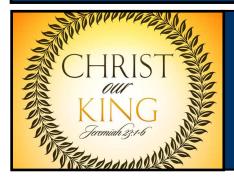
ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH of IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH

3555 South Fremont Avenue Springfield, MO 65804-4237





Feast of Christ the King

November 22, 2020

"Lord, when did we see you in need?"

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Sunday & Weekday Mass Schedule

<u>SUNDAY MASSES</u>

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: 6:30Aм Wednesday: 6:30PM Monday – Friday: 8:30Aм

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

8:30ам: 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

Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe - November 22, 2020

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

ALL MASSES WILL BE IN THE MAIN CHURCH

Sunday, November 22nd—

Solemnit	y of Christ the King, King of the Universe			
7:00AM	Sunday Mass—church			
8:30AM	Rosary—сниксн			
9:00AM	Sunday Mass—church & livestreamed			
11:00AM	Sunday Mass—church			
11:00AM	Children's Dismissal—CRB			
6:00PM	High School Youth Group—cra			
<u>Monday, N</u>	ovember 23rd			
6:30AM	Daily Mass—church			
8:30AM	•			
	—CHURCH & LIVESTREAMED			
6:00PM	Knight of Columbus Officer's Meeting			
7:00PM	RCIA—cra			
<u>Tuesday, N</u>	lovember 24th			
6:30AM	Daily Mass—church			
8:30AM	All School Mass			
	—CHURCH & LIVESTREAMED			
<u>Wednesday, November 25th</u>				
8:30AM	Daily Mass—church & livestreamed			
6:30PM	DAILY MASS			
Immac	ulate Conception School:			
Thank	sgiving Vacation—November 25th—27th			
<u>Thursday.</u>	<u>November 26th—</u> Thanksgiving Day			
(Parish Off	fice Closed)			
6:30AM	Daily Mass—CHURCH			
8:30AM	Daily Mass—church & livestreamed			
Friday, November 27th				
(Parish Off	fice Closed)			
6.30AM	Daily Mass—CHURCH			

6:30AM Daily Mass—Church 8:30AM Daily Mass—Church & livestreamed

Saturday, November 28th Sunday Vigil

2:30PM Sacrament of Reconciliation—CHAPEL

- 4:00PM SUNDAY VIGIL MASS—CHURCH
- 7:00PM Sacrament of Reconciliation—CHAPEL

Sunday, November 29th — FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

- 7:00AM SUNDAY MASS—CHURCH
- 8:30AM Rosary—CHURCH
- 9:00AM SUNDAY MASS—CHURCH & LIVESTREAMED
- 11:00AM SUNDAY MASS—CHURCH
- 11:00AM Children's Dismissal—CRB
- 2:00PM —4:00PM Sacrament of Reconciliation—CHURCH



December 4th, 2020 First Friday Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 9:00am—1:00pm Exposition 1:00pm Benediction



MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, November 23rd—Saint Clement I, Pope, Martyr; Saint Columban, Abbot; Blessed Miguel							
Agustin Pro, Priest, Martyr							
	•	Jack Schiltz					
8:30AM	+	Paul Penn					
		mber 24th—Saint Andrew Dũng-Ląc,					
Priest. Martyr, and Companions, Martyrs							
6:30AM	+	Fr. Joseph Doan Bang					
		Ted and Margaret Verfurth					
Wednesday, November 25th—							
Saint Catl	Saint Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin, Martyr						
8:30AM	+	Gregorio Joseph Bao Hoang					
6:30PM	+	Flor Rivera					
Thursday, November 26th							
6:30AM	+	Ivan and Cellia Francka					
8:30AM	+	Elaine Nye					
Friday, November 27th							
6:30AM		Myrtle Crippin (Int.)					
8:30AM	+	Earl Straus					
Saturday, V	Saturday, Vigil Mass, November 28th						
4:00PM	+	Jerry and Ann Pickering					
Sunday, No	ven	iber 29th— First Sunday of Advent					
7:00AM	+	Ann Meese					
9:00AM	+	Dorothy O'Neill					
11:00AM		The Parish Family					



FIRST RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE

We have taken a cautionary approach for our First Reconciliation students. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be held in

school and after the 6:30 PM Wednesday Masses to provide health guidelines. Parents are welcome with safe distancing & masks. The schedule is below.

2B—November 30th: 9:30AM 2A December 2nd: 1PM Parish School of Religion—December 2nd: 7PM Homeschooled—December 9th: 7PM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

SATURDAYS 2:30 PM & 7:00 PM

SUNDAYS OF ADVENT

2:00PM—4:00 PM November 29th, December 6th, 13th & 20th

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT NOVEMBER 29, 2020

Isaiah 63:16B-17, 19B; 64:2-7/ Psalm 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19/1 Corinthians 1: 3-9/ Mark 13:33-37

PARISHIONERS WHO NEED SPECIAL PRAYERS

Cheryl Haik, Dorothy Pfaff, Kathy Lukavich, Sr. Jane Ann Kiefer, 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: Judy Gibson, the wife of Don; Kylie Jackson, the friend of Michaela Kiefer; and for 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

Christmas Flower Offering

As we remember loved ones and memorials for Christmas through an offering for the Christmas flowers, we will keep them in our prayers especially during this



season of Christmas. A suggested offering is \$15.00, any donation will be accepted. Please PRINT clearly and circle In Honor *or* In Memory of _____ and submit by Sunday, December 20th. From Father Tom's Desk

The Gap between Words and Action



One of my favorite cartoons of all time is one from the Peanuts comic strip. In this particular one, Snoopy is sitting in the doorway of his dog house shivering violently during a winter storm. You can see that it is near Christmas time by the decorations on the dog house. Charlie Brown and Lucy are walking by – all bundled up and warm as toast. They offer a greeting, "Be of good cheer, Snoopy," Charlie Brown says. "Yes, be of good cheer," Lucy replies. And they keep on walking as Snoopy sits there with chattering teeth.

The message of the cartoon was powerful. The most noxious lifestyle of all is when compassionate words come from a care-less heart. Snoopy would no doubt prefer a blanket over a greeting. A compassionate heart is a reflection of the heart of God.

John Jewell, Be Compassionate

I Kept an Open Door

A Jewish story goes: I went up to Heaven in a dream and stood at the Gates of Paradise in order to observe the procedure of the Heavenly Tribunal. I watched as a learned Rabbi approached and wished to enter. "Day and night," he said, "I studied the Holy Torah."

"Wait," said the Angel. "We will investigate whether your study was for its own sake or whether it was a matter of profession and for the sake of honors.

A Righteous Person [a Zaddik] next approached. "I fasted much," he said, "I underwent many ritual cleansings; I studied the Zohar the mystical commentary on the Torah day and night."

"Wait," said the Angel, "until we have completed our investigation to learn whether your motives were pure."

Then a tavern-keeper drew near. "I kept an open door and fed without charge every poor man who came into my inn," he said. The Heavenly Portals were opened to him.

Rabbi Aaron Leib of Primishlan, as quoted in Abraham Karp, The Jewish Way of Life and Thought, New York: KTAV Publishing Inc., 1981, p.177

Without You We Are Sunk

A little boy offered up a **Thanksgiving Day** prayer for the family and prayed: "Dear God, this is Jimmy. Thank you for **Thanksgiving** and Christmas and all of the holidays. Thank you for the turkey and dressing and Mom and Dad and even for my little sister, even though some times she can be a pain. Thank you for books and TV and game boy. Thank you for loving us. Oh, yeah. And take care of yourself, God. Because without you, we're sunk. Amen."

No matter what timetable we come up with. No matter what schedule or interpretation of schedules we come up with for the Second Coming, God is still in control. Jesus said, "But about that **day** or hour no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but

Tather Tour

YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED for the Week of November 8/9, 2020

Envelopes:	\$	19,189.00	
Plate:	\$	476.00	
Weekly Total:	\$	<u> 19,665.00</u>	
Weekly Need to Meet Budget:	\$	20,840.39	
Annual Budgeted Collection:	\$	1,119,956.00	
Year-to-Date Budget:	\$	409,214.78	
Year-to-date Collection:	\$	324,815.60	
	(20.62% below budget)		

r the week of November 6/9, 2020				
Catholic Charities	\$ 98.00			
St. Vincent de Paul	\$887.00			
Parish Repair & Maintenance	\$ 580.00			
Home Mission	\$ 38.00			
DDF to date	\$ 78,497.00			



CATHOLIC CHARITIES 2020 Annual Second Collection

Catholic Charities of Southern Missouri Reaching Out. Providing Hope. Changing Lives

Today our parish joins parishes across our

diocese to support Catholic Charities of Southern Missouri in the annual Second Collection. This is an opportunity for our Catholic community to come together, united in providing hope to the poor right here in our communities. Together, we are *Reaching Out, Providing Hope, and Changing Lives!*

Please respond generously with a donation today at www.ccsomo.org, or mail your gift to Catholic Charities of Southern Missouri, 424 E. Monastery St., Springfield, MO 65807, or call in a pledge to 417.720.4213. Thank you for your prayers and generous support.

Springfield Catholic High School Drama Department Presents: A Night of Comedy

SCHS presents ... A Night of Comedy at Meek Auditorium. Featuring: Three

Long Days; A Pastor's Tale; Susanna Wesley; A Christmas in Montana; Auto-Mated; Cell; and GPS. Dates: Friday, November 20th @ 7PM; Saturday, November 21st @ 7PM; and Sunday, November

22nd @ 2PM. Admission: \$5.00 for Adults & Students. INFO: SCHS 417.887.8817/St. Agnes Cathedral 417.831.3565

COMMUNION TO HOMEBOUND FAMILY MEMBERS

Please contact the Parish Communion Office 417.887.0600 if you are Homebound



coming to Mass and would desire to be instructed in bringing Holy Communion to immediate family members who are remaining in their home during the COVID-19.

WEDNESDAY EVENING MASS in the Church @ 6:30PM

Men's Prayer Group Meeting

Our next meeting will be Sunday night, November 29th, PRAY

7:00PM. The Rosary (optional) will be prayed at 6:30PM in Community Room B.

Contact Bruce Horine at 417.833.7913 with questions.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PRAYER CHAIN 417.887.0600

PARISH SCHEDULE

THANKSGIVING MASSES November 26th—6:30 AM & 8:30 AM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION SATURDAYS: 2:30 PM & 7:00 PM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

SUNDAYS OF ADVENT: 2:00 PM-4:00 PM November 29th, <u>December 6th</u>, <u>13th & 20th</u>

ADVENT ANGEL TREE Angel Tree arrives next Weekend!

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

DECEMBER 4TH, 2020 FIRST FRIDAY 9:00 AM-1:00 PM 1:00 PM BENEDICTION

K OF C DRIVETHROUGH

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5TH: 10:00 AM—12:30 PM Pulled Pork, Potato Salad, Chips & Cookies Donations & Sunday Envelopes Santa Claus & Candy Canes

DECEMBER 8TH

SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

DECEMBER 7TH: 5:30 PM DECEMBER 8TH: 6:30 AM, 8:30 AM 5:30 PM, BISHOP RICE, CELEBRANT

DECEMBER 13TH: K OF C BREAKFAST

CHRISTMAS NOVENA DECEMBER 17TH—23RD: 7:00 PM

CHRISTMAS EVE MASSES

DECEMBER 24TH 4:00 PM CHURCH / 4:00 PM GYM 7:00 PM CHURCH 9:00 PM CHURCH

CHRISTMAS DAY MASSES

MIDNIGHT (12:00 AM) CHURCH DECEMBER 25TH CHRISTMAS DAY 11:00 AM CHURCH CHRISTMAS DINNER—COMMUNITY ROOMS



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

THE LITTLE BLUE BOOK Advent and Christmas Seasons are Available in the Gathering Area!



Springfield Catholic Schools Immaculate Conception, 417.881.7000 St. Elizabeth Ann Seton 417.887.6056 St. Agnes Cathedral School 417.866.5038. Springfield Catholic High School 417.887.8817

Enrollment for Springfield Catholic Schools grades pre-school—12th is now taking place: Go to our website at scspk12.org, select "Admissions" and "New Families" or you can call our schools Immaculate Conception, 417.881.7000; St. Elizabeth Ann Seton 417.887.6056; St. Agnes Cathedral School 417.866.5038; and Springfield Catholic High School 417.887.8817

For Employment Opportunities: Opportunities and applications are available on the Springfield Catholic Schools website at scspk12.org., select "About" and then "Employment opportunities"

Substitute Teacher 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 Teacher, Teacher's Aide, Cafeteria and Nurses. Must have 60+ credit hours, and be VIRTUS certified (SCS provides the class for certification.)

VIRTUS TRAINING SESSIONS



VIRTUS—Pre-registration is necessary: go to 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 for future sessions.

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

VIRTUS—2020-2021 DIOCESAN CODE OF CONDUCT

Are you a parish or school employee? Are you a catechetical leader or a youth leader? Do you regularly volunteer with minors or vulnerable adults? If so, then you probably know that the diocese requires you to read and sign a Code of Conduct each year. The 2020-2021 Code has just been released and is available on the Office of Child and Youth Protection page of the Diocesan Website at <u>www.dioscg.org</u>. Please read, complete the form, and submit page five only to your parish or school office. We ask that you also ensure that those adults working alongside you in your ministry have signed this new code as well. Select the language and click the links below for the current codes.

Should you have any questions, please contact William Holtmeyer, Jr. or Rosie Francka, via Email to <u>billholtmeyer@dioscg.org</u> or <u>rfrancka@dioscg.org</u>, or telephone the office at (417) 866-0841.





Please take an Angel home with you and return your thoughtful gift to the Angel Tree by December 12th/13th. Angel gifts are needed for infants, girls, boys, women, and men. (New items

please.) Suggested Items: infant, child & adult clothing, other items such as hats, gloves, boots, shoes, (gift certificates) educational books, puzzles, and games.

If you wrap your gift, attach your Angel to the gift wrapped package with the following information: the size and for whom.

Our gifts will be given to families in need: in our parish, at Sacred Heart Church in Springfield, and the homeless. Your generous gifts are greatly appreciated!

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 or call the church office at 417.887.0600.

REQUEST CARDS

for Mass Intentions and for Memorial Remembrances are availab on the Gathering Area table.



Catholic Charities of Southern Missouri has received funding through the Greene County Catholic Charities of Southern Missouri Reaching Out. Providing Hope. Changing Lives.

CARES Act Relief Fund in the Springfield Area. We are working to open a transitional winter housing site. We need your help. We are in need of some basic furniture items for individuals and families who are entering the program. Specifically, we're asking for: Chest of Drawers & Nightstands - Can be used, but in good condition; NEW Full & Twin Size Bedding Sets including sheets, comforter & pillow cases; 19"-24" Flat Screen TV's - Can be used, but in working condition; Coffee Makers; NEW Bath Towels, Hand Towels & Washcloths; Clothes Baskets & Hampers; Please call our office at 417.720.4213 to learn more or to donate.



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. Preregistration is necessary: go to 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.

