



# Immaculate Conception

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## MASS SCHEDULE:

Weekdays: ..... 7:45 am  
 First Saturday: ..... 7:45 am  
 Saturdays..... 5:00 pm (vigil)  
 Sundays ..... 8:00 am and 10:00 am  
 Holydays ..... As announced

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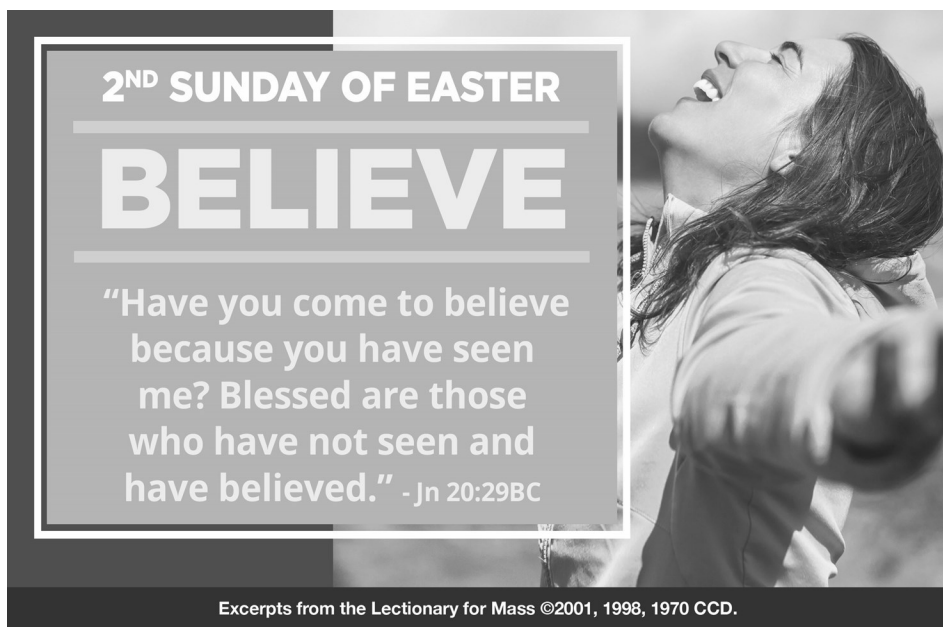
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*Thank you for your generous support!*



Please pray for our First Communicants ✝ Saturday, April 14th

#### ICOM School

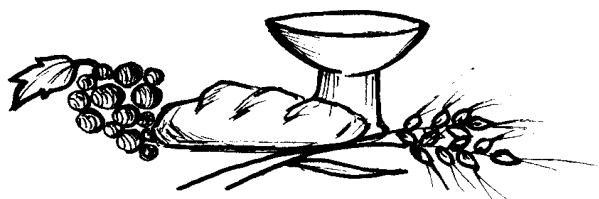
- Olivia Boettcher
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- Chloe Conoyer
- Colton Day
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- Trudy Gorski
- Luke Grupe
- Ryan Heppermann
- Drew Karsten
- Levi Mense
- Theresa Rothweiler
- Taryn Smith
- Braeden Tiller

- Isabelle Vachalek
- Aubrey Walker
- Reese Warren
- Maycie Westhoff

#### PSR

- Lori Boschert
- Amelia Herbig
- William Herbig
- AJ McDaniel
- Hailey Powers
- Laila Springer
- Drake Weinreis

#### *Congratulations*



## A MESSAGE FROM FATHER RICH

On the bulletin board at the back of Church are some preliminary drawings for the **proposed handicap ramp and bathroom renovations for the Church**. I ask that you review them over the next several weeks. We will have a presentation on Saturday morning April 28th in the gym. It is a time for you to ask any questions and any input before we proceed with the project. Just a reminder that the funds for this project is coming out of the money we have received from our share of the Beyond Sunday Campaign.

We ask that you please pray for our second grade students as they finish their final preparation to receive their First Communion next Saturday, April 14th.

God Bless,  
~ *Father Rich*

## STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Week ending March 25, 2018

Sunday Offering \$7012 | Loose \$258 | Holy Land \$100 | Catholic Relief \$20 | Home Missions \$550 | Online Giving \$650  
Envelope Count - 150

Week ending April 1, 2018

Sunday Offering \$10,556 | Loose \$763 | Holy Land \$850 | Home Missions \$80 | Catholic Relief \$55 | Adopt-A-Student \$25 | Easter Flowers \$25 | SVPD \$35 | Retired Priests \$1199 | Rice Bowl \$282.50 | Online Giving \$1655  
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**Thank you for your continued generosity and support!**

## IN YOUR PRAYERS

Please pray for all who have died especially **Bonnie Briegel**, sister of Virginia Burkemper and **Buddy Coffman**, sister of Donna McCullough

**May all rest in the peace of Christ.**



## ICOM Cougar Travel

**\*NEW TRIP\***

The Ark Encounter and Creation Museum  
July 23-27th

**Ark Encounter** features a full-size Noah's Ark, built according to the dimensions given in the bible. On your walk through the **Creation Museum** you'll encounter a realistic Garden of Eden, animatronic Noah, Flood dioramas, stunning video displays and much more.

Please **RSVP by May 1st** to Jean Folwarczny  
636-566-8571 | heavenlythreads@gmail.com



The world was in the midst of the Great

Depression in 1931 and the memories of World War I were still very much alive in the minds of Europeans when in Poland a sister of the Congregation of Sisters of Our Lady of Mercy, **Faustina Kowalska** (1905-1938), is said to have been personally visited by Jesus. According to her diary, which was listed on the Index of Forbidden Books for more than 20 years, an image was revealed to her of the risen Lord, from whose heart shone two rays, one red (representing blood) and the other "pale" (symbolizing water), with the words "Jesus, I trust in you" at the bottom. Faustina wrote in her diary that Jesus told her, **"I promise that the soul that will venerate this image will not perish."**

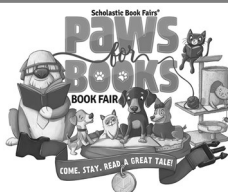
Source: <http://www.uscatholic.org/church/saints-feasts-and-seasons/2011/03/gya-what-divine-mercy-sunday>

Congratulations to **Wink and Oz Maher** who were married in our parish **65 years ago**. Happy Anniversary. Today Wink and Oz will have their marriage blessed at 10:00 Mass. God bless you and your family.



A big thanks to all who were involved with the preparations for the Spring Quilt Social. It was one of our largest attended. With the help of all those who set up the machine, tables and chairs, baked pies, and those who worked the social and cleaned up after the event. It was a SUCCESS! A special thanks to the ladies that made the beautiful quilts. The KC Hall and the handmade quilts keep the crowd coming back for more. Blessings to all! Diane Price

## ICOM SCHOOL HAPPENINGS



**Scholastic Book Fair**  
April 18th - 25th

This reading event brings the books kids want to read right into our school. It's a wonderful selection of engaging and affordable books for every reading level. Please make plans to visit our Book Fair and be involved in shaping your child's reading habits.

### Special Events:

Book Fair Kick Off Family Day  
**Sunday, April 22nd 9:00AM - Noon**

KISS EVENT (Kids Invite Someone Special)  
**Tuesday, April 24th 1:30-2:45**

If you are unable to attend the Fair in person, we invite you to visit our online Book Fair at:

<http://www.scholastic.com/bf/icom>

Our Online Fair is available from April 13th to April 26th We look forward to seeing you and your family at our Book Fair! Remember, all purchases benefit our school.

## DEACON NEAL'S REFLECTION CORNER

Today we celebrate the Second Sunday of Easter and Divine Mercy Sunday.

In today's Gospel, we hear the account of Jesus appearing to his Apostles for the first time after his death. These men are in hiding, not only because of the Jews but because they had heard that Jesus was alive. Remember, when Jesus got arrested, they all left him, except for John. They probably thought that they were going to be in big trouble.

But what does Jesus say when he comes to them for the first time after his Resurrection; "Peace be with you. As I have forgiven you, you MUST forgive others."

You've probably heard the phrase, "To err is human, to forgive is divine." What a great example of this! We are all going to make mistakes, errors in judgment, acts of selfishness or sin. That is human nature. But we are to follow Jesus's lead by forgiving just as he forgave the Apostles and how he forgives us everyday whenever we fail to love like he does.

To forgive is divine. Jesus showed us how!!!

God Bless, ~ *Deacon Neal*

## OUT AND ABOUT

**RAYMOND DE SOUZA** to speak at Holy Rosary, Warrenton. Topics: Bible alone or do we need the church? Does our faith need good works? Are statues of saints okay? In English, April 11 @ 7:00pm, In Spanish, April 12 @ 7:00pm

**ST. JOSEPH COTTLEVILLE, QUILT SOCIAL** Sat. April 14th at NOON in the school cafeteria. Doors open at 10:30. Lunch and home-baked goodies. Bingo—using paper sheets, daubers for sale or bring your own.

**MEXICO MISSION BENEFIT DINNER DANCE**, St. Theodore Gym, Saturday, April 21. 6:00 doors open, 6:30 Dinner, 8:00-11:00 Dance featuring Butch Wax & the Hollywoods. \$35/person. Includes: Dinner, Dance, Beer/Wine, Soft Drinks. Advance tickets only, no sales at door. For tickets call Mary 636-448-2276 or Dale 314-220-7187 or Brian 636-358-1172.

**ANNUAL SPRING DINNER AND CRAFT SHOW**, Holy Rosary, Warrenton, Sunday, April 22, 2018. We will be serving Fried Chicken and Kettle Beef from 11:00 am to 6:00 pm. Adults \$12.00, children ages 6-12 \$5.00, children ages 6 and under free in dining room only. We also offer a drive-thru carry-out for \$12.00.

**SAUSAGE DINNER, IHM, NEW MELLE**. Sun. April 29th, 11-6pm. Adult Dinners \$12, Kids 6-12yrs \$6, 5yrs and under eat free. Chicken livers and gizzards, live music, and raffles. For more information call 636-398-5270.

**ROSARY RIVER 5K RUN/WALK/PRAY**, Saturday, June 9. St. Charles Riverfront/Frontier Park, 5K begins at 8:30 am (\$20 fee; includes t-shirt), 1 mile walk (\$15 fee; includes t-shirt) begins at 8:40 am. \$10 t-shirt only. Pray the rosary in our "Magnificat" area at the Start/Finish line. Sponsor a section for \$50 or more and receive a sign posted along the route that represents a "Hail Mary." Proceeds benefit SSM Health Cardinal Glennon Children's Hospital. Register or donate online at: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/st-charles-rosary-river-5-k-runwalkpray-tickets-44602654741>

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

**Monday, April 9**

7:45 am Dot Gnade

**Tuesday, April 10**

7:45 am Delores Hoelting

**Wednesday, April 11**

7:45 am Urban Parr

**Thursday, April 12**

7:45 am Irene Bobelmann

**Friday, April 13**

7:45 am Carol Brinkman

**Saturday, April 14**

7:45 am People of the Parish

5:00 pm Joe Hogan

**Sunday, April 15**

8:00 am People of the Parish

10:00 am Leonard Reller

## LITURGICAL MINISTERS April 14/15

### Lectors

5:00 pm Angie Stetson

8:00 am JD Rolfes

10:00 am Delaney Wehde

### Extraordinary Ministers

5:00 pm Rita Kaimann, Bill Kaimann,

Carol Prinster, Bill Prinster

8:00 am Sharon Mueller, Peter Nicholl,

Betty Westhoff, Christina Gnade

10:00 am Marjorie Hessling, Brent Hessling,

Ellen Prendergast, Dan Prendergast

### Servers

5:00 pm Maddie Reed/Anna Kolkmeier

8:00 am Alexa Nickles/Abigail Heppermann

10:00 am Madison Schleeper/McKenzie Hunter

Weekdays 7:45 am Tyler Martin/Kyle Klewer

### Ushers

8:00 am Gary Bals, Kenny Gnade,

Tim Hogan, Don Reller

10:00 am Mark Aubuchon, Jim Eusterbrock,

Jeremy Heitman, Randy Vandiver

### Organists

5:00 pm Paula Vail

8:00 am Karen Nicholl

10:00 am Jackie Myers

### Gift Bearers

5:00 pm Nick & Jordan Martin

8:00 pm Tim & Carla Eggering

10:00 am Mike & Sara Lewis

Many thanks for all the cards, visits, well wishes, etc. during my illness. All were very much appreciated.

*Thanks, Charles Gnade*



Our parish council is a consultative body, pastoral in nature. It strives to discern the movement of the Holy Spirit among God's people in the parish. It is comprised of 10 members, under the authority of our pastor who is responsible for the final approval of the Council recommendations. Each member serves a 3-year term (3 elected each year). The council meets approximately once a month.

This team serves to enhance the process of:

- ✝ Pastoral planning
- ✝ Developing pastoral programs
- ✝ Improving pastoral services
- ✝ Evaluating the pastoral effectiveness of various programs and services.

There are various programs and services our parish life is engaged in which include:

Finance, Stewardship  
Education - Board of Education, PSR, RCIA  
Athletic Association (ICAA)  
Christian Service, Outreach, St. Vincent de Paul  
Home & School Association (HASA)  
Pro-Life, Home Visits  
Liturgy, Evangelization

Please take a moment and prayerfully consider serving our parish in this capacity.

If interested, fill out the form below and  
return it to the Parish Office.



**Parish Council Interest Form**

Immaculate Conception Parish is currently looking for three (3) new members to serve on our Parish Council. Our members serve a 3-year term.

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone #:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

Cut out the form and  
**return it to the Parish Office by the end of April.**

We look forward to hearing from you!

# *Immaculate Conception*

## **SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

Contact the Pastor for arrangements.

**Baptismal Prep Classes** will be held the **1st Thursday of the month** at 7:00 pm. Contact the parish to sign up for class.

## **SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE**

Contact Pastor at least six months in advance.

Participation in a Marriage Preparation program is required.

## **SACRAMENT OF PENANCE**

**Saturdays:** 4:00 to 4:45 pm

**First Saturday** after 7:45 am Mass

By appointment, contact the Pastor.

## **EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**

**Tuesdays 8:30 am until 7:30 am Wednesday**

*“Come spend an hour with Me”*

Participants are always welcome to come and pray at any hour. It is important to have someone present at all the hours. If you can cover an hour or are available to be a sub, please call **Barb** (636)665-5482 or **Bonnie** (314) 520-8599. **Participants needed for:**

**2:30-3:30pm, and 3:30-4:30 pm**

## **ROSARY**

For Vocations, Fridays after 7:45 am Mass

For World Peace, First Saturdays after 7:45 am Mass

## **PERPETUAL HELP DEVOTIONS**

Tuesdays after 7:45 am Mass

## **BULLETIN DEADLINE –TUESDAYS 8:00 AM**

For the following Sunday.

Special Holiday dates apply when necessary.

Submit requests to: [parish@icomparish.org](mailto:parish@icomparish.org)

### **Readings for the Week of April 8, 2018**

Sunday: Acts 4:32-35/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 [1]/1 Jn 5:1-6/Jn 20:19-31

Monday: Is 7:10-14; 8:10/Ps 40:7-8, 8-9, 10, 11 [8a, 9a]/Heb 10:4-10/Lk 1:26-38

Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5 [1a]/Jn 3:7b-15

Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [7a]/Jn 3:16-21

Thursday: Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20 [7a]/Jn 3:31-36

Friday: Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 [cf. 4abc]/Jn 6:1-15

Saturday: Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19 [22]/Jn 6:16-21

Next Sunday: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19/Ps 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9 [7a]/1 Jn 2:1-5a/Lk 24:35-48

### ***Vocation Prayer Chalice Program***

Sign up to participate in wonderful week long opportunity to pray as a family for vocations. This Chalice and a guided prayer binder will be given for your use during the week. For more information or to register for a week of prayer visit our website:

<http://icomparish.org/vocation-chalice-program>

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