

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.

Celebrating
150
YEARS



28th Sunday

in Ordinary Time
October 13, 2019

"...the healing power of God comes through Christ, even to a man who does not belong to the chosen people..."

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(All bulletin announcements are due by noon on Tuesday.)

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Pray for Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

Parish Office: 417-887-0600

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SCHEDULE OF SUNDAY MASSES

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

Saturday (Vigil): 4:00PM

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

SUNDAY ROSARY IN THE CHAPEL—8:30 AM

GLUTEN FREE HOSTS AVAILABLE

Please notify us before Mass if you would like to receive a Gluten Free Host.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME—OCTOBER 13, 2019

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

Sunday, 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time, October 13th

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

Knights of Columbus Breakfast After All Masses—CRA

8:30AM Rosary in the Chapel

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

11:00AM Confirmation Day of Reflection—GYM/CAFÉ

3:30PM Beginning Experience—CRA

Monday, October 14th

6:20AM Mass—CHAPEL

8:30AM Mass—CHURCH—4TH & 5TH GRADES

5:30PM Bell Choir—CR

6:30PM Baptism Class—PMR

6:30PM SVdP Meeting—CRB

6:45PM Knights of Columbus Meeting—CR

7:00PM Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)—CRA

Tuesday, October 15th

6:20AM Mass—CHAPEL

8:30AM Mass—CHURCH—2ND & 3RD GRADES

NOON—1:00PM - Prayer Intercessor—CHAPEL

7:00PM Pao Sheng Wu Shu Class—CRB

Wednesday, October 16th

6:20AM Communion Service—CHAPEL

8:30AM Mass—CHURCH—6TH, 7TH & 8TH GRADES

Noon—1:00PM - Prayer Intercessor—CHAPEL

6:30PM Mass—CHAPEL

6:15PM PSR/Youth Group—CAFETERIA

7:00PM Choir Practice—CR

Thursday, October 17th

6:20AM Mass—CHAPEL

8:30AM Mass—CHAPEL

10:15AM Scripture Study—CRA/CRB

NOON—1:00PM - Prayer Intercessor—CHAPEL

7:00PM Pao Sheng Wu Shu Class—CR

6:45PM Scripture Study—CRA/CRB

Friday, October 18th

6:20AM Mass—CHAPEL

8:30AM Mass—CHURCH—ALL SCHOOL MASS

NOON—1:00PM Prayer Intercessor—CHAPEL

Saturday, October 19th—Sunday Vigil

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, 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time, October 20th

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

8:30AM Rosary in the Chapel

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

3:30PM Springfield Chamber Chorus Concert—CHURCH

SPRINGFIELD CATHOLIC RADIO RADIO-A-THON

Fall Pledge Drive for Catholic radio station in need of volunteers to answer phones at The Catholic Center. Link to sign up:

www.signupgenius.com/go/5080B4FA8AA2BAAFF2-kgoh5

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, October 14th—

Memorial of St. Callistus I, Pope & Martyr

6:20AM + Bryon Ellingson

8:30AM Vicky Carter (Int.)

Tuesday, October 15th—Memorial of St. Teresa of Jesus, Virgin & Doctor of the Church

6:20AM Homebound Parishioners

8:30AM + Jeanne Donovan

Wednesday, October 16th—Memorial of St. Hedwig, Religious; St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, Virgin

6:20AM Communion Service

8:30AM + Virginia DeForke

6:30PM + Mike Pfitzner

Thursday, October 17th—

St. Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop & Martyr

6:20AM Nursing Home Residents

8:30AM + Martin Orf

Friday, October 18th—

Memorial of St. Luke, Evangelist

6:20AM + Thomas Philip

8:30AM + Gordon Weidelman

Saturday, Vigil Mass, October 19th

4:00PM + Jeanne Neu

Sunday, 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time, October 20th

7:00AM The Parish Family

9:00AM + Patricia Scherer

11:00AM + Shirley Jacobson-Klahs



Bishop Rice's October Prayer Intention

As we celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary, October 7th, that each Catholic may take up the rosary and pray for peace in the world, in our country, and within our families.



NOVEMBER 1, 2019—FIRST FRIDAY

ADORATION OF THE

BLESSED SACRAMENT

9:00AM—1:00PM 1:00PM BENEDICTION



Feast of All Saints

Holyday of Obligation

Thursday, October 31st, 5:30 PM

Friday, November 1st

6:20AM, 8:30AM & 5:30PM

All Souls' Day

Saturday, November 2nd—8:30 AM (Chapel)

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR ...

THE 29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

OCTOBER 20, 2019

Exodus 17: 8-13 / Psalm 121: 1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8

2 Timothy 3: 14—4: 2/Luke 18: 1-8

PARISHIONERS WHO NEED SPECIAL PRAYERS

Sophia Griesbaum, Steve Schoen, Nick, Angie, Laura Seemuth, Gerald Martin, Barbara Hall, Eloise Fetter, Robert Gamba, Judy Gibson, Gerri Klesel, Tony Klesel, Judie Stinecipher, Corine Larson, Mamie Lawless, Dr. Jim Markusic, Mary Miller, Karen Pfirman, Noreen Penn, Katie, Loretta Polk, Flor Rivera, Jan Royster, Mary Shanahan, Nicole Zangrilli, Tom Johnson, Ed Pinegar, Stan Lassen, 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.

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.

SUNDAY MASSES ON OCTOBER 19TH & 20TH

BLESSING FOR ALL BATTLING BREAST CANCER



*Lord, You have taught me that faith
as small as a mustard seed can grow into an amazing tree.*

Today I give you my little seed of faith.

I place it firmly in the ground of your word.

*I water it with truth. The warmth of your love
will make it grow. Today I ask by faith*

that you would bring healing from this cancer.

*I place my trust in you. May this seed sow healing
into every area where the tumour has emerged.*

*May it grow into a strong work, redeeming and restoring
with great strength and power. Amen.*

CLERGY INSTITUTE

Clergy Institute Monday, October 21st—Friday, October 25th
Please pray for the priests of our diocese as we meet together
with the bishop for renewal and reflection.

There will be Masses on Monday, October 21, at 6:20AM &
8:30 AM. Communion Services Tuesday—Friday.

Fr. Tom's Schedule:

*I will be gone next weekend (October 12th & 13th) to
travel with my family to visit my niece who is teaching in a
high school in Texas.*

From Father Tom's Desk



A Letter of Appreciation

In the book "A Window on the Mountain," Winston Pierce tells of his high school class reunion. A group of the old classmates were reminiscing about things and persons they were grateful for. One man mentioned that he was particularly thankful for Mrs. Wendt, for she more than anyone had introduced him to Tennyson and the beauty of poetry. Acting on a suggestion, the man wrote a letter of appreciation to Mrs. Wendt and addressed it to the high school. The note was forwarded and eventually found the old teacher. About a month later the man received a response. It was written in a feeble longhand and read as follows: "My dear Willie, I can't tell you how much your letter meant to me. I am now in my nineties, living alone in a small room, cooking my own meals, lonely, and like the last leaf of fall lingering behind. You will be interested to know that I taught school for forty years and yours is the first letter of appreciation I ever received. It came on a blue, cold morning and it cheered me as nothing has for years. Willie, you have made my day."

Staff, www.eSermons.com

The First Billionaire

The very first person to reach the status of billionaire was a man who knew how to set goals and follow through. At the age of 23, he had become a millionaire, by the age of 50 a billionaire. Every decision, attitude, and relationship was tailored to create his personal power and wealth. But three years later at the age of 53 he became ill.

His entire body became racked with pain and he lost all the hair on his head. In complete agony, the world's only billionaire could buy anything he wanted, but he could only digest milk and crackers. An associate wrote, "He could not sleep, would not smile and nothing in life meant anything to him." His personal, highly skilled physicians predicted he would die within a year.

That year passed agonizingly slow. As he approached death he awoke one morning with the vague remembrances of a dream. He could barely recall the dream but knew it had something to do with not being able to take any of his successes with him into the next world. The man who could control the business world suddenly realized he was not in control of his own life. He was left with a choice.

He called his attorneys, accountants, and managers and announced that he wanted to channel his assets to hospitals, research, and mission work. On that day John D. Rockefeller established his foundation. This new direction eventually led to the discovery of penicillin, cures for current strains of malaria, tuberculosis and diphtheria. The list of discoveries resulting from his choice is enormous.

But perhaps the most amazing part of Rockefeller's story is that the moment he began to give back a portion of all that he had earned, his body's chemistry was altered so significantly that he got better. It looked as if he would die at 53 but he lived to be 98.

Rockefeller learned gratitude and gave back from his wealth. Doing so made him whole. It is one thing to be healed it is another to be made whole. It appears that the one leper who returned and threw himself at Jesus' feet in gratitude was not only healed he was saved by his thanksgiving. "Rise and go," Jesus said, "your faith has made you well."

Brett Blair, www.eSermons.com

Father Tom

VIRTUS: SAFE ENVIRONMENT REQUIREMENTS

Are you employed by a Catholic parish or school? Do you regularly volunteer with minors? If the answer is yes to either of these questions, you should be aware of the diocesan safe environment requirements. The primary obligations for any employee and for all volunteers who work with minors are:

1. Required to attend an adult safe environment training (VIRTUS),
2. Required to sign a Background Disclosure and Authorization form which will allow the diocese to conduct a criminal background screening on you
3. Required to sign a diocesan Code of Conduct every year that you are employed or actively volunteering.

The Code of Conduct for 2019-2020 was released in July. If you fall into one of the above categories and have not signed the 2019-2020 Code of Conduct please contact your parish or school office. You may also contact the Office of Child and Youth Protection with any questions or concerns, chil-dandyouthprotection@dioscg.org or (417) 866-0841.

The forms are also available on the Office of Child and Youth Protection page of the Diocesan Website at <http://dioscg.org/index.php/about/child-youth-protection2/>

CONSIDER ATTENDING A CURSILLO WEEKEND

Locations & Dates:

Carthage, MO - Congregation of the Mother of the Redeemer Monastery: Men's weekend - October 17-20, 2019 / Women's weekend - November 14-17, 2019

Fredericktown, MO - Pinecrest Camp and Conference Center: Men's weekend - February 20-23, 2020 / Women's weekend - March 19-22, 2020

Registration forms: <http://dioscg.org/index.php/cursillo2/>. National Cursillo Movement website: <https://www.natl-cursillo.org/>.

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 ~

"My aim is to institute perpetual adoration," he said, "for this is the most important activity". ~ Maximilian Kolbe

Adorers Needed: Sunday: 1PM—2PM;

Monday: 1AM—2AM; Wednesday: 6AM—7AM; Thursday: 3AM—4AM; and

Saturday: 1PM—2PM & 2PM—3PM

Join our substitute list to experience the peace of adoration.

**WEDNESDAY MASS IN THE
CHAPEL—6:30PM**

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For more information about feeding the hungry visit:
www.feedthepoorhungryhomeless.com

www.ic-parish.org



SPRINGFIELD CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

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

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

Springfield Catholic High School is seeking applicants for a **Part-time Cook** (25 hrs/week). Hours are 8:30AM—1:30PM. Employment is for August through May. Must be able to lift and carry items weighing 50 pounds and be willing to do any and all job-related duties assigned by the Manager, Principal or Director of Schools. CONTACT: Kelsey McLemore, Food Services Director, kmclemore@scspk12.org or 417.887.8817 Ext. 060.

We are accepting applications for **Substitute Teachers**. As a substitute, you are able to choose the following: specific subject area, building(s) in our system in which you would like to substitute, and specific day(s) of the week that you are available. A minimum of 60 college credit hours is required. CONTACT: Mrs. Cheryl Bond at cbond@scspk12.org or 417.865.5567 Ext 032.

The **Springfield Catholic School System** is accepting applications for **Substitute Paraprofessionals and School Nurses**. Contact Cheryl Bond at cbond@scspk12.org to schedule an interview. For additional information, please contact the Principal of the school in which you are interested.

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, St. Agnes and Springfield Catholic High School are accepting applicants for **Substitute Cooks**. Hours are 9:30AM—1:30PM. CONTACT: Kelsey McLemore, Food Services Director, at kmclemore@scspk12.org.

The **Springfield Catholic Schools System** is accepting applications for **Bus Drivers**. This is a part-time position, paid per trip. A Certified Commercial Driver License with passenger endorsement and airbrake certification is required. Please complete the substitute application for employment and contact Mr. Sam Wutke at swutke@scspk12.org to schedule an interview.

VIRTUS TRAINING SESSIONS

VIRTUS—Pre-registration is necessary at www.dioscg.org or www.virtus.org. The next sessions: Friday, October 11th, The Catholic Center, 12:30PM—3:30PM; and Friday, October 21st, Branson, Our Lady of the Lake, 6:00PM—9:00PM. See www.virtus.org for future sessions.



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

QUESTIONS ANSWERED ABOUT BECOMING A CATHOLIC

Do you know someone who might be considering becoming Catholic? For information: Tina Miller 417.887.0600.

OCTOBER IS RESPECT LIFE MONTH

"Moved by Mercy" is the theme for Respect Life Month. Resources: www.usccb.org/about/pro-life-activities/respect-life-program/respect-life-month.cfm

ONLINE CATECHETICAL INSTITUTE—FREE ACCESS

www.franciscanathome.com/scg REGISTER online by clicking on: My parish is already registered, and I would like to set up my individual free account under that institution.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES & LIFEHOUSE ANNOUNCEMENTS

OCTOBER WORK DAY AT CATHOLIC CHARITIES/LIFEHOUSE

Our last group work day for the Garden Friends at Catholic Charities/LifeHouse will be Tuesday, October 22nd from 9:00AM—11:00AM. This month we will prepare our vegetable beds for winter and continue laying weed barrier in the courtyard, cutting back iris and peonies and general grounds maintenance. We are also needing volunteers to help with our greenhouse. Information/Volunteer Contact: Jana Hukriede at 417.840.4109. We will begin our 8th season volunteering at Catholic Charities on Tuesday, March 24, 2020!

LIFEHOUSE CRISIS MATERNITY HOME IS CURRENTLY IN NEED OF ADDITIONAL VOLUNTEERS TO PROVIDE RESPITE CHILDCARE FOR OUR RESIDENTS. Recently we have had the pleasure of a baby boom at LifeHouse and now we need more women who would like to hold newborns and care for our sweet toddlers. We offer childcare on Tuesday and Wednesday mornings from 8:30-11:30. If you, or someone you know, are interested in helping us with this vital ministry, please contact Jill Bryant at 417-720-4213 or jbryant@ccsomo.org.

WILL YOU HELP US PRAY? Catholic Charities of Southern Missouri has a weekly prayer ministry and we need your help. We take prayer requests from LifeHouse residents, staff, and from across the diocese and every Tuesday at noon volunteers gather in the chapel at the Monastery to pray over these needs. If you have a heart for prayer please contact Jill Bryant at 417-720-4213 or jbryant@ccsomo.org.



**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
SCHOOL'S FRIGHT NIGHT
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26TH,
5:00PM—7:00PM**



**PARISH EVENTS FOR ALL ON
OCTOBER 27TH
12:00 NOON: HALLOWEEN
TREATS & LUNCHEON IN SCHOOL**

&



**TRUNK N'TREAT
4:00PM—6:00PM
PARKING LOT**

2020 LADY IRISH SOFTBALL REGISTRATION

Sunday, October 20th at SCHS, starting at 5:00PM. Free food, soft drinks, t-shirts, door prizes, photos, an agility clinic for the players, and an informational parent meeting. Registration is open to all girls currently in 1st through 12th grades. INFORMATION: (email) softballladyirish@gmail.com or call Rick Kindhart 417.849.5865

JOB: HOLY TRINITY PARISH FINANCE MANAGER

Applicants contact Fr. Patrick Nwokoye at Fatherpatrick@holyltrinityspringfield.com with letter and CV by October 22, 2019.

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC ACADEMY FESTIVAL

10th Annual Beer & BBQ Social—Dinner—Live Auction beginning at 5:00PM. TICKETS: Facebook: St. Joseph Catholic Academy/Website: sjcaspringfield.org (Click on "Purchase tickets here")

VENDORS—ANNUAL BAZAAR ST. AGNES CATHEDRAL

November 2nd & 3rd: If you have a craft or business or know of anyone who does contact Judy Hauschildt at judyhauschildt@gmail.com or 641.751.6632.

ANNUAL BAZAAR ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON PARISH

We will have raffle, lunch and baked goods for purchase. Chance to win \$50 gift card. Saturday - November 2nd: 9:00AM—6:00PM; Sunday - Nov 3rd: 8:00AM—2:00PM.

**HOSPITALIZATION—CALL THE PARISH OFFICE
417.887.0600**

**LACTATION STATION
—SOUTH CONFSSIONAL—**



YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED FOR THE WEEKEND of October 6/7, 2019

Envelopes:	\$ 20,028.03
Plate:	\$ 1,340.89
Weekly Total:	\$ 21,368.92
Weekly Need to Meet Budget:	\$ 20,840.39

Annual Budgeted Collection:	\$ 1,099,956.00
Year-to-Date Budget:	\$ 296,142.00
Year-to-date Collection:	\$ 279,894.89

(5.48% below budget)

Sponsor a child	\$ 84.00
Parish Repair & Maintenance:	\$ 4,432.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$ 947.00
Catholic Cemeteries	\$ 125.00
Religious Retirement Fund	\$ 10.00



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