

# *Immaculate Conception Parish Bulletin*

*Very Reverend Thomas Paul, V. F. K.H.S., Pastor*  
*Reverend Jeremy Leganski, Parochial Vicar*

*Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
*September 10, 2023*

Congratulations, Sr. Mary Francis on her 50th Anniversary!



## **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.***

***If you are new to our church or just visiting, please stop and introduce yourself. We are pleased to have you share in this celebration of the Eucharist. If you do not have a church home, or your church is not a home to you, we invite you to become part of our parish family. We are so glad you're here and hope you will come back again for Mass or become a parishioner.***



## Sr. Mary Francis

Sr. Mary Francis Werner met the School Sisters of St. Francis of Christ the King when they moved into her neighborhood in Greenfield, Wisconsin. Already active in the parish, she admired the Sisters and helped them during her high school years. Following graduation, she entered the community and began college, hoping to do social work. However, her life took a different direction when she began her ministry teaching grade school and then high school religion at Mt. Assisi Academy. In 1997, she was appointed principal of the Academy, a position she held until the Academy closed in 2014.

For the past 9 years, Immaculate Conception has been blest to have Sr. Mary Francis on staff as Director of Religious Education K-5. Elected at the 2016 Provincial Chapter, she also serves on the Provincial Council.

All are invited to Plunkett Hall following the 9am Mass today to celebrate Sr. Mary Francis' 50th Anniversary of the religious order.



## Summer Work

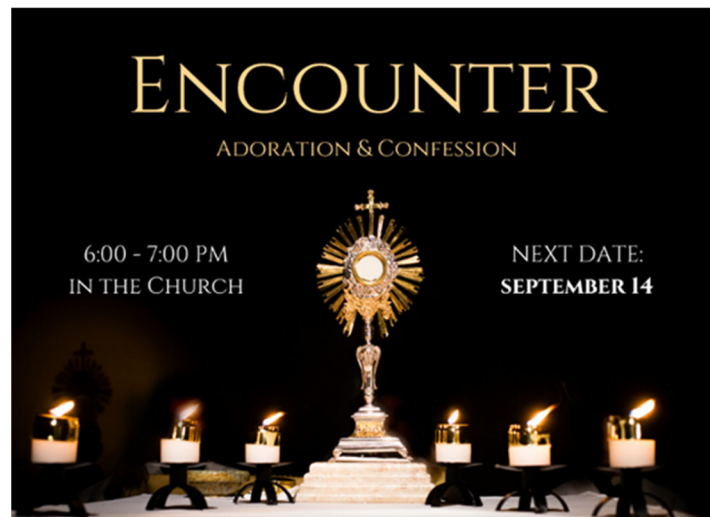


In a continuing effort to keep our grounds both safe and beautiful, part of the work done this summer around our campus was sealcoating and repairing the parking lots on either side of the church building.





## Eucharistic Revival



To help rediscover and personally encounter Jesus in the Eucharist, IC will begin hosting a monthly Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration. For those who may be new to this form of prayer, Eucharistic Adoration is the worship of the Eucharist outside of Mass. The Consecrated Host is displayed on the altar in a golden vessel called a monstrance so that all can see and pray in the presence of Jesus. Adoration flows from our reception of Holy Communion at Mass. At Mass, we *receive* Jesus' Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity in the Eucharist. In adoration, we *spend time* with our Lord and deepen our friendship with him.

**Our first Holy Hour will be this Thursday, September 14 starting at 6:00 PM in the Church.** The Holy Hour will include silent adoration, praise and worship music, and the opportunity to go to confession. Adoration is a time to talk with the Lord face-to-face, to share your gratitude, problems, hopes and fears, and to let Him answer you. His answer may be experienced in a quiet inspiration of the heart, or in a reading or song that gives you inner peace. There are many ways to pray in the presence of the Eucharist: personal conversation with the Lord, praying the rosary, praying with scripture, reading devotional materials, or just sitting in the presence of God and listening. Adoration is less about *doing* and more about *receiving*. The beautiful part about Eucharistic Adoration is that you can stay for however long you would like. Think of it like an "open gym" or "office hours." Feel free to stay for the entire hour, or feel free to simply stop by on your way home from work or sports practice. Any time spent with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is time well-spent. Join us and rediscover your relationship with the Lord and encounter His real presence in the Eucharist. Jesus is waiting for you. "Come and see" (John 1:39).



## Worship

### TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading:** If I tell the wicked, "O wicked one, you shall surely die," and you do not speak out to dissuade the wicked from his way, the wicked shall die for his guilt, but I will hold you responsible for his death. (Ez 33:8)

**Second Reading:** Love does no evil to the neighbor; hence, love is the fulfillment of the law. (Rom 13:10)

**Gospel:** "If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have won over your brother." (Mt 18:15)

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### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Col 1:24—2:3/Ps 62:6-7, 9/Lk 6:6-11

Tuesday: Col 2:6-15/Ps 145:1b-2, 8-9, 10-11/  
Lk 6:12-19

Wednesday: Col 3:1-11/Ps 145:2-3, 10-11, 12-13ab/  
Lk 6:20-26

Thursday: Nm 21:4b-9/Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38/  
Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17

Friday: 1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14/Ps 16:1b-2a and 5, 7-8, 11/  
Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35

Saturday: 1 Tm 1:15-17/Ps 113:1b-2, 3-4, 5a and 6-7/  
Lk 6:43-49

Next Sunday: Sir 27:30—28:7/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10,  
11-12 (8)/Rom 14:7-9/Mt 18:21-35

### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time;  
Grandparents' Day

Monday: Patriot Day

Tuesday: The Most Holy Name of Mary

Wednesday: St. John Chrysostom

Thursday: The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Friday: Our Lady of Sorrows

Saturday: St. Cornelius

### MASS INTENTIONS

#### MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

6:15AM

†Greg Vogelsperger

7:30AM

†Jeanette Murray / Lamborn Family

†Fran Connors

#### TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

6:15AM

†Pat Calcagno

7:30AM

†Lawrence John Ferraro / O'Brien  
Family

#### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

6:15AM

†Dane LeClaire

7:30AM

†Barbara Sylvester / Family

#### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

6:15AM

†Leo Faklaris

7:30AM

†Colin Mullarkey / Hennessy Family

#### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

6:15AM

†Jackie Costello / Tim Costello

7:30AM

†Edward Ketchum

#### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

8:00AM

†Nanci Kay / Heale Family

4:30PM

†Parish Family

#### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

7:30AM

†Ginny Rebek / Mary LaPointe

9:00AM

†Marie Westhoff

11:30AM

†Mary Eileen Crean / Cathy Cassitteri

7:00PM

†Art Caso

†Denotes deceased

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

If you or a loved one are in the hospital, please let us know. The priests of the Eastern DuPage deanery, and specifically priests from IC, Visitation, and Mary Queen of Heaven visit Elmhurst Hospital on most days. Call the office at 630-530-8515 or email [info@icelmhurst.org](mailto:info@icelmhurst.org) so that we can make sure you're visited and prayed for.

**Mass Time Change!**  
Please be reminded that Sunday  
Mass has moved back to 11:30am!

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 9/10-9/16

Sacred Heart Candle: †Maria Thu Tran



# 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  | Kuzlik, Therese    |
| Bloc, Michael   | Livorsi, Tom       |
| Campbell, Donna | McCann, Mary       |
| Devin           | Pacurek, Michelle  |
| Durgan, Bob     | Reedy, Barbara     |
| Durgan, Lindsey | Schramm, Colleen   |
| Durgan, Terri   | Stella, Dawn       |
| Earnisse, Diane | Teruel, Ellen      |
| Earnisse, Dick  | Vogel, Renee Moran |
| Gow, Olivia     | Wilki, Carl        |
| Koch, Susan     |                    |

**If you would like your name or that of a loved one listed, please email [bulletin@icelhurst.org](mailto: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”**

†Greg Vogelsperger

*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 August:

- |                         |                             |
|-------------------------|-----------------------------|
| ◆ Bailey Rose Madrigal  | ◆ Louis Robert Sagerstrom   |
| ◆ Ryan Robert Lukas     | ◆ Robert James Taylor       |
| ◆ Braven James Mastrino | ◆ John Martin Cantone       |
| ◆ Nicolas Rey Armenta   | ◆ Emma Victoria Mirkopoulos |
| ◆ Mateo Mauro Medina    | ◆ Sofia Marie Boland        |
| ◆ Conor Patrick Dawson  |                             |

## 2023 ENGAGED COUPLES

- Margaret Hickey & Daniel Manchen 10/7  
 Margie Acton & Michael O’Leary 10/14  
 Pamela Livorsi & Derek Hermansen 10/28

**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.**

- Maj. 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  
**Lt. Col. Andrew Tyson** USMC  
**SGM Bill Benesi**, US Army  
 Nephews 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  
**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



	<u>Mass Schedule</u>
Monday, September 11	6:15am and 7:30am Mass Church
Tuesday, September 12	6:15am and 7:30am Mass Church
Wednesday, September 13	6:15am and 7:30am Mass Church
Thursday, September 14	6:15am and 7:30am Mass Church
Friday, September 15	6:15am and 7:30am Mass Church
Saturday, September 16	8:00am Mass Church 4:30pm Mass Sacred Heart Chapel
*Reconciliation will be held after 4:30pm Mass until 6:00pm	
Sunday, September 17	7:30am Mass Church 9am & 11:30am Mass Sacred Heart Chapel 7:00pm Mass Church

**75th Anniversary Diocese of Joliet**

To easily access information on the events and activities surrounding the 75th Anniversary, visit [dijoliet.org/75th](http://dijoliet.org/75th)



*Join us*



Fr. Jeremy posts his Sunday homilies on Spotify in case you would like to refer back to them or share them with someone you know. You can type either "Fr. Jeremy Leganski" in Spotify's search bar or follow the link below:  
<https://open.spotify.com/show/0ElytD4zWfmV3x8TjLMXLZ?si=69d6070854cc4a86>



**KEYNOTE SPEAKER: HARRY KRAEMER,**  
 KELLOGG SCHOOL OF MANAGEMENT  
 PROFESSOR, FORMER CEO OF BAXTER AND  
 FREQUENT GUEST ON RELEVANT RADIO

**SEPTEMBER 30TH | 5:30 PM**  
**THE WESTIN CHICAGO, LOMBARD**  
 COCKTAILS | DINNER | LIVE AUCTION

**FOR MORE INFO. VISIT**  
[CEFJOLIET.ORG/ATTEND](http://CEFJOLIET.ORG/ATTEND)



**Parish Office Hours: Monday—Thursday 8:30 a.m. ~ 4:30 p.m.**  
**Friday: 8:30 a.m. ~ Noon**  
**Phone: 530-8515 Website: icelhurst.org**  
**Eastern DuPage Deanery: easterndupagedeanery.org**  
**Facebook @ICElMhurst**  
**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 & First Saturdays after 8am Mass**



The That Man Is You! program will be returning for its SIXTH year in Elmhurst beginning September 9<sup>th</sup>

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. ‘All Things New’ will help develop men that our families, our Church, and our world desperately await. Come join us for this uniquely contemplative and practical multi-speaker video series and discover what That Man Is You! has to offer.

TMIY is an interactive men’s program focused on the development of male leadership in the modern world. It combines the best research with the teachings of the Catholic faith and the wisdom of the saints to develop the vision of authentic men capable of transforming themselves, their families, and greater society.

**MEETING INFORMATION**

Saturday Mornings beginning September 9th, 2023  
6:30am - Breakfast and Fellowship  
7:00am - Video Presentation  
7:30am - Small Group Discussions  
8:00am - Adjourn  
Concludes no later than 8:00am

**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](http://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!***

Spiritual Classics

Our book discussion will resume on Sunday, Sept.10 from 10:15 – 11:15 in the Dyer Center, and will continue for 10 sessions.

The current selection will focus on St. Robert Bellarmine, “The Gentle Doctor” of the Church. We will reflect on his thoughts on the practice of meditation as presented in *The Mind’s Ascent to God* and *The Art of Dying Well*.

We will use the book *The Classics of Western Spirituality – Robert Bellarmine*, ISBN 0-8091-2875-6. For more information, contact lenhohbein@aol.com.

**WOMEN’S PRAYER BREAKFAST**

Please join the women of IC this fall as we meet to discuss the book, *How Big is Your God*, by Paul Coutinho. Together we will discuss this thought-provoking book and learn how to help our faith grow deeper and stronger. We will be meeting on the second Saturday of each month starting September 9<sup>th</sup> in the PAC following the 8:00 am Mass.

This book is available on Amazon for \$12.95. If you have any questions, please contact Mary Lynn at [rpollastrini@sbcglobal.net](mailto:rpollastrini@sbcglobal.net). We would love to see you this fall!



## Job Opportunities

**Part Time Accounting Clerk:** Immaculate Conception Parish is seeking to hire a part-time Accounting Clerk. Monday – Thursday, with occasional Fridays; not to exceed 29 hours per week. This individual will be responsible for Providing accounting services, which includes, but is not limited to, overseeing the counting of cash received by the Parish, collection of cash and checks in a variety of locations, G/L Entries, creation of a variety of reports, and coverage of front desk in the absence of the Receptionist. Must possess a high school diploma, or GED. Some college level coursework preferred. Minimum of 3 years in an administrative capacity within a Catholic Church and/or School preferred. To apply for this amazing opportunity, please send a cover letter and resume to [clewandowski@icelmhurst.org](mailto:clewandowski@icelmhurst.org)

**Parish Office:** The Immaculate Conception Parish Office is seeking a part-time (20 hours per week), Volunteer Coordinator. This position requires a person with good pastoral skills, a willingness to work cooperatively with volunteers and staff, computer experience, and organizational skills. Responsibilities include scheduling of all liturgical ministers, mailings, special projects, front desk help, and other duties as needed. Applicants should send resume to [ccohen@icelmhurst.org](mailto:ccohen@icelmhurst.org) or [clewandowski@icelmhurst.org](mailto:clewandowski@icelmhurst.org)

## Christian Ministry



### SUMMER FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

We continue to struggle to obtain the food we need through the Northern Illinois Food Bank. The following items are most needed and requested in our pantry right now: cereal, pancake mix, pasta and pasta sauce, milk, canned fruit and vegetables, full-size condiments, salad dressing, toothpaste, body soap/wash, shampoo, personal hygiene products, laundry detergent, paper towels, and dish soap. Items may be dropped off

during our pantry hours, 10-noon M-TH, or during normal business hours at the rectory.

Fresh produce from your summer gardens would also be most appreciated! Fresh produce is in short supply through the Northern Illinois Food Bank. If you have an abundance of tomatoes, corn, squash, berries or other home-grown goodies, our clients would love to have some! Thank you!

### GOOD USED CAR DONATIONS NEEDED

**IC Daybreak Transitional Housing** partners with Bridge Communities, in our transitional housing ministry. Program requirements specify that a potential client be employed full-time. A significant barrier to finding and keeping employment is unreliable transportation. Many clients enter our program without a car or have a car that needs extensive and costly repairs. Bridge relies on donations to provide cars to these families.

Reliable transportation is a necessity, as public transportation in DuPage County is limited. One of our current clients is currently in need of a good used vehicle.

If you have a vehicle in good working condition that you wish to donate, please contact Paul at Bridge Communities / 630-403-5104 or [paul.matthews@bridgecommunities.org](mailto:paul.matthews@bridgecommunities.org). If you have additional questions, please call Pam at 630-530-3497. Thank you for considering this valuable donation to our transitional housing program.



### IC DAYBREAK TRANSITIONAL HOUSING

Do you have life skills that would benefit someone in need? Are you willing to invest time to help someone move from homelessness to self-sufficiency? We are still seeking additional mentors in our transitional housing ministry. If you are interested, but unsure of what is involved, we invite you to attend one of our monthly meetings. Please contact Pam Stefik in the Christian Ministry Office 630-530-3497 to RSVP or request additional information.





**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION  
GRADE SCHOOL**  
630.530.3490  
**FAITH. FAMILY. ACADEMIC  
EXCELLENCE**

All prospective parents are invited to learn more about ICGS on Wednesday October 18th at 6:00pm. To register contact Sheila Wachholder-630-530-3490



All ICGS parents are encouraged and welcome to attend School Mass, every Friday, in IC Church at 8:15am.



**ICCP**  
IC CATHOLIC PREP  
THE SCHOOL FOR INDEPENDENT THINKERS

Do you have an elementary aged student? All parents in our community are invited to come meet the ICCP administration and learn more about our Catholic High School. September 12th at 7pm in the IC Church.

## ICCP SOCCER YOUTH KNIGHT

JOIN US  
ON  
SEPTEMBER  
12



FREE ICCP SOCCER T-SHIRTS FOR JUNIOR HIGH STUDENTS.  
WALK OUT WITH THE KNIGHTS AS THEY TAKE THE FIELD.



**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12  
7:00 PM  
VS. ST. RITA HIGH SCHOOL  
AT PLUNKETT FIELD**

### CAMPUS TOURS & SHADOW DAYS

The best way for students to know what it would be like to be an ICCP Knight is to attend a shadow day. Students spend a day with us for a sneak peek at life as an ICCP Knight. They will tour the campus on a regular school day. Pick a date and we will pair your child with a current ICCP student for the day.

To schedule a campus tour or arrange a shadow day visit [icatholicprep.org](http://icatholicprep.org) or call Bryant Romero at 630-530-3484 or [bromero@icatholicprep.org](mailto:bromero@icatholicprep.org)

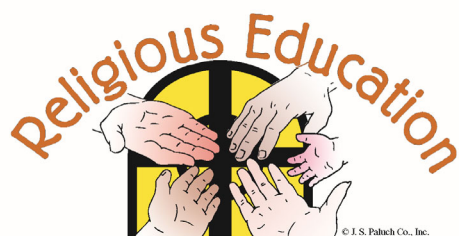
### OPEN HOUSES

Meet the administration, faculty, activity moderators, coaches, students, and IC Catholic Prep parents.

6:00pm Check-in opens in the IC Gym followed by tours in ICCP Main High School Building

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27**  
Tours & Department Presentations

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 25**  
Personal tours for prospective students.



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

Sunday RE  
First Class  
September 17  
Wednesday RE  
First Class  
September 20

2023-2024 RE classes will begin on Sunday, September 17th and Wednesday, September 20th. Contact the RE Office with any Questions or concerns. Registration materials are posted on the RE website. New families are invited to join our program.

Our RE Program is in need of volunteers to serve as Catechists/ Catechist Aides. Contact the RE Office to assist in this ministry. High School students may volunteer for service hours.

### Children's Church



Children's Church is a ministry that teaches and encourages children in their belief in Jesus. As a volunteer, you would be working with our youngest believers; ages pre-K through 2<sup>nd</sup> grade. During Children's Church, children are separated into two age groups with readings and activities appropriate for each group. All materials are provided. Children's Church occurs during the homily of the 9 a.m. Mass. There are usually three teams of volunteers with each team doing about 5-6 Masses throughout the school year.

**We are in need of volunteers; please consider being the role model of faith for our children. Contact Stephanie Savage at [stephanie.o.savage@gmail.com](mailto:stephanie.o.savage@gmail.com)**

OCIA or the Order of Christian Initiation for Adults is a process of prayer, reflection, education and faith sharing specifically intended for those who



ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS  
*a journey of faith*

- Would like to be baptized
- Have been baptized into another Christian faith and now would like to become Catholic
- Would like to complete their Sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation

Are YOU, a member of your family, a friend or a neighbor being called to “**Come and See**” what our Catholic faith is all about? We welcome you to participate in this prayerful and educational journey of discovery. The journey begins in September. Please contact Pam Stefik at 630-530-3497 to arrange an informal interview and learn more about the year ahead.



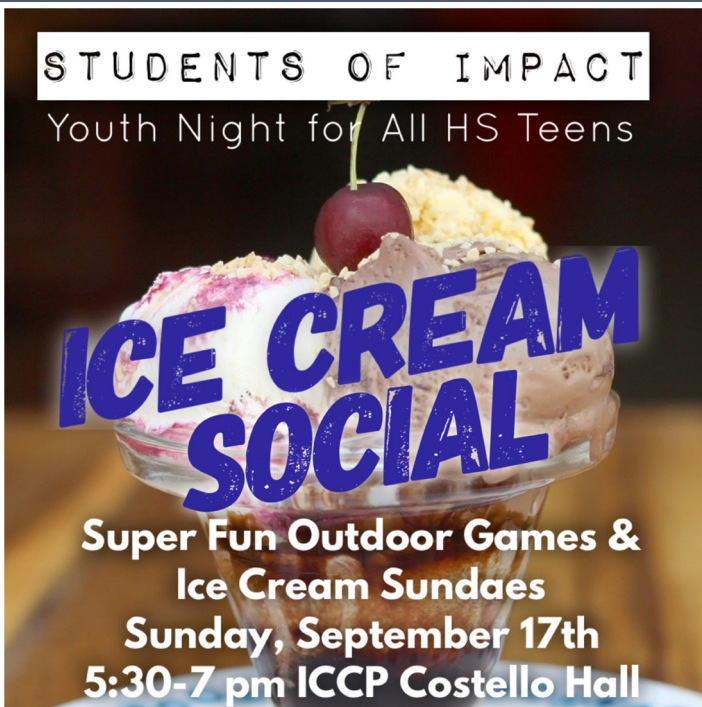
**PARENTS:** Do you have a child **7 years of age or older** who has not yet been baptized and/or has not received their First Holy Communion? Please contact Pam Stefik at 630-530-3497 regarding the Order of Christian Initiation adapted for children. Special Sacrament classes run concurrently with ongoing religious education, either through our RE program or Catholic school.



## Youth Ministry



TEENS!!! All teens & friends are invited to the “Students of Impact” Ice Cream Social Kick Off on September 17th 5:30-7:00 pm. Teens will meet new and friendly people, enjoy ice cream, and be empowered! Meet outside of Costello Hall. (Families are encouraged to attend the 7 pm Mass immediately afterwards.) Check out the details and see images from last year at [ICElmhurst.org](http://ICElmhurst.org) (under Faith Formation & Youth Ministry). Please invite a friend to participate with you—high school teens from all churches and schools are welcome!



### ♪♪ Calling all 1st & 2nd graders who love to sing! ♪♪

The **Cherub Choir** is open to all 1st and 2nd graders in the parish. The choir will have a fall and a spring session. Students from both grades may participate in either or both sessions.

#### FALL SESSION

**K-1st Grade Family Mass: Sunday, October 15 at 9am**  
Rehearsals: Wednesdays 9/20, 9/27, 10/4, 10/11 from 4:15-5:00pm  
*\* Wednesday RE students can be walked to class after rehearsal.*

Please contact Director of Music Lisa Grisolia to sign-up!  
[lisagrisolia@icelmhurst.org](mailto:lisagrisolia@icelmhurst.org)  
Music Ministry office: 630-530-3489



#### **NOTICE TO ALL CURRENT / ACTIVE VOLUNTEERS**

Effective August 1, 2023, the Diocese of Joliet has implemented Continuing Education modules for those whose Protecting God’s Children workshop was taken three or more years ago. Continuing Education will then be required every three years. You will receive an e-mail from the Diocese of Joliet asking that you sign into your Virtus account and undertake the assigned training. Anyone who has not completed the required training within fourteen days from the date of notice will be considered non-compliant and may be prevented from future ministry / school volunteer opportunities.

Should you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Pam Stefik at 630-530-3497 or [pstefik@icelmhurst.org](mailto:pstefik@icelmhurst.org). Thank you in advance for your cooperation in protecting our children.



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[www.icelmhurst.org](http://www.icelmhurst.org)

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### PARISH OFFICE

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Rev. Jeremy Leganski, Parochial Vicar  
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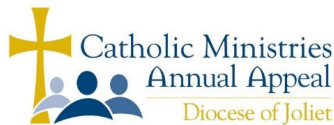
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**Stewardship of Time and Treasure**

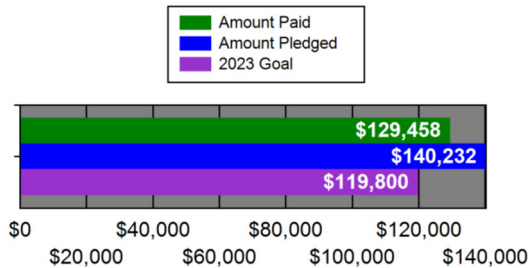
**Weekly Sharing  
August 27, 2023**

Sunday Envelopes Total:	\$ 15,727.50
Electronic Offerings:	\$ 14,034.34
Total Gifts:	\$ 29,761.84
Amount Budgeted Per Week:	\$ 29,000.00

**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. 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!



**“Our Home, Our Family” Program**

Over the next few weeks, you will be hearing about the upcoming “Our Home, Our Family” Program at Immaculate Conception Church. This effort is very important as we move forward with the mission and vision of Immaculate Conception Church. We, as a parish family, have changed so many lives in our community! In order to continue our mission and ministries, we encourage all parishioners to spend time in prayer and discussion with your family reflecting on the work we do. Our special Commitment Weekend will be celebrated on September 16 & 17. If you have any questions regarding the “Our Home, Our Family” Program, please feel free to contact the parish office.

	Lector	Altar Server	EM	Greeter
<b>Sept 16 4:30pm</b>	B. Bruen (1) R. Cello (2)	G. Guistolise (1) T. Levy (2) G. Sweley (3)	B. Daudelin Jennifer Geiger S. Scott	T. Kaiser
<b>Sept 17 7:30am</b>	M. Phillips (1) J. Vosicky (2)	L. Phillips (1) L. Denekas (2) (3)	T. Miller	J. Callahan M. Smith
<b>Sept 17 9:00am</b>	M. Ashton (1) M. Tyson (2)	P. Davis (1) S. DiMarco (2) G. D'Anna (3)	J. Davis	M. Tovey M. Tovey
<b>Sept 17 11:30am</b>	R. Tuttle (1) L. Kalina (2)	C. Leynes (1) L. Wolbeck (2) M. Leischner (3)	M. Durkin	J. Viola
<b>Sept 17 7:00pm</b>	R. Cello (1)			C. Cohen

**Presider Schedule  
September 16 & 17**

- 4:30 Fr. Jeremy
- 7:30 Fr. Tom
- 9:00 Fr. Jeremy
- 11:30 Fr. Tom
- 7:00 Fr. Jeremy



August was National Make-A-Will Month. Fall is a perfect opportunity for our community to reflect on the many gifts God has blessed us with. At Immaculate Conception, we're taking this a step further with Make-A-Will Sunday. Today, we invite you to set aside time to think through your estate plan and how you can best steward what God has entrusted to you.

To help you with this process, we offer an online estate planning tool you can use to create your will for free online and safeguard all that you love. Visit [FreeWill.com/DioceseofJoliet](https://FreeWill.com/DioceseofJoliet) to get started on your will.