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ONLINE MASS OPTIONS

Sunday 10:15 AM with Fr Dan - Go to our Facebook page, Immaculate Joseph John

Word on Fire daily Mass
<https://www.wordonfire.org/daily-mass/>

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.
<https://diolc.org/tvmass>
ewtn.com/tv/watch-live

You can also listen to the Mass LIVE on the radio, SIRIUS/XM, or listen online at
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If you missed the live stream, the Daily Mass can be found at: video.ewtn.com/daily-mass

Links from the Diocese of La Crosse

<https://diolc.org/>

<https://www.youtube.com/user/dioceseoflacrosse>

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Link to Fr Dan's Homily-weekly

<https://www.facebook.com/immaculate.conception.7796420>

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCD6cRqsr0lflfKSvta1qkuQ>



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PARISH BULLETIN August 2, 2020





St. Joseph Parish-Fairview
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Dear Parishioners of Immaculate Conception and St Joseph!

On March 21st Mass was cancelled. It was a day that none of us could have imagined. The Vatican had suspended Mass in Rome on March 7th. We wondered if it could happen here also. Soon we would found out. In a moment the whole world slowed down. The celebration of Mass and nearly every other public event was suspended. It was a shift unprecedented in modern memory.

Despite the great spiritual sorrow in the suspension of public worship, I heard all around me testimonies of families and individuals praying more. The activities that busied so many, were all of a sudden non-existent, travel was brought to a stand-still, work was brought home, schools were let out. With all the changes, an overarching anxiety gripped everyone. In response, most everyone turned to prayer. Most everyone found in the silence, time for prayer.

For myself, the weeks and months that followed the general shutdown resulted in a deepened encounter with the living God. The sadness in not seeing and ministering to all of you, was filled to a higher degree by a presence of God in prayer. Thanks to modern technology, nearly every single evening was filled with some outreach of prayer.

On Tuesday, Thursdays and Saturdays I spent three hours in adoration as many of you entered for a half-hour with our Lord. This time of quiet and prayer was so life giving. On Wednesdays and Fridays, I offered a total of four hours of Confession. An online Rosary was prayed on the evenings of Wednesdays, Fridays, and Sundays. Then on Thursdays we offered Bible Study. Each of these moments became a profound connection to God. The more time you spend with God, the greater the Lord's blessings.

In Scripture God asks us to pray constantly. How joyous it is to pray constantly. In prayer God fills us with his presence. The prophet Jeremiah tells us why we must pray constantly. He speaks about the sufferings of Jerusalem, the people consumed by hunger, the citizens slain by the sword, the temple destroyed by the enemy. We do not know what awaits us. We do not know if tomorrow will bring prosperity or adversity. However, we do know that when we pray, we will be accompanied by God in both the good and the bad, receiving strength from on high.

I fear that as the world awakens from the shutdown and people reengage in their activities the zeal for prayer is diminishing. I do not hear people telling me as frequently that they are praying more. I feel that people are getting busy, and that prayer is disappearing. I ask you to maintain your dedication to prayer. Pray always. Make the church your home. Find in prayer your true food, your true drink, your true happiness.

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MASS SCHEDULE

Sun 8:30 am St Joseph
10:15 am Immaculate Con.
Facebook live at 10:15AM

Tue-Fri Immaculate Conception

Sat 4:30 pm IC Spanish

CONFESSION

Wed 5:00-7:00 pm at IC
Sat 4:00-4:30 pm at IC
Sun 8:00-8:25 am St Joseph

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)

Monday August 3
Private Mass

Tuesday August 4
5:30 PM Mass Immaculate Conception-Hispanic
†Lawrence Simonis

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

Wednesday August 5
9:00 AM Mass Immaculate Conception
†Deceased Members of the Kaufman Family (R Traczek)

5:00 PM-7 PM Confessions Immaculate Conception

Thursday August 6
9:00 AM Mass Immaculate Conception
†E Raider (T Thompson)

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

Friday August 7
9:00 AM Mass Immaculate Conception
†Chad Stanley (B Stanley)

Saturday August 8
4:30 PM Mass Immaculate Conception -Hispanic
†Members of All Three Parishes

Sunday August 9 Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:30 AM Mass St Joseph's
†Spc. Charles A Kaufman (M&C Kaufman)

10:15 AM Mass Immaculate Conception
Mass live-streamed through Facebook at 10:15
†Virgil Hill (D&J Stephens)

1:00 PM First Communion Immaculate Conception

PARISH SOCIAL MEDIA
Please visit our Facebook page:
Immaculate Joseph John
<https://www.facebook.com/immaculate.conception.7796420>

PRAYER CHAIN REQUESTS
Contact Jolene Janke at 715-964-6334 or stevnmj@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.)

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In our parish cluster we are offering adoration on Tuesdays and Thursdays; the online Rosary on Wednesdays, Fridays and Sundays; Holy Confession on Wednesdays; Bible Study on Thursdays; along with Mass nearly every day of the week. I am committed to offering these opportunities, because in prayer we will receive blessings.

Do not grow slack in prayer. Do not get too busy that you forget to pray. Prayer is a necessity. Prayer is not an option. Prayer is our refuge. In prayer we enter into the safety of the Immaculate Heart of Mary and the Sacred Heart of Jesus. When we remain in prayer, we remain protected by our Lord and by our Mother. Even if things get bad, by being a person of prayer you will remain close to the overwhelming protection and peace of Jesus and Mary. Do not get too busy to pray. Do not grow slack in prayer.

St Joseph, Patron Saint of the Universal Church –
Pray for Us

Fr. Daniel L. Thelen

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 9 - A-L
Aug 16 - M-Z

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.

WEEKLY TITHING		
7/26	IMMAC. CONCEPTION	ST JOSEPH
ADULT	610.00	385.00
PLATE	126.00	5.00
TOTAL	736.00	390.00
BUDGET	1639.00	1082.00
DIFFERENCE	(932.00)	(693.00)
BUDG DIFF YTD	(1517.38)	1782.01

Sunday Fund Day Winner!!
Sunday, July 26, 2020 \$50 winner is Elnora Felt



**We lovingly congratulate
John and JoAnn Schroeder on their
65th Anniversary!
They are truly an example to be followed.**

Next Sunday, Aug. 8th, the following students will be receiving their First Communion at Immaculate Conception at 1PM:

Alaina Cernohous	Hudson Ambort
Lily Swenson-Mendez	Jaeger Clarke

**REMINDER—Thursday evenings we have Bible study at Immaculate Conception from 6-7 PM in person and through the internet.
We also hold Adoration from 5:30-7:30 PM. Come for one, or come for both!**

Advertiser Of The Week

In Memory of

John Selz

Selz-Pralle Dairy Family

We thank this week's Advertiser of the Week, **Selz-Pralle Dairy Family**, for their support.
We especially remember John Selz this week, who was a life long supporter of St Joseph's Church. Remember him in your prayers as we thank his family.

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. Aug. 5: Baumann, Statz
Wed. Aug 12: Statz, Elfering
Wed. Aug. 19: Baumann, Connelly

**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!