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Fairchild WI 54741  
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blackcreekllodge@hotmail.com

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Scott Bertrang  
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In Memory of  
Nancy Dimmitt Flynn  
Selz-Pralle Dairy Family

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**ANONYMOUS DONORS**  
FINANCIAL AID AVAILABLE FOR INDIVIDUALS OR FAMILIES WHO EXPERIENCE NEED DUE TO ILLNESS, ACCIDENT, OR ACTS OF NATURE  
Contacts: Jeffrey Smith or Marcel Kujak

Anonymous



Immaculate Conception Parish  
341 W Main St PO Box 188  
Alma Center WI 54611-0188  
715-964-5201



St. Joseph Parish-Fairview  
N13740 Fairview Rd  
Fairchild WI 54741-8514  
715-964-5201



St. John Cantius Parish  
306 2nd St.  
Fairchild WI 54741-8514  
715-964-5201

**PASTOR**  
**Fr. Daniel Thelen**  
715-964-5201 or 715-218-8391  
**OFFICE PHONE**  
715-964-5201  
**TRI-PARISH EMAIL ID**  
icjosephjohn@hotmail.com  
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Immaculate Joseph John  
**PARISH SECRETARY, BOOKKEEPER**  
Dawn Kaufman  
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**OFFICE HOURS**  
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**DIR. OF REL. EDUCATION**  
Joan Esser 715-964-1745  
**DIR. OF SACRED MUSIC**  
Jolene Janke 715-964-6334

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

**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**  
During the school year

Welcome to all who come to our churches! If you would like to become a registered member of Immaculate Conception, St Joseph-Fairview or St John Cantius, please talk to the priest, or leave your name and phone number in the collection basket and we will contact you.

Dear Parishioners of Immaculate Conception, St Joseph, and St John Cantius!

This last week I received a call from a priest friend of mine whom I studied with in seminary. He is from Rhode Island. In our conversation he told me that his parish has 14,000 members. I can't imagine his work load. On average in America there are about 2,000 Catholics per every priest. Large metro areas such as Joliet Diocese in Illinois are approaching about 10,000 Catholics per every priest, while rural dioceses hover closer to 1,000 Catholics per every priest.

I share this, partly cause I like numbers, but also because I feel blessed to be in the small and friendly communities that surround our three parishes. Because of our rural setting I am able to provide a more personal touch as I minister to each of you. Likewise, I am also able to reach outside of the parish walls and meet people within the community. Thus thank you to everyone who has invited me to community events. Please keep thinking of me when something is happening.

Our Gospel this week speaks about the feeding of the five-thousand with just five loaves and two fish. When we live a life for Christ the small daily offerings we offer to God are multiplied and in his providence bear abundant fruit. When we offer the little we have, God can provide amazing blessings.

We come to church for many reasons. But one of the primary reasons we come is to rest for an hour in the presence of God. The gentleness and love of God at Holy Mass helps calm our hectic and noisy lives. In no other place can we find the same rest and peace. When we place ourselves in the presence of God we begin to experience healing as we hear his gentle and tender love God.

I encourage you therefore in your walk with the Lord. He is loving you abundantly wherever you find yourself. I am so happy to be here with you. Please reach out if you are in need of anything. May God in his love continue to bless and protect you.

Please pray for me as I continue the beautiful blessing of shepherding your parishes! I am definitely keeping you all in prayer!

Fr Dan Thelen

We still have room for more ads! If you would like to place an ad or be a sponsor, please contact Dawn Kaufman at 715-533-8344

**COMMUNITY BAND CONCERT**  
The Black River Falls Area Community Band Concert will be Sunday August 12 at 3:00 PM at Ekern Park in Pigeon Falls. Bring your own lawn chair. Ice Cream Sundaes served. In case of inclement weather, the concert will be held at Peace Lutheran of Pigeon Falls. Sponsored by the Pigeon Falls Lions Club

17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**DIOCESE OF LA CROSSE GUIDELINES FOR REPORTING INSTANCES OF CHILD ABUSE**  
The Diocese of La Crosse, through its policies and procedures, seeks to provide a prompt, appropriate and compassionate response to reporters of sexual abuse of a child by a priest or deacon. Anyone wishing to make a report of an allegation of sexual abuse should send that report to Bishop William P. Callahan at the Diocese of La Crosse, P.O. Box 4004, La Crosse, WI 54602-4004. The form is available through the Diocese of La Crosse, Office for Clergy; or on the diocesan website at: www.dioceseoflacrosse.com. **Individuals are also encouraged to take their reports directly to civil authorities.** Copies of the diocesan policy are available through your local parish and on the diocesan website.

If you have any questions about the Diocese of La Crosse and the implementation of the *Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People*, please contact Monsignor David Kunz, Vicar for Clergy, Diocese of La Crosse, at (608) 791-2679; or dkunz@dioceseoflacrosse.com

**PARISH MISSION STATEMENT**

We, the Catholic families of Immaculate Conception, St. Joseph and St. John, believe that ours is the Mission of Christ. We live and proclaim the Gospel through prayer, liturgy and action. We accept the challenge to live in the Gospel, to love others as Christ loves us, and to be model of Christian stewardship. Empowered by our Baptism, we give witness to the values of Christian unity, Service. Compassion and Justice.

Date/Day		IC	SSJJ	Birthday/Anniversary
Jul 28, Sat		4:30 PM Mass, Hispanic For All Members of Our 3 Parishes		
Jul 29, Sun	17th Sunday in OT	10:15 AM Mass †For 63rd Anniversary of John & JoAnn Schroeder	8:30 AM Mass St John †Marilyn Traczek	Dan Kraft
Jul 30, Mon		No Mass		Bill & Peg Connelly (A)
Jul 31, Tue		5:30 PM Mass, Hispanic †Nathan Franks		
Aug 1, Wed		9:00 AM Mass †Gladys Ryan		
Aug 2, Thu		9:00 AM Mass †Leon & Florence Hoeser		
Aug 3, Fri	First Friday Adoration & Confession		5:30 PM Adoration & Confession 6:00 PM, Mass St Joseph †Eugene Traczek	
Aug 4, Sat	First Saturday Adoration & Confession	4:00 PM Adoration & Confession 4:30 PM Mass, Hispanic For All Members of Our 3 Parishes		
Aug 5, Sun	18th Sunday in OT	10:15 AM Mass <b>11:15 Welcome Fr Dan Party</b>	8:30 AM Mass St Joseph †Sr. Jane Winkler	

### CHURCH CLEANING AT IC!

Parishioners are needed at Immaculate Conception on Friday, Aug 3rd, at 9:00 AM to help clean in preparation for the dinner on Aug. 8th. If you haven't volunteered for anything yet this year, now is the time. The more people, the faster we will get done.

### PARTY TO WELCOME FR DAN!

There will be a welcome breakfast for Fr Dan after the 10:15 Mass at Immaculate Conception on Sunday, Aug. 5th. Please come and welcome him, meet him if you haven't already, and enjoy some breakfast. All parishes are encouraged to come!

### IC PARISH DINNER COMING SOON!

Immaculate Conception's Annual Roast Beef and Pork Dinner and Raffle is coming soon!! Mark it on your calendar, Wednesday, August 8, 2018. Dinner is served from 4 pm to 7 pm.

### BULLETIN ADS AND SPONSORS

It's not too late to submit an ad or be a sponsor for the bulletin! Contact Dawn Kaufman if you are interested.

### myParish app

There are still a lot of parishioners who have not started using the myParish app. We encourage anyone with a smart phone to please download this app! It is a fast and easy way to communicate with our parishioners. If there is a change in schedule, a special occasion, or just a reminder of a church event, you can get the word quickly. You can also see a calendar of upcoming events in the Diocese, messages from Pope Francis or Bishop Callahan, Mass times, help with prayers, watch a Mass online. So many good Catholic connections! Text "APP" to 88202, or download for free at your favorite app store.

### WANTED: CCD TEACHERS

We are looking for anyone who is interested in teaching CCD, or helping with the program in any way. Please contact Joan Esser at 715-964-1745.

### IF YOU CANNOT SERVE—PLEASE FIND A SUBSTITUTE

#### Sun. Jul. 29, 10:15 am, IC

R: Matt Dale  
S: Jaden Rowekamp, M King, Emily Janicki  
U: G Esser, Matt Esser, K Ristow, Alan Janicki  
E: John Esser, Kathy Esser, JoAnn Kujak  
G: Greg & Mary Seichter  
MC: volunteers

#### Sun. Jul. 29., 8:30 am, St. John

R: C Eisberner  
S: Luke Kutchera, Sierra Mayer  
U: Bill Connelly, Peter Emer  
E: D Kaufman, C Eisberner, G Eisberner  
G: Debbie Boullion & Rozanne Traczek  
MC: P Connelly, J Smith, T Baumann

#### Sun. Aug. 5, 10:15 am, IC

R: Joan Esser  
S: D Anderson, Chloe & Sierra McFarland  
U: C Cray, J Hayden, J Rowekamp, C Trautlein  
E: Mike Esser, Joan Esser, Pat Gower  
G: Chris & Stacy Shramek  
MC: John Esser, Peg Hayden, John Hayden

#### Sun. Aug. 5, 8:30 am, St. Joseph

R: Bonnie Firkus  
S: Rick Dimmitt, Doug Scheffer  
U: John Kutchera, Nick Kutchera  
E: J Scheffer, D Elfering, A Baumann  
G: Nick & Cole Kutchera  
MC: Rick & Pam Dimmitt, Joan Scheffer

#### Sun. Aug. 12, 10:15 am, IC

R: JoAnn Kujak  
S: Justin Rowekamp, Keaton Dale, I Emerich  
U: M Kujak, L Boehnen, C Casper, E Olson  
E: John Esser, Kathy Esser, JoAnn Kujak  
G: Matt & Holly Dale  
MC: Laurence Anibas, Holly Dale

#### Sun. Aug. 12, 8:30 am, St. John

R: Rozanne Traczek  
S: Elise Theiler, Luke Kutchera  
U: Tim Mayer, Dan Kaufman  
E: R Traczek, L Bourke, P Connelly  
G: Den & Jan Elfering  
MC: S Mayer, L Bourke, C Eisberner

### DIVINE CATHOLIC SYMBOLS



The crucifix is a depiction of the cross that reveals the body of Christ as a reminder of the suffering and sacrifice made for mankind. The crucifix adorns the walls of homes and churches of Roman Catholics. It is placed facing the priest on the altar and facing the congregation above the Eucharistic altar. It is, in truth, the ultimate symbol of sacrifice.

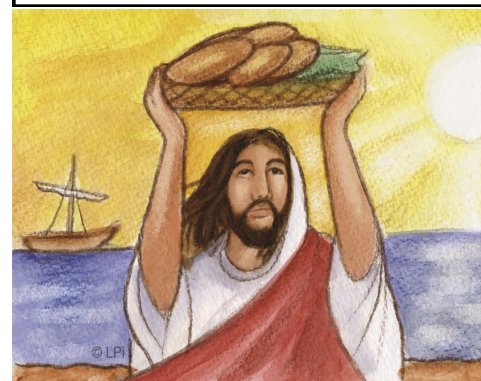
**Guardian Angels Parish**  
**St Joseph Church Festival**  
**507 Main St Black River Falls, WI**  
Sat & Sun August 18 & 19  
Vendor Fair, Bake Sale, Silent Auction, Bingo, Food Tent,  
Beer & Wine Garden, Kid's Games both days  
**Sat. Evening 5 PM "Family Night at the Festival"** with music,  
games, food, and beverage  
**SUNDAY**  
Penny Hunt, Live Auction and  
**Grilled Chicken Dinner**  
11 am to 2 pm  
1/4 Chicken \$8.00 & 1/2 Chicken \$10.00  
Kids under 6 Eat Free—Carry outs available

### SAVE THE DATE

#### THORP DEANERY CONVOCATION, SEPT 5

Welcome! The Thorp Deanery Convocation is an annual gathering of Catholics from Abbotsford, Colby, Owen, Thorp, Loyal, Greenwood, Willard, Neillsville, Alma Center, Fairview and Fairchild. We come together to grow in our faith and to strengthen the ministries of our parishes.

The evening begins with a keynote speaker on a topic of concern to all of us. Then there are two rounds of 45 minute workshops. Each participant is able to pick two different workshops from the 8 offered. The evening ends with a social, giving everyone the chance to share what they learned and meet new friends. Please take a brochure in the church entrance.



Jesus said, "Have the people recline." Now there was a great deal of grass in that place. So the men reclined, about five thousand in number. When they had had their fill, he said to his disciples, "Gather the fragments left over, so that nothing will be wasted." — Jn 6:10, 12

Jesús le respondió: "Díganle a la gente que se sienten". En aquel lugar había mucha hierba. Todos, pues, se sentaron ahí; y tan sólo los hombres eran unos cinco mil. Después de que todos se saciaron, dijo a sus discípulos: "Recojan los pedazos sobrantes, para que no se desperdicien". — Jn 6, 10, 12

### ST ANTHONY RETREAT CENTER

If you are looking for a place to contemplate your life, reflect on your religion, share your grief, support a healthy spirituality, etc. St Anthony Spirituality Center is the place for you.

Check out their website:  
[www.sarcenter.com](http://www.sarcenter.com)  
for the latest programs they have to offer or contact them at:

St Anthony Spirituality Center  
300 E Fourth St  
Marathon WI 54448  
715-443-2236

**Remember your parish when you write your will!**

Some people have asked for **Fr Amir's new address**, so here it is:

Fr Arockia Stanislaus  
114 W Wilson Ave  
Elmwood WI 54740

**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, please contact Fr Dan at (715)964-5201 or (715)218-8391, or Bonnie Firkus (715)334-4501.

In Memory of  
Nancy Dimmitt Flynn  
Selz-Pralle Dairy Family

### SPONSOR OF THE WEEK

We thank the Selz-Pralle Dairy Family for their sponsorship.

Please thank them for this ad!

**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 Kauer, Derek Laufenberg, Logan Meacham and Madeleine Searles.

WEEKLY TITHING				
7/21 & 7/22	IC SAT	IC SUN	ST. JOSEPH	ST. JOHN
ADULT	150.00	366.00	1021.00	140.00
PLATE	85.00	251.00	70.00	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>852.00</b>	<b>1091.00</b>	<b>1091.00</b>	<b>140.00</b>
BUDGET	1451.00	737.00	737.00	336.00
<b>DIFFERENCE</b>	<b>(599.00)</b>	<b>354.00</b>	<b>354.00</b>	<b>(196.00)</b>
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