

August 7, 2022– 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 14, 2022– 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. Mary's Immaculate Conception

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 Facebook: St. Mary's Immaculate Conception Parish
 Weekend Mass Schedule:
 Saturday: 7:00 PM Sunday: 8:00 AM

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 Weekend Mass Schedule:
 Saturday: 5:00 PM. Sunday: 9:30 AM & 11:00 AM

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From the Pastor's Office...

Needed Rain. On Sunday, July 24th, Abraham asked God if he would save a town from destruction if 50 people had faith, then 40, 30, 20 and then 10 people. God said he would save the town from destruction because of the faith of 10 people. Abraham was persistent. I immediately thought about my prayer for rain. Yes, I stopped praying for a good growing season and focused on the rain. I ask God to send us a two day soaking rain. Before my prayers end, I noticed some crops along a county road and said, God could you make it a three day soaking rain. The next time I am asked to pray for rain, I will not hesitate.

How I would like to use my section of the bulletin. I would like to use it as a teaching tool. I would like to talk about the parts of the Mass, the sacraments, different types of prayer, the liturgical calendar, help endorse cluster, parish and school activities or needs and much more.

My first month as your Parochial Administrator. It has gone by so fast. One comment that I heard often was "you have big shoes to fill." My response is always the same: "No, they're only a size 9 as I look down at my shoes." I don't ever want to fill Fr. Jerry's shoes. I am extremely grateful that he has taken the time to prepare me well for this transition, but, I must create my own leadership style. Like all of you, I know that we are truly blessed to have the leadership we do have in both our parishes, the UW River Falls Newman Center and our Catholic School. Our success in the future will continue with individual and group prayer, participation in the Mass and the sacramental life of the Church, team building exercises along with the help of Diocesan and national Catholic conferences and workshops. I am also grateful to my brother priests who have offered their expertise when needed. I have also received many positive comments like "you'll do fine" or "you've got this." May God continue the good work already in progress.

An Invitation to Pray for the Parish Mission. The cluster of St Thomas More, St Mary's Immaculate Conception and St Bridget parish mission is October 3-5, 2022. It will be held at St Bridget - River Falls. As we prepare, we invite all to join us in praying daily for the mission. Please feel free to cut out the prayer and keep it in a space that you frequently pray, such as each morning as you wake or before your evening meal.

Parish Mission Prayer. Holy Father, great God of love and mercy, You have surrendered everything for love of us. May we learn to surrender everything for love of You. Fill us with Your Holy Spirit that we may do Your will and not our own. Help us to love you above all things and to love Your people the way You have commanded us. Quiet our minds and hearts that we may be open to the gift of your truth, and grant that our Parish Mission may be: a time of grace for all, a time of growth for the young, a time of refreshment for the old, a time of renewal for families, a time of healing for the broken, a time of joy for the sorrowing, a time of challenge for the complacent, a time of forgiveness for the sinner, a time of strength for the holy, a time of homecoming for all who have been away. We beg you these things, Holy Father, in Jesus' name. Amen.



KC Corner

Next Regular Meeting:

Next Regular Meeting: September 1 at 7:30 PM. The video Series "Into the Breach" Episode 8, "Suffering" will be presented. Marty Weniger has set up an email Meeting Invitation that you will all receive. Please respond when you get this email and let's increase our meeting attendance!!

Fellowship Sundays

The Knights of Columbus Council 7030 will continue to host Coffee and Donuts after 8:00 AM Mass **regularly on the 2nd Sunday of the month.** Volunteers are needed. Brother Knights, please consider volunteering for one of the weekend teams that are being formed.

Contact Dennis Malecek (651)260-6531.

Mass Schedule - Immaculate Conception					
Day	Date	Time		In Honor Of	Given By:
THURS	8/4	Assisted Living Facilities		Kristy Yager	Paula Yager
FRI	8/5	8 AM Mass; 8:30 Adoration/Confessions		People's Mass	
SAT	8/6	9 AM confessions; 7 PM Mass		Bette & Joe Schuh	Clarisse & Joe Paron
SUN	8/7	8 AM Mass		Jack & Toni & Jonna Ross	Dennis & Barb Ross
TUES	8/9	5 PM Confessions; 5:30 Mass		People's Mass	
THURS	8/11	Assisted Living Facilities		Sarah Lyons	Barb & Ed Lyons
FRI	8/12	8 AM; 8:30 Adoration/ Confessions		People's Mass	
SAT	8/13	9 AM confessions; 7 PM Mass		Our Lady of the Swan	Victor Lozano and family
SUN	8/14	8 AM Mass		Jean Olson	Family
MON	8/15	6 PM: Assumption of Blessed Mary		People's Mass	
TUES	8/16	5 PM Confessions; 5:30 Mass		People's Mass	

Scripture Readings		
8/8	Ez 1:2-5, 24-28c/Mt 17:22-27	PS 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14
8/9	Ez 2:8-3:4/Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14	PS 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131
8/10	2 Cor 9:6-10/Jn 12:24-26	PS 112:1-2, 5-6, 7-8, 9
8/11	Ez 12:1-12/Mt 18:21-19:1	PS 78:56-57, 58-59, 61-62
8/12	Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 or 16:59-63/Mt 19:3-12	ISAIAH 12:2-3, 4BCD, 5-6
8/13	Ez 18:1-10, 13b, 30-32/Mt 19:13-15	Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19
8/14	Jer 38:4-6, 8-10/Heb 12:1-4/Lk 12:49-53	Ps 40:2, 3, 4, 18
8/15	Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56	PS 45:10, 11, 12, 16
8/16	Ez 28:1-10/Mt 19:23-30	DEUTERONOMY 32:26-27AB, 27CD-28, 30, 35CD-36AB
8/17	Ez 34:1-11/Mt 20:1-16	PS 23:1-3A, 3B-4, 5, 6
8/18	Ez 36:23-28/Mt 22:1-14	PS 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19
8/19	Ez 37:1-14/Mt 22:34-40	PS 107:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9
8/20	Ez 43:1-7ab/Mt 23:1-12	PS 85:9AB AND 10, 11-12, 13-14
8/21	Is 66:18-21/Heb 12:5-7, 11-13/Lk 13:22-30	Ps 117:1, 2

PRAYER LIST		
PASTORAL MINISTRY		
<p>If someone you know becomes hospitalized and would like a visit, please call the church office. Want someone prayed for or listed in the bulletin prayer list? Please notify our prayer chain contact, Roxi Wakeen by calling or texting 651-894-3385. The name of your loved one will be prayed for two months or unless you request it otherwise.</p>		
Donald Anibas	John Will	Kay Suckow
Ken Weiss	Lorraine Miller	Dominic Pedrotty
Kimberly Severin	Jodi Hurtgen Wagner	Heather Jaszczak
Janet Gregor	Emma Becker	Carlene Brown
Maureen Konder	Jane Koonce	Jodi Trunkel
Margaret Chyba	Kathy Weninger	Rosie Kohler
Jan O'Connell	Mary Erickson	Linda Jourdeans
Fr. Bill Murphy	Marlys Hawkins	JoAnne Kaiser
Nicole Weninger	Brian Smith	Harriet Meath Family
Zack Anibas	Scott Thompson Family	

Read the Bible in a Year
 Check out Bible in a Year Podcast by Father Mike Schmitz. This podcast can be found on Amazon music or at <https://media.ascensionpress.com/podcast/all-bible-in-a-year-episodes/>.



Youth Faith Formation

Our Faith Formation program continues to grow. We are blessed to have so many parishioners support our youth in their faith journey by teaching and assisting faith formation classes and for donating to our programs when needed. This is the first time in decades that all catechist positions have been filled! We are however, looking for substitutes to assist our Faith Formation team. Please contact Kelly or Kelly if you are interested in joining us this year. Please pray for our team as we prepare for the year and for our youth as they begin another year of journeying in their faith.

Adult Faith Formation

Jesus: The Way, the Truth, and the Life. Jesus is our savior, our redeemer, our Lord and our God. Our belief in Jesus is what makes us who we are as Catholics, as Christians, but do we really know him as we should? Is Jesus a part of your life, or is he at the center of your life as he should be? We invite you to make him the center of your life by joining us for Jesus: The Way, the Truth, and the Life, a 10-week video study program that explores the entirety of Jesus' life and what he means for us as Catholics today. St. Mary's will begin the Jesus study on Tuesday, September 6th from 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. in the Rectory Basement. Participants will meet every week to view an engaging video presentation by Marcellino D'Ambrosio, Jeff Cavins, and Edward Sri, followed by a lively group discussion and fellowship. For more information or to register, contact Jackie Aune 715-796-2241 or JackieAune@smicparish.org. We hope you can join us!

Interested in Becoming Catholic? If you answered YES, join us for an Informational Meeting on Tuesday, August 9th at 6:00 p.m. Please RSVP to Jackie Aune at: JackieAune@smicparish.org or 715-796-2241.



Why are we here? What's life all about? What happens when we die?

The SEARCH is an innovative video series that tackles the key questions of every human heart. In seven beautifully filmed episodes, Chris Stefanick and experts from multiple fields of science, medicine, psychology, art, and religion examine our place in the larger story of existence.

Whether you're a practiced inquirer or a jaded skeptic, The Search will speak to you. You may be reassured by some parts and challenged by others. Either way, you'll find a lot here to think about. And when all is said and done, life's questions demand to be answered. Are you ready for The SEARCH?

The SEARCH Journey will begin on Sunday, September 18th following the 8:00 a.m. Mass. Stay tuned for more details coming your way.
God Bless, The SEARCH Committee

Ministry Schedule for the weekends through August 21

	Mass Servers	Reader	Greeters	Ushers	Sacristan
Saturday, August 13 7:00 PM	Isaac Bauer Hudson Jaszczak	Linda Jourdeans	Jennifer Schommer Matt Schommer	Scott Amacher Christopher John Mark Mikla Austin Nichols	Carol Holldorf
Sunday, August 14 8:00 AM	Goldie Daigle Addisyn Wichelman	Cyndi Rineck	Kelly Veenendaal Ryan Veenendaal	Curtiss Bourget Terry Korte Peter Lohmeier Pete Nusbaum	Virginia Anderson
Monday, August 15 6:00 PM		John Rukavina			John Rukavina
Saturday, August 20 7:00 PM	Colby Kusilek Gabe Kusilek	Chris Stark (sub requested)	Martina Halverson Loreen Ranals	Toby Hable Maverick Kostrzak Todd Kostrzak Jacob Kusilek	Martina Halverson
Sunday, August 21 8:00 AM	Hayden Buckel Chase Lee	Jonalee Buckel	Virginia Anderson Carol Holldorf	Greg Hawkins Thess Jacobson Mark Mikla Pete Nusbaum	Virginia Anderson

Chancery Bulletin - You can view the Chancery bulletin here: <http://www.catholicdos.org/chancery-bulletin>

Ride to Worship - If you are unable to get to mass on Saturday or Sunday, please contact our church office and one of Welcoming Committee members will assist. We will try our best to get you there! Church office - Phone: (715) 796-2244; Email - admin@stmaryshammond.org; Office Hours: T & TH 11:30a.m. - 4:00p.m.

Please call the parish office for all scheduling.

Holy Communion for the Homebound - Call and leave your name and telephone number, and we will arrange a visit at your home by a Minister of Holy Communion.

Anointing of the Sick - First Mass of the quarter (Jan., April, July, & Oct.) at each nursing home and by appointment. Please call the cluster office for a priest to visit your home or hospital room - 715-796-2244.

Sacrament of Reconciliation - Weekly on Sunday from 7:15 AM to 7:30 AM, or anytime by appointment.

Baptisms - A Baptism preparation is to be completed by parents prior to the Baptism of their first child.

Weddings - Weddings are to be scheduled six months prior to the wedding to allow for Marriage Preparation.