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Parish Council Members: Dennis Benney-President, Jack Wells-Vice-President,
Vicki Parker, Dennis Cobb, and Michael Smith



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St. Patrick Parish

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636.488.5623 Parish Office | Office Hours T-Th 9am-1pm
Debbie Enger, Secretary | stpats@centurytel.net | www.stpatricksjonesburg.org
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Fr. Ernest Dike, Parochial Administrator, edike@diojeffcity.org

Bulletin Deadline is 9:00 AM on Wednesdays

June 1, 2025 - The Ascension of the Lord

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

June 2
Easter Weekday
Acts 19:1-8
Jn 16:29-33

TUESDAY

June 3
St. Charles Lwanga
and Companions,
Martyrs
Acts 20:17-27
Jn 17:1-11a

WEDNESDAY

June 4
Easter Weekday
Acts 20:28-38
Jn 17:11b-19

THURSDAY

June 5
St. Boniface, Bishop
and Martyr
Acts 22:30; 23:6-11
Jn 17:20-26

FRIDAY

June 6
Easter Weekday
Acts 25:13b-21
Jn 21:15-19

SATURDAY

June 7
Easter Weekday
Acts 28:16-20,
30-31
Jn 21:20-25

SUNDAY

June 8
Pentecost
Acts 2:1-11
1 Cor 12:3b-7,
12-13 or
Rom 8:8-17
Jn 20:19-23 or
Jn 14:15-16,
23b-26

Why Doesn't God Do Something?

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

It is said that we never grow up until both parents have died, when we can no longer go home. Yet, for each of us, there may also be a symbolic moment that moves us from childhood into adulthood. It may be achieving financial independence, graduating from school, or moving out on our own. Whatever it may be, we say to ourselves, "I am now grown up." Whenever such moments occur, we feel empowered to shape our lives and our future.

The feast of the Ascension is that sort of marker: God has empowered us to shape the world in the image of Jesus. Just as our parents empower us into an adulthood that contributes to life, it is now God who empowers us with the very same power by which he raised Jesus from the dead. It is a power and a presence by which God makes the world new through us.

There are those who say they no longer believe in God, because if there is a good God, then he would not allow violence, the death of children before their time, and all sorts of evil that mars human life. Perhaps the greater question is not "Why doesn't God do something?" but rather "Why do we not do something?" To pass on the responsibility to God is to abdicate our own responsibility and deny the fact that God continues to empower us as adults and expects us to utilize that power and presence to make all things new. ●

Reflect

**In what ways do I act like an adult?
How is the world a better place because of me?**



Mass Schedule & Intentions for Immaculate Conception and St. Patrick

Mon	June	2nd	NO MASS - Montgomery City	
Tues	June	3rd	NO MASS - Montgomery City	
Wed	June	4th	NO MASS - Jonesburg	
Thur	June	5th	NO MASS - Montgomery City	
Fri	June	6th	NO MASS - Montgomery City	
Sat	June	7th	5:00 PM - Montgomery City	+Bill Dryden
Sun	June	8th	8:00 AM - Jonesburg	+Ed Stenger
			10:00 AM - 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

Sacraments & Information

Parish Membership: Please call the parish office to register.
Sacrament of Reconciliation: IC Sat 4:15PM-4:45PM, SP Sun 7:15AM or by appointment.
Sacrament of Baptism/Confirmation: Call the parish office to set up an appointment.
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: Order of Christian Initiation of Adults begins in the Fall and sacramental initiation normally occurs at the Easter Vigil. Please call for details. Classes on Tuesday evenings at 6:30 PM at ICS.
Hospitalization: If you are hospitalized or have a family member who is home-bound, please call the parish office.

Immaculate Conception Parish & School			
	Income	Expenses	Difference
Fiscal Jul 24-April 25, YTD	\$601,117.81	\$611,861.43	-\$10,743.62
April 2025	\$72,148.14	\$51,286.25	\$20,861.89
	Church	ICS/Daycare	Total
May 4th	\$6,611.00	\$9,328.25	\$15,939.25
May 11th	\$3,541.00	\$5,040.60	\$8,581.60
May 18th	\$2,508.00	\$4,443.00	\$6,951.00
May 25th	\$2,995.30	\$3,778.00	\$6,773.30
Weekly Goal	\$13,233.00	Wkly Avg	\$9,561.29

Your Gifts to God! Thank You!



St. Patrick Parish			
	Income	Expenses	Difference
Budget Goal FY 25	\$76,000.00		
Total Collected YTD			
	Church		Total
May 4th	\$1,548.00		
May 11th	\$1,781.00		
May 18th	\$1,144.00		
May 25th	\$748.00		
Weekly Goal	\$1,365.39	Wkly Avg	\$1,305.25

Additional Financial Information
 Capital Improvements - \$30.00
 Holydays (Ascension of the Lord) - \$5.00

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.

Mass Ministries	May 31st & June 1st	June 7th & 8th	June 14th & 15th	June 21st & 22nd
IC SAT 5PM				
Lector	Beth Roesner	Gary Hoette	Landon Pottebaum	Jacob Roesner
Eucharistic Minister	Beth Cobb	Beth Cobb	Dennis Cobb	Ruth Ann O'Keefe
Ministers of Hospitality	Kasey Pottebaum Family	Steve & Beth Cobb Daryl & Nancy Cobb	Bob Dryden Bill & Liz Huston	Steve & Beth Cobb Don & Lila Broz
Servers	Lila Broz Malorie Schulte	Beth Roesner Jacob Roesner	Lila Broz Malorie Schulte	Beth Roesner Reed Pottebaum
Money Counters	John/Aggie Baldetti & Judy Cobb	Don/Sandy Oakes & Dennis Cobb	Daryl Rhoads & John/Aggie Baldetti	Judy Cobb & Don/Sandy Oakes
IC SUN 10AM				
Lector	Mark Brower	Pat Stumbaugh	Michael Readey	Amanda Arens
Children's Liturgy	No Children's Liturgy	Rachel Rakers	Anna Harrell	Dianne Talley
Eucharistic Minister	Dennis Cobb	Jacob Lotton	Eileen Lotton	Tudie Simpson
Ministers of Hospitality	Pat & Janet Stumbaugh David & Janet Cobb	Charlie & Pat Korman Ron & Dianne Talley	Jerry Neale & Tony Wessel Dana Schneider & Brady Craven	Melissa & Justin Beabout Steve Williams & Julie Worsham
Servers	Carl Smith & Josie Harrell	Ella & Emelia Hans	Tinley Anderson & Wade Harrell	Kendra Rakers & Maverick Johnson
Money Counters	Mark Brower & Steve Williams	Elaine Winford & Dottie Brueggen	Megan Hans & Dave Teeter	Mark Brower & Vickie Parker
SP SUN 8AM				
Hospitality/Usher	Youth	Ellis Family	Farrar Family	Laurie Dothage & Terri Lenzenhuber
Altar Clean Up Only	Jan Milzark	Laurie Dothage	Jan Milzark	Jan Milzark
Lector	Gracie Cobb	Sara Johnson	Matt Politsch	Bridget Cobb
Servers	Emma Cobb & Carl Johnson	Jordan Finke & McCullie Schluss	Emma Cobb & Carl Johnson	Luke Farrar & Anna Johnson
Eucharistic Minister	Nancy Cobb	John Cobb, Sr.	Bridget Cobb	Terri Lenzenhuber
Money Counters	Bridget Cobb & Laurie Dothage	Derrick Cobb & Karen Stenger	Jan Milzark & Katherine Stroot	Bridget Cobb & Laurie Dothage

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

Dear Padre,

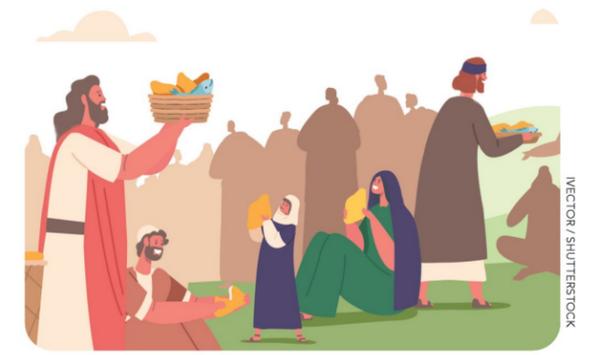
What does the Catholic Church teach about miracles?

Miracles are extraordinary occurrences without natural explanation that manifest the presence and power of God. We believe in miracles "because of the authority of God himself who reveals them, who can neither deceive nor be deceived" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 156).

Christ's multiplication of the loaves is the only miracle recorded by all four evangelists. He performed many other natural miracles—calming the storm, walking on water—and numerous healings as well—curing the deaf and mute, the woman with a hemorrhage. These signs attest that the Father sent Jesus and "they invite belief in him" (*CCC*, 548). Moreover, Jesus' miracles "also confirm that the kingdom has already arrived on earth..." (*"Dogmatic Constitution on the Church,"* 5).

Today, God still manifests his presence in the Church through miracles. For example, potential medical healings are rigorously investigated by the Vatican for sainthood causes. Other supernatural occurrences—such as apparitions and eucharistic phenomena—are likewise thoroughly and prudently investigated with caution to maintain the Church's credibility and prevent confusion among the faithful.

To that end, in May 2024, the Vatican updated its guidelines for assessing apparitions, visions, and alleged revelations, and reaffirmed that a bishop cannot rule on the validity of a particular case before the pope formally deems it to be "supernatural" for pastoral value. (Search "Norms for Proceeding in the Discernment of Alleged Supernatural Phenomena" at Vatican.va.) ●



Fr. Byron Miller, CSSr / DearPadre.org



A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

Do we know how to make ourselves intercessors for others, that is, do we know how to pray for them and bless their lives?... Let us learn this: intercessory prayer, interceding for the hopes and sufferings of the world, interceding for peace. And let us bless with our eyes and our words those we meet every day!

REGINA CAELI, ROME, MAY 29, 2022

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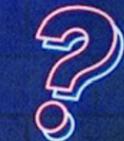
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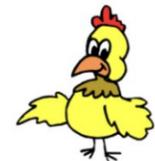

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Monday June 2nd	IC IC	5:30 PM - Choir Practice 6:30 PM - Society of St. Vincent DePaul
Tuesday June 3rd	IC IC IC	6:00 AM to 5:00 PM - Adoration NO Benediction and Devotion to Divine Mercy 6:30 PM - Deanery Meeting
Wednesday June 4th	IC IC	9:00 AM to 1:30 PM - Quilting at the St. Vincent DePaul Building - all are welcome 7:00 PM - Knights of Columbus
Thursday June 5th	SP	11:30 AM - Ladies Luncheon, Rails Bar & Grill, 24152 Kelling Ln. Warrenton
Friday June 6th		
Saturday June 7th		
Sunday June 8th	SP	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.



Then you will call on me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you.
 Jeremiah 29:12

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE:

Residents of St. Andrews New Florence Nursing & Care Center
 515 Picnic Street, New Florence, MO 63363
 Susie Ryan, Bill & Lucille Muenz, Dorothy Bowman, and Mike Busken

Resident of Victorian Manor
 2120 Village Lane, Hermann, MO 65041
 Peggy Gardner

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 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, Jean Fishback, Sheryl Gibbs, Richard Grelle, Lucille Griesbauer, Anna Gross, Ed Grillo, Henry Hamill, Ken Hocke, Antoinette Hoing, Fr. Russell Judge, Ingrid Keller, Genevieve Kelly, Pat Kline, 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, John Rybacki, Nick Schneider, Tommy Shine, Eric Smith, Dottie Steffan, Evelyn Strauss, Katherine Stroot, Londa Swoboda, Ed Torbeck, Tony Wessel, Sr., Jim Wortmann, Blake Yelton, Don Zerr

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

Brandon Wells, Noah Richard, Dylan Willis, Daniel Lohmann, Donnie Wisdom, Alex Brueggen, & Tanner Cobb



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!

Randy & Theresa Bergfeld - 59 years of marriage on June 4th
Justin & Gabrielle Talley - 10 years of marriage on June 6th
Jerry & Diane Witthaus - 50 years of marriage on June 7th

Happy Birthday to those who are celebrating in June!

2nd - Emma Cobb
5th - Madelyn Woods
6th - Dylan Finke
6th - Avery Finke
9th - Sharon Privett
10th - Cora Johnson
10th - Josh Johnson
10th - Lance Orr
24th - Chad Stewart



Immaculate Conception School News

Ms. Dana Schroeder, School Principal | Judy Cobb, School Secretary | 573.564.2679 - School Office | immaculateconception@icschool-mc.org



Thank you to all parishioners for all your support, ICS finished another great school year! School is out for the SUMMER!

St. Patrick's News

You are invited to the Society of St Vincent DePaul meetings on the 1st and 3rd Mondays at 6:30 PM. The meetings are held at the St. Vincent DePaul building located at 216 West 2nd Street in Montgomery City. Come to a meeting to find out what the Society does and if interested sign up to participate.



Vacation Bible School - Change of Date

Please note the change in the Vacation Bible School Dates - **June 24th-27th** from 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM. Dinner (Supper) will be served! We hope to have flyers and registration forms by next weekend for these four exciting evenings where your child(ren) will learn more about their faith!



Immaculate Conception Altars

We have not been able to find a place to store the old altars. If we cannot find a place to store them, they will have to be destroyed. If you can help us out, or know of a parish that could use them, please let Dennis Benney (573-590-3300) or the parish office (573-564-2375) know.

Guitar Lessons Anyone?

Dottie Brueggen will be offering BASIC guitar lessons for students 6th grade and older on (most) Tuesday mornings during the summer. The classes will be held at the school from 10:30-11:30 AM. First class will be on Tuesday, June 3rd and a schedule of class dates will be available at that time. A few guitars will be available; but, if you have one, bring it along. Questions, call Dottie at 573-564-2183.



Youth Group

The Youth Group will meet on Sunday, June 1st, following 10 AM Mass. We will discuss and plan upcoming activities for the next couple of months. We will also be eating lunch and playing games.



Prayer Garden



Thank you to Gary Hoette and Michael Brown for installing the new sign for the Prayer Garden. Thank you to all of the volunteers that make the Prayer Garden such a beautiful place!

2025-2026 ICS Staff

Principal/ECLC Director - Ms. Dana Schroeder
ECLC Assistant Director - Mrs. Peggy Brower
ECLC Staff - Mrs. Beebo Eoff, Ms. Shirley Henke, Ms. Amber Surls, Ms. Andrea Knapp
Secretary - Mrs. Judy Cobb
PK/Kindergarten - Mrs. Denise Kemmis
1st/2nd - Mrs. Megan Rogers
3rd/4th - Mrs. Cristal Castillo and Mrs. Gina Smith
5th/7th - Mrs. Gina Smith and Mrs. Cristal Castillo
Art - Mrs. Rachel Weekley
P.E. - Mrs. Carol Oden
Music - Miss Dorothy Brueggen
Custodian- Mr. Samuel Madrigal

When There Is No Bishop - What Next?

After the installation of Archbishop Shawn McKnight in Kansas City on May 27, the See of Jefferson City will be officially vacant. The Diocesan College of Consultors will meet to elect a diocesan administrator for the Diocese of Jefferson City.

The College of Consultors in the Diocese of Jefferson City is comprised of Very Reverend Brad T. Berhorst, Very Reverend Christopher L. Cordes, Reverend Monsignor David D. Cox, Very Reverend Jason T. Doke, Reverend Monsignor Gregory L. Higley, Reverend Monsignor Robert A. Kurwicky, Very Reverend P. Gregory Oligschlaeger, and Very Reverend R. William Peckman.

Once selected, the diocesan administrator will serve as the leader of the diocese until a new Bishop of Jefferson City is appointed by the Holy Father and takes canonical possession of the diocese. The diocesan administrator can fully govern the diocese and make all necessary decisions to safeguard it while awaiting the appointment of a new bishop. He is, however, bound by the same principle: *sede vacante, nihil innovetur*, "When the see is vacant, nothing is to be altered." This means that he will be obligated to carry out all existing diocesan laws and policies, which he will not be empowered to change.

Catholic Education Commission

Following are highlights from the meeting held on May 20th.

- **OCIA** - Starting with Ash Wednesday of 2027, OCIA will become a year-long program with Sacraments to be received by Easter Vigil of 2028.
- **ICS** - Two teachers are hired for the 25-26 school year. Gary Hoette & Michael Brown installed a new sign at the Prayer Garden.
- **Adult Religious Education** - Season 5 of "The Chosen" will be shown when it become available. Symbolon Series used in OCIA is an Adult Religious Education opportunity.
- **PSR** - classes are over for the year. There were usually 8-9 students attending the grades 1st-6th classes. "Protecting God's Children" was covered in all grade levels.
- **VBS** - still planning to have this summer in June.
- **Children's Liturgy** - this summer will be on the 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Sundays. Rachel Rakers will be taking over for Bonnie Walker, who retired.
- **Youth Ministry/Confirmation** - this summer Dottie is offering guitar lessons to 6th graders and older. Confirmation classes will start in the fall of 2026.
- **Youth Group** - meeting the first Sunday in June to plan activities and fundraisers.

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11:40 AM — ROSARY
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"Thus it is written that the Messiah would suffer and rise from the dead on the third day and that repentance, for the forgiveness of sins, would be preached in his name to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things."

Luke 24:46-48

As followers of Christ, we gratefully and lovingly offer our time, talents and treasures as a visible expression of our commitment to sharing the Good News of the Gospel.

