

Immaculate Conception Parish Bulletin

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

HAPPY
MOTHER'S
DAY!

MARY IS
THE MOTHER
WHO WATCHES
OVER US,
HER CHILDREN,
ON OUR
JOURNEY
THROUGH LIFE,
OFTEN WEARY
AND IN NEED,
ANXIOUS THAT
THE LIGHT OF
HOPE NOT FAIL.

CHRISTUS VIVIT, NO. 48



Pictured above: Loretta Kalina and Claire Cronin with Father Tom. Mrs. Cronin and Mrs. Kalina crowned Mary last weekend. Both are longstanding parishioners, volunteers, stewards of our parish, and champions of Catholic Education. We thank them both for all they do for IC! IC honors them and all the mothers of our parish today.



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

Friday: 8:30 a.m. ~ Noon

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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

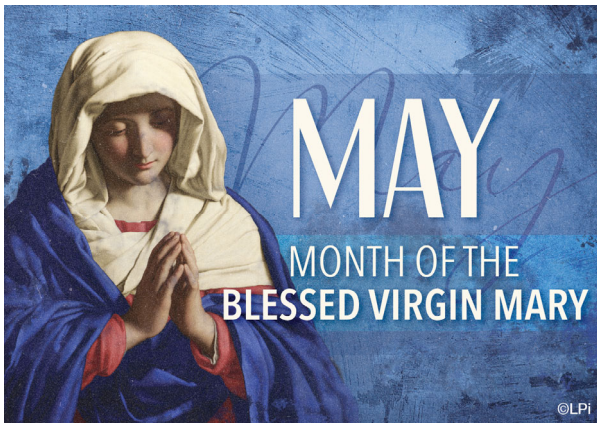
Sunday 7:30am, 9:00am, 11:30am, and 7:00pm

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Saturdays after 4:30pm Mass until 6pm

First Fridays after 6:15am Mass until all are heard



Help us celebrate Mrs. Cathy Linley as she gets ready to retire after leading ICGS for the last 18 years. We will be honoring her at the IC Grade School Mass on Friday, May 19th at 8:15am. All are welcome to attend. Thank you, Mrs. Linley for all you've done for our school!



2024 MASS BOOK
 The 2024 Mass book will open on Thursday, May 18.
 Mass Intentions for weekday masses are still available through the end of 2023. Consider an intention as a birthday, anniversary or even a thank-you gift. A mass intention is a wonderful way to show someone that you care!

Mother's Day Flowers



We invite you to remember your Mother, Grandmothers, Godmothers and any special women in your lives by offering a rose in their honor. On Mother's Day, May 13 & 14, these flowers will adorn our altar area in memory of these significant women. Donations are \$4.00 per remembrance and the names of these women will be mentioned in the bulletin. Please note if the person being honored is living or deceased. Drop the form and your donation in the collection basket or mail to the Rectory Office.

Living Memorial

In Honor of: _____

Deceased Remembrance

In Memory of: _____

Requested by: _____



PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR DEACONS
AS THEY PREPARE FOR THEIR
ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD
ON MAY 20, 2023
AT THE CATHEDRAL OF ST. RAYMOND



DEACON
JEREMY LEGANSKI



DEACON
ALEXANDER LORANG



DEACON
FRANK PUSATERI



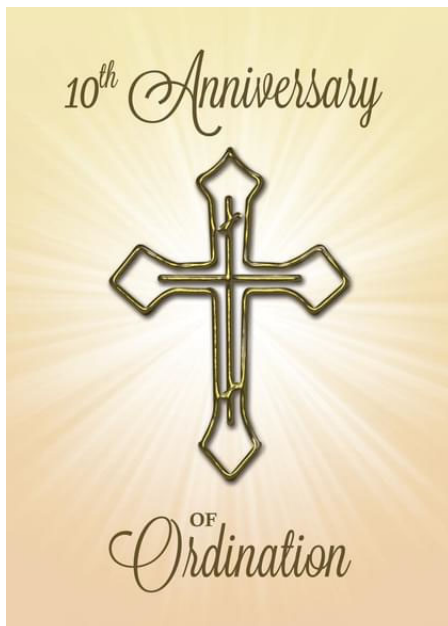
DEACON
JARED RUTNICKI

The ordination will be livestreamed at 11:00 am at:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SMD9myDELXA>

On July 1, 2023, Fr. Cerna will begin a new assignment as Parochial Vicar at Sts. Peter and Paul in Naperville. A farewell reception in his honor will take place the weekend of June 24/25.

Bishop Hicks has assigned to our parish soon to be ordained as a priest Deacon Jeremy Leganski, who will become our new Parochial Vicar on July 1st. All are invited to attend Deacon Jeremy's ordination at the Cathedral of St. Raymond Nonnatus in Joliet on May 20th at 11am. His first Mass will be celebrated at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel in Darien on May 21st at noon. A Mass of Thanksgiving will take place here at IC on May 28th at 9am.

Please keep both Fr. Cerna and soon to be ordained as a priest Deacon Jeremy in your prayers during this time of transition.



*Happy 10th
Anniversary of the
priesthood to
Fr. Michael Pawlowicz!
All are invited to
celebrate Fr. Michael's
anniversary at
5pm Mass on
Thursday, May 18th in
the Immaculate
Conception Church.*





Worship

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading: Then they laid hands on them and they received the Holy Spirit. (Acts 8:17)

Second Reading: For Christ also suffered for sins once, the righteous for the sake of the unrighteous, that he might lead you to God. Put to death in the flesh, he was brought to life in the Spirit. (1 Pt 3:18)

Gospel: "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate to be with you always, the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot accept, because it neither sees nor knows him." (Jn 14:15-17)

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Acts 8:5-8, 14-17/Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20
(1)/1 Pt 3:15-18/Jn 14:15-21

Monday: Acts 16:11-15/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and
9b/Jn 15:26—16:4a

Tuesday: Acts 16:22-34/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8/
Jn 16:5-11

Wednesday: Acts 17:15, 22—18:1/Ps 148:1-2, 11-12,
13, 14/Jn 16:12-15

Thursday: Acts 18:1-8/Ps 98:1-3ab, 3cd-4/
Jn 16:16-20

Ascension: Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 (6)/Eph
1:17-23/Mt 28:16-20

Friday: Acts 18:9-18/Ps 47:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Jn 16:20-23

Saturday: Acts 18:23-28/Ps 47:2-3, 8-9, 10/
Jn 16:23b-28

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: 6th Sunday of Easter; Mother's Day

Monday: St. Isidore

Thursday: The Ascension of the Lord;
St. John I, Pope and Martyr

Saturday: St. Bernardine of Siena, Priest;
Armed Forces Day

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2023 ENGAGED COUPLES

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| Molly Cronin & John Anschuetz | 6/2 |
| Jennifer Lee & Michael Mehilos | 6/3 |
| Emily Meyers & Joseph Conroy | 6/9 |
| Olivia Schmitt & Brian Page | 6/10 |
| Margaret Ewing & Jack Novy | 7/1 |
| Cathleen Cahill & Michael Hanley | 8/26 |

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, MAY 15

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| 6:15AM | †Helen & Anthony LaBarbara / Ron & Linda Stedman |
| 7:30AM | †Albin & Emily Stall / Stall Family Robinson Family |
| | †John Anthony Terranova Sr. / Tom & Marguerite Paravola |

TUESDAY, MAY 16

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| 6:15AM | †Michael Gilligan / Bert Wisbrock |
| 7:30AM | †Jackie Costello / Tim Costello |

WEDNESDAY, MAY 17

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| 6:15AM | †Donna Lewicki / Olivia Gow |
| 7:30AM | †Reg Darley |
| 9:15AM | †ICCP Distinguished Alumni |

THURSDAY, MAY 18

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| 6:15AM | †Christine Long |
| 7:30AM | †Elizabeth McCarthy |

FRIDAY, MAY 19

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| 6:15AM | †Mary Pastuovic |
| 8:15AM | †Molly Moroni / ICGS |

SATURDAY, MAY 20

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| 8:00AM | †Reginald Darley / Olivia Gow |
| 4:30PM | Malik Family Intentions / Diane Dolan |

SUNDAY, MAY 21

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| 7:30AM | †Jack Kohl / Family |
| 9:00AM | †Rick Finn, Jr. |
| 11:30AM | †Carol Nielson / Carmella McDonnell |
| 7:00PM | †Parish Family |



*Congratulations to
Victoria Bautista &
Michael Wons*

Married May 12, 2023

Immaculate Conception Church





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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| Adkins, Finley | Koch, Susan |
| Bloc, Michael | Kuzlik, Therese |
| Campbell, Donna | Maiers, Michelle |
| Devin | McCann, Mary |
| Durgan, Bob | Pacurek, Robert |
| Durgan, Lindsey | Schramm, Colleen |
| Durgan, Terri | Serritella, Annette |
| Gow, Olivia | Severino, Jeffrey |
| Greenlee, Raymond | Teruel, Ellen |
| Hoffman, Diane | Vogel, Renee Moran |
| Larson, Ronald | Wilki, Carl |

If you would like your name or that of a loved one listed, please email bulletin@icelhurst.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”

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 April:

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| ◆ Audrey Madeline Kim | ◆ William Thomas Krowczyk |
| ◆ Ella Marie Karkula | |
| ◆ Jack Ryan Miller | ◆ Sienna Marie Magee |
| ◆ Emma Jane Bensfield | ◆ Nolan Matthew Reilly |
| ◆ Ginevieve Anne Murphy | ◆ Ryan Ferranti |
| ◆ Corinne Lily Hughes | |



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.

Week of 5/14-5/20

Sacred Heart Shrine Candle: †Maria Thu Tran

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 Gronck
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



Eucharistic Revival



The Eucharist and the Sacrament of Ordination

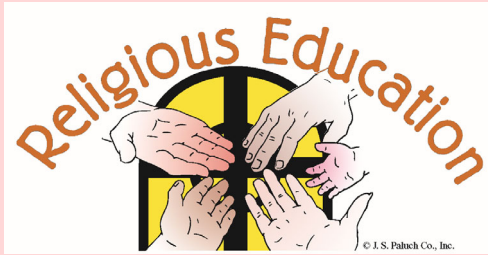
“By virtue of sacred Orders, the priest receives the gift of and commitment to repeating in the Sacrament the gestures and words with which Jesus instituted the memorial of his Pasch at the Last Supper. This great miracle of love, which the priest is called ever more faithfully to witness and proclaim is renewed in his hands. This is the reason why the priest must be first and foremost an adorer who contemplates the Eucharist, starting from the very moment in which he celebrates it. We are well aware that the validity of the Sacrament does not depend on the holiness of the celebrant, but its effectiveness for him and for others will be all the greater the deeper the faith, the more ardent the love and the more fervent the spirit of prayer with which he lives it.”

-Pope Benedict XVI

We pray that Deacon Jeremy and all other men who will be ordained this year may be blessed with deep faith, ardent love of the Eucharist, and faithful prayer and service to Jesus Christ and His Church.

Eucharistic Revival Events Eastern DuPage Deanery

- Wednesday, 5/24: St. Charles Borromeo, Bensenville
8am-6pm Eucharistic Adoration
- Thursday, 5/25: Sacred Heart, Lombard
6am-6pm 12 Hours of Eucharistic Adoration
- Friday, 5/26: Ascension, Oakbrook Terrace
Noon Mass followed by Adoration and Benediction followed by the exhibit
5/26-5/29 Vatican International Exhibition
- Sunday, 5/28: Mary Queen of Heaven, Elmhurst
3-5pm “Who Do You Say I am” facilitated by Lynn Suwanski
Followed by Adoration
7pm Eucharistic Concert to benefit Mayslake Ministries
- Tuesday, 5/30: Holy Ghost, Wood Dale
7-8pm Holy Hour
- Wednesday, 5/31: Christ the King, Lombard
9am Reflection by Fr. Jeff on “going forth” taken from the USCCB document on the Eucharistic Revival
Followed by Adoration until noon.
- Thursday, 6/1 St. Peter the Apostle, Itasca
Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration
7:00 – 8:00 pm Prayer for our Priests and Vocations to the Priesthood
8:00 – 9:00 pm Silent Adoration with Closing Benediction
- Friday, 6/2: St. John the Apostle, Villa Park
6-9pm Adoration
- Saturday, 6/3: St. Alexis, Bensenville
7-9pm Presentation by guest speaker on Adoration of the Eucharist
- Sunday, 6/4: St. Alexander’s, Villa Park
2-3pm Exposition
3-4pm Adoration
4-5pm Presentation by Fr. Rosenbaum followed by Benediction
- Monday, 6/5: Immaculate Conception, Elmhurst
8am-6pm Adoration
6-6:45pm Presentation by Bishop Dan Turley Murphy, OSA
6:45pm Benediction
- Tuesday, 6/6: Visitation, Elmhurst
Noon-6pm Open Welcome to the Visitation Adoration Chapel
- Tuesday, 6/6: St. Pius X, Lombard
7-9pm Adoration
- Wednesday, 6/7: Our Lady of Lebanon, Lombard
6-7pm Adoration
7pm Mass Followed by procession
Finish by going back to the church for a half hour of Adoration until 9pm
- Thursday, 6/8: St. Philip the Apostle, Addison
6-7:30pm Dr. Mary Amore: Encountering Jesus in the Eucharist: Becoming the very mystery we receive.
7:30-9pm Adoration
- Friday, 6/9: St. Joseph, Addison
24 Hours of Adoration (8am 6/9 – 8am 6/10)



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

Questions concerning 1st Eucharist pictures are to be directed to Tom Killoran Photographers at 708 361 0025 or email tomkilloranphotography@gmail.com

Did you forget to take your 1st Eucharist banner or certificate home on Sat May 6th? If so, please contact the RE Office.

2023-24 RE Registration materials are posted on the RE website. Kindly complete ALL information prior to returning your registration.

Catechists and Catechist Aides will be needed to meet the growing demands of our RE Program. Parents, prayerfully consider volunteering for this important ministry. We will provide you w/the materials and preparations needed for this service. Contact the RE Office to volunteer.



“Take and eat.” Take and drink.”
 “They recognized Him in the breaking of the bread.”

These simple, welcoming directives when responded to, become a life-giving reality for those of us who believe in the presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. With each experience of receiving Jesus in the Eucharist and adoring Him in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament, we grow in our faith life, and we seek to share this with others, especially our children.

The faith formation of your child begins at an early age. Your child watches you approach, receive, and respond to the gift of the Eucharist when you participate in liturgy each week. Your child questions, observes and develops a simple desire to participate in this sacred moment. This is a powerful opportunity for faith sharing with your child.

You may find resources to guide you on the program FORMED or presentations by Fr. Michael Schmitz suitable for adults and children. The Religion textbooks also provide “Take Home Pages” to introduce conversation on faith sharing in families. All these resources are rich in faith formation. However, **the best source is your own sincere simple faith story** of the meaning of Jesus in your life and the richness He provides for you.

Mark your calendars for a special opportunity to show and share your love for the Eucharist. On Sunday, June 11, after the 9:00 AM Mass, we will celebrate the Feast of Corpus Christi with a Eucharistic Procession. All first communicants are invited to dress in their communion outfits and walk in the procession along with our IC Family! The procession will end in the Church where the Blessed Sacrament will remain available for Adoration



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Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

The Illinois tax credit scholarship program has proven to be a beacon of hope and a guiding force toward a better life for thousands of Illinois students and their families. However, that light may be snuffed out unless the Illinois General Assembly acts to continue the law that provides for this program. Therefore, we are writing to ask you to contact your Illinois state representative and state senator to express your desire to retain the tax credit scholarship program.

Since its inception six years ago, the tax credit scholarship program has generated overwhelmingly positive results. Nearly 40,000 scholarships have been awarded to students attending private schools in the state. These scholarships are funded through contributions from donors who receive a 75% tax credit for their donation on their Illinois state income tax. All of the scholarships are need-based. Without this program, Illinois families may be unable to send their loved ones to the school of their choice. Demand for scholarships is high - for every scholarship granted, three students were turned down due to lack of funds.

Allowing the tax credit scholarship program to sunset would not only be a life altering disservice to the families it is designed to help, but would also create long-term consequences by weakening the state's educational choices and placing additional roadblocks in front of thousands of Illinois students on the path to a brighter future.

Please contact your state representative and state senator to let them know you support extending the tax credit scholarship program in Illinois law. We also encourage you to urge your fellow parishioners to do so also. Our collective voice is needed. To assist in this endeavor, please visit the Catholic Conference of Illinois website at www.ilcatholic.org or call the Springfield office at (217) 528-9200 for further information on how to locate your elected officials, request sample wording for a possible message to send, or for information about how to donate.

+ *Blase J. Cupich*

His Eminence Cardinal Blase J. Cupich
Archbishop of Chicago

+ *Thomas John Paprocki*

Most Reverend Thomas John Paprocki
Bishop of Springfield in Illinois

+ *David J. Malloy*

Most Reverend David J. Malloy
Bishop of Rockford

+ *Ronald A. Hicks*

Most Reverend Ronald Hicks
Bishop of Joliet

+ *Michael M. McGovern*

Most Reverend Michael McGovern
Bishop of Belleville

+ *Louis Tylka*

Most Reverend Louis Tylka
Bishop of Peoria



FOUNDED IN FAITH, CALLED TO WITNESS, SENT FORTH TO SERVE

The Diocese of Joliet is preparing to celebrate the 75th Anniversary of the Announcement of the Establishment of the Diocese. Our Anniversary year will begin on December 11, 2023 and conclude on December 8, 2024. As the people of the Diocese of Joliet-in-Illinois we have much for which to be grateful and we are asking every person in our Diocese to enter into the prayer of this celebration.

Thus, we are inviting you to draft a prayer asking God’s blessings upon our Anniversary Year and the Diocese. As you pray with the theme of this Anniversary “Founded in Faith, Called to Witness, Sent Forth to Serve” write down your reflections, then use them to develop a prayer text that can be easily prayed aloud in a group setting. The Anniversary Prayer will be translated into the languages used for prayer in the Diocese, so write your prayer in your spoken language.

We encourage all people to spend time in prayer developing our Anniversary Prayer—children, teens, young adults, adults of all ages, priests, deacons, religious. Catholic School teachers and Religious Education catechists might make this a class project. Parents might make this a family project. Parish Organizations might also make this a group project.

All prayers should be sent to the Office of Divine Worship via USPS or email by June 1, 2023, and should include name, address, phone number and name of parish or institution. The 75th Anniversary Prayer will be created by the Anniversary Committee using the prayers received from the people of the Diocese.

Should you have any questions please contact Sister Sharon Marie Stola, OSB at the Office of Divine Worship and she will respond to your inquiry.

Office of Divine Worship and the Catechumenate
Email: sstola@dioceseofjoliet.org

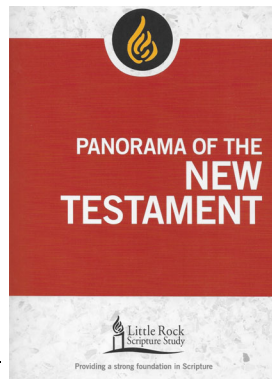
Vacation Bible School – for Adults

Summer is the perfect season to dive into Scripture. In our time and place, we have Unprecedented access to Catholic biblical scholarship. In just five one-hour sessions, we'll see how the New Testament continues and completes the narrative of God's redemption in the world.

Join us from 7:00 to 8:00 on Tuesday evenings, every other week starting June 27, in the Resource Room.

Our text is Panorama of the New Testament by Stephen J. Binz of the Little Rock Scripture Study. It is available at amazon.com or litpress.org. Order the 2019 edition, as pictured here.

Contact Anne Hohbein with any questions.
ahohbein@icelmhurst.org.



Want to help motivate a deserving child to stay in school and make the honor roll?

Want to repurpose your old bike instead of it hitting the landfill?

PLEASE DONATE YOUR GENTLY USED BIKES!!

Saturday May 20, from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm

Collection Site:
 262 S. Hagans Avenue
 ELMHURST

Bikes are donated to children in low income areas of Chicago who make the honor roll at their school

Powered by Grant Schleiter
 Visit gopedalpower.com

*Donations are tax deductible



Christian Ministry



If you or someone you know are experiencing health issues, facing surgery, receiving or recuperating from medical treatments, healing through grief or experiencing a significant life crossroads and would like to receive a prayer shawl, please contact Rita Beese at ritabeese@gmail.com Prayer shawls are a tangible sign of healing prayers from our parish and a way in which to feel the healing presence of God.



PLEASE REMEMBER US AS YOU DO YOUR WEEKLY SHOPPING

Our Food Pantry "needs" list includes the following items: Milk, eggs, frozen pizzas, fresh or canned fruit and vegetables, cereal, tortillas, pasta, full-size condiments, salad dressing, pasta sauce, toothpaste, body soap/wash, shampoo, personal hygiene products, laundry detergent, toilet paper, paper towels, and dish soap. We are enormously grateful to our donors, who enable us to continue helping those in need. God bless you for holding those who hunger close to your heart.



ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS
a journey of faith

To-Do List Before Summer Vacation

Contact Pam Stefik at 630-530-3497 to inquire about joining the Catholic Church this year. **Classes now forming.** The journey begins in September.

This process is intended for those who would like to be baptized, those who were baptized Catholic but never received the Sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation and those who currently identify with another faith tradition, but would like to become Catholic.

Sacraments will be conferred at the Easter Vigil, March 30, 2024

Are you, or someone you know, widowed?

If you have been recently widowed and are struggling with the loss, or if you have been widowed for some time and seem to be stuck in one spot, this program is designed to help you move on with life while still treasuring your past and its precious memories.

What: **Retreat/workshop for Widowed Men & Women**

When: June 24 & 25, 2023 (2-day program)
No overnight available at this site.

Where: St. Julie's Parish, Tinley Park, Illinois

For further information, call: 708-354-7211.

e-mail us at joyfulagain7211@gmail.com

website: www.joyfulagain.org



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? Please contact Pam Stefik at 630-530-3497 regarding the Rite of Christian Initiation adapted for children. Special Sacrament classes run concurrently with ongoing religious education, either through our RE program or Catholic school.



Are you in need of an annulment? Do you have questions about the process, timeline or requirements?

Please contact Pam Stefik at 530-3497 for information.





The Shrine of Christ's Passion St. John, Indiana Summer Pilgrimage
 The Shrine of the Christ's Passion is a multi-media interactive, half-mile winding Prayer Trail that depicts the last days of Jesus Christ's life. Forty life-size bronze sculptures in a tranquil setting, complete with beautiful music and amazingly sculptured gardens allow visitors to experience the story of the crucifixion and resurrection as never before! Chicago broadcaster Bill Kurtis narrates the audio recordings that you hear at listening stations along the path. Created by Texas artist Mickey Wells, 40 life-size bronze sculptures, weighing 300 to 700 pounds vividly tell the story of the last days of Christ. For additional information, please visit their website at www.shrineofchristspassion.org

We are gauging interest in a chartered bus trip in mid-June to experience this nationally renowned shrine. This is an incredibly moving experience. This will be our third trip to St. John, IN. We travel via air-conditioned coach. There is a nominal charge to defray the cost of the bus. If you missed our prior trips or are new to our parish and are interested in participating, please contact Pam Stefik at 630-530-3497 to reserve your spot. Space is limited. **Please note that rides are available onsite for those unable to walk the path.**



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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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:
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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 May 7, 2023

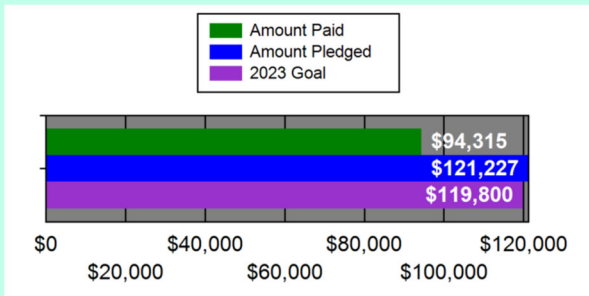
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| Sunday Envelopes Total: | \$ 12,544.54 |
| Electronic Offerings: | \$ 13,650.33 |
| Total Gifts: | \$ 29,169.62 |
| Amount Budgeted Per Week: | \$ 29,000.00 |
| Total Funds Collected 7/1-5/7/23 | \$1,357,988.00 |
| Amount Budgeted: | \$1,359,686.00 |
| Budget over/(under) to date: | (\$1,698.00) |

Thank You in His Name!



If you have already pledged your support to the Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal (CMAA), thank you! If we all participate, we can meet our parish's CMAA goal of

\$119,800. Pledge envelopes are still available in the church, or you can return the pledge card you received in the mail from the diocese or make a gift online at jolietdioceseappeal.org. Remember, if we raise more than our goal, the diocese will return to us 70 percent of the amount over goal. This is an amazing opportunity for our parish. In advance, thank you for your support!



| | Lector | Altar Server | EM | Greeter |
|-------------------|------------------------------------|--|--|-------------------------|
| May 20 4:30pm | A. Paprocki (1) T. Paprocki (2) | G. Guistolise I. Buehling C. Talluto | E. Bulthuis J. Geiger M. Paprocki | T. Kaiser |
| May 21 7:30am | M. Tyson (1) E. Landas (2) | J. Aragones L. Phillips | A. Chiappetta | J. Callahan M. Smith |
| May 21 9:00am | J. O'Leary (2) | A. Smal L. Miljanovic Pilar Davis | J. McFarlane M. O'Leary M. Wolbeck | M. Tovey M. Tovey |
| May 21 11:30am | R. Tuttle (1) A. Serritella (2) | M. Leischner D. Gibbons N. Dewbray | M. Durkin | J. Viola |
| May 21 7:00pm | D. Paprocki (1) | | | C. Cohen |

Presider Schedule

May 20 & May 21

- 4:30pm Fr. Cerna
- 7:30am Fr. Michael Pawlowicz
- 9:00am Fr. Tom
- 11:30am Fr. Cerna
- 7:00pm Fr. Sunny Castillo

Vocations

The IC Vocations Committee has a monthly Holy Hour for Vocations on the first Monday of each month from 6-7pm at the Visitation Adoration Chapel. Please join us in prayer and Adoration as we pray for our current and future priests. Feel free to show up at any time during the hour; no registration is required. Our priests deeply appreciate and need our prayers, and our Church needs prayers to foster more vocations. We would love to pray together with you!

Our next Holy Hours are scheduled: June 5, July 3, August 7. Questions? Please email brittany.c.buis@gmail.com