



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

CATHOLIC CHURCH

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WELCOME

to Immaculate Conception!

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

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

Sacraments

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, ext. 608 or at edeluca@iccols.org.

ANointing OF THE SICK & 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 & 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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MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, AUGUST 29
1 Cor 1:26-31; Mk 6:17-29
4:00 p.m. Charles Cull †

SUNDAY, AUGUST 30
Jer 20:7-9; Rom 12:1-2; Mt 16:21-27
8:30 a.m. Peggy Reeder †
11:00 a.m. For the People of the Parish

MONDAY, AUGUST 31
1 Cor 2:1-5; Lk 4:16-30
8:30 a.m. Living & Deceased Members
of IC Women's Club

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1
1 Cor 2:10b-16; Lk 4:31-37
6:15 p.m. Paul Smith †

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2
1 Cor 3:1-9; Lk 4:38-44
8:30 a.m. For the Intention of Odee Dammarell

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 3
1 Cor 3:18-23; Lk 5:1-11
8:30 a.m. Jane Bevilacqua †

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 4
1 Cor 4:1-5; Lk 5:33-39
8:30 a.m. Anne & James Grimm †

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 5
1 Cor 4:6b-15; Lk 6:1-5
4:00 p.m. Jim Schultheis †

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6
Ez 33:7-9; Rom 13:8-10; Mt 18:15-20
8:30 a.m. Frances, Robert & Bill Greely †
11:00 a.m. For the People of the Parish

† Deceased

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LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE – SEPTEMBER 5 & 6, 2026

MASS TIMES	4:00 p.m.	8:30 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS	Courney Hatchel MaryAnn Grossman	Jean Durbin Molly Dodane	Margaret Williams Janet Wilks
LECTORS	MaryAnn Grossman	Zach Klein	Jonathan Fortkamp
ALTAR SERVERS	Andrew Hirsch Eric Hirsch John Hoffman Jamie Kirkpatrick	Rowan Hand Michael Hangen Nate Hangen David Jones	Miles Inkrott Carter Leber Justin Nagy Ava Pulsinelli
GREETERS	Patty Conway Jeanne Stoker	Mike Demko Bobby Clark Michele Sapp	Heather Vaca-Gusman Griffin Family Williard Family Joyce Francis
WELCOME DESK	Patty Conway	Tara Hummer	Karen Cannell

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 January 2027.**

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 **August**, the three Sanctuary Candles were donated by **Rose Smith**. Thank you for your generosity.

IN OUR PARISH



BANNS OF MARRIAGE (3)

Cameron McCarthy and Olivia McCann

Wedding date – September 18, 2026

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



CONFIRMATION INFORMATION FOR 2026-2027

If your child is in the 7th-8th grade this year and does not attend the Parish School, please go to the parish website iccols.org and click on the scrolling link for Confirmation to get additional information and to complete the registration form. The parish will be hosting a parent evening of reflection for Confirmation on September 2 at 7 p.m. in Marian Hall.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

WEDNESDAY

SEPTEMBER 2, 2026

7 A.M. - 6 P.M.

Sign Up for a Holy Hour at:
iccols.org>Parish Life>Adoration or call the parish office.

IC Parish is adding an additional hour of Adoration every Thursday from 6:15 to 7:15 p.m. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will also be available during this Adoration hour. We are also beginning a Children's Hour of Adoration on the 2nd Wednesday of the month from 6 to 6:30 p.m.

THE PASTOR'S PERSPECTIVE: THOUGHTS FROM FR. KELLER

Greetings in the Lord!

I hope everyone is having a good beginning to the school year. It has been a joy to have students back on campus here at IC. In addition to school beginning, this time of year also brings with it a ramping up of activities in the parish. We have many wonderful opportunities this Fall for prayer and growth in faith, as well as community events and outreach to those most in need in our community. I hope that you will get involved in the life of the parish, both to personally benefit from these activities and opportunities, but also to support them and assist with them when there is a need. Keep an eye on the bulletin and on Flocknote and our social media to stay up to date on what is going on in the life of the parish.

Specifically, I want to briefly highlight a couple of things that will be starting in September. We will be increasing the opportunities at IC for Eucharistic Adoration and Confession. Beginning in September, every week we will have a parish Holy Hour from 6:15-7:15 p.m. on Thursdays. It will begin with the rite of Exposition at 6:15 and conclude with the rite of Benediction at 7:05 p.m. The rest of the time in between will be an opportunity for silent Adoration of the Eucharist and Confessions will also be heard until the Benediction. No other parish events will be taking place during this time on Thursdays to allow everyone to participate in this time of Adoration and Confession. We will also be starting a Children's Holy Hour every 2nd Wednesday of the month from 6-6:30 p.m. All are encouraged to bring their little ones who will be led in various prayers, meditations, songs, and silence before the Eucharist. This is especially geared towards 2nd grade and under, but all are welcome.

Finally, I will be adding a number of times for Confession throughout the week. Making a regular sacramental Confession is so important for the spiritual life, and without it, we simply will not grow in our relationship with Christ. The times that Confessions will be heard, beginning in September, include: Tuesdays 5-6 p.m., Thursdays 6:15-7:15 p.m. (during the Holy Hour), Fridays 9-10 a.m. (after the daily Mass), Saturdays 3-3:45 p.m., and Sundays 7:30-8:15 a.m. I hope that these times will allow everyone to find a convenient time to receive the Lord's mercy in this great sacrament.

Finally, I want to let everyone know that I'll be starting a miniccatechesis on the parts of the Mass next weekend in this section of the bulletin. Each week I will highlight a part of the Mass and its significance. I will also try to point out any practical things that may be involved in that part of the Mass. This gives a more specific focus to ideas that I will present this weekend in the homily about the nature of Catholic worship and the virtue of reverence. I hope that you will take a look each week and perhaps you will find something that will help you enter more deeply into the sacred mysteries which we celebrate at every Mass.

May God bless all of you and your families!

In Our Lord and Lady,

Fr. Keller



OLD FAITHFULS MONTHLY MEETING

Do you qualify for AARP? Then you are eligible for Old Faithfuls Senior Ministry. Please join us on September 17 in Marian Hall for a pizza lunch and fellowship. Contact Molly at mollydodane@yahoo.com.



My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.



TIME, TALENT & TREASURE

Fostering Stewardship as a Way of Life

Fiscal Year 7/1/2026-6/30/2027 • Offertory Report 8/23/2026

	8/23/2026	YTD 2026/2027
Recorded Envelopes/Checks	\$ 21,418	\$ 199,077
Loose Cash	\$ 927	\$ 7,111
TOTAL RECEIVED	\$ 22,345	\$ 206,188
Weekly Operating Expenses	\$ 29,500	\$ 236,000
Weekly Overage/(Shortage)	\$ (7,155)	\$ (29,812)
Families Receiving Envelopes		838
Envelopes Received		74
Families on EFT		368



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)

PRAY THE ROSARY FOR THE SANCTITY OF HUMAN LIFE ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

Please join us as we meet on Saturday, September 5 at 10 a.m. at the Grotto and walk to Aria Medical Center, at 510 E. North Broadway to pray the Rosary for the sanctity of life. Any questions, please contact Mary Ann Rivera at marivera@iccols.org.



FAMILY FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION IS OPEN! STILL TIME TO REGISTER

Our parish Family Faith Formation program (for students in Grades 1-8 who attend public school) will have the first session this weekend from 9:30-10:45 a.m. in Marian Hall. There is still time to register, by visiting the parish website.

Click on the "Family Faith Formation Program" tab under "Sacraments & Faith Formation" or scan this QR code. For questions, contact Veronica Dannemiller at vdannemiller@iccols.org or (614) 267-9241, ext. 609. Note: FFF includes First Communion preparation but not Confirmation preparation, which will have its own schedule.



PARISH COUNCIL

JOIN US!

All members of our faith community are encouraged to attend the monthly Parish Council Commission meetings to learn more about the various ministries in our parish and how you can get involved. Share your ideas and talents and LET YOUR VOICE BE HEARD!

**THE NEXT MEETING IS
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9 AT
6:30 P.M. IN MARIAN HALL**



JOIN THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION SCHOOL CHOIR!

We sing for all school Masses, Holy Days, and occasional Sunday Liturgies. The School Choir has become an important part of our School Liturgies and includes children in Grades 4 through 8.

Rehearsals have been moved to Tuesday afternoon from 3 p.m. to 3:45 p.m. Our first rehearsal will be September 8th.

If your child is in the aftercare program, we will make sure they will get there after rehearsals. Any questions, please contact Mr. Fehrenbach via email at musicdirector@iccols.org. Come make a joyful noise!

SOCIAL CONCERNS

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL 5TH SUNDAY COLLECTION WEEKEND

Our 5th Sunday Collection for the work of our IC St. Vincent de Paul Conference is taking place now. You may donate at any time. Please consider helping our conference to help neighbors in financial crisis or in need. Our St. Vincent de Paul Conference receives many requests for help with rental assistance, utility shut offs, and other financial struggles. Once a home visit is made to meet the family and gather additional information, members of the conference determine how we might help them or who best to refer them for assistance. The need is great.

To donate, you can use your special envelope from your packet, put your clearly marked donation in the offertory collection, or go to iccols.org>Give Now>St. Vincent de Paul.

OPEN SHELTER MEAL ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

(Date is changed due to holiday.)

The next Open Shelter meal for homeless and marginally housed individuals will be Tuesday, September 1. We need donations of sloppy joes, mac & cheese, cookies, lunch-size chips, and/or snacky desserts and bottled water. Cash donations are welcome. Arrangements can be made to get your donations earlier in the week if this Tuesday by 10 a.m. is not a convenient drop-off time. Please contact Cheryl Costello at (614) 774-8879 to coordinate. Thank you for your support of this ministry.



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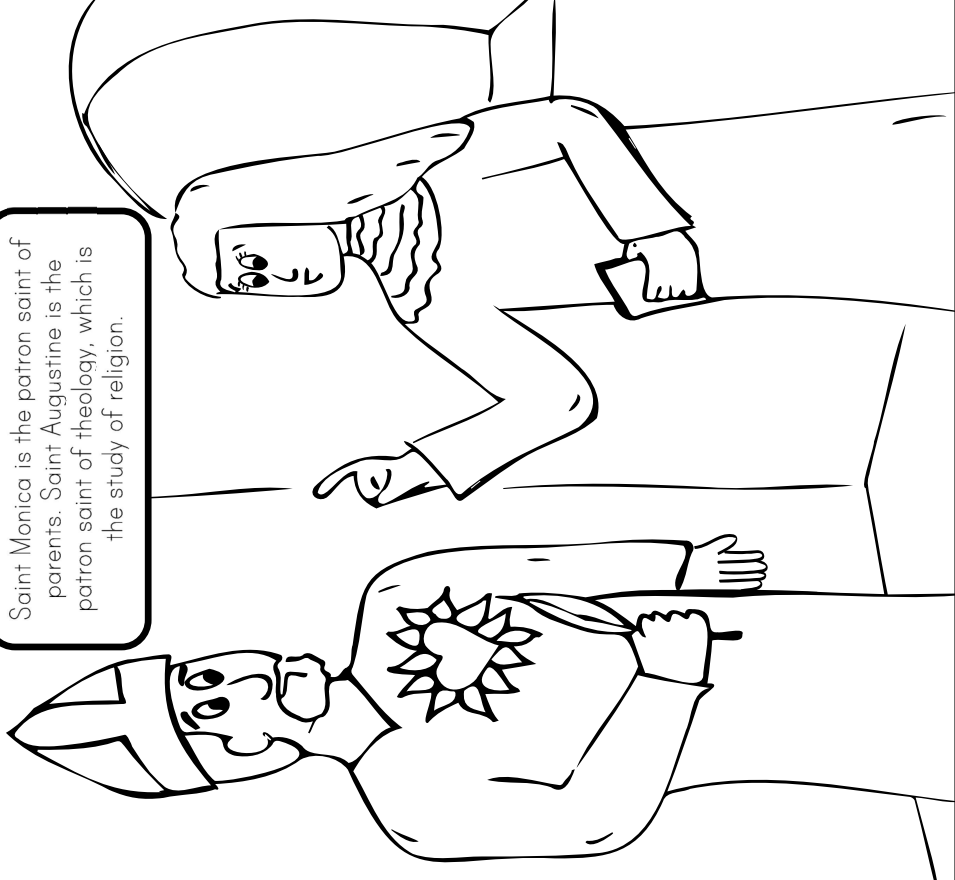
**AUGUST 31
7-9 PM**

Young adults aged 18-35 and no longer in high school are welcome.

Saint Monica & Saint Augustine

Saint Monica was married to a Roman pagan who didn't believe in Jesus. Her son, Saint Augustine, also didn't believe in God. Saint Monica prayed and served others throughout her life, and eventually, her role modeling helped Saint Augustine become a Christian. Saint Augustine became a great teacher and wrote a book that people still read today to learn about faith.

Saint Monica is the patron saint of parents. Saint Augustine is the patron saint of theology, which is the study of religion.



Year A: Twenty second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Catholic Kids Bulletin

August 30, 2026

Ordinary Time

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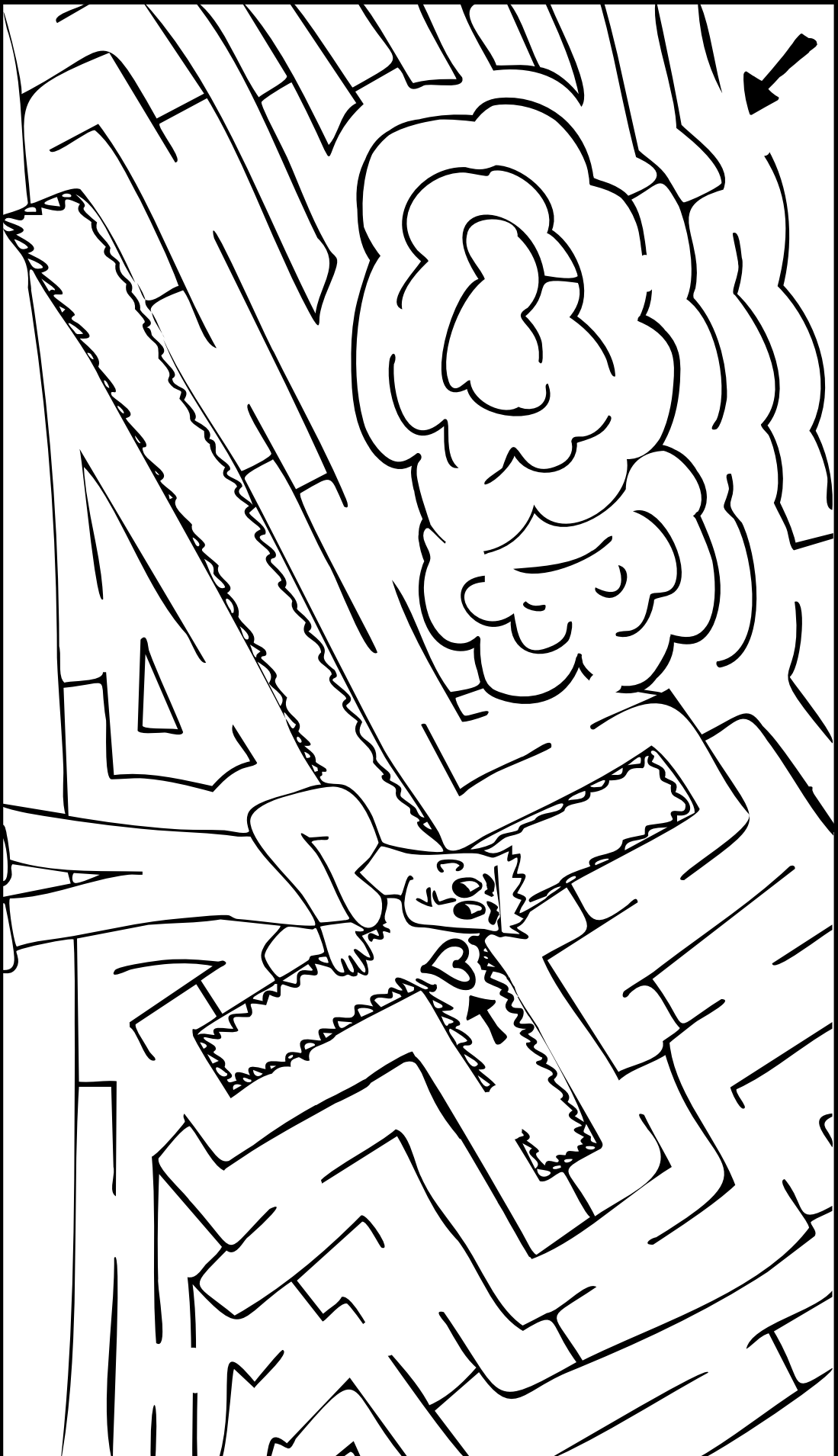
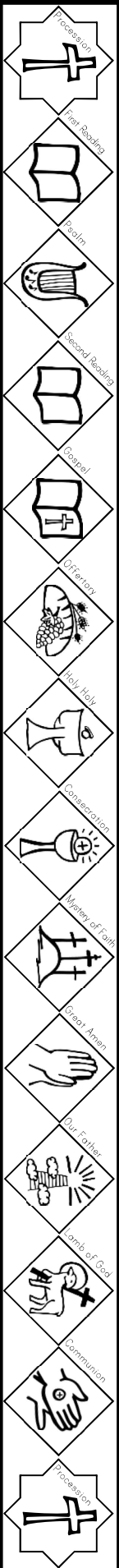
My soul is

thirsting for

you, O Lord

my God.

What do people say
when they receive
Communion?



Gospel

Taking up our cross means choosing what's right, even when it's tough. Jesus wants us to do this with a heart full of love.

FAITH FORMATION

Immaculate Conception Church

August 30, 2026



Just moments later, Jesus issues one of the strongest rebukes recorded in the Gospels: “Get behind me, Satan!” The same Peter who had just spoken divine truth now speaks human fear and shortsightedness. In trying to dissuade Jesus from His suffering and death, Peter unknowingly opposes the very mission of the Messiah.

Jesus calls this mindset not merely a mistake, but a diabolical temptation—echoing the same temptation He faced in the desert, when Satan sought to lure Him away from the Cross with promises of worldly glory. What a stark contrast. Peter goes from being the rock of faith to an obstacle in the Lord’s path. But why was Jesus so severe in His response?

Because the stakes were eternal. The Cross is not optional. It is the means of salvation—not just for Jesus, but for all who would follow Him.

To think otherwise, even with good intention, is to prefer human comfort over divine wisdom. Peter’s protest reflects a natural aversion to suffering, but Jesus exposes it for what it truly is: a stumbling block to the will of the Father. Peter was troubled because “Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer greatly from the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed and on the third day be raised.” But all that Jesus revealed about His suffering was good—very good. Though His suffering was inflicted by the sins of others, His free and loving embrace of that suffering was the greatest act of love the world has ever known. Peter was blinded to this truth. He could not yet see beyond the horror of suffering to the divine good that would come through Jesus’ sacrificial embrace of it.

Reflect today on Peter’s and Jesus’ words: “God forbid, Lord!” and “Get behind me, Satan!” In this exchange, Jesus is also speaking to each of us, saying, “Never run from the Cross!” We must never flee from a selfless and sacrificial embrace of suffering, even when that suffering is unjust. God can and will transform all freely embraced suffering into a means of His eternal glory and our sanctification. With our Lord, reject the evil one’s false empathy. Reject the lie that suffering is meaningless. Choose instead to lay down your life in love with Christ, and in doing so, you will rise with Him, victorious over every sin and diabolical lie, overcoming even the sufferings of this life through your free and faithful embrace. mycatholiclife.com

Jesus Thirsts: The Miracle of the Eucharist

This visually stunning film takes viewers on a global journey to uncover the transformative power of the Eucharist. Engaging in profound dialogue with prominent Catholic leaders, the film explores the biblical origins of the Eucharist and shares powerful personal stories of lives transformed by the Blessed Sacrament.

This exploration makes it unmistakably clear that the Eucharist is not merely a symbol, but is indeed Jesus Christ Himself — fervently desiring to quench our spiritual thirst with His boundless love. Inspiring insights from Scott Hahn, Chris Stefanik, Bishop Andrew Cozzens, Noelle Mering, Tim Gray, Fr. Donald Calloway, Eduardo Verastegui, Fr. Robert Spitzer, SJ, and many others.



St. Teresa of Calcutta Feast Day September 5

The theme of Jesus’ thirst on the Cross would permeate everything Mother Teresa did from that time forward. It was the central mission she had received, the purpose of her life, and the reason God wanted her to found the Missionaries of Charity. Jesus, as the Infinite God, had an infinite thirst. With no end to the depth of Jesus’ thirst, there was no end to the depth of love she was called to give to Him by loving the poorest of the poor and all of God’s children. Not only was Mother Teresa called to quench Christ’s thirst in those whom she served, she was also called to encounter Jesus in them. They were Jesus, hidden in the distressing disguise of the poor.

Prayer: *Saint Mother Teresa of Calcutta, the Thirst of Christ so permeated your soul that you experienced His longing within the depths of your being. This Thirst drove you to charity, endlessly searching for every way possible to bring satiation to our Lord in the distressing disguise of the poor and suffering. Please pray for me, that I will be freed of every selfish motivation in life so that I can give myself to others, freely and wholeheartedly, as an instrument of the Most Merciful Heart of Jesus. Saint Mother Teresa of Calcutta, pray for me. Jesus, I trust in You. mycatholiclife.com*



ADORATION

Continuing 1st Wednesday of the month; 7:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m.

New & Upcoming, every Thursday beginning September 3; 6:15–7:15 p.m.

Children's Adoration, second Wednesday of the month beginning in September 6:00–6:30 p.m.

- September 9
- October 14
- November 11
- December 9



"Allow the children to come to me" Mk 10:14

NEW CONFESSION TIMES

Sundays 7:30–8:15 a.m.
Tuesdays 5:00–6:00 p.m.
Thursdays 6:15–7:15 p.m. with
Adoration & Confession
Fridays 9:00–10:00 a.m.
Saturdays 3:00–3:45 p.m.

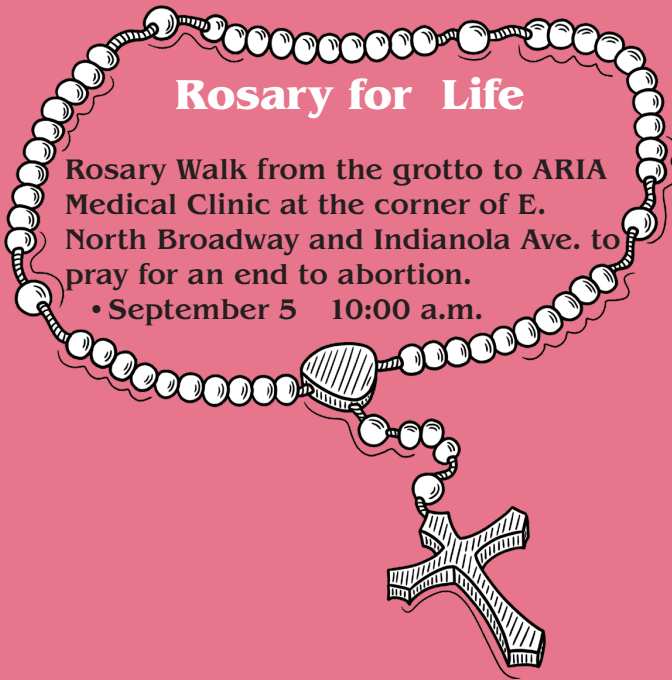


"The beginning of good works is the confession of evil works." – St. Augustine

Rosary for Life

Rosary Walk from the grotto to ARIA Medical Clinic at the corner of E. North Broadway and Indianola Ave. to pray for an end to abortion.

- September 5 10:00 a.m.



"Before I formed you in the womb, I knew you; before you were born I sanctified you." - Jeremiah 1:5

Hospitality Sunday

Grab a donut and stay for Q&A with Fr. Keller in Marian Hall

- September 6, 9:30–10:30 a.m.

"I don't trust anyone who doesn't drink coffee." - Fr. Keller



SECOND COLLECTION FOR DIOCESAN FLOOD VICTIMS THIS WEEKEND!

This weekend, we are holding a second collection for local flood victims. We pray for all families impacted by the storms that affected our Diocese recently, particularly those displaced and affected by the historic flooding in Perry and Muskingum Counties. Bishop Fernandes has asked all parishes to conduct a Second Collection for the Diocese of Columbus Spirit of Hope Disaster Response Fund this weekend. 100 percent of all money raised will be used to support the work of parishes in the affected areas and to organizations like Catholic Social Services and local St. Vincent de Paul conferences which are providing relief efforts. You may still donate by making a check to the parish, with "SPIRIT OF HOPE" in the memo line. You can also give online, directly on the Diocesan website, (columbuscatholic.org), or use the QR code to take you to the parish website iccols.org>Give Now>Diocesan Collections>Sub Fund>Spirit of Hope Disaster Fund.



CARRY UP THE GIFTS AT A WEEKEND MASS

We invite all individuals and/or families to carry up the Offertory gifts at a weekend Mass. Register for a particular Mass or check with the ushers when you arrive to see if

a family is still needed. **To sign up for a specific date and time, go to the parish website at iccols.org>Parish Life>Presentation of Gifts Ministry.** Or call the Parish Office and we will add you to the calendar.

SCHOOL NEWS

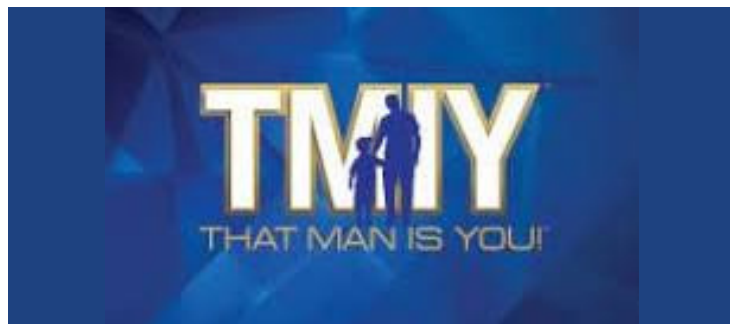
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Congrats to the IC students who completed the 2026 Star Spangled Summer Reading Challenge!

REMEMBRANCE OF 9/11

The Catholic Cemeteries invite you to join us at Resurrection Cemetery as we pray the Stations of the Cross on September 11 at 3 p.m. We will pray as we walk through our stained-glass Stations section and will conclude with a special prayer honoring the lives lost on 9/11.



THAT MAN IS YOU 2026/2027

My name is Tom Rogers and I am a core leader for That Man Is You (TMIY). We will be starting our Fall season on September 12, 2026 in Marian Hall. I have been involved in TMIY since it was introduced to Immaculate Conception. We are a small group of men who have been searching for more in our Catholic faith. We meet early on Saturday mornings, before the kids wake up, to learn about Faith and enjoy some fellowship with other men from the Parish.

I would like to extend an invitation to the men of IC to join us and experience a new level of understanding of your Faith. I have been asked to personally invite every man of this Parish to join us for breakfast and a meeting. We are truly a "No Judgment Zone". We are all sinners and we are looking for the Grace of our Lord to get us to Heaven. **That Man Is You can change your life.** Jesus asked His Apostles to be fishers of men. So, here I am casting out the line! Come to a meeting and you'll be hooked. We open the doors at 6:30 a.m. for breakfast and our meeting starts at 7. We are always done by 8 a.m. Grab the hook and you'll net a good time. God Bless you and your family. For more information, go to paradisusdei.org or email me at tom4948@sbcglobal.net.

Every Life Tells a Story

2026 PDHC Celebration for Life Galas

Lancaster Gala
Sept. 17 at 6 p.m. at The Tree Church

Columbus Gala
Sept. 24 at 6 p.m. at Villa Milano

Fall 2026 12 abortions will happen per day in Franklin County. In just 40 days, 480 babies could be lost to abortion.

PRAY | FAST | ACT

40 DAYS FOR LIFE.

480 HOURS OF PRAYER.

Adopt an hour & adopt a baby to cover in prayer.

September 23rd - November 1st | 7AM - 7PM
Planned Parenthood Surgical Clinic | 3255 E Main St

Greater Columbus **Right to Life** Creating a Community of Life

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

JOIN GCRTL IN PRAYER AND ACTIVISM BY ADOPTING A DAY, PARTIAL DAY, OR HOUR!

Save Lives | Protect Mothers | Share Truth and Hope | Help End Abortion in Ohio

Save the Date

WOMEN'S RETREAT

All women of the parish are invited to attend a morning of reflection, rest and renewal.

When: October 24, 2026

Where: Marian Hall

The day will begin at 8:30 am with Mass, followed by a light breakfast. Confessions will also be provided.

Presentation by Fr. Seth Keller.

Looking forward to seeing you and a friend.

Questions: contact marivera@iccols.org

BISHOP FERNANDES RELEASES

NEW PASTORAL LETTER ON EDUCATION

Bishop Fernandes has prepared his first pastoral letter titled: *Catholic Education: An Act of Hope*, emphasizing that our schools are a vital means by which evangelization and sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ takes place. To read the document, go to columbuscatholic.org and click on *Catholic Education: An Act of Hope* on the homepage scrolling section or use the QR code to the right. To see the video, use this QR code to the left. All teachers, catechists and parents are encouraged to read the letter or, at least, listen to the interview.



WATCH THE
VIDEO



READ THE
DOCUMENT

MARIA STEIN SHRINE EVENTS

St. Peregrine Cancer Prayer Service – The Shrine is pleased to be able to offer the St. Peregrine Relic for prayer and veneration. Three times per year, a prayer service is held for those who are on a journey with cancer, whether it be as a patient or as a caregiver. The next service will be held on Sunday, October 11 at 2 p.m. in the Shrine's Adoration Chapel. This event is free and open to the public. All who have been affected by cancer are encouraged to attend.

For those battling cancer, you can submit your name or a loved one's name for prayer. Please contact Caleb Gaier at c.gaier@mariasteinshrine.org or call (419) 925-4532.

St. Carlo Acutis Eucharistic Miracles Exhibition at the Maria Stein Shrine – St. Carlo's exhibition presents a selection of the main Eucharistic Miracles which occurred over the centuries in various countries and are recognized by the Church. From October 5 until October 16, this exhibition is free and open to the public during normal business hours. Located in the Upper Room of the Maria Stein Shrine (elevator available). If your parish or organization would like to exhibit this International Exhibition of The Eucharistic Miracles of the World or, if you would like to know more information, please contact Caleb Gaier at c.gaier@mariasteinshrine.org or call (419) 925-4532, ext. 206.



PIONEERS FOR OUR TIMES

The Dominican Sisters of Peace invite single Catholic women ages 18–45 to a prayerful retreat from Friday, October 2, through Sunday, October 4, 2026. Through prayer, reflection, and fellowship, participants will have the opportunity to listen for God's voice and explore what it means to be called to live with courage, humility, and hope as a Dominican Sister of Peace. There is no cost to attend, but registration is required. To register, use the QR code or for more information, visit: opeace.org/becomeasister or contact Ana Gonzalez, OP, at ana.gonzalez@opeace.org, or call/text (475) 224-0519.



JOSEPHINUM 5K RUN/WALK

Get your walking (or running) shoes ready! The Josephinum 5K Run/Walk is set for **Saturday, October 3, 2026**. The Friends of the Josephinum 5K/Walk is back for its eighth year and features a one-loop course that will take participants on a tour of the Pontifical College Josephinum campus and the surrounding neighborhood. The 2026 event will again offer a virtual option for supporters from around the nation. Register three or more participants at the same time and get \$15 off (discount is automatically applied upon checking out if three or more registrations are in the cart). Event parking will be at Crosswoods Center I & II office park at 100-150 E. Crosswoods Boulevard. Participants will receive a unisex event shirt, an official Finisher's Medal, FREE race photos, a bottle of wine (21 and over) or a Trappist Monastery Jam (under 21), fresh breakfast burritos and White Castle sliders.



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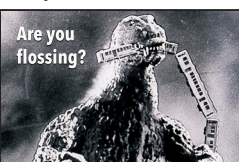
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