



Immaculate Conception Parish, St. Marys

Holy Cross Church, Emmett

St. Stanislaus Parish, Delia/Rossville/Silver Lake



**(December Schedules)**



**Chapel Closing and Opening**

Dec. 22 Closes after 8am Mass

Dec. 26 Opens after 12:10pm Mass

**Christmas Eve Masses**

Dec. 24-6pm St. Stanislaus

6pm Immaculate Conception

Midnight Mass-Immaculate Conception

Dec. 25-8am-Holy Cross

9am-St. Stanislaus



**Third Sunday of Advent  
December 17, 2017**



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**Weekend Mass Schedule**

Saturday Vigil 5:00pm – Immaculate Conception

7:00pm—St. Stanislaus

Sunday 8:00am—St. Stanislaus

11:00am—Immaculate Conception

**Daily Mass Schedule**

Monday 8:00am Immaculate Conception

Tuesday 12:10pm

Wednesday-Friday 8:00am

First Saturday -only 8:00am

Alternate Wednesdays 10:30am—Rossville Valley Manor

Alternate Fridays 9:30am—St. Marys Manor

**Web Sites:**

Immaculate Conception: <http://www.immaculateconceptionstmarys.com>

St. Stanislaus: [www.ststanchurch.org](http://www.ststanchurch.org)

**SACRAMENTS**

**RECONCILIATION** Saturdays 3:15pm—Immaculate Conception  
Sundays 7:30am—St. Stanislaus

**BAPTISMS** You must be registered in one of the above parishes or have the permission of the pastor where you live. Required preparation classes are held monthly for both parents and godparents. They are encouraged to attend prior to the birth of the child. Please contact Walt at the office, 437-2408, ext. 102, for further information.

**MARRIAGE** Please call: Father May for an appointment to go over the marriage policy (437-2408)

**Minister List for I.C.**

**Saturday, Dec. 23, 5pm**

**Lector:** Mike Smith  
**Ex. Ord. Mins.:** Laura Mulligan, Mike and Sherry Smith Sat. 12/16  
**Servers:** Alex Smith, Emma Jones, Justin Bertels Sun. 12/17  
**Gifts:** Mike Smith Family  
**Ushers:** Alex Johnson  
**Musicians:** I.C. Musicians Mon. 12/18  
**After Mass Volunteer:** Lorraine Diederich Tues. 12/19  
 Wed. 12/20

**Sunday, Dec. 24, 11:00am**

**Lector:** Vicki Bordelon Thurs 12/21  
**Ex. Ord. Mins.:** Skip Keller, Doug Wietharn, Fri. 12/22  
 Jerry Tanking, (Jerry Tanking) Sat. 12/23  
**Servers:** Daniel Moylan, Allie & Jayla Johnson Sun. 12/24  
**Gifts:** Andy Perry Family  
**Ushers:** Dwight Bordelon, John Immenschuh  
**Musicians:** I.C. Singers  
**After Mass Volunteers:** Donna Perry

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**Minister List for St. Stanislaus**

**Saturday, Dec. 23, 7pm**

**Lector:** Mary Ann Davis  
**Ex. Ord. Mins.:** Helen Fry, Colette Peel Sun. 12/17  
**Servers:** Deacon Zordel, Grady Bergmann  
**Ushers:** Don Davis, Nathan Dohrman  
**Music:** Lana & Ruth, Katie  
**Sacristan:** Mary Ann Davis

**Sunday, Dec. 24, 8am**

**Lector:** Christi McKenzie Wed. 12/20  
**Ex. Ord. Mins.:** Deidre Michael, Connie Mellies, Jane Akin, Volunteer Sun. 12/24  
**Servers:** Clara Broxterman, Mike Broxterman, Joe McGrath  
**Gifts:** Schuckman Family  
**Ushers:** Steve Buhler, Harold Michael  
**Music:** TBD  
**Sacristan:** Shelly Buhler Mon. 12/25

(See insert in the bulletin for the Christmas Minister Lists)

**Weekly Mass Schedule**

(Dec. 17-Dec. 24)

5:00pm	IC	Parishioners
7:00pm	SS	Norman Lambotte(+)
8:00am	SS	Marc Miller (+)
11:00am	IC	Francis & Gwynn Zemek & Donald & Rita Fox (++++)
8:00pm	IC	Fr's Intention
<b>8:00am</b>	<b>IC</b>	<b>Lawrence &amp; Mary Mees (++)</b>
8:00am	IC	Edie Sack (+)
10:30am	<b>RVM</b>	For the Manor Residents
8:00am	IC	John Prior (+)
8:00am	IC	Glennis Sebring (+)
5:00pm	IC	Larry Schumaker (+)
7:00pm	SS	Parishioners
8:00am	SS	Marc Miller (+)
11:00am	IC	Arnold & Mary Oestmann (++)
6:00pm	SS	Mathew Gustafson (+)
6:00pm	IC	Bill & Joe Seitz (++)
Midnight	IC	Parishioners
8:00am	HC	Fr. Earl Dekat's Int.
9:00am	SS	Dec. Members of the K of C

**Up-Coming Events**

**Third Sunday of Advent**

9:15am	SS	CCD
10:40am	IC	K of C Pro-Life Rosary
3:00pm	SH, Paxico	Penance Service
7:00pm St. Bernard, Wamego		Penance Service
10:30am	<b>RVM</b>	Mass
<b>6:30pm</b>	<b>IC</b>	<b>No Rel. Ed</b>
7:00pm	SS	Youth Night
7:00pm	SS	K of C Meeting

**Fourth Sunday of Advent**

<b>9:15am</b>	<b>SS</b>	<b>No CCD</b>
8:00am	SS	Mass
11:00am	IC	Mass
6:00pm	SS	Mass
6:00pm	IC	Mass
Midnight	IC	Mass
8:00am	HC	Mass
9:00am	SS	Mass



**Office Hours:** Monday through Thursday 10:00am to Noon and 1:00 -3:00pm  
 Friday 9:30am to 11:30am and 12:30pm- 2:30 pm

**Religious Ed. Office:** Monday thru Thursday 9:00am to Noon and 1:00-3:00pm

**Main Office Phone Number:** 785-437-2408 Extension  
**Father Ray May-Cell-620-803-2395**

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<b>Office Staff:</b>	<b>Secretary</b>	Mary Alice Hutley (IC)	icgeneral64@gmail.com 101
	<b>Bookkeeper</b>	Carol Michaelis	camichaelis50@gmail.com
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	<b>SS Religious Ed.</b>	Connie Fischer	cfischer@amcplus.com 785-584-6262
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	<b>SS Parish Coordinator</b>	Kathi Rewerts	7ststanislaus@gmail.com 785-584-6612
	<b>Kathi's Office Hours</b> -Mon, Wed, Fri-8am-2pm; Tues. & Thurs.-9:30am to 3:30pm		

**Immaculate Conception**  
icgeneral64@gmail.com

**St. Stanislaus**  
7ststanislaus@gmail.com

*All Parishes*

**Dec. 10, 2017 Contributions:**  
Plate-\$345.

Env.-\$2,671.  
Christmas Gift-\$100.  
Needy-\$155.  
Immaculate Conception-\$415.  
Argentina-\$65.  
Retirement for Rel. -\$450.  
Total-\$4,201.

**Dec. Faith Direct: \$Offering-2,770; Special Collections-\$510. Total-\$3,280.**

**K of C Fellowship Sunday ~**

First Sunday of each month. Next one will be Jan. 7th, 2018.

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**Christmas Memorial Flowers ~**

If you would like to purchase a Christmas Poinsettia in memory of a loved one, please contact Mary Alice at the office. You can put the money in the collection basket or drop it by the office.

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**Jesse Tree ~** Your gift helps

make Christmas a little brighter for the needy. Wrap your gift and place the tag on the outside of your gift. **RETURN YOUR GIFT TO OUR JESSE TREE BY DEC. 17TH.** For monetary donations, Make checks payable to IC Jesse Tree and place in the collection basket. Questions? Call Judy Lundine at 584-6447 or Carol Vande Velde, 584-6309.

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**Decorating the Church for Christmas:**

We will be decorating the church for Christmas on Sunday, Dec. 17th after the 11am Mass. We need strong young men to carry large tree boxes from the Rectory basement into the church. Please mark your calendars. Pizza and refreshments will be served in the church basement afterwards.

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**Divine Mercy Study Group ~**

Reid and Angela Downey will be hosting a study group based on Fr. Michael Gaitley's, "Divine Mercy In the Second Greatest Story Ever Told" DVD Series. The study will start on January 18. If you would like to participate or would like more info, contact Reid via email at: [ljohn4.16agape@gmail.com](mailto:ljohn4.16agape@gmail.com) or Angela at 785-260-5383.



**Dec. 10, 2017 Collections:**  
Regular-\$1m511.  
Plate-\$193.  
Special Envs.-\$280.  
Bldg. Fund-\$2,584.  
Total-\$4,568.

Casual Seating-\$500.00  
11-27-17 Loan Balance: \$160,566.05

Total due to support the Archdiocese for this fiscal year ending 6-30-18: \$15,564.95  
Current balance due: \$13,000.00  
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**The Pastoral Council** would like to establish a casual seating area in the southeast corner of the hall with the goal of providing a comfortable place for adult catechism classes, discussion groups, and small youth group gatherings. However, the seating area cannot happen until there are funds available for that purpose. If you are interested in donating to this endeavor, please contact the office or simply put your contribution in an envelope labeled "furniture" and place it in the collection basket at Mass. Thank you!"

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**The Adult Choir** will practice for Christmas Masses on Monday evenings, Dec. 11th and 18th. Practice starts at 6:30 p.m. Anyone interested is welcome to attend.

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**St. Stanislaus Mem. Poinsettia Trees ~**

Would you like to remember a loved one by providing a Poinsettia for our Poinsettia trees? If so, please fill out the form below and send with \$10 per name/plant to Shelly Buhler, PO Box 784-503 Maple Court, Rossville, KS 66533; or place it in a separate (marked) envelope and drop it in the collection basket. You may also drop it off at the parish office. Please make checks payable to St. Stanislaus Church Building Fund. Your loved ones will be remembered at Mass on Jan. 7, 2018 and their names will appear on a handout that will be available Christmas Eve. **Orders will be taken until Dec. 18th.**

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**St. Stanislaus Rel. Ed. Christmas Program** will be Dec. 17th. Program will start at approximately 9:40. Students still report for class at 9:10.

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**Free Throw Contest ~** K of C Council #10755 will sponsor the annual Free Throw Contest at Rossville Grade School on Jan. 14th, 2018 at 1:30pm. Boys and Girls ages 9 thru 14 are eligible. Entry forms are available at Rossville Grade School, Silver Lake Grade School, and in church narthex.

**Annual K of C 657 Blood Drive ~** Please sign up for the upcoming blood drive on Dec. 29th by going to [www.esavealifenow.org](http://www.esavealifenow.org)-then put in 66536 in the zip field and you will get the schedule for you to enter your name. If you would prefer to call me, I would be most happy to enter you in a time slot. 785-437-6123 or 785-213-0567. Thanks, John Simecka  
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**Reasons a Parish Establishes an Endowment Fund** To provide donors with a way to leave a legacy. Past generations built our parish communities and now we need to take a leadership role to ensure that future generations will have the same faith community.

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**Endowment Fund**

**More reasons a parish establishes an Endowment Fund**—Even small gifts, grouped together and extended over time, will add up. Endowments funded by outright gifts, bequests, gifts of life insurance, gift annuities and charitable remainder trusts can help parishes with future financial needs.

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**Discovering Christ ~**

The purpose of Discovering Christ is to expose anyone and everyone-the unbaptized, non-practicing Christians, as well as practicing Catholics to "the beauty of the saving love of God made manifest in Jesus Christ who died and rose from the dead" (Pope Francis, The Joy of the Gospel, 36). If you or someone you know could use a "shot in the arm" for your faith walk, Discovering Christ is for you. Beginning January 25, 2018 and for eight more consecutive Thursdays, come begin a closer relationship with Jesus Christ. Each evening will begin at 6:00 with a free meal, followed by a 30-minute dvd and discussion afterwards, all in O'Connor Hall at Most Pure Heart. For more info or to register online, please go to Most Pure Heart of Mary Parish's website: <http://mphm.com/> or call Allan or Vickie Holthaus at 785-862-9738.

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**Prayers for Mathew Gustafson and his family the 20th anniversary of his death on Dec. 25th.**

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**Immaculate Conception Items ~**

**Mass Scheduling for 2018 ~** In order that more people can have Masses said on weekends, you can have one Mass a month, but only six can be on weekends. The Masses already scheduled for 2018 will remain for that year.

**The St. Marys Community Food Pantry** would like to thank Father Ray May, Reverend Dennis Irwin and all who attended the Thanksgiving Ecumenical service for the \$251.00 donated to the pantry. Thanks to Immaculate Conception parishioners for the \$158.00 from the Thanksgiving Day Mass offering. We sincerely appreciate the generosity and support of all who give to help families in need. God bless you all.

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**Info on the Living Rosary ~** We now have over 200 friends of Immaculate Conception praying a decade of the rosary daily for our parish spiritual needs. Won't you consider joining our Living Rosary Army? Contact a Decade Disciple if interested. Sign-up sheets are in back and sides of church.

**Services Provided Parishes and Communities:**

Perpetual Adoration:  
Religious Education:  
Youth Group:  
St. Marys Food Pantry:  
Ministry to the Sick:  
Hall Rentals:

Please contact the office if you wish to participate in this beautiful and prayerful devotion.  
Contact Connie Fischer (SS) [[cfischer@amcplus.com](mailto:cfischer@amcplus.com)], 785-584-6262  
Contact Angie Bittner(SS) 785.478-6803  
Please contact Mary Poell @ 437-2448 or Tina Roth @785-584-6466 for assistance.  
Parish contacts are: Betty Aubert, IC (437-6118) Janet Wehrly, HC (535-8021); Colette Peel, SS (582-5846).  
For rental information at any parish, please contact the parish office: 437-2408 or:  
for **SS**--Kathi Rewerts (584-6612); for **IC**--e-mail to [unityreled2@gmail.com](mailto:unityreled2@gmail.com); or for **HC**--John Flanagan, (844-0441)  
**Holy Cross**-Janet Wehrly (535-8021), **St. Stanislaus**-Shirley Gustafson (554-3028),  
**Immaculate Conception**-Mary Ellen Reese (437-6163).  
(Youth Choir) Angie Bittner, 221-2644 or Jen Womack, 969-5882  
(Adult Choir) Helen Lytle, 584-6335 or June Burgett, 584-6080

Prayer Chain Coord.:

SS Music Ministry

WILL YOU PLEASE HELP?



**Adorers of the Holy Eucharist:**

**Sun. 2-3am**  
**Sat., 12am-1am; 12 Noon-1pm.**  
**Monday, 2-3pm**  
**Tues. 12am-1am hour; 6-7am**  
**Thurs.(2-3am, need a third person to rotate with two other people who are doing it)**

Call Mary Ellen (437-6163) or Mary Alice (437-2408).

For weekend assistance call : Joe Mulford-(456-3009)

**O, come let us adore Him, Christ**

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THESE INTENTIONS REQUESTED THROUGH OUR PRAYER CHAIN**

**Contacts: Mary E. Reese: 437-6163**  
**Anita Marstall: 437-6117**

**Bill Rafferty: Successful treatment of cancer and healing.**

**Mary Cowan: successful medical treatment and healing.**

**For 16 Yr Old Trinity Wienberg to be found**  
**Jodie Avery and Mark Kohn: For all their personal and health needs**

**Linda Weslow: Healing from a broken leg**  
**David Steele: Healing from heart surgery**  
**Janet Poell Lord: For God to be merciful as she prepares for death and to allow her to live through Christmas. Also, for her Mother and family to be at peace.**

**Special Intention from Bernard Fiedler**

**Kenny Magnett: Healing of Cancer**

**Phillip Lange: Successful back surgery and healing.**

**Angela DeVillier: For the Lord's compassion and comfort in her failing health at age 95.**

**Anonymous Person: Healing of breast cancer.**

**Jessica Banuelos: Healing after a double mastectomy.**

**For Bob & Ann Broxterman and family as they transition Bob to nursing home care for Alzheimers progression.**

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**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 as generous as possible giving to this collection.

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**Sunday Funny: Best out-of-office e-mail replies:** You are receiving this automatic notification because I am out of the office. If I was in, chances are you wouldn't have received anything at all!

**Holiday Food Baskets**

**IT'S TIME AGAIN TO HELP THE FOOD PANTRY FILL THE HOLIDAY FOOD BASKETS.** We need donations of: Stove Top Dressing, Instant Mashed Potatoes, Cut Green Beans, Whole Kernel Corn, Boxed Jell-O, Boxed Pudding Mixes, Fruit Cocktail, Cake Mixes and Frostings. If you want to donate a turkey or ham, please call Mary Poell, 437-2448, or Tina Roth, 584-6466. Any monetary donations may be mailed to 503 N. 5th St, St. Marys, KS 66536. **ALL FOOD DONATIONS NEED TO BE COLLECTED BY DEC. 10th THIS YEAR. THANK YOU** for making the holidays special for those in need.

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**Marriage Minute ~**

Are you prepared?

John the Baptist had the privilege of preparing God's people for Jesus: to "make straight the paths" that lead from people's hearts to their Savior. John modeled this behavior by retreating to a desert life of prayer and simplicity.

Married couples are also called to bridge the divide between God and his people by demonstrating his great love for each of us. In our vocation, it looks less like locusts and wild honey and more like:

- Simplifying our schedules so we have time to spend with our spouse.
- Treating one another with tenderness and respect.
- Repenting quickly and humbly after we have hurt our spouse.

✚ Praying together.

✚ Just as John brought people to God by living his vocation, so will we—by living ours! For more tips on faithfully living your marriage, go to [www.JoyfulMarriageProject.com](http://www.JoyfulMarriageProject.com).

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**Third Sunday of Advent  
December 17**



**Immaculate Conception**

**Finance Council Members:**

Kent Francis (Chair.), Jim Mees, Chuck Ronnau, Rick Reese and Pat Verschelden

**Pastoral Council Members:**

Gary Roth (Chair), John Simecka, Donna Perry, Claire Pearl, Marty Ronnau, Doyle Pearl, Dennis Miller, John Flanagan and Kevin Fox.

**St. Stanislaus**

**Finance Council Members:**

Nathan Bergman, Dan Fischer, Charlie Rottinghaus and Kenton Erb.

**Pastoral Council Members:**

Lana Biladeau (Chair), Deidre Michael, Phyllis Dolechek, Angie Bittner, Tyler Schuckman and Chris Hurla.

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**Knights of Columbus**



**St. Marys Council #657:**

**Grand Knight:** Nicholas Cahoj

**St. Stanislaus Council #10755:**

**Grand Knight:** Calvin Lytle

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**KC Family of the month of December:**

The Howard and Louise Deiter Family

**Knight of the Month:**

Howard is the Knight of the Month of Dec. Congratulations to all.

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**Feast Days for the Week**

**Sun., Dec. 17, Third Sunday of Advent**

**Mon. Dec. 18, Advent Wk Day**

**Tues. Dec. 19, Advent Wk Day**

**Wed. Dec. 20, Advent Wk Day**

**Thurs. Dec.21, St. Peter Canisius, Priest, Doctor of the Church**

**Fri. Dec. 22, Advent Wk Day**

**Sat. Dec. 23, St. John of Kanty, Priest**

**Sun., Dec. 24, Fourth Sunday of Advent. Vigil of the Nativity of the Lord.**

