there is no need to fear, come what may. "You are my beloved child, my very own. I have placed you here and called you to be my own. In you I delight."

*Thomas G. Long, Shepherds And Bathrobes, CSS Publishing Company*

Father Tom

### YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED for the Week of December 27, 2020

Envelopes:	\$ 28,918.00	Sponsor a Child	\$ 310.00
Plate:	\$ 1,522.24	Parish Repair & Maintenance	\$ 4,695.00
Weekly Total:	\$ 30,440.24	Catholic Charities of Southern MO	\$ 100.00
<b>Weekly Need to Meet Budget:</b>	<b>\$ 20,840.39</b>	St. Vincent de Paul	\$ 1,075.00
Annual Budgeted Collection:	\$ 1,119,956.00	Retired Priests/Seminarians	\$ 5,375.00
Year-to-Date Budget:	\$ 507,672.00	Building on Faith	\$ 28,050.00
Year-to-date Collection:	\$ 372,530.47	DDF to date	\$ 78,497.00

*(15.3% below budget)*

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## RESPECT FOR LIFE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Respect Life Novena  
9daysforlife.com

2021 USCCB Respect Life Materials  
January 21st—January 29th, 2021

9 DAYS FOR  
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Join the U.S. bishops' annual novena for the protection of human life. Each day's intention is accompanied by a short reflection and suggested actions to help build a culture of life. Sign up to receive the novena by Email or text at [9daysforlife.com](http://9daysforlife.com).

In promoting the novena, a wide variety of material for social media and print can be found at [respectlife.org/leaders-resources](http://respectlife.org/leaders-resources).

9DAYSFORLIFE Novena materials are available  
on the Gathering Area Table.

The 6:30AM Weekday Masses will be streamed on January 21st, 22nd, 25th—29th. Following Mass the Rosary and the Novena for Life will be prayed. Sponsored by the area Knights of Columbus Councils.

## KNIGHTS STRIKING-OUT



Can you help us battle homelessness, hunger and poverty right here in our community?

This Greater Ozarks area Knights of Columbus event will be held Jan 31, 2021. Registration and check in begins at 12:00 NOON and bowling begins at 1:00PM.

We are holding the event to help *The Kitchen Inc., Catholic Charities of Southern MO, and Least of These Food Pantry of Christian County*. We will be bowling at Enterprise Park Lanes and Sunshine Lanes in Springfield and Century Lanes in Nixa. Cost is \$15 for 3 games including shoes.

Social distancing and masks will be required of participants. We recommend advance registration as the number of bowlers is being limited.

Get more information at [www.knightsstrikingout.org](http://www.knightsstrikingout.org) or reaching out to any of our charities or calling Dean Arens at 417.844.1293.

## HIGH SCHOOL DISCIPLE GROUPS!



All high school students are invited to join a small Disciple Group! Sign up with friends or meet new people! Each small group will have adult leaders and will make their own

arrangements for meeting times. More information on the gathering table. Questions? Contact Mani at [mbrockmeyer@ic-parish.org](mailto:mbrockmeyer@ic-parish.org) or call the church office at 417.887.0600.

[www.feedthepoorhungryhomeless.com](http://www.feedthepoorhungryhomeless.com)

Visit the website [www.feedthepoorhungryhomeless.com](http://www.feedthepoorhungryhomeless.com) to find out more about this ministry to veterans and the homeless.

Contact: James Moore [james.moore1954@gmail.com](mailto:james.moore1954@gmail.com) / 417.861.8997

## Diocesan RESPECT LIFE OFFICE

The *Diocesan Respect Life Office* has a new webpage listing upcoming events and resources: <https://dioscg.org/about/respect-life/>

*Voice for Life T-Shirts*, designed by children of our diocese, are available at the website listed in this announcement.

## 48TH ANNIVERSARY OF ROE VS. WADE



On January 22nd there will be a livestream from St. Agnes Cathedral, with Bishop Rice as the celebrant, offering a 5:30 PM Mass and Rosary for the protection of human life.

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/DioceesofSpringfieldCapeGirardeau>

## CATHOLIC HOUR RADIO SHOW

Catholic churches, schools, and organizations have been offered a terrific opportunity by KWTO Radio (93.3 FM/560 AM) to have a weekly "Catholic Hour" radio show. If unable to tune in to KWTO, go to the link on the St. Joseph Facebook page so all can listen. The show will air Sundays at 10:30AM. Hear Catholic leaders, Catholic school students, and Catholic parishioners from all over the area share their wisdom, faith, & life stories. Support our Catholic Hour for only \$20-\$100 week. Grow your church/business and advertise on KWTO! For more details call Ken Smulski at 417-493-6432 or email [kenrsmulski@gmail.com](mailto:kenrsmulski@gmail.com).

## MEN'S PRAYER GROUP MEETING

Our next meeting will be Sunday night, January 31st, 7:00PM. The Rosary (optional) will be prayed at 6:30PM in Community Room B.

Contact Bruce Horine at 417.833.7913 with questions.



## SUPER BOWL MENU



The Immaculate Conception Knights of Columbus are preparing smoked baby back ribs & smoked wings and they want to help make your super bowl menu simple (and Savory). Pre-order by February 1st and pick up your order after the 9:00AM & 11:00AM Masses on Sunday, February 7th.

Submit orders via the dropbox in the Church Gathering Area or you can email:

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**Substitute at Springfield Catholic Schools:** Substitute teaching is a great option if you have a flexible or part-time job, college course schedule, freelance gig or have retired, it also works well if you are a parent. We are currently accepting applications for Substitute Teachers and Nurses. Must have 60+ credit hours, and be VIRTUS certified (SCS provides the class for certification)

**For Employment Opportunities:** Opportunities and applications are available on the Springfield Catholic Schools website at [scspk12.org](http://scspk12.org), select "About" and then "Employment opportunities"

**Enroll at Springfield Catholic Schools grades preschool-12th -- Come for a tour --** Go to our website at [scspk12.org](http://scspk12.org), select "Admissions" and "New Families" or you can call our schools at the numbers listed above the announcements.



**CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK**  
**JANUARY 31ST—FEBRUARY 6TH**

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**WEDNESDAY EVENING MASS**  
**IN THE CHURCH @ 6:30PM**

**VIRTUS TRAINING SESSIONS**

**VIRTUS**—Pre-registration is necessary: go to [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org) and click on "registration" on the left or call your parish/school office for assistance. If you do not have access to the internet and are unable to register Online, please call the local parish, school, or institution where you are employed or volunteer. See [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org) for future sessions.

Sessions: April 16th, 5:30PM—8:30PM, The Catholic Center.

A PROGRAM AND SERVICE OF  
THE NATIONAL CATHOLIC RISK RETENTION GROUP, INC.



**Due to the Corona Virus and the ever-changing protocols for public gatherings we have taken the precautionary step of making available an online option for the VIRTUS Protecting God's Children training for Adults. This is a temporary preventative action as we will continue to offer the live training, as well, at least for now. [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org). Preregistration is necessary: go to [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org) and click on "registration" on the**

**left or call your parish/school office for assistance. If you do not have access to the internet and are unable to register online, please call the local parish, school or institution where you are employed or volunteer.**

**ACTIVE CATHOLIC FORMS**  
**SPRINGFIELD CATHOLIC SCHOOLS**  
**2021—2022 SCHOOL YEAR**  
**TO HELP US PROCESS THE FORMS AT OUR PARISH**  
**PLEASE SEND TO THE PARISH OFFICE YOUR SUNDAY**  
**ENVELOPE—THE 9:00 AM SUNDAY MASS**  
**WILL CONTINUE TO BE LIVESTREAMED.**

*Since COVID-19 is still around us, an Electronic Active Catholic Form will be mailed out from the Catholic Schools Central Office on February 1, 2021, along with the Endowment Scholarship & Facts Grant and Aid application to all current parents.*

*A list will then be sent to the parish office of those who have applied for the Active Catholic status. While COVID-19 is a consideration for the safety of your family, in person attendance at Mass is not required, stay safe. I do ask that you pray with us through the livestream. Those who have fulfilled the following requirements will qualify for the Active Catholic rate for tuition.*

**Requirements to qualify as an Active Catholic:**

- Make a commitment to be a disciple of Christ.
- Participate at Mass on Sundays & Holy Days, ideally in your parish.
- Practice your faith in the workplace, the home, the classroom & in civic life;
- Support and cooperate with the religious education programs of the parish; adult faith formation, sacramental preparation, RCIA, etc.
- Participate in parish ministries, activities, and organizations through your contribution of time and talent.
- Support the ministries of the Catholic Church by pledging and tithing sacrificially to your parish.
- Completing Immaculate Conception's Faith Commitment Card.
- Placing parish offertory envelope with pledge, prayer of petition and/or prayer of thanksgiving weekly in the Sunday collection. Immaculate Conception envelopes placed in the collection at any Catholic Church will be forward to Immaculate Conception. **Weekly participation at Mass is verified through the use of offertory envelopes at Mass or by mailing your offertory envelope weekly to the Parish Office.**

**Flocknote: Text: Frtom To: 84576**  
 Sign-up for parish text and email alerts on flocknote:  
**Livestream** of Masses are available on our Facebook page: **Immaculate Conception Parish Springfield MO**  
**Website** for updates: **[www.ic-parish.org](http://www.ic-parish.org)**



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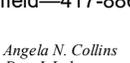


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