

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

3555 South Fremont Avenue – Springfield, Missouri 65804-4237

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.



29TH SUNDAY

IN ORDINARY TIME

**"Then repay to Caesar what belongs..
and to God what belongs..."**

October 22, 2017

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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 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 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 fol-
lowing email address: security@ic-parish.org

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

October 22, 2017—Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME.

OCTOBER 22ND

7:00AM, 9:00AM, & 11:00AM SUNDAY MASSES

8:30AM Rosary in the Chapel

Knights of Columbus Breakfast after all Masses

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

MONDAY, OCTOBER 23RD—PRIEST'S INSTITUTE

6:20AM MASS—CHAPEL

8:30AM MASS—(4TH, 5TH, & 6TH GRADES)—CHURCH

Noon-1:00PM Prayer Intercessor—CHAPEL

2:00PM Flu Shot Clinic CRA

5:30PM Hand Bell Choir CR

7:00PM RCIA Meeting CRA

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 24TH—PRIEST'S INSTITUTE

6:20AM COMMUNION SERVICE—CHAPEL

8:30AM COMMUNION SERVICE—CHAPEL

Noon-1:00PM Prayer Intercessor—CHAPEL

7:00PM Adult Religious Education PMR

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 25TH—PRIEST'S INSTITUTE

6:20AM COMMUNION SERVICE—CHAPEL

8:30AM Communion Service—CHAPEL

10:00AM Adult Religious Education PMR

Noon-1:00PM Prayer Intercessor—CHAPEL

1:00PM Knit & Crochet PMR

6:20PM PSR & Youth Group CRA

6:30PM MASS—CHAPEL

7:00PM Adult Choir CR

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26TH—PRIEST'S INSTITUTE

6:20AM COMMUNION SERVICE—CHAPEL

8:30AM COMMUNION SERVICE—CHAPEL

10:00AM Scripture Study CRA

Noon-1:00PM Prayer Intercessor—CHAPEL

2:30pm Flu Shot Clinic CRA

7:00PM Scripture Study CRA

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27TH—PRIEST'S INSTITUTE

6:20AM COMMUNION SERVICE—CHAPEL

8:30AM COMMUNION SERVICE—CHAPEL

Rosary for Vocations following in the Chapel

Noon-1:00PM Prayer Intercessor—CHAPEL

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28TH

8:30AM Mass—CHAPEL

3:00PM Sacrament of Reconciliation—CHURCH

4:00PM SUNDAY VIGIL Mass

7:00PM Sacrament of Reconciliation—CHURCH

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, OCTOBER 29TH

7:00AM, 9:00AM, & 11:00AM SUNDAY MASSES

8:30AM Rosary in the Chapel

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

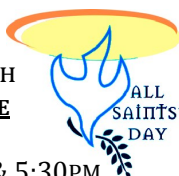
12:00PM Parish Trick or Treat w/lunch

3:00PM Mid America Singers Concert CHURCH

FEAST OF ALL SAINTS—HOLYDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday, October 31st 5:30PM

Wednesday, November 1st 6:20AM; 8:30AM & 5:30PM



MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, OCTOBER 23RD—

ST. JOHN OF CAPISTRANO, PRIEST

6:20AM + Mary James

8:30AM + Noel Joseph Williams

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 24TH—

ST. ANTHONY CLARET, BISHOP

6:20AM Communion Service

8:30AM Communion Service

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 25TH—

6:20AM Communion Service

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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26TH—

6:20AM Communion Service

8:30AM Communion Service

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27TH—

6:20AM Communion Service

8:30AM Communion Service

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28TH—

ST. SIMON AND ST. JUDE, APOSTLES

8:30AM + Daniel Stewart

Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday

4:00PM + Shawn Messerly

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME—

OCTOBER 29TH

7:00AM + Mike & Judy Myles

9:00AM The Parish Family

11:00AM + Carolyn Mead



Sunday—October 29th—12:00 PM

Parish Halloween Party

Calling ALL Saints, Goblins, Ghost's, and Sinners ages 0-12 years old for FREE Halloween Treats and lunch. This fun event begins after the 11:00AM Mass on October 30th. Treat bags will be provided to go to the treat stations. Pulled Chicken will be served afterwards.

DON'T MISS OUT ON THIS INCREDIBLE OPPORTUNITY...

Consider Membership in the Knights of Columbus

Immaculate Conception's Knights of Columbus invites the Catholic men and their families to an informational open house on Saturday & Sunday, October 21st & 22nd, after the Sunday Masses in Community Room A. Our council would like the opportunity to explain the benefits to you and to your family as a member of our Council of Knights.

Membership in the Knights of Columbus is supportive of our Catholic Faith, our Parish, Family and Country.

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR ...

Scripture Readings for **THIRTIETH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME** **OCTOBER 29, 2017**

Exodus 22:20-26; Psalm: 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51;
1 Thessalonians 1:5c-10; & Gospel: Matthew 22:34-40

PARISHIONERS WHO NEED SPECIAL PRAYERS

Carlos Contreras, Lorraine D'Alessandro, Robert Gerhardy, Judy Gibson, Jane Hendershott, Pauline Katzfey, Gail LaRoche, Mamie Lawless, Diane Martin, Doris Meekins, Michael Menne, Mary Miller, Loretta Polk, Cecelia Ray, Flor Rivera, Leonie Rivera, Jan Royster, Judy Rupp, Mary Shanahan, Douglas Strickland, Pam Sullivan, 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.

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

The bishop's pastoral letter on stewardship reminds us, "Jesus not only calls people to him, but also forms them and sends them out in his service. Being sent on a mission is a consequence of being a disciple."

FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Please remember in prayer our faithful departed: Mary Lou Zimmerman, the mother of Dan Zimmerman; Mary Ann McClernon, the sister-in-law of Dan & Sandy McClernon; and Vivian Carissimo.

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.

NOVEMBER 3, 2017—FIRST FRIDAY

ADORATION OF THE

BLESSED SACRAMENT

9:00AM—1:00PM 1:00PM BENEDICTION



CATHOLIC CAMPUS MINISTRY

Join us at the Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser at Immaculate Conception Parish on Saturday, November 4th, from 5:00PM-8:00PM. This is a donation only event with a 50/50 raffle and attendance prizes. All donations will help Catholic Campus Ministry build up the future leaders of our church with leadership, faith, and service.

Contact Bev Franklin at (417) 865-0802 for more information.



**Feed your Soul
and help
CCM Ministry
GROW!!!**

From Father Tom's Desk



Committing to Christ

Tony Campolo, the Philadelphia sociologist, found himself seated beside the Pennsylvania governor at a state prayer breakfast. In the course of conversation the governor said that he was sympathetic toward Christianity but not personally committed. Campolo asked, "Why not?" The governor replied, "Well, to tell you the truth, no one ever invited me to commit." Campolo said, "I'm inviting you." within five minutes that governor had committed his life to Christ.

We have good news that is essential to every human being; it's a matter of their eternal life or death. We may be the only conduits God has to certain persons. We must help him reach them.

Bill Bouknight, Collected Sermons, www.eSermons.com

It Depends On What Is Important to You

Two friends were walking near Times Square in Manhattan. It was during the noon lunch hour and the streets were filled with people. Cars were honking their horns, taxicabs were squealing around corners, sirens were wailing, and the sounds of the city were almost deafening. Suddenly, one of them said, "What an interesting place to hear a cricket."

His friend said, "What? You must be crazy. You couldn't possibly hear a cricket in all of this noise!"

"No, I'm sure of it," his friend said, "I heard a cricket."

"That's crazy," said his friend.

The man, who thought he had heard a cricket, listened carefully for a moment, and then walked across the street to a big cement planter where some shrubs were growing. He looked into the bushes, beneath the branches, and sure enough, he located a small cricket. His friend was utterly amazed.

"That's incredible," said his friend. "You must have super human ears!"

"No," said the man who heard the cricket. "My ears are no different from yours. It all depends on what you're listening for."

"But that can't be!" said the friend. "I could never hear a cricket in this noise."

"Yes, it's true," came the reply. "It depends on what is really important to you. Here, let me show you."

He reached into his pocket, pulled out a few coins, and discreetly dropped them on the sidewalk. And then, with the noise of the crowded street still blaring in their ears, they noticed every head within twenty feet turn and look to see if the money that tinkled on the pavement was theirs.

"See what I mean?" asked the man who heard the cricket. "It all depends on what's important to you."

In the end the Pharisees heard from Jesus what they were listening for.

Keenan Kelsey, Making Choices

Once They Had Pockets...

In the movie, "Oh, God!" the idea was advanced that the reason God gave Adam and Eve no clothes to wear was because God knew that once they had clothes, they would want pockets. Once they had pockets, they would want money.

Please do not misunderstand. As you know, the Scriptures do not say that money is the root of all evil. It is not. Most of us agree with Joe Louis' famous words. "I don't like money, actually," he said, "but it quiets my nerves." It is the love of money that is the root of all evil. It is the worship of money that puts it into competition with God.

King Duncan, www.Sermons.com

father Tom

SUNDAY ROSARY IN THE CHAPEL

The Rosary will be prayed in the Chapel at 8:30AM on Sunday mornings. Please take time to join us and pray for each other and for special needs.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION'S PCCW WHITE ELEPHANT & ANNUAL BAKE SALE



DO YOU HAVE ANY WHITE ELEPHANTS HIDING IN YOUR CLOSETS, DRAWERS, OR ATTIC?

The Women's Council will begin accepting white Elephant items on Saturday, October 21st. Please place items in the deck box by the double doors of Community Room A. Large items need to be brought on Friday, November 10th. Please **DO NOT BRING TV'S, COMPUTERS, OR CLOTHING!!** Call Sandie De Frank at 417.300.1930 for more information.

OUR PARISH COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN ANNUAL BAKE SALE—NOVEMBER 11TH & 12TH

Ladies and gentleman, start planning your baking now! We are asking all households to contribute HOME baked goods to our annual bake sale on Saturday & Sunday, November 11th & 12th. The money raised will help our St. Vincent de Paul, along with Rare Breed, Birthright, and LifeHouse, as well as our Seminarians, our Parish, and Community & International Projects, etc. This is our only fundraising project for the year; we appreciate all your HOME baked goodies! To volunteer to help: Noreen Penn, 881.1234; or Karen Soetaert, 887.7929.



CROCHET & KNIT FOR CHARITY—LESSONS AVAILABLE

Anyone who is interested in crocheting or knitting for charity, we meet on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month in the Parish Meeting Room at 1:00 PM. Please join us even if you don't know how, but are interested in learning, to crochet or knit. Our next meeting is October 25th.

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

If you would like to request a **Mass Intention** or a **Loving Memorial Remembrance** for someone, cards are available in the Gathering Area.



Sunday—October 29th—12:00 PM
Parish Halloween Party

WELCOME TO SPRINGFIELD CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

The Springfield Catholic School System is accepting registration for the 2017-2018 school year. 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.scsapk12.org.

• **IMMACULATE CONCEPTION SCHOOL** is now accepting applications for a 7th and 8th grade Language Arts teacher for the current 2017-2018 school year. Applicants must be an active Catholic and a certified teacher. For more information or questions, contact Theresa Coleman, 417.881.7000 or email, tcoleman@scsapk12.org.

SAFE ENVIRONMENT VIRTUS TRAINING

Virtus—Pre-registration is necessary: click on "registration" on the left, or call your parish office for assistance. Schedule may be found on the diocesan event calendar at www.dioscg.org or www.virtus.org. The next sessions are: Sunday, October 22nd, 1:30PM-3:30PM, *Holy Trinity, Springfield*; Monday, November 6th, 6:00PM-9:00PM, *Our Lady of the Lake, Branson*.

ADOPT-A-TURKEY BEGINS NEXT WEEKEND



St. Vincent de Paul's Adopt-a-Turkey fundraiser begins next Saturday and Sunday, October 28th & 29th. Look for your Turkey next weekend, and as always we are very grateful for your generosity. Without it we would not be able to cover the rising cost of the food.

NEEDS FOR THOSE IN NEED

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.

FLU SHOT CLINIC



Flu Shots will be available on Monday, October 23rd and Thursday, October 26th, from 2:00PM-4:00PM, in Community Room A.

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

SOCIETY OF OUR MOTHER OF PEACE TO HOLD "COME & SEE" DAY

Are you a single woman age 18-39 who has an open heart and a willing spirit? God may be calling you to something more: Life as a Religious Sister! The Society of Our Mother of Peace @ Queen of Heaven Solitude in Marionville, invites you to ***Come and Spend the Day with HIM*** on **Saturday, October 28th**, 9:00AM-6:00PM, 12494 Hwy T, Marionville, MO 65705. Please RSVP to: 417.744.2011, or email: smpsistersvoc@gmail.com

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

TODAY IS WORLD MISSION SUNDAY- a day that leads us to the heart of our Christian faith - leads us to mission! Your generosity on World Mission Sunday supports the work of priests, religious and lay leaders in the Missions who share our faith with those most in need. This year we can even "chat" with our chief missionary, Pope Francis, and learn more about his missions and missionaries. Learn more at ChatWithThePope.org. Chat - Pray - Give is World Mission Sunday.

LIFEHOUSE/CATHOLIC CHARITIES GROUNDS WORK DAYS

Please join us for our last grounds work date at LifeHouse on Tuesday, October 24th, 9:00AM-11:00PM. We will be doing end of season work in the vegetable and flower beds, and reinforcing the structure of the back grotto. For more information or to volunteer, please call Jana Hukriede at 417.840.4109 or 417.831.3240. The first work day for 2018 will be Tuesday, March 27th. Special blessings to all who were able to volunteer this year. We accumulated 380 volunteer hours for 2017!!

MONTHLY MASS AT CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Everyone is invited to join Catholic Charities staff and volunteers at monthly Mass in the Carmelite Chapel, 424 E. Monastery St., Springfield. Mass begins at noon on the first Wednesday of each month. Bishop Emeritus Leibrecht will be the celebrant on November 1st. Father Colby Elbert will be the celebrant on December 6th.

SACRED HEART CHILI COOK-OFF

Sacred Heart Church in Springfield, 15th Annual Chili Cook-Off is Saturday, November 4th, 5:00PM-7:00PM. Cost is \$5 in advance or \$7 at the door. Tickets may be purchased by calling the parish office, 869.3646. Come and enjoy all the various, delicious chili's made by our wonderful cooks. Proceeds will be used to support our the Parish Liturgical Environment.

AREA PCCW BAZAARS

ST. AGNES CATHEDRAL—NOVEMBER 4TH

Saturday, November 4th, 9:00AM-5:00PM, and Sunday, November 5th, 8:00AM-1:00PM. A variety of vendors available and several parish tables to browse, and a bake Sale table. Saturday morning breakfast with homemade cinnamon rolls & coffee for sale. Please join us and support Tuition Assistance and Harmony House.

ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON CHURCH—NOVEMBER 4TH

PCCW 10th Annual Bazaar! We have returning and new vendors. Raffle, lunch may be purchased and baked goods for sale. Dates: Saturday, November 4th, 9:00AM-5:00PM; Sunday, November 5th, 8:00AM-2:00PM.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH—NOVEMBER 11TH



Saturday, November 11th, 8:00AM-6:00PM, and on Sunday, November 12th, 8:00AM-1:00PM. Lots of baked goods, White Elephant sale, and enjoy lunch in the Bistro.

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH—NOVEMBER 11TH

Saturday, November 11th, 9:00AM-7:00PM and Sunday, November 12th, 9:00AM-1:00PM, 2818 E. Bennett St. in the Parish Center. There will be more than twenty booths from baby quilts, to wood crafts and more. Enjoy delicious meals by the Men's Club and Knights of Columbus; smoked meats and sides, breakfast, spaghetti dinner on Saturday evening.

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH—NOVEMBER 11TH

Saturday, November 11, 8:00AM-3:00PM. Lots of baked items, candy, canned goods, and especially divinity candy! We always have special requests for it."

SACRED HEART CHURCH—DECEMBER 1ST

Friday, December 1st, and Saturday, December 2nd at 1530 N. Summit Ave. Once again our sale will be in conjunction with the MidTown Victorian Homes Tour. This will be the 26th year for the tour.

2018 SPRING TRIP WITH FR. LEWIS

Travel with Fr. Lewis Hejna on our Italy South trip. Where: Calabria, Taormina, Syracuse, Mount Etna, Catania, Sicily, Amalfi Coast, Sorrento, Capri, Pompeii and Rome. Trip Dates: May 26th-June 7th, 2018; Cost: \$4,600.00; Airfare and ALL Included. To register, please contact 855.842.8001 or 508.340.9370. You can also register online at www.proximotravel.com.

www.ic-parish.org

YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED FOR THE WEEKEND OF OCTOBER 14-15, 2017

Envelopes:	\$ 16,705.00	Home Missions:	\$ 0.00
Plate:	\$ 1,054.69	Sponsor-A-Child:	\$ 630.00
Weekly Total:	\$ 17,759.69		
Weekly Need to Meet Budget:	\$ 20,400.00		
			
Yearly Budget:	\$ 1,083,000.00	Parish Repair & Maintenance:	\$ 240.00
Year-to-date Collection:	\$ 309,198.94	Building Fund:	\$ 0.00
		Remaining on Debt Collection:	\$ 189,025.50

(1.54% below yearly budget)