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505 First St. | Jonesburg | Missouri | 63351

636.488.5623 Parish Office | Office Hours T—Th 9am-1pm  
Debbie Enger, Secretary | stpats@centurytel.net | www.stpatricksjonesburg.org  
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Michael Van Beek (641-275-5184) & Jocelyn Schluss (573-953-0324)

Society of St. Vincent DePaul - 573.835.3631 Fr. Ernest Dike, Parochial Administrator, edike@diojeffcity.org Bulletin Deadline 9:00 AM Wednesdays

## October 5, 2025 - Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

### 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 exit in our midst and to celebrate the realities of our faith together.

### St. Patrick Parish Mission

As a church community here at St. Patrick, we want to know, love and serve Jesus in our efforts in: Christian formation/faith development; worship; social services; and stewardship of resources.

**MONDAY**  
October 6  
*Weekday*  
Jon 1:1–2:2, 11  
Lk 10:25–37

**TUESDAY**  
October 7  
*Our Lady of the Rosary*  
Jon 3:1–10  
Lk 10:38–42

**WEDNESDAY**  
October 8  
*Weekday*  
Jon 4:1–11  
Lk 11:1–4

**THURSDAY**  
October 9  
*Weekday*  
Mal 3:13–20b  
Lk 11:5–13

**FRIDAY**  
October 10  
*Weekday*  
Jl 1:13–15; 2:1–2  
Lk 11:15–26

**SATURDAY**  
October 11  
*Weekday*  
Jl 4:12–21  
Lk 11:27–28

**SUNDAY**  
October 12  
*Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
2 Kgs 5:14–17  
2 Tm 2:8–13  
Lk 17:11–19

## Never Big Enough

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

**C**hildhood daydreams come peppered with visions of heroes and heroines, movie stars and rock stars, fame and notoriety.

Eventually, however, we adjust our visions of what we can become as we are confronted by the reality of who we are. Seldom, however, are our daydreams and visions big enough. They tend to be only about ourselves, barely including others.

The same may be said about becoming people of faith. Too readily we think of faith simply as our personal decision to believe in God. Faith then becomes one-sided—the prayers we say, the Masses we attend, the Church's rules we obey. Like the people of the prophet Habakkuk's day, we may bemoan, "I cry for help and you do not listen.... [I] cry out to you, 'Violence!' and you do not intervene" (Habakkuk 1:2).

Then, too, our faith and its vision for life are not big enough, for we do not allow room for God to slip into our lives and do what God does. Then, faith is only about ourselves—our needs and struggles and pains. Faith needs to be a surrender to God's vision, not simply for ourselves, but for all of life. [The LORD said,] "The vision is a witness for the appointed time...it will not disappoint. If it delays, wait for it, it will surely come, it will not be late" (Habakkuk 2:3). The difficulty is that we want God to make life perfect for us the way we want it and when we want it. Then, it becomes our vision for life and not God's. ●

### Reflect

*Have I ever given up my vision or plan and found God's plan to be perfect for me?*

God did not give us a spirit of cowardice but rather of power and love and self-control.

2 TIMOTHY 1:7





Mass Schedule & Intentions for Immaculate Conception and St. Patrick

Sacraments & Information

Mon	October	6th	NO Mass - Montgomery City
Tues	October	7th	NO Mass - Montgomery City
Wed	October	8th	NO Mass - Jonesburg
Thur	October	9th	NO Mass - Montgomery City
Fri	October	10th	NO Mass - Montgomery City
Sat	October	11th	5:30 PM Mass - Montgomery City - Special Intention
Sun	October	12th	8:00 AM Mass - Jonesburg +Charles Waller
			10:00 AM Mass - Montgomery City - Our Parish Family

A reminder: If there is a funeral at any of the two parishes or a school cancellation due to weather, there will be **no** scheduled Mass

Immaculate Conception Parish & School			
	Income	Expenses	Difference
Fiscal Jul 25-July25, YTD	\$48,611.62	\$79,368.64	-\$30,757.02
July 2025	\$48611.62	\$79,368.64	-\$30,757.02
	Church	ICS/Daycare	Total
September 7th	\$2,981.41	\$9,718.00	\$12,699.41
September 14th	\$5,155.29	\$2,147.00	\$7,302.29
September 21st	\$1,888.11	\$3,108.00	\$4,996.11
September 28th	\$3,447.00	\$3,817.90	\$7,264.90
Weekly Goal	\$13,233.00	Wkly Avg	\$8,065.68

Your Gifts to God! Thank You!



Additional Financial Information	Who is an Active Parishioner?
Capital Improvements - \$35.00 In Memory of Dottie Steffan - \$645.00 Mass Intentions - \$30.00	♦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.

Mass Ministries		October 4th & 5th	October 11th & 12th	October 18th & 19th	October 25th & 26th
IC SAT 5PM	Lector	Larry Brueggemann	Beth Cobb	Dennis Benney	Beth Roesner
	Eucharistic Ministers	Dennis Cobb, Gary Hoette & Beth Cobb	Ruth Ann O'Keefe, Gary Hoette Mary Pottebaum	Dennis Cobb, Beth Cobb Ruth Ann O'Keefe	Mary Pottebaum, Gary Hoette, & Beth Cobb
	Ministers of Hospitality	Bob Dryden Cothorn Family	Kasey Pottebaum Family	Steve & Beth Cobb Don & Lila Broz	Daryl & Nancy Cobb Bob Dryden
	Servers	Lila Broz Beth Roesner	Mercer Cothren Jacob Roesner	Beth Roesner Malorie Schulte	Lila Broz Mercer Cothren
	Money Counters	Dennis Cobb & Daryl Rhoads	John/Aggie Baldetti & Judy Cobb	Daryl Rhoads & Don/Sandy Oakes	Dottie Brueggen & Debbie Heidelberg
IC SUN 10AM	Lector	Elizbeth Schierhoff	Mark Brower	Allie Johnson	Pat Stumbaugh
	Children's Liturgy	Geri Park	Rachel Rakers	Anna Harrell	Dianne Talley
	Eucharistic Ministers	Dennis Cobb, Jack Wells & Megan Hans	Jack Wells, Megan Hans Pat Stumbaugh	Dennis Cobb, Tudie Simpson Jenidean Readey	Jack Wells, Megan Hans, & Pat Stumbaugh
	Ministers of Hospitality	David & Janet Cobb Charlie & Pat Korman	Ron & Dianne Talley Jerry Neale, Tony Wessel	Melissa Beabout, Brady Craven, Dana Schneider, Steve Williams	Jeff & Amanda Arens Julie Worsham
	Servers	Alena Beabout & Kindra Rakers	Elizabeth Schierhoff & Keagan Rakers	Kendra Rakers & Carl Smith	Josie & Wade Harrell
	Money Counters	Dave Teeter & Megan Hans	Vicki Parker & Mark Brower	Steve Williams & Elaine Winford	Cathy McCormack & Pam Schwartz
SP SUN 8AM	Hospitality/Usher	Youth	Ellis Family	Farrar Family	John & Nancy Cobb
	Altar Clean Up Only	Jan Milzark	Laurie Dothage	Jan Milzark	Jan Milzark
	Lector	Gracie Cobb	Bridget Cobb	Donna Cobb	Nancy Cobb
	Servers	Emma Cobb & Carl Johnson	Luke Farrar & Anna Johnson	Emma Cobb & Carl Johnson	Luke Farrar & Anna Johnson
	Eucharistic Minister	Barb Turpin, Sara Johnson , & Bridget Cobb	Sara Johnson, Bridget Cobb, & Nancy Cobb	Bridget Cobb, Nancy Cobb & John Cobb, Sr.	John Cobb, Sr., Nancy Cobb, & Vicki Duenke
	Money Counters	Jan Milzark & Katherine Stroot	Bridget Cobb & Laurie Dothage	Derrick Cobb & Brad Ellis	Gracie Cobb & Karen Stenger

Remember, if you are unable to complete your assigned time, you are responsible for finding a replacement! Thank you for your service!

Dear Padre,

Is envy a sin? I find myself becoming very envious of people who have more than I do. I find it difficult to be content with what my family and I have now.

We live in a climate that encourages discontent with what we have. Advertising plays on our feelings of envy and our desire for possessions. In this almost universal rush to possess more and better material objects, Christians are called to a counter-witness. We are called to embrace a freedom and a poverty of spirit that actually rejoices in the blessings of others.

The Tenth Commandment alerts us to the danger of undisciplined envy: “You shall not covet...anything that belongs to your neighbor” (Exodus 20:17). In the New Testament, Jesus says that where our treasure is, there also will be our heart. (See Matthew 6:21.) The real antidote to envy, then, is prayers of thanks for all God has given to us and others. To feel envious, to desire or covet someone else’s possessions, is not in itself a mortal sin. But to let that feeling invade your mind, to indulge it and rationalize it, is to let that feeling harden into an envious frame of mind. Then you are flirting with real sin. The grave sin is to allow these envious thoughts to drive you to any injustice or evil. The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* sums it up well: “Would you like to see God glorified by you? Then rejoice in your brother’s [and sister’s] progress, and you will immediately give glory to God” (2540). ●

Fr. Paul J. Coury, CSsR / DearPadre.org

Do you have a question for the Padre?

Go to DearPadre.org to send your question and to learn more about Dear Padre.

Pope Leo XIV’s Prayer Intention for October

For collaboration between different religious traditions  
Let us pray that believers in different religious traditions might work together to defend and promote peace, justice and human fraternity.



A WORD FROM POPE LEO XIV


There is so little dialogue around us; shouting often replaces it, not infrequently in the form of fake news and irrational arguments proposed by a few loud voices. Deeper reflection and study are essential, as well as a commitment to encounter and listen to the poor.

ADDRESS, ROME, MAY 17, 2025




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**TUES, OCT 7** - 7.3 miles | 2 churches  
Fr. Ray Buehler will join us & will discuss the 2nd Joyful Mystery, the Visitation.



**WED, OCT 8** - 12.5 miles | 1 church  
Fr. Charlie Archer will join us & will discuss the 3rd Joyful Mystery, the Nativity of Our Lord.



**THURS, OCT 9** - 11.0 miles | 1 church  
Fr. Schumacher will join us & will discuss the 4th Joyful Mystery, the Presentation of Our Lord.






**FRI, OCT 10** - 11.9 miles | 1 church  
Fr. David Hogan will join us & discuss the 5th Joyful Mystery, the Finding of Jesus in the Temple.

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Upcoming Events and Announcements		
Monday October 6th	IC IC	5:30 PM - Choir Practice 6:30 PM - Society of St. Vincent dePaul Meeting
Tuesday October 7th	IC IC	6:00 AM to 5:00 PM - Adoration 6:30 PM - OCIA at Immaculate Conception School  NO Benediction, Devotion to Divine Mercy, or Evening Mass @ IC
Wednesday October 8th	IC IC	NO Morning Mass at SP - Fr. Ernest is at Priests Institute  9:00 AM to 1:30 PM - Quilting at the St. Vincent dePaul Building - all are welcome 6:00 PM - Movie Night at Knights of Columbus Hall (time change from Calendar) 
Thursday October 9th	IC	10:00 AM - Ministerial Alliance  NO Morning Mass at IC - Fr. Ernest is at Priests Institute
Friday October 10th		NO Morning Mass at IC - Fr. Ernest is at Priests Institute
Saturday October 11th		
Sunday October 12th	IC SP	<b>PASTOR APPRECIATION DAY!</b> After 10:00 AM Mass - Coffee & Donuts on Parish Lawn - all are welcome After 8:00 AM Mass - Coffee & Donuts in Parish Hall - all are welcome 



See!

I will not forget you, I have carved you on the palm of my hand.  
Isaiah 49:15

Welcome everyone.  
On Tuesdays starting at 6:00 AM we have Eucharistic Adoration: a special time to worship and praise our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ and to deepen your intimate friendship and be nourished and strengthened by His presence and love.  
At 5:00 PM Adoration will close with Devotion to the Divine Mercy and Benediction. Mass will start at 5:30 PM.



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Jeremiah 29:12

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Susie Ryan, Bill Muenz, and Dorothy Bowman


**Resident of The Arbors at South Pointe**  
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**Residents of Stonebridge in Hermann**  
1800 Wein St , Hermann, MO 65041  
Tony & Laverne Wessel, Sr.

**Residents of Aspire Nursing Home**  
308 Cedar Avenue, Jonesburg, MO 63351


**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE STRUGGLING, SICK AND INFIRMED:**

Richard (Dick) Arens, Al & Christine Barger, Mike Benzen, Billie Brown, Mike Busken, Geoff Brueggen, Elizabeth Brueggen, Molly Brueggen, Larry Brueggemann, Marion Bullerdick, Parker Calbreath, Robert Carillo, Becky Cothren, Clint Cunningham, Marla Daniels, Mike Dorlac, Nick Erbe, Orlana (Lanie) Gardner, Sheryl Gibbs, Richard Grelle, Lucille Griesbauer, Anna Gross, Ed Grillo, Henry Hamill, Ken Hocke, Antoinette Hoing, Ingrid Keller, Genevieve Kelly, Pat Merz, Sarah Matthews, Kathleen Mohrmann, Lyndsey O'Bryan, Alice O'Donnell, Margaret O'Donnell, Peatross Family, Avery Penn, Peggy Readey, Rae Jean Rhoads, Susie Ryan, Nick Schneider, Tommy Shine, Trenton Schroeder, Eric Smith, Evelyn Strauss, Katherine Stroot, Londa Swoboda, Ed Torbeck, Tony Wessel, Sr., Jim Wortmann, Don Zerr



**PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL OUR MEN AND WOMEN IN THE ARMED SERVICES**

Brandon Wells, Dylan Willis, Daniel Lohmann, Donnie Wisdom, Alex Brueggen, Tanner Cobb, & Justin Beabout





Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her. ~Ephesians 5:25

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



David & Mary Falloon - 53 yrs. of marriage on October 7th  
Tony & Betty Wessel - 44 yrs. of marriage on October 10th  
Dennis & Judy Cobb - 45 yrs. of marriage on October 11th  
Michael & Laura Yelton - 29 yrs. of marriage on Oct. 12th



OCIA

The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults, or OCIA, is the process by which those interested in the Catholic faith are invited to inquire about the Church, and if they so desire, join the world-wide Catholic community. God is ultimately the one who calls a person to such a life-changing experience. All that is needed is an open heart to his word and trust in the journey he sets before you. Throughout the process of Christian initiation the entire Church promises to be there for those wishing to grow in their Christian faith. All are welcome and there is no obligation to make any commitment to become Catholic. Our 2025-2026 year starts on Tuesday, October 7, 2025. Sessions start at 6:30 pm in the Immaculate Conception School basement.

Sometimes, those of us who have been Catholic our whole lives forget to offer this information to others who may be interested in becoming Catholic. We just assume that if they are interested, they will find their own way. However, extending an invitation to spouses, relatives, friends, and neighbors, in a gentle way, might be just the opportunity that they are waiting for. They may be ready, but are not sure how to make an inquiry. However, if they are not ready today, you may have planted a seed that will grow and bloom into a decision sometime in the future.

Feel free to invite:

- Those who may be searching
- Those who have never been baptized as Christians
- Those who have been baptized in another Christian faith tradition and are now interested in the Catholic Faith
- Those who were baptized in the Catholic Faith but did not receive First Communion, and/or Confirmation.
- Those Catholics who have been away and now have many questions about the Catholic Faith

If you have any questions please feel free to contact any of the OCIA Team Members: Father Ernest Dike, Rick Adams, Gayle Adams, Steve Williams, Sr., Mark Brower, Mike Readey or Jenidean Readey. No registration is required. All are invited to come join us as we explore our Catholic Faith through “The Augustine Institute's series, Symbolon” “The Faith of the Church” as well as covering the last 10 episodes of “Symbolon” series “The Catholic Church Explained”.

PLEASE REMEMBER ***NOT*** TO PARK IN THE STREET FACING MFA OR IN FRONT OF THE SCALES DURING HARVEST SEASON. ~Thank you!



Happy Birthday to those who are celebrating in October!

5th - Lou Claussen  
8th - Derrick Cobb  
9th - John Cobb, Jr.  
9th - Heath Sellenriek  
13th - Addison Schluss  
30th - McCullie Schluss



St. Patrick’s News

October Mass Intentions

1st +Dorothy Indelicato  
5th +Ed Stenger  
8th - No Mass - Priests Institute  
12th +Charles Waller  
15th +Joe Lenzenhuber  
19th +Charlie Bextermiller  
22nd +Charmaine Post  
26th +Tom Lenzenhuber  
29th +Henry Barringer



Come join us for ‘Movie Night’ on the second and fourth Wednesday of the month at 6:00 PM (this is a change in time) at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Montgomery City. This year we will be watching Season 5 of “The Chosen” and the next showing will be on **October 8th**.

Funeral Arrangements for Patricia (Pat) Klein

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Patricia (Pat) Klein, a member of our parish who passed away this past week. A Mass of Christian Burial will be on Tuesday, October 14th at 10:00 AM. Visitation will also be held on October 14th from 9:00 AM-10:00 AM, both here at Immaculate Conception Church.

Harvest Picnic Numbers

Harvest Picnic Income - \$41,057.04  
(includes Square Up)  
Harvest Picnic Expenses - \$6,924.36  
  
NET Income     **\$34,132.68**



A detailed spreadsheet will be forthcoming in an upcoming bulletin, but we wanted you to at have the totals. Gina Smith will be talking more on the picnic this weekend.

Immaculate Conception School News

Ms. Dana Schroeder, School Principal | Mrs. Anna Harrell, Administrative Assistant | 573.564.2679 - School Office | [immaculateconception@icschool-mc.org](mailto:immaculateconception@icschool-mc.org)



Calendar:

Oct. 7- ICS School Picture Day  
Oct. 7-10- ICS Achievement Testing Week  
Oct. 17- End of the 1st Quarter  
Oct. 22- MCHD Flu Clinic at ICS  
Oct. 29- Saint Presentations  
Oct. 29- Parent/Teacher Conferences  
Oct. 30- Little Bit of Heaven Party/Rooster’s Farm All School Field Trip  
Oct. 31- NO SCHOOL- Fall Break

Oct. 7 - School Picture Day

Tuesday, October 7 is School Picture Day with Inter-State Studio. Students will wear their regular school uniform for individual photos as well as the whole school photo. We ask that Father and all staff get their photos taken this day. Mrs. Smith plans on taking class photos as well, since Inter-State Studio does not include this option for us.

October 7-10 - Testing Week

Students take the IOWA and CogAT tests. Families send in snacks for classes. If you would like to donate snacks to the classrooms, please drop them off at school. Any donations are greatly appreciated!

Oct. 17 - End of 1st Quarter

Oct. 22 - MCHD Flu Clinic at ICS

Oct. 29- 9:00 AM Saint Presentations

The students have been researching a variety of Saints and will present their Saint information to the student body. **Please join us in the cafeteria!**

Oct. 29 - Parent/Teacher Conferences

Parent/Teacher Conferences will be held after school on Wednesday from 4pm-7pm. Home & School will provide a meal for the teachers.

Oct. 30 - Little Bit of Heaven Celebration

Students will dress up as the saint they researched. Following the 8am Mass, students will be let into “Heaven” and will have parties in their classrooms. We will continue to celebrate as a whole school in the afternoon as we take a field trip to Rooster’s Farm.

Oct. 31 - No School - Fall Break

Virtue of the Month: Friendship

*Friendship: reflects the love and unity God desires for all His children. It goes beyond simply enjoying someone’s company — true friendship is rooted in **kindness, trust, respect, and a shared desire to grow in faith and goodness**.* In the Catholic tradition, friendship is seen as a gift from God and a way to live out the commandment to "love your neighbor as yourself" (Mark 12:31). It helps us support one another, make good choices, and reflect God's love through our actions.

*Knights of Columbus  
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**10th Annual**

**Spaghetti Luncheon**

**Friday, October 17, 2025**

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