



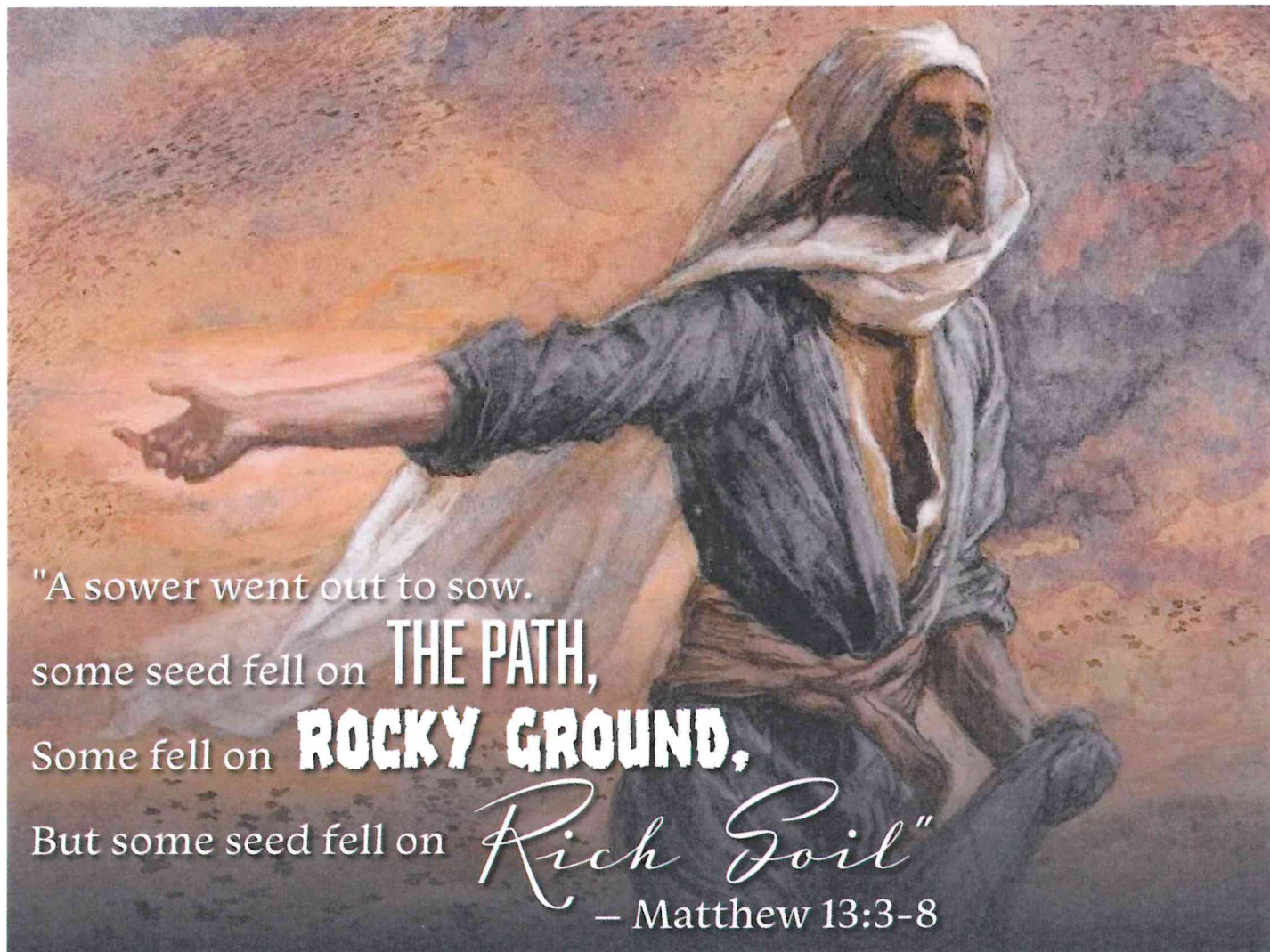
Immaculate Conception

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

July 12, 2026

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

www.icc-columbia-il.us



"A sower went out to sow.

some seed fell on **THE PATH,**

Some fell on **ROCKY GROUND,**

But some seed fell on *Rich Soil"*

— Matthew 13:3-8

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 y bienvenidos a la iglesia Catolica Immaculata Concepcion. ¡Tengas una semana bendita!

We livestream! To participate, please use this link:

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

Summer Parish Office Hours

Monday-Thursday
8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

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

Phone: 618-281-5105

Parish Staff

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Karen Lundy & Emily Holland**

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President,
Ali Kosydor**
boardpresident@icsmail.org

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.

OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults): OCIA (formerly known as 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 OCIA. Get to know God better and find out what it means to be Catholic. Individuals will meet with our director of faith formation (Lizanne Young) to discuss the process. We meet as a group on Sundays (from Autumn through the Triduum just before 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 at the Parish Office, 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. *The initial course is now available online. Please contact Michelle at the Parish Office for directions. *The refresher course for 2025-2026 IS AVAILABLE ONLINE! Follow the link on our website! If you can't find it there, it is also on the Diocesan website at <https://diobelle.safeenvironment.org/login/index.php>. Not sure if you are compliant, or have additional questions? Contact Michelle 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.

Monday, July 13	8:05 a.m.	We Remember Jerome & Alma Buss
Tuesday, July 14	8:05 a.m.	We Remember Babs Jackson
Wednesday, July 15	8:05 a.m.	We Remember Joanne Hoffman
Thursday, July 16	8:05 a.m.	We Remember James & Anna Lawlor
Friday, July 17	8:05 a.m.	We Remember Matt Hart
Saturday, July 18	5:00 p.m.	We Remember Walter Novak
Sunday, July 19	7:00 a.m.	We Remember Fr. Steve Gira
	9:00 a.m.	We Remember Kathy Francescon
	11:00 a.m.	We Remember Patricia Whelan
		Special Intention Tom & Betty Wolfmeier



Please Pray For

Grant Koenigstein	Teresa Dorshorst	Laura Tasted	Larry Shuler	Chris Curtis
Doug Mercille	Betty Schmieder	Sarah Davis	Kasen Greer	Irma Naumann
Theresa Zeisler	Gary Hoeffken	Thomas Oleski	Jim M.	Julie Beckert
Larry Greenfield	Joyce Rose	Lindsey Proksha	Jessica Oertwig	Janice Whelan
Beth Heisel	Tonya Richardson	Karin Bennett	Don Williams	Beckham Tatum
Arlene Kruse	Jane Quernheim	Adam Brandt	Dolores G.	Brooks Tatum
Delores Deleveski	Andy Amann	Tim Friedrich	James Glasscock	Carl Landgraf
Susan Oswill	Nicole Hughes	Susie Settle	Cheryl Cobin	

If you need someone to continue to be on the prayer list, please contact Michelle at the Parish Office to add them back on.

Troops in Service... SGM Joseph Pope, Dustin Crawford, Kaiden Timmons, United States Army;
Colonel Brian Schoellhorn, Samuel Campbell, Chief Petty Officer Seth Spencer,
LT John Paul Winkler, LTJG William Winkler, United States Navy;
Captain Benjamin Thoma, Captain Alex Kawalec, United States Air Force;
Ensign Kalia Jerkatis, United States Coast Guard

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



Weekly Reflections

July 12, 2026

First Reading: Isaiah 55:10-11

Second Reading: Romans 8:18-23

Gospel: Matthew 13:1-23



Our Sympathies...

To the family and friends of Iona Juengling who passed away at the age of 91.



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.



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Please join us for Eucharistic Adoration on Tuesdays from 3:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. Spend some quiet time with the Lord.

Stewardship...

Thank you for sharing your blessings with us!

End of Fiscal year: June 30, 2026

Actual	55,573.69
Budget	42,000.00
Actual YTD	2,334,792.59
Budget YTD	2,390,868.00
Over (under)	(56,075.41)
Prior YTD	2,474,229.87
Over (under)	(139,437.28)

**The above totals include
online giving through 6/30/2026.*

Guatemala	300.00
SVDP	100.00
Votive	124.00
Newman Auxiliary	250.00
Peter's Pence	200.00
Gibault	110.00
Phase 3	13,258.67
Capital Improvements	215.00



Thank You for Sharing Your Blessings!

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

— Immaculate Conception Planned Giving Council

Parish Events & News...

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
Parish

LABOR DAY PICNIC

Monday | September 7



Chicken Dinner

11am-4pm
(or until sold out)
Dine-in or Carry-out.



Quilt Bingo

11am-6pm
Play a bit or stay all day!
\$500
FINAL GAME PAYOUT



Booths & Games

11am-7pm
Books - Country Store -
Desserts - Raffles - Plant
Stand - Food & Drink -
Adult & Kid Games

Live music throughout the day

-- MORE INFO --
ON FACEBOOK
@ImmaculateConception
ParishPicnic



Ways to Support the Picnic

- Donate books, desserts & homegrowns
- Sell Raffle Tickets
- Sign up to help (August 1)

411 PALMER ROAD | COLUMBIA, IL 62236 | ALL PARKING WILL BE ONSITE.

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!

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 iccmil@iccmil.org. If you have any questions, please call the Parish Office at 618-281-5105.

SAVE THE DATE FOR FELLOWSHIP SUNDAY

God desires fellowship because it strengthens faith, encourages believers, and reflects His own nature of shared unity. It allows for mutual support, growth in understanding God's Word, and the opportunity to serve others in the name of Christ. Please join us for Fellowship, for coffee and donuts on the *fourth Sunday* of each month after the 9:00 a.m. Mass in the Garden Level.

BLOOD DRIVE:
July 17, 2026 in the Garden Level

PSR

Do you love of God and working with children? Volunteer for PSR. We are looking for volunteers for the 2026-2027 school year to help our PSR program continue to grow. Contact Rebecca Husman at 618-281-5105, ext. 353 or Lizanne Young at 618-281-5105, ext 354. We look forward to meeting you.

Parish Work Day! August 8, 2026

D.C. PRETZEL AND DONUT SALES...

The next Pretzel and Donut weekend for the incoming 8th graders will be July 18 and 19. All proceeds go to the 8th graders' trip to Washington D.C.

Ministry News & Happenings

ICC Ministry Spotlight

Picnic Committee

CELEBRATION IS OUR GOAL!!

We are a team of volunteers who work together to plan, organize, and successfully accomplish a fun memorable Labor Day Picnic for our parish community and visitors.

All are welcome and encouraged to join us in this endeavor!!

Volunteers are essential to planning the day, running events, and welcoming attendees. Ideas and strong backs and muscles are needed - everyone has a purpose! It's a big project, and we invite you to join us in the process by sharing your time and talent. It's rewarding work that's appreciated by all who attend!

Please contact Kate Kienzie and Pat McDermott at iccpicnicchairs@gmail.com to learn more about how you can be part of the dedicated team planning this cherished annual parish event.





Are you or someone you know unable to attend Mass?

Whether it be a temporary or ongoing injury or illness that keeps you away from joining us in person, our Homebound Ministers are ready to bring the Holy Eucharist to you on Sunday mornings.

Call the parish office at 618/281-5105
with questions or to get signed up.



ALZHEIMER'S & DEMENTIA SUPPORT GROUP

Next monthly meeting is July 19 at 10:00 a.m.

Snippet from Mrs. Shea

Grant me, O Lord my God, a mind to know You, a heart to seek You, wisdom to find You, conduct pleasing to You, faithful perseverance in waiting for You, and a hope of finally embracing You.

— Saint Thomas Aquinas

MEN'S CANCER SUPPORT GROUP

Immaculate Conception has formed a men's group to try to help other men who have cancer or who have encountered cancer in the past. We are also open to those with any disease, those undergoing special testing or experiencing prostate issues. We hope through bonding with one another we can ease your mind with your issues.

Any questions, please call Kevin Glasscock at 314-565-4418. Next meeting is July 14th at 6:30 p.m. in the Garden Level.

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

Do you or someone you know struggle with the loss of a loved one? ICC is looking to start a support group for those struggling to cope with grief in their everyday lives. Grief is an experience that can be deeply personal, but it is also an experience understood by many regardless of age, socioeconomic status, gender, or religion. Whether your loved one has been gone for days, months, or years – we hope that you join us for our next meeting on August 12th at 6:00 p.m. in the Library. Because no one should have to suffer alone. For further questions, please contact Shea Christensen at schristensen@icsmail.org.

MEALS FROM THE



Just a reminder that we still have a group of parishioners available to make meals. So if you're going through a rough time, let us help you out! We provide meals as needed on a temporary basis. Just call or text Robin Billmeyer at 314-604-4495 if we can help out!

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.



CHRISTMAS IN JULY

The Council of Catholic Women (CCW) will be kicking off their Box of Joy campaign the weekend of July 25th and 26th. Members will be available after all Masses to distribute boxes to fill, share lists of items for purchase, and collect any cash donations. Questions can be directed to Mary Wilson at 618-920-0319 or auntmary60@yahoo.com.

THE 2026 CATHOLIC SERVICE AND MINISTRY APPEAL

Those who are kind to the needy honor Him

Did you know YOUR GIFT to the 2026 Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal can be made online? Visit your Belleville Diocese's website at www.diobelle.org and click on "Giving." It's that simple! Every donation – large or small – is needed to continue our diocesan ministry to those in need. We are counting on YOU. Please visit www.diobelle.org today!

BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY

Next meeting is September 10th at 6:30 p.m. in the GL Library

Walk to Remember – October 4 at 3:00 p.m.

All Souls Mass/Annual Parishioner Memorial
Candlelighting – November 2 at 6:30 p.m.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS 4TH DEGREE

Your Knights of Columbus 4th Degree Assembly 1529 are selling tickets for the 2026-2027 season, 12-month Restaurant Raffle. Each month's winner will receive a choice of a \$250.00 gift card to the restaurant of the month or \$200.00 in cash. Drawings happen the 3rd Wednesday of each month beginning October 2026 through September 2027. Only 400 tickets will be sold at a cost of \$20.00 each. They will be selling tickets after all Masses the weekend of August 1st and 2nd or contact Steve Wilson at steverdean@yahoo.com or 314-497-0798 to get your tickets now.

Knights of Columbus
Fr. Charles E. Heitman
Assembly 1529

**12-MONTH
RESTAURANT
RAFFLE**

**\$250 Total in Gift Cards
or \$200 CASH**

October 2026 thru September 2027
All winning tickets are to be entered
Suggested donation:
\$20 for 12 drawings
Drawing 3rd Wednesday of the month
Only 400 tickets sold!
List of Restaurants on back.
For more details call or email:
Steve Wilson 314-497-0798
steve.wilson@kcof.org

Name _____
Address _____
City/State _____
Phone _____
E-mail _____

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Proving Ground Coffee & Roaster Cafe
Carmichael, IL

OCTOBER 2026
November 2026
Frederick's Restaurant
Marengo, IL

DECEMBER 2026
Joe's Pizza and Pasta
Carmichael, IL

JANUARY 2027
Hopewell Brewing Company
Marengo, IL

FEBRUARY 2027
Miller's on Main
Carmichael, IL

MARCH 2027
The Coffee Girl
Marengo, IL

APRIL 2027
Vintage Wine Bar
Marengo, IL

MAY 2027
Graphite
Carmichael, IL

JUNE 2027
Shorty's Smokehouse
Marengo, IL

JULY 2027
China Romeo Mexican Restaurant
Marengo, IL

AUGUST 2027
Joe Boccardo's Ristorante
Carmichael, IL

SEPTEMBER 2027
Geno's Trattoria & Chophouse
Marengo, IL

VOCATION

I grew up loving two things: our family farm and sports. There was a basketball hoop in the haymow of our barn, and during breaks from working with the cattle, I would play pickup games with my brothers and cousins. I grew to love football, too, and was even blessed to play quarterback at the collegiate level for a year. But over time, another love quietly grew in my heart: a love for Christ and His Church. My parents instilled in me a strong work ethic and an unswerving trust in the Lord. My parish priest provided an example of real eucharistic amazement, an intense prayer life, and filial devotion to our Blessed Mother. Through their influence, I discovered that the greatest joy of my life was when I could draw others closer to our Savior. To all those discerning their vocations: Let His love conquer!

Fr. Thomas J. Haan; Diocese of Lafayette, Ind. Columbia, September 2022

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.

Stay Connected with
the ACTS Community!



Embrace the calmness and reconnect with the ACTS family. If you're not receiving emails from acts@iccm.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@iccm.org with your latest contact information. Let's keep you in the loop and build a stronger, connected ACTS family together!



Retreat for Women:
October 15-18

Save the date!

Now - Aug 2



Most Needed Items:

- Diapers, all sizes Newborn - 7
- Pajamas sizes 2T & 3T
- Washcloths & Hooded Towels for newborns, infants, toddlers
- Onesies (short sleeved) sizes 3 - 12 months

THANK YOU!

Hosted by ICC Sanctity of Life Ministry

Quilters' Corner

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



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION SCHOOL

409 Palmer Road ~ 281-5353

School Principal: Mike Crean, ext. 202 ~ mcrean@icsmail.org

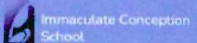
School Administrator: Beverly Epplin, ext. 200 ~ bepplin@icsmail.org

Administrative Assistant: Lori Deffenbaugh, ext. 201 ~ ldeffenbaugh@icsmail.org

MISSION • COMMUNITY • SERVICE

JOB OPPORTUNITY

ICS is looking to hire a Co-Director for our after school Latchkey Program! The ideal candidate will have a passion for working with children ages 3-13 and strong leadership skills! Hours will be 3:00-5:30 p.m. a few days a week. Please email Mr. Crean at mcrean@icsmail.org.




PRE-SCHOOL 2026-27

Enrollment is now open, but spots are filling fast! Ensure your child is registered online today. Must be 3 years old by Sept. 1, 2026 and fully potty trained.

- Loving, faith-filled environment
- Large playground for 3 & 4 year olds
- 3 full day or 5 full day option
- 1:10 teacher to student ratio

Enroll Now →

Contact us: 618-291-5353

register online at icscolumbia.org

What's Happening at Gibault?

Gibault Catholic High School's Catholic's GYM ENHANCEMENTS: PROGRESS UPDATE



Air Conditioning: Concrete Pads Poured
Bleacher Handrails: Completed
New Lobby Flooring: Installation in Progress

WE'RE ALMOST THERE!

SCAN TO DONATE OR



HOW YOU CAN HELP

MAIL PAYMENT TO:
 Gibault Catholic High School
 Gym Enhancements
 501 Columbia Ave
 Waterloo, IL 62298

INTERESTED GCHS CROSS COUNTRY RUNNERS

EVENING SUMMER RUNS

June 17 | 6:30pm

1ST RUN

Baum-Schuhkraft Park
 Columbia, IL | Meet at
 the Main Pavilion

EASY RUNS (1-3 MILES)

JOG, WALK OR DO A MIXTURE OF BOTH

Runs are optional & open to friends of prospective runners
 Information on practices will come later this summer, but are expected to begin August 10th

WHY RUN?

Winter & Spring athletes who want to get in better shape than ever before

For athletes who've always had a passion for chasing personal bests

For students who are looking for a place to fit and grow. A place where everyone makes the team.



OTHER RUN DATES: JULY 1, JULY 8, JULY 22, AUGUST 5

PAUL J. KIM

Catholic Speaker



COMING TO
GIBAULT CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

SEPTEMBER 10 2026

Festivities, Music, Food & Drinks starts at 5PM

"Life is Short, Eternity is Forever"
 starts at 7PM

No RSVP Needed. Free & Open to the Public!

Diocesan and Area Interests

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Assistant Director of Outreach

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul Belleville, Illinois, Diocesan Council is seeking either two part-time or one full-time SVDP Charity Coordinator for their facility in East St. Louis. This position needs a compassionate and caring individual(s) committed to serving God and the poor. Requires a background in social service and at least 10 years' experience in the field; managerial and organizational skills required. This person will be working directly with those who are traumatized, homeless and suffering from physical and mental illnesses and supervising volunteers and ancillary staff at the SVDP Outreach Center.

Interested individuals should email their resume to: officeassistant@svdpsouthil.net or drop it off at the SVDP Belleville Office at 8800 West Main Street any morning. More information about SVDP ministries can be found on the website at www.svdpsouthil.org.

St Charles Church Summer Social Saturday, July 25, 2026

In Air-Conditioned KC Hall, DuBois IL.

4 PM Mass at St Charles Church

PRIZES | FOOD | FUN QUILT & CASH BINGO

Doors Open at 4 PM | Games start at 7 PM

1 Quilt GUARANTEED each 4 Game Set

\$50 Cash Payout for other 3 Games

\$1 per card for games or PAY ONE PRICE and play all night!

Lunch Stand featuring Polish Sausage & Pierogi
with Sauerkraut, Potato Salad, & Drink for \$13
Sandwiches, Sides, & Desserts also available

GRAND RAFFLE

Prizes include Quilts, \$7000 in Cash Prizes, & More!!

Tickets available from St Charles Parishioners
and Local DuBois Merchants

Not responsible for accidents - No Carry-Ins

GREEN MOUNT CATHOLIC CEMETERY FLOWER POLICY

Attention: Updates to the flower/decor policy for Green Mount Catholic Cemetery were made effective July 1, 2026. New signage is posted at the entrance with basic regulations. Please remove any items you wish to keep in your possession by the grace period, August 1, 2026. To view the new policy, please visit: <https://cathedralbelle.org/green-mountain-catholic-cemetery/>.

RESPECT LIFE CORNER

"Discover the Power of Natural Family Planning"

NFP is a church-approved, scientifically validated system of fertility awareness that honors your marriage vows to love Freely, Totally, Faithfully, and Fruitfully. But how many children should you have? The Church leaves that to your prayerful discernment through "responsible parenthood" – balancing a generous heart with a prudent look at your life circumstances. NFP also empowers ALL women by decoding the body's natural signs. It provides deep insight into reproductive health, helps uncover underlying medical issues, and fosters true marital connection. Follow the QR code to learn about several different methods of NFP, Responsible Parenthood, and more. Contact mejoost@gmail.com for more help in finding the right method for you.



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"

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"

Saint Kateri Tekakwitha

Saint Kateri Tekakwitha became Catholic when she was 19 and prayed when she was in nature. She is the patron saint of the environment. Add extra plants and animals to the picture.



Fill in the letters to find Saint Kateri's nickname.

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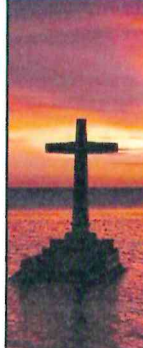
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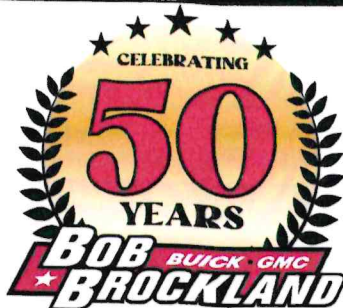


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