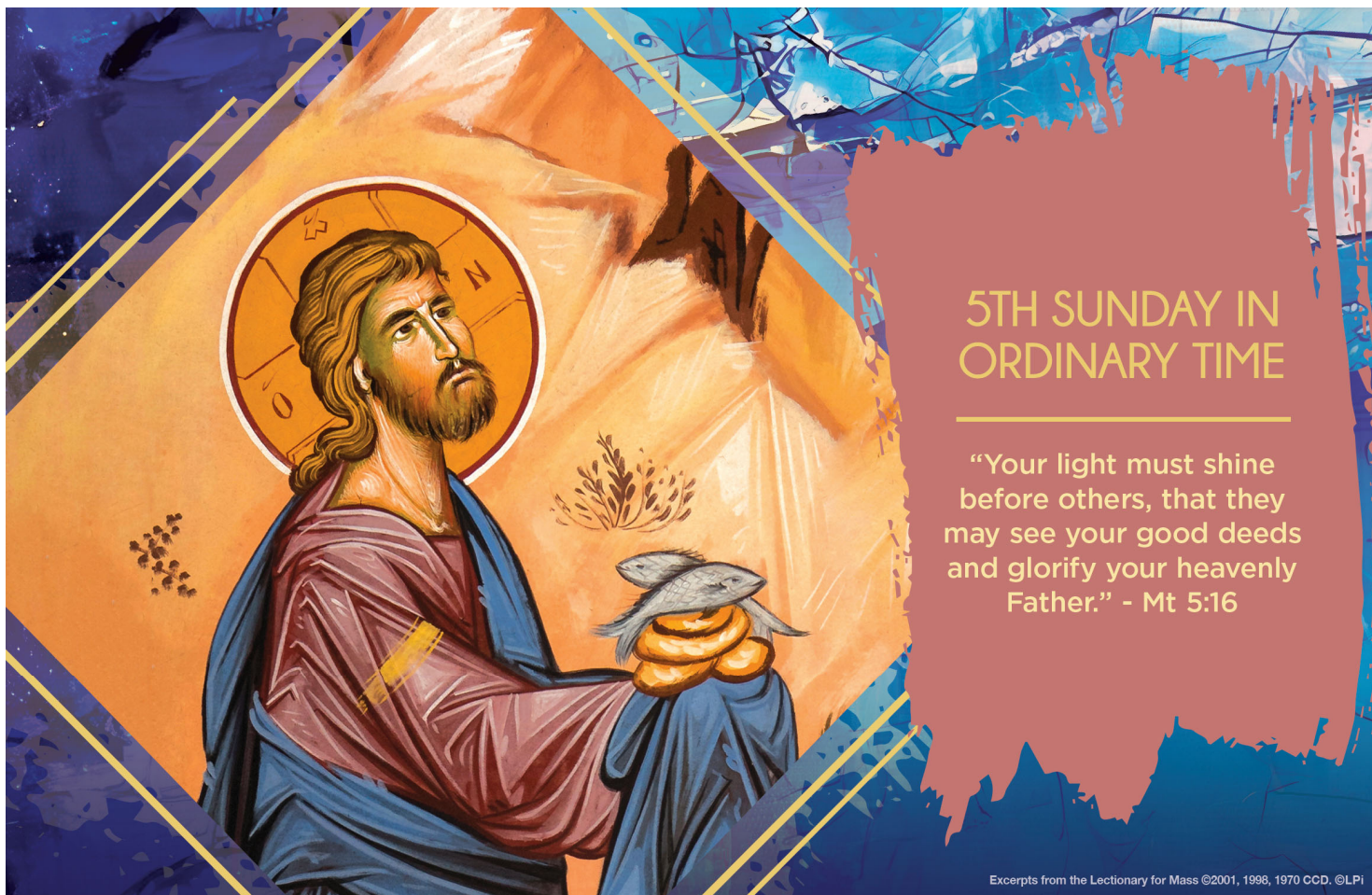


Immaculate Conception Parish Bulletin

Very Reverend Thomas Paul, V. F. K.H.S., Pastor
Reverend Jose Cerna, Parochial Vicar



5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Your light must shine
before others, that they
may see your good deeds
and glorify your heavenly
Father.” - Mt 5:16

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Parish Office Hours: Monday—Thursday 8:30 a.m. ~ 4:30 p.m.
Friday: 8:30 a.m. ~ Noon

Phone: 530-8515 Website: icelmhurst.org

Eastern DuPage Deanery: easterndupagedeanery.org

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NEW PARISHIONERS, WELCOME!

Please click on “New to IC?” on our parish website homepage or
call the office at 530-8515 for more information.

Mass Times: Monday-Friday 6:15am and 7:30am

Saturday 8:00am and 4:30pm

Sunday 7:30am, 9:00am, 11:30am, and 7:00pm

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Saturday: After 4:30pm Mass until 6pm



***Eastern DuPage Deanery of the Joliet Diocese
Liturgical Enrichment Day***

Enlightening Us Through The Liturgy

Please register at easterndupagedeanery.org

Saturday, February 25th 2023

Ascension of Our Lord Parish at 1S314 Summit Avenue in Oakbrook Terrace

Doors open at 7:45 a.m. Mass begins at 8:00.

Father Bradley Zamora will be presiding.

Check-in and Light Breakfast to follow mass from 9-9:50 a.m.

***Join Fr. Bradley Zamora as he presents
Encountering Jesus in the Liturgy from 10-10:45 a.m.***

Father Zamora will talk with us about forming hearts and building community by using our worship as a vehicle to have an encounter with Christ and with each other.



Father Bradley A. Zamora is a Chaplain and Director at Northwestern University's Sheil Catholic Center. He is a priest in the Archdiocese of Chicago, and served as the liturgist for Cardinal Cupich at Holy Name Cathedral. He is an international speaker, musician, teacher and liturgist.

***Next, Wendy Silhavy will present
Singing the Liturgy: Offering our Praise and Thanks to God
through Music from 11-11:45 a.m.***

"We don't sing at the Mass but sing the Mass," says Wendy and this will be part of the message - - - making that joyful noise!

Wendy Barton Silhavy is the Senior Coordinator for Liturgy and Music in the Office for Divine Worship, Archdiocese of Chicago. Her interests in liturgy include the relationship between liturgy and catechesis and the impact of liturgy on our everyday lives.



The Final Blessing will Follow the last Session



DIOCESAN FORTY HOURS DEVOTION NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL

In celebration of the National Eucharistic Revival year of the Diocese, everyone in Diocese is invited to spend some time in prayer at the Cathedral of St. Raymond Nonnatus in Joliet on February 8, 9, 10. There will be silent adoration of the Blessed Sacrament throughout the day and scheduled communal Prayer Services led by various Diocesan Parishes and Groups. Mass times and celebrants are listed below.

Wednesday, February 8

6:30am Very Rev. William Dewan, Celebrant

11am Led by Rev. Jeff Rath, OSA, St. Jude Church, New Lenox

2pm Led by the 8th Graders, Cathedral of St. Raymond School, Joliet

5pm Filipino Communities led by Deacon Gerrie Mepin, St. Francis of Assisi Parish, Bolingbrook

8pm Hispanic Communities led by St. Andrew, Romeoville, Rev. Eduardo Flores, Celebrant

Thursday, February 9

8am Rev. John Abulag, Celebrant

11am Led by Rev. Steven Borello, Diocesan Director of Vocations, St. Raphael Parish, Naperville

2pm Led by Very Rev. Christopher Groh, St. Bernard Parish & St. Mary Magdalene Parish, Joliet

5pm Special Needs Communities, led by Rev. John Abulag, Celebrant

8pm Polish Communities, led by Rev. Andrzej Maslej, S. Chr. Divine Mercy Parish, Lombard and Rev. Tomasz Sielicki, S. Chr., Holy Cross, Joliet, Celebrants

Friday, February 10

8am Most Reverend Ronald Hicks, Celebrant

11am Led by Diocesan Department of Catechesis & Evangelization, Blanchette Catholic Center, Crest Hill

2pm Led by Rev. Burke Masters, St. Isaac Jogues Parish, Hinsdale

5pm African American Community led by Sacred Heart Parish, Joliet Very Rev. William Dewan, Celebrant

8pm Closing of Forty Hours Devotion led by Most Reverend Ronald Hicks, Celebrant, prepared by Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parish, Darien

EVERYONE IN THE DIOCESE IS ENCOURAGED TO CONSIDER COMING TO THE CATHEDRAL DURING THESE THREE DAYS TO JOIN WITH OUR DIOCESAN CHURCH TO CELEBRATE A TIME OF SPIRITUAL DEVOTION BEFORE THE BLESSED SACRAMENT AS WE CELEBRATE THE NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL. WHEN YOU COME TO THE CATHEDRAL PLEASE ENTER BY WAY OF THE FRONT AND NORTH DOORS.

The Collection of Palms



The Holy Season of Lent begins on February 22, Ash Wednesday. It is our custom of that day to have ashes made of burnt palm branches placed on our foreheads. We receive and wear them as a sign of our willingness to Turn Away from Sin and to Follow the Gospel. The forty days of this special season are meant to be for us a time of spiritual change and growth. All are encouraged to begin now to consider what steps you will take to have a Good Lent.

We need your palms to make ashes.

Please drop them off in the baskets at the entrance to the Church and Chapel on the weekends of February 11/12 and February 18/19.



Worship

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — If you share your food with the hungry, provide housing for the homeless, then light shall break forth upon you (Isaiah 58:7-10).

Psalms — One who is just is a model for the righteous (Psalm 112).

Second Reading — My message to you, says Paul, was not clever words of wisdom but the proclamation of Christ crucified (1 Corinthians 2:1-5).

Gospel — You are the salt of the earth, the light of the world (Matthew 5:13-16).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Gn 1:1-19; Ps 104:1-2a, 5-6, 10, 12, 24, 35c; Mk 6:53-56
 Tuesday: Gn 1:20 — 2:4a; Ps 8:4-9; Mk 7:1-13
 Wednesday: Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17; Ps 104:1-2a, 27-28, 29bc-30; Mk 7:14-23
 Thursday: Gn 2:18-25; Ps 128:1-5; Mk 7:24-30
 Friday: Gn 3:1-8; Ps 32:1-2, 5-7; Mk 7:31-37
 Saturday: Gn 3:9-24; Ps 90:2-6, 12-13; Mk 8:1-10
 Sunday: Sir 15:15-20; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34; 1 Cor 2:6-10; Mt 5:17-37 [20-22a, 27-28, 33-34a, 37]

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time;
 Monday: St. Paul Miki and Companions
 Wednesday: St. Jerome Emiliani;
 St. Josephine Bakhita;
 International Day of Prayer and
 Awareness against Human Trafficking
 Friday: St. Scholastica
 Saturday: Our Lady of Lourdes;
 Blessed Virgin Mary;
 World Day of the Sick

God Be in My Head

God be in my head, and in my understanding;
 God be in my eyes, and in my looking;
 God be in my mouth, and in my speaking;
 God be in my heart, and in my thinking;
 God be at my end, and at my departing.

—Attributed to *Old Sarum Primer*

You can follow the readings for Mass each day by visiting <http://usccb.org/> and selecting the date on the calendar on the right.

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6

6:15AM:†Jeanne Petruzzelli / Judy Finch
 7:30AM:†Joyce Milder / Lamborn Family
 †Karen Rothermel
 †Fran Connors

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 7

6:15AM:†Eileen Haggerty
 7:30AM:†Walter Morrissey / Schleiter Family

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8

6:15AM:†William & Genevieve Wilbur
 7:30AM:†Sr. Natalie Marie / Wood Family

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 9

6:15AM:†Margaret Butler / Jane Connors
 7:30AM:†Capt. John V. Francis, USMC /
 Tom & Sue Westhoff

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 10

6:15AM:†George Kordik
 8:15AM:†Anita Heine / ICGS

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11

8:00AM:†Marlene Heinan / Winkel Family
 4:30PM:†Katherine Therese Russell Chapman /
 Family

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12

7:30AM:†Patricia Sheehan
 9:00AM:†Barbara LaMonica / Jo & Don
 LaMonica
 †Laura Bresnahan Bush / Pat & Ray Hill
 †Barbara Cahill / Cindy & Jerry Cahill
 †Humberto Suarez / Durdil Family

11:30AM:†Joanne Sheier / Berkley Neighbors
 7:00PM:†Parish Family



Candle Intentions

You can visit the parish office to have a candle lit in honor of a living or deceased loved one at the Shrine of Saint Peregrine or the Sacred Heart Shrine. Each intention will be for a full week.

Stewardship of Our Prayer for...



We pray for those suffering from illness. Loving God, give strength and protection to all who struggle with illness of any kind. Calm their fears and uncertainties. Provide them with loving and tender care. Grant them courage when they are afraid and comfort when they are in pain.

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| Campbell, Donna | Maiers, Michelle |
| Darley, Reg | McCann, Mary |
| Feely, Deacon John | Schramm, Colleen |
| Gow, Olivia | Serritella, Annette |
| Larson, Ronald | Sheridan, Thomas |
| Koch, Susan | Vogel, Renee Moran |

If you would like your name or that of a loved one listed, please email bulletin@icelmhurst.org or call 630-530-8991.

Please remember recently deceased family, friends and parishioners in your prayers. Grant them eternal rest and may your light shine on them forever.

“HEAVENLY FATHER, ACCEPT OUR PRAYERS WHICH WE OFFER FOR THEM”

†Joseph Grisola

We pray for the newly baptized babies in our church. May their journey of faith be one that is close to Jesus. We pray for their Godparents and parents as they bring Christ to the lives of the next generation of Catholics.

Baptized at Immaculate Conception in January:

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| ♦ Parker Elizabeth Bean | ♦ Avi Edward Goel |
| ♦ Rory Lee Cleal | ♦ Cecilia Lorraino |
| ♦ Carter James Cook | ♦ Quien |
| ♦ Grayson Wiliam Cook | ♦ Rowan Michael Wons |
| ♦ Samay Ria Goel | ♦ Gia Marie Carfagnini |

2023 ENGAGED COUPLES

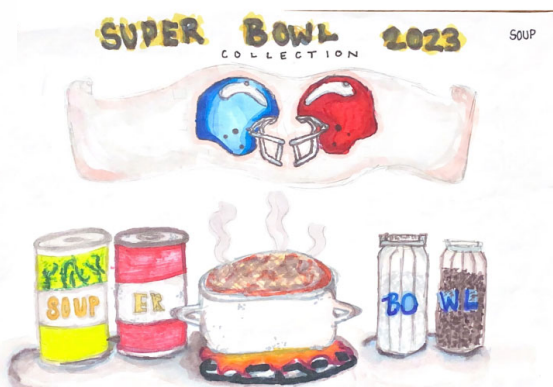
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| Victoria Bautista & Michael Wons | 5/12 |
| Jennifer Lee & Michael Mehilos | 6/3 |
| Emily Meyers & Joseph Conroy | 6/9 |
| Olivia Schmitt & Brian Page | 6/10 |
| Margaret Ewing & Jack Novy | 7/1 |

Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. Give us peace. I ask this in the name of Jesus.

- Lt. Joe Doyle**, US Army, Son of Deb and Tom Doyle
- 1st Lt. Ryan Kenny**, USMC, Son of Mary Beth Kenny
- Pvt. Jeffery Crones**, US Army, Grandson of Joan Leyden
- Specialist Jonathan M. Pichler**, US Army
Son of Ginny & Mark Gronek
Grandson of Catherine Young
- Sgt. Vincent Joseph Genthe**, USMC Son of Denise Genthe
- Capt. Jeffrey Robbins**, USMC, Son of Barb & Larry
Robbins, Grandson of Georgiana Ryan
- Maj. Kevin Mott**, US Army
Nephew of Greg & Mary Pat Vanderlaan
- Paul Hornstra**, USMC, ICHS Class of '09
Son of Paul and Dawn Hornstra
- Cpl. Brittney Young**, US Army,
Cousin of Denise and John Doherty
- Lt. Joe Shannon**, US Navy
Son of John & Maria Shannon
- SSgt. Ethan Zielinski**, USMC
Son of Michele & Dolph Zielinski
- Capt. Christopher Bertucci**, USMC,
Nephew of Mary Anne & Greg Luczak
- Lt. Andrea Bertucci**, US Navy
Niece of Mary Anne Luczak
- Cpl. Joseph Fischer**, USMC
Son of George & Sharon Fischer
- Capt. Kathleen M. Donofrio**, US Army Reserves,
Daughter of Tom & Marge Donofrio
- Pfc. Ian Morser**, USMC, Son of John and Tracy Morser
Cousin of Todd and Ellen Greer
- Cpl. Cavan Sullivan**, US Army
Grandsons of Mary Sullivan
- Capt. Samuel Westhoff**, US Army
Nephew of Tom and Sue Westhoff
- Capt. Liam Hendricks**, 101st Airborne,
ICCP Class of '14
Son of Tim and Julie Hendricks
- 1st Lt Matthew Kizys**, US Army, son of
Marky and Nancy Tinsley
- Chf. Warrant Officer John Dal Pino**, US Army
Son of Joe and Valerie Dal Pino
- 1st Lt. Francesca Cervone**, US Army, ICCP Class of '15,
Daughter of Jeanmarie Cervone,
Granddaughter of Cay Calcagno
- 1st Lt. Molly Manion**, EOD US Army,
ICCP Class of '15,
Daughter of Tom & Nancy Manion
Granddaughter of Rita Manion
- MAJ Thomas Gildea**, US Army, Husband of Karina,
Father of Enya, Grace, and Ignacio
- 1st Lt. Kyle Koch**, 1st Cavalry Division US Army, ICCP
Class of '15, son of Laura & Paul Koch
- Capt. Carla A. Schuit**, US Army Reserves,
Daughter of Lisa Schuit
- 1st. Lt. Grayson Becker**, US Army
- Lt. Keith Wolfe**, CHC, US Navy



**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
GRADE SCHOOL 630.530.3490**



MONDAY, 1/30 - FRIDAY, 2/10

ICGS is hosting a "Souper Bowl" Collection and asking for canned goods, especially soup for our IC Parish Food Pantry. Your student can bring the canned goods into their classroom between now and February 10th. We are IC!

IC Catholic Prep 630.530.3460



You're Invited

FEBRUARY 25, 2023

<https://one.bidpal.net/koj2023/welcome>

ICCP

YOUTH MINISTRY



My first mission trip was building houses in Mexico. A group of 40 college students spent a week building three simple cement-slab structures for three families. They were overwhelmed with gratitude to have a door (with a lock), windows, four walls attached to a cement floor and a roof. That trip changed my life. This worldwide banquet experience brings a little bit of the poverty and uneven distribution of wealth TO the participants.

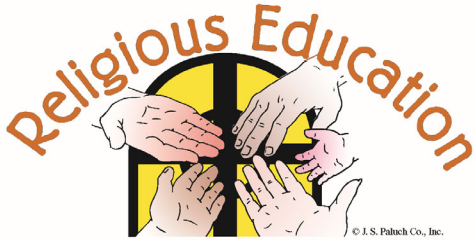
Parents, please send your teen to this engaging and compelling Worldwide Banquet at IC's Students of Impact on Sunday, February 26th 5:30-7:00 pm. Please have them invite a friend and come *hungry for justice!* Through dinner, activities, real-life stories of people living in poverty and discussion, your teen **will be empowered** to grow in GRATITUDE and COMPASSION!

Past participants report that this eye-opening experience prompts much discussion and action afterwards. Teens are more mindful of conserving their resources, wasting less, express more gratitude and find ways to contribute their time, talent and/or resources to benefit people in need.

Teens will leave with tangible ways to live out social justice teachings and the motivation to *do it!* Please RSVP on the IC Youth Ministry website by Feb 24th (under Faith Formation). The cost is FREE!!!

Religious Education 530-3483

Sr. Mary Francis, DRE K-5
smaryfrancis@icelmhurst.org
Josephine Bastianoni,
DRE 6,7,8,
jbastianoni@icelmhurst.org



6th Grade Family Mass February 12th at 9am. Contact Mrs. Bastianoni to volunteer for a ministry! Plan on attending!

<u>Sunday RE</u> February 5 February 12 February 26	<u>Wednesday RE</u> February 8 February 15 March 1
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The celebration of 1st Reconciliation for our 2nd Graders will take place in the Sacred Heart Chapel this week. Let us keep these children, their parents, teachers, Catechists/Aides in special prayer.
Group A : 2nd Graders in Room 8 at ICGS and Sun Morn RE : 1st Reconciliation Monday, Feb 6th at 6:30 p.m.
Group B : 2nd Graders in Room 7 at ICGS and Wed Eve RE : 1st Reconciliation Tuesday, Feb 7th at 6:30 p.m.
ALL 1st Eucharist children and their parents are reminded of the important meeting on Sunday, Feb 26 at 1pm in the IC Church. This meeting is a requirement in the preparations for 1st Eucharist in May, 2023.



PARENTS: Do you have a child **7 years of age or older** who has not yet been baptized and/or has not received their First Holy Communion? Special Sacrament classes will begin the first week in February. Your child must be presently enrolled in our school or Religious Education program. Please contact Pam Stefik at 630-530-3497 for further information.



Are you an adult Catholic who has not yet been confirmed?
Are you a teen or do you have a teen that is not confirmed and would like to be?
Immaculate Conception will offer Confirmation classes for **teens and adults** who wish to be confirmed, beginning in April. Firm dates will be established once all registrations have been received. Classes will occur from 6:30 – 8:00 PM. Classes will be held in person at the Parish Administration Center. You do not need to be a member of Immaculate Conception Parish to participate in these classes.
Teens will be confirmed at Immaculate Conception with our eighth grade students on April 30, 2023 at 2:00PM. Adults will be confirmed at the Cathedral of St. Raymond in Joliet on Sunday, May 21 or Sunday, June 4 at 2:00PM. To register or to obtain additional information, please contact Pam Stefik at 630-530-3497.



Christian Ministry



Souper Bowl
★ SUNDAY

SOUPER BOWL” SUNDAY FEBRUARY 12, 2023

ICGS and ICCP students, along with IC Parish, will collectively join in our seventh annual “Souper Bowl” Sunday. If you would like to donate soup, please bring it to the rectory during normal business hours or drop it off at the food pantry from 10:00 to noon M-F. Soup is a winter staple in most households

and our food pantry benefits greatly from this collection. All types of canned soup are welcome. Thanks for participating!



PLEASE REMEMBER US AS YOU DO YOUR WEEKLY SHOPPING

Our **Food Pantry** “needs” list includes the following items:

soup, pasta sauce, fresh or canned fruit and vegetables, pancake mix and syrup, pizza, eggs, milk, butter, baking items, toothpaste, body soap/wash, shampoo, personal hygiene products, laundry detergent, toilet paper, paper towels and dish soap. We are enormously grateful to our donors. If you are too busy to shop, monetary donations are gladly accepted! We could not continue to operate our food pantry without your support. May God, who is never outdone in generosity, bless you a hundredfold.



Volunteers are needed in the following ministries: **IC Food Pantry, Daybreak Transitional Housing, Bereavement, and Kitchen Angels.** All ministries can generally fit your personal timetable. Please consider sharing your presence and talent with your parish community. Contact Pam Stefik At 630-530-3497 for additional information on these opportunities.



Immaculate Conception Altar of Repose

For many years, prior to our Covid outbreak, we chartered a bus and embarked on a journey to visit seven different Altars of Repose at various Chicagoland churches on Holy Thursday evening following the Mass of the Lord’s Supper at Immaculate Conception, returning to IC around midnight.

Consideration is being given to reinstating this tradition. We would like to gauge interest from our parish family. If you would like to join us on this holy evening, in preparation for the sacred days to follow, please contact the Christian Ministry office at 630-530-3497 by March 15, indicating how many would like to attend. We encourage families to participate in this pilgrimage.



DAYBREAK TRANSITIONAL HOUSING VIRTUAL MENTOR TRAINING

Are you interested in becoming a mentor in our transitional housing program? Please consider attending virtual Mentor Training on **February 11, 2023**. Registration:

www.bridgecommunities.org/

Support Us. Mentor training registration can be found on the right-hand side. Once you have attended training, new volunteers will “shadow” existing mentors before being assigned a family. For additional information about the Daybreak program, please contact Pam Stefik.



Women's Lenten Prayer Breakfast

Come and join the women of Immaculate Conception in fellowship this Lent as we discuss the book, *The Book of Joy: Lasting Happiness in a Changing World* by the Dalai Lama and Desmond Tutu. We will meet the six Saturdays of Lent starting February 25th in the PAC following the 8:00 am Mass. Come for one, two or all six weeks - whatever your schedule allows. Please purchase a copy of this book at Amazon.com and join us. We would love to share this Lent with you. If you have any questions, please contact Mary Lynn at rpollastrini@sbcglobal.net.

PACZKI SUNDAY

All are invited to join in a Pre-Lenten Treat on Sunday, February 19th 8:30am- 2:00 pm in MPH



A Lenten tradition brought to America by Polish immigrants, the word paczki is pronounced like "Pooch-key" or "Punch-key," which means "little package." These round, sugar-coated, filled pastries are served annually the day before Lent begins, a period of abstinence observed by Roman Catholics. Originally, paczki were made for practical reasons, to use up the sugar, butter, fruit, and eggs which were prohibited during Lent.

**Fr. McDonald Council #1911
Knights Of Columbus
537 S York Street Elmhurst
BLOOD DRIVE !!**

**Sunday February 19, 2023
8 AM - 2 PM**

Scan here for more info!



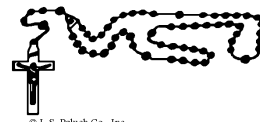
**Give the gift of life that
only YOU can give!**



**Sugar Creek Tuesday Morning
Ladies Golf League JOIN US
May 2 - Sept. 26**

Anyone interested,
contact Mary Liz Dudek
maryliz.dudek@gmail.com
Registration ends March 15

Rosary



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Pray the Rosary with your Immaculate Conception Family
We are celebrating the Eucharistic Revival across the country from 2022 to 2025. Please join us each Saturday 4:00pm (immediately preceding the 4:30pm Mass) in the Chapel to pray a Rosary for the Eucharistic Revival. If you would like to lead the Rosary, please contact Karina Gildea at kgildea@icelmhurst.org Find more information about the Eucharistic Revival at <https://www.eucharisticrevival.org>

Every Saturday morning after the 8:00 am mass several parishioners gather to pray for our priests, our Church, our pope and for more vocations to the priesthood and to the religious life. We would love to have more people join us. The rosary only takes a half hour to say and it is a wonderful way to start your day. "A day hemmed in prayer is less likely to unravel."



The Fight of Faith



That Man Is You! will be starting its Spring Semester on Saturday, February 4th

Each week, dozens of men gather for hot breakfast, fellowship, and most importantly to take the next steps to experience authentic freedom as sons of God together. The Fight of Faith will equip and enable men to engage in the cosmic, spiritual battle raging in our day.

Come join us for this uniquely contemplative and practical multi-speaker video series and enter into the Fight of Faith!

Please come join this great group of men and give TMIY a try! It has the potential to change your life as a Catholic Husband, Father, Grandfather, or Friend!

MEETING INFORMATION

Saturday Mornings beginning

February 4th, 2023

6:30am - Breakfast and Fellowship

7:00am - Video Presentation

7:30am - Small Group Discussions

8:00am - Adjourn

LOCATION

Mary Queen of Heaven Parish – Barrett Hall

426 West Ave.

Elmhurst, IL 60126

REGISTRATION & INFORMATION

For more information or to register go to www.TMIY.org.

For questions, please contact:

Andrew Morgan - 630-276-6401 or Ken Gillie - 847-980-2803

Advanced registration is not required to attend any session.

Returning participants **DO NOT** need to resubmit registration

That Man Is You! Elmhurst is open to men from ALL parishes!

Enhance your Lenten journey this year by attending the Holy Ghost Winter Parish Mission. Back by popular demand, Deacon Keith Strohm, will be our presenter.

Sunday, February 26th @ 4pm

Monday, February 27th @ 7pm

Holy Ghost Church 254 North Wood Dale Rd, Wood Dale

Through Jesus' life, death, resurrection and ascension, we have been transferred from the kingdom of darkness onto the Kingdom of Light. Jesus restored us from the power of sin and death so that we might live as free, forgiven children of our



Heavenly Father. Join us for this two-night parish mission as Deacon Keith breaks open what it truly means to be set free by Christ. What are the characteristics of life in God's Kingdom, how does Satan, our enemy, try to work against us, and how can we cooperate with the grace of God to break free from the enemy's lies to live as we were created to.

This will be an experience of God's love and freedom that you won't want to miss.



10-DAY FATHER MM CERNA
HOLY LAND *Catholic Pilgrimage*
 Celebrate Mass Daily with Father MM

OCTOBER 16 - 25, 2023



For information or to make a reservation contact:
 Penny Borello | Inteltravel.com
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Limited to first 100 registered

Join the Joliet Diocese on a
Pilgrimage to Lisbon, Portugal
WORLD YOUTH DAY 2023
July 29 - August 7, 2023
 With optional Pre-Tour to Madrid
 July 25-29, 2023



AGE REQUIREMENTS: 18 - 39 (must be 18 by July 1, 2023)
For information or to make a reservation contact:
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Join the diocesan mission trip to the Navajo Nation in June

The Diocese of Joliet is pleased to announce its U.S. mission program in June with a two-week trip to the Navajo Nation located near Chinle, Arizona.

The June 3-16 trip will focus on construction projects for residents of the reservation, with volunteers helping with such jobs as framing a house, tearing down dilapidated buildings, repairing fencing, etc.

“It’s not just going to work for the people, but to be with them and experience their life and culture,” said diocesan missions coordinator Bruce Carlson.

The diocese has organized mission trips to the reservation since 2002, but paused the annual expeditions during 2020 and 2021 because of the coronavirus pandemic. The trip resumed this past summer.

Interested individuals are invited to attend an informational meeting at 7 p.m. on Jan. 10 or Jan.18 at the Blanchette Catholic Center, 16555 Weber Road, Crest Hill, Illinois. For more information, email missions@dioceseofjoliet.org or call 815-221-6256.

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We the people of Immaculate Conception Parish are Christians who worship and glorify God as a sign of our faith. Empowered by the Holy Spirit, we proclaim our faith to the world through prayer, education, concern, and service to our community. By participating in the sacraments and giving of our time, talent and treasure, we help to make Christ present and share God’s love in our community and the world around us.



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Stewardship of Time and Treasure

**Weekly Sharing
January 22, 2023**

Sunday Envelopes Total:	\$ 10,100.37
Electronic Offerings:	\$ 11,499.93
Total Gifts:	\$ 21,600.30
Amount Budgeted Per Week:	\$ 29,000.00

Total Funds Collected 7/1-1/22/23	\$892,877.00
Amount Budgeted:	\$927,059.00
Budget over/(under) to date:	(\$34,182.00)

Thank You in His Name!

	Lector	Altar Server	EM	Greeter
Feb. 11 4:30pm	R. Bamish (1) A. Serritella (2)	K. Skarda G. Sweley I. Buelhling	M. Cadaoas M. Ryan S. Scott	T. Kaiser
Feb. 12 7:30am	M. Tyson (1) Richard Cello (2)	L. Mullins M. Leischner T. Levy	T. Miller	J. Callahan M. Smith
Feb. 12 9:00am	N. Brook (1) S. Whiteside (2)	C. McConnell M. McConnell J. Aragones	D. Pakenas S. Sloan M. Wolbeck	M. Tovey M. Tovey
Feb. 12 11:30am	L. Kalina (1) R. Tuttle (2)	B. Tobin M. White R. King	M. Durkin	J. Viola
Feb. 12 7:00pm	J. Kenneally (1)			C. Cohen

The 2023 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal is now underway As the Diocese of Joliet launches the 2023 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal (CMAA), we are asking all parishioners to pledge their support to this important effort for our community of faith. This year's CMAA theme is *We Belong to God*. Through our support, we ensure that the mission and ministries of Christ's Church are available to everyone. Together, we help the poor and vulnerable, increase vocations and educate people of all ages, ethnicities, and abilities in the faith. Our parish could not accomplish all of this on its own.

Our parish's goal for the 2023 CMAA is \$119,800. 70 percent of any amount we raise over our goal will be returned to us. Please review the materials you receive in the mail from the Diocese of Joliet this month and prayerfully reflect on your gift to this year's annual appeal. If you do not receive a CMAA mailing, please contact the parish office.

*Presider Schedule
The presider schedule for February was not yet complete at time of production of this bulletin. We apologize for any inconvenience.*

Catholic singles 30+ are welcome to join us for **the Suburban Catholic Singles Group (SCSG) Anniversary party!**

Saturday, February 18

5:00 PM Mass Divine Infant Church
1601 Newcastle Ave, Westchester, IL


6:15 PM All you can eat pizza and salad
Giordano's Pizza 10410 W Cermak Rd,
Westchester, IL

Please RSVP for this event through the SCSG Facebook page!

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