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In Memory of  
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 FINANCIAL AID AVAILABLE FOR INDIVIDUALS OR FAMILIES WHO EXPERIENCE NEED DUE TO ILLNESS, ACCIDENT, OR ACTS OF NATURE  
 Contacts: Jeffrey Smith 715-334-3983 or Marcel Kujak 715-964-5301

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  
**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!  
 As you can see, I got to take in my first game at Lambeau! It was definitely a wonderful experience! The Packers won too, making it all the better.

On Tuesday I was blessed to help lead a retreat for high school students and young adults in Fountain City. About thirty students were present. They were from Chippewa Falls, Eau Claire, La Crosse, etc. I have known many of these students for over ten years, watching them come into the church as toddlers. To see them now as teenagers and young adults, filled with faith, is quite inspiring. The youth are the future of our Church and our world. It is such a blessing to see them flourish.

One of the most compelling reasons why our Church has stood the test of time is because it encompasses the breadth of humanity's existence: its suffering, desires, and hopes. From the words of Scripture, which both console and give meaning, to the joy of births and to the times of death, the Church stands ready with word and sacrament to give meaning and comfort to our human existence.

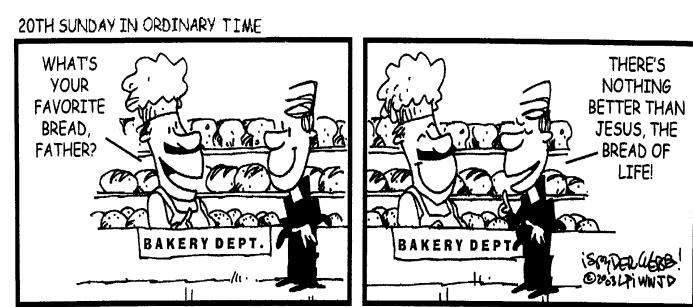
Take for instance the many symbols within our church. The Easter candle for instance. It is lit for us at the two most important junctures of our life. At our Baptism and at our Funeral. This candle which symbolizes the Light of Christ symbolizes the great hope that we have in the Resurrection both when we become Christian and when we leave this earth to return to Christ.

The Eucharist is no exception. The altar is a symbol stretching back to the time of Abraham and Moses as a symbol of sacrifice and as a symbol also of communion. Hence we continue to use it today for these very same reasons. Here at this very altar we come into contact with the mystery of Christ's sacrifice, his passion and death upon the Cross. His complete gift of himself in love. But here too we partake in communion with him. Sharing in the fruit of his sacrifice.

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**



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

**Guardian Angels Parish**  
**St Joseph Church Festival**  
 507 Main St Black River Falls, WI  
 Sat & Sun August 18 & 19  
 Vender 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  
 Weekend Masses—Sat 4 pm & Sun 10:30 am

**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](http://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](mailto: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 18, Sat		4:30 PM Mass, Hispanic For All Members of Our 3 Parishes		Marilou Peterson
Aug 19, Sun	20th Sunday in Ordinary Time	10:15 AM Mass †Rose Michels	8:30 AM Mass St Joseph †Bernard Scheffer <b>9:30 AM Meet &amp; Greet</b>	
Aug 20, Mon		No Mass		
Aug 21, Tue		5:30 PM Mass, Hispanic †Clayton Hohlnhofer		
Aug 22, Wed		9:00 AM Mass †Leonard & Betty Rueth <b>6:30 PM CCD Teacher Meeting</b>		
Aug 23, Thu		9:00 AM Mass †Franklin Walter		
Aug 24, Fri		9:00 AM Mass †Jerome & Millie Wehe		Victor & Bonnie Firkus (A) Doug & Joan Scheffer (A)
Aug 25, Sat		4:30 PM Mass, Hispanic For All Members of Our 3 Parishes		
Aug 26, Sun	21st Sunday in Ordinary Time	10:15 AM Mass †Martin & Dorothy Kalina <b>11:15 AM St Mary's Cemetery-Annual Mtg</b>	8:30 AM Mass St John †Larry Mayer	Bonnie Firkus

**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: 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 THIS Wednesday, Aug. 22 at 6:30 PM in Alma Center.

**ST MARY'S CEMETERY ANNUAL MEETING**  
St Mary's Cemetery committee will have their annual meeting on Sunday, Aug 26th, after the 10:15 Mass.

**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION ANNUAL DINNER A SUCCESS!!**  
We would like to thank Janet and Dean Stephens for all the time they put in handling the raffle for our dinner. Thank you to Pat Gower and Mary Seichter for all their planning and cooking. And to everyone who gave of their time to work at the dinner, it is greatly appreciated. Everyone did a great job, and we had a very nice crowd. It was quite a success!

**PRAYER CHAIN**  
If you would like to be added to the Prayer Chain, please contact Jolene Janke at 715-964-6334 or email her at stevenmj@centurytel.net. Whenever there is a prayer request, Jolene contacts the chain to ask us to pray for the needs of the requestor. You can never get too many prayers!



Fr Dan's first trip to Lambeau!  
Packers vs. Titans  
8/9/18 - Go Pack Go!



Congratulations to Natalia Jaime, daughter of Eduardo and Argelia Jaime, who was baptized at Immaculate Conception!

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

**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

**Sun. Aug. 26, 10:15 am, IC**  
R: Matt Dale  
S: D Anderson, M King, E Janicki  
U: M Kujak, L Boehnen, C Casper, E Olson  
E: John Esser, Kathy Esser, JoAnn Kujak  
G: Marcel & JoAnn Kujak  
MC: Marilou Peterson, Mike Esser, Joan Esser

**Sun. Aug. 26, 8:30 am, St. John**  
R: Cna Eisberner  
S: Sierra Mayer, Luke Eisberner  
U: Larry Kohn, Bob Mayer  
E: D Kaufman, G & C Eisberner  
G: Bob & Sandy Mayer  
MC: R Dimmitt, P Dimmitt, J Scheffer

**Sun. Sep. 2, 10:15 am, IC**  
R: Matt Dale  
S: D Anderson, M King, E Janicki  
U: M Kujak, L Boehnen, C Casper, E Olson  
E: John Esser, Kathy Esser, JoAnn Kujak  
G: Marcel & JoAnn Kujak  
MC: Marilou Peterson, Mike Esser, Joan Esser

**Sun. Sep. 2, 8:30 am, St. Joseph**  
R: Cna Eisberner  
S: Sierra Mayer, Luke Eisberner  
U: Larry Kohn, Bob Mayer  
E: D Kaufman, G & C Eisberner  
G: Bob & Sandy Mayer  
MC: R Dimmitt, P Dimmitt, J Scheffer

**DIVINE CATHOLIC SYMBOLS**



Inscribed on liturgical items, vestments, gravestones, sacred vessels, and plaques, the Chi Rho is a symbol of Christ. Superimposed on one another, the Greek letters chi (X)—corresponding to the 'Ch'—and rho (P)—corresponding to the 'r' of Christ—are often rendered in the form of a cross.

WEEKLY TITHING				
8/11&12	IC SAT	IC SUN	ST. JOSEPH	ST. JOHN
ADULT	132.00	664.00	561.00	670.00
PLATE	190.89	288.00	20.00	40.00
FUEL	25.00	360.00		
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1659.89</b>	<b>581.00</b>	<b>581.00</b>	<b>710.00</b>
BUDGET	1451.00	737.00	336.00	
<b>DIFFERENCE</b>	<b>208.89</b>	<b>(156.00)</b>	<b>374.00</b>	
BUDG DIFF YTD	(793.67)	362.00	172.00	

**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.



ANNUAL ROAST BEEF AND PORK DINNER AT IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Dinner			
Receipts		Expenses	
Donations	\$1,011.69	Pork	\$125.00
Ticket Sales	\$3,187.90	Beef	\$685.11
Resale	\$75.00	Miscellaneous	\$117.69
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$4,274.59</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$927.80</b>
<b>Net Profit</b>	<b>\$3,346.79</b>		
Total tickets sold	317		
Quilt			
Receipts	\$132.00		
Raffle			
Receipts	\$2,477.00	Prize Money	\$1,000.00
<b>Net Profit</b>	<b>\$1,477.00</b>		
<b>Total Profit from all</b>	<b>\$4,955.79</b>		

**MYPARISH APP** If you have not yet downloaded the "myParish" app, text "APP" to 88202 or go to your phone's app store and download it today! Once you are connected, you can receive messages about changes in Mass time, special events, help with prayers, and so much more!

**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.

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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.