Immaculate Conception Parish Bulletin Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time October 7, 2018

Welcome

If you are new to our church or just visiting, please stop and introduce yourself. We are pleased to have you share in this celebration of the Eucharist. If you do not have a church home, or your church is not a home to you, we invite you to become part of our parish family. We are so glad you're here and hope you will come back again for Mass or become a parishioner.



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PARISH MISSION STATEMENT We the people of Immaculate Conception Parish are Christians who worship and glorify God as a sign of our faith. Empowered by the Holy Spirit, we proclaim our faith to the world through prayer, education, concern, and service to our community. By participating in the sacraments and giving of our time, talent and treasure, we help to make Christ present and share God's love in our community and the world around us.

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Please click on "New to IC?" on our parish website homepage or call the 530-8515 for more information.

BAPTISMS:

Please call Martha Deatsch for information (530-8515).

MARRIAGES:

Please call Catey Cohen at least 6 months in advance (530-8991). SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Monday-Friday By Appointment Only;

Saturday: 4:00-4:45PM and First Friday of the month after the 6:15 am mass.

Bulletin submissions, please e-mail bulletin@icelmhurst.org . Deadline is Friday 12:00 Noon, nine (9) days prior to bulletin date. Special Early Deadlines may apply. To reserve a room in one of our campus buildings, please email calendar@icelmhurst.org.

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Prayer is the foundation of all that we do in defense of human life. Say a short prayer or blessing. Meditate or ask God's intercession. Devote some time to pray. Special prayers are called for those who have lost a child due to miscarriage, abortion or other cause.

Everyone can find a way to praise and thank God for the gift of life and to ask for protection for each sacred human life.

Respect Life Prayer

Heavenly Father, the beauty and dignity of human life was the crowning of your creation. You further ennobled that life when Your Son became one with us in His incarnation. Help us to realize the sacredness of human life and to respect it from the moment of conception until the last moment at death. Give us courage to speak with truth and love and with conviction in defense of life. Help us to extend the gentle hand of mercy and forgiveness to those who do not reverence Your gift of life. To all, grant pardon for the times we have failed to be grateful for Your precious gift of life or to respect it in others. We ask this in Jesus' Name.



Illinois Right to Life Action Annual Banquet

Illinois Right to Life Action will hold its 46th Annual Banquet on **Friday, October 26th** at **The Carlisle, 435 E. Butterfield Rd., Lombard**. Keynote speaker will be Helen Alvare, who is founder of https://womenspeakforthemselves.com/ and

professor of law at the Antonin Scalia Law School of George Mason University with an impressive list of accomplishments in working to prepare amici briefs in leading Supreme Court cases. They will also be presenting the Circle of Excellence Award to Representative Jeanne Ives in recognition of her courage and dedication in standing up for life.

The ticket price is \$75. Table of ten is \$750. You can call 312-422-9300 or order online at <u>https://illinoisrighttolife.org/actionbanquet/</u>.

Your support would be greatly appreciated to help continue the outstanding job of lobbying in Springfield and in preparing the all-important Voter Guide that pro-lifers depend on to know exactly who we can trust to stand up with us on life issues. The link for the Voter Guide is <u>https://voteprolifeillinois.com/</u>.

End of Life Issues

On Sunday October 14th at 6:30 pm in the Chapel (NE corner of Gary Ave. & Army Trail Rd.) of St. Isidore Parish, Bloomingdale, Fr. Josh Miller (Pastor of St. Charles Borromeo,

Bensenville) will speak on **End of Life issues**. This presentation is sponsored by the Pro-Life Action Ministry (PLAM) of St. Isidore. If there are any questions, please contact Lee Lansford at 630/854-8281 or <u>Lansford710@tt.net</u>, or Ken Voelker at <u>KenVoelker777@aol.com</u>.







Welcome to the Word

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The man said, "This one is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; this one shall be called 'woman' " (Genesis 2:18-24).

Psalm — May the Lord bless us all the days of our lives (Psalm 128).

Second Reading — He who consecrates and those who are being consecrated all have one origin (Hebrews 2:9-11).

Gospel — Whoever does not accept the kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it

(Mark 10:2-16 [2-12]).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: Gal 1:6-12; Ps 111:1b-2, 7-9, 10c; Lk 10:25-37
- Tuesday: Gal 1:13-24; Ps 139:1b-3, 13-15; Lk 10:38-42
- Wednesday: Gal 2:1-2, 7-14; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Lk 11:1-4
- Thursday: Gal 3:1-5; Lk 1:69-75; Lk 11:5-13
- Friday: Gal 3:7-14; Ps 111:1b-6; Lk 11:15-26
- Saturday: Gal 3:22-29; Ps 105:2-7; Lk 11:27-28
- Sunday: Wis 7:7-11; Ps 90:12-17; Heb 4:12-13; Mk 10:17-30 [17-27]

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	Twenty-seventh Sund	lay in Ordinary
-	Time; Respect Life S	unday
Monday:	Columbus Day;	
-	Canadian Thanksgivir	ng Day
Tuesday:	St. Denis and Compa	nions;
-	St. John Leonardi	© J. S. Paluch
Thursday:	St. John XXIII	$\int \Delta \mathbf{A}$
Saturday:	Blessed Virgin Mary	
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Masses for the Week

MONDAY, OCTOBER 8

6:15AM—†Marcella Lanphier / Lanphier Family 7:30AM—†Manuela Anaya / Gildea Family

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 9

6:15AM—†Peter & Cecilia Livorsi / Livorsi Family 7:30AM—†Patrick F. Fox / Family

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 10

6:15AM—†Irene Konopek / Livorsi Family 7:30AM—†Don Jaeger / Carolyn Jaeger

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 11

6:15AM—†Robert Leonard 7:30AM—†Kathy Arndt 9:15AM—ICCP

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 12

6:15AM—†Florence Bachman / Tom & Sue Westhoff 8:15AM—†ICGS

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 13

8:00AM—†Bill Cello / Friends 5:15PM—†Thomas Hughes / Schneider Family

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 14

7:30AM—Parish Family 9:00AM—†Alan Montella / Family 11:30AM-†Tom & Wally Morgan & Deceased Members of the Morgan/Hayes Family / Family 5:15PM—†Barrett Gleixner / Julie Gleixner



Immaculate Conception

July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

October 7, 2018

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

This autumn, we are once again very happy to share with you the important information included in this report. Our parish, Immaculate Conception, is a family that is built on the foundation of Christ and on His church. All of our efforts are focused upon our ongoing service of the Lord and the building of His kingdom. We have once again had a great year because of the many ways that we have worked together in the name of Jesus Christ. Thank you for being such generous stewards of your time, talent, and treasure. The following pages are a simple summary of just some of the unique ways in which these gifts have been put to use.

The information in this report is from the fiscal year July 1, 2017 – June 30, 2018. It also includes highlights of our many parish activities, information about our high school, grade school, religious education program, and also our finances. The budget for the new year that began on July 1, 2018 is also included. Please take the time to read the amazing story that is being told.

Our parish continues to also be designated as a teaching parish by the Joliet Diocese and St. Mary of the Lake Mundelein Seminary. Our parochial vicar, Father Chris is now in his third year of ministry as a priest. Our seminarian, Michael Groth, will be ordained a deacon in March, 2019. He will continue his service at I.C. until May, 2020, when he will be ordained a priest. Brian Geary is the newest seminarian assigned to our parish. He will be serving within our community until he is ordained a priest in May, 2022. Both of these men will also be continuing their studies at the seminary along with their pastoral work in our parish. Your support and prayers for them are much appreciated.

People sometimes ask me, "Why are we so blessed to have these fine young men here in our community?" I always tell them that, because of the loving environment and the great sense of family that is found here at I.C. Our community is considered an ideal place for both the newly ordained as well as for those preparing for priesthood. Thank you to all of you for your kind and loving support. We Are IC!

Sincerely in the Sacred Heart of Jesus, Very Rev. Thomas L. Paul, V.F. Rev. Christopher Lankford Deacon John Feely Seminarian Mr. Michael Groth Seminarian Mr. Brian Geary

Sacred Heart of Jesus Renewal Prayer

O Most Holy Heart of Jesus, for whom it is impossible not to have compassion for us, please have mercy upon us as we place our trust in You. To You we surrender the many needs of Your church; asking for Your help, especially on those who are in pain. Please heal the hearts of those who are broken and help us to grow closer to You. As our Immaculate Conception community anticipates the renewal of the chapel in Your honor, help our hearts, minds, and voices to be strengthened by Your goodness and love. We come before you grateful for all that You have done for us. Help us to be ever generous with what we have received as we return our blessings to You.

Amen



PARISH HIGHLIGHTS

- 50 backpacks were collected for Catholic Charities Back-to-School Fair.
- IC Fest was a great success with over 350 attendees.
- Seminarian Michael Groth joined our parish in September of 2017.
- Students from ICGS, ICCP and Religious Ed raised \$2,648.40 during World Food Week, which provided 10,592 meals for people in developing countries.
- 150 items were collected for the annual Catholic Charities Undy Sunday drive.
- 250 coats were collected during our annual coat drive.
- Collected items to fill one truck for our St. Vincent DePaul drive.
- Fourth annual Red Lake Fish Fry to support St. Mary's Mission School raised \$5,322.
- 50 volunteers prepared and distributed 110 Thanksgiving Food Baskets and gift cards.
- The 16 parishes of our deanery sponsored 8 hours for the Sacrament of Reconciliation during Advent.
- Our Christmas Giving Tree outreach collected over 1,200 gifts for 110 families. Over 50 volunteers helped sort, deliver and distribute gifts. \$755 in cash and \$1,445 in gift cards plus 10 large bags of clothing were collected for PADS.
- 60 Boxes of Joy were prepared by ICGS for children in developing countries through Cross Country Outreach.
- Our third annual Fair Trade Market hosted 12 vendors and 3 information tables.
- IC hosted two meals for Grace Café, in October and February, with 138 guests total. Over 40 people helped prepare and serve the meals.
- Christ Renews His Parish held a successful weekend for women in February of 2018.
- The ICGS Parents Club hosted a successful Dinner Dance and Mega Cash Raffle.
- Souper Bowl Sunday ICGS, ICCP and Religious Ed collected soup for our food pantry that lasted six months.
- 300 people attended our St. Joseph Day Table.
- The 16 parishes of the Eastern DuPage Deanery worked collaboratively to sponsor a Liturgical Enrichment Day featuring speakers Wendy Barton Silhavy and Patrick McCormack. Over 350 people attended.
- Respect Life collected \$7,121.83 through our baby bottle collection for Waterleaf Women's Center.
- Father Richard Fragomeni preached on Raising Catholic Children in a Secular World for our parish mission.
- Our IC Parish-Wide Lenten Outreach Project collected \$26,483.46 to support the rebuilding efforts of St. Mary's Mission Church in Red Lake, MN.
- Over 40 volunteers helped to make and distribute 130 children's baskets, hams, and gift cards to 75 families.
- 18 Hours of Reconciliation for our Deanery took place during Lent in March for over 500 people.
- Our Holy Thursday bus pilgrimage hosted 43 individuals who visited 5 Chicago churches.
- 5 adults & 1 child participated in RCIA. 1 child was baptized at the Vigil; 6 people were confirmed and received First Eucharist.
- Adult Confirmation / 1 adult participated and was confirmed.
- Watts of Love collected over \$10,000 in support of its solar light project in Africa.
- 150 Mother's Day Gift Bags were given to food pantry clients, residents at Greencastle Senior Housing, and the People's Resource Center.
- 15 volunteers mentor five Transitional Housing families on a weekly basis.
- The IC Food Pantry has 60 volunteers and averaged 60-70 families per month, serving 3,000 individuals.
- Our Prayer Shawls group has 11 active members and gifted 37 prayer shawls.
- Over 1200 parishioners attended Fellowship Sundays and Paczki Day.
- Over 100 volunteers participate in PADS, serving approximately 60 clients each month at our designated site.
- Family Masses for grades K-8 were held throughout the year.
- Knights of Columbus hosted successful blood drives.
- 75 volunteers participated in Kitchen Angels providing over 215 meals to IC families.
- 20-25 homebound parishioners are visited weekly by our EMHCs to the homebound.
- Bereavement Support Group / 6 individuals met for 6 weeks.
- Bereavement Ministers planned 52 funerals.
- 10 Protecting God's Children workshops were conducted.
- Our 5 Nursing Home helpers prepare and assist at one Mass and three Communion Services monthly at Elmhurst Extended Care.
- Our Peace and Justice Committee hosted a deanery-wide presentation on Human Trafficking, which was attended by 40 people.
- 19 individuals gave blood at our annual Blood Drive.
- CCW hosted various social and outreach events benefiting Upendo Village.
- Our parish collected over 250 pairs of shoes during our Soles4Souls collection.
- 65 New altar servers were trained as well as 31 Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and 5 Lectors.
- In May, 2018 85 Students graduated from IC Catholic Prep and 56 Students graduated from ICGS.
- Father Max Behna was ordained in May of 2018 and celebrated a Mass of Thanksgiving in our church.
- CCW hosted their Woman of the Year luncheon honoring Maria Shannon.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION FINANCIAL REPORT GENERAL OPERATING FUND FOR THE PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2017 TO JUNE 30, 2018

				oy Entity FYE			7/	Actual /1/17-6/30/18	2018-19 BUD 7/1/18-6/30	
		Church		Religious Ed	S	School		Total	Total	
Revenue:							_			
(1) Sunday Collections	\$ 1	544,133.62	\$	-	\$	-	\$ 1.	544,133.62	\$1,546,120.0	0
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(2) Fundraisers		-		-	15	2,809.50		152,809.50	150,000.0	0
(3,4) Tuition and Fees		1,178.00		117,415.50	2,24	9,379.92	2,	367,973.42	2,533,477.0	0
Athletic Revenue						3,872.30		73,872.30	69,000.0	
(5) Other Unrestricted Revenue		27,876.64		500.00		2,583.46		70,960.10	34,100.0	
Total Revenue	\$ 1	900,638.21	\$	117,915.50	\$ 2,51	8,645.18	\$4,	537,198.89	\$4,615,297.0	0
Expenses:										
(6) Salaries	\$	458,994.10	\$	125,814.84		9,368.98		194,177.92	\$2,319,501.0	
Fringe Benefits		200,726.56		22,084.51	56	1,768.46		784,579.53	822,584.5	0
(7) Repairs & Maintenance		108,313.21		- 0 -		7,075.25		125,388.46	95,800.0	
Services		191,051.80		10,841.82		3,695.29		345,588.91	367,183.0	
Materials & Supplies		92,950.74		5,986.18		5,894.85		164,831.77	170,614.5	
(8) Insurance		47,623.91				3,868.24		71,492.15	74,000.0	
Utilities		96,283.43		494.35	6	3,434.67		160,212.45	172,250.0	
(9) Diocesan Assessment		109,682.50		101101	0	-		109,682.50	115,923.0	
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(10) Other Operating Expense		14,962.87		15,686.30		0,670.69		151,319.86	183,204.0	
(11) Capital Expenditures	<u>¢</u> 1	259,677.95	¢	180.908.00		3,001.92 2.915.10		262,679.87 464.090.17	218,614.0	
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* \$50,000 of the 6/30/18 surplus has been used toward the line of credit with the Diocese of Joliet. As of 9/30/18 the balance is \$289,598.

BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDED (FYE) 2019

(1) Sunday Collections are budgeted at \$29,310 for 52 weeks, with extra, greatly appreciated donations anticipated at calendar year end for RMD (Required Minimum Distribution) donations and Donor Advisor Fund donations. Given there is one extra Sunday, the weekly target remains the same as the previous fiscal year.

(2) Fundraiser proceeds are budgeted from three sources: ICGS Parents Club (\$115,000); ICGS Christmas Tree Sales of \$30,000 & Consignment sales of \$5,000.

(3) GS Tuition increased by 5% for Fall 2018. Student enrollment (PreK thru 8) is budgeted at 481 for FYE 2019, up from the 476 actual enrollment of FYE 2018.

(4) RE Tuition increased by 8% for Fall 2018. Student enrollment is budgeted at 540 for FYE 2019; flat with prior year.
(5) Other Revenue includes Church bulletin advertising rebates, liturgical donations, candle donations, Grade School consignment sales and field trip collections.

(6) Salaries increased on average by 2% annually. Teachers received the Diocesan STEP increases and priests received the Diocesan established increases.

(7) Repairs & Maintenance have been budgeted for an annual amount of \$95,800, up slightly from the prior year. Extraordinary expenses incurred in FYE 2018 covered necessary HVAC, pneumatic controls, boiler, and storm sewer repairs and improvements.

(8) In FYE 2019, we continue to be self-insured through the Diocese of Joliet for liability, property and casualty, and health insurance coverage with a 2.5% overall increase.

(9) IC's Diocesan Assessment increased 5.7% for FYE 2019. This is a monthly formula-based fee paid to support the services of the Diocese of Joliet, in addition to the Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal.

(10) The Other Operating Expense budget for FYE 2019 primarily includes funds for ICGS/RE textbooks and ministry/ outreach expenses.

(11) The Capital Expenditure budget for FYE 2019 has funds earmarked for payment on the Line of Credit of \$150,000 with the remaining funds to be used for exterior concrete improvements and security equipment. In FYE 2018 Capital Expenditures paid for through the operating fund included Chapel bathroom remodeling, major HVAC and elevator upgrades in the PAC, concrete sidewalk in front of the PAC, and installation of a new storm sewer pipe on the west side of the gym.

(12) The Parish budgeted investment in education for FYE 2019 is \$185,000 for the Grade School and \$76,500 for the Religious Ed program, which includes youth ministry and is comparable to our prior year investment in education amounts. These amounts are included in the respective entities resulting in the net zero-based surplus/deficit line for FYE 2019.

Immaculate Conception Religious Education



Mission: The Immaculate Conception Religious Education Office is a formational ministry serving the faith community of Immaculate Conception Parish. It operates under the direction of Religious Education Staff with the support and advice of the Religious Education Advisory Board. It promotes the Reign of God through life-long faith formation. It seeks to proclaim the Word of God, foster Sacramental celebrations and worship, and further the work of justice and service. It implements the guidelines of the National Catechetical Directory and the policies of the Diocese of Joliet.

the four pillars of the catechism and is used in grades one through eight.

These four pillars of the Catholic faith are:

- The Profession of Faith The Creed (What We Believe)
- The Celebration of the Christian Mystery Liturgy and Sacraments (How We Celebrate)
- Life in Christ Christian Morality (How We Live)
- Christian Prayer A Personal Relationship with God (How We Pray)



Religious Education Classes: Classes are held on Wednesday evenings, 5:10-6:15 p.m. in the Immaculate Conception Grade School. Classes are also offered on Sunday mornings, 10:10-11:15 a.m. in the grade school building. Parents may choose either day for attendance. We are blessed to be part of the continued commitment of families to the Faith of their children.

Catechists: Our Catechist and Catechist aides participate in the Religious Education Ministry by sharing their faith with our young people. As our Catechist volunteers nurture the faith of our young, they learn and grow as well in this truly rewarding ministry. Our program could not be a success without them.

2017-18

Enrollment Confirmations 1st Eucharist Catechists, Catechist Aids

Sister Mary Francis Director, K-5 Over 553 137 (Total Parish) 104 (Total Parish) Over 80

Mrs. Josephine Bastianoni Director, 6-8



WE ARE IC CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

Thanks to your kindness, generosity, and the willingness that has been expressed towards continuing making improvements to our parish facilities, we are proceeding with the capital campaign. Our two primary goals will be the renovation of the Sacred Heart Chapel and the addition of an elevator. The renovation will first of all improve life safety issues. At the present time, the Chapel does not have a fire sprinkler system and the platform to the altar is not ramped. There is asbestos in the flooring, the windows, and ceilings. Before other improvements can be made, these items must first be addressed. Likewise, putting the tabernacle back in the front of the space will cause for more recognition of the presence of the Lord. The much needed elevator will now allow parishioners and guests to access both Plunkett Hall as well as the gym. Oct. 13-14 is the weekend when all parishioners will receive their pledge information.

Diocesan Contributions		World Food Day	\$2,648
Christ is Our Hope Magazine	\$1,871	St. Mary's Fish Fry	\$5,322
World Mission Sunday/Propagation of the Faith		Watts of Love	\$10,377
Campaign for Human Development	\$2,647	Total Charitable Contributions	\$107,268
Retired Religious Collection	\$5,163		and the literation
Latin America Appeal	\$2,106	Total Diocesan and Charitable Cash Contribu	utions
Eastern Europe	\$1,569	<u>\$137,620</u>	
Catholic Relief Services	\$3,262		
Collection for the Holy Land (Good Friday)	\$3,877	Catholic Ministry Annual Appeal 2017	
Home Missions Collection	\$2,332	Immaculate Conception Parish Goal	\$115,282
Diocesan Priests Care & Support	<u>\$4,634</u>	Immaculate Conception Final Amount Collected	
Total Diocesan Contributions	<u>\$30,352</u>	Catholic Ministry Annual Appeal rebate to IC	\$13,897
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Transitional Housing donations	\$55,000	and Catholic Ministry Contributions	<u>\$272,755</u>
St. Mary's Red Lake Mission Lenten alms	\$26,483		
Respect Life Baby Bottle Collection	\$7,122		
Transitional Housing Thanksgiving Collection	\$1,080		

IC Catholic Prep is a regional high school sponsored by Immaculate Conception Parish. Our Pastor, Father Thomas Paul, together with a governance Board of Directors offers leadership, financial and operational oversight of the school. The day to day educational and administrative operations of the school are provided by the Principal, Ms. Pam Levar. The financial and developmental concerns are under the oversight of the President, Mr. Tom Schergen. The finances of the school are held in separate accounts apart from the Parish funds and are recorded separately. The high school pays a prorated share of operational expenses that are incurred by utilization of shared facilities with the rest of the Parish. No financial subsidy is provided by the Parish for the operation of IC Catholic Prep. The school is financially solvent.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION RESTRICTED FUNDS for July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018 As in past years, Immaculate Conception has been blessed to receive many restricted donations that have helped us to operate and improve our parish.

In FYE 2018, we received \$88,324 in donations from our IC Grade School Annual Appeal Fund. These funds were restricted for work within the school. In FYE 2018, \$89,481 was spent on various classroom and office improvements.

In FYE 2018, \$41,747 was donated towards the IC Grade School Endowment Fund. As of June 30, 2018 the fund balance is \$857,912. Once this fund reaches a \$1,000,000 balance, interest income from it will be used towards school expenses.

In 2016, we were approved by the Diocese of Joliet for a line of credit of \$800,000 devoted to the remaining projects in the Parish Administration Center. Our current Diocesan loan balance is \$289,598.

INFORMATION ABOUT IC

2507 Registered Families 53 New Families 83 Baptisms 104 1st Communions (Total Parish) 137 Confirmations (Total Parish) 313 IC Catholic Prep Students

Participants 18 Weddings 52 Funerals 485 IC Grade School Students **553 Religious Education** Students

5 Adult, 1 Child RCIA

7/1/17 - 6/30/18

12 Parishioners attended CRHP **738 Active Volunteers** 90 Teachers **106 Non Teaching Employees Over 80 Catechist Volunteers**



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION Grade School

A new after school care program was established by the School Board for the 2018-2019 school year in order to provide support for our ICGS parents.

Pre-Kindergarten 3 through 8th Grade A Tradition of Catholic Faith, Family, & Academic Excellence

> **AdvancED** Accredited www.icgradeschoolelmhurst.org

A memorial fund was established in memory of Mrs. Helen Kwasniewski, who passed on in the spring. Mrs. "K." was the principal at ICGS for more than 22 years.

Alumni Achievements

- 1 National Merit Finalist & 3 National Merit **Commended Students (Class of 2014)**
- 18 Illinois State Scholars (Class of 2014)
- **Highly Selective College Acceptances**
- 6 Student Athletes to Continue Play in College (Class of 2014)
- Chicago St. Patrick's Day Parade Queen
- 2018 Men's Irish Dance World Champion
- 2018 Stritch School of Medicine Wolf & Kettle Teaching Award Winner

Student Achievements

- 16 ICGS Gold Awards, 3 Silver, and 1 Bronze at 2018 Illinois Jr. Academy of Science Regional Fair
- 9 Gold Awards, 1 Silver, and 1 Bronze at the Illinois State Science Fair
- 6 High School Academic Scholarship Awards
- Individual 1st Place (7th Grade) at IC • **Catholic Prep Math Contest**
- 2 2nd Place & 2 3rd Place Awards at **Fenwick Speech Contest**
- Participation in service projects to benefit IC Parish Christian Ministry, Toys for Tots Campaign, Cross Catholic Outreach, St. Marv's Mission School. Sarah's Circle. St. Baldrick's, Alex's Lemonade Stand, Misericordia Heart of Mercy, NCEA Hurricane Relief, and the list goes on.
- Girls' JV Track Suburban Parochial League Champions
- Girls' 7B, 8A, Volleyball Conference Champions
- Girls' 6A & 7B, Boys' 6A & 6B Conference Champions



IC Catholic Prep is a dynamic college preparatory, Catholic, learning community 217 Cottage Hill Ave. that:

•Develops the whole person – Spirit, Mind, and Body •Inspires critical thinking and independent thought •Celebrates the Catholic tradition of community and service on behalf of others •Prepares young women and men to lead confidently and selflessly throughout life

Elmhurst, IL 60126 630-530-3460 ICCatholicPrep.org

Stewardship of Our Prayer for...



We pray for those suffering from illness. Loving God, give strength and protection to all who struggle with illness of any kind. Calm their fears and uncertainties.

Provide them with loving and tender care. Grant them courage when they are afraid and comfort when they are in pain.

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If you would like your name or that of a loved one listed, please email bulletin@icelmhurst.org

Please remember recently deceased family, friends and parishioners in your prayers. Grant them eternal rest and may your light shine on them forever.



†Joan Waterstraat, mother of Denise M. Schaller †Brady Doherty, grandson of Dan and Caryn Doherty

We pray for the newly baptized babies in our church. May their journey of faith be one that is close to Jesus. We pray for their Godparents and parents as they bring Christ to the lives of the next generation of Catholics.

Baptized in September at Immaculate Conception

- Tristan Alexander Bort
- Mia Tessman Macke
- Grace Joan Edwards
- Camilla Grace
- Lucy Rose Melesio
- Richmond

2018-19 ENGAGED COUPLES

Meghan Madden & Angelo Angelopolou.	s 10/13
Malgorzata Gaj & Sean Durkín	11/10
Adriana Calderone & Andrew Welker	12/8
Rachel Vana & Matthew Ross	1/19
Danielle Lasater & Christopher Heller	3/16

Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. Give us peace. I ask this in the name of Jesus.



	Weekly C	alendar		
	Daily Masses are celebrated in the Church Monday through Thursday at 6:15 am & 7:30 am Fridays when there is a school Mass, Masses will be held at 6:15 am 8:15 am Saturday at 8:00 am			
Monday, October 8 Colum 6:15 am 7:30 am	bus Day Mass Mass	© J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.	Church Church	
Tuesday, October 9 6:15 am 7:30 am 8:00 am 9:00 am	Mass Mass Lectio Divina Cup of Hope	umbus Day	Church Church Resource Room Meeting Room 2	
Wednesday, October 10 6:15 am 7:30 am 7:00 pm	Mass Mass Parent's Club Meeting		Church Church Agnesian Room	
Thursday, October 11 6:15 am 7:30 am 9:15 am 7:00 pm	Mass Mass Mass-ICCP Homecoming Parish Choir Rehearsal		Church Church Church Sacred Heart Chapel	
Friday, October 12 6:15 am 8:15 am	Mass Mass	7:30 am Mass on Sunday, October 14th will be held	Church Church	
Saturday, October 13 8:00 am 8:30 am 8:30 am 2:00 pm 4:00 pm 5:15 pm	Mass Men's Prayer Breakfast Women's Prayer Breakfas Wedding Madden / Ange Reconciliation Mass Confirmation Enro	lopolous	Church Agnesian Room Resource Room Church Sacred Heart Chapel Sacred Heart Chapel	
Sunday, October 14 7:30 am 8:30am-11:00am 9:00 am	Mass Fellowship Sunday Mass-Confirmation Enro	llment &	Sacred Heart Chapel Plunkett Hall	
11:30 am 11:30 am 5:15 pm	8th Grade Family Mass Spiritual Classics Mass-ICCP Homecoming Mass	g Alumni	Sacred Heart Chapel Media Center Sacred Heart Chapel Sacred Heart Chapel	

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OBERAMMERGAU PASSION PLAY 2020 JULY 8 -18, 2020 hosted by: VERY REV. TOM PAUL & REV. KEITH WOLFE

Want to know more? Contact the Parish center to get a brochure or more information at (630)530-8515

LIMITED SPACE AVAILABLE! SIGN UP TODAY

Immaculate Conception is joining together with the Eastern DuPage Deanery to Welcome



October 7, 2018

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Deacon Keith Strohm

as he presents Intentional Discipleship

What if there was more to being Catholic than simply belonging to a religious organization? What if there was a way to find out who we really are and discover our life's purpose? The kerygma lies at the heart of all evangelization. The central message of the Christian faith is that all believers are called to proclaim. Deacon Keith will be talking about five paradigm shifts that church leaders must make in order to transform their parishes:

From an institutional faith to an intentional faith; From a culture of engagement to a culture of encounter; From a focus on maintenance to a focus on mission; From programs to people;

From avoidance to accountability.

Once leadership has made these shifts, they need to connect strategy, people, and operations so that they create a culture of discipleship and mission. This newly created culture and its principles should influence, inform, and guide the actions and activities of the parish.

Monday, October 15th 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. Immaculate Conception Chapel – 130 Arthur Street in Elmhurst A free will offering will take place at this event. Registration is required. Please go to <u>easterndupagedeanery.org</u> to sign up by filling out a very short form.

A special invitation is extended to anyone involved in leadership including those involved in the parish council, finance committee, and all other committees and commissions within our parishes in the Eastern DuPage Deanery. All staff members are also encouraged to attend.

<u>Coming</u> Events



To those who have lost someone near and dear, recently or not so recently: You are invited to gather on Tuesday, October 9 at 10:00 a.m. in the PAC (Rectory). Together, we will share hospitality, stories of our loved

ones, prayer and ideas about going forward with our lives while we honor and remember those who have died. We will share prayer—some familiar and some new—and some stories of hope. You're welcome to join us or even rejoin if you feel the need for companionship. As always, we are so informal that reply is not necessary but if you would like further information please call Loretta Kalina at 630-834-8664.



Warm Coats from Warm Hearts

COAT DRIVE

COATS/JACKETS..MITTENS..HATS and SCARVES October 13 & 14

We are collecting adults' and children's **coats** – all shapes and sizes, as well as cold weather gear – **mittens**, **gloves**, **hats and scarves**. All items may be dropped off on the tables in the narthex of both the Chapel and Church. Your gift of a **clean**, **gently used** winter coat or cold-weather accessory will keep someone warm this winter. The majority of our collection is donated to the Elmhurst Clothes Closet located at First United Methodist Church. Your donation is helping those within our own community. Thank you and God bless you for your continued generosity.



Come join the over 80 men who have registered for That Man Is You! Saturday Mornings 6:30-8am Mary Queen of Heaven Parish, Elmhurst

Upcoming Sessions

10/13: Attaining Clarity of Thought 10/20: Developing Integrity of Action 10/27: Laying a Foundation for the Future



Fellowship Sunday! October 14, 2018 Donuts and refreshments will be served after the 7:30 a.m. & 9:00 a.m. Masses in Plunkett Hall Please join in the fellowship!

Marriage Enrichment Ministry Presents "Time For Us" A Marriage Workshop on Deepening your Friendship Saturday, October 20 7 PM-10 PM maculate Conception*

Immaculate Conception* 134 Arthur St., Elmhurst, IL 60126 Cost: \$25 per couple **Prepayment is Required by October 15th, 2018** Make Check payable to "IC" Mail to: MEM at 425 S. Main St., Lombard, IL 60148 Include name, phone number and email. For more information contact: EasternDuPageMEM@Gmail.com



Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time



During the week of **October 15-19**, our ICCP, ICGS and Religious Education students will participate in Cross Catholic Outreach World Food Week. Students will be encouraged to purchase a bracelet for \$1.00, the proceeds of which will provide four (4) meals for those in desperate need of sustenance. Students will be selling bracelets to the parish at large after all Masses the weekend of October 27/28.

Since inception, the students have raised a total of nearly \$6,000, which translates into 24,000 meals. Please encourage your child to purchase a bracelet and help "Change the World."

The SERRA CLUB OF DUPAGE, a national organization supporting vocations to the priesthood and religious life, invites you to join them on Monday, October 15, 2018 at St. Michael's Parish in Wheaton. The evening will begin at 6:00PM with Rosary and Mass in the Church . Dinner will follow in the Parish Center.. The Speaker a the Dinner will be Emmy award-winning journalist, Sheila Liaugminas,who has had extensive experience in both secular and religious journalism.

To find out more about SERRA or to make a reservation for the dinner, please contact Joann Carr carrgeojo@gmail.com or 630-665-0994

MARY QUEEN OF HEAVEN PARISH CCW AND ST. VINCENT DEPAUL SOCIETY are sponsoring an "Oktoberfest Pig Roast" Dinner and Auction, Dancing and Raffle on Saturday, October 20th at 6:00 p.m., 442 N. West Avenue, Elmhurst, IL. The Ticket Donation is \$30 and includes Roasted Pork with Barbeque Sauce, Kaiser Roll, Baked Beans. Pasta Salad, Potato Salad, Coffee, Tea, Lemonade or Ice Tea and Dessert. Bring your friends and enjoy a delightful evening! All net proceeds from this event will be donated to our St. Vincent DePaul Society to help the needy in our area. For more information or Tickets, please contact the Rectory Office at 630-279-5700. The deadline to purchase Tickets is October 14th.



Eat Pancakes. Help the IC Scouts. It's a Win-Win.

Sunday, October, 21st 2018 7:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Plunkett Hall (lower level)

Please join IC's Boy Scout Troop 77 and Cub Scout Pack 25 for their annual Pancake Breakfast fundraiser. Help our scouts develop into the leaders of tomorrow. Don't miss this tasty celebration sure to feed your heart and soul!

If you are unable to attend, but would like to make a donation, please contact Patrick Heflin at 224-645-2972 or patrickheflin@sbcglobal.net.



Want to help motivate a deserving child to stay in school and make the honor roll?

Want to repurpose your old bike instead of it hitting the landfill?

PLEASE DONATE YOUR USED BIKES!!

Saturday October 27, from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm

Collection Site: Stemple's Cycle Center 494 Spring Road ELMHURST



Bikes are donated to children in low income areas of Chicago who make the honor roll at their school

> Powered by Grant and Lauren Schleiter Visit gopedalpower.com

> > *Donations are tax deductible

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Religious Education 530-3483				
Peligious Equipade	O J. S. Palach Co., Inc.	<u>Children's Church</u> October 14 October 21 November 11	Sunday RE October 14 October 21 October 28	<u>Wednesday RE</u> October 17 October 24 November 7
8th Grade Family Mass October 14th 9:00amYou may volunteer to read a petition, present an Offertory gift, or serve as a minister of hospitality before or after the liturgy for your grade's family Mass. Contact the RE office to volunteer! First Eucharist Forms are due OCTOBER 9TH.3rd Grade Family Mass October 28th 9:00amPlease remember there is no Wed Oct 10 RE class due to the Columbus Day break.				
RCIA Would you like to be baptized? Were you raised in another faith tradition and would now like to become Catholic?				

Were you baptized Catholic and would now like to receive your First Eucharist and Confirmation?

God may be calling you to the RCIA program THIS year! Come and explore how the Catholic faith might enhance your relationship with God in a deeper way. Please call Pam at 630-530-3497 for information.

If you are not Catholic, but regularly attend Sunday mass with your family and have had prior religious education in your own faith, the program may be **structured to fit your needs**. Often, when children begin to receive their Sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist, a non-Catholic parent begins to think about being "united" in one faith. Our first few sessions are spent learning about the Catholic faith. There is no commitment to become Catholic or continue classes. We cordially **INVITE** you to see why we love our Catholic faith. "Come and See."

Reflection from Jeremy Hayes, a dad of two ICGS students, who made a Profession of Faith and received Eucharist and Confirmation at our Easter Vigil.

My decision to go through the RCIA process was one of necessity. Necessity sounds very unromantic, but, this was a now or never moment for me, and I felt compelled to jump into the RCIA program. My wife and eldest son were confirmed Catholic, and my youngest was to have his first communion last year. It was important to me to be able to celebrate God together as a family. So, I jumped into the program and started my journey into the Catholic Church.

It went great. I enjoyed the process, the conversations, the education and the immersion into the history and tradition of the Catholic Church. The weekly review of the readings and breaking open the word of the bible helped bring me closer to God. I learned about each of the Sacraments, and the importance of these moments. I learned history about IC, history about the rituals that Catholic's practice weekly at Mass, and their importance. Most importantly, I seized the opportunity to self-reflect, the opportunity to commit to the Church, and the opportunity to receive forgiveness. The process of discussing the Sacraments together made the reception of my first communion an amazing experience. I am very happy with the decision I made to go through the RCIA program and become part of the Catholic Church. Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Immaculate Conception Grade School 530-3490



Learn More About IMMACULATE CONCEPTION Grade School! All Saints Day Mass & Informational Coffee "Looking at 1st Grade & Beyond" *Thursday, Nov. 1st* Mass at 8:15am in Sacred Heart Chapel with

- Mass at 8:15am in Sacred Heart Chapel with Procession of 1st grade Saints
- Info Panel & Coffee Afterward Downstairs in Monsignor Plunkett Hall

Feel free to bring your young children to Mass & Coffee - we will have a coloring table, juice & donuts at coffee for them. This event is geared toward parents of Pre-K & Kindergarten students (at ICGS or elsewhere) or those wanting to learn more about a Catholic education at ICGS.

Info & Registration can be found on our website at www.icgradeschoolelmhurst.org

2018-2019 ICGS Student Council







HOMECOMING WEEK

IC Catholic Frep 530-3460

Sunday, Oct. 7

Powder Puff Football Game - 6pm

Monday, Oct. 8

Columbus Day - No School

Thursday, Oct. 11

Homecoming School Mass - 9:15am

Homecoming Pep Rally - 6:30pm

Friday, Oct. 12

Homecoming Football Game - 7:15pm

Knights vs. St. Francis Wheaton

Saturday, Oct. 13

Homecoming Dance - 7pm

Sunday, Oct. 14

Homecoming Alumni Mass - 11:30am

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Christian Service



WE STILL NEED YOU! PLEASE CONSIDER HELPING US!

Immaculate Conception hosts a **PADS** site on the third Saturday of each month beginning October - April. Hundreds of volunteers are needed to help pick up and deliver food (from the Rectory to the PADS site), purchase and/or prepare food, serve

our guests, be present for the overnight hours, prepare breakfast and lunches and clean up. Anyone who signed up during our annual Ministry weekend will be contacted. If you did not sign up, but would like to help, there is still room! You do NOT need to help each and every month.

We cannot do this without you! Please contact Julie at <u>eastonjuliem@gmail.com</u>

We are already preparing for our holiday outreach. If you would like to Adopt-A-Family or Adopt-A-Senior, please call the Christian

Ministry Office at 630-530-3497. We will match a family to your specifications. Last year, we provided over 125 families with food and Christmas gifts. Thank you for your generous hearts.





COMING OCTOBER 20/21

This year, we are asking specifically for the following items:

- Long underwear (all sizes)
- Women's underwear (small and medium)
- Men's Boxer Briefs (all sizes)
- Diapers, pull-ups and wipes

Collection bins will be in the narthex or you may drop items off at the Rectory between October 20 and October 25.



Our weekly "needs" list includes the following items: orange juice, milk, eggs, hot dogs, ground beef, canned tuna and chicken, cereal, soup, salad dressing, pasta sauce, fresh or canned fruit and vegetables, coffee, toilet paper, toothpaste, body soap/wash, shampoo, personal hygiene products, laundry detergent and dish soap.

May God bless you abundantly for your continued generosity!

October is designated as National Domestic Violence Awareness month.

Exactly **what IS domestic violence**? According to the FaithTrust Institute (www.faithtrustinstitue.org), it is a pattern of violence and coercive behavior exercised by one adult over another in an intimate relationship. It is not "marital conflict," "a lover's



quarrel," or a "private family matter." Domestic violence may consist of repeated, severe beatings or more subtle forms of abuse, including control and threats. Eighty-five percent of domestic violence victims are women, although men can suffer abuse, as well. Domestic violence is physical assault, sexual assault, psychological assault, assaults against property and pets.

WHY DOES SHE STAY? She stays because she is terrified that he will become more violent if she leaves, that he will try to take the children, or that she can't make it on her own. She stays for any number of reasons that the abuser has convinced her are valid. Remember: if you or someone you know are being abused, it is NOT your fault. YOU ARE NOT ALONE. Contact the Domestic Violence Hotline at 800-799-7233. If you are in immediate danger, call 911.



IC will offer its final Protecting God's Children workshop of the year on October 17, beginning at 6:30 PM. Another workshop will not be offered at IC until January, 2019. To register or to view other workshops in our area, please access <u>www.icelmhurst.org</u> and click on the Promise to Protect / Pledge to Heal icon, which will direct you to a list of workshops. Any adult who works with minors in the parish setting or who has the potential to come into contact with minors in the course of their ministry must attend this workshop PRIOR to beginning their ministry. This includes RE catechists, aides and subs, Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Ushers and school volunteers. Please contact Pam at 630-530-3497 with any questions.

REPORTING SEXUAL ABUSE

Anyone with reason to believe that a child has been abused or is being abused should report their suspicions to civil authorities. Contact: Illinois Department of Children and Family Services: 1-800-252-2873 or local police. The Diocese of Joliet Victim Assistance Coordinator is available to help victims/survivors of child sexual abuse by a cleric, employee or volunteer of the Catholic Church. The Victim Assistance Coordinator will report to Bishop Conlon and coordinate efforts of pastoral support and outreach to assist in the healing process. The Victim Assistance Coordinator can also assist in making a report to civil authorities. Contact the Diocese of Joliet Victim Assistance Coordinator at 1-815-263-6467.

Stewardship of Treasure

Weekly Sharing **September 23, 2018** Sunday Envelopes Total: \$ 15,312.84 **Electronic Offerings:** \$11,499.90

Total Gifts:	\$ 26,812.74
Number of electronic envelopes:	374
Number of registered households:	2480
Amount Budgeted Per Week:	\$ 29.310.00



Thank You in His Name!

Stewardship of Time					
TIME	LECTORS	SERVERS	EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS		
Saturday, Oct 13 5:15 PM	V. Murphy (1) G. Libby (2)	A. Sabatini (2) E. Spizzirri (3)	D. Diks, E. Farrow S. Farrow, M. Paprocki S. Scott, E. Thurber N. Williamson		
Sunday, Oct 14 7:30 AM	R.Cello (1) E. Cutri (2)	J. Petkus (1) G. Kapsch (2) C. Kapsch (3) K. Kapsch (4)	F. Butler, J. Callahan W. Dudek, M. Hilgart T. Hilgart, M. Kapsch P. McGowan		
Sunday, Oct 14 9:00 AM	M. Ashton (1) T. Davis (2)	E. Miljanovic (2) R. Richardson (3)	A. Buffo, C. Davis J. Gleixner, K. Grasse B. Harezlak, M. Karsten C. Knable		
Sunday, Oct 14 11:30 AM	L. Kalina (1) P. Maietta (2)	()	T. Cahill, D. Garcia P. Krol, G. Maietta C. Maietta, G. Wood		
Sunday, Oct 14 5:15 PM	K. Hillsman (1) T. Sullivan (2)	S. Reilly (1) S. Blondell (2) W. Bryk (3) C. Johnson (4)	J. Castanoli, S. Hillsman M. Maher, J. McNamara L. Reilly, N. Shonts D. Tharp		

PRESIDER'S SCHEDULE **OCTOBER 13 & 14**

5:15	Fr.	Tom
7:30	Fr.	Chris assisted by Deacon John
9:00	Fr.	Chris
11:30	Fr.	Tom
5:15	Fr.	Tom

Presider schedule is subject to change



Box Tops for Education

Buy your favorite products and support ICGS with Box Tops for Education. The .10 cent rectangles on marked packages in your pantry can add up to big dollars. In previous years, ICGS collected over \$1,200 from this program. You can drop Box Tops in a marked envelope and deliver to the ICGS office or the Parish Offices. Sign up for free membership on their website at <u>www.boxtopsforeducation.com</u> and gain special offers and coupons. Thank you for supporting this effort. First submission is November 1st. Every clip counts!

Winter Cold and Flu Season

All are reminded to use common good sense in the reception of Holy Communion during the annual cold and flu season. If you are feeling ill or think you may have been exposed to a virus, you should refrain from partaking of the Blood of Christ from the communal chalice. In the same way, you should refrain from offering your hand to others at the sign of peace. Likewise, if you are not comfortable sharing the sign of peace or receiving Holy Communion from the communal chalice for fear of infection, you should feel no pressure to do so. All of us must be aware of such sensitive matters in the intimate life of the Christian community and we should expect that some will refrain from the sign of peace and the communal chalice out of care for our well being and not out of unkindness or lack of piety.

Liturgy and Illness

Please be aware that the obligation to attend Sunday Mass does not apply to those who are ill, especially those who suffer from contagious disease. It is a sign of consideration for others that those with flu-like symptoms remain at home. For convenience of those who are homebound or unable to attend Mass because of illness or infirmity, Mass is broadcast each Sunday morning at 7:00am on EWTN.