ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH of **IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH**

3555 South Fremont Avenue Springfield, MO 65804-4237





16th Sunday in Ordinary Time July 19, 2020

"...the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father…"

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SUNDAY & WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

SUNDAY MASSES

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

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

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

Saturday Evening Sacrament of Reconciliation 7:00PM—7:30 PM Chapel

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

THE 16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - JULY 19, 2020

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

ALL MASSES WILL BE IN THE MAIN CHURCH

Sunday, July 19th, 16th 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

<u>Monday, July 20th</u>

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

Tuesday, July 21st

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

Wednesday, July 22nd

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

Thursday, July 23rd

6:20AM Mass—church

8:30AM Mass—CHURCH—Streaming on Facebook

Friday, July 24th

6:20AM Mass—church

8:30AM Mass—CHURCH—*Streaming on Facebook*

Saturday, July 25th, Sunday Vigil

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

Sunday, July 26th, 17th 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

TENTATIVE SACRAMENTAL/ EVENTS DATES

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

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

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Sunday—August 23rd—2:00 PM

CANCELLED—VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Due to the recent developments regarding Covid-19 we are cancelling our Vacation Bible School.

Welcome for Fr. Belken

following the Saturday & Sunday Masses August 8th & 9th.



A BLESSED 90TH BIRTHDAY BISHOP LEIBRECHT!

Bishop Leibrecht will be 90 on August 8th. He will be celebrating with us his 90th, at the 9:00AM Mass on August 9th. *Mass will be livestreamed.*

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, July 20th—St. Apollinaris, Bishop & Martyr			
6:30AM	+	Bryon Ellingson	
8:30AM		Parishioners Battling Illness	
		& Their Caretakers (Int.)	
Tuesday, July 21st—			
St. Lawrence of Brindisi, Priest & Dr. of the Church			
6:30AM		Ernesto Gapasin (Int.)	
8:30AM		Luke Hair (Int.)	
Wednesday, July 22nd—St. Mary Magdalene			
8:30AM	+	Jamie Shoemaker-Torres	
6:30PM	+	Pattie Behl	
Thursday, July 23rd—St. Bridget, Religious			
6:30AM	+	Mary Henry	
8:30AM	+	Vivian Dufford	
Friday, July 24th—St. Sharbel Makhlūf, Priest			
6:30AM	+	Gretchen Stark	
8:30AM	+	Mamie Lawless	
Saturday, Vigil Mass, July 25th			
4:00PM	+	Jim Donovan	
Sunday, July 26th—17th Sunday in Ordinary Time			
7:00AM		The Parish Family	
9:00AM	+	Jeanie Pruett	
11:00AM		Flor Rivera (Int.)	

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. Daniel

Belken as he prepares to begin his priestly ministry at Immaculate Conception Parish.

WELCOME CARDS-MEET & GREET

If you would like to send a card welcoming Fr. Daniel Belken to our parish please use the following address:

Rev. Daniel Belken 3555 S. Fremont Ave. Springfield, MO 65804

Meet & Greet Fr. Daniel Belken after Sunday Masses on August 8th & 9th



SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR ...

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time JULY 26TH, 2020 1 Kings 3: 5, 7-1 Psalm 119: 57, 72, 76-77, 127-128, 129-130

Romans 8: 28-31/ Matthew 13: 44-52

PARISHIONERS WHO NEED SPECIAL PRAYERS

George Preisinger, 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, Mary Miller, Karen Pfirrman, Katie, Flor Rivera, Jan Royster, Mary Shanahan, Nicole Zangrilli, Tom Johnson, and all who need more pravers.

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

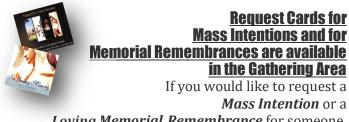
People are listed for 4 weeks, then transferred to the Prayer Intention book, unless family notifies us otherwise.

THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Please remember in prayers our faithful departed: especially Theresia Wallis 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.

SUNDAY ROSARY IN THE CHURCH @ 8:30AM



Loving Memorial Remembrance for someone.

Teamwork makes Dreamwork!



From Father Tom's Desk



Two Wolves

One of my favorite theologians, Mr. Rogers, used to say: "Have you ever noticed that the very same people who are bad sometimes are the very same people who are good sometimes?" It reminds me of a story called, "Two Wolves." It goes like this:

"An old Cherokee once told his grandson about a fight that was going on inside of him. He said it was between two wolves. One was evil: Anger, envy, greed, arrogance, self-pity, gossip, resentment, and false pride. The other was good: Joy, peace, love, hope, serenity, humility, kindness, generosity, truth, compassion and faith. The grandson thought about it for a moment and then asked his grandfather, 'Which wolf do you think will win?' The old Cherokee replied, 'The one I feed.'" (Anonymous) Philip W. McLarty, The Parable of the Wheat and the Tares

Know Your Weeds

I learned more about weeds than I ever wanted to know as a boy in Iowa. Walking through the soybean feels to cut out the weeds was my summer job from age 13. A wise farmer once taught me that all weeds were not the same and could not be destroyed in the same way. A cockle burr had shallow but widespread roots and had to be pulled out to get all the roots. If you hacked it off at the ground level with a hoe it would be back in a week. A milkweed had a very long tap root that could not be pulled out. If you did try to pull it up, three separate sprouts would be back in a week. Milkweeds had to be hacked off with a hoe and would "bleed" and die as the sap ran out. If you didn't handle the weeds right, hours of backbreaking work in the sun would be completely wasted.

Jesus knew his weeds as well. The meaning of Jesus' parable about the wheat and the weeds becomes clearer when we look at the specific kind of weed he talks about. Tares are "bearded darnel, mentioned only in Matt. 13:25-30. It is the Lolium temulentum, a species of rve-grass, the seeds of which are a strong soporific poison. It bears the closest resemblance to wheat till the ear appears, and only then the difference is discovered. It grows plentifully in Syria and Palestine." The problem with taking our hoe to the evil weeds of the world is that good and evil sometimes look so much alike. It only becomes clear later. Todd Weir, Wheat and Tares

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YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED for the Week of July 11-12, 2020

Envelopes: Plate: Weekly Total: Weekly Need to Meet Budget:

Annual Budgeted Collection: Year-to-Date Budget: Year-to-date Collection:

\$ 16,302.00 \$ 205.53 \$ 16.507.53 \$ 20,840.39

\$ 1.099.956.00 \$ 43,075.25 \$ 30,191.25 (29.91% below budget)

St. Vincent de Paul	\$ 1,420.00
Sponsor A Child	\$ 348.00
Parish Repair & Maintenance	\$ 600.00
Catholic Relief Services	\$ 20.00
Peter's Pence	\$ 50.00



ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH AUGUST 2ND-7PM Prayer and Reflection Against Racism



The document Open Wide Our Hearts: The Enduring Call to Love - A Pastoral Letter

Against Racism was developed by the Committee on Cultural Diversity in the Church of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB).

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

We are making appointments at our Glenstone location to meet with households to determine eligibility and complete



required paperwork. We can provide up to three months of assistance and/or arrears to those who reside in Springfield City limits and are eligible.

The number to refer individuals/families seeking assistance is 268-9998 for an appointment.

• We are scheduling rent assistance appointments on Mondays and Tuesdays at our Glenstone office (PPE required).

• Thursdays for mortgage assistance.

Appointments are made on a first come-first serve basis.

We also have a small amount of funding for those needing one month of rent assistance that may or may not have been impacted by COVID. Appointments are being made on Fridays to assist those individuals/families.

Positions Open for Holy Trinity, Springfield & St. Joseph the Worker, Ozark

Full Time OFFICE MANAGER – HOLY TRINITY

Interested applicants should send their resume, cover letter and references to Fatherpatrick@holytrinityspringfield.com. Applicants must be a practicing. Application deadline: July 20, 2020

DIRECTOR of RELIGIOUS EDUCATION/CATECHESIS (DRE) POSITION in OZARK

Applicants must have a masters degree in Theology, Religious Education, or an equivalent study. Applicants must be a practicing Catholic. The DRE works with the pastor, other ministers, in setting. Applicants must send a letter and resume to Fr. Patrick Ike Nwokoye at fatherpatrick@sjwozark.org.

> WEDNESDAY EVENING MASS in the Church @ 6:30PM



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@dioscg.org or dioscg.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 <u>kbrayman@dioscg.org</u>. The registration form can also be found on the Family Life page of the diocesan Website at <u>www.dioscg.org</u>.

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.
- **LIVESTREAMING 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.

SEAS ANNUAL HARVEST HOME GARAGE SALE

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Annual Harvest Home Garage Sale will be held on July 31st, 7:00 AM—4:00 PM & August 1st, 7:00AM—1:00PM. There will be many items for sale like books, tools, toys, furniture, linens, seasonal items, dishes, artwork, and many other items. Coronovirus guidelines will be followed. CONTACT: maryw8059@gmail.com



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.

FAITHFUL CITIZENSHIP 2020

Catholic Teaching on Voting & the Essential Role of the Laity: "We bishops do not intend to tell Catholics for whom or against whom to vote. Our purpose is to help Catholics form their consciences in accordance with God's truth. We recognize that the responsibility to make choices in political life rests with each individual in light of a properly formed conscience, and that participation goes well beyond casting a vote in a particular election."

US Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB), "Forming Conscience for Faithful Citizenship": <u>http://</u> www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/fai thful-citizenship/

Voting by Mail: During the August primary and November general elections in 2020, Missouri voters will be eligible to cast ballots by mail with notarization of the ballot envelope, and voters in at-risk categories for contracting or transmitting COVID-19 are eligible to vote by absentee ballot without obtaining notarization. A two-page summary of your options is linked below, and links to the revised absentee application and mail-in ballot application are available below. For full information see: https://www.sos.mo.gov/elections/goVoteMissouri

Sign-up for parish text and

Text: Frtom To: 84576

email alerts on flocknote:

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Missouri Election Schedule:

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our Facebook page:

Masses will be available on

- October 7: Last day to register to vote in NovemberGeneral/Presidential election
- November 3: General election Day

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Resources:

- The USCCB is distributing a playlist of over 50 videos, in English and Spanish, on being a Faithful Catholic Citizen. They can be found at <u>http://www.usccb.org/</u> issues-and-action/faithful-citizenship/.
- The USCCB provides a one-page insert for distribution in parishes or bulletins, see: <u>http://www.usccb.org/</u> issues-and-action/faithful-citizenship/parishes-andschools/upload/catholics-care-catholics-vote-bulletininsert.pdf

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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@dioscg.org.

Diocesan Development Fund 2020 Parish Goal: \$175,786 2020 Current Pledges: 108,301.00 Pray for the success of DDF which provides for the



ministries of our parishes. Tather Tou

www.feedthepoorhungryhomeless.com





IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PRAYER CHAIN (417) 887-0600

SUPREME COURT STRIKES **HEALTH PROTECTIONS FOR WOMEN**

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Check our website for updates:

www.ic-parish.org

The Supreme Court announced its extremely disappointing decision in June Medical Services v. Russo on June 29, 2020. We place our faith and trust in Christ our hope as we continue to fight for justice, for to him belongs the victory. On behalf of the USCCB, Archbishop Joseph Naumann responded here: http://www.usccb.org/news/2020/20-106.cfm?

Wednesday Mass in the Church @ 6:30PM

