



Immaculate Conception

A Full Stewardship Parish ~ Partner Parish of Sacred Heart of Jesus, Dupo, IL
411 Palmer Road, Columbia, IL 62236 | 618-281-5105 | Fax 281-6848

June 9, 2024

Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

www.icc-columbia-il.us

Wrap-up and What's Ahead for IC PSR

Welcome Summer! What an amazing year we had. Thank you for making my first year as Coordinator for our Parish School of Religion (PSR) such a blessing. I enjoyed learning and growing with all of you this year. I have enjoyed all the milestones: our Bible Blessing, First Reconciliation, Advent Journey, First Eucharist, and Confirmation. I am excited to see where next year takes us.

*"All your children shall be taught by the Lord,
and great shall be the peace of your children." (Isaiah 54:13)*

PSR is an extension of our Faith. We bring our children to Faith so that they may learn Who they belong to. When you baptized your children, you began a journey for them, a journey on which you lead them by your actions. As their parents, you are their first teachers, and they look to you for the why. You show them the why by bringing them to Church, reading your Bibles together, enrolling them in PSR; all of these demonstrate the importance of God in our lives. We lead by example and action, and our PSR catechists build on the foundation you lay down. The best gift we can give our children is a relationship with God, and we are privileged to partner with you to reveal our amazing God.

"I have no greater joy than to hear that my children are walking in the truth." (3 John 1:4)

I would especially like to thank our Catechists and Aides this past year: Michelle Franke, Rita Wallace, Pat Dougherty, Barb Greenfield, Beth Kutterer-Sanchez, William Sasser, Debbie Row, Natalie Smith, Betsy Amoroso, Tom Braun, Sarah Kolweier, Mike Schaefer, Beth Johns, Sharon Nealon, Julie Ninnis, Mike Hollman, Kim Schwaegel-Wiskamp, Victoria Rose, Lizanne Young, and Kelly Faulkner. Without your help this job would be impossible, and a lot less fun.

As we look forward to next year, there will be some changes, including moving our sessions to Sunday mornings at 10:00 a.m. This decision has been in the works for a while, and while it will take adjustments, we believe it will be for the greater good of our students. Our first day in the fall will be Sunday, August 18, with Parent Orientation.

Thank you for all of your wonderful input this year. You continue to help form our program as our students continue to deepen their relationship with God.

~ Rebecca Husman, PSR Coordinator



Registration is now open, and you can reach it through this link or by scanning this QR code with your phone: [https://www.osvhub.com/icc-columbia-il/religious-ed/2024-2025/\(stepView:parents\)](https://www.osvhub.com/icc-columbia-il/religious-ed/2024-2025/(stepView:parents))



ROOTED IN THE GOSPEL OF CHRIST AND IN THE TRADITION OF CATHOLICISM AND UNDER THE PATRONAGE
OF MARY IMMACULATE, WE COMMIT OURSELVES TO BE A WELCOMING COMMUNITY OF FAITH,
WORSHIPPING WITH GENERATIONS OF BELIEVERS AND SERVING GOD IN ALL PEOPLE.

Welcome New Parishioners

If you are new to our parish and reside within the parish boundaries, and would like to be members, please call the Parish Office at 618-281-5105, and our secretary will be happy to help make that happen!

Hola, Bienvenidos – a la iglesia Catolica en Immaculata Concepcion. ¡Que tengas una bendita semana!

We livestream! To participate, please use this link:

<https://www.youtube.com/c/ImmaculateConceptionCatholicChurchColumbiaIL>

Parish Office Hours

Monday-Thursday

8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Friday 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Phone: 618-281-5105

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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@iccmil.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, June 10 | 8:05 a.m. | We Remember Elizabeth Lang |
| Tuesday, June 11 | 8:05 a.m. | We Remember Elsie Hofstetter |
| Wednesday, June 12 | 8:05 a.m. | We Remember Robert Frey |
| Thursday, June 13 | 8:05 a.m. | We Remember Margaret Ann Conrad |
| Friday, June 14 | 8:05 a.m. | We Remember Anna Lawlor |
| Saturday, June 15 | 5:00 p.m. | We Remember Florence Ducat |
| Sunday, June 16 | 7:00 a.m. | We Remember Raymond Krippel |
| | 9:00 a.m. | We Remember William Doerr & Glenn Grayson |
| | 11:00 a.m. | We Remember Arnold Mudd |



Please Pray For

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| Danielle Dorlac | Special Intention | Mary Lou Mees | Christine Baldas |
| Donna Archambault-Kania | Liam Pugh | Jean Conrad | Irma Proffer |
| Arlin Stechmesser | Don & Shirley Mehrmann | Jim Grau | Bill Kessler |
| Dakota Schutt | Dolores G. | Geri Griffin | Mike Gober |
| Janice McDermott | Elliana Cloin | Donna Ritson | Sandy Kirpatrick |
| Delores Deleveski | Earl & Arlene Kruse | Owen Kinane | Darrell May |
| Brian Kreher | Mrs. Steele | Ken Breitenstein | Beth Johns |
| Rich Sambo | Brian Hirsh | Amy Adler | Hope Weinhoff |
| Catherine Sambo | The Kruse Family | Wanda Schewe | Susie Colbert-Curtis |
| Nicole Pennington | Betty Schmieder | Katie Schoellhorn | Mary Schutz |
| Bill Kutz | Lynn Naumann Casey | Kristen Brewer | Mark Belt |
| Chris Peel | Kate Patterson | Jenny Candler | Doug Mercille |
| Joan Thoma | Ellen Dietz | Rosina Belt | Brian Hirsh |
| Grace Nolan | Jamie Moravec | Kasen Greer | |

Troops in Service...

SGM Joseph Pope, US Army; Colonel Brian Schoellhorn; Samuel Campbell, Navy; Captain Benjamin Thoma, United States Air Force; Captain Alex Kawalec, United States Air Force

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

June 9, 2024:

First Reading: Genesis 3:9-15
Second Reading: Second Corinthians 4:13–5:1
Gospel: Mark 3:20-35



Stewardship...

Thank you for sharing your blessings with us!

June 2, 2024

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| Actual | \$ | 72,782.28 |
| Budget | \$ | 64,550.00 |
| Actual YTD | \$ | 2,076,108.15 |
| Budget YTD | \$ | 2,151,450.00 |
| Over (under) | \$ | (75,341.85) |
| Prior YTD | \$ | 1,969,250.12 |
| Over (under) | \$ | 106,858.03 |

**The above totals include Online Giving through 5/31/24.*

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| Capital Improvements | \$ | 546.00 |
| Guatemala | \$ | 785.00 |
| Seminarian Collection | \$ | 315.00 |
| Catholic Communication Campaign | \$ | 560.00 |
| Gibault | \$ | 276.00 |
| Votive | \$ | 126.00 |
| Newman Auxiliary | \$ | 65.00 |
| Phase 3 | \$ | 23,191.05 |
| CEAC | \$ | 2,235.00 |
| Cemetery Maintenance | \$ | 75.00 |
| Eugene Schorb Education Endowment | \$ | 50.00 |
| Sr. Thea Bowman | \$ | 1,299.00 |
| SVDP | \$ | 111.00 |
| Catholic Home Mission | \$ | 80.00 |
| Holy Father | \$ | 80.00 |



From Our Young Stewards

Treasure: \$7.78

Time and Talent: I held the door for someone; I am nice.

HEALTHCARE DIRECTIVES

During an emergency or at the end of life, you may face questions about your medical treatment and not be able to answer them. You may assume your loved ones know what you would want, but that's not always true. In one study, people guessed nearly one out of three end-of-life decisions for their loved one incorrectly. Research shows that you are more likely to get the care you want if you have conversations about your future medical treatment and put a plan in place. It may also help your loved ones grieve more easily and feel less burden, guilt, and depression.

What is advance care planning?

Advance care planning involves discussing and preparing for future decisions about your medical care if you become seriously ill or unable to communicate your wishes. Having meaningful conversations with your loved ones is the most important part of advance care planning. Many people also choose to put their preferences in writing by completing legal documents called advance directives.

What are advance directives?

Advance directives are legal documents that provide instructions for medical care and only go into effect if you cannot communicate your own wishes. The two most common advance directives for health care are the living will and the durable power of attorney for health care.

- **Living will:** A living will is a legal document that tells doctors how you want to be treated if you cannot make your own decisions about emergency treatment. In a living will, you can say which common medical treatments or care you would want, which ones you would want to avoid, and under which conditions each of your choices applies.
- **Durable power of attorney for health care:** A durable power of attorney for health care is a legal document that names your health care proxy, a person who can make health care decisions for you if you are unable to communicate these yourself. Your proxy, also known as a representative, surrogate, or agent, should be familiar with your values and wishes. A proxy can be chosen in addition to or instead of a living will. Having a health care proxy helps you plan for situations that cannot be foreseen, such as a serious car accident or stroke.

Think of your advance directives as living documents that you review at least once each year and update if a major life event occurs such as retirement, moving out of state, or a significant change in your health.

Who needs an advance care plan?

Advance care planning is not just for people who are very old or ill. At any age, a medical crisis could leave you unable to communicate your own health care decisions. Planning now for your future health care can help ensure you get the medical care you want and

that someone you trust will be there to make decisions for you.

What happens if you do not have an advance directive?

If you do not have an advance directive and you are unable to make decisions on your own, the state laws where you live will determine who may make medical decisions on your behalf. This is typically your spouse, your parents if they are available, or your children if they are adults. If you are unmarried and have not named your partner as your proxy, it's possible they could be excluded from decision-making. If you have no family members, some states allow a close friend who is familiar with your values to help. Or they may assign a physician to represent your best interests. To find out the laws in your state, contact your state legal aid office or state bar association.

Will an advance directive guarantee your wishes are followed?

An advance directive is legally recognized but not legally binding. This means that your health care provider and proxy will do their best to respect your advance directives, but there may be circumstances in which they cannot follow your wishes exactly. For example, you may be in a complex medical situation where it is unclear what you would want. Talking with your loved ones ahead of time may help them better navigate unanticipated issues.

Contact your attorney to find out more about advance care planning and the various legal forms.

– Immaculate Conception Planned Giving Council

LOOKING FOR A LITURGY DIRECTOR

Immaculate Conception is seeking a Director of Liturgy who will report to the pastor and be responsible for planning and coordinating all liturgical celebrations, including Sunday and daily Masses, as well as funerals, weddings and special occasions. The ideal candidate will have a love of God and Church, spirit of collaboration, independent judgement and initiative, and liturgical/theological education and experience. Please contact Kara Dell-Hunt, IC business manager, for a complete job description. Kara can be reached at kdell-hunt@iccmail.org or 618-281-5105, ext. 350.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS AND PLAN TO ATTEND!

The Capital Campaign Committee is hosting a reception in June to provide you with more information about Phase 3 of the Capital Campaign and the proposed projects. All are welcome to attend! The remaining reception will be held in the Garden Level on **June 23rd at 12:15 p.m.**

Parish Events & News...

PARISH WORK DAYS!

July 13, August 10

D.C. PRETZEL AND DONUT SALES...

The next Pretzel & Donut weekend will be June 15 & 16. All proceeds go to the 8th graders' trip to Washington, D.C.

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.

ICY



SCRIPTURE DISCUSSIONS FOR MEN AND WOMEN

How's this for a plan? Come to Mass on Sunday ready to engage in the Gospel, Old and New Testament Readings and even the homily by spending an hour praying with them in advance, with friends!

- Women's Bible Study meets every week in the Library on Tuesday evenings from 6:30-7:30 p.m.
- The Pathfinders Men's Group meets every week in the Knights of Columbus Room on Saturday mornings from 7:30-8:30 a.m.

Just show up; you're more than welcome!

Ministry News & Happenings

THEOLOGY ON TAP'S UPCOMING EVENTS

Dates and Topics are below. All dates are at Sunset Overlook in Columbia, IL at 7:00 p.m. unless otherwise noted.

- **June 17** – Nostalgia Movie Night: *Shrek*, 8:00 p.m. at IC lower parking lot, or ICS gym if weather is bad
- **July 9** – TopGolf at Midtown, 7:00 p.m.
- **July 22** – Trivia at Sunset Overlook, 7:00 p.m.
- **August 5** – Lawn Games at Sunset Overlook, 7:00 p.m.

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...

If we acknowledge the value and the fragility of nature and, at the same time, our God-given abilities, we can finally leave behind the modern myth of unlimited progress. A fragile world, entrusted by God to human care, challenges us to devise intelligent ways of directing, developing and limiting our power. (LS 78)

What can I do? Make a list of stupid and intelligent ways of developing our city, country, world. Compare with someone else's and talk about it.

OUR CAMPAIGN PRAYER

Heavenly Father, You have created us in Your own image, to love, serve and honor You with our lives. You have tasked us with building Your Church, and passing from one generation to the next the treasure trove of our faith. Bless the work of our hands as we undertake our next phase in serving You. Keep us strong in faith, hope, and love, so that all we do may bring glory and honor to You, forever and ever.

AMEN

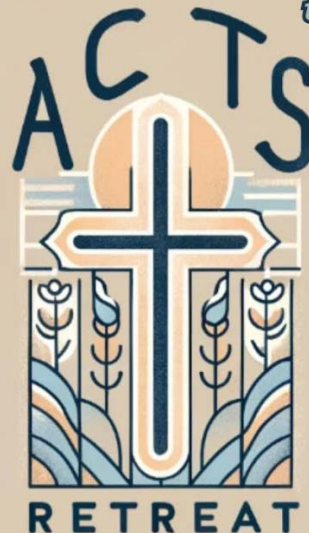
Discipleship

"Jesus is waiting for you in the chapel. Go and find him when your strength and patience are giving out, when you feel lonely and helpless. Say to him: 'You know well what is happening, my dear Jesus. I have only you. Come to my aid...' And then go your way. And don't worry about knowing how you are going to manage. It is enough to have told our good Lord. He has an excellent memory."

– Saint Jeanne Jugan

ACTS

**Stay Connected with
the ACTS Community!**



Embrace the calmness and reconnect with the ACTS family. If you're not receiving emails from acts@iccmail.org, you might be missing out! Update Your Info Now! If you're not on our mailing list, simply send us an email at acts@iccmail.org with your latest contact information. Let's keep you in the loop and build a stronger, connected ACTS family together!



EUCCHARISTIC 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.

THE 2024 CATHOLIC SERVICE AND MINISTRY APPEAL

Serve the Lord with gladness – Psalm 100

A donation to The Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal assists people throughout southern Illinois through the work of 17 diocesan ministries and programs. Your donation can be a one-time gift or a pledge and be made in cash, by check, credit card (MasterCard or VISA) or stocks and securities. If you haven't yet done so, please consider making your gift today! Thank you for your generosity.

BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY

Looking for your place in the parish? Do you like helping others, providing comfort and being part of a larger purpose? The Bereavement Ministry is looking for new members. The ministry meets on the 2nd Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m. in the Garden level. Contact Kathy Fern to learn more at 618-719-1632 or email kaammifern@gmail.com with your interest.

– Members of Bereavement Ministry

Upcoming events:

June 9th: Remembering Memorial for Mothers, Fathers, and Veterans – 3:00 p.m.

October 20th: Walk to Remember – 3:00 p.m.

November 2nd: All Souls' Mass – 5:00 p.m.

COMFORT WITH A PRAYER SHAWL

If you, or someone you know, needs comfort and prayers, consider bringing them a Prayer Shawl, handmade by Immaculate Conception parishioners. Each crocheted or knitted shawl is unique, and prayers are said throughout the process of the creation. The goal is to provide comfort to the recipient, knowing that they are wrapped in the prayers of the parish. The Prayer Shawl can be delivered to you, or you may stop in the Parish Office during business hours and pick up what you need. Prayer Shawls are available for children as well. Call Helen Csik at 314-651-5033 or the Parish Office at 618-281-5105.

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.

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; Project Rachel, 618-722-5068 or hopeafterabortion.com.
- ~ A caring place for women who are pregnant and experiencing homelessness; Fontebella Maternity Home, 618-406-4355.

If you, or someone you know, has 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.





IMMACULATE CONCEPTION SCHOOL

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School Principal: Dave Gregson, Ext. 202 ~ dgregson@icsmail.org

School Secretary: Beverly Epplin, Ext. 200 ~ bepplin@icsmail.org

MISSION • COMMUNITY • SERVICE

CAFETERIA WORKER/DISHWASHER: MONDAY-FRIDAY, 11:00 A.M.-2:30 P.M.

Responsibilities: Wash dishes and run the dishwashing machine, maintain cleaning the dishwasher and dishwashing area, help serve students, help with cleanup of the kitchen. Please call the school office at 618-281-5353 for more information or email mrshuebner@icsmail.org.

LATCHKEY WORKERS

Looking for workers to work 3:00-6:00 after school. Duties include supervision of students and assisting them with their homework. Email Dave Gregson if interested at dgregson@icsmail.org.

What's Happening at Gibault?

VISIT GIBAULT!

Summer is a great time to bring the entire family for a private tour of Gibault Catholic! See the school and get all your questions answered by our admissions staff. Get started at: <https://bit.ly/GCHSInquire>.



ENROLLING FOR FALL 2024

There is still time to be a Gibault Hawk this fall! We are accepting incoming freshmen and transfer students at all other grade levels. To learn how you can be part of the Gibault family, visit <https://bit.ly/GCHSInquire>.

SUMMER CAMPS

Registration for our summer camps is now open at <https://gibalthawks.com/2024-summer-camps/>. Choose from art, boys' and girls' basketball, boys' and girls' volleyball, and boys' soccer.

SUMMER CLASSIC GOLF TOURNAMENT

Tee up for the students of Gibault Catholic High School as part of our 27th Summer Classic Golf Tournament! This year's tournament will be held on Friday, June 21, 2024, and there are lots of ways to get involved. You can sponsor our event, donate raffle prizes, or gather a team to play at the beautiful Annbriar Golf Course. For more information, email dfrasure@gibalthawks.com or visit our event website: <https://SummerClassic.givesmart.com>.

Diocesan and Area Interests...

Annual Picnic

& Homecoming

Saturday, July 6, 2024

ST. MICHAEL'S

Paderborn, IL.

Paderborn is located:

3 miles off Route 159 / 4 miles South of Smithton, IL
3 miles North of Hecker, IL / 8 miles South of Millstadt, IL
On Floraville Road . . . (watch for the signs)

FEATURING:

"All you can eat" Fried Chicken Dinner

Serving from 3:00 – 7:00 PM
In Our Air-Conditioned Hall

"Hand Stitched" QUILT/CASH BINGO 6:00 p.m. - ?

(In case of inclement weather
play will move into the Air-
Condition hall at 7:00 p.m.)

Mass
5:00 PM

*** RAFFLE PRIZES ***

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| 1) \$500 Cash | 5) Emeril Lagasse Power Grill |
| 2) Hand Stitched Quilt | 6) Worx Nitro 42 pc Tool Set & Tactix Modular Storage System |
| 3) 3 in 1 Worx Cordless Combo Kit | 7) 5 Piece Folding Dining Set |
| 4) I Home Auto Vac Nova S1 | 8) \$100 Cash |

PLUS USUAL PICNIC ATTRACTIONS
License #B51272

CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS APPEAL

Support the Catholic Home Missions Appeal today! Over 40% of dioceses in the United States and its territories are considered mission territories because they are unable to fund essential pastoral activities needed in their communities. Your support funds religious education, seminary formation, lay ministry training, and other programs that build vibrant faith communities right here in the United States, including in our own Belleville Diocese. Please be generous. More information can be found at www.usccb.org/home-missions.

A Prayer to Our Lady of Guadalupe

“Virgin of Guadalupe, Patroness of unborn children, we implore your intercession for every child at risk of abortion. ... Guide our public officials to defend each and every human life through just laws. Inspire us all to bring our faith into public life, to speak for those who have no voice. We ask this in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ, who is Love and Mercy itself. Amen.”

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, “A Prayer to Our Lady of Guadalupe”


Oración a Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe

“Virgen de Guadalupe, patrona de los niños en el vientre materno, te imploramos tu intercesión por cada niño en peligro de ser abortado. ... Guía a nuestros funcionarios públicos a defender cada vida humana mediante leyes justas. Inspíranos a todos a traer nuestra fe a la vida pública, para hablar por aquellos que no tienen voz. Te lo pedimos en el nombre de tu Hijo, Jesucristo, quién es Amor y Piedad. Amén”.

USCCB Secretariado de Actividades Pro-Vida, “Oración a Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe”

2025 ST. LOUIS METROPOLITAN YOUTH CHORAL FESTIVAL & MASS

March 8, 2025
Cathedral of St. Peter, Belleville, IL
Bishop Michael G. McGovern, Celebrant



Pueri Cantores, the national student choral organization of the Catholic Church, invites all parish & school treble and mixed voice choirs (grades 4-12) in the region to participate in a Festival & Mass. Singers will unite with hundreds of their peers as one combined choir to sing beautiful music from the Church's rich historical repertoire. More information will be available soon at www.pccchoirs.org.

Diocese of Belleville

CATHOLIC SINGLE MOMS MEET AND GREET

FRIDAY, JULY 19, 2024

Bicentennial Park Pavilion Splashpad
4811 Belleville Crossing, Belleville, IL
4-8 pm Drinks and Snacks Provided

FIND SUPPORT



Come hear about a new program to bring single Catholic moms together for faith and fun!


Life, Marriage, Family



Come with or without your kids ... all mom ages and stages welcome!

For more information or to RSVP: mking@diobelle.org


SAVE THE DATES
July 7
July 8



Bishop Michael McGovern and The Diocese of Belleville
Invite you to
Emmaus Days

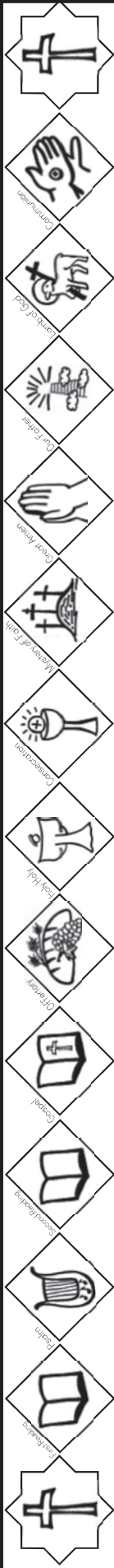
Come encounter Jesus, the Bread of Life, as the Diocese of Belleville celebrates the Eucharistic Revival.

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| Sunday, July 7 National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows Bible Stories and Craft for Kids Retreat for Teens and Talks for Adults Adoration Sacrament of Reconciliation Eucharistic Procession | Monday, July 8 Cathedral of St. Peter Mass at St. Peter Cathedral Adoration Procession to Collinsville |
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W: www.diobelle.org

QUILT OF THE MONTH

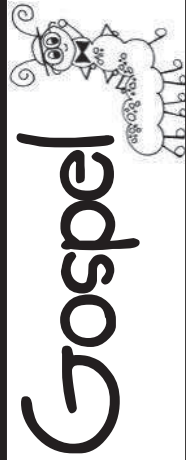
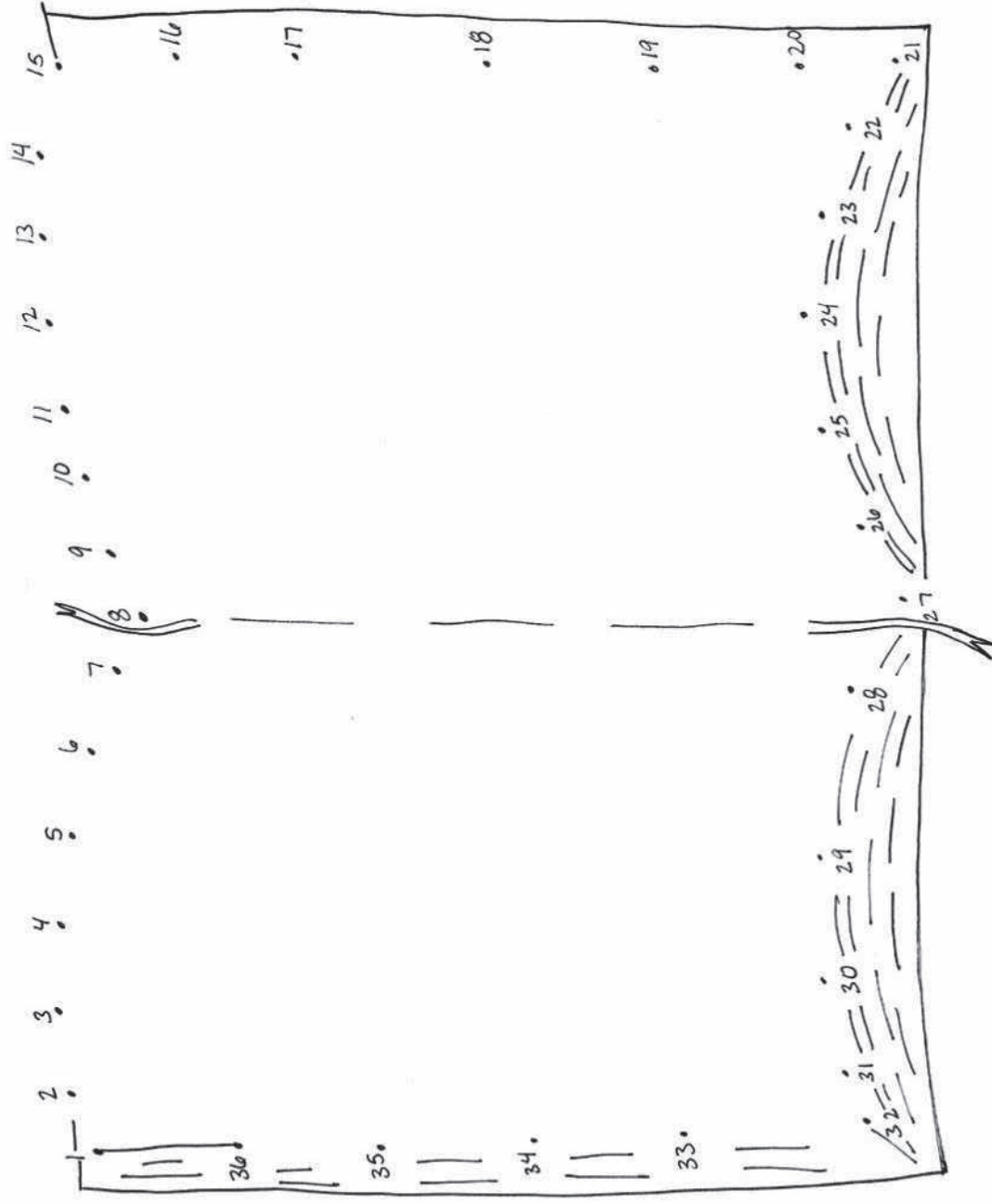
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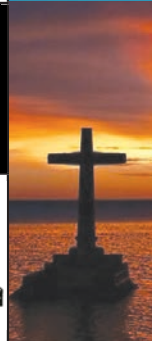
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