

TRI-PARISH BULLETIN



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REGULAR MASS SCHEDULE
Sun. 8:30 am St Joseph/St John
10:15 am IC
Mon. 5:30 pm IC
Tue. 5:30 pm IC
Wed 9:00 am IC
Thu. 9:00 am IC
Fri. 9:00 am IC
Sat. 4:30 pm IC

ADORATION WITH CONFESSION
First Friday 5:30-6:00 pm at St Jos
First Saturday 4:00-4:30 pm at IC

CONFESSION
Saturday 4:00-4:30 pm at IC
Sunday 8:00-8:30 am at SSJJ
ROSARY
Before every Mass
CCD Class
Wednesday 6:30-7:30 pm at IC

Rosary is a weapon

Dear brothers and sisters,

Rosary is one of the most powerful weapons in our arsenal for spiritual warfare and one of the greatest aids in the pursuit of a fruitful spiritual life. Unfortunately, among the most common excuses for failing to pray the Rosary is it's "boring" or that it takes too much time.

Tradition and the Church hold that Our Lady appeared to St. Dominic and Blessed Alan de la Roche sometime in the 13th century to impart the devotion of the Rosary. The monks of the time had already developed the habit of praying the psalter – all 150 Psalms daily recited by memory. Mary gave the Rosary to these two spiritual sons to promote the habit of daily prayer among all the faithful, not just those in the religious life.

The Rosary has a special power against evil. Satan hates Mary with all of his might. Blessed Pope Pius IX said, "Give me an army saying the Rosary and I will conquer the world." St. Francis de Sales, the great master of the spiritual life, wrote, "The greatest method of prayer is praying the Rosary." Our Lady of Fatima said, "Pray the Rosary daily."

Daily recitation of the Rosary will help you get to know your Mother better. By getting to know Mary better, you will in turn get to know Jesus better. When you look at each mystery of the Rosary, you reflect upon different aspects of Jesus' life through the eyes of His mother. Mothers know and see their children much differently than others do.

The inconvenience of praying the Rosary daily, which can seem at first tedious or burdensome, grows lighter with every recitation. Let us equip ourselves for battle. Make a commitment to pray the Rosary every day – and keep it.

-Rev. Fr. Arockia A. Stanislaus

Sun. Feb. 4, 10:15 am, IC

R: Kathy Esser
S: Justin Rowekamp, Jaden Rowekamp
U: L Anibas, B Leis, M Kujak, M Schroeder
E: Mike Esser, Joan Esser, Pat Gower
G: The Dales
MC: John Esser, Peg Hayden, John Hayden

Sun. Feb. 4, 8:30 am, St. Joseph

R: Jan Elfering
S: Elise Theiler, Luke Kutchera
U: Dan Kaufman, Bill Connelly
E: Bonnie Firkus, Joan Scheffer, Peg Connelly
G: Doug & Joan Scheffer
MC: Bonnie Firkus, Joan Scheffer, Peg Connelly

Sun. Feb. 11, 11:00 am, IC

R: Matt Dale
S: Dylan Anderson
U: D Laufenberg, J Rowekamp, C Cray, M Dale
E: John Esser, Kathy Esser, JoAnn Kujak
G: George & Kathy Esser
MC: Lawrence Anibas, Holly Dale

Sun. Feb. 11, 8:30 am, St. Joseph

R: Ceanna Eisberner
S: Elise Theiler, Sierra Mayer
U: Pat Kutchera, Joe Kutchera
E: Dawn Kaufman, R Traczek, Louise Bourke
G: Bob & Louise Bourke
MC: C Eisberner, Tim Mayer, R Traczek

Sun. Feb. 18, 10:15 am, IC

R: Joan Esser
S: Justin Rowekamp, Jaden Rowekamp
U: J Esser, L Anibas, B Leis, M Kujak
E: Mike Esser, Joan Esser, Pat Gower
G: Mike & Joan Esser
MC: Greg Seichter, Mary Seichter, Pat Gower

Sun. Feb. 18, 8:30 am, St. Joseph

R: Bonnie Firkus
S: Luke Kutchera, Victor Firkus
U: John Kutchera, Nick Kutchera
E: Bonnie Firkus, Joan Scheffer, Peg Connelly
G: Tim & Beth Mayer
MC: Bonnie, Joan, Peg

Calendar of Events

Date, Day	Event	Immaculate Conception	St Joseph/St John
Feb. 3, Sat	First Saturday Adoration & Confession	4:00 PM Adoration & Confession 4:30 PM Mass, Bl. of St Blaise For All Members of our 3 Parishes	
Feb. 4, Sun	Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time	10:15 AM Mass, †Claire & Laura Esser Bl of St Blaise, training after Mass	8:30 AM Mass St Joseph, Bl of St Blaise, †Sr. Jane Winkler (<i>D Schnell & R Traczek</i>)
Feb. 5, Mon		5:30 PM Mass †Bernard Laufenberg Family 6:30 PM Parish Council meeting	
Feb. 6, Tue		5:30 PM Mass, Hispanic Hispanic intentions	6:30 PM Parish Council meeting
Feb. 7, Wed		9:00 AM Mass, Intention by Father 6:30 PM CCD; Bible Study	
Feb. 8, Thu		9:00 AM Mass †Skalitzky & Giunta Families	
Feb. 9, Fri		9:00 AM Mass †Esther Kaul	
Feb. 10, Sat		4:30 PM Mass For All Members of Our 3 Parishes	
Feb. 11, Sun	Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time	11:00 AM Mass †Deceased member of Catholic Family Life	8:30 AM Mass St Jos MARDI GRAS BREAKFAST after Mass †Aurelia & Leopold Traczek (<i>R Traczek & Sons</i>)

PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION—Monday, Feb. 5 at 6:30 at IC
ST JOSEPH/ST JOHN—Tuesday, Feb. 6 at 6:30 at St. Joseph

MARDI GRAS BREAKFAST

St Joseph's will hold their annual Mardi Gras Breakfast after 8:30 Mass next Sunday, Feb. 11th. We hope you all will attend. We will serve pancakes, scrambled eggs, ham, and lots of other goodies. We will also hold a raffle with tickets sold only at the breakfast, so your odds of winning are greater than most raffles. And we've gotten some Because of the breakfast, **Mass at Immaculate Conception will be at 11:00 AM on Feb. 11th only**, instead of 10:15, so Father has an opportunity to have breakfast with the parishioners at St Joseph's. We hope to have a good representation from all parishes at the breakfast!!

TRAINING FOR HELPERS AT MASS

Immaculate Conception will hold training for Readers, Eucharistic Ministers, Ushers, and the Sacristans after Mass this Sunday, Feb. 4th.

BIBLE STUDY

Bible Study starts this Wednesday, Feb. 7th at Immaculate Conception at 6:30 pm. We invite everyone to attend, and the parents who drop off their children at CCD to join in on the Bible Study. Please spread the word to those who may not see the bulletin.

LOOKING FOR COUPLES CELEBRATING THEIR 50TH ANNIVEERSARY!

I am looking for any couples from our parishes that will be celebrating their 50th anniversary during 2018. Please contact Dawn Kaufman if you are celebrating that milestone any time during this calendar year. I don't have marriage dates for all our couples, so I need you to come forward and let me know!

ROSARY BEFORE MASS— We will be praying the rosary before Mass. **We would like some volunteers to lead, please.** Let us know if you can lead the rosary! There are rosaries at the back of church if you need one. Please come a few minutes early before Mass to participate in this uniquely Catholic tradition.

CLEANING AT IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Change of plans!! We had to switch cleaning day to Saturday, March 24th at Immaculate Conception. We will start at 9:00 am. The more people we have, the faster it will go, so everyone who can should come and make the work go quickly.

LIONS CLUB EVENT IN AUGUSTA

The Augusta Lions Club is hosting **Meet BJ and Goober** at the Augusta Senior & Community Center , 616 W Washington St, Augusta WI on Friday, Feb 9th at 10:30 AM. Goober is a Leader dog for BJ Blahnik. BJ will talk about his journey, his illness and his Leader dog. Please see the poster at the back of church.

LOOKING FOR A CLOSE BY FISH FRY?

With Lent quickly approaching, it's time to think about enjoying a parish fish fry. You can use the diocesan **Fish Frynder**, where you will find Lenten meals listed by parish with the location, the times and detailed information about the meal. diolc.org/fishfrynder

Birthday Wishes

John Hayden	2/3	Elise Theiler	2/8
Patricia Jaime	2/5	Juana Escamilla	2/8

Anniversary Wishes

Gordon & Carla Zimmerman	2/4		
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Let us know when YOUR birthday or anniversary will be so we can add you to our list!



First Friday Adoration and confession was held at St. Joseph Church, Fairview on 02.02.2018. Heartfelt thanks to all who participated and helped to make it. We hope the number of people will increase next time.



Training for Readers, Eucharistic ministers and Ushers was held at St. Joseph Church, Fairview on 02.02.2018. Heartfelt thanks to all who participated and we encourage more people to participate.

myParish Have you been using the **myParish** app? If you have not yet downloaded the app, go to your phone's app store and download it today! New features are added all the time, with a Lent theme coming soon. There is a link to **watch Sunday Mass when you are not able to attend**, help with praying the rosary and much, much more.

WEEKLY TITHING

1/28	IC	ST. Jos.	ST. JOHN
ADULT	370.00	385.00	310.00
PLATE	188.00	84.00	
FUEL		160.00	
TOTAL	558.00	629.00	310.00
BUDGET	880.00	702.00	344.00
DIFFERENCE	-322.00	-73.00	-34.00
BUDG DIFF YTD	-178.82	+1533.80	-1344.85
CCHD	135.00	175.00	10.00

HOME VISITS: If you or someone you know is homebound or in the hospital or nursing home, or not feeling well and unable to attend Mass, and would like to receive a visit or Communion, Father or Bonnie would love to visit with you. Contact Father at (715)964-5201 or (715)574-4265, or Bonnie Firkus (715)334-4501.

Prayer Chain Requests contact Jolene Janke 715-964-6334 or stevenmj@centurytel.net
 The power of prayer is Amazing!
 Please pray for all on the Prayer Chain, as well as our Active Military: GERALYN JANKE, JOSEPH JANKE, KATIE KOTSCHI, FRANK UEKER, BENJAMIN KAUER, DEREK LAUFENBERG, LOGAN MEACHAM