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 <p><b>VFW Post 8494</b> Bob Danke Post Cmdr 715-984-2478 Hall rental available (Ad donated in memory of Bernard &amp; Dorothy Laufenberg)</p>	<p>In Memory of <b>John Selz</b> Selz-Pralle Dairy Family</p>	
<p><b>ESSER INSURANCE</b> APEX Insurance Group Alma Center, WI 715-964-6311</p>	<p><b>NEIGHBORS IN NEED</b> Since 1993 more than 1000 helped. If you know of anyone with a special need, call Jeff Smith @ 715-334-3983 or Marcel Kujak @ 715-964-5301</p>	

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<p><b>ONLINE MASS OPTIONS</b></p> <p>Sunday 10:15 AM with Fr Dan - Go to our Facebook page, Immaculate Joseph John</p> <p>Word on Fire daily Mass <a href="https://www.wordonfire.org/daily-mass/">https://www.wordonfire.org/daily-mass/</a></p> <p>You can watch via TV or online via streaming at Eau Claire, Channel 18, at 9:30 a.m. Sunday. La Crosse, Channel 19, at 9:30 a.m. Sunday. <a href="https://diolc.org/tvmass">https://diolc.org/tvmass</a> <a href="http://ewtn.com/tv/watch-live">ewtn.com/tv/watch-live</a></p> <p>You can also listen to the Mass LIVE on the radio, SIRIUS/XM, or listen online at <a href="http://ewtn.com/radio/listen-live">ewtn.com/radio/listen-live</a></p> <p>If you missed the live stream, the Daily Mass can be found at: <a href="http://video.ewtn.com/daily-mass">video.ewtn.com/daily-mass</a></p>	<p><b>Links from the Diocese of La Crosse</b></p> <p><a href="https://diolc.org/">https://diolc.org/</a></p> <p><a href="https://www.youtube.com/user/dioceseoflacrosse">https://www.youtube.com/user/dioceseoflacrosse</a></p> <p><a href="https://www.facebook.com/diolc">https://www.facebook.com/diolc</a></p> <p><a href="https://www.youtube.com/user/timoudenhoven">https://www.youtube.com/user/timoudenhoven</a></p> <p><b>Link to Fr Dan's Homily-weekly</b></p> <p><a href="https://www.facebook.com/immaculate.conception.7796420">https://www.facebook.com/immaculate.conception.7796420</a></p> <p><a href="https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCD6cRqsr0flfKsvta1qkuQ">https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCD6cRqsr0flfKsvta1qkuQ</a></p>
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 <p><b>Immaculate Conception Parish</b> 341 W Main St PO Box 188 Alma Center WI 54611-0188 715-964-5201</p>				<p><b>St. Joseph Parish-Fairview</b> N13740 Fairview Rd Fairchild WI 54741-8514 715-964-5201</p>
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Dear Parishioners of Immaculate Conception and St Joseph!

The Fear God is the Beginning of Wisdom according to the Book of Proverbs. In the Sacrament of Confession, a person is forgiven when they demonstrate either perfect or imperfect contrition. Imperfect contrition is sorrow due to fear of eternal punishment, perfect contrition is sorrow due to love of God. Of the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit, the seventh is the gift of the Fear of the Lord.

Fear of God has spiritual merit. The fear of God can be understood from a perspective of awe. A person can be overwhelmed by the grandeur and immensity of God. This can inspire reverence within a person and lead the person to a deeper relationship with God. However, fear of the Lord can also be a more basic movement, akin to fearing danger and punishment. Fear of God, however, is always rooted in love. It is a beginning to a deeper encounter with freedom and authentic love.

You who are parents. A child may not be aware of danger. For instance, if you live close to a street, the child may not understand the danger presented by a passing car. Out of love you try to explain the danger. Yet the child may still not understand. Thus out of love you express the situation in terms of fear of punishment. You may say, "If I ever see you on the street, you will have to clean dishes for three nights in a row." A child responds to this threat by taking the danger more seriously. The child will in time understand the danger of passing cars. However, in the meantime a healthy fear, is the beginning of wisdom for the child.

This threat by the parent is an act of love, as it serves to protect the child from potential hazards. God does the same thing. What is the greatest threat to human beings? What should we fear, but often we do not fear? The answer to this question is sin. Sin destroys authentic life in our soul. Sin spiritually kills our soul. Like my previous example with children near passing cars, we often cannot see the danger in sin. We cannot see that when we place ourselves in a potentially sinful situation we are risking death to our soul. Sin, in particular mortal sin, kills the life of grace within our soul and God wants to protect us from spiritual death. This is why deadly sin is called mortal sin, because it causes a mortal wound, killing the life of grace within our soul.

Yet we have incredible hope. The prophet Micah says that God delights in clemency. God delights in forgiveness and mercy. Just like a parent delights in a child who turns from bad behavior, God delights in the ability to forgive us. Since God is all powerful, he is also all merciful. Fear of the Lord is our protection. It leads to our salvation. God loves us too much to ever let us play on a dangerous street, God loves us too much to ever let us alone and be in danger of sin.

Fr. Dan Thelen

<p><b>PARISH SECRETARY, BOOKKEEPER</b> Dawn Kaufman 715-334-3931 or 715-533-8344</p> <p><b>DIR. OF SACRED MUSIC</b> Jolene Janke 715-964-6334</p> <p><b>PARISH FACEBOOK</b> Immaculate Joseph John</p>	<p><b>PASTOR</b> <b>Fr. Daniel Thelen</b> 715-964-5201 or 715-218-8391</p> <p><b>OFFICE PHONE</b> 715-964-5201</p> <p><b>PARISH EMAIL ID</b> icjosephjohn@hotmail.com</p> <p><b>PARISH WEBSITE</b> <a href="http://www.catholic-parishes-of-almacenter-fairchild.org">www.catholic-parishes-of-almacenter-fairchild.org</a></p>	<p><b>MASS SCHEDULE</b></p> <p>Sun 8:30 am St Joseph 10:15 am Immaculate Con. Facebook live at 10:15AM</p> <p>Tue-Fri Immaculate Conception</p> <p>Sat 4:30 pm IC Spanish</p> <p><b>CONFESSION</b></p> <p>Wed 5:00-7:00 pm at IC Sat 4:00-4:30 pm at IC Sun 8:00-8:25 am St Joseph</p>
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**Saturday July 25**  
**4:30 PM Mass** Immaculate Conception -Hispanic  
†Members of All Three Parishes

**Sunday July 26 Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**8:30 AM Mass** St Joseph's  
†Chad Stanley (B Stanley)

**10:15 AM Mass** Immaculate Conception  
**Mass live-streamed through Facebook at 10:15**  
65th Anniversary of John & JoAnn Schroeder

**Monday July 27**  
Private Mass

**Tuesday July 28**  
**5:30 PM Mass** Immaculate Conception-Hispanic  
†Edward Simonis

**6:15 PM-6:45 PM Adoration** Immaculate Conception

**Wednesday July 29**  
**9:00 AM Mass** Immaculate Conception  
†Frank Traczek (R Traczek)

**5:00 PM-7 PM Confessions** Immaculate Conception

**Thursday July 30**  
**9:00 AM Mass** Immaculate Conception  
†Larry Skalitzky (J&B Giunta)

**5:30 PM-7:30 PM Adoration** Immaculate Conception  
**6:00 PM Bible Study** at Immaculate Conception in person and through ZOOM app

**Friday July 31**  
**9:00 AM Mass** Immaculate Conception  
Recovery of Nancy Theiler (M Theiler)

**Saturday August 1**  
**4:30 PM Mass** Immaculate Conception-Hispanic  
†Richard Gilles (L Schnur)

**Sunday August 2 Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**8:30 AM Mass** St Joseph's  
†Shirley Petznick (D Bedell)

**10:15AM Mass** Immaculate Conception  
**Mass live-streamed through Facebook at 10:15**  
†Betty Luther (D&D Kraft)

**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.  
**www.catholic-parishes-of-almacenter-fairchild.org**

**PRAYER CHAIN REQUESTS**  
Contact Jolene Janke at 715-964-6334 or stevenmj@centurytel.net to ask for prayers. If you would like to be a part of the prayer chain and pray for others, contact Jolene. 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 Kotschi-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. (Please let us know when your soldier is no longer deployed.)

**Resuming Sunday Mass**  
- 8:30am - Mass at St Joseph (at 25% capacity) approx. 40  
- 10:15am - Mass at Immaculate Conception (at 25% capacity) approx. 60  
- 10:15am - FacebookLive Mass


The Sunday Mass obligation is not in effect. So it is not a 'sin' to miss Mass during this present time. However, you are still required to honor the Sabbath by setting that day aside for prayer and rest.

**Parishioners with a last name starting with the following letters are invited to participate in the corresponding Sunday Mass. There is no obligation to attend. This is simply an invite for those who wish to attend.**  
**Aug 2 - M-Z**  
**Aug 9 - A-L**

If it is not your week to attend Mass, you can still come and wait in your car. If the 25% limit is not filled, the ushers will invite you into the church.

**SACRAMENTAL WEDDING MARRIAGE BLESSED**  
If you are looking to get married in one of our churches, please see Fr. Dan.  
If you are already married outside the church, you can get your marriage blessed. Speak to Fr. Dan about details.  
You can bring your married life into communion with God, it's never too late! Please consider this option, and help make your marriage a sacred union.

**CATHOLIC LIFE MAGAZINE**  
I'm sure you all read your Catholic Life Magazine when it comes in the mail. The last issue was filled with local news, I hope you didn't miss it!



Our thoughts and prayers are with  
**Very Rev. Varkey Velickakathu**  
May God grant him eternal rest. Amen.

WEEKLY TITHING		
7/19	IMMAC. CONCEPTION	ST JOSEPH
ADULT	1430.00	717.00
PLATE	55.00	52.01
VOTIVES	31.36	
APPEAL REB.		225.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1516.36</b>	<b>994.01</b>
BUDGET	1639.00	1082.00
<b>DIFFERENCE</b>	<b>(151.64)</b>	<b>(88.99)</b>
BUDG DIFF YTD	(585.38)	2475.01

**Sunday Fund Day Winner!!**  
Sunday, July 19, 2020 \$50 winner is Aneva Petersen



**Chalice of Mercy**

Thank you for the brave hearts of **Fr Thomash Nadberezny**, **Alena Lastochkina** and **Deacon Chris Powroznik** and our truck driver **Sergey** who went into the warzone in Eastern Ukraine in spite of difficulties to deliver food and supplies. (To hear the story please read last week's bulletin or visit [chaliceofmercy.org](http://chaliceofmercy.org))

**Advertiser Of The Week**



**VFW Post 8494**  
Bob Danke Post Cmdr  
715-984-2478  
Hall rental available  
(Ad donated in memory of Bernard & Dorothy Laufenberg)

We thank this week's Advertiser of the Week, **VFW Post 8494**, for their support.  
If you are a Veteran and would like to join, contact them! They also have a hall available to rent for gatherings, parties, etc. Let them know we appreciate their support.

**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 at his cell number (715-218-8391) and set up a time.

**5:00 pm-7:00 pm—Wednesday** at IC  
**4:00 pm—4:30 pm—Saturday** at IC  
**8:00 am-8:30 am—Sunday** at St Joseph


**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.

**Money Counters-meet at IC 9:30am**  
Wed. Jul. 29: Elfering, Connelly  
Wed. Aug. 5: Baumann, Statz  
Wed. Aug 12: Statz, Elfering

**We changed the time to 9:30 am.**  
**You are welcome to attend daily Mass at 9 am before we count!**

**ENVELOPES AND DONATIONS**  
If you are not ready to come back to Mass yet, you are welcome to mail your contributions to 341 W Main St. PO Box 188, Alma Center, WI 54611. The envelopes will be sorted and deposited in the appropriate church.  
**We encourage you to sign up for Electronic Fund Transfer (EFT). This ensures that your donations are in on a regular schedule, and it helps keep the counters from handling money touched by others, which is safer and healthier for them.**

**YEAR OF ST JOSEPH**



Saint Joseph,  
Pray for Us!