



# IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 25TH, 2024**

**21ST SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME**

## PARISH OFFICE ADDRESS

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## OFFICE HOURS

**Mon-Thurs:** 9AM—5PM

**Fri:** 9AM - 12PM (Noon)

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## WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Daily Mass times may change on account of a funeral; to receive Daily Mass updates, call the office to be added to **Daily Mass Notifications**.

**Tues:** 12:10PM

**Wed-Thurs:** 8AM

**Fri:** 9AM

**First & Third Sat:** 8AM

## FLOCKNOTE NOTIFICATIONS:

To stay informed on all the important information and upcoming events:

Text **ICPARISH** TO 84576 for Immaculate Conception Parish news/updates.

OR

Text **AVEMARIAPAS6** to 84576 for Ave Maria Pastorate updates.

## WEEKEND MASSES

**Sat:** 4PM (Even months—Aug, Oct, Dec)

**Sun:** 9AM & 11AM

## CONFESSION TIMES

**Sat:** 3—3:45PM with 2 priests (Even months)

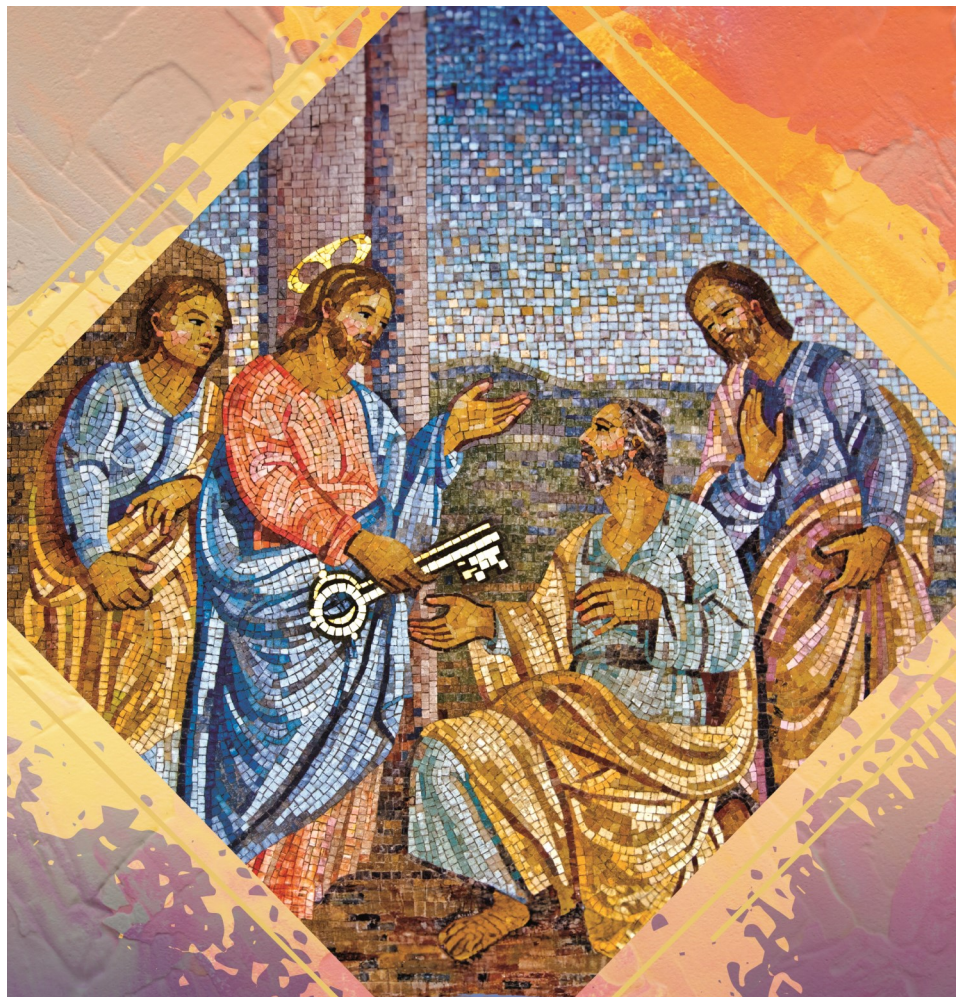
**Tues, Wed, Thurs:** Following Daily Mass

## ADORATION

**Wed:** 8:30AM - 8PM

Held in side chapel, All are welcome.

**Chapel is available for prayer during the above office hours at this time. Thank you for understanding.**



## Weekly Mass Intentions

**Tue, Aug 27th —12:10PM Family of Nick & Ashley Tschakert**

**Wed, Aug 28th —8AM +Helen Strohfus**

**Thu, Aug 29th —8AM +Jim Pester**

**Fri, Aug 30th —9AM +Bob Bisping**

**Sat, Aug 31st — 4PM +Sunny Marie Kauffman**

**Sun, Sep 1st —9AM +Ave Maria Pastorate Parishioners**

**11AM +Martin & Celia Grygiel**



*Canon Law states that Mass Intentions can be made 12 months prior to the date requested both for the living and the deceased. Call the office at 605.886.4049.*

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## Spiritual Reflection on Today's Gospel

The famous Russian novelist Fyodor Dostoyevsky said, "Love in action is a harsh and dreadful thing." In the Gospel reading this week, Jesus does something harsh and dreadful — he watches his own disciples abandon him. What could possibly be loving about that?

Well, we notice the context is Jesus' teaching about eating and drinking his body and blood. His followers hear this and say, "This teaching is difficult; who can accept it?" (John 6:60). We shouldn't imagine we'd do anything different, because not even the ones who stay, like Peter, seem to understand what Jesus is saying. Then we hear this devastating line, "Because of this many of his disciples turned back and no longer went about with him" (John 6:66). Besides the night of the Last Supper, only now do Jesus' disciples abandon him. And, painfully, Jesus just lets them go.

The best way to make sense out of this is love. Jesus is God's love in action. He wants to become one with those whom He loves. He wants to love them as His own body. Yes, the oneness manifested in the Eucharist sounds harsh and dreadful because it is rooted in love which is willing to risk abandonment and separation to attain its goal: to be one body with the beloved. It is both terrifying and wonderful that Jesus will risk losing us in order to be one with us. Our response? Lord, we cannot grasp a love so great, but please help us never to abandon it, either.

— Father John Muir ©LPi



Eleanor Sandra was baptized  
8/18/2024. Congratulations to  
the Donahoe family!

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,  
and let perpetual light shine upon  
them...*

**Terry Heyn**  
(son of Richard Heyn)  
(August 12th, 2024)



### THE LOURDES CENTER

A CATHOLIC APPROACH TO HUMAN FLUORISHING

Are you looking to experience greater joy, freedom and confidence in your daily life? Contact the Lourdes Center to make an appointment with Sara Vetch, for support with grief, marital, or individual counseling. To make an appointment call 605.988.3775.



**Calling All Men!** Assemble outside IC Parish on Sat, Sep 7th at 8:45AM. The men will walk to Foundation Plaza and then pray the rosary at 9:00AM. The rosary is being said for the protection & support of holy families, in reparation for abortion and for all forms of impurity. They will pray the rosary on the 1st Sat for the next five months. (Jun—Oct) Let's pray for a national conversion back to God.





# NURSE'S NOTES & MINISTRY SCHEDULE

**NURSE'S NOTES** - Bridget Bauman, RN

## Helping Families Get Ready for School

Back to school is a time of new beginnings.

This time also brings curiosity, anxiety and excitement. It would seem strange if it were not at least a bit stressful. Changes can be overwhelming but they don't need to be. Think of a time when you previously helped your child through transitions; what worked?

Does your child warm up to new situations quickly or does it take a while? Dealing with the unknown may present some kids with concerns. Here are a few ways to ease any worries that your child may have.

- Fear of the unknown: Answer as many questions as you can. Seek out information from the school's website or a teacher's blog. Visit school together, make an appointment or attend the open house if one is held.

- Separation anxiety: Put something in your child's pocket to remind them of home (a small round stone or little piece of cloth). Read books and talk about other times when parents are away but always come back.

- Make school shopping fun; let them have a decision in what to buy.

- Start morning and bedtime routines at least one week prior (although some children may need longer, you know your child best).

- Prepare the night before: lay out clothes, fill backpacks and make lunches. Encourage children to help with all these tasks.

- Recognize that middle-schoolers may have concerns as well such as being late to class, too much homework, locker problems, being too different or no friends. Address these concerns, offer reassurances, seek out answers and make a plan to check back with them in a few days or next week to see how it feels now.

Information from Avera Balance ~ more next week

**St. Thomas Aquinas, patron saint of school, teachers, and students, pray for us!**

## LITURGICAL MINISTER SCHEDULE AUG 31ST & SEP 1ST

### Sacristan

4PM Dave Redder

9AM KC

11AM Jay Trepanier

### Lector

4PM Connie Stoeber

9AM KC

11AM Sheri Kahnke

### Altar Servers

4PM Eli, Mia & Aleah Jaeger

9AM KC

11AM Olivia Soulek, Ellis Kahnke, Evie Hopper

### Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

4PM Bill Chase, Rachael Jaeger, Dave Redder, Michael Roethler

9AM KC

11AM Cindy Brink, Jay & Karen Trepanier, Ed DeVries

### Ushers

4PM Robert Lantgen, Kevin Kerkvliet, Mike Zafft, Brian DeBoer

9AM KC

11AM Ed DeVries, James & Dan Kahnke, Dennis Martenson

### Greeters

4PM Breanna Ysker, Missy Baumberger, Bill & Brenda Ortmeier

9AM KC

11AM Anne Hanson, Lisa Kreutner

### Musicians

4PM Jody Thompson

9AM Valerie Hawkins, Ina Wesche

11AM Valerie Hawkins, Alison Thyen

\*Denotes a volunteer is needed.\*

**Thank you for serving.**



We believe the Mass is for all people, especially our little ones, we want the Immaculate Conception Parish to be a gathering place where everyone feels welcome. Please do not worry if your children are fidgeting or restless. We invite you to keep your children with you and help them to understand the liturgy, sing the songs with you, and participate in the Mass. Children learn how to worship by following your example. If your child is struggling and needs a break, you may try using the cry room, the nursery room or the chapel. Please ask an usher if you need assistance. Our goal is to make Mass a peaceful and prayerful experience for all.

# PARISH MINISTRIES

## IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH MINISTRIES

**AA**—Weekly meetings held on Tues at 6:30PM & Thurs at 5:45PM—Parish Office Basement.

**Homebound Communion**—Are you or a family member unable to attend Sun Mass because you are homebound? Would you like a compassionate, caring person to visit with you? Would you like to receive communion in your home? Immaculate Conception Parish has trained homebound ministers who will bring communion to your home. If you or someone you know needs a visit from a homebound minister, please contact Bridget at the parish office at 605.886.4049.

**IC Family Groups**— Thank you family groups for your continued dedication to serving our parish.

**IC Quilters**—1st & 3rd Mon, 1PM, Parish Office Basement. Items needed: 100% cotton fabric, QUEEN FLAT sheets and people to tie quilts.

**NAMI**—Meetings are held the 1st Mon of the month at 7PM in the Parish Hall. Please call 605.595.6415 for more details.

**OCIA**—OCIA is for those who are not currently Catholic or baptized Catholic desiring Holy Communion or Confirmation. Please call the office if you are interested.

**Remembrance Group**—For all who have lost a spouse. Join us each month for prayer, fellowship and spiritual growth in the Saints. Next meeting is Tue, Aug 27th at 10:30AM in the **Parish Hall Cry Room**. The IC School teachers will have an in-service meeting that day in the parish hall.

**Rosary Makers**—2nd Mon of the month at 1PM in the Parish Hall.

**Rosary Prayer Group**—Weekly meetings on Mon at 9AM in the chapel. Participants will pray for healing for our country and the needs of our own parishioners. All are welcome to participate. To send prayer requests call 605.886.4049, email [icoffice@avemariapastorate.org](mailto:icoffice@avemariapastorate.org) or submit through our web-site.

**Watertown Men's Group**—Held every Thurs 6:30-7:30AM in the IC Parish Hall. For questions, call Craig at 763.458.0718.

**Traveling Crucifix** —The Serra Traveling Vocations Crucifix is being used to involve parishioners, especially children, in praying daily for vocations to the priesthood and religious life. If desiring to host the crucifix, please call Diane 605.886.7799 or Carolyn 605.882.0708.

## WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP OFFERING

Weekly collection needs \$15,000.00

Weekly receipts (**Aug 18th**) **\$11,129.72**

**Weekly shortage (\$3,870.28)**

Weekly receipts (**Aug 14th/15th**) **\$1,182.00**

*Scan the code give online. Thank you for your continued support!*



## CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS



Catholic Daughters will meet on Tues, Sep 10th at 6PM at the Unity Hall.

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

All Knights meet the 1st Tues at 7:30PM & the 4th Degree Knights meet the 3rd Tues at the Unity Hall.

Knights Mass at IC is the 1st weekend of every month.

Yummy KC Rolls will begin again in Sun, Sep 8th.

**Knights of Columbus Raffle Winners:**

Aug 15th—\$100 Winner -Theresa Jerke



## SERRA MINISTRY

Our mission is to support, encourage & pray for vocations and to grow in individual holiness. Meet 1st & 3rd Sat the month. Rosary: 7:30AM, Mass: 8AM (Chapel), coffee & an inspirational speaker (Parish Hall).



September Mass Intentions:

**Sat, Sep 7th:** For our students returning to school, that they seek to grow in the love of learning in school and in their faith lives.

**Sat, Sep 21st:** For our parish program directors that parishioners, especially our youth, will respond positively to offerings presented.



Watertown Area Right to Life meets Tue, Aug 27th at 5:30PM at Midwest Bible Camp.

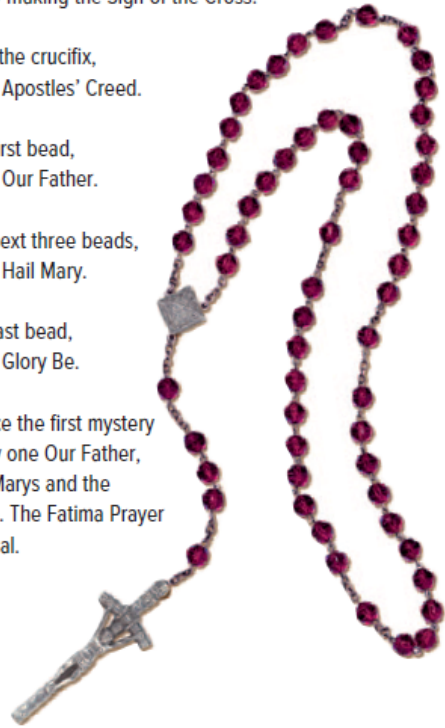
# GUIDE TO PRAYING THE ROSARY

(Scan the QR Code to view the Rosary Guide online at [www.kofc.org](http://www.kofc.org))



## How to Pray the Rosary

- 1) Begin by making the Sign of the Cross.
- 2) Holding the crucifix, pray the Apostles' Creed.
- 3) On the first bead, pray the Our Father.
- 4) On the next three beads, pray the Hail Mary.
- 5) On the last bead, pray the Glory Be.
- 6) Announce the first mystery and pray one Our Father, 10 Hail Marys and the Glory Be. The Fatima Prayer is optional.
- 7) Repeat until the five decades are prayed.
- 8) Pray the Hail, Holy Queen.
- 9) Finish by making the Sign of the Cross.



## The Prayers of the Rosary

### Sign of the Cross

In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

### Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

### Our Father

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.

### Hail Mary

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

### Glory Be

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

### Fatima Prayer

O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell, and lead all souls to heaven, especially those in most need of Thy mercy.

### Hail, Holy Queen

Hail, holy Queen, Mother of mercy, our life, our sweetness and our hope. To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve. To thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this valley of tears. Turn then, most gracious advocate, thine eyes of mercy toward us; and after this our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus. O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God that we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ. Amen.

## CLOSING PRAYER

All: O God, whose only begotten Son, by His life, death, and resurrection, has purchased for us the rewards of eternal life; grant, we beseech thee, that meditating upon these mysteries of the most Holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary, we may imitate what they contain, and obtain what they promise; through the same Christ our Lord. Amen

## PRAYER TO ST MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

St Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

## PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Lord Jesus, Son of the Eternal Father and Mary Immaculate, grant to our young people the generosity necessary to follow Your call and the courage required to overcome all obstacles to their vocation. Give the parents that faith, love and spirit of sacrifice which will inspire them to offer their children to God's service and rejoice whenever one of their children is called to the priesthood and religious life. Let your example and that of Your Blessed Mother and Saint Joseph encourage both young people and parents and let Your grace sustain them. Amen.

## SCHEDULE FOR PRAYING THE ROSARY

Joyful Mysteries: Monday & Saturday

Sorrowful Mysteries: Tuesday & Friday

Glorious Mysteries: Wednesday & Sunday

Luminous Mysteries: Thursday



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