



**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH  
SAINT STANISLAUS PARISH**



John went throughout the whole region of the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, as it is written in the book of the words of the prophet Isaiah:

*A voice of one crying out in the desert:*

*“Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths.*

*Every valley shall be filled and every mountain and hill shall be made low.*

*The winding roads shall be made straight, and the rough ways made smooth,*

*and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.” Luke 31:3-6*

**SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT  
DECEMBER 8, 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**-Contact the office

**Marriage**-Contact Fr. Ahn

# ☀️ **FEATURED** ☀️

[IC Family Holy Hour with Vespers](#)  
[Sunday, December 8, 2024, 5pm](#)  
 Servers: Isaac & Keira Aubert

[Attention! IC- Jesse Tree](#)

There are still many tags on our Jesse Tree at the back of church. Please pick up a tag after Mass to help a family in need.



[Feast of the Immaculate Conception](#)  
 A Holy Day of Obligation

[Monday, December 9th](#)

[Mass Times:](#)  
 6:30am at IC  
 12:15pm at SS  
 6:30pm at IC

\*Cookies & punch in Holy Family Hall after 6:30pm Mass at IC in honor of our Feast Day!

## WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

|       |       |         |    |   |
|-------|-------|---------|----|---|
| Sat.  | 12-07 | 5:00pm  | IC | Paul Drippe (+)                         |
| Sun.  | 12-08 | 9:00am  | SS | SS & IC Parishioners                    |
|       |       | 11:00am | IC | Marikay Fox (+)                         |
| Mon.  | 12-09 | 6:30am  | IC | Dec. Mem. - Toplikar & Trausch Families |
|       |       | 12:15pm | SS | Dec. Mem. of the Valcoure Family        |
|       |       | 6:30pm  | IC | IC & SS Parishioners                    |
| Tues. | 12-10 | 8:00am  | IC | L.N. & Cecilia Schumaker (++)           |
|       |       | 10:00am |    | RVM-Raymond Staubs (+)                  |
| Wed.  | 12-11 | 8:00am  | SS | Wilbur & Margaret Tomson (++)           |
| Thur. | 12-12 | 6:30pm  | IC | Chad Bordelon                           |
| Fri.  | 12-13 | 6:15am  | IC | Vicki VandeVelde (+)                    |
| Sat.  | 12-14 | 5:00pm  | IC | IC & SS Parishioners                    |
| Sun.  | 12-15 | 9:00am  | SS | Bill Sullivan (+)                       |
|       |       | 11:00am | IC | Walter Lankford (+)                     |



### [Archbishop Naumann's December Prayer Intentions](#)

- *We continue to marvel and give thanks to God for His amazing love for humanity revealed by the birth of Jesus.*
- *For generous support this Christmas of Catholic Charities' beautiful ministries to bring the love of Jesus to the poor, the homeless, the hungry, the refugee, and mothers experiencing a difficult pregnancy.*
- *For those who have recently lost a loved one, that the Risen Jesus and His Church bring consolation and hope.*



## [The Immaculate Conception](#)

The Immaculate Conception is a Catholic dogma that states that Mary, whose conception was brought about the normal way, was conceived without original sin or its stain. That's what "immaculate" means: without stain.

It's important to understand what the doctrine of the Immaculate Conception is and what it is not. Some people mistakenly think that the term refers to Christ's conception in Mary's womb [without the intervention of a human father](#). Others think the Immaculate Conception means Mary was conceived "by the power of the Holy Spirit," in the way Jesus was, but that, too, is incorrect.

The essence of original sin consists in the deprivation of sanctifying grace, and its stain is a corrupt nature. Mary was preserved from these defects by God's grace; from the first instant of her existence she was in the state of sanctifying grace and was free from the corrupt nature original sin brings.

When discussing the Immaculate Conception, an implicit reference may be found in the angel's greeting to Mary. The angel Gabriel said, "Hail, full of grace, the Lord is with you" (Luke 1:28).

The phrase "full of grace" is a translation of the Greek word *kecharitomene*. It therefore expresses a characteristic quality of Mary.

The grace given to Mary is at once permanent and of a unique kind. *Kecharitomene* is a perfect passive participle of *charitoo*, meaning "to fill or endow with grace." Since this term is in the perfect tense, it indicates that Mary was graced in the past but with continuing effects in the present. So, the grace Mary enjoyed was not a result of the angel's visit. In fact, Catholics hold, it extended over the whole of her life, from conception onward. She was in a state of sanctifying grace from the first moment of her existence.

-From catholic.com/tract/immaculate-conception-and-assumption

**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION**

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**SAINT STANISLAUS**

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**ALL PARISHES**

**December 1**

General: \$3,655  
Plate: \$339.35  
Building Fund: \$5,100  
Walking with Moms: \$10  
Camp Hum Dev: \$20  
Ret. Fund for Rel.: \$10  
Needy: \$550  
Total: \$9,684.35

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**Family Holy Hour with Vespers**

**December 8th 5pm**

**Servers: Isaac & Keira Aubert**

**Monday, December 9, 6:30pm**

**Feast of the Immaculate Conception**

Ushers: Volunteers

Servers: Josiah & Jude Bowes

Lector: Rich Schoenfeld

Prec. Bl. Min.: Sarah Carlson, Bill Mulligan

Musicians: Mary's Choir

**Saturday, December 14**

Ushers: John Pauly, Tom Peterson

Servers: Kaden & Kaycee SinghDhillon

Lector: Mick Poell

Musicians: Fortunatos

**Sunday, December 15**

Ushers: Gary Roth, Mike Drippe

Servers: Isaac & Keira Aubert,

Ethan & Ambrose Downey

Lector: Rick Reese

Musicians: Mary's Choir

Homebound Minister: Gary Roth

**IC Team Cleaning**

Team E, December 8th--December 14th

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**Thank You!**

The St. Marys Community Food Pantry would like to thank Immaculate Conception students, teachers, and staff and the Immaculate Conception Youth Group for your overwhelmingly generous response to the request for help filling the holiday food baskets. The amount of food and the \$326 you collected was abundant and nothing short of amazing.

God bless you all for your charity, effort, and gifts which will touch and bless many families this Christmas!

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**Thank You!**

Thank you Peggy Smith and Nicole Smith for your time serving the parish on our Parish Council.

Thank you Rick Reese for your time serving our parish on the Finance Council.

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**Men's Group-**

**New Meeting Time**

The Men's Group will begin meeting at 6pm during the wintertime.

The next meeting will be on

Tuesday, December 17th at 6pm at Gary Roth's barn, 16741 NW 70th St., Rossville. All men are welcome!

**December 1**

General: \$1,815  
Plate: \$153  
Maint. Fund: \$250  
Mass Stipends: \$20  
Poor & Needy: \$20  
Youth: \$50  
Total: \$2,308

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**Monday, December 9, 12:15pm**

**Feast of the Immaculate Conception**

Servers: O'Neills

Lector: Mary Ann Davis

Sacristan: Kathi Rewerts

**Sunday, December 15**

Ushers: Alan Streit, Noah Streit,

Brad Womack, Drew Womack

Servers: O'Neill, O'Neill, O'Neill, O'Neill

Lector: Brian O'Neill

Ex Ord Min: Calvin Lytle

Music: Lana, Ruth, Alexis, Jen

Sacristan: Brian O'Neill

Homebound Minister: C & H Lytle

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**Our Lady of Guadalupe Celebration**

Please join us for the Our Lady of Guadalupe Celebration

Thursday, December 12th,

5:30pm in Dekat Hall.

Potluck Mexican meal,

Folk Dancers, Pinata, Door Prizes, and Candlelight Rosary Procession.

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Please pray for the repose of the soul of Kelly Cowan,

son of Ron Cowan, whose funeral Mass was on Wednesday.

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**Thank You!**

A big "thank you" to all who donated items for our Jesse Tree Project to help make this Christmas a little brighter for needy families in our area!

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**Serra Club Meeting**

The December club meeting is

Dec. 16th at Christ the King.

We will meet in the church at 5:30 to pray the rosary before going to Yadrich Hall to eat and organize and collect items for our Arch KCK seminarians.

**OPEN IC ADORATION HOURS**

**Sunday: 4:00am, 4:00pm**

**Monday: 2:00am, 4:00am**

**Wednesday: 12:00am (Tuesday midnight)- every other week**

**Thursday: 8:00pm**

**Friday: 12:00am (Thursday midnight)-every other week, 12:00pm(noon), 5:00pm, 7:00pm**

**Saturday: 3:00am, 1:00pm, 6:00pm**

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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**Blood Drive**

**Tuesday, December 17th**

Please consider the gift of life as one of your Christmas presents of a pint of blood. Free Chiefs t-shirts!

Call John Simecka at 785-213-0567 to register.

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**OCIA (formerly RCIA) Class**

The OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults) class meets weekly on Thursdays at Immaculate Conception in the Parish Office/School Building (Room 3) from 7:20pm-8:45pm.

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**Upcoming Penance Services for Advent:**

**Sunday, December 15:**

St. Bernard—3pm

Sacred Heart—5pm Potluck Dinner

6pm Speaker

7pm Confessions

**Sunday, December 22:**

Immaculate Conception—3pm

St. Stanislaus—6pm

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**IC- JESSE TREE**



IC Social Concerns will provide Christmas for the needy in our area. Please take a tag from the Jesse Tree. We have 12 families needing assistance. Wrap your gift & attach the tag on the outside of your gift.

**PLEASE RETURN YOUR GIFT TO THE JESSE TREE BY DEC. 15th.** If you would like to give a monetary donation, make checks payable to IC Social Concerns/Jesse Tree & put it in the collection basket.

For questions call Carol VandeVelde at 785-584-6309 or Judy Lundin at 785-584-6447.

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**IC- Christmas Decorating**

We will be decorating the church for Christmas on Monday, December 23rd, at 10am.

We need strong men and teenagers to help carry items into church and help set up. We need women to arrange poinsettias and decorate the window sills and choir loft railing.

\*The parish will provide pizza and refreshments for the decorating crew when they're done!



**PRAYER CHAIN INTENTIONS**

**Contacts:**

Mary Ellen Reese, 437-6163  
Mary Alice Hutley, 437-2752

**Anonymous Person**

Please pray for a good diagnosis and healing.

**Anonymous Runaway Young Man**

Prayers of thanksgiving that he has been found and continued prayers for his healing.

**Anonymous Young Expectant Mother**

Please pray for her improved health.

**Baby Olive Noelle (preemie)**

Please pray for a successful surgery this week and speedy recovery.

**Anita Marstall**

Please pray for her healing.

**Anne Herrington**

Please pray for healing of an infection.

**Jon Workman**

Please pray for comfort and healing of a serious illness.

**Kelly Cowan**

**(son of Ron Cowan)**

Please pray for the repose of his soul and for prayers of consolation upon his family.

**Nick Peros, Sr.**

Please pray for successful treatment and healing of cancer and support for his family who is caring for him.

**Jeanette Black**

Please pray for healing from her altered mental state.

**Ashlyn Stallbaumer**

Please pray for healing.

**Frank & Cheryl Workman**

Please pray for the repose of their souls. They passed away on 11/11/24 and 11/12/24

**David Gustafson**

Please pray for a successful knee replacement surgery.

**Kaden Brown**

Please pray for successful corrective surgery.

**Dick Reedy**

Please pray for the repose of his soul. May he rest in peace.

**Anonymous Family**

Please pray for comfort and consolation for a family suffering after the murder of 2 family members.

**Rob Roger**

Please pray for successful cancer treatment, for Rob to be brave, trusting in God's healing hand, and that God's will be done for his complete healing.

**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

**Thank you and God Bless You!**

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**IC Finance Council Members**

- Doyle Pearl (Chair)
- Steve Denton
- John Simecka
- Claire Pearl
- Rich Schoenfeld

**IC Pastoral Council Members**

- Mike Trausch (Chair)
- Julie Homan
- Alex Johnson
- Tina Schindler
- Chris Smith
- April Huaracha
- Michael Taylor

**Cemetery Board**

Alex Johnson, Paul Fiedler, Mike Piper



**Knights of Columbus Council #657**

Grand Knight: Alex Johnson  
Knight of the Month: John DeLeye  
Family of the Month: John & Janet DeLeye  
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
- Dan Fischer (Ex Officio)

**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: Joe Roth  
Knight of the Month: A.J. Heier  
Family of the Month: Rodney & Deana Cowan  
Knight of the Year: Chris Hurla  
The Family of the Year: Steve & Shelly Buhler

**Office Hours: Monday — Friday, 9:00am to 3:00pm**  
Immaculate Conception Office Number: (785) 437-2408  
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