

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time
November 8, 2026

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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

Sun:	7:30-8:15 a.m.	Fri:	9:00-10:00 a.m.
Tues:	5:00-6:00 p.m.	Sat:	3:00-3:45 p.m.
Thur:	6:15-7:15 p.m. with Eucharistic Adoration		

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

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MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7
Phil 4:10-19; Lk 16:9-15
4:00 p.m. Frank R. Clemens †

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8
Wis 6:12-16; 1 Thes 4:13-18 or 4:13-14; Mt 25:1-13
8:30 a.m. Frank E. DeLuca †
*11:00 a.m. For the People of the Parish

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 9
Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17; Jn 2:13-22
8:30 a.m. Living & Deceased Members of the IC St. Vincent de Paul and Those They Serve

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10
Ti 2:1-8, 11-14; Lk 17:7-10
6:15 p.m. John Garnet Hunsinger †

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11
Ti 3:1-7; Lk 17:11-19
8:30 a.m. Karen Murnane †

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12
Phlm 7-20; Lk 17:20-25
8:30 a.m. Albina Jae Heung Lee †

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13
2 Jn 4-9; Lk 17:26-37
8:30 a.m. Mary Kay Mathews †

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14
3 Jn 5-8; Lk 18:1-8
4:00 p.m. Glenn Lally Sr. †

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15
Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; 1 Thes 5:1-6; Mt 25:14-30 or 25:14-15, 19-21
8:30 a.m. Mary Kay Mathews †
*11:00 a.m. For the People of the Parish

† ***Deceased*** **Incense May Be Used*

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LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE – NOVEMBER 14 & 15, 2026

MASS TIMES	4:00 p.m.	8:30 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS	Melissa Johnson Suzy Westrick	Rich Viertel Molly Dodane	Colleen Kent Karen Cannell
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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 April 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 **November,** the three Sanctuary Candles were donated by an **anonymous parishioner**. Thank you for your generosity.

DONATIONS TO THE SANCTUARY LAMPS

Parishioners interested in making a contribution to a candle(s) for the Sanctuary Lamps in the church, please contact Sue Beman at (614) 214-5333 or Beman_sue@yahoo.com to make arrangements. Contributors' names will be included in the Sunday bulletin unless you wish to remain anonymous. The suggested offering is $25.00. The I.C. Women's Club thanks you for supporting this ministry. Sanctuary candles from July through December 2027 are available.

WEEKLY ROSARY

All people of the IC Community are welcome to come and pray the Rosary at the IC Marian Grotto Sundays at 8 p.m. Questions? Please contact peterjmccann@sbcglobal.net.

DEATH & FUNERAL NOTIFICATIONS

Because of the timing of some funerals, parishioners may not find out about the death of a parishioner until after the funeral. Therefore, we have begun to send brief text messages via Flocknote with details about upcoming funerals. If you would like to be added to the list, please call the Parish Office or contact Tom Berryhill at tberryhill@iccols.org.

LOST & FOUND

If your child left behind a small pink backpack in Marian Hall last Sunday, please call the Parish Office.

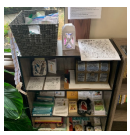
IN OUR PARISH



BANNS OF MARRIAGE

(1) **Emma Shear** and **Grant Bertges**
Wedding date - December 19, 2026

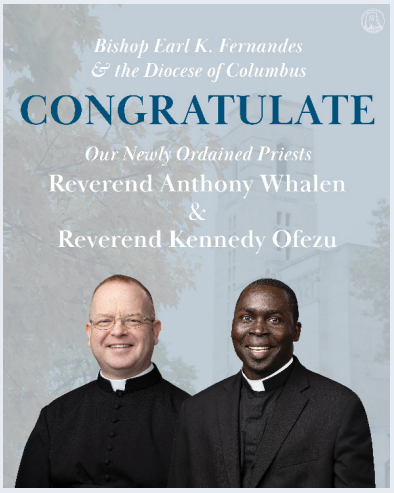
We wish Emma and Grant God's blessings, love, and guidance for their new life together.



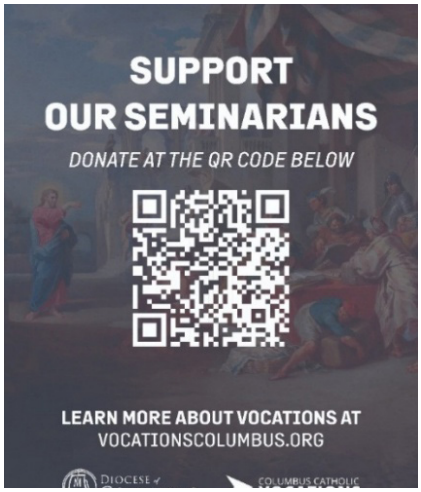
CHILDREN'S LENDING LIBRARY

We now have a Children's Lending Library, located in the Gathering Space. The Lending Library features fun and engaging books, games, and other resources to help children learn more about the Bible, saints, sacraments, and the catechism! Simply sign out resources on the provided clipboard and sign them back in when finished. Each month, there will also be free resources available that are related to the liturgical season and/or monthly devotion. Come check it out!

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



Congratulations to our new Diocesan priests who were ordained at St. Catharine Church last Saturday. IC parishioners will remember Fr. Ofezu as a Deacon when he stayed at Immaculate Conception earlier this year. He extends his gratitude to our parish for welcoming him and for those who attended his ordination and First Masses.



Please support our Diocesan seminarians by donating to the Seminarian Support Fund. The Office of Vocations has a good and growing need by virtue of an increase of young men interested in the priesthood. An ongoing or one-time contribution from you will support the funding of future priests throughout the Diocese of Columbus. We will have a second collection this weekend. You may also donate by going to iccols.org>Give Now>Diocesan Collections>Seminarian Support Fund.



TIME, TALENT & TREASURE

Fostering Stewardship as a Way of Life

Fiscal Year 7/1/2026-6/30/2027 • Offertory Report 11/1/2026

	11/1/2026	YTD 2026/2027
Recorded Envelopes/Checks	$ 24,681	$ 481,247
Loose Cash	$ 930	$ 16,037
TOTAL RECEIVED	$ 25,611	$ 497,284
Weekly Operating Expenses	$ 29,500	$ 531,000
Weekly Overage/*(Shortage)*	$ (3,889)	$ (33,716)
Families Receiving Envelopes		836
Envelopes Received		119
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)**

Become an OCIA Sponsor!

Our parish is seeking faith-filled parishioners to accompany adults preparing to enter the Catholic Church through the **Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA)**. Sponsors walk with candidates, pray for them, and offer encouragement throughout their journey of faith.

If you feel called to support someone seeking Christ, please contact marivera@iccols.org or call 614 267-9241 x605 for details.

COMMUNION OF SAINTS COLORING CONTEST & GUESSING GAME

In honor of All Saints Day, the parish is offering two contests for the children: a coloring contest and a saint identification challenge! The saints picture that is needed for the competitions can be picked up at the new Children's Lending Library, located in the Gathering Space. Details are as follows: The child's first and last name should be written on the back of the coloring page, as well as his or her age. Include a parent phone number or email (to notify winners!). Three coloring contest winners will be chosen, one for each age bracket: a)Age 5 or younger b)Ages 6-9 c)Age 10+. The prize: a full-size candy bar! Any child who can correctly identify every saint featured in the picture will be entered into a drawing for a $25 gift card! Names of saints should be written on the back of the coloring page, listing saints in order from left to right, top to the bottom. Place submissions in the treasure chest on the Children's Lending Library shelf. Submissions due by November 22. For questions, contact Veronica at vdannemiller@iccols.org.



ALL SOULS' DAY MASS OF REMEMBRANCE

Monday evening, we celebrated a Mass of Remembrance when family and friends were invited by Deacon Campbell to light a candle in memory of a deceased friend or loved one as he read the name. In addition to those forty-five individuals who died since October of 2025, we prayed for all those listed in our Book of the Deceased which is placed in the sanctuary during the month of November when we pray for those who have died.

SOCIAL CONCERNS

YWCA FAMILY SHELTER DINNER – NOVEMBER 20

Immaculate Conception is providing dinner for the YWCA Family Shelter on Friday, November 20. Food donations of apples, green beans, dinner rolls, cupcakes and/or cookies are needed. Volunteers are also needed to help in the preparation and boxing of meals at the Family Center. For more information, or to sign up for food donations or time, go to iccols.org, Quick Links, YWCA Shelter Dinner Sign-up, or sign up in the Gathering Space at the sign-up board.

ALL SOULS' DAY MASS AT THE GROTTO



SAVE THE DATE

A parish celebration honoring

KAREN CANNELL

20 YEARS OF SERVICE

Please join us to celebrate her years of service at Immaculate Conception Parish

December 12, 2026

AFTER THE 4 P.M. MASS

Marian Hall

Light refreshments will be served.

MY CROSS IS LIGHT BECAUSE HE BEARS THE WEIGHT

We all have struggles that we carry with us every day. They may be light – or they may be heavy. But they weigh us down and cause us anxiety. We often look in books or online – Google for answers to these things that we have on our mind. May I offer you a new search engine?

MOSAIC: Men On Saturday At Immaculate Conception

On Saturday morning, you can tap into over 300 years of knowledge from some of the most experienced men of our community. You don't need a .com, .net or .org. You just need to show up at 6:30 a.m. in Marian Hall and have a cup of coffee. Instead of tapping a keyboard, you can tap into some true-life knowledge that you can take home with you. Join us at That Man Is You. For more information, email Tom Rogers at tom4948@sbcglobal.net.

Saint Martin de Porres

Saint Martin de Porres is known as the Saint of the Broom. He served everyone as a way to serve God. He worked in a monastery and took care of the priests and brothers. He cooked, cleaned, and cared for the sick. He did every job without complaining.

Pray to Saint Martin instead of complaining when it is time to clean your room.



Catholic Kids Bulletin

November 8, 2026
Ordinary Time
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My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

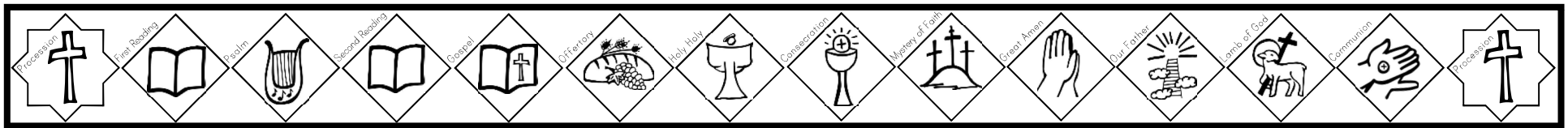
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Look around the church and notice all the symbols of Heaven—things that remind us of God, angels, and the beauty of being with Him forever.

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Gospel

Jesus told a parable to remind us that we should always be ready for heaven. There were 10 girls waiting for a groom to arrive for a wedding. Five of the girls brought extra oil for their lamps, so they were ready when the groom arrived.

Year A: Thirty second Sunday in Ordinary Time

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- **Thursday, November 19**
- **7:15 p.m.**
- **Marian Hall**
- **Pizza provided**

Join us beforehand for Eucharistic Adoration and the opportunity for Confession from 6:15-7:15 p.m. in the Church. Open to all men of the parish 21 and older.

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Discovering **hope** and **joy** in the Catholic faith. November 2026

Immaculate Conception Church

Rev. Seth Keller, Pastor

One Minute Meditations

St. Gertrude the Great

Born in Germany in 1256, St. Gertrude was raised and educated by Benedictine nuns before entering religious life herself. Around age twenty-five, she began experiencing visions of Christ that continued throughout her life. She recorded these profound spiritual encounters in *The Herald of Divine Love* for the benefit of her fellow nuns. Renowned for her holiness, compassion toward rich and poor alike, and devotion to praying for souls in Purgatory, St. Gertrude remains an inspiring example of faith.

Loving like the saints

"Consider the example of the saints from every walk of life. What have they not done to love God, and devote themselves to him? … With such a great host of models, what can we ourselves fail to do? They were what we are. What they did was animated by love for the same God and by a desire to acquire the same virtues. Why, then, should not we do as much, according to our condition and vocation, for our cherished resolution…?" St. Francis de Sales

"Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us" (Hebrews 12:1).

Don't let Christmas sneak up on you!

Between the shopping lists, work parties, cooking and baking, and that one string of lights that never works, it's easy to reach Christmas morning wondering where Advent went. A few small changes can help you prepare heart and home for Jesus, even during the rush.

Clear some clutter, inside and out. As you tidy up for guests, tidy up your schedule too. Pick one thing to skip this year, like an extra party or one batch of cookies, and use that time for God. Five quiet minutes with your morning coffee counts.

Decorate a little at a time. Put the tree up early if you like, but decorate slowly: lights one week, ornaments the next, the star on Christmas Eve. Let the kids light the next candle on the Advent wreath each Sunday at dinner. The waiting becomes part of the joy.

Spend extra time with Jesus in the Eucharist. Try adding one weekday Mass during Advent, perhaps on your day off or lunch break. Or stop by church for 10 minutes on your way home from errands. You may find He's been waiting for you too.

Receive mercy, then share it. Check the bulletin for your parish's Advent Reconciliation service and mark your calendar. Then think of one person who could use some mercy from you: a relative you've been short with, a coworker, a neighbor who's alone this year. A phone call, a note or a plate of cookies can go a long way.

"The next day again John was standing with two of his disciples; and he looked at Jesus as he walked, and said, 'Behold, the Lamb of God!'" (John 1:35-36).

Notice your blessings. Starting at Thanksgiving, have everyone at the dinner table name one thing they're grateful for each night. While shopping or rushing between parties, remember: people matter more than presents.

At Christmas we celebrate the best news of all: Jesus, the Savior God promised, has come for each of us.

Why Do Catholics Do That?

Why do Catholics honor old basilicas?

In the Old Testament, the Temple was Israel's sacred place of worship, where God dwelt among His people. For Catholics, the Church is the new Temple and the Body of Christ. Our churches remain sacred spaces where we gather to worship and Heaven meets earth in the Mass. Each church building also symbolizes the New Jerusalem (Revelation 21:2-3). Recognizing their profound historical and spiritual significance, the Catholic Church honors Rome's four major basilicas: St. John Lateran, St. Peter's, St. Paul Outside the Walls, and St. Mary Major, enduring witnesses to our Catholic faith.

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"Pray, hope, and don't worry!"

St. Padre Pio's timeless advice offers a practical path to finding peace, patience, and joy amid the demands and expectations of the holiday season.

Pray: Although quite busy, St. Thomas More visited Jesus in the Eucharist daily while serving as Chancellor of England. He explained, "I have much very important business to handle and I need light and wisdom; it is for this very reason that I go…to consult Jesus." Amid holiday preparations, prioritize prayer over busyness. Entrusting our concerns to God allows His wisdom to guide our plans and priorities.

Hope: Christian hope teaches us to "desire and expect from God both eternal life and the grace we need to attain it" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*). Even when celebrations fall short of expectations, God's love remains constant. As St. Thérèse reminds us, "We obtain from [God] as much as we hope for." Our deepest joy comes from Christ, not perfect holidays.

Don't worry: Holiday pressures can convince us that everything must go according to plan. Yet even when gatherings disappoint, relationships strain, or unexpected difficulties arise, God never abandons us. We can prepare thoughtfully, love generously, and release what we cannot control. Lasting peace comes not from flawless celebrations, but from trusting God.

from Scripture

Mark 13:33-37, Preparing hearts for Christ's coming

In this Gospel, Jesus calls us to prepare our hearts for His coming. Advent invites us to reflect on three ways Christ comes to us.

First, we remember His coming in history. Through Mary's faithful yes, *"the Word became flesh"* (John 1:14). At Christmas, we celebrate the extraordinary gift of the Incarnation: God entered human history to redeem us from sin and restore our communion with Him.

Second, we anticipate His coming in glory. Christ will return "to judge the living and the dead," as we profess in the Creed. Because we know neither the day nor the hour, Advent calls us to vigilance, conversion, and renewed trust in God's mercy, especially through Confession.

Third, we welcome His coming into our lives today. Christ encounters us through prayer, acts of charity, and especially the Sacraments. At every Mass, His sacrifice becomes present, and He nourishes us with His very Body and Blood.

This Advent, prepare for Christ through repentance, receive Him with gratitude, and carry His love into the world.

Feasts & Celebrations

November 22: The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. On this day we celebrate Christ's supreme authority over all creation and remember that His Kingdom is founded on truth, justice, mercy, and love. As the liturgical year draws to a close, this feast invites us to surrender our hearts more fully to Christ, trusting in His reign and looking forward to the eternal Kingdom He has promised.

November 23: St. Columban, Abbot (615). St. Columban was born into a noble family in Ireland and chose to become a monk. He lived quietly in a monastery on the island of Lough Erne until he was ordained, then traveled to France in 590 to found more monasteries. He was exiled for criticizing King Theodoric II for his scandalous life and moved to a monastery in Bobbio, Italy.

November 29: First Sunday of Advent. During this four-week season, we anticipate the Messiah's birth, remembering the time when He was awaited. During Advent we also look forward to Christ's reign and His coming on the Last Day. We light candles in an Advent wreath each night of the season to signal the coming of the true light of Christ.

November 30: St. Andrew, Apostle. St. Andrew, a fisherman, was one of the first to follow Jesus. Immediately, he told his brother, Simon Peter, *"We have found the Messiah"* (John 1:41). This Advent, follow Andrew's lead and invite one person to come to Mass with you.

Q & A

Why does the Church discourage scattering loved ones' ashes?

The Church's teachings on care for the dying, funeral rites, and burial reflect profound respect for every person and their ultimate destiny: eternal union with God. This reverence extends to the human body, which Catholic teaching recognizes not as separate from the person, but as an essential part of their identity and dignity.

For the baptized, this dignity takes on deeper significance through the Sacraments. In Baptism, we become children of God and *"temples of the Holy Spirit"* (1 Corinthians 6:19). In the Eucharist, we receive Christ Himself, Body and Blood, as supernatural nourishment. Our bodies participate in our relationship with God and life of grace.

In the Creed, we profess our belief in the resurrection of the body on the Last Day. This hope shapes how Catholics honor the deceased. Although the Church permits cremation, it requires cremated remains to be preserved in a sacred place, rather than scattered or divided. Such practices uphold the dignity of the deceased and express our faith that death is not the end of human existence, but a passage toward eternal life in Christ.

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FAITH FORMATION

Immaculate Conception Church November 8, 2026

STORY OF THE DEDICATION OF SAINT JOHN LATERAN BASILICA
Celebrated on November 9

Most Catholics think of St. Peter's as the pope's main church, but they are wrong. Saint John Lateran is the pope's church, the cathedral of the Diocese of Rome where the Bishop of Rome presides.

The first basilica on the site was built in the fourth century when Constantine donated land he had received from the wealthy Lateran family. That structure and its successors suffered fire, earthquake, and the ravages of war, but the Lateran remained the church where popes were consecrated. In the 14th century when the papacy returned to Rome from Avignon, the church and the adjoining palace were found to be in ruins.

Pope Innocent X commissioned the present structure in 1646. One of Rome's most imposing churches, the Lateran's towering facade is crowned with 15 colossal statues of Christ, **John the Baptist**, **John the Evangelist**, and 12 doctors of the Church. Beneath its high altar rest the remains of the small wooden table on which tradition holds **Saint Peter** himself celebrated Mass. mycatholiclife.com

MONTH OF NOVEMBER
20 WAYS TO PRAY FOR THE HOLY SOULS IN PURGATORY

1. Pray the Novena to the Holy Souls.
2. Offer up your Holy Communions for the souls in purgatory.
3. Have Masses said for your departed loved ones, especially on the anniversary of his or her death.
4. Pray The Way Of The Cross for Souls in Purgatory.
5. Pray the special Holy Souls Rosary. After the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, the Holy Rosary is the most powerful prayer.
6. Obtain indulgences: Indulgences reduce or cancel the temporal punishment that we incur through sin.* There are many ways to obtain indulgences through pious actions, and we can apply their merits to the dead.
7. Give alms: The giving of material assistance to the poor has always been considered a penance that can be offered for the Holy Souls. "For almsgiving saves from death and purges away every sin" (Tobit 12:9).
8. Pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet for the intention of the Holy Souls.
9. Prayer of St. Gertrude for the Holy Souls: this prayer is attributed to St. Gertrude the Great and was the prayer by which she obtained the release of many souls from purgatory.
10. Sprinkle holy water on the ground: St. John Macias, a great friend of those in purgatory, would often sprinkle holy water on the ground for the spiritual benefit of the suffering souls.
11. When passing by a cemetery, pray the short Eternal Rest prayer. This prayer carries a partial indulgence applicable to the poor souls:

"Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. And let the perpetual light shine upon them. And may the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen."

12. Practice the tradition of praying the Eternal Rest prayer (above) before and after your meals as an easy way to remember to pray for the holy souls every day. You can also pray the prayer between the decades of your daily rosary.
13. Visit a cemetery: Pray over the graves of your departed loved ones, or visit a random graveyard and pray for those who may have no one to pray for them. Simply doing this gains a partial indulgence for those in purgatory.* While you're there, sprinkle holy water on the graves. If you make this visit during the first eight days of the month dedicated to the Holy Souls (November 1-8) you can gain a plenary indulgence applicable to the souls in purgatory.
14. Eucharistic Adoration: visit the Blessed Sacrament to make acts of reparation to the Sacred Heart of Jesus on behalf of those in purgatory.
15. Sacrifices: practice small acts of self-denial throughout your day and offer these penances up for the poor souls.
16. Pray the Office of the Dead.
17. Ask for the intercession of saints who were known to be great friends of the Holy Souls during their lifetime to join you in prayer for the faithful departed: St. Nicholas of Tolentino, St. Gertrude the Great, St. Catherine of Genoa, St. Padre Pio, St. Philip Neri, St. John Macías, St. Faustina Kowalska, St. Joseph, Our Lady, and others.
18. Special prayers: Throughout your day, offer up short and spontaneous prayers (ejaculatory prayers) for the holy souls.
19. Repent of your offenses against God and go to confession: Confessing your own sins makes your prayers for souls of others more effective.
20. Spread devotion to the Holy Souls: Make others aware of the great need these suffering souls have for our prayers.

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SCHOOL NEWS

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ALL SAINTS CELEBRATION

All Saints Day fell on Sunday, November 1 this year. On Wednesday, October 28, our Immaculate Conception first graders dressed up as saints and processed in before and after the school Mass. Following Mass, they were able to talk about their saint in a presentation for parents and guests in Marian Hall.

SAVE THE DATE! Immaculate Conception School is hosting an Ignatius Book Fair on: Monday, November 16 to Sunday, November 22 in Marian Hall. Ignatius Book Fairs offers a variety of beautiful, fun, engaging books and activities that will be your children's favorites. Supporting the book fair with a purchase will also help us purchase new books for our library and classrooms. Please mark the dates down! Students will shop during their Library class and the Book Fair will be open after Mass both days that weekend! You can order online now or wait for the Fair! Use the QR code or go to https://store.ignatiusbookfairs.com. When shopping online, be sure to choose Immaculate Conception from the drop-down menu so your purchase counts toward rewards for Immaculate Conception School. Free shipping to Immaculate Conception is available only during the dates of the fair. Free shipping to your home is available when your item total is over $25.

BISHOP WATTERSON HIGH SCHOOL



Bishop Watterson's Class of 2026 earned $37.4 million in college merit scholarships. We encourage you to visit us during our Open House on Sunday, November 22 from 1-3 p.m. to meet students, faculty and coaches and learn more about the value of our college preparatory curriculum and, most importantly, about the strength of our faith community. Seating is limited for information sessions with Deacon Chris Campbell, BWHS Principal, so sign up today at bishopwatterson.com!



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.

To Do This Fall:

- Spend time with family!
- Go apple picking!
- Visit a pumpkin patch!
- Have fun!
- Read a good book and sip on a PSL!
- Simplify my life and donate extra stuff to the SVdP Thrift Store!
- Call 614-377-1065 to arrange a furniture pick up.
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WANT TO HELP ADULT LEARNERS?

Assisting adult learners on their academic journeys is one way to improve self-confidence and break the cycle of poverty.

The Dominican Learning Center, a ministry of the Dominican Sisters of Peace, is seeking volunteer tutors to help adult learners in our community with GED preparation, Adult Basic Education, and English as a Second Language (ESL). No prior teaching experience is required – just a willingness to walk alongside someone as they learn. Training and all materials are provided, and tutoring can take place in person or remotely. Visit **domlearningcenter.org** for more information or to learn how to support the ministry financially. You can also contact me at **drew.archer@oppeace.org** or **(614) 444-7330, ext. 0**.

IC Fall Family Clean-up

SATURDAY NOV 14, 10 A.M. TO NOON

Join With Fellow Parishioners to Keep IC Beautiful

Great Family Activity and Volunteer Opportunity
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Cook-Out After the Event

Please meet at the grotto at 10 a.m. to sign-in.

Bring tools and attire for trimming, weeding, pruning and general gardening work.



BETHLEHEM BALL

On December 11, 2026, St. Michael will host the inaugural Bethlehem Ball at Villa Milano, a joyful evening benefiting Holy Family Hospital in Bethlehem. Located just 1,500 steps from the birthplace of Jesus, Holy Family Hospital provides a safe and welcoming place for women to deliver their babies, regardless of religion or ability to pay. Of special note, it is the only hospital in Bethlehem where a Christian woman can give birth. In a place that has experienced tremendous hardship, the hospital continues to be a place where babies are born and so is hope.

Tickets, sponsorship opportunities, and additional event information can be found at **onecau.se/bethlehemball.**

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Diaper need is real. In Ohio, 50% of babies live in a household struggling to buy diapers. Help us purchase diapers by donating to the $100 Grand Challenge. In November, your monetary donation to Bottoms Up will be matched, dollar-for-dollar. Help us raise $100 grand. Donate now.



ST. ANDREW PARISH HOLIDAY BAZAAR

Step into the spirit of the season at our ANNUAL HOLIDAY BAZAAR, on **Saturday, November 14 from 9 a.m.-2:30 p.m.** where you'll find one-of-a-kind, handcrafted gifts made with heart by local artisans and crafters. There's something for everyone on your list (and maybe a little something for you, too). Bring your family and friends to shop and enjoy a boxed lunch. And don't forget to leave room for delicious baked goods, including buckeyes! St. Andrew Parish is located at 1899 McCoy Road, Columbus, Ohio 43220. The bazaar is in the parish hall located directly below the church.

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