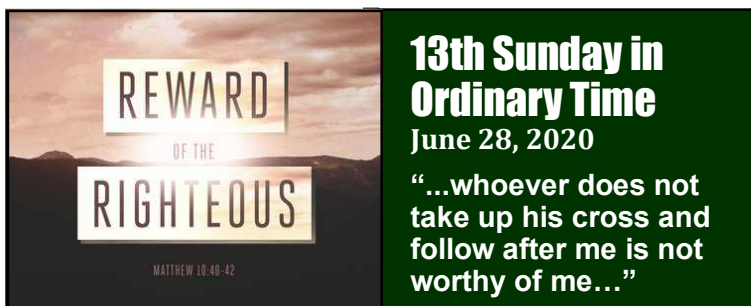


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**SUNDAY & WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE**

**SUNDAY MASSES**

Sunday: 7:00AM; 9:00AM; & 11:00AM  
Saturday (Vigil): 4:00PM

**WEEKDAY MASSES**

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday: 6:30AM  
Wednesday: 6:30PM  
Monday - Friday: 8:30AM

**SCHEDULE OF LIVESTREAMING**

**Sunday Masses—Livestreamed**

4PM Saturday and 9AM Sunday

**Weekday Masses—Livestreamed**

8:30AM: Monday—Friday

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# IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

THE 13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - JUNE 28, 2020

## THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

ALL MASSES WILL BE IN THE MAIN CHURCH

### Sunday, June 28th, 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00AM SUNDAY MASS  
8:30 AM Rosary—CHURCH  
9:00AM SUNDAY MASS—CHURCH  
—Streaming on Facebook  
11:00AM SUNDAY MASS—CHURCH

### Monday, June 29th

6:20AM Mass—CHURCH  
8:30AM Mass—CHURCH—Streaming on Facebook

### Tuesday, June 30th

6:20AM Mass—CHURCH  
8:30AM Mass—CHURCH—Streaming on Facebook

### Wednesday, July 1st

8:30AM Mass—CHURCH—Streaming on Facebook  
6:30PM Mass—CHURCH

### Thursday, July 2nd

6:20AM Mass—CHURCH  
8:30AM Mass—CHURCH—Streaming on Facebook

### Friday, July 3rd

6:20AM Mass—CHURCH  
8:30AM Mass—CHURCH—Streaming on Facebook  
9:00AM Eucharistic Adoration—CHURCH  
1:00PM Benediction—CHURCH

### Saturday, July 4th, Sunday Vigil

4:00PM Sunday Vigil Mass—CHURCH  
—Streaming on Facebook

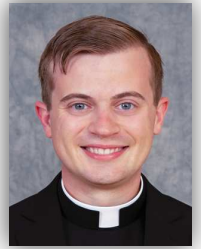
### Sunday, July 5th, 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00AM SUNDAY MASS—CHURCH  
8:30 AM Rosary—CHURCH  
9:00AM SUNDAY MASS—CHURCH—Streaming on Facebook  
11:00AM SUNDAY MASS—CHURCH

## Welcome to our new Associate Pastor Rev. Daniel Belken

Father Daniel Belken, newly ordained, (June 12, 2020), has been appointed by Bishop Edward Rice as our Associate Pastor and as a Chaplain at Springfield Catholic High School.

Fr. Daniel Belken assignment is effective Tuesday, August 4, 2020. Pray for Fr. Belken as he prepares to begin his priestly ministry.



## MASS INTENTIONS

### Monday, June 29th—Sts. Peter & Paul, Apostles

6:30AM + Cheryl Mackey  
8:30AM Kathy Griesemer (Int.)

### Tuesday, June 30th—

#### The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church

6:30AM + Jack House  
8:30AM + Pat Dwyer

### Wednesday, July 1st—St. Junipero Serra, Priest

8:30AM Ted & Judy Esswein (Int.)  
6:30PM + Purgatorial Society

### Thursday, July 2nd

6:30AM + Vincent Nguyen Hieu Lu  
8:30AM + Frank J. Berweiler

### Friday, July 3rd—St. Thomas, Apostle

6:30AM + Milton Bare  
8:30AM In Thanksgiving for the Parish Staff

### Saturday, Vigil Mass, July 4th

4:00PM + Francis Sutton

### Sunday, July 5th—14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00AM + Deacon Bill McNamee  
9:00AM The Parish Family  
11:00AM + Matthew Zimmerman

## TENTATIVE SACRAMENTAL/ EVENTS DATES

### SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

August 15th—Saturday—10:00 AM  
August 29th—Saturday—4:00 PM

### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

August 23rd—Sunday—2:00 PM

### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

July 21st—25th Tuesday—Saturday

### WELCOME FOR FR. BELKEN—AUGUST 8TH & 9TH

Saturday & Sunday after Masses

## SUNDAY ROSARY—CHURCH—8:30 AM

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WEDNESDAY MASS IN THE CHURCH—6:30PM

14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
JULY 5TH, 2020

Zechariah: 9: 9-10/Psalm 145: 1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13-14  
Romans 8: 9, 11-13/ Matthew 11: 25-30

PARISHIONERS WHO NEED SPECIAL PRAYERS

Paul Penn, Francis Barnes, Anne Davies, Sandy McClernon, Stephen Kiely, Donald Borneman, Sherri Hawkins, Janice Hill, Sophia Griesbaum, Andrew Conklin, Cora Gumucio, Steve Schoen, Nick, Angie, Laura Seemuth, Gerald Martin, Barbara Hall, Eloise Fetter, Judy Gibson, Gerri Klesel, Tony Klesel, Corine Larson, Dr. Jim Markusic, Mary Miller, Karen Pfirman, Katie, Flor Rivera, Jan Royster, Mary Shanahan, 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 lockdown.

*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: especially Pattie Behl, the wife of Kevin, the mother of Korbyn and Patrick; Elaine Nye, the sister of Thursa MacLean; Debbie Turnbo, the cousin of Ben & Clem Byrd; all who have died from the COVID-19 Virus; 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.*

Bishop Rice's June Prayer Intention

May we draw close to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, asking his **special consolation for those suffering from COVID-19 and all medical professionals** that serve within our communities.



PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

From Father Tom's Desk



The Tool of Discouragement

There is an old legend about Satan one day having a yard sale. He thought he'd get rid of some of his old tools that were cluttering up the place. So there was gossip, slander, adultery, lying, greed, power-hunger, and more laid out on the tables. Interested buyers were crowding the tables, curious, handling the goods. One customer, however, strolled way back in the garage and found on a shelf a well-oiled and cared-for tool. He brought it out to Satan and inquired if it was for sale. "Oh, no!" Satan answered. "That's my tool. Without it I couldn't wreck the church! It's my secret weapon!" "But what is it?" the customer inquired. "It's the tool of discouragement," the devil said.

In the text Jesus is talking to the church about their attitude and deportment toward the prophets God sends among us as shepherds. He speaks frankly about acceptance and rejection, about kindness and trust. In short, he promises that in the minister's success among us shall come our own reward.

*Stephen M. Crotts and Stan Purdum, Sermons For Sundays: After Pentecost (First Third): Hidden In Plain View, CSS Publishing Company, Inc.*

Self-doubt: Burning on the Bottom of the Pan

I remember an old story about a kindergarten teacher wrote a song about popcorn and then had her class crouch down on the floor as they sang it. At the appropriate point in the song, all the children would "pop up." The teacher had them "popping" all over the classroom.

One day, during the popcorn song, the teacher noticed that one little boy remained crouched down when all the other children popped up. "What's wrong?" the teacher asked. "Why aren't you 'popping' like the other children?"

The little boy replied, "Cause I'm burning on the bottom of the pan."

Some of us are like that little boy. We feel like we are burning on the bottom of the pan. We feel like we have no worth as persons.

*Billy D. Strayhorn, How God Gets His Kicks*

All You Have to Do Is Look Up

A substitute Sunday School teacher couldn't open the combination lock on the supply cabinet. So she went to the pastor for help. The pastor started turning the dial of the combination lock, stopped after the first two numbers, looked up serenely toward heaven, began moving his lips silently, turned to the final number, and opened the lock.

The teacher gasped, "I'm in awe of your faith, pastor."

"Really," he said, "it's nothing. The number is on a piece of tape on the ceiling."

I wish the answers to all of life's problems were on a piece of tape on the ceiling, don't you? Then, when we hit a difficult time in our life all we would have to do is look up.

*King Duncan, The Idiot's Guide to Christianity*

Father Tom

YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED for the Week of June 21-26, 2020

Envelopes:	\$ 12,543.00	St. Vincent de Paul	\$ 70.00
Plate:	\$ 279.00	Sponsor A Child	\$ 292.00
Weekly Total:	\$ 12,822.00	Parish Repair & Maintenance	\$ 160.00
<b>Weekly Need to Meet Budget:</b>	<b>\$ 20,840.39</b>	Diocesan Home Mission	\$ 10.00
Annual Budgeted Collection:	\$ 1,099,956.00	Catholic Cemeteries	\$ 0.00
Year-to-Date Budget:	\$ 1,064,509.73	Peter's Pence	\$ 0.00
Year-to-date Collection:	\$ 1,049,395.84	Communication	\$ 15.00
	<i>(.65% below budget)</i>		

*Thank You!*

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Dear Immaculate Conception Parishioners,

If your parish can be of assistance to you or anyone that you become aware of in need please contact us at 417.887.0600. We have the capability of keeping you in connection to the livestream of Mass, delivering of food, and other means to address immediate needs that arise for you and your family. Let us keep one another in prayer.

THANK YOU FROM FR. TOM

THANK  
You  
SO VERY  
much

Thank YOU!

I want to personally let you how much it meant to me that you honored my mother, Mildred Philomena Kiefer, by having her name engraved in granite on the Mother's Wall at the Mary, Mother of the Church Shrine, Lake of the Ozarks, Laurie, Missouri. (Section F, Block 3, Row 2).

God bless the members of our Knights of Columbus who also presented to me last Sunday a Knights of Columbus official vestment emblazed with a golden K of C emblem.

We are all blessed by the ministry accomplished and willingness to serve of our Knights of Columbus and all dedicated women and men's groups who minister so unselfishly in our parish.

I am honored and blessed to me a member of Immaculate Conception Parish's family.

Father Tom

## STRENGTHENING & HEALING SOULS

Summer Healing Conference  
St. Elizabeth Ann Seton  
June 28th, 29th & 30th  
6:00 PM—9:00 PM



Free Event—Join us in person or Livestream with us through SEAS Parish Facebook at [www.facebook.com/seaschurch.org/](http://www.facebook.com/seaschurch.org/)  
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## STUDY CONFIRMS NEED FOR FATHERS TO TAKE THEIR FAITH SERIOUSLY

A rather large and important study conducted by the Swiss government in 1994 and published in 2000 revealed some astonishing facts with regard to the generational transmission of faith and religious values. In short, the study reveals: **"It is the religious practice of the father of the family that, above all, determines the future attendance at or absence from church of the children."**



### THE STUDY REPORTS (3):

1. **If both father and mother attend regularly**, 33% of their children will end up as regular churchgoers, and 41% will end up attending irregularly. Only a quarter of their children will end up not practicing at all.
2. **If the father does not regularly attend and the mother regularly attends**, only 3% of the children will subsequently become regulars themselves, while a further 59% will not attend regularly. Thirty-eight percent will be lost.
3. **If the father is non-practicing and mother regularly attends**, only 2% of children will become regular worshippers, and 37% will attend irregularly. Over 60% of their children will be lost completely to the church!

**What happens if the father regularly attends but the mother does not or is non-practicing?** Amazingly, the percentage of children becoming regular goes up from 33% to 38% with the irregular mother and up to 44% with the non-practicing. This suggests that loyalty to the father's commitment grows in response to the mother's laxity or indifference to religion.

**In short, if a father does not go to church -- no matter how faithful his wife's devotions - only one child in 50 will become a regular worshipper.** If a father does go regularly, regardless of the practice of the mother, between two-thirds and three-quarters of their children will become churchgoers (regular and irregular). One of the reasons suggested for this distinction is that children tend to take their cues about domestic life from Mom while their conceptions of the world outside come from Dad. If Dad takes faith in God seriously then the message to their children is that God should be taken seriously.

**This confirms the essential role of father as spiritual leader**, which I would argue is true fatherhood. Fathers are to love their wives as Christ loves the church, modeling the love of the Father in their most important earthly relationship. Fathers are to care for their children as our Father in heaven cares for us and finally, fathers play a primary role in teaching their children the truth about reality. It is the father who should instruct his children in their understanding of the world from a consciously and informed Christian worldview. It is the father who is essential for sending his children forth with a biblical view of reality and a faith in Jesus Christ that is rooted in solid understanding.

It is time for fathers to return to honorable manhood and reconsider their priorities and realign them with God's commands, decrees, and laws, teaching these things to your children "when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, when you lie down, and when you rise" (Deuteronomy 6:7).

<https://www.romancatholicman.com/dad-takes-faith-god-seriously-will-children/print>

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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)

## GARDENING AT CATHOLIC CHARITIES/LIFEHOUSE

Join volunteers from area parishes in helping Catholic Charities/LifeHouse with their grounds maintenance and 21 raised vegetable beds. We volunteer monthly from March through October, with some of our Garden Friends planting and harvesting weekly through the summer months. Our first work day will be Tuesday, March 24th, from 9AM—11AM, and Thursday, April 23rd, from 9AM—11AM. Weather permitting: March goals: ready the beds for planting cool weather crops, clean gutters and area of leaves and, trim bushes, etc. Volunteer / Information: Jana Hukriede 417.840.4109 or janahukriede@gmail.com.

## 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 unopened & recently dated items, and place in the deck box at the South entry to Church.

**Baby Bottle Drive**  
The Pregnancy Care Center  
Return bottles now being accepted.



**Request Cards for Mass Intentions and for Memorial Remembrances are available in the Gathering Area**

## DINNER FOR EIGHT UPDATE



After prayer, Dinner for Eight will be suspended for the remainder of this year. We will begin again in January with our annual 'Kick Off' and the groups will remain the same (now they will be your 2020-2021 group.) Many of our members are still practicing safe distancing and are concerned that there will not be enough time to get in all four dinners before the end of the year. Since this is supposed to be a fun group, not a stressful one, the decision was made to wait.

No additional dues will be needed - the dues paid for 2020 will be used for the 2021 gatherings instead.

## PROJECT RACHEL

Project Rachel is a ministry for women and men who have been involved in abortion. To receive free, compassionate and confidential help, call 417.242.9300/or email Projectrachel@diosc.org.



## DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Preparations are underway for the annual Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, **August 30th, 2:30 PM, St. Agnes Cathedral.**



Please register even if you are not attending the celebration: Email: [kbrayman@diosc.org](mailto:kbrayman@diosc.org) or [diosc.org](http://diosc.org).

Even if you are not planning on attending, Bishop Rice would like to recognize all married couples. Please register to receive an Episcopal Blessing by August 21st. Email the information to [kbrayman@diosc.org](mailto:kbrayman@diosc.org). The registration form can also be found on the Family Life page of the diocesan Website at [www.diosc.org](http://www.diosc.org).

## ILLUMINATED DIGITAL SIGNAGE

We have received the finances from Immaculate Conception's Home & School and permission from Bishop Rice to install a digital sign on the corner of our property (S. Fremont & Primrose).

The two sided digital sign will be used for evangelization and the promotion of parish and school events.

God bless Immaculate Home & School!!!



## PROJECTS TO PREPARE FOR THE FUTURE WHEN WE CAN GATHER

- ◆ **YOUTH ROOM:** Removing old furniture, carpet and damaged ceiling tile from the lower level youth room and replacing with a hard surface floor covering. This will provide a clean and pleasant place for our youth to meet and to pray. It will also make the room accessible for our school children during a storm threat.
- ◆ **VIDEO PRODUCTION ROOM:** Enlarging the room by four feet to provide for streaming Mass. This will enable us to make use of the WiFi signal to equipment used to connect to our parishioners who are at home and the homebound to pray with us for our celebration of the Eucharist and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.
- ◆ **CHAPEL:** Removing pews and the deteriorated carpet and replacing the flooring with a hard surface floor and chairs to provide for funerals that have a small attendance, thus allowing the accessibility of bringing a casket into the chapel for the funeral Mass.

## MAINTENANCE & IMPROVEMENT



This week we will be repairing sections of our parking lot, sealing cracks, sealing and striping our parking lot. The cost of this maintenance to prevent more extensive repairs is \$16,223.94. The funds are available from our Improvement and Maintenance fund. Thank you for your sacrifices to this fund which enables us to keep our parish facilities in good repair and preventative maintenance.



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