Immaculate Conception Darish

3555 South Fremont Avenue – Springfield, Missouri 65804-4237 The Mission of Immaculate Conception Darish is to be a family-centered sacramental community comprised of compassionate witnesses to God's word, love, and presence.





5th Sunday in Ordinary Time February 9, 2020

"...that they may see your good deeds and glorify your heavenly Father..."

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IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

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SCHEDULE OF SUNDAY MASSES

Sunday: 7:00ам, 9:00ам & 11:00ам Saturday (Vigil): 4:00рм

SCHEDULE OF WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday: 6:20AM Wednesday: Communion Service at 6:20AM Monday – Friday: 8:30AM Wednesday: 8:30AM & 6:30PM

SACRAMENTAL MINISTRY SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 2:30PM—3:15PM & 7:00PM—7:30PM 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. 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.

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.

SECURITY TEAM CONTACT INFORMATION

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



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Sign-up for Parish Alerts Text: Frtom To: 84576

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time—February 9, 2020

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

Sunday, 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time, February 9th

7:00AM, 9:00AM, & 11:00AM Sunday Masses 8:30AM Rosary in the Chapel

8:45AM Confirmation Class—CRA/CAFETERIA

9:00AM Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults Dismissal

9:00AM & 11:00AM Children's Dismissal—CRB

Monday, February 10th

6:20AM Mass—CHAPEL 8:30AM Mass—CHURCH—4TH & 5TH GRADES NOON—1:00PM - Prayer Intercessor—CHAPEL 6:30PM Baptism Class—PMR 6:30PM St. Vincent de Paul Meeting—CRB 6:45PM Knights of Columbus Meeting—CR 7:00PM Rite Christian Initiation of Adults—CRA **Tuesday, February 11th** 6:20AM Mass—CHAPEL 8:30AM Mass—CHAPEL 8:30AM Mass—CHURCH—1ST, 2ND & 3RD GRADES 11:30AM PCCW Meeting—CRA NOON—1:00PM Prayer Intercessor—CHAPEL 7:00PM Pao Sheng Wu Shu Class—CRB 7:00PM Choir Practice—CR

Wednesday, February 12th

6:20AM Mass—CHAPEL 8:30AM Mass—CHURCH—ALL SCHOOL MASS 10:00AM Adult Continuing Education—PMR NOON—1:00PM - Prayer Intercessor 1:00PM Knit & Crochet—PMR 6:15PM Parish School of Religion & Youth Group—CAFETERIA

6:30PM Mass—CHAPEL Thursday, February 13th

6:20AM Mass—CHAPEL

8:30AM Mass-CHAPEL

NOON—1:00PM - Prayer Intercessor—CHAPEL 7:00PM Pao Sheng Wu Shu Class—CRB

Friday, February 14th

6:20am Mass-Chapel

8:30AM Mass—CHAPEL 9:00AM Centering Prayer—CRA

NOON—1:00PM Prayer Intercessor—CHAPEL

<u>Saturday, February 15th—Sunday Vigil</u>

9:00AM Heavenly Dusters cleaning church

2:30PM—3:15PM Sacrament of Reconciliation—CHURCH 4:00PM Sunday Vigil Mass

7:00PM Sacrament of Reconciliation—CHURCH

Sunday. 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time, February 16th 7:00Aм, 9:00Aм, & 11:00Aм Sunday Masses

8:30AM Rosary in the Chapel 9:00AM & 11:00AM Children's Dismissal—CRB 11:00AM Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults Dismissal

HOSPITALIZATION—CALL THE PARISH OFFICE 417.887.0600

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, February 10th—St. Scholastica, Virgin							
		Reconciliation of Families					
8:30AM		Kristy Norris (Int.)					
Tuesday, February 11th—Our Lady of Lourdes							
6:20AM		Trafficking Victims & Families					
8:30AM	+	Jene McAnally					
Wednesday, February 12th							
6:20AM		Communion Service					
8:30AM	+	Procop & Mary Francka					
6:30PM	+	Mary Griesbaum					
Thursday, February 13th							
6:20AM	+	Inez Elfrink					
8:30AM	+	Bill Horton					
Friday, February 14th—							
Sts. Ceril, Monk & Methodius, Bishop							
6:20AM	+	Mildred Hill					
8:30AM		Flor & Leonie Rivera (Int.)					
Saturday, Vigil Mass, February 15th							
4:00PM	+	Albert & Geke Meenkin					
Sunday, February 16th—6th Sunday in Ordinary Time							
7:00AM		The Parish Family					
9:00AM	+	Rebecca Orendain					
11:00AM	+	Marguerite Hughes					

Immaculate Conception Scripture Study



You are invited to join the Immaculate Conception Scripture Study which will begin on Thursday, February 27th. There is a morning group meeting at

10:15AM and an evening group meeting at 6:45PM. This is a short study of five weeks entitled *"Panorama of the Old Testament."* This is a very interesting and informative study, and spiritually uplifting.

We have a great list of guest speakers: Bishop Rice, Bishop Leibrecht, Father Paul McLaughlin, Rabbi Barbara Block of Temple Israel, and Jim Gessler.

Sign up weekends are February 8/9, and 15/16 in the Lower Gathering Area.

CATHOLIC MAN NIG

February 20th—Immaculate Conception Parish All Men and Sons invited to attend. Bishop Rice will celebrate the 6:30 PM Mass followed by a presentation by Bishop Rice, Man-Feast & Fellowship -SGFareaCatholicManNight@gmail.com or 417.827.0303

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR ...

6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME FEBRUARY 16, 2020

Sirach 15: 15-20/ Psalm 119: 1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34 1 Corinthians 2: 6-10/ Matthew 5: 17-37

PARISHIONERS WHO NEED SPECIAL PRAYERS

Joe Calvert, Sophia Griesbaum, Andrew Conklin, Cora Gumucio, Steve Schoen, Nick, Angie, Laura Seemuth, Gerald Martin, Barbara Hall, Eloise Fetter, Judy Gibson, Gerri Klesel, Tony Klesel, Judie Stinecipher, Corine Larson, Mamie Lawless, Dr. Jim Markusic, Mary Miller, Karen Pfirrman, Katie, Flor Rivera, Jan Royster, Mary Shanahan, Nicole Zangrilli, Tom Johnson, Ed Pinegar, Brandi Bostic and all who need more prayers.

We also remember in prayer those of our parish family who are battling chronic illnesses and those homebound who are no longer able to attend Mass due to present health concerns.

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

THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Please remember in prayer our faithful departed: especially for Jim Donovan, the brother-in-law of Mike Jurgens; and for Patricia Gibbons; 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 departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.



Youth ages 16—20 from all denominations are invited to *The Happening in Christianity Retreat* on June 5th-7th.

DIOCESAN MEN'S CONFERENCE

DIOCESAN MEN'S CONFERENCE to be held in SPRINGFIELD on March 7th SAVE THE DATE: The first annual



Diocesan Catholic Men's Conference will be held on March 7th, at Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Springfield. The conference, which is being offered without charge, will open with a complimentary breakfast at 8:30AM and conclude with Mass at 5:00PM. Among the day's highlights will be presentations by Bishop Edward Rice, Fr. Patrick Nwokoye, Deacon Kevin Carroll, and Mr. Craig Henley. A full list of speakers, program agenda and registration information will be forthcoming shortly. This event is being facilitated by a diocesan planning and promotion committee which is open to all who are interested. For more information or to join the committee. contact Nick Lund-Molfese at nlund-molfese@dioscg.org or call 417.866.0841.

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

From Father Tom's Desk

Parable of the Three Candles

Three children carried their candles home from church. Each thought of it preciously in relationship to the commitment made in the beautiful Candle Light Service.

One had not even lit the candle in order to keep it good as new. The other had let the candle burn during the service and carried it forth still lit from the church, but it blew out at the doorway. The third blew out his candle and took it home and lit it a number of times during the year until it was burned down into the dish.

"Look," said Mary. "after ten months have passed, I still have my candle as good as new. I was smarter than the others. John's is all burned up and Eddie's just lays in the drawer half used up. Who's the smartest, mother?"

"I don't know," replied the mother. "Candles are made to be used. They give forth their light for whatever the user decides. Who can say what John was thinking, as he did his work with the lighted candle, and who knows how Eddie feels, when he opens his drawer and sees the candle.

We are meant to use our lives being helpful to others and; whether you light a candle or don't use candles, there is a spiritual light that should be in you and which should shine out to make others happy. It is not how big your candle is, but how you use the light that it gives."

Read St Matthew 5:16 "Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven."

Illustration, www.Sermons.com

Where is the Church?

John Stott, from Great Britain and a leading Reformed theologian, has these challenging words to say to the church today:

You know what your own country is like. I'm a visitor, and I wouldn't presume to speak about America. But I know what Great Britain is like. I know something about the growing dishonesty, corruption, immorality, violence, pornography, the diminishing respect for human life, and the increase in abortion.

Whose fault is it? Let me put it like this: if the house is dark at night, there is no sense in blaming the house. That's what happens when the sun goes down. The question to ask is, "Where is the light?"

If meat goes bad, there is no sense in blaming the meat. That is what happens when the bacteria are allowed to breed unchecked. The question to ask is, "Where is the salt?"

If society becomes corrupt like a dark night or stinking fish, there's no sense in blaming society. That's what happens when fallen human society is left to itself and human evil is unrestrained and unchecked. The question to ask is "Where is the church?"

John Stott, adapted by Adrian Dieleman, The Salt of the Earth

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PARISH COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN

PCCW Meeting- February 11th at 11:30AM—CRA. Bring your favorite tea cup along with two tea bags to the meeting where we will share favorite memories of

this cup. If you do not have a tea cup, bring your favorite mug. Would you like to model your special hat? Please wear it too! Lunch will be served.

CENTERING PRAYER

Centering Prayer

INFORMATION: Susan Litchy, 417.612.1188. Meetings will be held the second and fourth Fridays of the Month. Everyone is welcome.

PERPETUAL ADORATION Holy Trinity's Chapel-2818 E. Bennett St. Please call Joyce Blades at 881.4367 or Diane Hoy at 860.7134

~ Perpetual Adoration Opportunities ~ "Come to the foot of the altar. Graces will be shed on all, great and little, especially upon those who seek for them.~ St Catherine Laboure Adorers Needed: Sundays: 12PM—1PM; Mondays: 1AM—2AM; Fridays: 12AM—1AM; and Saturdays: 6AM -7AM, 2PM—3PM, Join our substitute list to experience the peace of adoration.

NEEDS FOR THOSE IN NEED—ST. VINCENT DE PAUL



Hot or Dry cereals, Rice, Pasta, Mac & Cheese, Dried Beans, Sugar, Flour, Oil, Tea Bags, Coffee, Fruit Juices, Soups, Tuna, Canned Meats & Fruits, Laundry Detergent, Dish Soap, Cleaning Supplies, Bar Soap,

Shampoo & Conditioner, Deodorant, Tomato Sauce, Pancake Mix, Syrup, Peanut Butter, Jelly, Toothpaste/ Toothbrushes, Diapers & Wet Wipes, Toilet Paper & Paper Towels. Bring <u>unopened & recently dated</u> items, and place in the deck box at the South entry to Church.

WORLD DAY OF THE SICK—FEBRUARY 11TH

The 28th World Day of the Sick is on Tuesday, February 11th, *Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes*. Bishop Rice will celebrate Mass at 12 Noon,



St. John Chapel, Mercy Hospital to bless healthcare workers, and anoint the sick.

SUNDAY ROSARY IN THE CHAPEL—8:30 AM

ST. LOUIS MARIAN CONFERENCE—FEBRUARY 14-16

The 21st Annual St. Louis Marian Conference "Discipleship" will be offered on February 14—16, at The Renaissance Hotel

by Marriott in St. Louis. This three-day Catholic event for the whole family will offer inspiriting talks, Mass, Adoration, Confessions, Vendors, as well as 100+ relics. For more information visit <u>www.stlmarianconference.net.</u>





Welcome to the Springfield Catholic Schools System! The Springfield Catholic Schools System is comprises three elementary schools (preschool thru 8th grade) and one high school. For a tour, enrollment information or to check availability at various grade levels, please contact the schoo(s) in which you are interested:

Immaculate Conception: 417.881.7000 St. Agnes Cathedral: 417.866.5038 St. Elizabeth Ann Seton: 417.887.6056 Springfield Catholic High School: 417.887.8817 Tradition of Faith, Service, and Academic Excellence!

VIRTUS is required for all positions. For positions complete the application for employment online by following the directions provided at <u>www.scspk12.org</u>. For details on these positions, please visit <u>www.scspk12.org</u>, click on the "About" tab at the top and scroll down to "Employment Opportunities."

Springfield Catholic Schools System is seeking qualified applicants for an **Administrative Assistant** at the **Central Office.** Duties and responsibilities: providing administrative support to ensure efficient operation of the office; support Director of Schools and employees through a variety of tasks related to organization and communication; responsible for confidential and time-sensitive material; ability to effectively communicate via phone and email ensuring that all duties are completed accurately and delivered with high quality and in a timely manner. This is a part-time position (20 hours/week), eleven (11) months/year (off 4 weeks in summer). INFO: Cheryl Bond: cbond@scspk12.org/417.865.5567 Ext 032.

Springfield Catholic High School is seeking applicants for the current school year for the position of **fryer/cook** in the cafeteria. This is a part-time position – 22.5 hours/week, 9:00AM—1:30PM. INFO: Kelsey McLemore, Food Service Director, at <u>kmclemore@scspk12.org</u>.

Springfield Catholic School System is seeking applicants for the current school year for the position of **Cafeteria Cashier.** This is a part-time position – 10 hours/week, 10:45AM—12:45PM. INFO: Kelsey McLemore, Food Service Director, at <u>kmclemore@scspk12.org</u>.

Springfield Catholic School System is accepting applications for potential **Preschool, Elementary, Middle and High School Teaching** positions for the 2020-2021 school year. Specific positions will be posted as they become available.

Applications should be submitted online by following the instructions posted for Employment Opportunities above.

VIRTUS TRAINING SESSIONS

VIRTUS—Pre-registration is necessary at www.dioscg.org or www.virtus.org. See www.virtus.org for future sessions.





Camp Re-NEW-All Registration Open! See Gathering Area Bulletin Board.

LIFEHOUSE—TRANSPORTATION FOR MOTHERS

Urgent need for LifeHouse!

Ladies, imagine being pregnant and without transportation to get to the doctor.

LifeHouse Crisis Maternity Home is close to capacity, with more mothers and children than ever before and which means that we need more women volunteers to provide transportation to and from appointments, work, and daycare, especially now in the colder months when a bus is rarely a good option. Could YOU step up and offer a little of your time to make a big difference in the lives of the mothers and babies For more information about becoming a of LifeHouse. transportation volunteer please contact Jill Bryant at <u>jbryant@ccsomo.org</u> or call 417-720-4213. Women drivers only; Attend Workshop & Virtus; Valid MO Driver's License; and will be driving a LifeHouse Vehicle.

LIFEHOUSE—CARE FOR LITTLE ONES

Jesus taught us to love and care for little children. LifeHouse Crisis Maternity Home is blessed by an abundance of babies and we need volunteers to care for those little ones in our respite childcare program childcare on Tuesday and Wednesday mornings, 8:30-11:30. If you like to hold babies and play with the occasional toddler, then this is the volunteer opportunity for you! For more information please contact Jill Bryant at jbyant@ccsomo.org or call 417.720.4213.

CCCS' Debt Management Plans

Feeling overwhelmed by personal finances? Please consider making Consumer Credit Counseling Service of the Ozarks (CCCS) your financial fitness partner. As a wholly-owned subsidiary of Catholic Charities of Southern Missouri, CCCS has served area residents one-on-one for more than 50 vears. Visit www.cccsoftheozarks.org or call 417.889.7474 to make an appointment and learn more about CCCS' Debt Management Plans; and Housing, Bankruptcy, Student Loan, and Small Business Counseling.

COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS THROUGH KNIGHTS



College Scholarships: MO STATE KofC website www.kofc698.org. Applicant must be a KofC member or related to a KofC member. Deadline for completed applications should be post marked by Tuesday, March 31, 2020. Questions: John

Gambon, 417.830.6389, Email: jgambon3645@gmail.com

www.feedthepoorhungryhomeless.com

THE MIRROR SUBSCRIPTION COLLECTION

The Mirr®r We can continue our Catholic awareness and education by reading The MIRROR. The MIRROR, our diocesan newspaper, has information and articles to help us grow in our faith, and be aware of issues facing our diocese, nation, and the world. The collection will take place next weekend.

The MIRROR subscription cost is \$14.00 (26 issues a year) for each household in our parish, which is then payable to the Diocese from parish funds. The parish's cost, payable in February, is: \$8,014.00.

If you are not receiving *The MIRROR*, if you are receiving multiple copies, or have any questions, please contact the parish office, 417.887.0600.

TOTUS TUUS YOUTH MISSIONARY TRAINING

We are looking for young Catholic men and women (ages 18–25) who are eager to share their love of Jesus Christ and the Catholic faith with the children of our diocese next summer! Missionary teams will receive ten days of intensive training and then begin traveling to the various parishes in our

diocese that are participating in the Totus Tuus summer program. Missionary team members receive a weekly salary and are supplied housing, food, and



transportation for the one week of training and seven weeks of serving parishes.

Information: codioscg.org/index.php/about/youth-ministry or contact the Office of Evangelization, Catechesis and Youth Formation Lynn Melendez, Director 417.866.0841. lmelendez@dioscg.org

DIRECTOR POSITION OPEN AT THE CATHOLIC CENTER

The Diocese of Springfield-Cape Girardeau seeks qualified applicants to fill a permanent, full-time associate director position working as the Associate Director of Evangelization and Catechesis. Applicant must be a practicing Roman Catholic. It is preferred that qualified individuals have a Master's Degree in Pastoral Ministry, Theology, or Religious Education/ Catechesis. A Bachelor's degree or another appropriate degree will be considered. Applicants should also have work experience at the parish or diocesan level. Applications accepted through February 14, 2020. For an application packet, please contact Janet Smith at The Catholic Center by Emailing jansmith@dioscg.org, or calling 417.866.0841.

HOSPITALIZATION—CALL THE PARISH OFFICE

YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED FOR THE WEEKEND of February 1/2, 2020								
Envelopes:	\$	21,776.00	Sponsor A Child	\$	159.00			
Plate:	\$	1,652.92	Parish Repair & Maintenance:	\$	2,522.00			
Weekly Total:	<u>\$</u>	23,428.92	Home Missions	\$	230.00			
Weekly Need to Meet Budget:	\$	20,840.39	St. Vincent de Paul	\$	857.00			
Annual Budgeted Collection:	\$	1,099,956.00						
Year-to-Date Budget:	\$	683,946.99						
Year-to-date Collection:	\$	666,341.33			<u> </u>			

(2.57% below budget)

DONATE ONLINE: WWW.IC-PARISH.ORG

