

CHRISTMAS + THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Leading people to Jesus through Worship, Community, Service, and Devotion to Mary

Celebration of Holy Mass

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 p.m.
Sunday: 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

DAILY MASSES

Monday: 8:30 a.m., Tuesday: 6:15 p.m.
Wednesday-Friday: 8:30 a.m.

HOLY DAY MASSES

8:30 a.m., 7:00 p.m. or as announced

Sacraments

RECONCILIATION

Tuesdays: 5:30-6:00 p.m.
Fridays: Following the 8:30 a.m. Mass, 9:15-9:45 a.m.,
or by appointment

BAPTISM

For detailed information related to preparation and
scheduling, please contact the Parish Office at
(614) 267-9241, or at icoffice@iccols.org

MARRIAGE

Couples should inquire at least 12 months in advance
of the intended date. A marriage preparation program is
required. For information, contact Elizabeth DeLuca at
(614) 267-9241 or at edeluca@iccols.org.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK AND

PASTORAL MINISTRY TO THE HOMEBOUND

If there is an emergency need for Anointing of the Sick,
please call the Parish Office. If you get the voicemail
message, press "1" and leave a message on the
sacramental emergency line. For pastoral care needs,
please contact the Parish Office at (614) 267-9241, or at
icoffice@iccols.org.

FUNERAL AND BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY

Family of the deceased loved one should
contact the Parish Office at
(614) 267-9241, or at icoffice@iccols.org.

OCIA

OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults) is the
formation program of inquiry, discernment and
instruction for adults. If you are interested in learning
more about our faith and becoming Catholic,
please contact Mary Ann Rivera at
(614) 267-9241, ext. 605 or at marivera@iccols.org.



PARISH



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SCHOOL



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*Stained glass window: The Nativity, Immaculate Conception Church, Columbus

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, JANUARY 24
2 Sam 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27; Mk 3:20-21
4:00 p.m. Irene Cull †

SUNDAY, JANUARY 25
Is 8:23-9:3; 1 Cor 1:10-13, 17; Mt 4:12-23 or 4:12-17
8:30 a.m. For the People of
Immaculate Conception Parish
11:00 a.m. Elliott & Alice McCallum †

MONDAY, JANUARY 26
2 Tim 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5; Mk 3:22-30
8:30 a.m. John Grossman †

TUESDAY, JANUARY 27
2 Sam 6:12b-15, 17-19; Mk 3:31-35
6:15 p.m. Thomas Sewickley †

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 28
2 Sam 7:4-17; Mk 4:1-20
8:30 a.m. Daniel Hoover †

THURSDAY, JANUARY 29
2 Sam 7:18-19, 24-29; Mk 4:21-25
8:30 a.m. For the Intention of
Maria & Nathan Vonada

FRIDAY, JANUARY 30
2 Sam 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17; Mk 4:26-34
8:30 a.m. For the Intention of Don Muenz

SATURDAY, JANUARY 31
2 Sam 12:1-7a, 10-17; Mk 4:35-41
10:00 a.m. For the Intention of the Confirmandi
4:00 p.m. For the People of
Immaculate Conception Parish

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 1
Zeph 2:3; 3:12-13; 1 Cor 1:26-31; Mt 5:1-12a
8:30 a.m. The Little Family †
11:00 a.m. Charles McKinley †

† Deceased

PASTORAL STAFF

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LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE – JANUARY 31 & FEBRUARY 1, 2026

MASS TIMES	4:00 p.m.	8:30 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS	Don Muenz Christine Demko	Rich Viertel Anne Beharry	Ron & Patty Bitler
LECTORS	Michelle Lang	Jeff Racz	Emily Strand
ALTAR SERVERS	Grant McCallum Isla McCallum Elliot Reing-Hurley Sophia Reing-Hurley	Jack Abens Mia Abens Daniel Barnes Andrew DeLuca	Campbell Byrne Arden Frost Stella Frost Mia Galden
GREETERS	Hatchel Family Schools Family Colleen Kent	Walter Family Sue & Sophia Ruschau Suzanne Smith Martha Bowling	Sleeper Family Daniels Family Lyden Family
WELCOME DESK	Patty Conway	Diana Marie Winkler	Anne Campbell

MINISTRY SCHEDULES

Ministry schedules are available on the parish website. To see complete schedules, go to iccols.org>Parish Life>Organization Schedules.

SCHEDULING MASS INTENTIONS

One of the greatest acts of charity is to pray for the living and the dead (a spiritual work of mercy). The greatest and most powerful prayer we have is the Mass since the fruits of the Mass are the very fruits of Jesus' redemption. Mass stipends (offerings) are \$10.00 each with only one Intention per Mass. Mass Intentions are scheduled by calling the Parish Office at (614) 267-9241, emailing icoffice@iccols.org, or mailing your request to the Parish Office. We will do our best to honor the dates and times requested, but no day/time can be guaranteed. **Currently, we are scheduling Mass Intentions through August 2026.**

CONTRIBUTORS TO THE SANCTUARY LAMPS

The Sanctuary Lamps in the church burn constantly to proclaim the real presence of Jesus in the Tabernacle. For the month of January, the three Sanctuary Candles were donated by an **anonymous donor**. Thank you for your generosity.

LIVESTREAMED MASSES

Immaculate Conception Parish livestreams 8:30 a.m. Sunday Masses and 8:30 a.m. Wednesday and Friday morning Masses for individuals who are unable to come to church. Go to www.iccols.org and scroll down to "Mass Schedule," then "See the Mass." Livestreamed Masses are archived and can be experienced at a later time.

LOW-GLUTEN HOSTS

Using low-gluten hosts is an available option at Immaculate Conception. If you require low-gluten hosts, please stop off in the Sacristy before Mass and talk to the priest or deacon.

IN OUR PARISH



BANNS OF MARRIAGE

Molly Gilligan and Luke Hindman-Andracki
Wedding date – February 7, 2026

We wish this couple God's blessings, love, and guidance for their new life together.

PRAY FOR CONFIRMANDI

Please pray for our parish Confirmandi who will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on Saturday, January 31 at the 10 a.m. Mass. *"For those being confirmed, may their hearts and minds be open to the gifts of the Holy Spirit. May they have the courage and strength to live out the Gospel message in their lives, we pray to the Lord."*

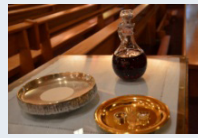


ANNUAL WINTER BLOOD DRIVE - RESULTS

The IC Women's Club would like to thank all the donors who came out on Monday, January 19 in the face of very cold temperatures to donate blood. The support of Father Hoover, the IC staff, and the bakers that baked all the sweet-tasting baked goods. We also thank IC Knights who helped set up and then reset Marian Hall. All these people made the Martin Luther King Day Blood Drive a success. A total of 66 units of blood was collected which could potentially save 182 lives.

TAX LETTER PICK-UP – SAVE THE MAILING COST

The 2025 tax letters for all who donated to IC this last year are available for pickup in the Gathering Space after all Masses this weekend. Please pick up your letter and save the parish 78 cents for each letter not mailed.



PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS AT MASS – JANUARY & FEBRUARY

Please check the schedule to see if there is a weekend Mass in January or February that you/your family would like to carry up the offertory gifts. In the offertory procession, the bread and wine are presented (offered) by the faithful to God before they are consecrated. Members of the parish are invited to bring up the gifts at the Mass(es) of their choosing, throughout the year. **To participate in this ministry, email the Parish Office at icoffice@iccols.org or go to www.bit.ly/ICPresentationofGifts and sign up for the Mass or Masses at which you and your family wish to carry up the gifts.**



DIAPER DRIVE!

The Knights of Columbus are collecting diapers next **Saturday, January 31 and Sunday, February 1** to benefit mothers and families who have chosen life over abortion. Many families face challenges and hardships with a pregnancy and birth of a child. When a family's resources are limited, little ones often wear a diaper much longer than is recommended and healthy for them. By providing this service, we not only lighten their burden, but also show our support for life. All donations will serve the Pregnancy Decision Health Center in Columbus, Ohio. **Diaper sizes 3 and 4 are the greatest need.** Drop off diapers after 4 p.m., 8:30 a.m., and 11 a.m. Masses at the IC garage. Follow the signs. Please do not leave diapers in the church or gathering space. Thank you!

LOST & FOUND

Have you lost a hat, glove, reading glasses, sunglasses, umbrella, rosary, child's book, toy or lovey, etc.? Please check the lost and found area in the ushers' room at the back of the church. Unclaimed items will eventually be donated.



INTERESTED IN HELPING KEEP PARISH GROUNDS INVITING AND LEARNING ABOUT GARDENING?

Please come to a Garden Ministry organizational meeting Monday, February 2 at 6:30 p.m. in Room A of the rectory. We'll discuss plans for 2026 and answer your questions. Contact Chris (tatzberg@columbus.rr.com); Carol (carol.rodock@gmail.com); or Janet (jwilks123@gmail.com) for more information.



VOLUNTEER TO HELP WITH PHOTOGRAPHY SIGN-IN

Volunteers will check in parishioners for their photo session with a printed sign-up sheet provided by the Parish Office. Go to SignUpGenius (scan the QR code) and select the shift(s) you wish to cover. Please, feel free to take more than one shift. More volunteers will lighten the load. There are 27 2-hour shifts that need filled.



ANOINTING OF THE SICK SERVICE SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 14 AFTER MASS

The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick will take place on Saturday, February 14, immediately after 4 p.m. Mass. Following the closing prayer, those in need of this healing sacrament will be invited to come forward to receive the Anointing. Anyone in need of this Sacrament due to illness, upcoming serious surgery, ongoing treatment for an illness, or disability caused by advanced age is encouraged to attend this Mass. The Rite of Anointing tells us there is no need to wait until a person is at the point of death to receive the Sacrament.



The Lord is my light and my salvation.



TIME, TALENT & TREASURE

Fostering Stewardship as a Way of Life

Fiscal Year 7/1/2025-6/30/2026 • Offertory Report 1/18/2026

	1/18/2026	YTD 2025/2026
Recorded Envelopes/Checks	\$ 22,549	\$ 742,973
Loose Cash	\$ 866	\$ 27,025
TOTAL RECEIVED	\$ 23,415	\$ 769,998
Weekly Operating Expenses	\$ 27,000	\$ 783,000
Weekly Overage/(Shortage)	\$ (3,585)	\$ (13,002)
Families Receiving Envelopes		835
Envelopes Received		98
Families on EFT		365



Manage your electronic contributions online! Visit www.iccols.org and click "Offertory & Stewardship" under the Giving menu. Alternatively, text "Give" to (614) 953-6436, or scan the QR code to the left. Thank you for your financial support of our Catholic faith here in our parish. We are grateful for your generosity.

"For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also." (Matthew 6:21)

ARE YOU MOURNING THE LOSS OF A LOVED ONE?

Are you looking for support as you journey through grief? Join us for the winter/spring session of Seasons of Hope. This five-week session will begin on Sunday, February 15, and will run for five consecutive Sundays, through March 15. These sessions will be held from 2 to 4 p.m., at Immaculate Conception in Marian Hall. Each session is centered on Jesus Christ, and explores mourning through Scripture, prayer, faith sharing, and reflection activities. For more information, and to register for the session, please contact Debbie Kennedy at (614) 937-0516, or email Debbie at kennedydeborah@yahoo.com. THE DEADLINE TO REGISTER IS SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 8. Come and be comforted.



CHANGES WITH THE CATHOLIC TIMES

For more than a decade, there has been ongoing discussion regarding the sustainability of *The Catholic Times* newspaper. The cost of producing *The Catholic Times* has risen significantly, while having a limited reach. The digital sphere has antiquated waiting for news to arrive at your doorstep, as information is available at our fingertips 24/7. The time is right to refocus diocesan monies, resources, and staff to a more dynamic, cost-effective, and far-reaching platform. In mid-February, *The Catholic Times* will be moving to a solely digital platform. We are proud of the publication, the contributors, and the hard work of our staff. Now, we can amplify the good news of the 23 counties of our diocese to an even greater degree. Scan the QR code to read more about this exciting change in *The Catholic Times*.

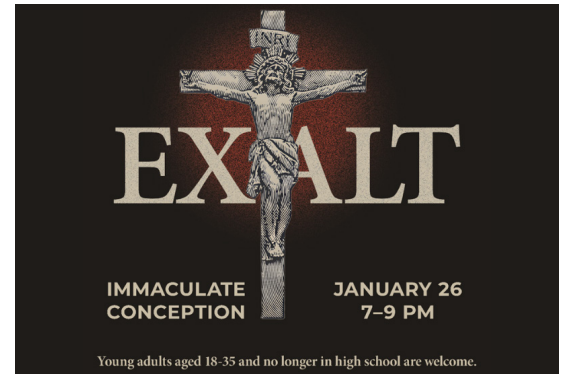
CHURCH IN LATIN AMERICA COLLECTION

We are now accepting donations for The Church in Latin America. Many in Latin America and the Caribbean find that a rising secular culture, difficult rural terrain, and a shortage of ministers all present obstacles to practicing the faith. Your support for the collection provides lay leadership training, catechesis, priestly and religious formation, and other programs to share our Catholic faith with those who long to hear the Good News of Christ. To learn more about how your gifts make a difference, visit usccb.org/latin-america. iGiveCatholic also accepts funds for this collection. To donate, use your designated envelope or go to iccols.org>Give Now>Diocesan Collections>Sub Fund>Church in Latin America.

SOCIAL CONCERNS



The Immaculate Conception Parish **BREAD** Team Invites You to "What Living Without a Livable Wage Looks Like"; What IC Parish is Doing About It; What Else Can be Done; How You Can Be Part of the Solutions. Tuesday, February 12, 2026, 7-8:30 p.m., Marian Hall. Speakers from each of the IC Social Concerns Ministries and the BREAD Livable Wage Research Committee, plus Q & A. Come, Hear, Act! Contact Icbread43214@gmail.com or (614) 530-5872 for more information. All Are Welcome!



Join us in IC Church for an evening set apart to praise Jesus and grow in fellowship with other young adults (aged 18-35). Exalt is a space to lift high the name of Jesus together, encounter His presence, and connect with others who are pursuing Him. This is a night to find a community centered on Jesus, powerful worship, and time to hang out afterward. Come expectant – He is worthy to be exalted! For more information, contact Dominic Rivera at drivera3000@gmail.com.

SAVE THE DATE FOR OUR

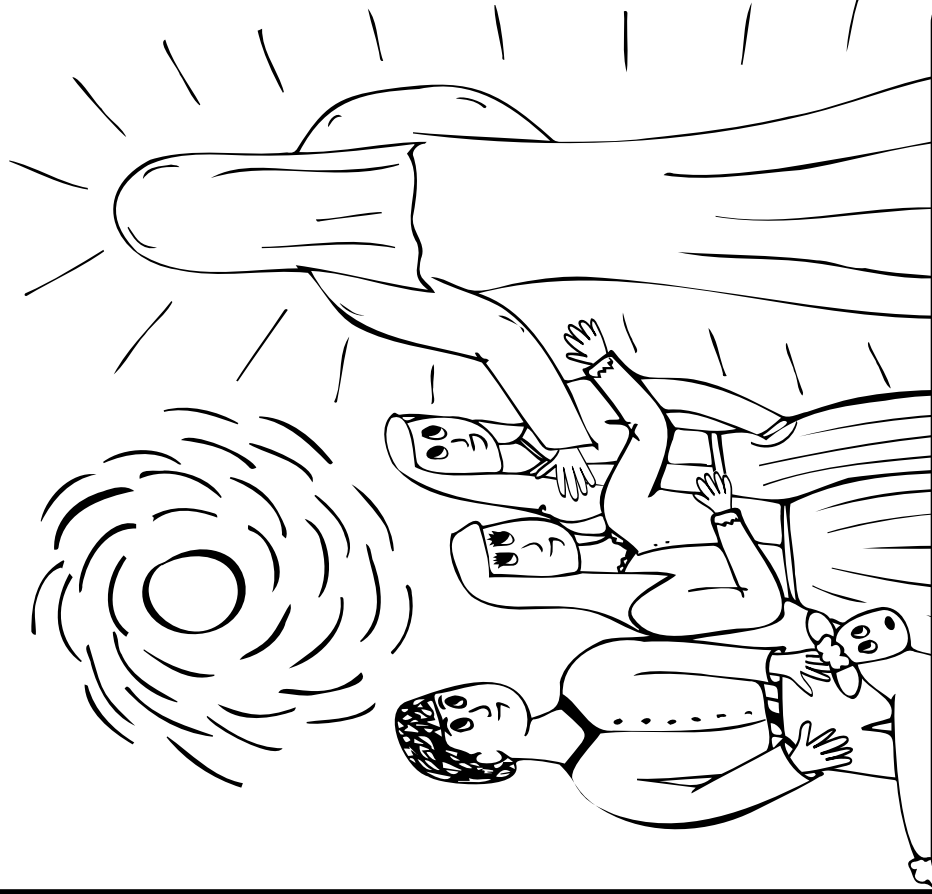
IC LENTEN MISSION



Sign up for a particular week by going to iccols.org>Parish Life>Chalice Cup Ministry. Receive the Chalice Cup box at a weekend Mass and return it to the Parish Office on Friday or to the sacristy before Saturday 4 p.m. Mass.

Saint Francisco, Saint Jacinta & Servant of God Lucía of Fatima

Saint Francisco and his little sister Jacinta worked as shepherds near Fatima when Mary appeared to them and their cousin Lúcia! After they met Mary, they prayed the Rosary every day.



Fatima Prayer

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

Year A: Third Sunday in Ordinary Time



Catholic Kids

Bulletin

January 25, 2026
Ordinary Time
Color: Green

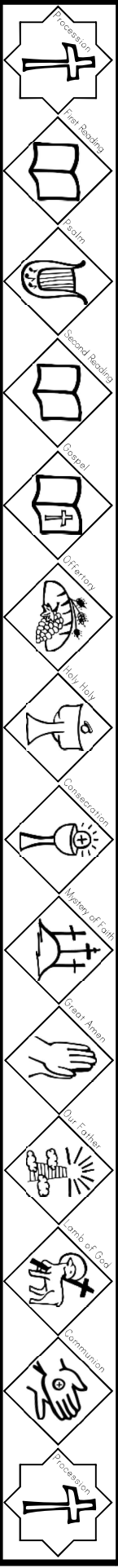
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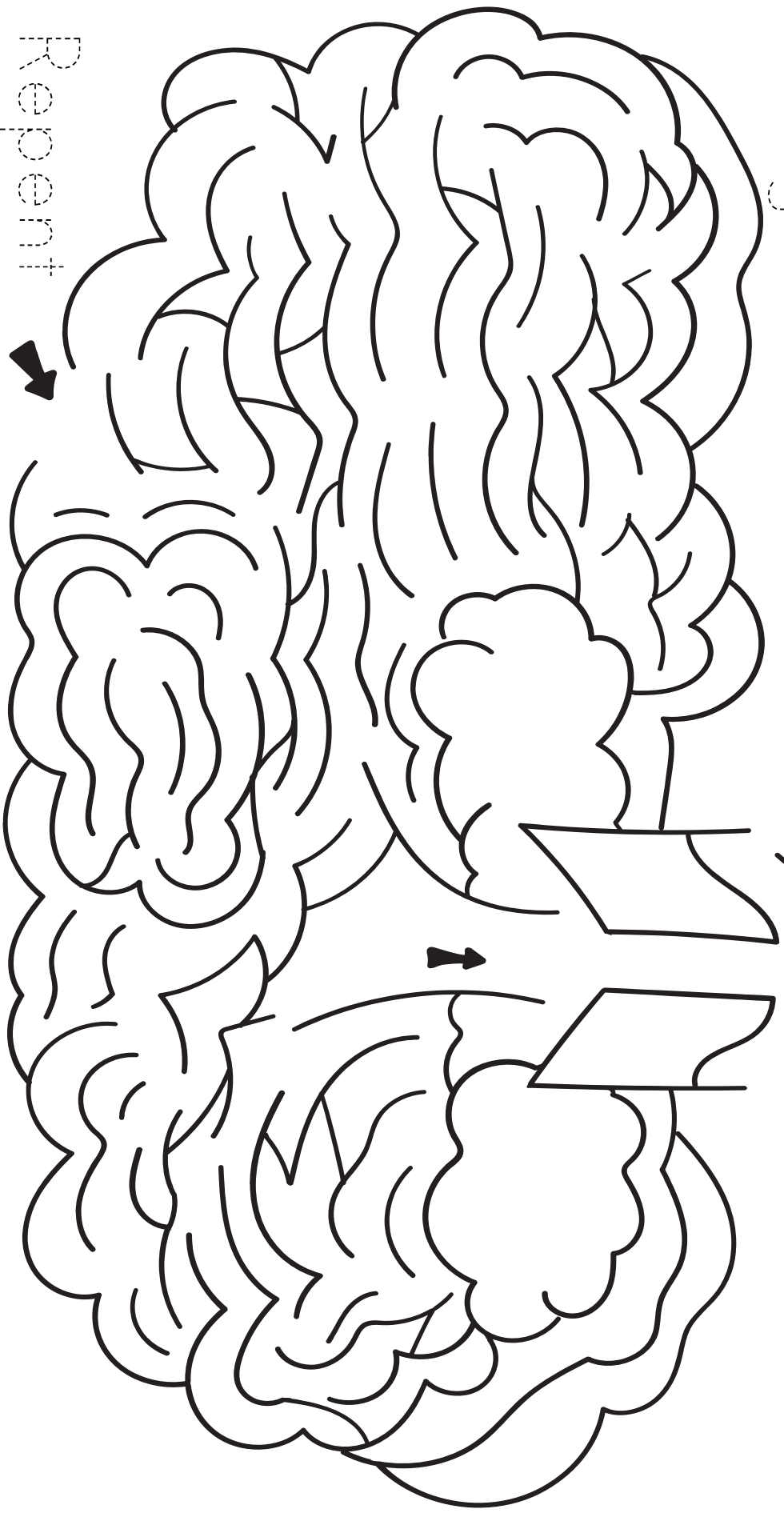
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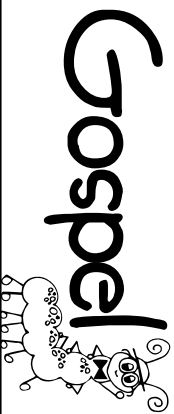
What color is the priest
wearing today?
It is Ordinary Time.



Kingdom of Heaven



Repent

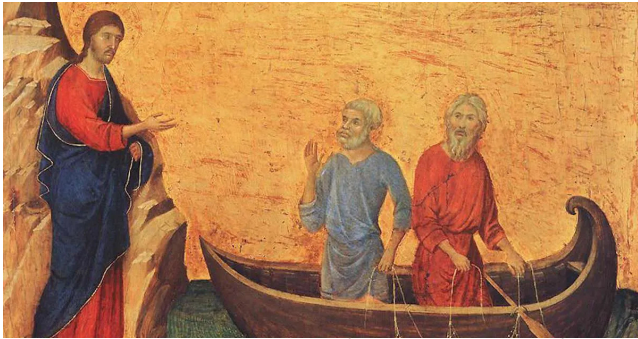


Gospel

Jesus shined light for people who were in darkness. He told them to say sorry for their sins, stop doing wrong, and follow God, because God's kingdom was almost here.

FAITH FORMATION

Immaculate Conception Church January 25, 2026



We heard in today's Gospel that after Peter and Andrew were called, they left their nets and followed Jesus (Matt 4:20), and after James and John were called, they immediately left their boat and their father and followed Jesus (Matt 4:22). The reason they were able to leave everything to follow Jesus is because they loved Jesus. If they did not love Jesus, they would not have been able to leave everything to follow Jesus. Jesus explicitly stated on one occasion that they loved him: during the Last Supper in John's Gospel Jesus said, "the Father himself loves you, because you have loved me." (John 16:27) Yes, they failed Jesus during his Passion, but Jesus forgave them, and they were restored in the relationship of love with Jesus again.

Jesus called the apostles, "Come after me." It was a call firstly to spend time with Jesus. Jesus called them, not because they were better than others, but because he loved them. The apostles responded because they loved Jesus, and because they loved Jesus, obedience and suffering would not even seem like obedience and suffering. "Come after me." They left everything and followed Jesus. frtommylane.org

What an amazing grace it was to be called to be one of the original Twelve Apostles. Of course, these men had no clear idea of what God would do with their lives or the influence they would have on all of humanity until the end of the world.

Other than Saint Matthew the tax collector, these men came from humble lives. Most of them were fishermen. God called them from humility and, while keeping them humble, lifted them spiritually to the heights of glory.

The calling and response of each Apostle was different. Some were compelled to abandon all immediately when called by Christ. Others responded to the call a bit more slowly, first seeking some knowledge of Christ, then a willingness to follow Jesus at least for a time, and ultimately a willingness to abandon all for their newfound Savior.

As you ponder the call of the Apostles, you are invited to insert your own life into the Gospel call. How has Jesus called you? To what level have you responded? In what other ways is our Lord calling you to radically follow Him? mycatholiclife.com

Please pray for our Confirmandi that will be receiving the sacrament of Confirmation on January 31 with Bishop Earl Fernandes.



Holy Father, we humbly come before You, seeking the gentle guidance of the Holy Spirit for those preparing for Confirmation.

Illuminate their hearts and minds, Lord, that they may embrace the gifts bestowed upon them.

Strengthen their faith and deepen their understanding, so they may walk boldly in Your light and share Your love with the world. Amen

Seventh Sunday of the Word of God : PLEASE FEEL FREE TO PICK UP A BIBLE IN THE GATHERING SPACE IF YOU DO NOT CURRENTLY HAVE ONE.

The Sunday of the Word of God is a profoundly pastoral initiative to make it clear how important it is in the daily life of the Church and our communities to refer to the Word of God, a Word that is not confined to a book, but which remains ever alive and becomes a concrete and tangible sign.

The biblical expression chosen for the celebration of the seventh edition of the Sunday of the Word of God is taken from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Colossians: "The word of Christ dwells among you" (3:16).

This year's celebration holds special significance as it coincides with the **Fest of the Conversion of Saint Paul**, the day that concludes the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. The Word that Christ spoke to Paul on the road to Damascus profoundly transformed his heart, molding him into the great evangelist we revere today. Now, it is our mission to ensure that this same Word reaches the ends of the earth, transforming the lives of all people and dwelling in our midst. The biblical expression chosen for the celebration of the seventh edition of the Sunday of the Word of God is taken from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Colossians: "The word of Christ dwells among you" (3:16). *What we have received from the Apostle is not a simple moral exhortation, but the indication of a new way of living. Paul does not ask that the Word be merely listened to or studied; he wants it to dwell, that is, to take up stable residence, to shape our thoughts, guide our desires, and make credible the witness of the disciples. The Word of Christ remains a sure criterion that unifies and renders fruitful the life of the Christian community.*



YOUR CATHOLIC RETIREMENT: LIVING OUT YOUR FAITH IN PEACE, JOY & CHARITY

As you look forward to retirement, envision a future that is not only financially secure, but also rich in purpose and joy, rooted in your Catholic faith. This new chapter provides you with the chance to share the gifts of time, talent, and treasure that God has generously bestowed upon you. **Your Catholic Retirement™** offers Catholics valuable resources to plan for this life stage in line with Church teachings, while also providing opportunities to support the charities that matter most to you, including Immaculate Conception. **You are cordially invited to a Your Catholic Retirement™ gathering on Wednesday, March 4, 2026, at 6 p.m. in Marian Hall.** You'll learn about the endowments already blessing Immaculate Conception and discover how you can strengthen our ministries and church life for years to come. Loren Brown, President & CEO of The Catholic Foundation, will share helpful tools and insights to support your planning. Light refreshments and food will be provided, creating a meaningful opportunity for faith and fellowship. This is an excellent opportunity for our parishioners to come together – all are welcome! Please RSVP by February 23 by scanning the QR code or contacting Kelly Noll at (614) 352-1655 or knoll@gbq.com.

NOW HIRING:

PART-TIME DIRECTOR OF SACRED MUSIC

Church of the Ascension in Johnstown, Ohio is seeking an experienced choir director and organist to assume the role of Director of Sacred Music (DSM). This is a part-time ministry position. Duties include direction and coordination of the adult choir, children's choir, and cantors, as well as serving as the organist for liturgical events and weekly Masses. Please contact Fr. PJ Brandimarti at pastor@cotaj.org if you wish to learn more about the application process.

WOMEN'S CARE CENTER –

CHILDCARE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Women's Care Center in Columbus is seeking women volunteers (18+) to help provide childcare during our one-hour parenting classes. Teens 14-17 may volunteer with a parent.

- 1.5-hour total commitment
- 1:6 ratio
- No diapering or bathroom help required
- Upset children are returned to mom
- Please note: There are steps leading to the childcare room

Even volunteering once a month makes a meaningful impact for moms in our community. If interested, contact Jordy Deptowicz at jordyclc@gmail.com.



City Wide

MASS & PRAISE ADORATION February 7 9:30 am -12 pm

With Rosary and 1st Sat. Prayers

OUR LADY OF THE MIRACULOUS MEDAL COLUMBUS, OH

ADORATION, CONFESSION
PRAYER TEAMS,
SPEAKER: JAY COLLINS
MUSIC: MIKE MELLIERE
POTLUCK BRUNCH

Columbus Catholic Renewal: Under Authority of the
Most Reverend Bishop Earl Fernandes
website: cccolumbus.org

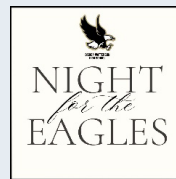
Questions: Patrick 614-302-3970 COLUMBUSCCR@GMAIL.COM

SCHOOL NEWS & ACTIVITIES

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION



Our Home & School Association made it possible for Will Hillenbrand, a children's author and illustrator from Cincinnati, to visit the school on January 16. He spent the day with students sharing his books, stories, and inspiring ideas with our entire school.



BISHOP WATTERSON

Bishop Watterson will host Night for the Eagles on Saturday, February 21 from 6:00-11:00 p.m. at Ohio Brewing Company. All are welcome to join us for this elegant, high-energy, cocktail-style gathering dedicated to uplifting and expanding opportunities for the Bishop Watterson student body and supporting tuition assistance. The evening includes a DJ and silent auction with heavy hors d'oeuvres and a full bar included. Register by February 12 at bishopwatterson.com.

ST. CHARLES

Annual St. Charles Spaghetti Dinner on Sunday, February 1, 2026 - St. Charles Preparatory School will host its Annual Spaghetti Dinner on Sunday, February 1, from 1-6:30 p.m., in the school's Walter Student Commons. Dinner will be prepared by the Susi Family and their staff from Berwick Manor. Guests will enjoy a bountiful meal of spaghetti with meatball, salad, rolls, ice cream, and a beverage. Cost is \$16.00 for Adults; \$11.00 for Senior Citizens; \$8.00 for Children ages 5-12 (4 and under are free). There is also a special \$70 Family Rate (dine-in, up to 6 immediate family members). Tickets only available at the door and carry out orders will be available.

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

The Nativity of Mary - This scholarship provides a four-year \$2,000 per year scholarship to any rising 9th grade student (current 8th grader) who will attend a Catholic High School next school year. The link to apply for the Nativity of Mary Scholarship can be found at: <https://catholic-foundation.org/grants/scholarships/the-nativity-of-mary-scholarship/> The Nativity of Mary Scholarship was established for the propagation of the Catholic faith and devotion to Our Blessed Mother. A letter of recommendation, short essay on the applicant's devotion to our Blessed Mother, and financial need will be used to evaluate the potential applicants. Provided the student remains in good standing and continues to attend a Catholic high school in the Diocese of Columbus, the scholarship will be renewed all four years until that student graduates.

The Hands and Feet of Christ Scholarship - This scholarship provides an \$800 scholarship to a student who will attend a Catholic High School next school year at any grade level. The link to apply for the Hands and Feet of Christ Scholarship can be found at: <https://catholic-foundation.org/grants/scholarships/the-hands-and-feet-of-christ-scholarship/> A letter of recommendation from a community leader (clergy, youth minister, teacher, etc.) attesting to the applicant's active involvement in his or her own Catholic faith formation and demonstrated financial need (via FACTS Tuition Assistance) will be used to evaluate the potential applicants. This is a single-year scholarship.

The Catholic Foundation's applications for scholarships are currently open with a **deadline for submission of February 27**. For more information and to apply, please visit www.catholic-foundation.org/ scholarships. If you have any questions about our scholarship process, please feel free to contact Dan Kurth, VP of Grants, at (614) 443-8893 or dkurth@catholic-foundation.org.



FOURTH ANNUAL GALA FOR YOUNG CATHOLIC PROFESSIONALS

Columbus Young Catholic Professionals is having their Fourth Annual Gala on **Saturday, January 31, 2026 from 6-10:30 p.m.** at St. Catharine Church, located at: 500 S. Gould Road, Columbus, Ohio 43209. All young adults in their 20s and 30s are invited. Come enjoy a fun night out, cocktails, dinner, dancing, Poker, Blackjack and more! This year's theme is "Casino Royale" with formal attire requested. You can purchase your ticket at: https://yep.glueup.com/event/yep-2026-gala-casino-royale-night-162276/?pk_campaign=widget-event-list. YCP is America's largest young professional network.



ST. PAUL SPAGHETTI DINNER

All are invited to St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Church's Spaghetti Dinner located in Miller Hall on Sunday, February 1, 2026, from 1-6:30 p.m. This event will be catered by Carfagna's Kitchen. To purchase tickets, scan the QR code. Tickets are \$15 a person. All proceeds go to Parish Administration Committee. For questions, contact StPaulSpaghettiDinner@gmail.com.



COLUMBUS CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE - FEBRUARY 21, 2026

Give Yourself the Gift of Time with Jesus and Your Sisters in Christ at the Columbus Catholic Women's Conference. Inviting All Women! Please mark your calendar now for the Columbus Catholic Women's Conference on Saturday, February 21, 2026, from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. at the Ohio Expo Center. Our theme is "Look to Him and Be Radiant." (Psalm 34:6) Register now at columbuscatholicwomen.com. Come ready to rest, refresh, and renew with the Lord. You'll be joined by sisters in Christ from around the diocese and beyond. Don't miss this uplifting, annual event for women to grow in faith, hope, and love.




COLUMBUS CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE - TAKE COURAGE

The Catholic Men's Conference is February 28 at the Ohio Expo Center. This year's Conference theme, "Take Courage," reminds men that the path to sainthood requires strength, perseverance, and trust in Christ. In a world that often discourages faith, Catholic men are called to rise above fear and doubt, rooted in the courage that comes from The Holy Spirit. Take Courage invites every man to face life's challenges with confidence that Christ goes before us. As part of our ongoing Call to be Saints, the theme helps men recognize that true courage is not the absence of struggle, but the willingness to follow Jesus boldly, no matter the cost. To register or find out more, go to CatholicMensMinistry.com.

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