

# ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH of IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH

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**ACTIONS  
SPEAK  
LOUDER**  
MATTHEW 21:23-32

**26th Sunday**  
**in Ordinary Time**  
September 27, 2020

**"Son, go out and  
work in the  
vineyard today."**

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## **Sunday & Weekday Mass Schedule**

### **SUNDAY MASSES**

Sunday: 7:00AM; 9:00AM; & 11:00AM

Saturday (Vigil): 4:00PM

### **WEEKDAY MASSES**

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday: 6:30AM

Wednesday: 6:30PM

Monday – Friday: 8:30AM

### **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Saturday: 2:30PM—3:15PM &

7:00PM—7:30PM in the Chapel

*Please enter through the Main Church  
and proceed to the Chapel hallway on your right.*

### **SCHEDULE OF LIVESTREAMING**

#### **Sunday Mass—Livestreamed**

9:00AM Sunday

#### **Weekday Masses—Livestreamed**

8:30AM: Monday—Friday

## **IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH**

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### **SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

Please call the Parish Office.

### **SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY**

Call the Parish Office at least six months  
prior to intended wedding date. Do not schedule a venue  
before securing the wedding date.

### **EMERGENCY CALLS FOR THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK**

For an emergency requesting the  
Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick or  
if you have experienced the death of a family member  
call the Parish Office at 417.887.0600.

Prompt #2 will connect you with Fr. Tom

### **PRAYER CHAIN: 417.887.0600**

Prompt #3 will connect you to the mailbox  
where you may leave a prayer request.

Please leave contact information with the request.

### **SECURITY TEAM CONTACT INFORMATION**

You may leave a message for the Security Team at the  
following email address: [security@ic-parish.org](mailto:security@ic-parish.org)

# IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

THE 26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - SEPTEMBER 27, 2020

## THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

### ALL MASSES WILL BE IN THE MAIN CHURCH

#### Sunday, September 27th—

##### **26th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

- 7:00AM SUNDAY MASS—CHURCH  
Knights of Columbus Breakfast after All Masses  
8:30AM Rosary—CHURCH  
9:00AM SUNDAY MASS—CHURCH—*Streaming on Facebook*  
11:00AM SUNDAY MASS—CHURCH  
12:00 NOON—2:00 PM Confirmation Team—CAFETERIA  
6:30PM Men's Prayer Group Rosary—CRA  
7:00PM Men's Prayer Group Meeting—CRA

#### Monday, September 28th

- 6:30AM Daily Mass—CHURCH  
8:30AM Daily Mass—CHURCH  
—*Streaming on Facebook*  
6:30PM First Sacraments Parent's Meeting—CHURCH

#### Tuesday, September 29th

- 6:30AM Daily Mass—CHURCH  
8:30AM School Mass—2nd & 3rd—CHURCH  
—*Streaming on Facebook*

#### Wednesday, September 30th

- 8:30AM School Mass—6th thru 8th—CHURCH  
—*Streaming on Facebook*  
6:30PM Daily Mass—CHURCH  
CANCELLED: PSR & 6th—8th Youth Sessions

#### Thursday, October 1st

- 6:30AM Daily Mass—CHURCH  
8:30AM Daily Mass—CHURCH  
—*Streaming on Facebook*

#### Friday, October 2nd—First Friday Masses & Exposition

- 6:30AM Daily Mass—All School Mass—CHURCH  
8:30AM All School Mass—CHURCH  
—*Streaming on Facebook*  
9:30AM Adoration begins after Mass—CHURCH  
1:00PM Benediction—CHURCH

#### Saturday, October 3rd, Sunday Vigil

- 4:00PM Sunday Vigil Mass—CHURCH

#### Sunday, October 4th—

##### **27th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

- 7:00AM SUNDAY MASS—CHURCH  
8:30AM Rosary—CHURCH  
9:00AM SUNDAY MASS—CHURCH  
—*Streaming on Facebook*  
9:00AM CANCELLED: CONFIRMATION SESSION—CRA  
11:00AM SUNDAY MASS—CHURCH

## MEN'S PRAYER GROUP MEETING

Our next meeting is this Sunday night, September 27th, 7:00PM. The Rosary (optional) will be prayed at 6:30PM in Community Room A. Contact Bruce Horine at 417.833.7913 with questions.



## MASS INTENTIONS

#### **Monday, September 28th—Saint Wenceslaus, Martyr; Saint Lawrence Ruiz and Companions, Martyrs**

- 6:30AM Jack Schiltz (Int.)  
8:30AM + Gary Anderson

#### **Tuesday, September 29th—Saints Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael, Archangels**

- 6:30AM Erma Laurin (Int.)  
8:30AM Luke Hair (Int.)

#### **Wednesday, September 30th—Saint Jerome, Priest, Doctor of the Church**

- 8:30AM + Ann Meese  
6:30PM + George Preisinger

#### **Thursday, October 1st—Saint Thérèse of the Child Jesus, Virgin, Doctor of the Church**

- 6:30AM Myrtle Crippin (Int.)  
8:30AM Kathy & Jerry Lukavich (Int.)

#### **Friday, October 2nd—Holy Guardian Angels**

- 6:30AM PSR Students & Families  
8:30AM + Rettman & Waier Families

#### **Saturday, Vigil Mass, October 3rd**

- 4:00PM + Bill Horton

#### **Sunday, October 4th—**

##### **27th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

- 7:00AM + Edward Weissler  
9:00AM + Mamie Lawless  
11:00AM The Parish Family



**OCTOBER 2ND, 2020 FIRST FRIDAY  
ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT  
9:00AM—1:00PM 1:00PM BENEDICTION**

## PARENT MEETING FIRST RECONCILIATION

**MONDAY—SEPTEMBER 28TH—6:30 PM—IN THE CHURCH**

## SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

Confirmation class on October 4th is CANCELLED due to COVID precautions. We will plan to resume with the first session (Orientation for Parents and Candidates) on October 18th.

## PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION

Due to recent outbreaks of COVID-19, we are postponing PSR and Youth Classes for September 23rd & 30th. Classes will resume on October 7th. Any questions please text/call Doris at 417.234.9869. On Sunday October 4th, we will have a 30 minute session in Community Room A (snack, short movie & discussion) for all PSR students. We will be sending you soon the links to virtual learning for each class. We do not want the students to get too far behind and we look forward to seeing your children in person on October 4th & 7th.



## SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR ...

### 27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

OCTOBER 4, 2020

Isaiah 5:1-7 / Psalm 80:9, 12, 13-14, 15-16, 19-20

Philippians 4:6-9 / Matthew 21:33-43

### PARISHIONERS WHO NEED SPECIAL PRAYERS

Ron Siever, Christopher Cain, Mark Stark, George Preisinger, Paul Penn, Francis Barnes, Anne Davies, Stephen Kiely, Donald Borneman, Sherri Hawkins, Janice Hill, Sophia Griesbaum, Andrew Conklin, Cora Gumucio, Steve Schoen, Nick, Angie, Laura Seemuth, Gerald Martin, Eloise Fetter, Judy Gibson, Gerri Klesel, Tony Klesel, Corine Larson, Mary Miller, Karen Pfirrmann, Katie, Flor Rivera, Jan Royster, Mary Shanahan, Nicole Zangrilli, Tom Johnson, and all who need more prayers.

We also remember in prayer all healthcare professionals, those providing essential services, all who are battling chronic illnesses, COVID-19 victims, the homebound, and all of us who are in isolation.

*People are listed for 4 weeks, then transferred to the Prayer Intention book, unless family notifies us otherwise.*

### Memorial Mass

**Dorothy Sauter—October 10th—10:30AM**

You are invited to the Memorial Mass for Dorothy Mary (Howard) Sauter on Wednesday, October 10th at 10:30 AM. Dorothy is survived by: daughters Debbie (Bob) Williams and Patti (Mark) Graham; daughter-in-law, Peggy Sauter; brother-in-law Tom (Louise) Sauter; grandchildren, nieces, nephews, and many friends.

### ROSARY COAST TO COAST



**SUNDAY**  
**October 11th—3:00PM**  
**SEAS Parking Lot**  
**2200 W. Republic Rd.**  
**CONTACT: Jon McElwee**  
**417.599.8389**

### ABOUT BECOMING A CATHOLIC

Do you know someone who might be considering becoming Catholic? For information: Tina Miller 417.887.0600.

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## From Father Tom's Desk



### If the House Is Messy, Clean It Up

My wife had a second-grader who once drew a picture of a fierce rhinoceros with a disturbing and unvarnished admission as a caption: "I'm as angry as a rhino!" Similarly, in her book, *Amazing Grace; A Vocabulary of Faith*, Kathleen Norris writes about a little boy who wrote a poem called "The Monster Who Was Sorry." In the poem the boy explodes about how he hated it when his father yelled at him. In anger he threw his sister down the stairs, wrecked his room, then destroyed an entire town. His poem concludes: "Then I sit in my messy house and say to myself, 'I shouldn't have done all that.'"

Commenting on the boy's poem, Norris writes, "My messy house' says it all; with more honesty than most adults could have mustered, the boy made a metaphor for himself that admitted the depth of his rage and also gave him a way out. If that boy had been a novice in a fourth century monastic desert, his elders might have told him that he was well on the way toward repentance, not such a monster after all, but only human. If the house is messy, they might have said, why not clean it up, why not make it into a place where God might wish to dwell."

Dan Clendenin, *The Monster Who Was Sorry*

### Availability

A man applied for a job as a handyman. The prospective employer asked, "Can you do carpentry?" The man answered in the negative.

"How about bricklaying?" Again the man answered, "No."

The employer asked, "Well, what about electrical work?"

The man said "No, I don't know anything about that either." Finally the employer said, "Well, tell me then what is handy about you." The man replied, "I live just around the corner."

Sometimes the greatest ability we can have is availability. To be where God can call us, to be within whisper range of his summons, that is the beginning of a life of meaningful discipleship.

King Duncan, *Time for Action*

### What Are We Going to Do?

A small boy in church with his parents listened to the minister describe his visit to a poor home. The minister pictured the bare rooms, the ragged clothing, the empty dishes on the table, the pale, hungry children. When he had finished his story, he announced the closing hymn. But the little boy, with tears in his eyes, cried out to his father, "But, Daddy, aren't we going to do anything about it?" That question is being asked by our Father over and over again - are we going to do anything about it?

Jerry L. Schmalenberger, *When Christians Quarrel*, CSS Publishing Company

*Father Tom*

### YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED for the Week of September 12/13, 2020

Envelopes:	\$ 11,712.77	Sponsor A Child	\$ 125.00
Plate:	\$ 335.00	St. Vincent de Paul	\$ 1,202.00
Weekly Total:	\$ 18,705.34	Parish Repair & Maintenance	\$ 2,107.00
<b>Weekly Need to Meet Budget:</b>	<b>\$ 20,840.39</b>		

Annual Budgeted Collection:	\$ 1,119,956.00
Year-to-Date Budget:	\$ 211,530.00
Year-to-date Collection:	\$ 205,301.41
	(11.76% below budget)

**DONATE ONLINE: [WWW.IC-PARISH.ORG](http://WWW.IC-PARISH.ORG)**







## YOUTH GROUP—6TH THRU 8TH

6th-8th Grade Youth Group is **CANCELED** for this Wednesday, September 30th due to COVID precautions. We will plan to resume on October 7th. If you have not registered yet, registration forms (which include COVID procedures) are on the table in the gathering area, or fill one out using the QR Code:



## YOUTH GROUP—9TH THRU 12TH

High School Youth Group is **CANCELLED** for this Sunday, September 27th. Small group and online options will be coming soon!

For questions contact Mani in the office 417.887.0600 or [mbrockmeyer@ic-parish.org](mailto:mbrockmeyer@ic-parish.org).

**SUNDAY ROSARY IN THE CHURCH @ 8:30AM**

## Immaculate Conception Hosting a Blood Drive



Community Blood Center of the Ozarks  
Springfield Donor Center  
220 W. Plainview Rd  
October: Monday, 12th—Wednesday 14th  
8:00 AM—6:00 PM

## IT'S MORE THAN A TOOTSIE ROLL



**"CAMPAIGN FOR PEOPLE  
WITH INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES"**  
October 3rd & 4th at Church  
after all Sunday Masses

When you see Knights in yellow vests that read *"Helping People with Intellectual Disabilities,"* you should smile. Please help the Knights support Southwest Special Olympics and Cardinal Glennon Children's Hospital.

The Knights of Columbus will be at Harter House (East Republic Rd) October 2nd, 10AM—6PM & Saturday, October 3rd, 8AM—4PM; at Wal-Mart Neighborhood Market next to Sam's on East Sunshine on October 10th, 8AM—4PM



## PERPETUAL ADORATION

Holy Trinity's Church  
2818 E. Bennett St.

Please call

Joyce Blades at 881.4367 or

Diane Hoy at 860.7134

Please observe social distancing and wear a mask.

## PARISH COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN

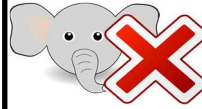


Join the  
**Parish Council of Catholic Women**  
**October 14th—6:30 PM Mass in the Church**  
Brief Meeting Afterwards  
Please bring items for Veterans  
Hygiene Items—Hats—Gloves—Socks—Underwear

## KEEPING EVERYONE SAFE

Save your stuff for the future—

No White Elephant Sales scheduled  
at this time by the  
Parish Council of Catholic Women.



## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL PUMPKIN WARS

St Vincent de Paul  
Pumpkin Wars/Online Auction  
October 11th/12th



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BREAKFAST  
SUNDAY AFTER ALL MASSES**



**Request Cards for  
Mass Intentions and for  
Memorial Remembrances are available  
in the Gathering Area**

Keep in touch.  


Sign-up for parish text and  
email alerts on flocknote:

**Text: Frtom To: 84576**

♦ Masses will be available on  
our Facebook page:

**Immaculate Conception Parish Springfield MO**



Check our website for updates:  
**www.ic-parish.org**

## ALTERNATIVES TO THE DEATH PENALTY

The Springfield Chapter of the Missourians for Alternatives to the Death Penalty is sponsoring peaceful execution vigils to protest the scheduled executions of two federal death row inmates, William LaCroix on September 22 and Christopher Vialva on September 24. Please join us as we gather from 12 NOON—1:00PM both days on the sidewalk in front of the federal courthouse (St. Louis Street and John Q Hammons Pkwy). Masks are required and social distancing will be observed. Contact Donna at 417.459.960 with questions.

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**Springfield Catholic Schools System** is seeking a part-time Nurse at Immaculate Conception. The position begins October 2020. Requirements: VIRTUS certified (provided through SCS), a valid certification/registration from Missouri State Board of Nursing. If you have any questions please email Jenny Pendleton at [jpendleton@scspk12.org](mailto:jpendleton@scspk12.org) or call 417.881.7000.

**Enrollment for Springfield Catholic Schools grades pre-school—12th is now taking place:** Go to our website at [scspk12.org](http://scspk12.org), select "Admissions" and "New Families" or you can call our schools Immaculate Conception, 417.881.7000; St. Elizabeth Ann Seton 417.887.6056; St. Agnes Cathedral School 417.866.5038; and Springfield Catholic High School 417.887.8817

**For Employment Opportunities:** Opportunities and applications are available on the Springfield Catholic Schools website at [scspk12.org](http://scspk12.org), select "About" and then "Employment opportunities"

**Substitute Teacher at Springfield Catholic Schools!**  
 Substitute teaching is a great option if you have a flexible or part-time job, college course schedule, freelance gig or have retired, it also works well if you are a parent. We are currently accepting applications for Substitute Teacher, Teacher's Aide, Cafeteria and Nurses. Must have 60+ credit hours, and be VIRTUS certified (SCS provides the class for certification.)

[www.ic-parish.org](http://www.ic-parish.org)

### VIRTUS—2020-2021 DIOCESAN CODE OF CONDUCT

Are you a parish or school employee? Are you a catechetical leader or a youth leader? Do you regularly volunteer with minors or vulnerable adults? If so, then you probably know that the diocese requires you to read and sign a Code of Conduct each year. The 2020-2021 Code has just been released and is available on the Office of Child and Youth Protection page of the Diocesan Website at [www.dioscg.org](http://www.dioscg.org). Please read, complete the form, and submit page five only to your parish or school office. We ask that you also ensure that those adults working alongside you in your ministry have signed this new code as well. Select the language and click the links below for the current codes.

Should you have any questions, please contact William Holtmeyer, Jr. or Rosie Francka, via Email to [billholtmeyer@dioscg.org](mailto:billholtmeyer@dioscg.org) or [rfrancka@dioscg.org](mailto:rfrancka@dioscg.org), or telephone the office at (417) 866-0841.

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**Due to the Corona Virus and the ever-changing protocols for public gatherings we have taken the precautionary step of making available an online option for the VIRTUS Protecting God's Children training for Adults. This is a temporary preventative action as we will continue to offer the live training, as well, at least for now. [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org). Preregistration is necessary: go to [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org) and click on "registration" on the left or call your parish/school office for assistance. If you do not have access to the internet and are unable to register online, please call the local parish, school or institution where you are employed or volunteer.**

### COMMUNION TO HOMEBOUND

Please contact the Parish Office 417.887.0600 if you are coming to Mass and would desire to be instructed in bringing Holy Communion to immediate family members who are remaining in their home during the COVID-19.



[www.feedthepoorhungryhomeless.com](http://www.feedthepoorhungryhomeless.com)

### LACTATION STATION —SOUTH CONFESSIONAL—



### TRUNK OR TREAT

**Parish Trunk or Treat**  
**October 25th at 4:00 PM**



### CHERUB MASS

Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton church will be having our annual Cherub Mass on Wednesday, October 7th, at 6:00 PM. This is a Mass to honor and celebrate all children who have died. Please come and share this beautiful Liturgy with us again this year. Social Distancing and Masks are required.

If anyone has any questions, please contact Laura Graham at 417.343.5439 or Barbara Carey at 417.368.2930

### Bishop Rice's September Prayer Intention

Let us **draw close to the Cross of Christ**, especially in the sufferings of our world and daily living.  
 Let us always **glory in the Cross, the source of our salvation.**



**Saturday Evening**  
**Sacrament of Reconciliation**  
**2:30 PM—3:15 PM &**  
**7:00 PM—7:30 PM**  
**in the Chapel**

PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

**WEDNESDAY MASS - 6:30PM**





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# PUMPKIN WARS 2

ONLINE SILENT AUCTION • PUMPKIN DECORATING CONTEST

All proceeds will benefit IC St. Vincent de Paul

Decorating contest will still be held inside,  
but will operate differently than last year!\*

To Participate in the Silent Auction:

Friday, October 2 - Sunday October 11 @ noon

1. Go to

<https://www.32auctions.com/svdppumpkinwars2>

2. Create an account to bid on an item

3. Peruse our auction items

4. Bid and win!

\*SEE BACK FOR DETAILS  
ABOUT THE DECORATING  
CONTEST!



# To Participate in Pumpkin Decorating Contest:

- Pumpkins will need to be dropped off October 2nd or 3rd after any mass (\$10 to enter) Cash Only!
- Throughout the week anyone has the ability to monetarily vote for the pumpkins they like the best
- Pumpkin with the highest amount of donations wins!
- Winners will be contacted by October 11th!
- **NO CARVED OR ROTTED PUMPKINS WILL BE ACCEPTED FOR ENTERING**

CHECK OUT SOME  
EXAMPLES FROM  
LAST YEAR!

