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573.564.2375 Parish Office | Office Hours M -Th 9am-3pm  
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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

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  
Parish Council Members: Dan Schwartz (314-488-7118) -President, Barb Turpin (636-368-2157) -Vice-President, Katherine Stroot (573-629-8362) -Secretary,  
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 is 9:00 AM on Wednesdays

## April 27, 2025 - Second Sundy of Easter (Sunday of Divine Mercy)

### 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**  
April 28  
*Easter Weekday*  
Acts 4:23-31  
Jn 3:1-8

**TUESDAY**  
April 29  
*St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Doctor of the Church*  
Acts 4:32-37  
Jn 3:7b-15


**WEDNESDAY**  
April 30  
*Easter Weekday*  
Acts 5:17-26  
Jn 3:16-21

**THURSDAY**  
May 1  
*Easter Weekday*  
Acts 5:27-33  
Jn 3:31-36

**FRIDAY**  
May 2  
*St. Athanasius, Bishop and Doctor of the Church*  
Acts 5:34-42  
Jn 6:1-15

**SATURDAY**  
May 3  
*Sts. Philip and James, Apostles*  
1 Cor 15:1-8  
Jn 14:6-14

**SUNDAY**  
May 4  
*Third Sunday of Easter*  
Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41  
Rv 5:11-14  
Jn 21:1-19 or 21:1-14



[Jesus] said to [the disciples] again,  
“Peace be with you. As the Father  
has sent me, so I send you.”  
And when he had said this, he  
breathed on them and said to them,  
“Receive the Holy Spirit.”  
JOHN 20:21-22

## From Anger to Peace

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

**A**t this point in history, we are a nation filled with much anger. Given all that is taking place, one might conclude that it comes from a fear of losing control—fears due to the waves of immigrants seeking asylum, to a changing economy, to political alliances, to artificial intelligence, resulting in our inability to sort truth from untruth. Fears also due to strained relationships with non-Western nations, to urban violence and the abundance of guns, to the conflict between pro-life and pro-choice allegiances, and, for some, to what is perceived as conflicted thinking within the Catholic Church. There is no shortage of what may be fueling our anger. How can faith help us respond in a life-giving way?

Saint John writes that “whoever is begotten by God conquers the world. And the victory that conquers the world is our faith” (1 John 5:4). This is not to say that we can easily make the world respond in ways we want, but rather that the world has no power over the person who places all trust in God’s presence among us. It was the risen Lord who once brought peace to the disciples behind doors locked out of fear. Might not our faith help us who have locked ourselves behind doors of mistrust and anger? If only we allow ourselves to trust God. Yet, we should not simply shrug off all cares or involvement in life; on the contrary, with faith and trust, we recognize we are not the only players in shaping the events of the world. ●

**Reflect**

*Do I bring my faith to the news of the day;  
do I pray for peace?*



Mass Schedule & Intentions for Immaculate Conception and St. Patrick

|      |       |      |                         |                 |                                 |
|------|-------|------|-------------------------|-----------------|---------------------------------|
| Mon  | April | 28th | NO MASS Montgomery City |                 |                                 |
| Tues | April | 29th | 5:30PM                  | Montgomery City | +Vincent & Delores Schimweg     |
| Wed  | April | 30th | 8:30 AM                 | Jonesburg       | +Tom Lenzenhuber                |
| Thur | May   | 1st  | NO MASS Montgomery City |                 |                                 |
| Fri  | May   | 2nd  | 10:00 AM                | Montgomery City | +Sue Kyle                       |
|      |       |      | (Prayer Partner Mass)   |                 |                                 |
| Sat  | May   | 3rd  | 5:00 PM                 | Montgomery City | -Our Parish Family              |
| Sun  | May   | 4th  | 8:00 AM                 | Jonesburg       | +Shirley Rose                   |
|      |       |      | 10:00 AM                | Montgomery City | -Clint Cunningham (for Healing) |

**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 24-Mar 25, YTD             | \$528,969.67 | \$560,575.18 | -\$31605.51 |
| March 2025                            | \$59,250.33  | \$54,527.61  | \$4,722.72  |
|                                       | Church       | ICS/Daycare  | Total       |
| April 6th                             | \$9,802.50   | \$7,698.50   | \$17,501.00 |
| April 13th                            | \$5,505.01   | \$4,484.00   | \$9,989.01  |
| April 20th                            | \$3,458.26   | \$4,917.50   | \$8,375.76  |
| April 27th                            |              |              |             |
| Weekly Goal                           | \$13,233.00  | Wkly Avg     | \$11,955.26 |

Your Gifts to God! Thank You!



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.

| St. Patrick Parish  |             |                                       |            |
|---------------------|-------------|---------------------------------------|------------|
|                     | Income      | Expenses                              | Difference |
| Budget Goal FY 25   | \$76,000.00 |                                       |            |
| Total Collected YTD |             |                                       |            |
|                     | Church      | Total                                 |            |
| April 6th           | \$1,511.00  |                                       |            |
| April 13th          | \$1,443.00  |                                       |            |
| April 20th          | \$2,022.00  | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection - \$186.42 |            |
| April 27th          |             |                                       |            |
| March 30th          |             |                                       |            |
| Weekly Goal         | \$1,365.39  | Wkly Avg                              | \$1,658.67 |

| Additional Financial Information   |                          |  | Who is an Active Parishioner?  |                                     |   |
|--|--------------------------|--|--|-------------------------------------|---|
| Capital Improvements - \$25.00   |                          |  | ♦Registered in the parish.   |                                     |   |
| Religious Retirement - \$1,505.00  |                          |  | ♦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  |                          | April 26th & 27th                                | May 3rd & May 4th  | May 10th & 11th                     | May 17th & 18th                                       |
| IC SAT 5PM   | Lector                   | Landon Pottebaum                                 | Jacob Roesner  | 8th Grade Graduates                 | Dennis Cobb   |
|  | Eucharistic Minister     | Ruth Ann O'Keefe                                 | Mary Pottebaum   | Gary Hoette                         | Beth Cobb   |
|  | Ministers of Hospitality | Steve & Beth Cobb<br>Daryl & Nancy Cobb          | Bob Dryden<br>Bill & Liz Huston  | Kasey Pottebaum Family              | Steve & Beth Cobb<br>Daryl & Nancy Cobb               |
|  | Servers                  | Malorie Schulte<br>Beth Roesner                  | Mercer Cothren<br>Jacob Roesner  | Paisley Anderson<br>Steele Anderson | Malorie Schulte<br>Beth Roesner                       |
|  | Money Counters           | Dennis Cobb & Daryl Rhoads                       | Judy Cobb & John/ Aggie Baldetti   | Don/Sandy Oakes & Darryl Rhoads     | Dottie Brueggen & Debbie Heidelberg                   |
| IC SUN 10AM  | Lector                   | Richard Schierhoff                               | Elizabeth Schierhoff   | Graduates                           | Janet Stumbaugh                                       |
|  | Children's Liturgy       | Dianne Talley                                    | Geri Park  | Rachel Rakers                       | Anna Harrell  |
|  | Eucharistic Minister     | Eileen Lotton                                    | Tudie Simpson  | Jenidean Readey                     | Jack Wells  |
|  | Ministers of Hospitality | Jeff & Amanda Arens<br>Jerry Neale & Tony Wessel | Melissa & Justin Beabout<br>Dana & Brady Schneider   | Graduates                           | Ron & Dianne Talley<br>Steve Williams & Julie Worsham |
|  | Servers                  | Carl Smith & Josie Harrell                       | Ella Hans & Emelia Hans  | Natalie & Leyla Beabout             | Alena Beabout & Elizabeth Schierhoff                  |
| SP SUN 8AM   | Money Counters           | Mark Brower & Steve Williams                     | Elaine Winford & Dottie Brueggen   | Cathy McCormack & Pam Schwartz      | Dave Teeter & Megan Hans                              |
|  | Hospitality/Usher        | Ellis Family                                     | Youth  | Farrar Family                       | Nancy & John Cobb                                     |
|  | Altar Clean Up Only      | Jan Milzark                                      | Jan Milzark  | Laurie Dothage                      | Jan Milzark   |
|  | Lector                   | Donna Cobb                                       | Gracie Cobb  | Nancy Cobb                          | Julie Ellis   |
|  | Servers                  | Luke Farrar & Anna Johnson                       | Emma Cobb & Carl Johnson   | Jordan Finke & McCullie Schluss     | Emma Cobb & Carl Johnson                              |
|  | Eucharistic Minister     | John Cobb, Sr.                                   | Bridget Cobb   | Terri Lenzenhuber                   | Barb Turpin   |
| Money Counters   |                          | John Cobb, Jr.& Brad Ellis                       | Bridget Cobb & Laurie Dothage  | Derrick Cobb & Karen Stenger        | Gracie Cobb & Jan Milzark                             |
| Remember, if you are unable to complete your assigned time, you are responsible for finding a replacement! Thank you for your service! |                          |  |  |                                     |   |

Dear Padre,

How do we maintain our faith in a world that shames religion and creates doubt in our beliefs?

I would respond to your question with one of my own: “When has it ever been different?” In what place has there been universal praise and acceptance of the practices of faith and belief? When has there been a time when there is no doubt? This is a good question for this Sunday, when we hear about St. Thomas, the doubting disciple.

Many years ago, unanimity might have been understood as the norm in a tight-knit neighborhood community of people with the same experience and belief. However, in the wide world today that is so connected and disconnected at the same time, sameness and uniformity cannot be assumed. It may cause unease, or even fear, to learn that someone disagrees with you, perhaps even someone you love, but it should no longer be a surprise or considered out of the ordinary.

Doubt can help a person grow in faith and belief. Even though doubt is challenging, it is often a necessary experience in order to be strengthened and to persevere. Doubt is not something that should cause us to quiver in fear, but rather to rejoice in hope, in the confidence that what we believe is worth living and has something to teach us. ●



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Fr. Thomas M. Santa, CSsR / DearPadre.org

Bishop McKnight’s April prayer intention for our Local Church

For all who have suffered abuse, that they may experience healing and restoration. That we may be ever-vigilant in protecting the vulnerable and ensuring our parishes remain places of safety, love, and respect. We pray to the Lord.



A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

Let us ask ourselves: at home, in my family, at work, in my community, do I foster fellowship, am I a weaver of reconciliation? Do I commit myself to defusing conflict, to bringing forgiveness in place of hatred, and peace in place of resentment? Do I avoid hurting others by not gossiping, which always kills?

HOMILY, ROME, APRIL 24, 2022

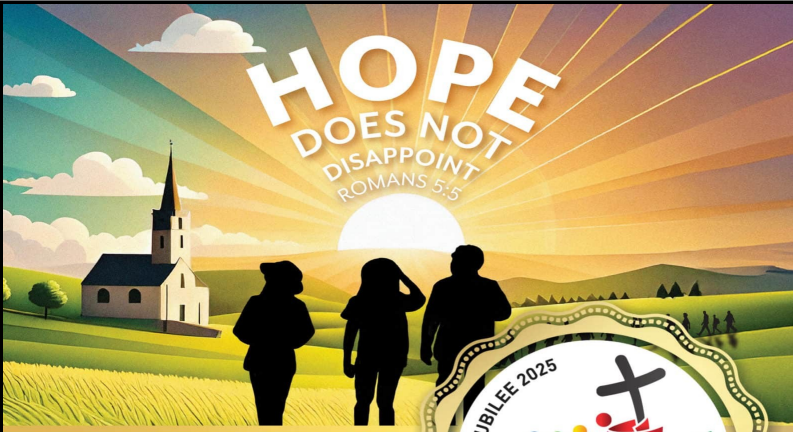


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ROMANS 5:5




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pilgrimage sites in the  
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In the Diocese of Jefferson City, five locations have been designated as Jubilee pilgrimage sites. Each of the locations was chosen to represent one of our five diocesan deaneries and are listed in the 2025 Jubilee Passport booklet which is located in both church vestibules.

Each page contains an area where a sticker can be placed when visiting a pilgrimage site. Each site will have these specially designed stickers available.

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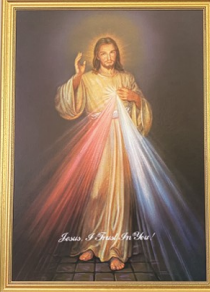
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Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you.  
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And when he had said this, he breathed on  
them and said to them, "Receive the Holy  
Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven  
them, and whose sins you retain are retained."  
John 20:21-23

Jesus visited the apostles with a mission of  
compassion, offering them peace and the  
renewal of their relationship with him.  
He then entrusted them with the task of  
sharing his mercy, granting them the authority  
to forgive sins through the sacrament of  
reconciliation. This beautiful gift not only  
cleanses our souls but also strengthens our  
bond with Christ.




  
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Upcoming Events and Announcements

|                         |                |  |
|-------------------------|----------------|--|
| Monday<br>April 28th    |                |  |
| Tuesday<br>April 29th   | IC<br>IC<br>IC | 6:00 AM to 5:00 PM - Adoration<br>5:00 PM - Benediction and Devotion to Divine Mercy<br>6:30 PM - OCIA @ ICS   |
| Wednesday<br>April 30th | IC<br>IC       | 9:00 AM to 1:30 PM - Quilting at the St. Vincent DePaul Building - all are welcome<br>6:00 PM - ICS Spring Special Program @ KC Hall                                       |
| Thursday<br>May 1st     | SP             | 11:30 AM - Ladies Lunch @ Back Roads Pizza & Grill, 11 Farm Drive, Hawk Point, MO  |
| Friday<br>May 2nd       | IC<br>SP       | 10:00 AM - May Crowning & Prayer Partner Mass followed by Brunch @ IC School<br>6:30 PM - Parish Council, Finance Council, and Remodeling Committee Meeting in Parish Hall |
| Saturday<br>May 3rd     |                |  |
| Sunday<br>May 4th       | SP<br>IC       | After 8:00 AM Mass - Coffee & Donuts in Parish Hall - all are welcome<br>10:00 AM Mass - First Holy Communion  |



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

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, Jean Fishback, Sheryl Gibbs, Richard Grelle, Lucille Griesbauer, Anna Gross, Ed Grillo, Henry Hamill, Grace Hanneken, Ken Hocke, Antoinette Hoing, Ingrid Keller, Genevieve Kelly, Pat Kline, Pat Merz, 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, 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!

Richard & Sara Beth Boschert - 33 years of marriage on April 25th  
Rich & Vivian Grelle - 60 years of marriage on May 1st  
John & Ruth Schneider - 57 years of marriage on May 4th

**Happy Birthday to those who are celebrating in May!**

8th - Brian Barclay  
10th - Lori Farrar  
15th - Blaire Barclay  
15th - Merrin Schluss  
16th - Jace Ellis  
16th - Sara Johnson  
18th - Genevieve Kelly  
25th - Randy Bergfeld  
29th - Katherine Stroot



**Divine Mercy Sunday  
3:00pm April 27, 2025 @ IC**

Divine Mercy Sunday is a beautiful Feast Day celebrated within the Catholic Church on the Second Sunday of Easter. It is originally based on the Catholic devotion to the Divine Mercy that Sister Maria Faustina Kowalska reported as part of her encounter with Jesus. Pope John Paul both canonized Sister Faustina Kowalska and declared in his homily of that day his own desire that the Second Sunday of Easter be designated Divine Mercy Sunday. He wanted to make this Feast Day a special “refuge and shelter” for the “consolation” of souls.

**St. Patrick’s News**



There will be a funeral luncheon only on May 10<sup>th</sup> for Don Sanders, brother of Sandy Waddell and Mary Stevens of our church. We are not able to hold a funeral mass but they do want a luncheon. Family is providing the meat and the ladies of our parish need to supply sides, drinks, and dessert. May 10 at 11:00. Family is having a grave site program and then will come to St Patrick for the luncheon.

REMINDER: Meeting of Parish Council, Finance Council and Remodeling Committee will meet Friday May 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30 in the parish hall. We will hear from the Remodeling committee and discuss our next steps.

Six weeks ago I mentioned how this parish is incredibly generous, and is still true today. The Community Food Drive was a success. Thank you to all who gave monetary/food donations. A total of \$262 was donated and that has been split in half with \$131 given to the Blessing Barn and \$131 given to the Jonesburg Elementary Backpack Program.

The church did receive a very generous donation from an anonymous donor for \$2,000 that specifically said it must be used for charity. This money was split 3 ways with \$666.66 going to the Backpack Program, \$666.66 going to the Blessing Barn for groceries, and \$666.66 staying at the church to help with those who come to the church needing help with various things.

Caroline Weber

**Thank you!**

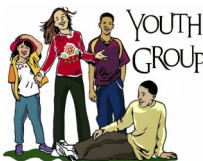


We want to thank everyone who signed up for the Easter Triduum Ministries, for decorating the church so beautifully, for the beautiful music, and those who took part in the Masses/Services. What a glorious Easter celebration we had!

**Graduation Masses**



Immaculate Conception Parish will be honoring ICS 8th Grade graduates on Saturday, May 10th at 5:00 PM Mass. High school and post-secondary graduates will be honored at 10:00 AM Mass on Sunday, May 11th. Graduates are asked to wear their cap and gown at the Mass. This includes high school and any type of graduation or certification after high school. Please call or text Ruth Ann O’Keefe at (573) 823-2676 if you have a student who has graduated during this past year.



**Youth Group**

The Youth Group will meet on Sunday, April 27th following the 10 a.m. Mass in the school cafeteria. **The Youth Group is open to anyone from 7th grade to 12th grade who has been confirmed.** There will be faith, food, and fun every time we meet! We would like to get the students' input on ideas for future outings, so please plan on attending. Please contact Steve Williams (573-975-7494) or Gina Smith (573) 289-8635 with any questions.

**Immaculate Conception School Spring Special**

Please join the students of Immaculate Conception School as they present the 2025 Spring Special. Students will be singing, playing chimes, doing skits, telling stories, etcetera for your entertainment.



The Spring Special will be Wednesday, April 30th at the Knights of Columbus building. Matinee/Dress Rehearsal will be at 1:00 pm with the evening show starting at 6:00 pm. We hope to see you there!

**Save the Dates**

**May 31st** - “Spring Cleaning” our church at IC  
**June 17th thru the 20th** - Vacation Bible School

**Immaculate Conception School News**

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



**Calendar:**

Apr. 24 - 3rd & 4th Grade State Capitol Field Trip  
Apr. 30 - Spring Special, 1pm & 6pm @ KC Hall  
May 1 - Diocesan 8th Grade Mass & Celebration in Jeff City  
May 2 - May Crowning & Prayer Partner Mass (10am) and Luncheon  
May 4 - First Communion @ 10am Mass  
May 6-9 - Teacher Appreciation Week  
May 7 - 6th Grade Vocations Day in Columbia

Thank you so much to those who came to our **Living Stations of the Cross** performance on Good Friday. We received many compliments and are so happy that many of the students were able to participate when school was not in session.

Our students will share their talents through music, song, and reflection as they celebrate the gifts God has given them – and offer them back in a spirit of gratitude and joy at our **Spring Special and Art Walk** at the KC Hall on Wednesday, April 30. You can come for the matinee performance (dress rehearsal) at 1pm, or for the main event at 6pm. Miss Dottie has been preparing the students to sing, dance, and play for you! Mrs. Weekley will have their beautiful artwork on display. All parishioners are warmly invited – come enjoy an evening of faith, community, and celebration. Let us come together as a parish family to support our students and be reminded of the beauty in giving back to God with grateful hearts.

On Sunday, May 4, we joyfully welcome four of our students as they receive their **First Holy Communion**. These students have been prayerfully preparing for this sacred moment, and we ask our parish community to keep them and their families in your prayers. May this beautiful sacrament deepen their love for Jesus and draw them ever closer to Him in the Eucharist.

**New Classroom Teachers for 2025-2026**

Mrs. Megan Rogers comes to us with 11 years of experience. She will be the 1st & 2nd grade teacher. She and her husband have three children and live in High Hill. The children will also be attending ICS!  
Mrs. Cristal Castillo has been our dedicated substitute teacher for 2 years. She will be the 5th & 6th homeroom teacher. She and her husband have one son and live in Montgomery City. She is very excited to share her love for Jesus with the students.

**Virtue of the Month: Obedience**

*Obedience:* saying “Yes” to the loving will of God and those He has set over us  
Obedience is not exactly a popular virtue in our culture. Someone who is worldly seeks power, not submission. The Christian idea of authority is that the one with the most authority is not the one who controls the most people, but the one who *serves* the most people.

**Thank You!**

The Knights of Columbus Council 2044 is thankful for the patronage of the Immaculate Conception Church. We extend our gratitude to all parishioners who weekly brought in desserts.

“It takes a Village”! I want to thank my Co-Chairman, Mark Brower for his focus, thankful for each and every person downstairs that breads, fries and carries the fish along with the 1500 hush puppies and 80 lbs. of fries. Those that clean down stairs, especially Tony and Landall Wessel who cleaned fryers each Saturday morning. Don Broz and his kitchen crew, Dottie Brueggen and the impressionable bussing crew, the cashiers, the drive-through crew that worked through some tough weather this year, and the Home and School crowd that shows up each week. They all did a remarkable job. A big thank you to that Village. With these fish fries, we contribute back to the IC School, IC parish and maintain the Hall to be used by our community. We do thank the Lord for all he has wrought.

Jerry Witthaus  
Grand Knight Council 2044.



Please continue to pray for the repose of Pope Francis’ soul. Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May his soul, and all the souls of the faithfully departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.