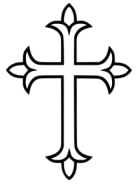


# IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH SAINT STANISLAUS PARISH



## FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT FEBRUARY 18, 2024

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#### Immaculate Conception

##### Church

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#### Mass Schedule

Tuesday: 8:00am at IC  
Wednesday: 8:00am at SS  
Thursday: 6:30pm at IC  
Friday: 6:15am at IC  
Saturday: 5:00pm at IC  
Sunday: 9:00am at SS  
11:00am at IC

#### Saint Stanislaus

##### Church

701 S Main St.  
PO Box 794  
Rossville, KS 66533  
Phone: 785-584-6612

#### Confessions

Thursday: 5:00-6:00pm at IC  
Friday: 7:00-8:00am at IC  
Saturday: 3:30-4:30pm at IC  
Sunday: 7:30-8:30am at SS

#### Baptism/Marriage

Please call Fr. Justin

# FEATURED



**Family Holy Hour at St. Stanislaus**  
**Tuesday, February 20, 6:00pm**

**Extra Lent Confession Time:**  
**Every Wednesday from 6-7pm @ IC**

**Friday, February 23rd @ IC:**  
**Confessions-6pm**  
**Stations of the Cross-7pm**

## WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Sat.	2-17	5:00pm	IC	Bill Muckenthaler (+)
Sun.	2-18	9:00am	SS	SS & IC Parishioners
		11:00am	IC	Genevieve & Leo Lenherr (+)
Tues.	2-20	8:00am	IC	Jared Cheek (+)
Wed.	2-21	8:00am	SS	Rev. Msgr. Dariusz Zielonka
		3:30pm		St. Marys Manor
Thur.	2-22	6:30pm	IC	Rickey Jones (+)
Fri.	2-23	6:15am	IC	Michael Kuhn (+)
Sat.	2-24	5:00pm	IC	Kathy Brinkman (+)
Sun.	2-25	9:00am	SS	George & Marie Sullivan (++)
		11:00am	IC	IC & SS Parishioners

*Pastor's Corner*

## Grounded | Based | Rooted

### The Creed

**"We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming" (Ephesians 4:14).**

This week, I want to return to our walkthrough of the Mass and to resume where we left off in the Liturgy of the Word, having covered the Scripture readings and now moving into our profession of faith, which we call the Creed. Creed comes from the Latin word Credo, which means "I believe." It is a summary statement of our faith which keeps us united in belief and safe from the errors of heresy. Each Sunday, we recite the Nicene Creed, which dates back to 325 A.D. at the Council of Nicaea.

What we believe in matters so much because it shapes the direction of our life and the decisions we make. I've noticed that many of us are not particularly good about articulating what we believe, whether because we just haven't reflected on our core beliefs or because we have bought into the error of relativism, which is the belief that there are no absolute truths, because truth is relative to one's culture. Have you ever heard or said, "it doesn't matter what you believe or what church you go to so long as you are a good person and don't hurt anyone else"? That's an example of an erroneous, relativistic statement.

In contrast to relativism, when we recite the Creed at Mass, we profess faith in what God has revealed. This faith is both an intellectual assent to divine revelation as well as a personal adherence of our whole lives to God. When we recite the Creed, we are professing our core beliefs by which we seek to live our lives. Reciting the Creed grounds us and roots us in all that is good and true. It will inevitably conflict with mainstream beliefs, which are always shifting. We are called to courageously and unapologetically proclaim the truth as God has revealed it, who can neither deceive nor be deceived. Truth does not change, no matter how much we want it to. Do we really need to recite the Creed every Sunday? Absolutely! Why? Here are a few reasons...

- To renew our personal commitment to follow God on the path He has set for us.
- So that we shape our lives according to truth, not error; living in reality, not fantasy.
- To remind ourselves that we don't define reality and that we are not God.

What we have just heard in Scripture at length, we now recite briefly in the Creed, which takes us in a speedy fashion from the book of Genesis to the book of Revelation. What I find particularly beautiful about the Creed is how it reminds us that we are all part of an epic story, not some meaningless, unintelligible existence. It gives us our purpose in life and roots us in reality. If you are feeling aimless and confused, pray the Creed right now! See the big picture. See that you belong to a family. Do not be children, tossed about by random beliefs which are espoused by the world for a few years. Be rooted, grounded, and based in the truth of reality as God has revealed it. Let's pray the Creed this Sunday with renewed attention and fervor!

*Fr. Justin*

## IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

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### February 11

General: \$4,238  
Plate: \$360  
Building Fund: \$100  
Needy: \$420  
Youth: \$20  
Energy: \$180  
Walking With Moms: \$10  
Central & Eastern Europe: \$50  
Total: \$5,378

### February Faith Direct

General: \$3,840.50  
Central & Eastern Europe: \$110  
Energy: \$125  
Gross FD: \$4,075.50  
**Less FD Fees: \$181.37-**  
Net FD: \$3,894.13

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### Stations of the Cross 7:00pm

#### Friday, February 23rd

**Servers: Keira & Isaac Aubert,  
Ethan Fox**

#### Saturday, February 24

Ushers: Alex Johnson, John Pauly  
Servers: Kaden & Kaycee SinghDhillon,  
Leo Martin  
Lector: Bill Mulligan  
Musicians: Mary's Chorus

#### Sunday, February 25

Ushers: Gary Roth, Dylan Smith  
Servers: Isaac & Keira Aubert,  
Lane & Easton Smith  
Lector: Nicole Smith  
Musicians: Buddens  
Homebound Minister: Jerry Tanking

### IC Team Cleaning

Team C, February 18th-February 24th

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### Men's Group

**Men's Group will meet this  
Tuesday, February 20th  
at 7:30pm at Gary Roth's Barn.**

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### Adult Faith Formation: Prayer For Religious Ed Parents

There is nothing more mysterious than prayer. Do you ever wonder about prayer, how it works, why it works, or does it even work? If you would like to grow in your spiritual life, we would like to invite you to attend our Adult Faith Formation on **Prayer**.

**When:** Wednesdays (5 sessions)—  
February 21, March 6 & 20, April 3 & 17

**Where:** IC School Bldg, Room 3

**Time:** 6:15pm-7:00pm (Class begins at the same time as Religious Ed)

**What:** Spiritual Formation discussion that is open, thought-provoking, idea-exchanging, and a Holy-Spirit-moving experience. \*Refreshments will be served. This is open to all. We extend a special invitation to all Religious Ed parents while their children are in class. Contact Gary Roth for questions: (785)-319-9115.

## SAINT STANISLAUS

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### February 11

General: \$2,320  
Plate: \$164  
Poor & Needy: \$40  
Mass Stipends: \$20  
Youth: \$50  
Maint. Fund: \$665  
Total: \$3,259

### February Faith Direct

General: \$3,225  
Central & Eastern Europe: \$51  
Maint Fund: \$595  
Gross FD: \$3,871  
FD Fees: **(\$122.18)**  
Net Feb FD: \$3,748.82

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### Family Holy Hour

#### Tuesday February 20th 6:00pm

**Servers: Briley Mellen, Colt Reser**

#### Sunday, February 25

Ushers: AJ Heier, Harold Michael,  
Brett Sanders, Don Davis  
Servers: Joel & Caleb Heier,  
Maggie & Elley Sanders  
Lector: Deidre Michael  
Ex Ord Min: Calvin Lytle  
Music: Bridget, Helen & June  
Sacristan: Deidre Michael  
Homebound Minister: Ruth Reynolds

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### Daughters of Isabella- Little Flower Circle

The Daughters of Isabella-Little Flower Circle will hold a meeting on

**Sunday, February 25, 2024**

**at Christ the King Church-Yadrich Hall  
5972 SW 25th Street, Topeka.**

There will be a Rosary at 12:45pm, followed by a pot luck dinner and Birthday celebration in Yadrich Hall. If anyone knows of a member or family member in need of the Circle's prayers, call

Shirley Gustafson at 785-554-3028 or  
Chancellor Gen Orozco at 785-213-0374.

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### Totus Tuus Missionaries Needed

Totus Tuus is now accepting applications for Summer 2024 Missionaries. In order to make Totus Tuus a success, awesome faith-filled missionaries are needed...both men and women!

This position is a temporary two-month commitment (May 28-Aug 3, 2024). This includes one week of training and one week break for the 4th of July.

For more information, go to:

**<https://archkck.org/family-kids/kids-teens/youth-formation/totus-tuus/>**

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### Camp Tekakwitha Job Opportunity

Camp Tekakwitha is looking for faith-filled, caring, and hardworking staff members who love radiant sunsets, powerful worship, making lifelong friendships, and having outdoor adventures with young people.

Here is the link to apply: **<https://recruiting.paylocity.com/Recruiting/Jobs/Details/2084534>**

## ALL PARISHES

### OPEN IC ADORATION HOURS

**Sunday: 4:00am**

**Wednesday: 3:00am**

**Saturday: 3:00pm, 4:00pm**

*If you'd like to share or take an hour,  
contact Mary Ellen Reese at (785) 437-6163  
or Mary Alice Hutley at (785) 437-2752.*

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**RCIA Class -February 22nd, 7:30pm-9:00pm**

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### Adult Enrichment Speaker

**Saturday, February 24th—2 Event Locations**

**Immaculate Conception Church**

**8:30am-10:30am**

**Centennial Building Hall**

Please join us as Stacey Sumereau discusses discernment in tiny & big matters as well as self-worth in this digital age. This FREE event is sponsored by ArchKCK Rural Youth Ministry Outreach. Our rural parish can earn grant money for our youth programs simply by attending. Just let them know you're an IC parishioner.

*Light breakfast snacks and drinks will be served.*

**2nd location: St. Philip Neri, Osawatomie, Ks  
2:00pm-4:00pm**

*Contact Alice Bordelon for more information, 437-2408x2*

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### The Chosen Video Series & Bible Study Group

**Who:** Men or Women of IC Parish

**When:** Thursdays (Beginning Feb. 22nd)

**Time:** 1pm

**Where:** Room 3, School Bldg.

**What:** This will be an 8-week small group Bible Study on The Chosen. We begin with Season 1. Study folders are provided. Spaces are limited as this is a small group study. This is a great Lenten opportunity to grow closer to God and His Word.

Message or call Jackie Sciarra: (812) 525-6319 or email her at: [jfsciarra@hotmail.com](mailto:jfsciarra@hotmail.com)

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### Archbishop's Call to Share

In Luke's Gospel, Jesus warns, "If anyone wishes to come after me, he must deny himself and take up his cross daily" (Luke 9:23). On another note, in John's Gospel, Jesus commands us, "Remain in my love" (John 15:9). Remaining in Jesus' love isn't easy, either—especially when it involves the desert.

Feeling like it's too difficult to do this by ourselves is okay. It's often exactly where God wants us—because it pushes us to rely on Him. As you lift the cross Jesus asks of you this Lent, please remember our Archbishop's Call to Share appeal. We are counting on you. This Lent, count on us, and count on God!

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**Confessions at 6:00pm Stations at 7:00pm (SS or IC):**

February 23rd—IC

March 1st—SS

March 8th—IC

March 15th—SS

March 22nd—IC

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### "Lenten Reflections" by Dr. Troy Hinkel

**When:** Thursday, February 22nd, 6:30pm

**Where:** Mother Teresa Catholic Church, Topeka

*Dr. Troy Hinkel is the Vice President and Co-Founder of Holy Family School of Faith.*



## **PRAYER CHAIN INTENTIONS**

### **Contacts:**

Mary Ellen Reese, 437-6163  
Anita Marstall, 437-6117

### **Bernadine "Bobbie" Bordelon (Mother of Dwight & Chad Bordelon)**

Please pray for the repose of her soul and for peace and comfort for her family.

### **Bill DeDonder**

Please pray for his recovery from emergency surgery.

### **Louise Manhart**

Please pray for a successful heart procedure.

### **Phyllis McCune Gibbs**

Please pray for healing of cancer.

### **Laird French, Rossville**

Please pray for the repose of his soul.

### **4 yr old Calvin Smith**

Please pray for his healing from lymphoma and pray for strength for his family.

### **Elizabeth (Aubert) Breymeyer**

Please pray for the repose of her soul and for peace, strength, and comfort for her family.

### **Special Intention**

For a young husband and father's health to improve so that he can return to work.

### **Anonymous**

For pain & swelling to reduce in the knees & a good diagnosis.

### **Hazel Parker**

### **(Beverly Strausbaugh's Mother)**

Prayers of thanksgiving for her improved health.

### **Tim Rumpel**

Pray for him as he continues to fight cancer and is experiencing other complications.

### **Eddie Schwerdt**

### **(Brother-in-Law of Louise Manhart)**

Please pray for the repose of his soul.

### **Michael Ryan, Junction City**

### **(Cece Muckenthaler's brother)**

Please pray for a good diagnosis & healing.

### **Emily Robinson**

### **(Michelle Muckenthaler-Doyle's mother-in-law)**

For an increase in God's grace to help her in all her needs.

### **John Eberly**

### **(Cece Muckenthaler's nephew)**

Please pray for the repose of his soul.

### **Bob Rich**

For the repose of his soul and prayers for his family.

### **Michael Kratina**

### **(son of John & Marge Kratina)**

Please pray for his healing of cancer.

### **John Clark, Emporia**

### **(brother-in-law of Mary Alice Hutley)**

Please pray for his healing from injuries suffered in a fall.

## **ST. MARYS FOOD PANTRY**

*The food pantry is in need of:*

*Canned Vegetables*

*Beans*

*Canned Tuna/Chicken*

*Canned Soups*

*Pasta/Rice*

*Spaghetti Sauce*

**\*\*\*Macaroni & Cheese**

*Applesauce*

*Canned Fruit*

*Peanut Butter/Jelly*

**\*\*\*Pancake Mix/Syrup**

*Cereal*

*Crackers*

*Toilet Paper*

*Shampoo/Bath Soap*

*Toothpaste*

**\*\*\*Laundry Det./Dish Soap**

*Diapers Size 1-6*

*Wipes*

For questions or to donate, call Mary Poell at 437-2448 or Tina Roth at 584-6466.

Please mail monetary donations to:

503 N. 5th St, St. Marys, KS 66536

**\*\*Please save your Best Choice labels and put them in the container in the vestibule of IC church\*\***

***Thank you and God Bless You!***

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### **IC Finance Council Members**

Rick Reese (Chair)

Steve Denton

John Simecka

Claire Pearl

Doyle Pearl

### **IC Pastoral Council Members**

Peggy Smith (Chair)

Julie Homan

Alex Johnson

Tina Schindler

Nicole Smith

Mike Trausch

Chris Smith

Patrick Byrne

April Huaracha

### **Cemetery Board**

Alex Johnson, Paul Fiedler, Mike Piper



### **Knights of Columbus Council #657**

Grand Knight: Jason Henderson

Knight of the Month: John Simecka

Family of the Month: John & Paulette Simecka

Knight of the Year: Jerry Tanking

Family of the Year: Dylan & Nicole Smith

## **REPORTING SUSPECTED ABUSE**

*If you suspect a child is being abused or neglected, make a report to the **Kansas Department for Children and Families Protection Report Center** by calling (800) 922-5330.*

*Call law enforcement if the person is in immediate danger or injured.*

*If you or someone you know has been abused by a cleric, employee, or volunteer of any archdiocesan parish, school, or agency — regardless of when the abuse occurred — call the **archdiocesan confidential report line** at (913) 647-3051 or the **Victim Care Advocate** at (913) 298-9244*

*\*AFTER\* calling local law enforcement.*

*You can also make a report online at: **www.archkck.org/reportabuse***

*The Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas places the protection of children as its priority.*

The archdiocese respects the sincere concerns of all individuals who report misconduct and is committed to conducting thorough investigations of all allegations.

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### **SS Finance Council Members**

Kenton Erb

Charlie Rottinghaus

A.J. Heier

Shelly Buhler

### **SS Pastoral Council Members**

Joe Roth (Chair)

Desiree McGrath

Chris Hurla

Bill DeDonder

Sarah Sanders

Connie Fischer (Ex Officio)

Royce Muller (Ex Officio)



### **Knights of Columbus Council #10755**

Grand Knight: Mark Wilt

Knight of the Month: Brad Dekat

Family of the Month: Kenton & Julie Erb

Knight of the Year: Mark Wilt

The Family of the Year:

Charlie & Carrie Rottinghaus

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