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# IMMACULATE CONCEPTION— ST. JOSEPH PARISH

LEAVENWORTH, KANSAS



*“Do to others as you would have them do to you. For if you love those who love you, what credit is that to you?”*

— Luke 6:31-32

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February 24, 2019  
Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Immaculate Conception – St. Joseph Parish welcomes you!

Thank you for coming today! Whether you are just visiting or have recently moved to our area, we are happy that you joined us! Newcomers are invited to register at the Parish Office during regular business hours, Monday–Friday, 8:00 am to Noon; 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm.

**Parish Office: 747 Osage 682-3953**  
**Carmelite Priory: 300 N. Broadway 682-0809**

Parish Secretary—Jani Christoffersen  
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Director of Religious Education—Br. David McGinnis, O.Carm.  
RCIA Co-Directors—Deacons Tim McEvoy & Dean Gilbert  
Parish Youth Director—Angela Wiley  
**Parish Website- <http://www.icsj.org>**

### Sunday Masses

Sat. Vigil 4:00 pm St. Joseph  
5:30 pm Immaculate Conception  
Sunday 8:00 am St. Joseph  
10:30 am Immaculate Conception

### Weekday Masses

Monday 8:30 am Mass—Immaculate Conception  
Tuesday 8:30 am Mass—St. Joseph  
Wednesday 8:30 am Mass—Immaculate Conception  
Thursday 8:30 am Mass—St. Joseph  
Friday 8:30 am Mass—Immaculate Conception  
Saturday 8:30 am Mass—St. Joseph

**Confessions** 3:00 to 3:30 pm, every 2nd, 4th & 5th  
Saturday at Joseph Church: every 1st &  
3rd Saturday at Immaculate Conception.

**Baptisms** Please call the Parish Office for the time  
and place of class.

**Weddings** Before setting a wedding date, contact  
Fr. David at least 6 months in advance.

**Bulletin Notices** Must be submitted in writing to the  
Parish Office by Tuesday at 11:30 am.

## Altar Angels

For the week of February 24 through March 2  
SJ - Nan Olson and Pat Schuler  
IC - Gerry Gordon and Helen Boyd

**The bulletin cover today features a photo of  
the stained glass window of the Sacred Heart  
of Jesus and St. Mary Margaret at  
St. Joseph Church.**



### Saturday, February 23

4:00 pm †Theodore & Anna Dodd (SJ)  
5:30 pm †Maria Martin (6th Anniversary) (IC)

### Sunday, February 24

8:00 am †Leona Shepherd & Andrew Olberding  
(23rd Anniversary) (SJ)  
10:30 am Our Parishioners (IC)

### Monday, February 25

8:30 am †Pete Zink (IC)

### Tuesday, February 26

8:30 am †Carolyn Stein (SJ)

### Wednesday, February 27

8:30 am †Living & Deceased Members of the  
Samuel & Eleanor Luciano Family (IC)

### Thursday, February 28

8:30 am †Fr. Carl Pfister, O.Carm. (SJ)

### Friday, March 1

8:30 am †Eileen Gallagher (IC)

### Saturday, March 2

8:30 am †Living & Deceased Members of the  
Frank George Budke Family (SJ)  
4:00 pm †Albert R. Fanty (SJ)  
5:30 pm Our Parishioners (IC)

### Sunday, March 3

8:00 am †Carolyn Stein (SJ)  
10:30 am †John Biringer-Miller  
(17th Anniversary) (IC)

## Offertory Collection

**February 17, 2019**

**Offertory \$6,999.50**

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**Thank you for your gifts to God and Church!**

## Lenten Prayer

The **Cathedral of St. Peter Altar Society** will host a **Women's Day of Lenten Prayer** on Saturday, March 9. Sister Mary Pat Johnson, SCL, will present the Lenten Reflection, "Entering Prayerfully into the Season of Lent." The day will begin at 8:15am with Mass in the Church and Continental Breakfast following in the Parish Hall. The retreat will conclude at noon. The cost is \$15. For additional information on registration, please contact Susan Carroll at 913-634-9840 [suscar1960@gmail.com](mailto:suscar1960@gmail.com).

## Requesting Our Prayers

### Support Our Troops With Your Prayers!

PVT Ronny Jarred	PFC Grace C. LeClerc
PFC Thomas W. LeClerc	SGT Brendan McEvoy
1LT Brian McGill	MAJ Emily Pollard
A1C William H. Sample	PO1 Tyler A. Vanwey
SGT Michael Wall	PO Matthew D. Young



We extend our prayers and sympathy to the family and friends of **Michael Rayser** of our parish, who died on Monday, February 11, 2019. His Mass of Christian Burial was held on Monday, February 18, 2019, at St. Joseph Church, with Fr. David McEvoy, O.Carm. presiding. May Michael find eternal happiness in the loving arms of the Lord.

## Elijah's Supper News

In the February 17 Gospel, Jesus says "Blessed are you who are poor for the kingdom of God is yours and Blessed are you who are now hungry for you will be satisfied". It is these kinds of words which motivates us to reach out to those in need. Despite a bitterly cold, windy, snowy and icy February 7 community meal evening, where we thought attendance would be little, we ran out of food. Our greatest challenge continues to be trying to figure out how much food to prepare. Since our supply of desserts has been exhausted, we once again are asking you to consider donating fresh fruit, cookies and brownies for our March 7 community meal. We are also in need of zip lock sandwich bags. As usual, such items can be brought to either the Parish Office or to Kinzler Hall after noon on March 7. Thanks again for your tremendous support. *Mitzie Fretchen*

## Reminders!



The **Immaculate Conception Altar Society** will meet this Tuesday evening, February 26, at 7:00 PM, in Miega Hall.



The **Youth Group** will meet this Wednesday evening, February 27, 7:00 PM, in the Broadway School Building



Next Sunday, March 3, **coffee and rolls** will be served in Kinzler Hall following the 8:00 AM Mass at St. Joseph Church. Everyone is welcome!



Non-perishable food items are being collected at both church sites for the **first of the month donations** provided to the local Catholic Charities. Their need is great during the current weather situation.

## Lent



**Lent starts on Wednesday, March 6 with Ash Wednesday Masses.**

	Masses with Distribution of Ashes
6:30 AM	St. Joseph Church
8:30 AM	Immaculate Conception Church
12:00 Noon	St. Joseph Church
7:00 PM	Immaculate Conception Church

Ash Wednesday, March 6, is a day of Fast and Abstinence. Catholics, age 14 and over are to abstain from eating meat. Those who are ages 21-59 are also asked to fast on Ash Wednesday.

## Birthright Volunteers Needed

Come learn about being a **Birthright Volunteer**. **Birthright Information Night** will be Thursday, March 21, 7:00 PM at the Leavenworth Public Library Board Meeting Room, 417 Spruce Street. This is an introductory meeting for anyone interested in volunteering or who would like to know more about birthright. **Birthright Volunteer Training Day** is Saturday, March 23, from 9:00 AM-4:00 PM, at the Birthright Center, 221-A Delaware in Leavenworth. This is training for anyone interested in volunteering at the Birthright Center. Our volunteers give around 3 hours/week or every other week. **Both meetings are required for volunteering.** If you have questions or to register for training, please call Margaret McNamee, 913-991-7660, or the Birthright Center, 913-682-2700.



## St. Lawrence Center

Are you a Kansas University (KU) student or plan to be one in the fall? You are invited to a night at the St. Lawrence Center on Sunday, March 3, from 4:30-7:30 PM. Mass and dinner are included. Come see what being a Catholic at KU is all about! RSVP at [kucatholic.org/homeonthehill](http://kucatholic.org/homeonthehill).

## Lay Carmelites

You are invited to join the St. Joseph Lay Carmelite Community for Morning Prayer before the 8:00 AM Mass at St. Joseph Church, on Saturday, March 1. Written copies will be provided.







### Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

If you live in Kansas, you can't beat the weather for a topic of conversation! After many mild winters, we are now experiencing a winter with lots of snow and cold temperatures. Kansas City had its earliest ever recorded snowfall this past year on October 14. Snow flurries came down upon our visiting Carmelite Prior General, Fr. Fernando Milan, on his visitation here from Rome! November was the coldest November ever on record in Kansas City with some early snows. We did not, however, and much to my disappointment, have a white Christmas. (How did that happen?) And now, the months of January and February have given us numerous snowfalls and ice storms. Every Wednesday it seems we have had to cancel Eucharistic Adoration and our Youth Group meeting due to a snow day.

I have to admit that I love snow, but I am not so crazy about the financial cost of snow removal at our two parish sites! As we enter the month of March, we know that spring is really not that far away, yet who can trust March to be snow free in Kansas? With Easter being late this year on April 21, spring may be a bit slow upon arrival also. One way or other, we will be ushering in the Season of Lent as we mark Ash Wednesday next week, March 6, beginning our spiritual preparation for Easter. Until then, feel free to enjoy a bit of Mardi Gras fun and enjoy the beauty of the snow around us too!

How are we doing in our 2019 Call to Share Appeal here at Immaculate Conception–St. Joseph? We are slowly getting closer and closer to our parish goal, but the response to this year's appeal has been about as slow as the approach of spring! Our parish goal this year is \$53,357.00. So far we have 129 pledges or gifts amounting to \$35,717.00. We are at 66.9% of our goal with 16.3% of our parishioners participating so far in this year's appeal. Obviously the very successful recent completion of our major capital campaign, *One Faith, One Family, One Future in Christ*, has had an affect on this year's Call to Share. That being said, we still are charged with doing our fair share of supporting all the annual projects of the Archdiocese. It would be so very good if we could reach our goal before the beginning of Lent on March 6.

If you have not had an opportunity to make a pledge or gift to this year's Call to Share appeal, I would ask you to please do so this weekend. If every parish family would make some gift to Call to Share we could reach our goal. We have inserted an appeal envelope in this week's bulletin for your convenience. Also, Matt Belford and Pauline Nichols of our parish will be speaking to us at the end of Mass today about the good works of our local Catholic Charities, which is supported by Call to Share. May God bless you for your generosity!

Don't forget that our 19<sup>th</sup> Annual St. Patrick's Dinner and Fund Raiser is set for Sunday, March 10, at 11:30 AM at Immaculate Conception Church.

**God bless you always!**

**Fr. David**

## This Week in our Parish



### Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 23

- 4:00 pm Vigil Mass (SJ)  
5:30 pm Vigil Mass (IC)

#### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 24

- 8:00 am Mass with Children's Liturgy of the Word (SJ)  
9:15 am Sunday Religious Education Classes (SJ)  
10:30 am Mass with Children's Liturgy of the Word (IC)

#### TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 26

- 6 & 7:00 pm Choir Practice (IC)  
6:15 pm Parish Rosary (SJ)  
7:00 PM Immaculate Conception Altar Society Meeting, Miegge Hall (IC)

#### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 27

- 8:30 am Xavier Students Present at Mass (IC)  
9 am-10 pm Eucharistic Adoration, Mary Chapel (IC)  
3:15 pm Prayers for Prodigals & Vocations (IC)  
7:00 pm Parish Youth Group, Broadway School Building (SJ)  
7:00 PM RCIA, Kinzler Hall (SJ)

#### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 28

- 9:15 am Adult Bible Study, Cook Room (SJ)  
6:25 pm Prayers for Prodigals & Vocations, Cook Room (SJ)



## Adult Education

Beginning Monday, March 4 and ending Monday, April 8, Deacon Tim will lead an Adult Education Class each Monday evening beginning at 7:00 PM in Kinzler Hall. The same class will be repeated each Thursday morning, after the St. Joseph 8:30 AM Mass in the Cook Room, beginning Thursday, March 7 and ending Thursday, April 11. We will use Bishop Robert Barron's "The Mass" series followed by discussion. We will end each session with a look at the Scriptures of the Eucharist, the history of the Mass, or other material selected to enrich our understanding of the Mass. Plan to attend and deepen your understanding of the Mass as a way of growing closer to Jesus this Lent.

## Taizé Prayer

You are invited to Taizé Prayer on Thursday, March 7, at 7:00 PM in Annunciation Chapel, Sisters of Charity of Leavenworth, 4200 S. 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Leavenworth, KS. For more information about this meditative, candlelit service, visit [www.marillaccenter.org](http://www.marillaccenter.org) or call 913-680-2342.



**Immaculate Conception -  
St Joseph Parish  
Call to Share**



**2019 Parish Goal - \$53,357  
Pledges as of February 20 - \$35,717  
66.9% of our Parish Goal  
129 Pledges  
16.3% of Parishioners Participating**

*Please make your pledge today so we can meet our goal!  
Pledge envelopes have been inserted in this weekend's bulletin  
for your convenience.  
Thank you for your generosity!*



**Please Join us on March 4 or  
March 7 for Deacon Tim McEvoy's  
Adult Education Class on the Mass**

**Monday Evenings  
7:00-9:00 PM  
St. Joseph's Kinzler Hall  
and  
Thursday Mornings  
after 8:30 AM Mass  
St. Joseph's Cook Room**

**Learn more about the Mass,  
Scriptures of the Eucharist, and  
the History of the Mass.**



**St. Patrick's Day Corned  
Beef & Cabbage Dinner**

Advanced adult dinner tickets to the March 10 St. Patrick's Day Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner, will be sold before and after Masses starting this weekend. Early purchase of adult tickets are at a \$1.00 reduction in price. You can also purchase tickets at the Parish Office during regular business hours. You may also return your raffle tickets and money at these times. We are also in need of silent auction items, which do not have to be of Irish origin or relative to St. Patrick. In previous years we have had Easter and spring items. Any donation will be appreciated and can be dropped off at the Parish Office prior to March 10. We hope you will also consider signing up to volunteer at our fund raiser. We value and need your help! Please join us in helping make this annual dinner a success.



**Thank you!**





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