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IMMACULATE CONCEPTION— ST. JOSEPH PARISH

LEAVENWORTH, KANSAS



“This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel.”

Mark 1:15

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February 21, 2021
First Sunday of Lent

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—NO MASS
 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 February 22 to February 27
 SJ - Brenda Hruska and Linda Summers
 IC - Karen and Steve Smith

The bulletin cover today features a photo of a cross next to St. Joseph Church in preparation for Lent.



Mass Intentions

Saturday, February 20
 4:00 pm †John E. Jones (SJ)
 5:30 pm †Jane Foris (IC)

Sunday, February 21
 8:00 am †Andrew J. Olberding & †Leona Shepherd (SJ)
 10:30 am Our Parishioners (IC)

Monday, February 22
 8:30 am †Tom Scanlon (IC)

Tuesday, February 23
 8:30 am Living & Deceased Members of the Dodd Family (SJ)

Wednesday, February 24
 8:30 am †Art Burre (IC)

Thursday, February 25
 No Mass

Friday, February 26
 8:30 am Marty Martinowski (IC)

Saturday, February 27
 8:30 am †Kyle Willcott (SJ)
 4:00 pm †Arthur Samson (SJ)
 5:30 pm Our Parishioners (IC)

Sunday, February 28
 8:00 am The Forbes Family (SJ)
 10:30 am †Pete Zink (IC)

Offertory Collection

February 14, 2021

Offertory \$ 4,239.18

Maintenance \$ 200.00

Faith Direct - January 2021

Offertory \$10,378.50

Maintenance \$ 480.00

Thank you for your gifts to God and Church!



The “Year of St. Joseph”

St. Joseph, offspring of David... pray for us.

Requesting Our Prayers

Support Our Troops With Your Prayers!

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Council on Aging News

VACCINATION SUPPORT.

If you are interested in receiving the COVID 19 vaccine and need assistance completing the online Vaccine Interest Form, we are here to help. Please call the Leavenworth County Council on Aging Office at (913)684-0777, and you will be connected with a team member who will help you complete and submit the online form. If you need transportation to a COVID-19 vaccination appointment scheduled through the Leavenworth County Health Department, we may be able to help. Please call the Council on Aging Transportation Team at (913)684-0778 to schedule a ride on the Senior Express. Rides to vaccination appointments scheduled through the Leavenworth County Health Department cost \$1.00 per round trip. Space is limited due to COVID safety measures.

IT'S TAX TIME!

The Leavenworth County on Aging will be providing free tax service to seniors, 60+ years old with no farm or rental income. Some income restrictions apply, so please contact Dawn, Lori, or Marla at (913)684-0777 to see if you qualify and to schedule an appointment. Services are available from February 1 to March 31. Tax preparers are in Easton, Leavenworth, Basehor, Tonganoxie and Linwood.



Here we are. Another Lenten season is upon us. This is the year I'm going to make it all 6 weeks. I'm going to give up Coke and candy bars. I'm going to fast on Fridays, and I'm going to pray in the morning before work/school. I'm

committed. (By the way, how are your New Year's resolutions going?) Don't worry! We've all been there. Every year. All you have to do is try. All you have to do is try each day. Then, when you forget and eat something you shouldn't have, or didn't pray in the morning, just start over the next day. The biggest thing is to NOT GIVE UP. Ask God for help this Lent. Ask him to walk with you, to guide you, to strengthen you. Then do your part – One. Day. At. A. Time. – and be sure to pray, fast and give. (Have you made your pledge to the Archbishop's Call to Share appeal?) These are examples of their faith in and reverence for God. This week, as we celebrate them and celebrate LOVE through St. Valentine's Day, let's remember the work of charity, kindness and love that is accomplished through the Archbishop's Call to Share appeal, as well. Please make your pledge today.

From the Desk of Br. David

CONFIRMATION PRACTICE

Practice for all Confirmation Candidates and their sponsors is this Sunday, February 21, at 3:00 PM at Immaculate Conception Church.

ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

We are looking for one more candidate for our next series of altar server classes. Contact Br. David at 682-3953.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

First Holy Communion has been moved to Sunday, April 25, at 2:00 PM at St. Joseph Church.

Dillons Community Rewards

Immaculate Conception-St. Joseph Parish participates in the Dillon's Community Rewards Program. When you use your Plus Card, a percentage of your purchase price will be donated to our Parish Youth Group. This won't take away from your own rewards or fuel points, but it is a way you can help your Church family. To participate, log on to dillons.com/communityrewards and create an account (if you are not yet enrolled in digital coupons you must do this first at Dillons.com), then proceed to enroll in the community rewards, choose PT526 our parish organization number. If you don't have Dillon's Plus Card, please talk to any store associate and start earning points today. Thank You!

Parish Council Results

Thank you to all of the parishioners who took the time to cast their vote for three new Parish Council Members. It was a great return of votes! Help us welcome our three new Parish Council Members **Dee Runnebaum, Ed Keeley, and Joe Schwinn**. Thank you to **Pat Atkins, Bill Mathia and Camalla Leonhard** for allowing their names to be considered for election. The six remaining members are **Colleen Rogers, Michael Simonis, Michelle Miller, Michaela Culkin, Mark Brown, and James Dyson**. Thank you to outgoing Council Members **Susan Aaron, Frank Melero, and Matthew Valencia**.

Immaculate Conception-St. Joseph Call to Share Campaign



2021 Parish Goal
\$51,995.00

Pledges as of February 14
\$37,831.00

73% of our Parish Goal

*Please make your pledge today!
Thank you for your generosity!*



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Almost 40 years ago, I was living in Joliet Illinois, teaching high school. The monastery I lived in was 3 stories tall, and I lived on the top floor. One spring afternoon, I was sitting in my bedroom and the tornado sirens went off. One had touched down about a mile from me. Everybody in the monastery went down to the basement...except the stupid California kid. I went up through the hatch and was standing on the roof of the monastery, looking at the tornado, which I could see just off in the distance. I was fascinated. My fascination was interrupted by the voice of Fr. Bernie, who stuck his head up through the hatch and said to me "Are you STUPID?!!!" Get off the roof RIGHT NOW!" Fr. Bernie has a soft voice...he always sounds like the gentlest guy I know. But when he said that, there was an urgency in his voice that I had never heard.

The Gospel of Mark is the shortest gospel of the four. It was also the first of the four to be written down. There is an urgency in his Gospel that is much stronger than in the other three. When Mark wrote, he expected that Jesus would be returning on the clouds with armies of angels and would sit in judgment over the people, sifting the good from the bad. Mark expected it to happen this week, or maybe next week, but VERY soon. So when Mark wrote, he didn't bother with all the details and analysis you get in the other Gospels. He didn't have time. When Matthew and Luke tell today's Gospel story, they go into great detail about the temptations. Mark doesn't bother with all that. He doesn't have time. There is an urgency in his voice, and he gets right to the point. He says when Jesus comes out of the desert, he preached, "The reign of God is at hand. Repent and believe in the gospel." That's it. That's the core of what Jesus preached. Why is Mark so urgent? Because he believes the kingdom of God IS at hand. Everything you do from now until the end will determine where you stand when Jesus comes back to judge the world.

There is a truth in what Mark believes. Oh, Jesus may not come back this Thursday, but then again, he might. Either way, however, everything you do from now until then will affect what happens to you when he comes. Everything. The consequences of your decisions and your actions shape the road you take from now until the end. So what are we to do? Do what Jesus says: "Repent." It is an action word, not a feeling word. It means "step", "change", "move" ... Right Now! If you've done something sinful, something wrong, something stupid...if you are standing on the roof watching the tornado...listen to the words of Fr. Bernie. Listen to the words of Jesus. GET OFF THE ROOF RIGHT NOW! MOVE!

May God bless you all!

--Fr. Glenn

This Week in our Parish



SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 20

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

5:30 pm Vigil Mass (IC)

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21

8:00 am Sunday Mass (SJ)

9:30 am Religious Education Class (SJ)

10:30 am Sunday Mass (IC)

First Reading: Genesis 9:8-15

Psalm: Psalm 25:4-9

Second Reading: 1 Peter 3:18-22

Gospel: Mark 1:12-15

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22

7:00 pm Confirmation (IC)

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23

6:00 pm Parish Rosary (SJ)

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24

9 am-6:00 pm Eucharistic Adoration (IC)

10:00 am Finance Council Meeting, Kinzler Hall (SJ)

3:15 pm Rosary for Prodigals & Vocations (IC)

6:00 pm Confessions (IC)

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 25

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

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 26

7:00 pm Stations of the Cross (IC)



40 Cans for Lent

The Knights of Columbus Council Immaculata #900, beginning Ash Wednesday until Good Friday, will be asking for a one-can-per-day donation to help fight hunger. With your donation the Knights will be able to help restock parish food pantries, community food banks, soup kitchens and Catholic Charities of Leavenworth. This donation is inspired by Christ's 40 days of fasting in the desert. Donation boxes will be placed at both Immaculate Conception and St. Joseph Churches, to include the Knight's of Columbus Hall for your convenience. Check donations are also acceptable. For more information please contact Marty Moreno at martyinacamaro@gmail.com or 913-702-4168. We appreciate your support and thank you!



Congratulations on your Confirmation!

**Immaculate Conception - St. Joseph Parish
Congratulates our Parish Students who will be Sealed with the
Gift of the Holy Spirit in the Sacrament of Confirmation by**

Abbot James Albers, OSB

on

**Monday, February 22, 2021, 7:00 PM, at
Immaculate Conception Church**

Please pray for these candidates from our parish:

Katelyn Matro Lorenzo Ruiz Baltazar

Henry Xavier Francis Chaar

Austin Ryan Sebastian Charron

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