

Parish Office Hours

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Sacramental Information

Baptisms: Parents/guardians are asked to attend a Preparation Seminar scheduled on the second Sunday of the month after 9:00 a.m. Mass (approximately 10:00 a.m.) in the lower-level library. We celebrate Baptisms on the first Sunday of the month during any Mass, and the third Sunday of the month after the 11:00 a.m. Mass. (No Baptisms are scheduled during Lent.) Please call the office to schedule at 281-5105.

Weddings: The parish is happy to celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony with adults who are currently registered members of Immaculate Conception Church (bride or groom). If you are one of many who would like to "come home" to celebrate the Sacrament with family and friends, please provide the name of the parish where you are now a member, along with contact information. We ask that you contact the IC Parish Office a minimum of four months prior to Marriage, but in most cases couples will need to allow time for Pre-Cana formation, and we suggest beginning to plan your Sacrament 12 or 18 months prior to Marriage.

Anointing of the Sick & Funerals: Since individual needs differ, please contact the Parish Office at 281-5105 for pastoral care. Do not hesitate to call; we are grateful for the opportunity to open our hearts to you and your family and offer these sacramental services.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults): The RCIA is for everyone who has been drawn by God to form a deeper relationship. Wherever you are in your faith practice – baptized in another Christian faith, starting from the beginning, or simply enriching your Catholic practice – consider the RCIA. Get to know God better and find out what it means to be Catholic. We meet in the Parish Office on Sundays (September-Easter), starting with "Breaking Open the Word" dismissal from 9:00 a.m. Mass, and catechetical sessions from 10:00-11:30 a.m. Contact Lizanne Young at the Parish Office at 281-5105, ext. 354, or email lyoung@iccmail.org.

Reconciliation: Reconciliation is offered from 4:00-4:30 p.m. on Saturdays and by appointment.

IMPORTANT VOLUNTEER INFO!

Anyone who wishes to volunteer at school or church when there are children present MUST be compliant with the Diocesan Child Protection Policy. Please be proactive! *EVERYONE must have an IL state background check, as well as doing the online refresher and filling out CANTS forms. *Coaches and employees will need to be fingerprinted in addition to the usual Child Protection paperwork. Contact Kara at the Parish Office if you have questions. *The initial course is now available online. Please contact Kara at the Parish Office for directions. Not sure if you are compliant? Contact Kara at the Parish Office. *The refresher course for 2023-2024 IS AVAILABLE ONLINE! Follow the link on our website! If you can't find it there, it is also on the Diocesan website at http://diobelle.org/b.aspx. Questions? Contact Kara at the Parish Office at 281-5105. *Sexual Abuse Hotline: Anyone wishing to report an allegation of sexual misconduct by a Priest or other Diocesan personnel, please call the hotline at 800-640-3044.

Purchase Scrip Gift Cards from all of your favorite stores, restaurants, etc... in the Parish Office!

This Week's Liturgical Celebrations

Masses - Saturday, 5:00 p.m. and Sunday, 7:00, 9:00, 11:00 a.m.

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Monday, December 25	9:00 a.m.	We Remember Delores Wenkel
	11:00 a.m.	We Remember Dean & Marian Keim
Tuesday, December 26	8:05 a.m.	We Remember Dorothy Heine
Wednesday, December 27	8:05 a.m.	We Remember Joanne Hoffman
Thursday, December 28	8:05 a.m.	We Remember Holy Souls
Friday, December 29	8:05 a.m.	We Remember Josh Ritter
Saturday, December 30	5:00 p.m.	We Remember Joanne Hoffman
Sunday, December 31	7:00 a.m.	We Remember Lester Frierdich
	9:00 a.m.	We Remember Elmer Linnemann
	11:00 a.m.	We Remember Evola Niermann



Please Pray For

Danielle Dorlac Joan Thoma Sharon Nealon Donna Archambault-Kania Grace Nolan Iamie Moravec Arlin Stechmesser Special Intention Elsie Hofstetter Catherine Marlo Liam Pugh Mary Lou Mees Peggy Schutt Baby Marcella Jean Conrad Dakota Schutt Don & Shirley Mehrmann Jim Grau Mike Conrad Dolores G. Geri Griffin Elliana Cloin Janice McDermott Donna Ritson Delores Deleveski Earl & Arlene Kruse Owen Kinane Brian Kreher Gina Haberl Mrs. Steele Rich Sambo Alan Schertel Brian Hirsh Catherine Sambo The Kruse Family Ken Breitenstein Nicole Pennington Betty Schmieder Amy Adler Ruth Herrmann Lynn Naumann Casey Wanda Schewe Eris Wood Bill Kutz Kate Patterson Chris Peel Ellen Dietz

Troops in Service... SGM Joseph Pope, US Army; Colonel Brian Schoellhorn

Prayer List Guidelines: Please be mindful – if your loved one no longer needs to be on the Prayer List, call the Parish Office at 281-5105.

Weekly Reflections

December 24, 2023:

First Reading: Second Samuel 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16 Second Reading: Romans 16:25-27

Cospel: Luke 1:26-38

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Parish Office Closed

Friday, December 22

Monday, December 25

Tuesday, December 26

Monday, January 1

Tuesday, January 2

Stewardship...

Thank you for sharing your blessings with us!

December 17	, 20)23
Actual	\$	74,617.96
Budget	\$	70,400.00
Actual YTD	\$	1,017,503.03
Budget YTD	\$	1,029,500.00
Over (under)	\$	(11,996.97)
Prior YTD	\$	898,364.55
Over (under)	\$	119,138.48
* includes o	nlir	ne giving totals
		through 12/16
CEAC	\$	11,694.50
Capital Improvements	\$	3,025.00
Gibault	\$	240.00
SVDP	\$	385.00
Guatemala	\$	1,273.00
Votive	\$	186.65
Christmas Flowers	\$	1,154.00
Cemetery Maintenance	\$	335.00
Sr. Thea Bowman	\$	200.00
Retirement Fund		
for Religious	\$	1,066.00
Diocese of Belleville – Ch	ırist	mas –
For those in need		525.00



2,110.00

95.00

Treasure: \$6.00

Christmas Offering

Human Development

Time and Talent: I played chess with Daniel.

WHY DONATE APPRECIATED STOCK TO CHARITY?

Giving stock instead of cash as a charitable donation can greatly benefit the donor as well as the recipient. You will find that many charities, churches, schools, and other nonprofit organizations will accept stock as a gift.

Tax Benefits of Donating Stock to Charity

If the stock has increased in value from the time of purchase, the owner can avoid paying capital gains tax by donating the security to a qualified charitable organization. When an appreciated security held for at least a year is donated to a charitable organization, its fair market value may be itemized as an income tax deduction. The resulting tax savings could be factored in to make a larger donation. For publicly traded shares, the fair market value is the average of the high and low price on the transfer date.

Considerations:

- Many nonprofits, such as hospitals, schools, and various other organizations, will accept stock as a gift or donation.
- Giving stock often results in a larger donation to the organization, as the gift is tax-deductible and there are no capital gains taxes to pay.
- If your stock has risen in value since purchase, donating it directly is preferable, but if it has lost value, it may be more advantageous to sell it first and then donate the proceeds, so the giver can take the tax loss.
- Most organizations will immediately liquidate the donation, converting the stock to cash.
- Depending on the organization you donate to and your adjusted gross income, a varying amount of your donation may be able to be deducted on your taxes.

Consult your tax or financial advisor for more information.

- Immaculate Conception Planned Giving Council

PHASE 3 IS COMING!

Phase 2 of our most recent Capital Campaign for the Catholic Education and Activity Center officially comes to an end on December 31, 2023. For those of you who were able to complete your pledges, we are grateful. Our debt is so much smaller because of your generosity! If you are still working toward completing your pledge – or would like to donate more – please continue to use the purple envelopes provided in your current packets, or bring your offerings to the parish office before December 31. Your next packet of stewardship envelopes, arriving in December, includes a new white envelope with a blue border, titled, "Building the Church, Continuing the Dream, Campus Enhancement." This envelope is for Phase 3 of our Capital Campaign, (the soccer field, Rosary and Stations of the Cross walk, the pavilion, and a new lighted sign) which will be kicked off officially in January 2024. More about this in the new year, but you are most welcome to begin your donations now using the new white with blue border envelopes!

Thank you so much for your generosity...past, present, and future!

Parish Events & News...

MONSTRANCE UPDATE... THE BAD, GOOD, BAD AND GOOD!

On October 11, 2023, Bishop McGovern was here at IC to lead us in a night of prayer and Eucharistic Adoration. As I was setting things up, the glass from our monstrance slipped, fell to the ground, and shattered! Bad news indeed!

I told this story at the following weekend Masses, and that it would cost about \$2,000.00 to replace. By Tuesday, IC parishioners stepped up and donated more than enough money to order a new one. Even though each and every one of them wished to remain anonymous, I can't thank them enough for their generosity. Good news indeed!

I found a beautiful replacement from a reputable company out of Italy, so I ordered it, and waited patiently for it to arrive. Last week it arrived, but not in working order! We are in the process of returning it for replacement. **Bad news indeed!** For those who partake in our Tuesday night Eucharistic Adoration, all I can say is, "patience!" How appropriate a lesson in the Advent Season.

In the meantime, we were given a chapel-sized monstrance from St. Joseph Church, a closed Catholic Church in Willisville, IL. It is small, but beautiful, and will act as our monstrance until our ordered monstrance arrives from Italy. Even as one parish closed, another was able to benefit. For Christians, "death into new life" takes many shapes and sizes! Good news indeed!

Fr. Steve

ICY

Attention all current 8th-12th graders!!

Wouldn't it be fun to spend the weekend with your friends at a fun, faith-filled weekend? Our parish is gathering a group of teens to go to the Steubenville Conference on July 12-14th, 2024 at Missouri State University in Springfield, MO.

More information to come, registration will be due February 1, 2024.

BULLETIN DEADLINE...

All submissions for the bulletin will need to be in to the Parish Office two Thursdays before you need it in the bulletin. Submissions will need to be sent to iccmail@iccmail.org. If you have any questions, please call the Parish Office at 618-281-5105.



D.C. PRETZEL AND DONUT SALES

The next Pretzel and Donut weekend will be **January 20 and 21.** All proceeds go to the 8th graders' trip to Washington, D.C.

Ministry News & Happenings

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Tuesdays, 6:30 p.m. in the library. All are welcome! Contact Lizanne for more info at 618-281-5105, ext. 354.

ICY ODD SUNDAYS

Every Sunday with an odd date is an Odd Sunday ICY Meeting. Check out the QR code for more details.



Pope Francis Says...
From the beginning of

From the beginning of the world, but particularly through the Incarnation, the mystery of Christ is at work

in a hidden manner in the natural world as a whole, without thereby impinging on its autonomy. (Laudato Si 99)

What can I do? Look for God's presence in a fir tree, in the quiet snowfall, in the stars; get poetic. See Christ's love in the mistletoe, snowmen, jingle bells, laughing children.

Discipleship

The gifts will soon be gone from beneath the tree. But many opportunities will remain to bless people with holiday memories that warm hearts and may last longer than any gift. "The most beautiful things are not associated with money; they are memories and moments. If you don't celebrate those, they can pass you by." (Alek Wek).

Remember that Christmas Day is an important moment, but our Catholic Christmas season continues until our Mass celebrating the Epiphany of the Lord. Persist in commemoration of God becoming incarnate by continuing to spread good cheer.

MEN'S PRAYER AND SCRIPTURE STUDY: PATHFINDERS

PathFinders is an IC Scripture Study, prayer and fellowship group that meets every Saturday morning from 7:30 to 8:30. We deep dive into the Sunday readings, that we might be more prepared and engaged for the celebration of the Eucharist each weekend. There is music, Scripture discussion, prayer and intentions...all completed in 60 minutes! You will power up the weekend with the Holy Spirit, connect and fellowship with positive and caring men in our community, and draw closer to the love of Jesus in your life.

Contact Tom R. Braun at trb@htc.net for more details.

IC-CCW NEWS

- * Thank you for all the donations to the Gabriel's Retreat Center for pregnant women.
- * January is dues month for ICCCW!
- * Our next meeting is Thursday, January 4th at 6:30 p.m. in the Garden Level.

NEWS FROM THE KNIGHTS

2024 Knights of Columbus Lenten Program:

Be on the lookout for an upcoming announcement of our Lenten "Faith in Action" meetings. Program details and meeting times are in the works. If you're looking for a new opportunity to deepen your Lenten experience, God may be calling you to get involved in these interactive sessions. For more information, contact gk@kofc6165.org.

QUILTERS' CORNER...

Join our super fun quilters' group on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:00-11:30 a.m. All skill levels welcome and appreciated, even beginners! Contact Carlene at 281-5877.

THE 2023 CATHOLIC SERVICE AND MINISTRY APPEAL

The one who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord.

– Psalm 15

The true joy of Christmas is in the everlasting love of Christ. May you find His peace, love and joy now and in the coming New Year. With deepest gratitude for your prayers and generosity,

 Bishop Michael McGovern and Ministries and Programs Funded by The Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal

SANCTITY OF LIFE

The Sanctity of Life Committee will be collecting new gifts for the babies and mothers served by Life Network. Please take a paper ornament from the Giving Tree with a reminder of what is needed. Please leave your unwrapped gift near the Christmas tree in the Gathering Space.

Here is a list of needed items:

Amazon Gift Cards

Aveeno Baby Lotion

Baby Juice (any flavor)

Baby Wipes (fragrance free)

Booster High Chair Seat

Boudreaux's Butt Paste

Diapers (Pampers/Huggies preferred, sizes 4,5,6)

Disposable Nursing Pads

Gerber Lil Crunchers

Good Nights (unisex, medium or large)

Motrin (Children's or Infant's Liquid)

Onesies (long-sleeved)

Potty Chairs

Pull-Ups (girls, all sizes)

Sippy Cups, Socks (for kids, any size)

Toddler Meals

Toddler Snacks

Walmart Gift Cards

Monetary donations may be mailed to Life Network of Southern Illinois, 722 N. Market, Waterloo, IL 62298. Collection ends on January 5, 2024.



EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Please join us for Eucharistic Adoration on Tuesdays from 4:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. Spend some quiet time with the Lord.



ACTS RETREAT

TESTIMONIAL

"What Is It that Makes the Retreat Such a Life Changing Experience?

"My ACTS experience started like most others. My neighbor and a good friend kept inviting me to attend a retreat. I had all the excuses, "my children needed me at home," "I was too busy at work," and "I am not religious enough to attend a retreat." My life was too hectic, and I did not need "one more thing to do." I told my neighbor I just needed some peace and quiet. My friend smiled and said, "The retreat can help you find that peace." I reluctantly said "yes" and attended my first retreat.

Well, my friend was correct, I found peace during that retreat. I remember not feeling alone in this new community. I was reassured that God was with me during all the chaos, and I discovered new and simple ways to incorporate prayer into my everyday life, which helps me find more peace.

Looking back over my past retreats, I see how these retreats have become milestones in my spiritual journey. Each a stepping-stone towards a more faithfilled, centered, and grounded version of myself. The chaos still exists, but now, I navigate it with God and a deepened sense of peace, love, and hope.

Theresa Stearns

SIGN UP TODAY FOR THE NEXT LADIES RETREAT – JANUARY $25 - 28^{TH}$

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO REGISTER – https://icc-columbia-il.us/acts-retreats/womans-acts-retreat/



Vocation

As the Advent season comes to a close and Christmas time begins, it is a time to pray for vocations to the priesthood, religious life, and the permanent diaconate. If there are no leaders to shepherd us, who will introduce us to the Christ Child? Who will offer us the sacraments? Who will help us to grow our faith? Christmas is a time of gift giving and receiving. Make it a point every day of the Christmas season to ask God for the gift of vocations to be called forth from Immaculate Conception Parish and School. Pray, too, for young men and women to respond to God's grace and call!

PRAYER SHAWLS AVAILABLE!

Do you know someone who needs prayers? Why not bring them some comfort with a handmade Prayer Shawl from our Prayer Shawl Ministry? Each Shawl will wrap your loved one in the prayers of our parish!

Even during this vastly different time with COVID, we can get your loved one a Prayer Shawl. We deliver in sanitized bags and will leave on a porch or you can still pick up at the office during office hours. Call Helen Csik at 314-651-5033 or the Parish Office at 618-281-5105.

PRO-LIFE/PREGNANCY RESOURCES...

- Free and confidential pregnancy testing, counseling, and practical support: Life Network of Southern Illinois (in Waterloo and Red Bud) – 618-939-4224/mylifenet.org.
- Birthright Counseling STL (3 locations in St. Louis) birthrightstl.org.
- Free and confidential counseling for anyone hurt by abortion; contact Project Rachel at 618-722-5068 or hopeafterabortion.com.
- A caring place for women who are pregnant and experiencing homelessness; contact Fontebella Maternity Home at 618-406-4355.

If you, or someone you know, have an unborn baby diagnosed with "fetal abnormalities" or an "adverse prenatal diagnosis," please refer to: BeNotAfraid.net or PrenatalPartnersforLife.org. Both offer free parent-centered case management and parental support for parents carrying to term following a prenatal diagnosis. Birthrightstl.org offers their Melissa's Smile program, a counseling and supportive resource for mothers and fathers whose baby has been diagnosed prenatally with a genetic abnormality or whose baby has been born with a disability or serious medical condition.





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UPCOMING PARENTS AND FRIENDS MEETINGS

January 8, 2024, 7:00 p.m. – Garden Level February 12, 2024, 7:00 p.m. – Garden Level March 11, 2024, 7:00 p.m. – Garden Level



Don't forget to come out on Tuesday nights for our Queen of Hearts drawing. Queen of Hearts drawing is at 7:00 p.m. and 50/50 is drawn at 7:15 p.m. Check back for monthly reports on how much we have been able to raise.

VOLUNTEERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME! Visit the Parish website: ICC-columbia-IL.us for a link to our Queen of Hearts sign-up.

What's Happening At Gibault!

RAFFLE-MANIA

Raffle-Mania is back with bigger prizes! This year's grand prize has **DOUBLED** to \$5,000.00! Visit https://givebutter.com/Raffle-Mania to purchase your tickets!

GRAND PRIZES of \$5,000.00, \$1,000.00, \$500.00, and \$250.00, and 6 at \$100.00

Prizes will be drawn on February 1st during Catholic Schools Week.

Tickets are being sold exclusively online. If anyone has difficulty with their online purchase, contact Desiree Frasure at Gibault Catholic High School (dfrasure@gibaulthawks.com or 618-939-3883).

VISIT GIBAULT

Come see what life as a Gibault Hawk is like! On select Tuesdays and Fridays, your 7th or 8th grader or current high school student can spend the day at Gibault as a Shadow Visitor. Shadows will be matched with a current student with similar interests and together, they'll attend classes, meet teachers, enjoy lunch in our cafeteria, and more! We also offer Private Tours for the whole family. See our campus and get your questions answered by our Director of Enrollment. Get started at https://bit.ly/GCHSInquire.

WINTER CAMPS

The State Champion Gibault Baseball team welcomes 5th-8th graders for its camp on December 27-29. For full camp info and registration forms, visit www.gibaulthawks.com/winter-camps.



FAMILY SPORTS PASS

Show you're #gibaultproud all year long! For \$125.00, Hawk

Fans can purchase a Family Pass that covers admission to most of our home games (some exclusions apply.) This pass is valid for girls' and boys' volleyball, girls' and boys' basketball, girls' soccer, softball, baseball, and select boys' soccer home games throughout the 2023-2024 school year! Visit GCHSSportsPass.givesmart.com to purchase your pass!

ENROLLMENT NEWS

There's still time to become a Gibault Hawk! We are accepting students for the Class of 2027 as well as transfer students for the remainder of the 2023-2024 school year. Get started at: https://bit.ly/GCHSApply. Interested in learning more about Gibault Catholic? Contact Kelly Day at kday@gibaulthawks.com for information on all things Gibault or to schedule a private tour of our campus.

Diocesan and Area Interests...

Diocesan Christmas Collection December 24-25

The 46th Annual Diocesan Christmas Collection will be taken up at all Masses on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. Parishes and agencies throughout the dioceses will request monies from this collection during 2024 to assist those who are in need with food, clothing, shelter, utility payments, healthcare and medications, funeral and burial expenses, transportation and emergency assistance of all types. Please consider giving as you are able; thank you so much.



QUILT OF THE MONTH

Our Lady of Good Counsel, Renault, is sponsoring a Quilt-of-the-Month Raffle. From January through December 2024, a beautiful queen-sized handmade quilt will be given away each month. Tickets are \$25.00 each, and they give you 12 chances to win. Please pick up a ticket here at the ICC Parish Office. Our hours are Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.



SEEDS OF HEALING THROUGH FAITH, HOPE, AND LOVE

Saturday, January 20, 2024, 9:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m.

Marianist Retreat and Conference Center, 4000 Hwy 109, Eureka, MO 63025

Losing a loved one to suicide or any tragic death is a pain that no one can prepare for. The roller coaster of emotions is enough to make one doubt God's presence in the situation. This day of reflection is designed to help you journey through these emotions and come out renewed with confidence in God's love and care for each one of us.

Members of our ministry team for this day will include Father Tom Miller (pastor of Our Lady Queen of Peace and St. Anthony Parishes), Deacon Rob Lawson (Incarnate Word Parish), Adam Bitter (Incarnate Word Parish), and the Jonah Prayer Teams from Incarnate Word, St. Alban Roe, and St. Anthony of Padua Parishes. There will be time for

healing prayer, discussions, sharing, techniques for healthy outlet of emotions, and testimony from those who have healed from the same pain you may be feeling.

Attendance will be limited to 100 participants total for Saturday, 9:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m. and include two meals for \$65.00. We are also offering the option for up to 45 participants to spend the night through 10:00 a.m. on Sunday which includes a private room and breakfast for \$155.00. For more information, call Barb at 314-910-3942, Mary at 314-210-5098 or Shelby at 636-288-9841. Registration: https://marianistretreat.com/events/seeds-of-healing-retreat-2024/





Hail Mary Maze

Draw a line through the words of the Hail Mary in order. Circle the AMEN that is at the end of the prayer

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AMEN	AMEN	AMEN	AMEN	AMEN	AMEN	AMEN

Countdown to Jesus' Birthday...



Sunday!

Hail Mary Prayer

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

Jesus.



The angel Gabriel visited Mary and told her that she would give birth to baby Jesus! This is called the Annunciation.

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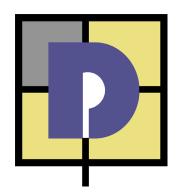
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