

So they collected them, and filled twelve wicker baskets with fragments from the five barley loaves that had been more than they could eat.

JOHN 6:13

More than Enough

Two stories today tell of people hungry for bread who amazingly receive more than enough. In both the first reading and the Gospel passage, a few loaves feed a multitude of people, and there are baskets of leftovers. How did this happen? Did the loaves multiply before their eyes? Did more food drop from heaven? Who of us would not have been thrilled to witness a miraculous feeding like that?

These stories are rich in religious meaning. First, they are meant to show that God meets the needs of

vulnerable people—and meets those needs in ways only God can. Second, the surplus bread reveals the overabundance of divine graciousness. God gives us much more than we need. In other words, God's generosity is boundless. Third, these marvels don't just happen out of the blue. They occur through the agency of very ordinary people. In the first reading it is Elisha's unnamed servant who distributes the loaves. The miracle seems to happen in his very hands. In the Gospel passage it is the disciples of Jesus—ordinary, questioning people like you and me who gather up twelve baskets of leftovers.

Did this event really happen? Of course, it did. In fact, these kinds of occurrences continue today. God is continually meeting our needs. God's generosity is always boundless. And God still accomplishes marvelous things in our lives through very ordinary people. The problem is that we often fail to realize this. We sometimes wish to see loaves of bread miraculously appear.

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

FOR Reflection

- ✧ *Through which people in your life has God cared for you and met your needs?*
- ✧ *How does God work through you to meet the needs of others in your life?*

Dear Padre,

Previously, this column said Mass should be offered in several languages so everyone can participate. There's an alternative: the Latin Mass. In the past, all nationalities could attend and unite themselves to the sacrifice on Calvary without the barrier of the vernacular. There's one God and one Church. There should be one Mass.

Fundamentally, the Mass is meant to be **inclusive**, by its very nature! The primary purpose for eucharistic celebrations in both the ordinary form (vernacular) and extraordinary form (Latin) is to give glory to God in communion as God's people. This bears mentioning, since the Church's allowance of both forms of one Mass isn't meant to be divisive—although in practice, it can be.

Jesus and his followers likely spoke Aramaic, so the earliest communal gatherings to break bread were celebrated in their native tongue. Likewise, the Mass in its early development was offered in the vernacular—Greek. When Latin became the pervasive language of the people, the Mass switched to Latin. Thus, Mass in the vernacular is not a “barrier.” On the contrary, in allowing the Mass to be celebrated again in the language of the people, Pope Paul VI intended it “as a help in witnessing to and strengthening the unity of all” (Promulgation of the *Missale Romanum*, 1970).

Our unity as believers in one God, one Church, and one Mass is predicated on far more than a uniform language.



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A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

[The Church] is not a fortress but a tent able to enlarge her space and give access to all. Either the Church “goes forth” or she is not a Church; either she is on a journey always widening her space so that everyone can enter, or she is not a Church.

GENERAL AUDIENCE, OCTOBER 23, 2019



Calendar

Monday
JULY 26

*Sts. Joachim and Anne,
Parents of the
Blessed Virgin Mary*
Ex 32:15–24, 30–34
Mt 13:31–35

Tuesday
JULY 27

Weekday
Ex 33:7–11;
34:5b–9, 28
Mt 13:36–43

Wednesday
JULY 28

Weekday
Ex 34:29–35
Mt 13:44–46

Thursday
JULY 29

St. Martha
Ex 40:16–21, 34–38
Jn 11:19–27 or
Lk 10:38–42

Friday
JULY 30

Weekday
Lv 23:1, 4–11, 15–16, 27,
34b–37
Mt 13:54–58

Saturday
JULY 31

*St. Ignatius of Loyola,
Priest*
Lv 25:1, 8–17
Mt 14:1–12

Sunday
AUGUST 1

*Eighteenth Sunday in
Ordinary Time*
Ex 16:2–4, 12–15
Eph 4:17, 20–24
Jn 6:24–35



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Parish Council Members: Beth Cobb-President; Dennis Benney-Vice-President; Secretary-Mary Pottebaum, Laura Yelton, & Vicki Parker

JULY 25, 2021 - SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mass Intentions

Monday, July 26th **5:00 PM Mass** - Seedbearers @ MC
Tuesday, July 27th **5:00 PM Mass** - Seedbearers @ MC
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Sunday, August 1st **8:00 AM Mass** - Jonesburg
10:00 AM Mass - Montgomery City - Our Parish Family



July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021

Church/School Financial Report:

	Income	Expenses	Difference
June 2021	\$53,956.13	\$43,748.64	\$10,207.49
Fiscal Year July-June 2020-21	\$557,808.87	\$590,929.38	-\$33,120.51
Needed Weekly	- \$ 11,835.50		
July 4th	- \$12,459.00		
July 11th	- \$ 8,279.00		
July 18th	- \$ 8,302.00		
July 25th	-		

July 11th Envelopes: 50 of 180

July 18th Envelopes: 43 of 180

(No Mass if there is a funeral or school has been cancelled.)

With God all things are possible

Parish Membership: Call the parish office to register.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Before Mass

Sacrament of Baptism: Call the parish office to set up an appointment to meet with Fr. Hartley.

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.

Immaculate Conception Parish Mission

To proclaim the good news of the Gospel; to build community among the parishioners that we may journey in our faith together, giving witness to love and unity; to serve the needs of others in whatever form they may exist in our midst and to celebrate the realities of our faith together.

Who is an Active Parishioner?

- Registered in the parish
- Regularly participates in Mass and the sacraments
- Supports the parish financially
- Annually completes a stewardship of Time, Talent, and Treasure form and fulfills that commitment

Liturgical Ministers for July 31st & August 1st

Ministries	Saturday, 5:30 PM	Sunday, 10:00 AM
Lector	Vicki Oden	Jerry Witthaus
Children's Liturgy	Not assigned at this time	Not assigned at this time
Communion Minister	Ruth Ann O'Keefe	Jacob Lotton
Ministers of Hospitality	Daryl & Nancy Cobb Cothren Family	Jacob & Megan Hans Steve Williams
Servers	Emerson & Fallon Schroeder	Kendra Rakers Elizabeth Schierhoff
Gift Bearers	Hospitality Ministers	Hospitality Ministers
Money Counters	Rae Jean & Daryl Rhoads	Cathy McCormack Pam Schwartz

**Bishop
McKnight's
July
prayer intention
for our Local
Church is:**

We pray for our country at this moment in history, that the dreams of life, liberty and happiness remain in our hearts as well as the desire that we will always be one nation under God.

Weekly Mass Schedule

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Saturday, July 31st	4:00 PM Mass - Wellsville 5:30 PM Mass - Montgomery City (Rosary @ 5:00 PM)
Sunday, August 1st	8:00 AM Mass - Jonesburg 10:00 AM Mass - Montgomery City (Rosary @ 9:30 AM)

Upcoming Events & Announcements

Monday, July 26th	7:00 PM - St. Vincent dePaul Mtg.
Tuesday, July 27th	
Wednesday, July 28th	
Thursday, July 29th	
Friday, July 30th	
Saturday, July 31st	
Sunday, August 1st	

Wedding Anniversary



Congratulations to the following couple(s) as they celebrate their special day!

*Tony & Laverne Wessel - 61 years of marriage on July 30th
Dennis & Peggy Kleine - 45 years of marriage on July 31st
Mitchell & Rae Jean Rhoads - 41 years of marriage on Aug. 1st*

Additional Financial Information (Weeks of July 11th & July 18th)

Capital Improvements	\$ 525.00
Capital Campaign (Cornerstone)	\$ 5,150.00
Special Collections:	
Diocesan Missions	\$ 395.00
Assumption of Blessed Virgin Mary	\$ 40.00
Religious Retirement Fund	\$ 10.00

Seedbearers' Mass

The Seedbearers are back again this year July 26th - 30th! They will be using the church for Mass every day at 5:00 PM. (See above daily Mass schedule) and would like to invite everyone to join them! If you have not been to one of their Masses, it is a very uplifting celebration!!!

Weekend Masses

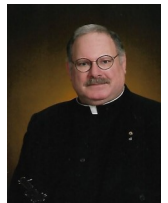
Starting this weekend, we should have weekend Masses again! This weekend Fr. James Finders will be here to offer Mass and next weekend Fr. Groner will be here! Fr. Dowling will be here the weekends of August 14/15 and August 28/29. As soon as we know the rest of the schedule, we will let you know. Thank you for your patience and understanding these past weeks.

Harvest Picnic

The Harvest Picnic will be here before you know it! In preparation for the family fun filled day on September 26, 2021, we are needing small items (\$10.00-\$25.00) for our bingo prizes and larger items for the live auction. Feel free to contact any committee members - Gina Smith, Dianne Talley, Judy Cobb, Pat Korman - with any questions you may have about these donations. Thank you!



From the Pastor



My Dear Parishioners,

I am still here and so grateful for your many prayers and signs of support and care over the past weeks since my diagnosis with cancer and now as I am in the first stages of treatment. It will be a long process with good days and bad, but I hope that in the end, I will be able to resume my duties and continue to serve you to the best of my abilities.

In my last session of chemotherapy it was determined that my white blood count was declining and that the cells that develop new white blood cells was also affected. This means that I have to limit my contact with individuals to prevent infections. I won't be able to offer public Masses until this situation improves, but I will be in contact with the Diocese to ensure that Masses are offered as often as possible by a substitute Priest. I appreciate the work that the Deacons have done to provide Sunday Liturgies without a Priest, but that is far less than you deserve as God's People who remain faithful and love the Mass. There will be weekend Liturgies, (either a Mass or Liturgy without a Priest) and I will be offering private Masses whenever I am up to the task during the weekdays and on Sundays in the Rectory, so be assured of my continuing desire to pray for all of you.

Father Phil Kane, the new pastor at Martinsburg, has offered to assist me should there be a need for a priest for anointing the sick or offering to help with funerals, so those matters can be dealt with as they arise. I am trying to see to it that you are cared for in this time and I hope that you will be as understanding and supportive as possible in the days to come as you have been up to now.

Once again, I cannot express the great appreciation that I have for all your good wishes, prayers and support that I have received and know that I am continuing daily to pray for all of you that God will bless you in many ways for your kindness.

With all of my heart, may God bless you all.

Father Paul M. Hartley

Immaculate Conception School News



August 14th - Back-to-School Mass
August 18th - First day of school

Open registration continues for grades K-8 for the 2021-22 school year!

ECLC Happenings

We continue to look for a substitute employee for the summer months. Applicants must be at least 17 years old. If you are interested or know of someone who would be interested, please contact Peggy at the school (573) 564-2679.



IC Scrip Program

Whenever you purchase a gift card from the IC School Scrip Program, the school receives a percentage of the purchase price. The percentage will vary from one company to another but there is no extra charge to you. A \$25 card costs you \$25. Why not let some of your money that you would spend anyway go to a good cause? There are a few ways to obtain the cards. You may purchase physical cards at the school or after Masses on the first full weekend of the month. **You may also go online to www.ShopWithScrip.com to create an account to purchase e-cards, reload select cards, or place a large order for physical cards. If you have any questions, call Gina Smith, coordinator, 573-289-8635.**

Meet ICS New Teachers

Hi ICS Family! My name is **Jennifer Bergmann** and I am thrilled to be returning to Immaculate Conception School where I will be teaching 5th and 6th Grade! I have been teaching for a little over 16 years and this is my fourth year at Immaculate Conception School. I graduated from Lindenwood University with a Bachelor's degree in Elementary and Early Childhood Education in December of 2010 and some of my experiences include: early childhood education, various elementary grade levels, special education and English as a Second Language in both public and private schools. I grew up in Wentzville, and have lived in Wright City for almost seven years. I met my husband, James, in high school and we have been married for 11 years with two children, Norah and Samuel. Norah will be attending ICS where she will be in 1st Grade and Samuel will attend pre-kindergarten in the fall at ICS. When I am not teaching, I enjoy attending STL Cardinal baseball games and cheering on the Miami Dolphins on television! My family and I enjoy hiking, riding bikes, traveling to Branson every year and watching movies together! I can't wait to meet you and begin this fun-filled school year!

Hello ICS! I'm **Mrs. Becky Houser**. I was born and raised in south-east Iowa. I graduated from Iowa Wesleyan College in Mt. Pleasant, Iowa. I have taught in public and private elementary schools, as a substitute and contracted teacher, in both Iowa and Missouri. I am a practicing Catholic and feel very blessed to have been welcomed into the Immaculate Conception School family. I'm looking forward to meeting my 3rd and 4th grade students and their families!

Part-Time Teaching Positions Available At ICS

ICS is still looking for a part-time Art Teacher and a part-time Music Teacher for the 2021-22 school year. The 4-day school week will begin August 12th for teachers. If you are interested or know of anyone who may be interested in either of these positions please contact Ms. Dana Schroeder, Principal, at the school (573) 564-2679 or by email: dschroeder@icschool-mc.org.

Events Around the Community (See Flyers if available in the church vestibule.)

August 13th - 4:30 PM to 6:30 PM KOC Drive-thru Fish Fry

Capital Campaign Update



Dear Parishioners,

Our new balance of donations and pledges is \$245,337.16. We are so grateful for the generosity of our parishioners and others connected to our parish. We do hope you will consider being a part of this very important project. It will take our whole parish family to make this happen, but we are getting closer to the \$600,000 mark for the church and the overall goal of \$850,000.

We are very pleased with the sidewalks and ramps that have been completed so far. As the weather allows, that project will continue to the north side of the building. New louvered vents have been ordered for the steeple and we are looking for the repair on the steeple to hopefully begin in the next few weeks.

If anyone would like to make a pledge or donation, feel free to find forms and envelopes in the vestibule. Those can be left in the offering baskets or taken to the parish office. If you have questions, please feel free to contact one of our committee members. Amanda Arens 314-780-1316, Courtney Cothren, Jacob Lotton, Pat Stumbaugh, and Laura Yelton.



Knights of Columbus News

The Knights of Columbus has some of the best insurance available in the US! If you would like to attend a webinar to learn more please contact Bob Dryden at 573-564-2515 and he will get you the link to join at 7:00 pm on July 28th.

We are in need of new members to our local council. This will guarantee that we continue to support local charities. If you would like to join please see any Knight or call Bob Dryden at 573-564-2515.

Please keep in your prayers the following people:

Residents of St. Andrews New Florence Nursing & Care Center,
Hwy 19 & Picnic Road, New Florence, MO 63363 - Susan Ryan

Contact the parish office to have someone added!



Please pray for: Karen Clark, Alex Clark (granddaughter of Karen Clark), Nick Schneider, Lucille Griesbauer, Marvin Griesbauer, Pat (Cobb) Hunn, Charlee Kate (niece of Sue Beck), Jim Walker, Fr. Hartley, Tim Stumbaugh, Carolyn Steinmetz, Jim Wisdom, and Mark Gerke, friend of Fr. Hartley.

Contact the parish office to have someone added!



Please pray for all our men and women serving in the armed forces. Corey Stulce, Tanner Cobb, Michel James, Daniel Lohmann, and Donnie Wisdom.

Contact the parish office to have someone added!



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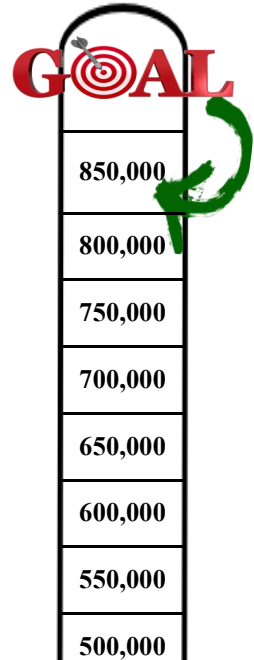
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MASS INTENTIONS

Sat July 3— Sandy Nation
Sat July 10- Harold Debo
Sat July 17- Mary Gooch
Sat July 24 - Ardella Newenhaus
Sat July 31 - Sandy Nation

Please Keep in Your Prayers:

Bud Oligschlaeger, Laura Oligschlaeger, Chris Robinson, Tammy Purvis, Karen Brooks, Melanie Carr, Tealia McCurdy, Father Paul Hartley

Happy Anniversary & Birthday to:

July 8: Bob Nation, Ty Norris

July 18: Theresa Shramek

July 22: Richard DeTienne

July 30: Bud Oligschlager

Please contact the parish office if you would like a birthday or anniversary listed in the bulletin.



Liturgical Roles for the month of July:

Lector

17 Rita Meador
24 Joan Hank
31 George Jacobi

Offertory Gifts

Robert & Rita Oliver
Tom & Marge Machens
Brad & Theresa Shramek

Counter

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CSA Parish Goal: \$3,000.00
Total Committed: \$3,500.00
Total Received: \$2,650.00

COR Financial Report:

	Income	Expense	Difference
July to May	\$ 33,154.19	\$ 27,519.57	\$ 5,634.62
Percent of Budget	106.41%	71.71%	
<u>Month of May:</u>	<u>Income:</u>	<u>Expense</u>	
Church	\$ 2,934.63	\$ 2,683.48	
Weekly Income June 5	\$ 555.00		
Weekly Income June 13	\$ 385.00		
Weekly Income June 20	\$ 768.00		
Weekly Income June 27	\$ 660.00		
Weekly Income July 4	\$ 520.00		