

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Saturday- Vigil: First Sunday of Advent

4:00 PM (IC) John & Mary Hames

5:30 PM (SJ) For the People

Sunday- First Sunday of Advent

8:00 AM (IC) Paulette Sadler

10:00 AM (IC) Dan Huck

Monday- Advent Weekday

8:30 AM (IC) Fr. Reuter's Intention

Tuesday- Advent Weekday

8:00 AM (SJ) John & Darlene Weber

Wednesday - Saint Nicholas, bishop

7:45 AM (IC) Jack and Dan McGee

**Thursday- Vigil: The Immaculate Conception
of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

6:00 PM (SJ) Connie McMahan

**Friday- The Immaculate Conception of the
Blessed Virgin Mary**

7:45 AM (IC) Harold Schmitz (Anniv) *All School Mass*

6:00 PM (IC) For the People

Saturday- Vigil: Second Sunday of Advent

4:00 PM (IC) Bev, Chuck and Dillon Schmit

5:30 PM (SJ) For the People

Sunday- Second Sunday of Advent

8:00 AM (IC) Clete Schmit

10:00 AM (IC) Elma Mangrich (Anniv)



Meetings and Activities

Sunday, December 3

RCIA Class, 8:45 -10:00 AM.....I.C. School

Sunday, December 10

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Save the Date! Celebration of the Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration Chapel's 10 year anniversary. All adorer gathering on Tuesday, January 23. Mass with Archbishop Jackels. Potluck to follow. The Adoration Chapel is

available 24/7 to everyone. Consider a committed hour weekly, bi-weekly or monthly.

Email cvadoration@gmail.com or call Mike Strei at [801-920-9130](tel:801-920-9130).

Retirement Fund for Religious

Help care for elders. "Thanks to support from the Retirement Fund for Religious, we are now in a much better position to care for our elders," writes a religious sister. Your donation helps her religious community and hundreds of others provide for aging members and plan for long-term needs. Please give to next week's Retirement Fund for Religious collection.

Daily Readings

Mon Dec 4 Reading - Isaiah 2:1-5
Psalm- 122:1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9
Gospel- Matthew 8:5-11

Tues Dec 5 Reading- Isaiah 11:1-10
Psalm- 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17
Gospel- Luke 10:21-24

Wed Dec 6 Reading- Isaiah 6:1-8
40:2 & 4, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11
Gospel- Luke 10:1-9

Thur Dec 7 Reading- Isaiah 26:1-6
Psalm- 118:1 & 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a
Gospel- Matthew 7:21, 24-27

Fri Dec 8 1st Reading- Genesis 3:9-15, 20
Psalm- 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4
2nd Reading- Ephesians 1:3-6, 11-12
Gospel - Luke 1:26-38

Sat Dec 9 Reading- Isaiah 30:19-21, 23-26
Psalm- 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6
Gospel- Matthew 9:35 -10:1, 5a, 6-8

Sun Dec 10 1st Reading- Isaiah: 40:1-5, 9-11
Psalm- 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14
2nd Reading- 2 Peter 3:8-14
Gospel- Mark 1:1-8

Your Sacrificial Offering	
Previous Week	
Immaculate Conception Parish	
Budget	\$7,900.00
Youth	\$2.00
Offertory	\$450.00
Christmas	\$300.00
E-tithing	\$6,701.17
TOTAL	\$15,353.17
Needed Each Week	\$13,512.00
St. Joseph Parish	
Budget	\$2,780.00
Offertory	\$85.00
E-tithing	\$1,615.00
TOTAL	\$4,480.00
Needed Each Week	\$3,987.00

Quote of the week- *"At that time I began my lifelong devotion to Mary, the Mother of God. I needed her then more than ever, and so I have a wonderful loving relationship with Mary as part of my daily prayer routine. She stepped in to mother me when my own mother had passed."* ~ Roma Downey

**Our IC/SJ Parish Communal Penance date is
next Sunday, December 10th**

Confessions will be heard at St. Athanasius in Jesup at 2:00 PM and at Immaculate Conception in Gilbertville at 4:00 PM. This is a wonderful opportunity to prepare for the Advent and Christmas season.



St. Joseph Giving Tree ~

Once again our parish will be sponsoring local families in need through our giving tree. You may pick up a gift tag with the requested gift(s) before or after Mass. All wrapped gifts must be returned to **St. Joseph Church** with the tag attached no later than Sat, December. 9th.

Immaculate Conception Giving Trees are up and ready! there are two at the church south entrance and one in the north entrance. Please take a gift tag and return your gift **NEXT WEEKEND December 9/10.** All gifts must be wrapped and returned with the tag securely attached to Immaculate Conception Church.

Thank you all in advance for your generosity.

Thank You Notes

Thank you to St. Elizabeth's Circle for assisting in the funeral dinner for the Lucy Mangrich Family. **St. Mary's Circle will be in charge of the next funeral dinner.**

Registered members of Immaculate Conception and St. Joseph Parishes will receive a copy of their 2017 Contributions through November 30 in the mail this week. If you find any discrepancies please contact the parish office at 319-296-1092.

School News

Bosco Catholic School System

www.boscocatholic.org

Band Concert- On Wednesday, **December 13th**, the Don Bosco High School Band, High School Choir, Percussion Ensemble and Immaculate Conception/St. Joseph Middle School Band will be performing their Holiday Concert at 7:00 PM in the high school gym. Before and after the concert there will be a bake sale filled with wonderful holiday treats for everyone to purchase. Come and enjoy an evening of Holiday music and purchase some treats for your Christmas meals. There is no admission charge.



Our Children's Religion Program for children ages 3 to 6 will be held next Sunday, **December 10** at St. Mary Center in Gilbertville. Children may be dropped off at the Center 15 minutes before the 10:00 Mass at Immaculate Conception Church

Area Events

Knights of Columbus Council #8227 and will be having a Omelet Breakfast Sunday, **December 10th** at American Legion in Gilbertville from 8:00 AM to Noon with a Catholic Daughters of America bake sale.

Advent Lessons & Carols - Sunday, **December 10th** at 2:00 pm. at St. Edward Church, Waterloo. Join us in a time of pondering Advent Voices!

Catholic Daughter of America (CDA) Contest

The CDA is sponsoring the 218 National Education Contest. You may pick up your entry forms at IC School or Don Bosco High School.

The themes this year are:

The Lord has don great things for us

We are filled with joy

Finding joy in my life

Entry categories vary. This is for students 4th - 12th grade and adult CDA members. Please consider expressing your creativity through this worthwhile project!

As we near the end of this calendar year this is a friendly reminder that donations received by December 31, 2017 can be recognized as a possible 2017 tax deduction for our parishioners. Any donations received after December 31, 2017 must be recognized in 2018 unless postmarked December 31, 2017.