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Humbird Pop-Up Food Pantry will take place every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month! Pickup is in front of the Humbird Fire Hall. Sponsored by American Legion Aux Post 320 and Feed My People Food Bank.

FRIENDS' SHARING FOOD ESSENTIAL NEEDS PROGRAM
Located at 411 Gebhardt Rd, Black River Falls
Now available: personal care items such as shampoo, deodorant, toothbrush, toothpaste, diapers, wipes, etc. If you are in need of these items contact Kathy Laudon at 715-299-1992.



St Joseph the Workman- Feast day May 1st
St Joseph's Parish will celebrate a Mass in honor of the Feast of St Joseph the Workman on Saturday, May 1st at 10:00 AM

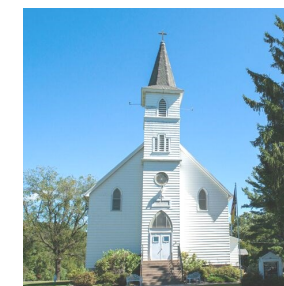
PARISH BULLETIN April 25, 2021
Fourth Sunday of Easter



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



Dear Parishioners of Immaculate Conception and St Joseph!

During my last year of seminary, myself and thirty other seminarians travelled to Jerusalem and the Holy Land. One of the many things I wished to see in this sacred place was the location of the martyrdom of St Stephen. The Bible speaks powerfully of this the first martyr of the Church. In fact, two whole chapters are devoted to discussing his bold proclamation of the faith and then his subsequent martyrdom (Acts 6-7). I am filled with wonder to hear that as he suffered death, he received an incredible vision of Jesus coming from the heavens. His joy in seeing God eliminated his pain during death. God's goodness is present in an immeasurable degree to those who love Him! God can even reduce or eliminate the pain of death!

As I continued my pilgrimage, my zeal to see the location of St Stephen's holy martyrdom, led me to enter one of the Muslim quarters of Jerusalem. Our pilgrimage director cautioned us from walking through this section of Jerusalem; nevertheless, I was eager to see the church commemorating his holy death. Thankfully, I arrived unscathed and soon approached the beautiful ancient church. Opening the church door, I beheld an immense space and an overwhelming peace. The church, erected many years prior by the French, now sits nearly empty and in its solitude draws one into deep contemplation. I perused the church and saw a number of frescoes and images detailing the life of St Stephen, but nothing indicated that his burial or his suffering occurred in this spot. Somewhat disappointed I left and continued on the pilgrimage.

A few days later myself and a few other seminarians were leaving a city gate on the eastern edge of Jerusalem. Just beyond this gate was a small Orthodox church. The priest in this church eagerly invited us in and gave us a very exuberant tour. He knew English and was eager to show us the small church and the tradition that it was here that the St Stephen was martyred.

Regardless, where the martyrdom occurred, St Stephen gave his life because he loved Jesus. He proclaimed the Word of God with boldness because he knew it was true. His zeal led him to his greatest joy – that of seeing Jesus Christ himself coming from the heavens. Let us have that same zeal! Let us eagerly share Jesus with everyone we meet! Make sure that people know we are Christian! Share your Christianity with joy and love! St Stephen is the first martyr of the Church, may his zeal be a model for you and his prayers intercede on your behalf.

I am here if you are in need. Please do not hesitate to call. You are in my prayers. Trust greatly in Jesus as we continue through this difficult time. St Joseph, Patron Saint of the Universal Church – Pray for Us

Fr. Daniel L. Thelen

<p>PARISH SECRETARY, BOOKKEEPER Dawn Kaufman 715-334-3931 715-533-8344</p> <p>DIR. OF SACRED MUSIC Jolene Janke 715-964-6334</p> <p>PARISH FACEBOOK Immaculate Joseph John</p> <p>ADORATION Tue 6:00—6:45 pm at IC Thu 10 :30 am at St Joseph Thu 5:30—7:30 pm at IC</p>	<p>PASTOR Fr. Daniel Thelen 715-964-5201 or 715-218-8391</p> <p>OFFICE PHONE 715-964-5201</p> <p>PARISH EMAIL ID icjosephjohn@hotmail.com</p> <p>PARISH WEBSITE www.catholic-parishes-of-almacenter-fairchild.org</p>	<p>MASS SCHEDULE Sun 8:30 am St Joseph 10:15 am Immaculate Con. Facebook live at 10:15AM Tue 5:30 pm Spanish Wed & Fri 9:00 am Immac Conc. Thu 10:00 am St Joseph Sat 4:30 pm IC Spanish</p> <p>CONFESSION Tue 6:15-6:45 pm at IC Thu 10:30-11:00 am at SJ Sat 4:00-4:30 pm at IC Sun 8:00-8:25 am at SJ</p>
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Saturday April 24 St Fidelis of Sigmaringen
4:30 PM Mass Immaculate Conception-Hispanic
 †Members of Both Parishes

Sunday April 25 Fourth Sunday of Easter
8:30 AM Mass St Joseph
 †Deceased Members of the Kutchera Family (P Kutchera)

10:15AM Mass Immaculate Conception
 †Deceased Members of the Leis Family
Mass live-streamed through Facebook at 10:15 AM

Monday April 26
 Private Mass

Tuesday April 27
5:30 PM Mass Immaculate Conception-Hispanic
 Para todos los enfermos, especialmente en la Familia Jaime
 (J Jaime)

6:00 PM Adoration and Confession

Wednesday April 28
9:00 AM Mass Immaculate Conception
 †John & Dorothy Mayer (M&C Kaufman)

Religious Ed classes in the evening

Thursday April 29
10:00 AM Mass St Joseph
 †Lloyd & Shirley Petznick (L Kohn)

10:30 AM Adoration St Joseph
5:30-7:30 PM Adoration Immaculate Conception

Friday April 30
9:00 AM Mass Immaculate Conception
 †Marcel Kujak (G Comstock)

Saturday May 1
10:00 AM Mass St Joseph-Feast of St Joseph the Workman
 All Souls in Purgatory (G Kaufman)

4:30 PM Mass Immaculate Conception
 Eutimia & Martin Family (L Ramos & E R Valencia)

Sunday May 2 Fifth Sunday of Easter
8:30 AM Mass St Joseph
 †Bernard & Anne Scheffer (M Theiler)

10:15AM Mass Immaculate Conception
First Communion for Aubrey Laufenberg, Carson Ambort
 †Members of Both Parishes
Mass live-streamed through Facebook at 10:15 AM

HOME VISITS

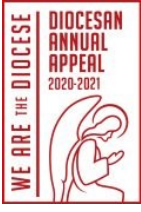
If you or someone you know is homebound or in the hospital or nursing home, or not feeling well and unable to attend Mass, and would like to receive a visit or Communion, please contact:
 Fr Dan at (715)964-5201 or (715)218-8391

PRAYER CHAIN REQUESTS

Contact Jolene Janke if you have a request for the Prayer Chain at 715-964-6334 or stevenmj@canturytel.net. If you would like to be a part of the Prayer Chain, praying for others needs, let Jolene know. The Power of Prayer is amazing! Please pray for all on the Prayer Chain, as well as our Active Military: GERALYN CSIZMAR, JOSEPH JANKE, KATIE KOTSCH-NELSON, FRANK UEKER, DEREK LAUFENBERG, LOGAN MEACHAM, MADELEINE SEARLES, MICHELLE THOMPSON, LUKE HANSEN, BRANDON RIPP, ALEX RIPP, ANDREW ELFERING, HOLDEN MITCHELL, CAMERON LANE and SETH JOHNSON. **If your soldier is no longer in the service, please let us know.**

All our Annual Appeal goals have been met!

Thank you for your generosity.



Imm. Con. Goal - \$8240 Pledged - \$9330

St. Joseph Goal - \$7300 Pledged - \$12,550

VISIT HOMEBOUND- PROVIDE COMMUNION

We are looking for some parishioners to assist in visiting the homebound and providing Communion. If you are interested, please contact Fr Dan and let him know.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

We look forward to celebrating First Holy Communion next Sunday at Immaculate Conception with

Aubrey Laufenberg and Carson Ambort

Sun. Apr. 25, 8:30 am, SJ Lector: C Eisberner Count: J&D Elfering	Sun. Apr. 25, 10:15 am, IC Lector: Eugenia Cray Usher: Count: Meacham, J&M Esser
Sun. May 2, 8:30 am, SJ Lector: Leanna Cernohous Count: C&G Eisberner	Sun. May 2, 10:15 am, IC Lector: Joan Esser Usher: Count: K Laudon, C Hagedorn, B Meacham
Sun. May 9, 8:30 am, SJ Lector: Jan Elfering Count: P&B Connelly	Sun. May 9, 10:15 am, IC Lector: Bernie Laufenberg Usher: Count: M&J Esser, J Esser

WEEKLY TITHING		
APR. 18	IMMAC. CONC	ST. JOSEPH
ADULT	1065.00	515.00
PLATE	270.00	37.00
VOTIVES	124.20	
APPEAL REBATE	840.00	195.00
TOTAL	2299.20	747.00
BUDGET	1668.00	1083.00
DIFFERENCE	631.20	(336.00)
BUDG DIFF YTD	(8627.11)	19,901.19

Correction: votives reported last week should have been in St Joseph's column.

SAFE HAVEN-YOU HAVE SAFE CHOICES

Wisconsin Safe Haven Laws allow parents to relinquish an infant under 72 hours old to any first responder, no questions asked. Those first responders could be police officers, 911 emergency medical staff, or hospital staff members. You do not have to give your name or address to the professional accepting the baby unless the baby has been harmed, someone is forcing the parent to give up the baby, or the baby is more than 3 days old. The parent may be asked if they are willing to fill out a form, but it is NOT required; however, it will help providers give the infant the best care. If you wish to learn more about this law, visit <http://dct.wisconsin.gov/cps/safehaven>.

UPCOMING ORDINATIONS!

Priestly Ordination of Deacons Eric Mashak, Timothy Reither, Arturo Viguerras will be June 26, 2021 at 10:00 AM at the Cathedral of St. Joseph the Workman, La Crosse.

Eucharistic Miracles of the World

On May 6th, 7th, 8th and 9th Our Lady of the Holy Rosary Parish will be hosting the Eucharistic Miracles of the World. Holy Rosary is located at 215 S. Washington Ave., Medford, WI 54451. Experience 126 Church approved Eucharistic Miracles described on 140 panels of the Vatican International Exhibition of the Eucharistic Miracles of the World. In the entire history of the Catholic Church there have been numerous Eucharistic Miracles approved by the Catholic Church as worthy of belief. The Eucharistic Miracles Exhibit is composed of an extensive assortment of photographs and historical descriptions of miracles, healings, and visions. The public is invited to view the panels on the following dates and times:

- ◆ Thursday, May 6th from 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm
- ◆ Friday, May 7th from 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm
- ◆ Saturday, May 8th from Noon to 8:00 pm
- ◆ Sunday, May 9th from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm

There is no cost to come and view the display. Do not miss this opportunity to grow closer to the Eucharist by viewing this incredible display.

Have you ever wondered if the Lord is calling you to be a priest? To begin the conversation or to inquire about what it means to be a priest, please contact me: Fr. Nate Kuhn, Director of Vocational Recruitment for the Diocese of La Crosse, 3710 East Ave. S. PO Box 4004, La Crosse, WI 54602; or by phone at: 608.791.2667. God bless you!



Advertiser Of The Week

We thank this week's Advertiser of the Week, **Carlos Auto Body & Custom Painting**, for their support. Call Carlos when you need help with your car, he can help you make your vehicle look new again,

ADULT FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

Parish—Bible Study
 We will hold Bible Study on Thursday evenings at 6 PM in person and through the internet. If you are interested, let us know and we will send you an email to join in through the ZOOM app on your laptop, phone or tablet. You can download the app anytime from your playstore: ZOOM Cloud Meetings

Confessions We will hold Confessions at these times, or call Fr Dan.
6:15 pm—6:45 pm—Tuesday at IC
10:30—11:00 am—Thursday at St Joseph
4:00 pm—4:30 pm—Saturday at IC
8:00 am-8:30 am—Sunday at St Joseph

Adoration
6:00 pm—6:45 pm—Tuesday at IC
10:30 am Thursday at St Joseph
5:30 pm—7:30 pm—Thursday at IC

Rosary Join Fr Dan on Wednesday, Friday and Sunday evenings at 8pm for an online Rosary. If you are interested in joining contact Fr Dan and he will send you the link for the ZOOM app.

PARISH SOCIAL MEDIA

Please visit our Facebook page—**Immaculate Joseph John**
<https://www.facebook.com/immaculate.conception.7796420>
 Like our page, request to be a friend. You will get notices from other friends in the parishes, get news about local church events, things happening in the Diocese, etc.
Website: www.catholic-parishes-of-almacenter-fairchild.org

Remember your parish when you write your will!

YEAR OF ST JOSEPH

