

WELCOME TO THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION— ST. JOSEPH PARISH

LEAVENWORTH, KANSAS



*This is what John the Baptist proclaimed:
“One mightier than I is coming after me. I
am not worthy to stoop and loosen the
thongs of his sandals. I have baptized you
with water; he will baptize you with the
Holy Spirit.”*

—Mark 1:7-8

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January 10, 2021
The Feast of the Baptism of the Lord

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.

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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 1:00-1:30 PM every Saturday at Immaculate Conception Church.

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

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

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

SATURDAY CONFESSIONS: 1:00-1:30 PM

For Saturday Confessions at Immaculate Conception Church. Enter through the main front doors and wait in the church foyer for your turn. A confession usher will give you directions. Confessions are heard in the Mary Chapel. Please wear a mask and follow the social distance guidelines.

Altar Angels

For the week of January 11 through January 16
 SJ - Alice Schneider and Dee Runnebaum
 IC - Karen and Steve Smith

The bulletin cover today features a photo of the baptismal font and tapestry at Immaculate Conception Church.



Saturday, January 9

4:00 pm †Brendan & †Edward Cook, Jr. (SJ)
 5:30 pm †Raymond & Linda Dziezak (IC)

Sunday, January 10

8:00 am †Todd R. Forbes II (SJ)
 10:30 am Our Parishioners (IC)

Monday, January 11

8:30 am †Silvia Fuentes Lopez (6th Anniversary) (IC)

Tuesday, January 12

8:30 am For the Marriage of Clarke Peterson and Annie Salinas (SJ)

Wednesday, January 13

8:30 am †Peggy Mohn (IC)

Thursday, January 14

No Mass

Friday, January 15

8:30 am Living & Deceased Members of the IMAC Class of 1984 (IC)

Saturday, January 16

8:30 am †John C. (Butch) Price, Jr (SJ)
 4:00 pm Our Parishioners (SJ)
 5:30 pm †Paul Kowalewski (IC)

Sunday, January 17

8:00 am †Jean Greiss (SJ)
 10:30 am †Marie Mlynarski (6th Anniversary) (IC)

Offertory Collection

December 25, 2020

Offertory \$10,593.00

Catholic Charities \$ 1,872.00

December 27, 2020

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The following QR Codes will take you directly to the Faith Direct website, where you have the opportunity to support our parish with a one time or recurring gift.



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Requesting Our Prayers

Support Our Troops With Your Prayers!

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A1C William H. Sample	SGT Michael Wall
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Please add **Bob Alig** to the list of people whom we need to pray for. Thank You!



We extend our prayers and sympathies to the family and friends of parishioners who recently lost loved ones.

John F. Behee, son of Bill and Judy Behee, passed away on December 21, 2020, in Florida. Services were held on Monday, December 28, 2020 at the Russell Haven of Rest Funeral Home, Green Cove Springs, FL.

Ruth Ann Jauernig, passed away on December 27, 2020. Her Mass of Christmas Burial was held on Monday, January 4, 2021, at St. Joseph Church, with Fr. Glenn Snow, O.Carm. presiding.

Dolores Kern McCurdy, passed away in Pittsburg, KS on January 2, 2021. Services will be held at a later date.

Robert Coen, husband of parishioners Agnes Coen, passed away on January 3, 2021. No arrangements have been made at this time.

May John, Ruth, Dolores, and Robert find eternal happiness in the loving arms of the Lord.

Xavier News

Did you know that 85% of students who graduate from a Catholic school go on to post-secondary education, and students who attended Catholic schools score on average 20 points higher on national standardized tests, like the SAT? Enrollment information for Xavier Catholic School 2021-22 school year is coming soon!



Knights of Columbus "Pro-Life Baby Shower"

The Immaculata Council #900 will be conducting their **22nd Annual Pro-Life Baby Shower** during the month of January 2021. Baskets will be placed at church entrances for your convenience. We are asking for donations of new/used clothing, and also diapers, blankets, baby wipes and formula. Monetary donations are graciously accepted and directly benefit Pro-Life activities. For additional information, please contact Marty Moreno at (913) 702-4168. Thank you!

From the Desk of Br. David

CONFIRMATION DEADLINES

Confirmation candidates are reminded that service hour forms are due this weekend (January 10). Letters to the Abbot and Information Forms must be turned into Br. David by January 17.

FIRST RECONCILIATION

The Sacrament of First Reconciliation will be celebrated on January 30, at 10:00 a.m. at Immaculate Conception Church. Please pray for our 12 candidates as they make final preparations for the sacrament.

ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED

We are looking for more students from grades 5 through 12 to become Altar Servers (preparation requires three sessions) If you served here prior to COVID protocols and would like to return to serving, a one session preparation class is required. Contact Br. David at 682-3953.

CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS

The season of Christmas concludes this Sunday with the Baptism of the Lord. Thank you to all who helped decorate both churches for the season. In a year that didn't feel as much like Christmas as in the past, you really made both churches look splendid. We will be un-decorating after the 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Masses this weekend.

Pray to Protect Human Life! January 21-29, 2021

9 Days for Life is a novena for the protection of human life. Each day's intention is accompanied by a short reflection and suggested actions to help build a culture of life. Please visit www.9daysforlife.com to join the novena (either via text or email) and for additional information.

Kansas Mass, March & Rally for Life - January 21st!

In recognition of the National Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of the Unborn and the 48th anniversary of Roe vs. Wade, please join the Bishops of Kansas in prayer via the Livestreamed Kansas Mass for Life on January 21st at 10:30 a.m. --www.livestream.com/ArchKCK/KSMassforLife. All are welcome to join the Kansas March for Life in-person beginning at 12:00 pm in front of the Topeka Performing Arts Center, 214 SE Eighth Ave, Topeka. The march will end at the Capitol steps for the Kansans for Life Rally. Let's stand up for the legal guarantee of the right to life, in penance for the over 60 million lives lost, and to end violations to the dignity of the human person - both child and mother - committed through the act of abortion. Plans are subject to change due to Covid restrictions and possible inclement weather, so please check the archkck.org/prolife website for details and updates.



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Today's feast is the Baptism of the Lord. It marks the beginning of the public ministry of Jesus. The general consensus is that Jesus was about 30 years old when he began his public ministry of preaching and healing. Why did he wait so long to begin? I mean, couldn't he have started his ministry back when he was 12 or so? It seems to me that the answer has to do with how Jesus lived his life right from the very beginning. It wasn't all about HIM.

Now, if anybody in history could have made the claim that it WAS all about himself, it would be Jesus. But he didn't. Do you remember way back when he was 12 and his parents found him in the Temple, talking with the elders? How does that passage end? "He went down with them and came to Nazareth and was obedient to them." It wasn't about him. His whole life was about listening to his Father and waiting on the Father's will. Jesus did not just up and **decide** to go start his ministry. He was **sent**. That's the message in today's Gospel passage. Jesus was sent.

And one of the things which I think is worth paying close attention to, especially these days, is **how** he showed up. For sure, he was a man "anointed with the Holy Spirit and with power". But this power does not show itself as calling attention to itself. This was not power for the sake of power. It was not power "over" others. It was, rather, power shown **through** others, and **for** others. He comes to us in the appearance and manner of a servant, not a tyrant.

At times, people of our day (and also in Jesus' day!) seem to hope for a different kind of appearance... one that "fixes things RIGHT NOW" and is forceful, loud, large-and-in-charge. We see wrongs in our world, and we want them fixed RIGHT NOW. We want things to be run the right way, and the sooner the better. These people over here, who do things the wrong way? Away with them! Banish them! And those people over there who have their priorities and life-values all messed up? Kick them out! Remove them from our society! (Some even say... Remove them from our planet!) But not this Servant. Not this Lord. Not Jesus.

And so we have a choice to make: Will we have the courage and humility to work HIS way to right the wrongs in our society? Jesus looked at the people and felt sorry for them, "because they are like sheep without a shepherd." And he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plenty, but the laborers are few." Jesus did NOT see people as empty husks...chaff to be burned, but as a harvest ripe and full of life. May we humbly bow to his judgment.

May God bless you all!

--Fr. Glenn

This Week in our Parish



Feast of the Baptism of The Lord

SATURDAY, JANUARY 9

4:00 pm Vigil Mass (SJ) **Live Streamed**
5:30 pm Vigil Mass (IC)

SUNDAY, JANUARY 10

8:00 am Sunday Mass (SJ)
9:30 am Sunday Religious Education Classes
10:30 am Sunday Mass (IC)

First Reading Isaiah 55:1-11

Psalms: Psalm: Isaiah 12:2-3

Second Reading 1 John 5:1-9

Gospel Mark 1:7-11

TUESDAY, JANUARY 12

6:00 pm Parish Rosary (SJ)

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 13

9 am-10 pm Eucharistic Adoration (IC)
3:15 pm Rosary for Prodigals & Vocations (IC)
7:00 pm RCIA, Kinzler Hall (SJ)

THURSDAY, JANUARY 14

6:25 pm Rosary for Prodigals & Vocations, Cook Room (SJ)



New Year's Resolution

How are your New Year's resolutions going? It is said that in order for a resolution to become a habit, it takes three weeks. Well, we're in week two of the new year. You're close to making them a habit, a routine, a reality. Is a "stewardship way of life" one of your resolutions this year? It's not too late to make Giving, Praying and Serving a habit each week. Make a commitment today to give, pray and serve as your part in the upcoming Archbishop's Call to Share appeal.

Mass Reminder

Starting in January 2021, there is not a Thursday morning, 8:30 AM Mass, at St. Joseph Church.



Have you logged into FORMED yet?

Every parishioner of Immaculate Conception-St. Joseph is now able to get, for free, access to hundreds of movies, videos, audiobooks, programs, and series on your computer, tablet, even your smartphone. The parish has purchased a subscription for ALL parishioners to FORMED.ORG, which is a multi-media Catholic resource used across the country and administered by the Augustine Institute. There are entertaining and “high production value” movies about Saints like Therese of Lisieux, Maximilian Kolbe, Mother Teresa, Saint Francis, and Saint Pope John XXIII. You can find other movies about Biblical figures like Jeremiah, Solomon, and Esther. There are also different instructional series which are used by our RCIA program, and others used by youth groups and families across the country. Programs for children and whole families, which might be especially welcome during these pandemic times, can be found and watched for free. E-books (for Kindle and other devices), audio-books, and other resources to help you be more informed and more involved in your faith are all available at FORMED.ORG. Here’s how to log on:

FORMED.ORG does not use account numbers or passwords. Instead you have to register your email address first and identify Immaculate Conception Saint Joseph, Leavenworth as your parish. Here’s how it works:

1. The computer/laptop/tablet that you use must have an internet connection, the ability to play sound, and you also need for it to have access to your email.
2. Point your web browser to: <http://formed.org>
3. Choose "Sign up" either from the center or the upper-right link (same thing) on the main page. Select "I belong to a Parish or Organization".
4. Type in "Immaculate Conception Saint Joseph Parish" and it will find our Leavenworth parish.
5. Click "Next" and it will ask for your name and email address. When you enter that information, it will sign you in the first time, and you can browse and view videos and other material.

After you have done this initial sign-up, it will remember your email address, and so instead of "Sign up" you choose "Sign in" at the upper right of the main screen.

Tip: Depending on how your computer or device handles “cookies”, you will either be automatically logged in at this point, or they will send a login link to your email address, and you click the link to log in and watch/browse videos. Some machines will remain “known”, and some will require this "Sign-in and now go check your email" procedure every time you log in.

We hope you find this resource helpful and enjoyable. With so many people being cooped up and restricted these days, we are trying to help our parishioners to continue to be fed with the good, solid food of our faith.

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