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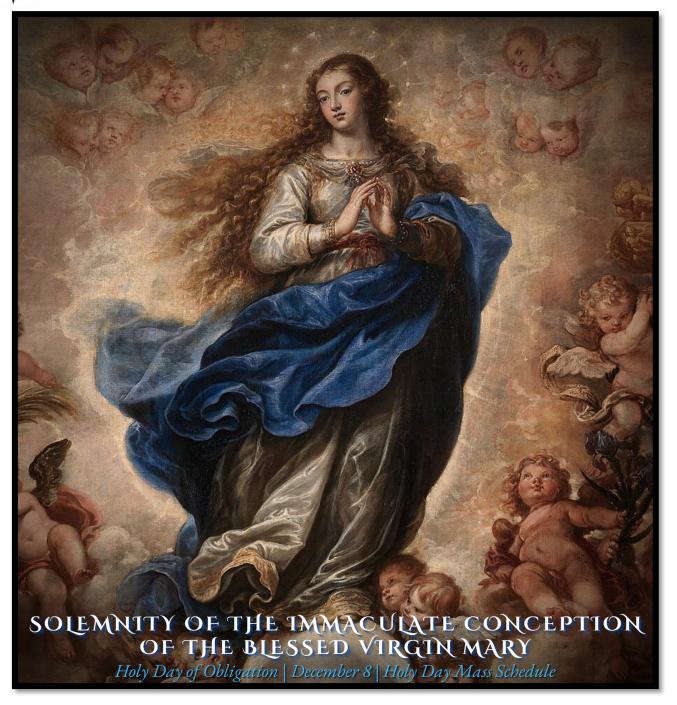


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- THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7—5:30PM VIGIL
- FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8 6:30AM, 8:30AM, 5:30PM Followed by the Parish Dinner Please RSVP for the dinner by calling the Parish Office at 417-887-0600

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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: 6:30_{am} Monday-Friday: 8:30_{am} & Wednesday: 6:30_{pm}

LIVESTREAMED MASSES

9:00am Sunday • 8:30am Weekday

SACRAMENTAL LIFE

ADORATION

Thursdays 9:00am-7:00pm; First Fridays 9:00am-1:00pm

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Please call the Parish Office.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Scheduled on Saturdays: 2:30pm–3:15pm & 7:00pm–7:30pm; Thursdays 6:00–7:00pm Also available by appointment.

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.

SACRAMENT OF THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK

To request the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick please contact the parish office.

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY

In case of emergency or if you have experienced the death of a family member, please call the Parish Office number at any time. If the office is closed, use menu option #3.

PRAYER CHAIN: 417-887-0600

Ext. 510 will connect you to Heather Hayes. Please leave contact information with the request.

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

President: Mrs. Cyndi Clark Vice-President: Mr. Jacob Ham Secretary: Mrs. Emily Johnson

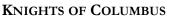


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President: Mrs. Dianne Hendley

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Grand Knight: Dr. Ralph Duda



PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We the people of Immaculate Conception Parish are a community of caring Christians. It is our desire to deepen our faith by freely giving our time, talents, and treasures as willing servants of Jesus Christ.

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR

Second Sunday of Advent December 10, 2023

Is 40:1-5, 9-11 2 Pt 3:8-14 Mk 1:1-8

PARISHIONERS WHO NEED SPECIAL PRAYERS

Carl Allison	Catherine Jolivette	Jeffrey Ortiz
Amiah Armstrong	Cade Kornegay	Margaret Pickett
Gerlie Belde	Paula Kulbicki	Louise Pumphrey
Rosemary Birmingham	Stan Lassen	Angelina Ramirez
Carolyn Bostic	Kay Maloney	Ron Rathbun
Richard Bowen	Rhea Marcum	Glenda Savard
Suzanne Bustos	Alejandro Marquez	Tom Savard
Bill Cologna	Virginia Martin	Kathy Sunnenberg
Susan Craig	Mary Jane McNamee	Carlos Tomelleri
Gloria D'Alessandro	Joanna Michael	Elizabeth Tomelleri
Mary Dobard	Sandy Murphy	Mike Wilkinson
Sophia Griesbaum	Mary K. Nguyen	& those not listed who
Norma Herrera	Tom Van Nguyen	are in need.
Janice Hill	Susan Oakley	
Mary N. Hoang	Charles Ortiz	

LIPCOMING EVENTS

UPCOMING EVENTS				
Sat. 12/2	10:00am	PCCW Board Meeting		
Sun. 12/3	8:30am	Breakfast with Santa		
	8:45am	Confirmation Regular Session		
Mon. 12/4	6:30pm	RCIA		
Wed. 12/6	6:15pm	PSR		
	6:15pm	Youth (6-8 & high school)		
	7:00pm	Faith, Film & Fellowship		
	7:00pm	Choir Practice		
Thurs. 12/7	9:00am	Adoration		
	4:00pm	Benediction		
	5:30pm	Immaculate Conception Vigil Mass		
		NO Confessions		
Fri. 12/8		Immaculate Conception		
		Parish Office Closed		
	6:30am	Mass		
	8:30am	Mass		
	5:30pm	Mass		
	6:30pm	Parish Dinner		
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Men's Breakfast

Sat. 12/9

7:00am

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Saturday, December 2nd—34th Saturday in Ordinary Time

4:00PM Vigil Mass + Gerry Tassett

Sunday, December 3rd—1st Sunday of Advent

7:00AM Sunday Mass Parish Family 9:00AM Sunday Mass + Patricia Scherer 11:00AM Sunday Mass + Nancy Ellman

Monday, December 4th—St. John Damascene, Priest and Doctor of the

Church

6:30AM Mass Sr. Evangeline 8:30AM Mass + Dr. Stan Horsch

Tuesday, December 5th—1st Tuesday of Advent

6:30AM Mass + Elizabeth Stewart 8:30AM Mass Jennifer Nanneman

Wednesday, December 6th—St. Nicholas, Bishop

8:30AM Mass Mary Holt
6:30PM Mass + Purgatorial Society

Thursday, December 7th—St. Ambrose, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

6:30AM Mass + Monique Griswold 8:30AM Mass + Dorothy Scheel 5:30PM Vigil Mass + Deborah Rivers

Friday, December 8th—The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

6:30AM Mass + Lawrence Willer

8:30AM Mass + Anthony & Erma Sansone

5:30PM Mass + Marie Weissler

Saturday, December 9th—St. Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin

4:00PM Vigil Mass + Carl & Marge Vonnahme

Sunday, December 10th—2nd Sunday of Advent

7:00AM Sunday Mass + Paul & Michelle Sisco & family

9:00AM Sunday Mass Parish Family

11:00AM Sunday Mass + Msgr. Harry Schlitt





2023 ADVENT PENANCE SERVICES

December 3 @ 3:00 PM - Our Lady of the Lake December 5 @ 10:00 AM, 3:00 PM & 8:00 PM - Holy Trinity Springfield

December 10 @ 3:00 PM - Our Lady of the Cove

December II @ 7:00 PM - St. Agnes Cathedral

December 12 @ 7:00 PM - St. Joseph the Worker

December 13 @ 7:00 PM - Sacred Heart

December 14 @ 10:00 AM, 12:00 PM, & 6:00 PM

- Immaculate Conception Springfield

December 18 @ 7:00 PM - St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

December 19 @ 7:00 PM - St. Joseph Springfield

ADVENT

The season of advent begins Sunday, December 3. Advent is a time of preparation, a time of spiritual renewal. In our consumer society, where the Christmas decorations go up immediately after Halloween, and where the Christmas lighting starts on Thanksgiving, if not before, it takes a little doing to keep focused on the purpose of advent.

We invite you to make this advent a meaningful one by personal prayer and refection. We encourage you to attend daily mass if at all possible or at least one extra daily mass each week. We suggest spending extra time in prayer and reflection.; one suggestion would be Eucharistic Adoration on Thursdays.

We encourage you to attend our advent penance times on Thursday, December 14 at 10am, 12pm, and 6pm and consider making contributions for the various projects for the poor.

FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Join us as we celebrate the feast of the Immaculate Conception on Friday, December 8th.

Thursday, December 7

Vigil Mass—5:30pm

Friday, December 8

- Masses at 6:30am, 8:30am & 5:30pm
- Dinner to follow 5:30pm Mass—Please call the parish office, 417-887-0600, in advance so we can have an accurate count for dinner!

Just a reminder that this feast day is a holy day of obligation.

CHRISTMAS DINNER

Immaculate Conception would like to invite all parishioners to our Christmas dinner after the 11am Mass on Monday, December 25th. Please call the parish office, 417-887-0600, with your RSVP or to let us know if you would like to help serve.

ANGEL TREE GIFTS

Please take an Angel home with you and return your thoughtful gift to the Angel Tree by December 16th/17th.

Angel gifts are needed for infants, girls, boys, women, and men. (New items please.)

Suggested Items:
infant, child & adult clothing,
other items such as hats, gloves, boots, shoes,
(gift certificates) educational books, puzzles,
and games.

If you wrap your gift, attach your Angel to the gift wrapped package with the following information: the size and for whom.

Our gifts will be given to families in need: in our parish, at Sacred Heart Church in Springfield, and the homeless.

Your generous gifts are greatly appreciated!

PCCW QUILT RAFFLE

PCCW is having a quilt raffle during the month of November. Tickets are \$1 or 6 for \$5. Drawing will be held at the Immaculate Conception Feast Day dinner on Friday, December 8. Tickets will be sold after all Masses. For more information call Dianne at 208-400-0762.

PCCW CHRISTMAS DINNER

PCCW Christmas Dinner is Tuesday, December 12. Social hour begins at 5:30pm, followed by dinner at 6pm. If you would like to attend, please call Karen Dolan, 417-650-0570, for reservations. The cost is \$12 and the deadline for reservations is Thursday, December 7th.

SACRED HEART HOUSE BLESSING



It is our hope that you would welcome us into your home for a short visit to share in a moment of prayer and to bless and dedicate your home to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. We have picked a special image of the Sacred Heart that we will leave with you to be placed

in a prominent area of your home.

To become true people of prayer it is important to knowingly embrace our fellow parishioners. We are looking forward to enshrining your home to the Sacred Heart.

Please call Heather Hayes at 417-887-0600 to schedule your visit.

~Fr. Tom and Fr. Peirano



Make plans now to join us every Wednesday evening for 6:30pm Mass followed immediately by Faith, Film, and Fellowship, a new program designed to help achieve our parish goals of growing in holiness, becoming intentional disciples and sharing the Good News of the Gospel along with the added benefit of forming a more meaningful faith community with our brothers and sisters in Christ.

Refreshments will be served.

To register, scan the QR code or go to the following link: https://tinyurl.com/mdxp6pu3



NEW PARISHIONERS AT IC

We wish to welcome our newest families!
THE ANTHONY & LOREN KLOSTERMAN FAMILY
CATHERINE MASTRANTUONO
JIM & JENNIFER SCHWERDT FAMILY
OLIVIA VIOLETTE FAMILY

May God bless each of you abundantly!

End-of-Year Giving: Almost half of all charitable giving is made during the last two months of the year. It is a time to give thanks for the blessings we've received. It is also a time to review finances and do tax planning. Consider a gift to Immaculate Conception Church as part of your year -end planning. Your donation can reduce your year-end tax burden and positively impact your parish family. To make a gift, go to www.ic-parish.org/Resources/Online-Giving, or contact Janet Moentnish at 417-887-0600. Thank you and may God Bless you with a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

DONATE ONLINE AT www.ic-parish.org



THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Please remember in your prayers the faithful departed, especially: Margaret Hare, sister of Pam Gessler. We also pray for all friends and family who mourn their passing.

May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God rest in peace!

Springfield Catholic Schools system is accepting applications for the 2023-2024 school year. Come and be a part of the Irish Tradition!

Head Boys Golf Coach
 Please contact the school for additional information.

To submit an application, go to SpringfieldCatholicSchools.org click "About" and "Employment Opportunities" and then select "Golf coach".



YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 26, 2023 Envelopes: 17,895.27 St. Vincent de Paul 1,132.00 SCS Annual Fund 50.00 \$ Plate: 2,017.00 Maintenance and Repair 3,675.00 Seminary 50.00 19,912.27 IC Home Missions Weekly total: Sponsor –A –Child | \$ 212.00 72.00 Annual Budget: 1,090,000.00 Catholic Charities 837.00 391,161.71 Year-to-Date Collection: Masses 160.00 Year-to-Date Budget: 461,153.88 Votives 160.00 15.18% below budget - Need \$20,961.54 weekly to meet budget

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WEDNESDAY, DEC 6
NACHO NIGHT!
GRADES 6-12. 6:15-7:30PM YOUTH ROOM

What is Upper Room Night?

In the Holy Land during Jesus' time, an upper room was a social space where family & friends gathered to be with each other. Jesus found this type of room perfect for gathering with his disciples. Not only was it the perfect place for fellowship, but also the ultimate place to encounter him as some of the most important moments happened there.

During an Upper Room Night, there may be food, fellowship, praise & worship, & personal prayer. We will also hear various testimonies from different fellow Christians about their personal experiences with Christ. Most importantly, it is a time & place to call on the name of Jesus & to encounter the Holy Spirit just as we are, right in the middle of our week. You don't have to do anything except show up & be open to the Father who loves you.

Youth grades 6-12, join us this December 6 in the youth room. There will be nachos!

We believe in the power of prayer. Would you be willing to help us pray for our youth more intentionally?

Upcoming Events

Confirmation: Regular Session

Sun, Dec 3, 8:45-10:45am Youth Room

6-8 & H\$ Youth Upper Room Night!

Wed, Dec 6, 6:15-7:30pm Youth Room

6-8 Youth

Wed, Dec 13, 6:15-7:30pm Youth Room

HS Youth

Wed, Dec 13, 7:30-8:30pm JPII Room



Voice for Life Contest

All children grades Kindergarten-12th are invited to participate in

the 2024 Voice for Life contest. Entry categories include coloring page, posters, essay, poem, or T-shirt design. This years theme is: *St. Gianna Beretta Molla.*

Entries are due Fri., Feb. 9, 2024.

Use the OR code for additional information.

Please pray for our confirmands

Jack, Lupe, Selena, Yohann, Maria, Alivia, George, Norah, Isabel, Claire, Connor, Mason, Ana, Hayden, Zach, Gillian, Annaliese, Charlie, Seville, Peter, Mary, Logan, Drew, Troy

Confirmation Date: August 24, 2024

HOLY HEROES

Advent Activities for kids ages 5-12!



Sign up to receive daily activities for kids and families! Get coloring pages, crossword puzzles, word searches, videos, and more! See the youth table in the gathering area for a sample and/or signup using the QR code.



HOUSE OF PRAYER

Attention prayer warriors! We need you!

We need you.

Join our prayer ministry! There are no meetings, just prayers for our youth!

Information & signup are in the gathering area, use the QR code, or contact Mani.

Youth Ministry Contact:

Mani Brockmeyer mbrockmeyer@ic-parish.org or 887-0600



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DIOCESAN SACRED HEART PILGRIMAGE CHALLENGE

In honor of this special anniversary, Bishop Edward M. Rice has invited all parishioners of the Diocese of Springfield-Cape Girardeau to participate in a pilgrimage to all 12 parishes named after the Sacred Heart. Limited Edition Sacred Heart "Passports" are available to be downloaded and printed off at home with each parish and location listed.

At each parish, you will find a Sacred Heart Station where you can stamp your passport, find a prayer guide to use during your visit, sign the guest book, and take home resources to grow your devotion to the Sacred Heart.

Participate in this fruitful (and fun!) pilgrimage across our beautiful diocese with your family, friends, classmates, or on your own!

The Sacred Heart Passport & Pilgrimage will be ongoing from December 27, 2023 – December 27, 2024. When you've completed the Pilgrimage by collecting all 12 stamps on your passport, simply mail it in to the diocese and receive a special gift, certificate of completion, and letter from Bishop Rice.



DIOCESAN DIRECTOR OF YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

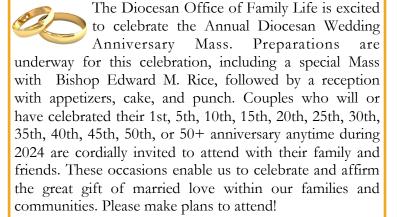


The Diocese of Springfield-Cape Girardeau seeks qualified applicants to fill the position of Diocesan Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministry.

To request an application packet, including a detailed job description, please contact Doug Kissinger at The Catholic Center, dkissinger@dioscg.org or call 417-866-0841.

ANNUAL DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Saturday, February 10, 2024, at 1:00pm St. Agnes Cathedral, Springfield



Couples are requested to pre-register for this event so that food and gifts may be ordered in advance. Please register no later than January 19, 2024, by calling the Parish Office at 417-887-0600 to request a form and mailing it to Kim Brayman in the Office of Family Life, 601 S. Jefferson, Springfield, MO 65806-3143, or email the information to kbrayman@dioscg.org.



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