



Immaculate Conception Parish Family



156th YEAR OF SERVICE

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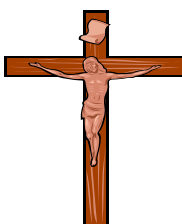
Parish Council Members: Julie Beck, President; Michael Auchly, Vice-President; Julie Worsham, Secretary;

Dianne Talley, Bob Reiter, Laura Yelton

SEPTEMBER 3, 2017 THE TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mass Intentions

Monday, September 4	No Mass
Tuesday, September 5	5:30 PM + N. Holdmeier
Wednesday, September 6	8:30 AM No Mass in Jonesburg
Thursday, September 7	10:00 AM Communion Service
Friday, September 8	8:00 AM No Mass
Saturday, September 9	5:00 PM Our Parish Family
Sunday, September 10	8:00 AM Mass in Jonesburg
	10:00 AM + Buzz Steffan



July 1, 2017 - June 30, 2018

Church/School Financial Report:	Income	Expenses	Difference
August 2017	\$47,851.76	\$43,903.83	+ \$3,947.93
Fiscal Year July'17-'18	\$87,505.21	\$100,029.32	(\$12,524.11)
Needed Weekly	= \$10,910.96		
August 6 -- \$	14,454.00		
August 13 -- \$	9,712.43		
August 20 -- \$	13,941.96		
August 27 -- \$	9,881.00		
Retirement Fund for Religious	\$1,213.50		
Last Week's Envelopes	77 of 192		

With God all things are possible

Parish Membership: Call the parish office to register.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: 4:15pm Saturday or call for an appointment.

Sacrament of Baptism: Celebrated during Mass or at another arranged time. Call the parish office to set up an appointment to meet with Fr. Austin.

Sacrament of Marriage: Call the office at least six months prior to the date you would like to get married to make arrangements and set a date.

To Become a Catholic: Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults begins in the Fall and sacramental initiation normally occurs at the Easter Vigil. Call for details.



GOSPEL QUOTE

"Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. What profit would there be for one to gain the whole world and forfeit his life? Or what can one give in exchange for his life?" Mt 16:24b-26

LIVE THE LITURGY

Even as people of faith we often find ourselves reasoning our way through our trials and difficulties. It makes a huge difference using our own eyes and not those of God. God knows that we live in an imperfect world filled with suffering, pain, difficulties, disappointments, and death; all part of the mix. Jesus shows us by example that when we encounter hardships God transforms them into something better. We do not need to despair. God gives us hope. When we view our lives through God's eyes and not our own this gift of hope and transformation becomes very apparent. We must lose our lives in order to gain them.

Liturgical Ministers for September 9 and September 10

Ministries

Saturday, 5:00 PM

Sunday, 10:00 AM

Lector	Gary Hoette	Shane Lotton
Children's Liturgy		Pam Korte
Communion Ministers	Deacon Wayne Korte, Larry Brueggemann, Margie Cobb	Deacon Wayne Korte, Richard Schierhoff, Jenidean Readey
Ministers of Hospitality	Daryl & Nancy Cobb, Bill & Margie Cobb	Ruth Schneider, Kayla Schmidt, Jeff & Amanda Arens
Servers	Weston See, Jacob Hogue	Chase and Samantha Queathem
Gift Bearers	Steve Cobb Family	Michael Smith Family
Money Counters	Beth Roesner, Debbie Heidelberger	Gayle Adams, Ruth Schneider

UPCOMING EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Monday, September 4	No Mass Parish Office closed.
Tuesday, September 5	6:00 AM - 5:00 PM Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 5:30 PM Mass
Wednesday, September 6	8:30 AM No Mass at Jonesburg 1:00 PM Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Rosary, Perpetual Help Devotions
Thursday, September 7	10:00 AM Communion Service with Prayer Partners
Friday, September 8	8:00 AM No Mass
Saturday, September 9	5:00 PM Mass
Sunday, September 10	8:00 AM Mass at Jonesburg 10:00 AM Mass



PRAYERS FOR OUR PASTOR

Please pray for Fr. Austin as he has surgery to repair his umbilical hernia on Wednesday, September 6. There will be a Communion Service with Deacon Wayne Korte on Thursday, and no Mass on Friday as Father Austin recuperates.



WE REMEMBER IN PRAYER

We offer our condolences and prayers to the family of our principal, Randy Struck, who died on Monday, August 28. His funeral was Thursday, at St. Francis Solanus Catholic Church in Quincy, IL. Eternal rest

grant unto him, O Lord. And let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace. Amen.



BLOOD DRIVE - SEPTEMBER 5

You are encouraged to donate blood on **Tuesday, September 5, from 1:00 PM to 6:00 PM**, at the Knights of Columbus Hall. All presenting donors will receive a special edition Red Cross t-shirt, while supplies last.

RCIA

Do you know someone curious about the Catholic Church, or someone who has been away from the Catholic Church for quite a while and has expressed an interest in returning? Do you know someone who just wants to ask questions, or is interested in joining our church? Make plans to invite that person, (and come with them if they need encouragement) to **Immaculate Conception Parish Inquiry Night on Monday, September 11, 7PM**, at the Immaculate Conception School.

For information call the parish office, 564-2375 or Sue Kyle, 564-3221. Everyone is welcome.

HARVEST PICNIC NEWS

All parishioners should have received a letter asking for donations for the Harvest Picnic. If you are able to bake and would rather bake pies instead of cookies or brownies, that would be great.

RAFFLE TICKETS

We have a beautiful king size quilt and a decorative window we are raffling off at the picnic. A picture of the items is in the vestibule. Tickets are available after the weekend Masses, from committee members, in the parish office, or from ICS students.

COUNTRY STORE ITEMS NEEDED

The Harvest Picnic Committee is in need of items for their Country Store. Suggested items include: garden produce, home baked breads, home canned vegetables, fruits, and sauces, hand-crafted items such as soaps, crafts, tea towels, afghans, and pillowcases, knick-knacks, live flowers, and decorative items such as wreaths, and candles.

If you have great ideas, or would like to help, please contact Dianne Talley at 564-2359 or 573-590-3158.



HURRICANE HARVEY RELIEF

A special collection will be taken up in the coming weeks to support the victims of Hurricane Harvey. "The devastation is horrific, and the needs are tremendous." Bishop Gaydos noted. "We must step up and be a sacrificial answer to prayers, while continuing our own fervent intercession for all the people affected by this historic weather, its aftermath and the long recovery that will follow."

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION SCHOOL INFORMATION

Get shopping /gift cards through the IC Scrip Program.

www.ShopWithScrip.com Enrollment code: 676419AC74L7 If you have any questions, call Gina Smith, coordinator, 573-289-8635.



CATHOLIC YOUTH ORGANIZATION

Our parish will be starting a Catholic Youth Organization (CYO) this upcoming school year. We are planning to have the first meeting on **Wednesday, September 6**, from 6:30 PM to 8:00 PM, at the Knights of Columbus Hall. All high school students are welcome. See Ben Creech for more information.

BIBLE STUDY TO RESUME - SEPTEMBER 10

Bible Study resumes September 10, 2017, in the rectory at 8:45 AM. We dismiss at 9:45 AM. Those who want to say the rosary are welcome to leave earlier. This is an opportunity to prepare for Mass by reading the Scriptures for that Sunday and using an excellent Catholic Study Guide (online) to help us better understand the readings. The Catechism is also used.

Come and join us for prayer and fellowship. It is not a weekly commitment. All you need is your Bible. For more information, call Londa Swoboda at 636-357-4383.

FALL PILGRIMAGE - SEPTEMBER 10

Our Lady of Sorrows Shrine at Starkenburg will host its annual Fall Pilgrimage on Sunday, September 10, 2017, beginning at 10:00 a.m. with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. The Pilgrims will then carry a statue of Seven Delores, an image that has been at the Shrine since 1895, in a rosary procession through the Shrine grounds, stopping at each of the outdoor Stations of the Cross. A traditional German meal of fried chicken, roast beef, mashed potatoes, green beans, corn, slaw and dessert will be served by members of the Church of the Risen Savior from 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM. The meal will be served in Valentine Hall, which is handicapped accessible and air-conditioned. The public is welcome to attend the meal, even if not participating in the Pilgrimage. **Austin's Angels plans to attend this pilgrimage, driving separately.**

MISSOURI CATHOLIC CONFERENCE 50TH ANNIVERSARY - OCTOBER 7

Celebrate 50 years of the Missouri Catholic Conference (MCC) at the MCC's 50th Anniversary on Saturday, October 7, 2017 at the Cathedral of St. Joseph in Jefferson City. This free event is sponsored by the Missouri Bishops and everyone is invited. The event includes an address by Papal Apostolic Nuncio to the United States, Archbishop Christophe Pierre. Workshops with a focus on Catholic education, pro-life, and social justice will be offered. A hot, free lunch is provided, and the day will end with a Mass concelebrated by the bishops. Please pre-register for the event by going to MOCatholic.org or calling 1-800-456-1679. See you on October 7!



Get away, come together: A weekend for your marriage, September 22-23, 2017

Register now at www.jeffcityme.com or contact registration@jeffcityme.com for more information.



PLEASE PRAY FOR: Galen Bethel, Mary Dryden, Delores Miller, Carole Bainbridge, Judy Cunningham, Linda Nation, Lynda Tate, David Strauss, Roger Richard, Angela Witthaus Keller, Bill Dryden, Donna Whitehead, Donald Wisdom, Shirley Arens, Marian Busken, Amy Dullard, Daniel Leonatti, Evan Clements, Robert Merz, Bill Auchly, George Banfield, Jo Ann Reagan, Dylan Arnold, Bill Fischer, Lori Sollberger, Evy Heimburger, Zita Welter, Stephanie Steffans, Jeff Dykman, Eathan Leadley, Charlene Strange, and Katie Williams.



Please pray for all our men and women serving in the armed forces.... Steve "Hip" Hill, Tanner Cobb, Travis Thebeau, Jacob Merz, Daniel Lohmann, Jared Korman, Tom Kraust, Tim O'Fallon, Brandon Benney, Gary Frey, John Burce, Chris Burce, Jacob Jones, Matt Veder, Michael James, Michael Adams, and John Martin.
Aaron Henke, Marine grandson of Shirley Henke, has been deployed to Iraq.



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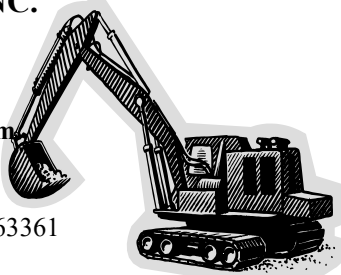
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Deuteronomy 31:6

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