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 Alma Center, WI 54611  
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 715.964.7023 Fax  
 strawberry-square@hotmail.com  


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 Alma Center  
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 715-964-5761  


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 S13231 County Road H  
 Fairchild WI 54741  
 715-313-0906  
 blackcreekllodge@hotmail.com


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 715-210-4422

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 PO Box 217  
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 715-963-2311  
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In Memory of  
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 BLACK RIVER FALLS CLINIC PHARMACY  
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 Alma Center, WI  
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 Black River Falls, WI 54615  
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 email: info@rippdistco.com  
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 Home & Office Bottled Water Service  
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 Alma Center, WI 54611

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 **J BROTHERS TRANS INC**  
 Alma Center, WI  
 Your Flatbed Specialist  
 715-670-1023  
 jbrother84@gmail.com

**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



**TRI-PARISH BULLETIN Aug. 5, 2018**



**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  
**TRI-PARISH FACEBOOK**  
 Immaculate Joseph John  
**PARISH SECRETARY, BOOKKEEPER**  
 Dawn Kaufman  
 715-334-3931 or 715-533-8344  
**OFFICE HOURS**  
**WED. & THU. 9:30-11:30**  
**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! Today marks one month since my arrival here in your communities! It has been a very blessed month and it truly feels like a home here. I have been so impressed by the true kindness of everyone! Thank you!

Last Sunday I decided to venture out on my bicycle for the first time since arriving here. Within the first five miles I got rained on and then just as I was about to leave Merrilan I got a flat. Apart from the fact that we need rain it was a rather unfortunate ride. But it got me thinking about spiritual things – as so often events like these do.

In our Gospel today we continue with the sixth chapter of St John, a very important chapter regarding Eucharistic theology. Jesus says at the conclusion of the reading this Sunday, "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me will never hunger, and whoever believes in me will never thirst."

In the moment when my bike got a flat, I didn't know what to do. I have biked several thousand miles in the past and not once have I had a flat. But today it happened. Soon I got my bearings and realized I could just call someone and through the kindness of one of our parishioners I was quickly back home.

Jesus says he is the bread of life. When our life is difficult do we remember to go to Jesus? Do we say a small prayer? Do we visit Jesus in the church? Do we light a candle at a shrine? Do we place our confidence in God who is the bread of life?

Jesus says that if we go to him we will not thirst and we will not hunger. Do we believe him? God answers prayers in unexpected ways. We may not get the answer we anticipated. His answer, however, is always better than we imagined. Trust that Jesus is the bread of life! He always gives the graces we truly need.

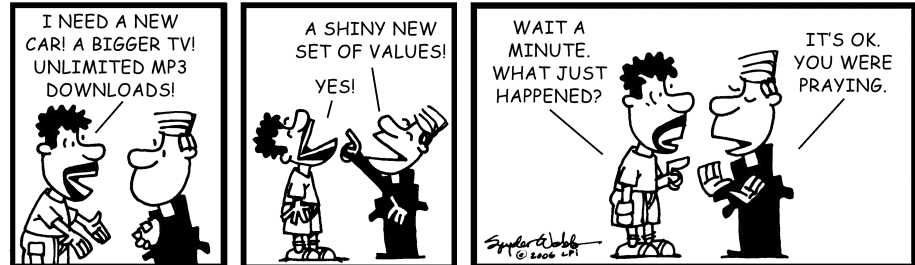
There is no better place to encounter God than in the church. It is here that he remains day and night in the Holy Eucharist. In each of our three churches Jesus is truly present. What a blessing to know that he is so close!!

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**

18TH 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    |
|-------------|---------------------------------------|--|---|-------------------------|
| Aug 4, Sat  | First Saturday Adoration & Confession | 4:00 PM Adoration & Confession<br>4:30 PM Mass, Hispanic<br>For All Members of Our 3 Parishes  |   |                         |
| Aug 5, Sun  | 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time          | 10:15 AM Mass<br>Deceased Members of Catholic Family Life<br><b>11:15 Welcome Fr Dan Party</b> | 8:30 AM Mass St Joseph<br>†Sr. Jane Winkler |                         |
| Aug 6, Mon  |                                       | No Mass  |   | Sostenes Jaime          |
| Aug 7, Tue  |                                       | 5:30 PM Mass, Hispanic<br>†Martin & Dorothy Kalina   |   |                         |
| Aug 8, Wed  |                                       | 9:00 AM Mass<br>†Leonard & Betty Rueth   |   |                         |
| Aug 9, Thu  |                                       | 9:00 AM Mass<br>†Franklin Walter   |   | Vito Chillemi           |
| Aug 10, Fri |                                       | 9:00 AM Mass<br>†Jerome & Millie Wehe  |   |                         |
| Aug 11, Sat |                                       | 4:30 PM Mass, Hispanic<br>For All Members of Our 3 Parishes                                    |   |                         |
| Aug 12, Sun | 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time          | 10:15 AM Mass<br>†Doug Munz  | 8:30 AM Mass St John<br>†Sharon Gayken      | Char & Rocky Bowman (A) |

### 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 THIS WEEK!

Immaculate Conception's Annual Roast Beef and Pork Dinner and Raffle is this week! Be sure to join us this Wednesday, August 8, 2018. Dinner is served from 4 pm to 7 pm. The food is great, and the pies are out of this world. They also hold a raffle, so be sure to get in on that!

### 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.

### 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. There will be a Religion meeting for all the teachers on Wednesday, Aug. 22 at 6:30 PM in Alma Center.

### SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY—HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

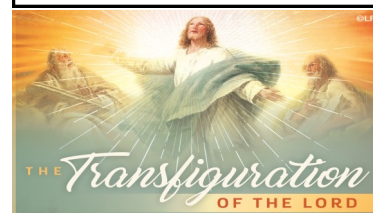
Wednesday, August 15th is the Feast of the Assumption of Mary, and a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses will be Tues. Aug. 14 at IC at 5:30 PM in Spanish, and Wed. Aug. 15 9:00 AM at IC and 6:00 PM at St Joseph's.

### MEET AND GREET AT ST JOSEPH'S AUG. 19

There will be a Meet and Greet On Sunday Aug. 19th after the 8:30 AM Mass at St Joseph's. All are invited to come have some refreshments and spend some time with fellow parishioners.

### WANTED: SHUTTERBUGS

We like to include pictures in the bulletin, they add a nice, personal touch. We are looking for a few parishioners who like to take pictures, and share them with us for the bulletin. Anything appropriate that we would all like to see! Something at church, or Mass, or a community event, use your imagination! Email them to Dawn Kaufman (dawnkaufman@hotmail.com) or the church (icjosephjohn@hotmail.com).



“All parents need to be part of their child's religious education.”

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**St Patrick Parish**  
100 S L St, Sparta WI  
Summerfest

**Sat-Sun, Aug 11 & 12**

**Saturday**—8:30 AM Outdoor Arts and Crafts Show, 9 AM Auction, 9 AM Burgers, Brats, corn on the cob and more  
Throughout the day: free family games for the kids, Country Store & Bake Sale, indoor Arts & Crafts sale, raffles, 50/50, Wine Baskets, Silent Auction  
4-7 PM—Famous Baked Chicken Dinner, 4:30 PM Mass  
6-10 PM Red Crow Band featuring Classic Rock

**Sunday**—Mass at 8:15 and 10:30 AM  
Fiesta Latina theme Sunday, inc. authentic Mexican food and refreshments 11 AM-5 PM, Mariachi Estrella Band noon-3 PM  
Free family games for kids, indoor Arts & Crafts Sale, 50/50, Basket Raffle and more  
Closing with a Spanish Mass at 6 PM

For a complete listing, visit Facebook page:  
[www.facebook.com/SummerfestSparta/](http://www.facebook.com/SummerfestSparta/)

When God pushes you to the edge, trust Him fully, because only two things can happen. Either He will catch you when you fall or He will teach you how to fly.

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**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.

**Health Mart PHARMACY**

BLACK RIVER FALLS CLINIC PHARMACY  
610 W ADAMS STREET  
BLACK RIVER FALLS, WI 54615  
PHONE: 715-284-4089

MONDAY - FRIDAY 8:30 - 5:30  
SATURDAYS 8:30 - 12:00

**SPONSOR OF THE WEEK**  
The Black River Falls Clinic Pharmacy, located in the Krohn Clinic, can fill your prescription fast, as you leave the clinic! The staff are friendly and very helpful.  
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.

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

**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

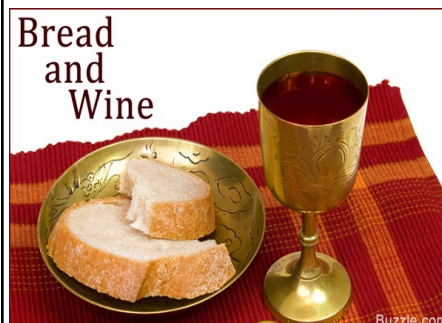
**Sun. Aug. 12, 10:15 am, IC**  
R: JoAnn Kujak  
S: Justin Rowekamp, Keaton Dale, I Emerich  
U: M Kujak, L Boehnen, C Casper, E Olson  
E: John Esser, Kathy Esser, JoAnn Kujak  
G: Matt & Holly Dale  
MC: Laurence Anibas, Holly Dale

**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

**Sun. Aug. 19, 10:15 am, IC**  
R: Kathy Esser  
S: Jaden Rowekamp, M Janke, Annika C.  
U: M Schroeder, B Leis, C Shramek, C Trautlien  
E: Mike Esser, Joan Esser, Pat Gower  
G: Dean & Janet Stephens  
MC: Marcel Kujak, JoAnn Kujak, Pat Gower

**Sun. Aug. 19, 8:30 am, St. Joseph**  
R: Jan Elfering  
S: Elise Theiler, Rick Dimmitt  
U: Pat Kutchera, Tom Baumann  
E: G Eisberner, D Elfering, L Bourke  
G: Tom & Anna Baumann  
MC: P Connelly, J Smith, T Baumann

### DIVINE CATHOLIC SYMBOLS



The consecrated bread and wine at Holy Mass are truly the Body and Blood of Christ sacrificed on the altar. The priest and the laity become one in Christ after receiving Holy Communion.

| WEEKLY TITHING    |                |        |                 |               |
|-------------------|----------------|--------|-----------------|---------------|
| 7/28 & 7/29       | IC SAT         | IC SUN | ST. JOSEPH      | ST. JOHN      |
| ADULT             | 364.00         | 760.00 | 331.00          | 340.00        |
| PLATE             | 203.69         | 146.00 |                 | 64.00         |
| FUEL              |                | 150.00 |                 |               |
| APPEAL REB.       | 30.00          |        | 250.00          |               |
| <b>TOTAL</b>      | <b>1653.69</b> |        | <b>581.00</b>   | <b>404.00</b> |
| BUDGET            | 1451.00        |        | 737.00          | 336.00        |
| <b>DIFFERENCE</b> | <b>202.69</b>  |        | <b>(156.00)</b> | <b>68.00</b>  |
| BUDG DIFF YTD     | (1646.31)      |        | 342.00          | 74.00         |

**St Raymond of Penafort Parish**  
Fall Festival  
E10455 Mallard Rd, Fall Creek, WI

**Fri - Sun August 24 - 26**

**Fri. Evening**—KC Fish Fry 4-7 PM, Bake Walk, Silent Auction, Themed Basket Raffle, Ice Cream Stand, Country Store, Beer Tent

**Sat. Evening** 6 PM Mass

**Sunday**—Mass 10 AM, Chicken Dinner 10:30-1:30, Variety Show 1 PM, KC Punt, Pass & Kick Contest 12 PM, Silent Auction, Country Store, Themed Basket Raffle, Pies Sales, Ice Cream Stand, Beer Tent, Kids Games

See the poster at the back of church for more details.