

# IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

1722 Highland Avenue • Eau Claire • Wisconsin

July 31, 2022



## 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday

IN ORDINARY TIME

[Jesus] said to the crowd, "Take care to guard against all greed, for though one may be rich, one's life does not consist of possessions." - Lk 12:15

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### WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday.....5:00pm  
Sunday.....8:30 & 10:30am

### WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday.....5:30pm  
Wednesday.....7:00am  
Thursday  
when school is NOT IN session..... 8:45am  
when school is IN session.....9:00am  
Friday.....7:00am

### CONFESSIONS

Tuesdays.....4:00pm - 5:15pm  
Thursdays.....6:00pm - 7:30pm

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- Joining the Parish • Weddings
- Baptisms • Anointing of the sick
- You are home-bound & would like a visit

*Immaculate Conception Parish strives to be a faith-filled, Christ-centered community, sharing the gifts of time, talent and treasure. We gather for worship and fellowship, provide opportunities for growth through education and formation, serve the parish community and others in need and welcome all people, thereby witnessing to Christ's love and presence.*

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**MONDAY, August 1st**

*Saint Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop and Doctor of the Church*

**TUESDAY, August 2nd**

*Weekday*

5:30pm †Judy Corcoran

**WEDNESDAY, August 3rd**

*Weekday*

7:00am †Ellen Campbell

**THURSDAY, August 4th**

*Saint John Vianney, Priest*

8:45am †Tony Pope

**FRIDAY, August 5th ~ First Friday**

*Weekday*

7:00am †Rita York

**SATURDAY, August 6th ~ First Saturday**

*The Transfiguration of the Lord*

7:00am †Cheryl & Edward Campbell

*Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

5:00pm †Pete & Dolores Meinholz

†Paul & Ann Meier

**SUNDAY, August 7th**

*Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:30am †Judy Sires

10:30am Parish Community

**PARISH NEWS**

**Check the Parish Website for more Information**

Website: <https://www.ic-ec.us/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/iccatholicchurch/>

**Diocesan Masses:**

**Live Stream Schedule at [diolc.org/live](http://diolc.org/live)**

- Sunday Mass with Bishop Callahan – 9:30am, on [Channel 18](#)
- Daily Mass (Mon-Sat) from the Cathedral – 8:00am

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

**Wednesday's at 9:00am until Benediction at 1:00pm.**

**Rosary**

Rosary will be said on Fridays at 11:00am. Please join us to pray for all the turmoil in our world and to thank God for all our blessings.

**\*If there is a funeral, rosary will be cancelled.**

**Mass Intentions**

If you would like a Mass said for your loved one, please contact the Parish Office at 715-835-9935.

**PARISH NEWS continued**

**First Friday Holy Hour ~ August 5th**

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Adoration begins immediately following the 7:00am Mass. Opportunity for Anointing of Sick, Confession, Benediction and praying the Divine Mercy Chaplet.

**Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend**

Give your marriage a well-deserved vacation. Plan to go on a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend and come back with a marriage that is refreshed and full of energy! Upcoming dates are- September 9th - 11th in Dubuque, IA or November 18th - 20th in Holstein, IA. For more information call Greg and Denise at (563) 920-9419 or [drubner9419@gmail.com](mailto:drubner9419@gmail.com)

**~ 2022 Parish Festival ~**

The Immaculate Conception Parish Festival will be held on Saturday, September 17th from 6:00pm - 8:00pm and on Sunday, September 18th from 9:00am - 3:00pm. Contact Randy DeMars for more information at 715-271-4157, or email [parishfestival@icpeau.diolcparish.org](mailto:parishfestival@icpeau.diolcparish.org)

**• 2022 Silent Auction**

We are seeking donations for this year's silent auction, to be held during the Parish Festival in September. Please consider donating new items (please no used items). Themed baskets make a great donation. Basket ideas include, but are not limited to, coffee and tea, family fun night, spa, arts and crafts, gardening, kitchen fun, fishing, pet care, sports, etc. If you own a business, consider donating a business related basket. Pick up a donation card (located at all entrances of Church) and attach to your basket. Baskets can be dropped off in Fr. Klink Hall, on the benches with the green signs. Drop off can be done before/after weekend Masses or at the Rectory Monday - Thursday 9:00am - noon. Donation deadline is September 11th.

**Immaculate Conception Fundraiser**

The Parish has an ongoing Fundraising program with Kwik Trip! We are offering their ULTIMATE Car Wash cards at a discount. These would make great birthday gifts. All profits realized by the Parish will go toward the maintenance projects for the Church and School. These 5-Wash cards are available for \$36.00 in the Parish Office. Please make checks out to Immaculate Conception.

**“Inspired by the Spirit” Capital Campaign**

**It's not too late...** If you haven't yet, please consider a donation to the “Inspired by the Spirit” campaign! Thanks to all the families of the parish who have supported this campaign. We could not do it without you!

**PARISH NEWS continued**

**Great News... Introducing the IC Knights of Columbus Round Table!**

Your Immaculate Conception Knights of Columbus are forming a Knights of Columbus Round Table. All IC Knights of Columbus members are welcome to be involved. Round Table is specifically for our Parish and aims to channel monetary contributions to benefit the Parish. All donations from parishioners and proceeds from any specified event will remain solely for the use of Parish projects. We will have our first informal meeting on August 14th after the 8:30am mass in Fr Klink Hall. Everyone is welcome to attend. If you have any questions, please contact Gary Hughes at [gphuges51@gmail.com](mailto:gphuges51@gmail.com).

**Food Pantry Collections**

Immaculate Conception will be collecting food and essential products **NEXT WEEKEND** for St. Francis Food Pantry! Our donations will help our community who, as many are at this time, struggling and could use our assistance.

**Items of great need:**

- **Boxed Cereal & Mac & Cheese**
- **Soups & Canned Vegetables**
- **Toothpaste & Toothbrushes**
- **Baby Wipes, Toilet Paper, Napkins, Paper Towels**



Please donate nonperishable unexpired food items & unopened essential products. **Home canned food cannot be accepted.** Please bring your donations in a bag and place in the basket at the front of the altar before Mass. We will only be collecting items on the FIRST FULL WEEKEND of the month. We will also accept cash donations. Please place into an envelope labeled "St. Francis Food Pantry" and drop into the collection basket.

*Thank you for your kindness and Church community support!*

**SCHOOL NEWS**



**Join Our Team!**

Regis Catholic Schools is looking for applicants for the following positions:

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Immaculate Conception Elementary School  
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St. Mary's Elementary School  
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High School Math (FTE=0.5) | Cook (Part-Time)

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 31, 2022



Sunday: Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14, 17 [1]/Col 3:1-5, 9-11/Lk 12:13-21  
 Monday: Jer 28:1-17/Ps 119:29, 43, 79, 80, 95, 102/Mt 14:13-21  
 Tuesday: Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22/Ps 102:16-18, 19-21, 29 and 22-23/Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14  
 Wednesday: Jer 31:1-7/Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13/Mt 15:21-28  
 Thursday: Jer 31:31-34/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19/Mt 16:13-23  
 Friday: Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7/Dt 32:35cd-36ab, 39abcd, 41/Mt 16:24-28  
 Saturday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9/2 Pt 1:16-19/Lk 9:28b-36  
 Next Sunday: Wis 18:6-9/Ps 33:1, 12, 18-19, 20-22 [12b]/Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 or 11:1-2, 8-12/Lk 12:32-48 or 12:35-40



GIFT'S RETURNED TO GOD  
Week of July 17, 2022

Envelopes: \$6,742.90  
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Thank You!

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This documentary that tells the true account of this courageous martyr and her companions.

Join Mike Aquilina, Vice-President of the Saint Paul Biblical Theology Center and well-known author of more than a dozen books on Catholic history, doctrine, and devotion, as well as co-host of EWTN's "Swear to God" – as he recounts the history and message of this timeless true story and its relevance for us today.

Containing footage taken at the actual sites where the story took place in Carthage, Tunisia, this documentary will inform as well as inspire.

JOB POSTINGS

Custodian:

We are looking for a part-time custodian! The hours are 3:00pm-6:00pm, Monday through Friday. Cleaning and light maintenance of the church and school. For further information please contact, Gerard Wolfe at gwolfe@case.k12.wi.us

DRE & CRE

Immaculate Conception Parish is seeking to hire a **Director of Religious Education (DRE)** and a **Coordinator of Religious Education (CRE)**. Both of these positions are full-time in the Faith Formation Office reporting to the Pastor. For more information: <https://www.ic-ec.us/>

Job Opening

St. Olaf Parish is looking for a Business Manager/Bookkeeper. We are looking for someone with a strong background in accounting and business management. Experience in QuickBooks a plus. Monday-Thursday, 32 hours per week. Call Alison at 715-832-2504 x 100 or email solaf@saintolafparish.org

COMMUNITY NEWS



Information on Community Events can also be found in the blue "Community Events" book found in Fr. Klink Hall located in the information area!

## PASTOR'S PEN

Vanity of vanities! All things are vanity! (Eccl 1:2). Qoheleth (Ecclesiastes) doesn't preach pessimism, nor does its author tell us that we stop all work. We are called to be good stewards and to work diligently with a view to acquiring true riches. The sacred author is reminding us to keep a good balance. We cannot risk losing ourselves in the transient and forget or neglect things granted from above. His advice: use wealth wisely and generously while we are alive rather than have people fighting over the remains when our life ends.

Don't we all long for joy, peace and freedom? We do. In fact, we are on a relentless pursuit for achieving joy and happiness. In our cultural climate of materialism, the acquisition of possessions (education, job, money, home, power, status, etc.) is seen as the path to happiness. Many do have all these, yet contentment and joy elude them. As "boredom" sets in and the pursuit of "more" continues. When we become tightly possessed by those possessions (both material and immaterial), we are not free at all, and joy evades us. The author of Ecclesiastes speaks of the "vanity" of our pursuit of temporal things.

In the gospel passage of this Sunday, Jesus reminds us that "one's life does not consist of possessions" (Lk 12:15). This certainly militates against our cultural perspective. Very often, our response is doubt and skepticism. Were you ever be amazed at the joy of others? Do you "pity" yourselves for not having that zest and joy in your life and relationships? Perhaps, it calls for a review of priorities in life. Where is our treasure? Where do we invest most of our time and energy? The parable teaches us "not to store up treasures for ourselves" and "be rich in what matters to God." A life centered on God gives the foundation for our joy. Developing the spirit of detachment, embracing voluntary poverty appropriate to one's vocational state, and reaching out to others in service help us experience that inner joy and peace.

Our world will be messy all the time with wars, calamities, sickness, violence and death. These will exist as long as humans live on this earth. Christian faith provides a way of life. In fact, the first followers were called the followers of the "WAY". Christian faith has enough to help us navigate through the chaotic experiences and live daily life in a meaningful way. Let us not neglect to join in prayer and worship as a community. Eucharist is the source that nurtures and strengthens us. We inspire each other by our presence, participation and fellowship.

Some news to share with you: When it comes to any common effort, your generosity has never been in wanting. We have already gone over the goal of 1.1 million of the Inspired by the Spirit campaign. A big THANK YOU to all for the steadfast support. In this process, the team members, along with Tom Mihajlov (Chair) and Dan Leibham (Co-chair), have had the rarest opportunity to get to know and listen to you. The team members will be meeting together to share what they have heard: your concerns and suggestions for building up the parish community. Those will be taken to discussion with the Pastoral Council. The Parish web page is in a reconstruction mode. We will have an update of the Campaign posted on the website. As money is received, projects will be implemented. Our effort to hire a DRE and CRE has not yet been realized. With no applicants so far for the job, we will have to explore new ways to address the religious education program. The matter was discussed at length at the recent Pastoral Council meeting. It was suggested that a group of part time employees and volunteers could lead the program for the current year. For example, a different group of persons taking confirmation, first communion and faith formation. However, this requires interested and willing persons who wish part time jobs. Teaching and leading our children to faith life shall be a pride of joy for any parish community. If you are willing to work part-time, please do not hesitate to contact the Parish office.

God bless, *Fr. Francis*



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