

TRI-PARISH BULLETIN



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REGULAR MASS SCHEDULE

Sun. 8:30 am St Joseph/St John
10:15 am IC

Mon. No Mass

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

ABSTINENCE AND FASTING

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ Jesus, Lent is the time before Easter during which the faithful abstain and fast in remembrance of the ultimate sacrifice Jesus made on Calvary. It is a 40-day time of preparation before Easter. There are two main ways that Catholics use to focus on growing closer to God during the Lenten season: abstinence and fasting.

Abstinence—Abstinence is the act of avoiding something. For example, someone may abstain from chocolate or alcohol by not consuming them. Particular days of abstinence during Lent are Fridays, Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. As canon law states, Catholics over the age of 14 are expected to abstain from the eating of meat on Ash Wednesday and all Fridays throughout the Lenten Season (Canon 1250 -1253).

During Lent, Catholics are also encouraged to undertake some sort of personal penance or abstinence. Examples include giving up sweets, a favorite TV show or not listening to the radio in the car on the way to work. Giving up these things isn't some sort of endurance test, but these acts are done to draw the faithful closer to Christ.

Fasting - Fasting is the act of doing with less. In the Catholic Church, those ages 18 - 59 must fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday (Canon 97). On such days, those fasting may eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals, sufficient to maintain strength. However, together, the smaller meals should not equal a full meal. Eating between meals is not encouraged, but liquids are allowed.

It is important to understand that the Church excuses certain people from these obligations. Examples include those who are frail, pregnant or manual laborers. The Church understands that certain people are not able to commit to the Lenten fast.

The time of Lent, through fasting and abstaining, may be an important reminder of what it means to suffer. This small suffering should not be met with misery but with great joy as we better understand the incredible sacrifice that Jesus Christ made for humanity.

With love and prayers,
-Rev. Fr. Arockia A. Stanislaus

Sun. Mar. 11, 10:15 am, IC

R: Matt Dale
S: Dylan Anderson
U: M Kujak, M Schroeder, D Laufenberg, J Rowekamp
E: John Esser, Kathy Esser, JoAnn Kujak
G: The Kujaks
MC: Lawrence Anibas, Holly Dale

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

R: Cna Eisberner
S: Luke Kutchera, Elise Theiler
U: Dave Kaufman, Dennis Elfering
E: Dawn Kaufman, R Traczek, Louise Bourke
G: Dennis & Jan Elfering
MC: Jan, Louise, Rozanne

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

R: Joan Esser
S: Justin Rowekamp, Jaden Rowekamp
U: C Cray, M Dale, J Esser, L Anibas
E: Mike Esser, Joan Esser, Pat Gower
G: The Dales
MC: Greg Seichter, Mary Seichter, Pat Gower

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

R: Bonnie Firkus
S: Sierra Mayer, Elise Theiler
U: Doug Scheffer, Jeff Smith
E: Bonnie Firkus, Joan Scheffer, Peg Connelly
G: Bill & Peg Connelly
MC: Bonnie, Jeff, Peg

Sun. Mar. 25, 10:15 am, IC

R: JoAnn Kujak, Matt Dale
S: Dylan Anderson, volunteer
U: Bill Leis, Larry Boehnen, Mike Schroeder, Cal Casper
E: John Esser, Kathy Esser, JoAnn Kujak
G: Cal & Maria Casper
MC: Marilou Peterson, Mike Esser, Joan Esser

Sun. Mar. 25, 8:00 am, St. Joseph

R: Rozanne Traczek, Bonnie Firkus
S: Luke Kutchera, Sierra Mayer
U: Bill Connelly, Peter Emer
E: Dawn Kaufman, R Traczek, Louise Bourke
G: Bob & Louise Bourke
MC: Bonnie, Louise, Rozanne

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Calendar of Events

Date, Day	Event	Immaculate Conception	St Joseph/St John
Mar. 10, Sat		4:30 PM Mass, Hispanic For All Members of Our 3 Parishes	
Mar. 11, Sun	Fourth Sunday of Lent	10:15 AM Mass Children’s Mass †Claire & Laura Esser Coffee & rolls following Mass	8:30 AM Mass St Joseph †Jean Kutchera & Becky Kortbein
Mar 12, Mon		No Mass	
Mar 13, Tue		5:30 PM Mass, Hispanic Hispanic intentions	
Mar 14, Wed		9:00 AM Mass †Marcia Hayes 6:30 PM CCD	
Mar 15, Thu		9:00 AM Mass †Bernice Bever	
Mar 16, Fri		9:00 AM Mass †Claire & Laura Esser 6:30 Stations of the Cross	6:30 Stations of the Cross
Mar 17, Sat		4:30 PM Mass, Hispanic For All Members of Our 3 Parishes	
Mar 18, Sun	Fifth Sunday of Lent	10:15 AM Mass Children’s Mass †Barb Anibas	8:30 AM Mass St Joseph †Frank Traczek

COFFEE AND ROLLS AFTER THE MASS AT IC THIS SUNDAY

CONFESSIONS

Father is in the confessional before every weekend Mass. Remember your Lenten obligation and take advantage of those times to have your confession heard. We will also have opportunities to go to confession on Monday, Mar 19th from 6:00 pm to 6:30 pm before a special Feast Day Mass at St Joseph's, and Mar 21st during CCD time from 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm at Immaculate Conception.

EASTER FLOWERS

If you would like to donate toward Easter flowers in memory or honor of a loved one, there are envelopes in the vestibule. You can put the envelope in the collection, or give them to Maria Casper or Marci Baugher.

OLD PALMS

We will be placing containers in the vestibules for collecting old palms. If you save your palms and have some that are old and dry, you can give them back to the church so we can make ashes for next Ash Wednesday.

PALM SUNDAY MASS TIME CHANGE FOR ST JOSEPH

Just a head's up to let you know that we will start Mass on Palm Sunday a half hour early. The readings that day take extra time, and we don't want Father to be too late for his next Mass in Alma Center. Mass will start at 8:00 AM that day.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Stations of the Cross will be held at Immaculate Conception and St Joseph on Friday evenings at 6:30 PM. Please come share this Catholic tradition together this Lent.

CLEANING AT IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Cleaning day is 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. We are inviting everyone: young, old, men, women! Anyone who goes to Mass at IC can help out.

SIGN UP SHEETS

Holy Week services will be at St Joseph's this year. We need volunteers from all three churches to help make the week successful. There will be a sign up sheet in the vestibules and Immaculate Conception so you can assist at the services you will be attending. We will need extra readers, 12 people to represent the Apostles for Washing of the Feet on Holy Thursday, etc. Please be sure to check the sheets and help out in some way.

NEW MASS ASSIST SCHEDULE

We are posting a new Mass assistant schedule. There are extra copies in the vestibule, please take one if you need one. There are many new names on the schedule, so please spread the word to those listed who are not here today. Sometimes people tell me they will be gone, and I have to change the schedule, so please watch the bulletin for changes. I'll try to keep it as close to the posted schedule as possible.

ST ANSGAR LENTEN FISH FRY

St Ansgar, 607 Olson St., Blair is having a Lenten Fish Fry on Friday, Mar 23. They will be serving from 4:00-7:30 pm. Please see the flyer in the vestibule.

Birthday Wishes/Anniversary Wishes

Trevor Mayer	3/12	Anne Scheffer	3/13
Mary Seichter	3/13	Betty Oliver	3/13
Erick Noel Sanchez	3/14	Valeria Jaime	3/16
Pat Gower	3/16	Bill Leis	3/17

No anniversaries reported for this month.

Let us know when YOUR birthday or anniversary will be so we can add you to our list!



As you can see, the new roof at IC was a big job, and they did it well. Thank you to all who donated toward the project, and thanks to Bertrang Roofing for getting it done so quickly and without inconvenience to us. The next project at IC will be painting the outside of the church. More info on that soon!

WEEKLY TITHING

3/4	IC	ST. JOS.	ST. JOHN
ADULT	1031.00	723.00	30.00
PLATE	211.75	39.00	
FUEL	50.00		
VOTIVES	149.25	8.75	
APPEAL REBATE	192.00		
TOTAL	1484.75	770.75	30.00
BUDGET	880.00	702.00	344.00
DIFFERENCE	-349.00	-418.00	-39.00
BUDG DIFF YTD	1901.53	2816.30	-1835.85

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-NELSON, FRANK UEKER, BENJAMIN KAUFER, DEREK LAUFENBERG, LOGAN MEACHAM and MADELEINE SEARLES.