

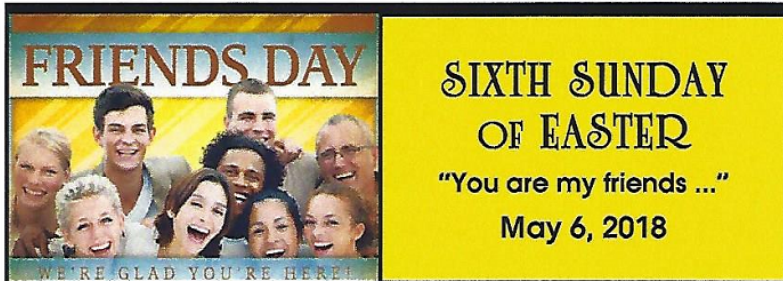
Immaculate Conception Parish

3555 South Fremont Avenue - Springfield, Missouri 65804-4237

Celebrating
150
YEARS



The Mission of Immaculate Conception Parish is to be a family-centered sacramental community comprised of compassionate witnesses to God's word, love, and presence.



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SCHEDULE OF SUNDAY MASSES

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

Saturday (Vigil): 4:00PM

SCHEDULE OF WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday - Wednesday & Friday: 6:20AM

Thursday: Communion Service at 6:20AM

Monday - Saturday: 8:30AM

Wednesday: 6:30PM

SACRAMENTAL MINISTRY

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday on the Hour: 3:00PM & 7:00PM

By appointment - call the Parish Office.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM & ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please call the Parish Office.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Call the Parish Office at least six months
prior to intended wedding date.

EMERGENCY CALLS FOR THE ANOINTING 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 or Fr. Chaz.

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.

PERPETUAL ADORATION—HOLY TRINITY'S CHAPEL

2818 East Bennett Street, Springfield, MO

Please call Joyce Blades at 417-881-4367 or
Diane Hoy at 417-860-7134 to schedule a time
before the Blessed Sacrament.

Divine Mercy Chaplet & Rosary—3:00 PM on Sundays.

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

MAY 6, 2018—SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER, MAY 6TH

7:00AM, 9:00AM, & 11:00AM SUNDAY MASSES
8:00AM Pictorial Photos CRB
8:30AM Rosary in the Chapel
8:45AM Confirmation Class CAFE
9:00AM & 11:00AM Children's Dismissal CR
1:00PM First Communion Pictures—CHURCH
2:00PM **First Communion Mass—CHURCH**
First Communion Reception CRA

MONDAY, MAY 7TH

6:20AM **MASS—CHAPEL**
8:30AM **MASS—(4TH, 5TH, & 6TH GRADES)—CHURCH**
NOON—1:00PM Monday-Friday:
Prayer Intercessor—CHAPEL
5:00PM SCS Finance Meeting SCHS
6:30PM Baptism Class PMR

TUESDAY, MAY 8TH

6:20AM **MASS—CHAPEL**
8:30AM **MASS—(1ST, 2ND, & 3RD GRADES)—CHURCH**
12:00PM Sesquicentennial Meeting PMR
7:00PM PCCW May Crowning CRA

WEDNESDAY, MAY 9TH

6:20AM **MASS—Perpetual Help Devotions—CHAPEL**
8:30AM **MASS—(7TH & 8TH Grades)—CHURCH**
10:00AM Adult Religious Education PMR
1:00PM Knitting & Crochet Group PMR
2:00PM Pictorial Photos CRB
6:20PM PSR & Youth Group CRA
6:30PM **MASS—CHAPEL**
7:00PM Adult Choir CR

THURSDAY, MAY 10TH

6:20AM *Communion Service—CHAPEL*
8:30AM **ALL SCHOOL MASS—(ALL SCHOOL)—CHURCH**
1st Communion Class Recognition
2:00PM Pictorial Photos CRB
7:00PM SCS Board Meeting SCHS

FRIDAY, MAY 11TH

6:20AM **MASS—CHAPEL**
8:30AM **MASS—(ALL SCHOOL MASS)—CHURCH**
Rosary for Vocations following in the Chapel
2:00PM Pictorial Photos CRB
7:00PM SCHS Graduation SCHS

SATURDAY, MAY 12TH

8:30AM **MASS—CHAPEL**
9:00AM Pictorial Photos CRB
3:00PM Sacrament of Reconciliation—CHURCH
4:00PM **SUNDAY VIGIL Mass**
7:00PM Sacrament of Reconciliation—CHURCH

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD, MAY 13TH

7:00AM, 9:00AM, & 11:00AM SUNDAY MASSES
Knights of Columbus Breakfast after All Masses CRA
8:00AM Pictorial Photos CRB
8:30AM Rosary in the Chapel
9:00AM & 11:00AM Children's Dismissal CR

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, May 7th

6:20AM John Paul Sisco (Int.)
8:30AM + William Spore

TUESDAY, May 8th

6:20AM + Windell Hines
8:30AM + Lorene Kremer

WEDNESDAY, May 9th

6:20AM + Philomene Huong
8:30AM + Jake Francka
6:30PM + Fr. Dennis Dougherty, OSB

THURSDAY, May 10th—St. Damien de Veuster, Priest

6:20AM *Communion Service*
8:30AM + Joseph George

FRIDAY, May 11th

6:20AM Gregorio (Int.)
8:30AM + Marcella Claas

SATURDAY, May 12th—St. Nereus & St. Achilleus, Martyrs; St. Pancras, Martyr

8:30AM + Mrs. Loomis

Saturday Vigil Mass Sunday

4:00PM + Joanne Busch

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD, May 13, 2018

7:00AM + John Sisco
9:00AM The Parish Family
11:00AM Mary Ellen Jones

Diocesan Development Fund—DDF

The Diocesan Development Fund is vital to the life of the Church in southern Missouri. Please complete and return your DDF pledge card by if you were not able to do so today.

LOVING JESUS,
SERVING JESUS,
and
SHARING JESUS

Parish Goal: \$175,752.00

Donor Goal: 427

The Mirror

We are in the process of updating The MIRROR subscription mailing list. If you are not receiving The MIRROR; receiving multiple copies; or reading our diocesan newspaper online; please call the parish office at 417.887.0600 so we can update the mailing list.

PRAYER CHAIN: (417) 887-0600 Ext. 130
email: staff@ic-parish.org

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR ...

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

MAY 13, 2018

Acts of the Apostles 1:1-11;

Psalm: 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9;

Ephesians 4:1-13; Gospel: Mark 16:15-20

PARISHIONERS WHO NEED SPECIAL PRAYERS

Carlos Contreras, Lorraine D'Alessandro, Robert Gerhardy, Judy Gibson, Paula Kulbicki, Mamie Lawless, Michael Menne, Mary Miller, Cathey Montgomery, Loretta Polk, Angelina Ramirez, Flor Rivera, Jan Royster, Mary Shanahan, Jerry Stokes, Bob Storie, Elizabeth Tomelleri, Jake Wilson, and all who need more prayers.

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

FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Please remember in prayer our faithful departed: Father Denis Dougherty; and Theresa Ratcliff, the sister of Mary Kisby.

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

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

Jesus' commandment is we love one another, even to the point of laying down our lives. What gifts of myself - my skills and talents, my time and resources - will best demonstrate my love for God's people?

BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS

Baptism Preparation classes are scheduled for Monday, May 7th & 14th, 6:30PM, in the Parish Meeting Room. Call Fr. Chaz, at parish office, 887.0600, to register and schedule a short interview. Two sessions are required for the parents of infants and young children.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION 2018 PICTORIAL DIRECTORY

**SIGNUP AFTER THE WEEKEND MASSES OR BOOK ONLINE
FROM NOON TUESDAY - NOON FRIDAY EVERY WEEK.
[https://booknow-Lifetouch.appointment-plus.com/
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**THE LAST WEEK OF PHOTOGRAPHY IS MAY 16TH-20TH.
REMEMBER TO BRING A CANNED GOOD FOR
ST. VINCENT DE PAUL FOOD PANTRY AND RECEIVE \$5.00
OFF YOUR PICTURE ORDER!**

Group photos will be taken for the Pictorial Directory immediately following the Masses, this weekend; and next weekend, in Community Room A. Questions, call Joyce Samsel 417.849.4752.

**DIRECTORY PICTURES FOR PARISH GROUPS
ATTENTION! EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS, GREETERS,
LECTORS, ADULT SERVERS, SACRISTAN'S, AND
HEAVENLY DUSTERS**

From Father Tom's Desk



Those Who Love the Lord

A poem by Leigh Hunt (1784-1859) describes a man by the name of Abou Ben Adhem who had a dream. He awakened in the night, and there in his room was an angel of the Lord writing in a golden book.

He said to the angel: "What writest thou?"

The angel answered:

*"...The names of those who love the Lord."
"And is mine one?" said Abou. "Nay, not so,"
Replied the angel. Abou spoke more low,
But cheerily still, and said, "I pray thee, then,
Write me as one that loves his fellow men."*

The angel wrote and vanished.

The next night the angel appeared again

*but this time with a great wakening light,
And showed the names of those who love God;
And, lo! Ben Adhem's name led all the rest!*

When Adhem saw his name at the top of the list of those who love the Lord, he asked the angel what had happened.

The angel said, "If we love not our brothers and sisters whom we have seen, how can we say we love God whom we have not seen?"

*James Delton Morrison, Editor, Masterpieces of Religious Verse,
New York: Harper and Brothers, 1948.*

Revived through Service

I read about one occasion when Sadhu Sundar Singh and a companion were traveling through a pass high in the Himalayan Mountains. At one point they came across a body lying in the snow. Sundar Singh wished to stop and help the unfortunate man, but his companion refused, saying, "We shall lose our lives if we burden ourselves with him."

But Sundar Singh would not think of leaving the man to die in the ice and snow. As his companion made his farewell, Sundar Singh lifted the poor traveler onto his back. With great exertion on his part, he bore the man onward, but gradually the heat from Singh's body began to warm up the beleaguered frozen fellow, and he revived. Soon both were walking together side by side. Catching up with his former companion, they found him dead - frozen by the cold.

In the case of Sundar Singh, he was willing to lose his life on behalf of another, and in the process, found it; but in the case of his companion who sought only his own well-being, he only lost it.

Traditional

Father Tom



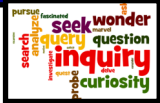
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Fr. Chaz's Schedule

Filling in at Mountain Grove & Ava area parishes.
May 5th & 6th, 2018

QUESTIONS ABOUT BECOMING CATHOLIC?



WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE CATHOLIC?

Do you know someone who might be considering becoming Catholic? RCIA Inquiry meets on the third Thursday of each month. The next meeting is **May 17th, at 7:00PM**, in the Parish Meeting Room (PMR). No commitment required. For more information, please contact Tina Miller at the parish office, 417.887.0600.

HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR SUNDAY RECOGNITION

Senior Sunday recognition is May 20th at the 11:00AM Mass. This is a time to honor our graduating High School Seniors. If you did not receive a letter in the mail please contact Dan in the church office as soon as possible, for more details. We will be honoring the students at Mass, and then a luncheon for parents, seniors, and their siblings. will follow the Mass. Please RSVP by Thursday, May 17th.



WOMEN'S COUNCIL BOARD MEETING

The PCCW Board Meeting has been cancelled for Monday, May 7th.

WOMEN'S COUNCIL MEETING

PCCW General Meeting Special Invitation to Teachers and Nurses: The PCCW May Crowning and Rosary will take place on Tuesday, May 8th, 7:00PM. There will be a procession from CRA to the outdoor Marian grotto. A special invitation is extended to our parish teachers and nurses (National Teacher Appreciation Week and Nurses Week) to join us for this evening of prayer dedicated to Our Blessed Mother. A reception will follow at which time teachers and nurses will be thanked for their ministry to our children and service to our community. Members are reminded to bring a flower for the procession and personal hygiene products for women to be distributed by the St. Vincent de Paul ministry.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Our next meeting is Monday, May 14th, 6:30PM, in CRB. All are welcome to join us.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Immaculate Conception Council 13681 Knights of Columbus next regular monthly meeting is Monday, May 14th, 6:30PM, in the Choir Room. All members are asked to attend. Contact Jerry Pfankuch, 882.5558.

SAFE ENVIRONMENT VIRTUS TRAINING

Virtus—Pre-registration is necessary: click on “registration” on the left, or call the parish office for assistance. The schedule is found on the diocesan event calendar at www.dioscg.org or www.virtus.org. The next sessions are Saturday, May 19th, 9:00AM–12:00PM, *Holy Trinity*, Springfield; Monday, June 11th, 6:00PM–9:00PM, *St. Elizabeth Ann Seton*, Springfield.

Catholic Men's Night

May 24th—6:30 PM @ Immaculate Conception
Mass—Food—Reflection

SHARE YOUR UNIQUE ROSARY'S, STATUES , OR PICTURES OF MARY

May is the month of Mary and we would like to display your unique rosary's, pictures, or statues of Mary. Please have them to the office by May 9th so that we can have them on display for Mother's Day, May 13th.

WELCOME TO SPRINGFIELD CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

Our system is made up of three (3) elementary schools (preschool–8th grade) and one (1) high school. For a tour, enrollment information, or to check availability at various grade levels, please contact the schools in which you are interested.

Immaculate Conception: 417-881-7000

St. Agnes: 417-866-5038

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton: 417-887-6056

Springfield Catholic High School: 417-887-8817

Tradition of Faith, Service, and Academic Excellence!

Employment Opportunities—ALL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES AND APPLICATIONS are available on the Springfield Catholic Schools website at www.scspk12.org. For more details on these positions, please visit the website, select “About” tab at the top and scroll down to “Employment Opportunities.”

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton School is seeking applicants for a Middle School Math OR Communication Arts Teacher. Applicants must be practicing Catholics in good standing with the church. The position is for 6th grade Homeroom and will teach either 5th–8th grade Math OR Communication Arts. Please contact Dr. Cheryl Hall at chall@scspk12.org or 417.887.6056 for additional information.

Join us Saturday, May 19th, 5:30PM for Live Music, Food, Fun, and Fellowship at our annual concert Summer Jam Music Fest at St. Agnes, featuring Molly Healey & friends, bands Hendrix and Craig & the Mixtapes! This a 21-and-over event and food and drink will be available for purchase. All funds raised will go toward supporting the students at St. Agnes Cathedral School. Tickets and t-shirts are available for purchase online, at the school office, or at the event. Go to www.scspk12.org/parents-sa/summer-jam.html. For more information, call the school office at 417.866.5038.

Middle School Math Teacher for 2018-2019

Immaculate Conception School is accepting applications for a Middle School Math teacher for the 2018–2019 school year. Applicants must be an active Catholic and a certified teacher. Complete the application at www.scspk12.org or contact Theresa Coleman at 417.881.7000 or email tcoleman@scspk12.org if you have questions.

Middle School Science Teacher for 2018-2019

Immaculate Conception School is accepting applications for a Middle School Science teacher for the 2018–2019 school year. Applicants must be an active Catholic and a certified teacher. Complete the application at www.scspk12.org or contact Theresa Coleman at 417.881.7000 or email tcoleman@scspk12.org.

WEDNESDAY EVENING MASS—6:30 PM—CHAPEL

SUNDAY ROSARY IN THE CHAPEL—8:30 AM

ST. AGNES CATHOLIC SCHOOL NIGHT WITH THE CARDINALS

St. Agnes Home & School is sponsoring Catholic Schools Night with the Cardinals, May 29th, 6:30PM. Tickets are \$20. Proceeds benefit St. Agnes Home and School. Contact Shelley Todd at 425.2278 with questions.

FULL TIME CATHOLIC CAMPUS MINISTER

Catholic Campus Ministry (CCM) in Springfield, MO is seeking a fulltime Lay Campus Minister primarily responsible for the execution and growth of the small group ministry and for CCM outreach at campuses. Candidates should have theological, sacramental, and practical competencies for university campus ministry in the Roman Catholic context. Education: Bachelor's degree required, theological or philosophy preferred. The candidate must be a faithful and practicing Catholic and should possess knowledge of sacred Scripture, Catechism of the Catholic Church, Catholic ritual and Sacraments. Deadline to apply: midnight May 15th.

Qualified inquiries may be mailed or emailed to:

Fr. Javier Reyes, Director of Catholic Campus Ministry,
847 S. Holland Ave., Springfield, MO 65806, or
jreyes@ccm847.org or 417.865.0802.

CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS APPEAL

Thank you for your generous support of last week's Catholic Home Missions Appeal. Your contributions will help strengthen the Church at home and ensure that the Gospel is spread across the United States. If you missed the appeal, it's not too late give! Visit www.usccb.org/nationalcollections and click on the "How to Give" link on the left.

ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON JOB OPPORTUNITY

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton is seeking a fulltime custodian to clean mainly in the school classrooms/bathrooms/cafeteria areas of the complex. Applicants must have knowledge and experience in all phases of custodial work. Hours will be primarily from 3:30PM-11:00PM, Monday-Friday. This is a year-round position. Interested candidates should apply in person at SEAS Parish Office during regular office hours, Monday-Friday, 8:00AM-5:00PM. References are required.



Suggestion for thanksgiving note in Sunday contribution envelope:

Thank God For ...

I have learnt so much, thanks to you.
Thank you for your guidance and support.

**www.feedthepoorhungryhomeless.com
SERVE BREAKFAST ON WEDNESDAYS**

JOB OPENING AT CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Catholic Charities of Southern Missouri is hiring a Grants and Compliance Administrator who will have administrative responsibilities over agency-wide compliance, quality initiatives, and grants administration. This position is based in Springfield. For more information and to apply, visit www.ccsomo.org/employment/.

PERPETUAL ADORATION

HOLY TRINITY'S CHAPEL—2818 E. BENNETT ST.

HELP IS NEEDED FOR MANY AVAILABLE HOURS.

PLEASE CALL JOYCE BLADES AT 881.4367 OR

DIANE HOY AT 860.7134.

TO SCHEDULE A TIME BEFORE THE

✘ **BLESSED SACRAMENT** ✘

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET & ROSARY—3:00PM ON SUNDAYS

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

MONDAY—WEDNESDAY, & FRIDAY: 6:20AM

MONDAY THROUGH SATURDAY: 8:30AM

WEDNESDAY EVENING: 6:30PM

UPDATING MINISTRY INFORMATION AND CONTACTS

Deacon Kevin will be making phone calls to all the Ministry contacts to update all the information and volunteer lists.

Pray for Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life.



Sesquicentennial Meeting
Tuesday, May 8th, 12:00 NOON
Parish Offices Conference Room

YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED FOR THE WEEKEND OF APRIL 21-22, 2018

Envelopes:	\$ 12,273.00	Home Missions	\$ 210.00
Plate:	\$ 1,019.85	Sponsor-A-Child:	\$ 145.00
Weekly Total:	<u>\$ 13,292.85</u>		
Weekly Need to Meet Budget:	\$ 20,400.00		
Yearly Budget:	\$ 1,083,000.00	Parish Repair & Maintenance:	\$ 25.00
Year-to-date Collection:	\$ 875,543.81	Building Fund:	\$ 10.00
		Remaining on Debt Collection:	\$ 174,235.50

(1.09% below yearly budget)