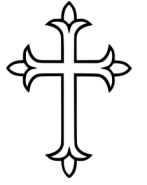


**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH
SAINT STANISLAUS PARISH**



**FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT
MARCH 10, 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. Justin

 **FEATURED** 

St. Stanislaus -Men's Group
Men's Group will meet today in Dekat Hall
after 9am Mass. Refreshments provided.

No Religious Ed at IC—Wed., March 13th
Enjoy your Spring Break!



St. Joseph's Altar at IC
In honor of St. Joseph's Feast Day,
March 19th, there will be a
St. Joseph's Altar set up at the back
of church next weekend where you
may leave non-perishable items for
the St. Marys Community
Food Pantry.

St. Joseph, patron saint of families, pray for us!

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Sat.	3-09	5:00pm	IC	John & Grace Cowan (++)
Sun.	3-10	9:00am	SS	SS & IC Parishioners
		11:00am	IC	Joe Baumchen (+)
Tues.	3-12	8:00am	IC	Raymond & Leola Kolde (++)
		10:00am		RVM-Norman & Helen Foster (++)
Wed.	3-13	8:00am	SS	Eugene V. Brunin Family
Thur.	3-14	6:30pm	IC	Joe DeDonder (+)
Fri.	3-15	6:15am	IC	Collective Mass Intentions *
Sat.	3-16	5:00pm	IC	Rosemary Pauly (+)
Sun.	3-17	9:00am	SS	Charles & Eileen Schroeder (++)
		11:00am	IC	IC & SS Parishioners
				*Dennis Brunin (+)
				Dr. Eugene McKenzie (+)

Pastor's Corner

Laetare Sunday

Today, Holy Mother Church exhorts us to **rejoice!** Laetare Sunday is a sort of oasis in the desert of Lent, a time to relax our ascetical practices for just a moment and to recognize that we are halfway through the journey of Lent. To draw out the significance of this Sunday, the rubrics state that rose colored vestments are appropriately worn on this day, the altar may be decorated with flowers, and the music at Mass can be of a more festive nature. Laetare Sunday is similar in meaning to Gaudete Sunday (3rd Sunday of Advent), although each one comes from a different introit (entrance antiphon) and so the context is slightly different. Here is the introit for Laetare Sunday:

Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad for her,
all you who love her;
Rejoice with her in joy,
all you who mourn over her—
that you may nurse and be satisfied
from her consoling breast;
 that you may drink deeply with delight
 from her glorious bosom.
 For thus says the Lord:
 I will extend prosperity to her like a river,
 and the wealth of the nations like an overflowing stream;
 and you shall nurse and be carried on her arm,
 and dandled on her knees.
 As a mother comforts her child,
 so I will comfort you;
 you shall be comforted in Jerusalem (Isaiah 66:10-13).

Interestingly, some places celebrate this Sunday as “Mothering Sunday”, a time to visit the church where one was baptized since it is through Baptism that Holy Mother Church spiritually gives birth to us. Jerusalem is a type of The Church, our mother, and in her we are invited to find comfort since God does great things for us through her. It is through the Holy Spirit that our mother, the Church, unlocks prison doors (when confessions are heard), gives birth to new children (in Baptism), feeds her children with the Bread of Eternal Life (in the Eucharist), and consoles them with her tender care (in the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick). What a mother we have!

There are many sorrows and trials in this life for the disciples of Christ, but The Church, as a wise mother, reminds us of the need to rejoice even amid our sorrows, to recognize all of the good in our lives, and to keep our eyes fixed firmly on the eternal joys to come lest we become dreary, depressed, and discouraged children! So rejoice this day, “for the joy of the Lord is your strength” (Nehemiah 8:10).

Fr. Justin

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ALL PARISHES

March 3

General: \$4,957
Plate: \$464.20
Needy: \$927
Building Fund: \$100
Walking With Moms: \$10
Rice Bowl: \$80
Easter Flowers: \$45
Total: \$6,583.20

Saturday, March 16

Ushers: Greg DeDonder, John Pauly
Servers: Kaden and Kaycee SinghDhillon,
Skyler Clark
Lector: Mark Poell
Musicians: Youth

Sunday, March 17

Ushers: Gary Roth, Dan Marstall
Servers: Ethan & Fulton Downey,
Keira & Isaac Aubert
Lector: Michelle Lett
Musicians: I.C. Singers
Homebound Minister: Gary Roth

IC Team Cleaning

Team A, March 10th-March 16th

Name Our New Hall

We will be accepting *Name our New Hall* suggestions through March 14th. Registered members of the parish may call Jean at the office, or email their suggestion to icparish1848@gmail.com

Adult Faith Formation: Prayer For Religious Ed Parents

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.

Bring Father a Meal

If you'd like to join the group that provides meals for Fr. Justin on Saturday evenings, please call the parish office, 437-2408 Ext 1, for more details.

IC Men's Group Meeting Correction

Men's Group will meet on the **3rd Tuesday, March 19th**, not on March 12th as shown on the March calendar.

Cabrini Movie-Opens March 8th

Cabrini details the incredible life of St. Frances Cabrini who worked to provide housing and healthcare for the less fortunate in New York City. By Angel Studios.

March 3

General: \$1,420
Plate: \$174.75
Poor & Needy: \$163
Home Missions: \$20
Church in Europe: \$10
Mass Stipends: \$30
Maint. Fund: \$400
Total: \$2,217.75

Sunday, March 17

Ushers: Nathan Rewerts, Arlan Niehues, Scott Mellen, Rod Cowan
Servers: Briley & Peyton Mellen, Easton Niehues, Leah Rewerts
Lector: Deana Cowan
Ex Ord Min: Calvin Lytle
Music: Lana, Ruth, Alexis, & Jen
Sacristan: Kathi Rewerts
Homebound Minister: Ruth Reynolds

Mark Your Calendar!

Date Night for Married Couples on Saturday, April 6th at the Blacksmith Event Centre in Silver Lake.

Details to follow.

New Men's Group- Meets on 2nd & 4th Sundays

A new Men's Group is gathering on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month in Dekat Hall after the 9am Mass. The group will be founded in **Prayer, Faith Formation, and Fraternity** to form a brotherhood of men to be leaders of faith in our families and communities.

Daughters of Isabella- Little Flower Circle

The next meeting will be on **Sunday, March 17th- Corporate Communion 8:00am Mass at**

Mater Dei-Holy Name Church, 910 Clay in Topeka.

After Mass, there will be a Knights of Columbus breakfast served in the parish hall. If anyone knows of a member or family member of Daughters of Isabella in need of the Circle's prayers, call Shirley Gustafson @ 785-554-3028 or Chancellor Gen Orozco @ 785-230-2473.

Catholic Foundation-NEK Wine & Wisdom

Join us on March 14, 2024 for a Wine and Wisdom event at St. Joseph's Catholic Church, 11311 Johnson Drive, Shawnee, KS 66203. The event will begin at 5:30 PM with a social and wine tasting, followed by a presentation at 6:00 PM. Bill Eckert will speak on "Tax Reducing Strategies for Pre- and Post-Retirees." **Register at: www.cfnek.org/events/wine-and-wisdom-1**

OPEN IC ADORATION HOURS

Sunday: 4:00am
Monday: 4:00am
Wednesday: 3:00am
Saturday: 11:00pm

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.

RCIA Class -March 14th, 7:30pm-9:00pm



Holy Week Combined Choir for Holy Thursday and Holy Saturday

The Combined Choir for Holy Thursday and Holy Saturday will have 3 choir practices.

All practices will be held on Tuesdays at 6:30pm in the choir loft at St. Stanislaus Church. The dates are:

March 12th, March 19th, and March 26th.

Please consider sharing your God-given talent of singing and be a part of the Holy Week services this year.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Marty Ronnau at 785-437-6377 or June Burgett at 785-584-6080.

Pontifical Good Friday Collection

Pope Francis has asked parishes throughout the world to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land where they are now less than 2% of the population. Your support is essential to help the Church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools, and offer religious education. The Pontifical Good Friday Collection also helps to reserve the sacred shrines of Christianity, including Jerusalem, Bethlehem, and Nazareth, to name only a few.

The pandemic had hit Christians in the Holy Land particularly hard as most of them depend on pilgrimages for work. The recent war has decimated the pilgrimage industry in the Holy Land. In these times of crisis, the Pontifical Good Friday Collection is necessary to meet the basic need of the People of God still living in the Holy Land and to maintain a Christian presence where the Church was born. Please be generous.

For information about Christians in the Holy Land, visit: **www.myfranciscan.org**

Holy Week Silent Retreat—"Have you not heard?"

Where: Christ's Peace House of Prayer 22131 Meager Rd, Easton, Ks.

When: Friday March 22nd at 5:30pm to Sunday, March 24th at 4:30pm

Have we actually deeply heard the good news of Jesus' passion, death, and resurrection? Have you been transformed by God's holy fire of selfless love? On this silent retreat over Palm Sunday Weekend, we hope to enkindle within you the desire to accept this tremendous gift accessible to those with ears to hear. The readings from the Triduum liturgies will be the match to set us ablaze. There are conferences, spiritual direction, Eucharistic Adoration, Mass, Confession and time for private prayer, reflection and walking. For details and to attend, fill out the Individual Retreat Form at ChristsPeace.com or call 913-773-8255.

PRAYER CHAIN INTENTIONS

Contacts:

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

Sharon Nelson

(Mother of Walt Nelson)

Please pray for healing & strength while she undergoes cancer treatment. Also, prayers for strength & support for her family.

Susan Klug (Lawrence)

Please pray for healing of cancer and strength to endure more chemo.

Barbara Feltner

Please pray for healing of leukemia (AML).

Krista Heimbergem

(Mother of Jamie Manhart)

Please pray for a successful serious heart surgery.

Anonymous young person

Please pray for an anonymous young person who is battling severe depression.

Nancie Jacinta Jirak (almost 2yrs old)

Please pray for little Nancie's continued healing through the intercession of servant of God, Chaplain Emil Kapaun and St. Jacinta.

Dave Figge

Please pray for healing and an increase in strength as he battles cancer. Also, prayers for strength and support for his family.

Rick Budden

Please pray for healing of an infection.

Beverly Bradley

(Daughter of Joan Sebring)

Please pray for healing.

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) Brey Meyer

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

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.

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!

IC Finance Council Members

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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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