

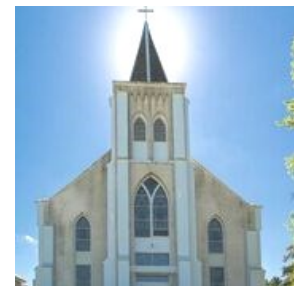
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 <p>Thank you St Jude</p>	<p><i>Guillermo Jaime</i> J Brothers Trans Inc 715-670-1023</p> 	 <p>RIPP DISTRIBUTING COMPANY, INC. "Your Water Source" Black River Falls, WI 54615 PH: 715-284-9866 email: info@rippdistco.com www.rippdistco.com Home & Office Bottled Water Service Water filtration dispensers</p>
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<p>ESSER INSURANCE APEX Insurance Group Alma Center, WI 715-964-6311</p>	<p>NEIGHBORS IN NEED 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>	 <p><i>Carlos</i> AUTO BODY & CUSTOM PAINTING 715-379-0748 Merrillan, WI</p>

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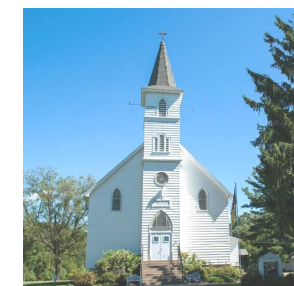
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Janke's Never Rest Farms	†Martin & Dorothy Kalina	In Loving Memory of the †Ray & Lorraine Laufenberg Family

<p>ONLINE MASS OPTIONS Sunday 10:15 AM with Fr Dan - Go to our Facebook page, Immaculate Joseph John</p> <p>Word on Fire daily Mass https://www.wordonfire.org/daily-mass/</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. https://diolc.org/tvmass ewtn.com/tv/watch-live</p> <p>You can also listen to the Mass LIVE on the radio, SIRIUS/XM, or listen online at ewtn.com/radio/listen-live</p> <p>If you missed the live stream, the Daily Mass can be found at: video.ewtn.com/daily-mass</p>	<p>Links from the Diocese of La Crosse</p> <p>https://diolc.org/</p> <p>https://www.youtube.com/user/dioceseflacrosse</p> <p>https://www.facebook.com/diolc</p> <p>https://www.youtube.com/user/timoudenhoven</p> <p>Link to Fr Dan's Homily-weekly</p> <p>https://www.facebook.com/immaculate.conception.7796420</p> <p>https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCD6cRqsr0flfKSvta1qkuQ</p>
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Immaculate Conception Parish
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Alma Center WI 54611-0188
715-964-5201

PARISH BULLETIN October 25, 2020
30th Sunday in Ordinary Time



St. Joseph Parish-Fairview
N13740 Fairview Rd
Fairchild WI 54741-8514
715-964-5201

Parishioners of Immaculate Conception and St Joseph!

Why are we Christians? What is the fundamental purpose for us to come to Church?

Is it because we were born into a Christian family? Is it because our grandparents were Christian? Is this why we hold the name Christian?

Is it because we like the community? Is it because we enjoy the programs, dinners and other social occasions that the church provides? Is it because we connect best to God by the community with whom we share worship?

Are we Christian because it is about service to neighbor? Is it because we feel a sense of a job well-done, when we live a life of charity to our brothers and sisters?

There are probably many additional reasons that Christianity resonates with you. The reasons listed above and the additional ones in your mind are all good and worthy.

However, I would argue that the fundamental reason we are Christian is because Jesus saves us from our sins. In the very first chapter of the New Testament an angel of the Lord announces to St Joseph, "Mary will bear a son and you are to name him Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins." The very name Jesus means, "God saves".

Nearly every pre-Christian culture developed some form of religion to ward off evil spirits. From medicine men to shamans, from fortune tellers to sorcerers, ancient cultures developed rituals and created cult-like practices to stave off evil or unwanted spirits. This was a universal struggle and reality in all ancient cultures. It is manifested in the human sacrifices conducted by the Aztecs, the oracles of the prophetess of Delphi in Greece, and the sacred trees of the Germanic Norsemen.

Every culture and every time has tried to ward off evil. These ancient cultures recognized that evil manifested itself in invisible and spiritual ways. Yet today, in our modern world, we doubt the existence of evil. Today we doubt that evil exists in fallen and hidden spirits. We call all those ancient ideas gobbledy-gook. We are modern men and women. We are beyond all this nonsense of fallen spirits and malicious invisible entities. We are men and women of science and modern beliefs.

Is modern society correct? Is evil a thing of the past? Do sins really matter? Are we not all good? In a few weeks we celebrate Halloween. For Americans this is a fun and joyful celebration of Trick-or-treating, pumpkins, and ghoulish decorations. Much debate can be made regarding the virtue of this celebration. However, one thing is certain. One day out of the year we make physically present all the hidden evil that our ancestors so desperately

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<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>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</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>CONFESSION</p> <p>Sat 4:00-4:30 pm at IC Sun 8:00-8:25 am St Joseph</p>
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Saturday October 24

4:30 PM Mass Immaculate Conception-Hispanic
†Members of Both Parishes

Sunday October 25 Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM Mass St Joseph
†Aurelia & Leopold Traczek

10:15AM Mass Immaculate Conception
Mass live-streamed through Facebook at 10:15
†Peter Kelly

Monday October 26

Private Mass

Tuesday October 27

5:30 PM Mass Immaculate Conception-Hispanic
†Obrest Family (T Thompson)

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

Wednesday October 28

9:00 AM Mass Immaculate Conception
†Frank Traczek (R Traczek)

3:45 PM or 6:00 PM CCD Immaculate Conception

Thursday October 29

3:00 PM Mass St Joseph Black River Falls

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

Friday October 30

9:00 AM Mass Immaculate Conception
Health & Welfare of Dan Domenosky & Family

Saturday October 31

4:30 PM Mass Immaculate Conception-Hispanic
†Members of Both Parishes

Sunday November 1 All Saint's Day

8:30 AM Mass St Joseph
Health & Welfare of Elias Penry & Family (M&C Kaufman)

10:15AM Mass Immaculate Conception
Mass live-streamed through Facebook at 10:15
†Gilbert & Fern Laufenberg

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

PRAYER CHAIN REQUESTS

TEMP: Contact Dawn Kaufman (until Jolene gets back) at 715-533-8344 or dawnkaufman@hotmail.com to ask for prayers.
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.

(Continued from page 1) tried to overcome. Ghosts, witches, goblins, bon(e)fires. Yep, that's the origin of the word bonfire – a fire of bones.

This past week I heard about the opening of the Broom Closet in Black River Falls. For sale in this new business are dream catchers and crystals. Great caution should be used regarding healing remedies claiming to give off special energies. As believers in Jesus Christ the greatest 'energy' is the Holy Spirit. God is the Divine Consoler and the victor over sin and death. Our faith offers the wondrous claim as announced by the angel of the Lord to St Joseph that Jesus will save us from our sins. The created world is gifted to us by God. It is filled with many wondrous things that bring both nourishment and healing as Ezekiel says in his prophetic book that the 'leaves (of the trees) serve for medicine.' (Ezek. 47:12) The created world is filled with numerous sources of healing and through our minds and science countless more will be developed. Praised be everyone who works so diligently in jobs and industries of healing. However, as Christians we must always understand that the greatest healer is Jesus. Discern always the things of the world. Know that evil exists.

Our communities are filled with churches. Churches offering the saving message of Jesus Christ. Do not lose sight of Jesus as being our true savior. Turn to him with all your faith. Trust him in all things. As Catholics we have the greatest of gifts, the very real presence of Jesus in all seven of the sacraments, including his mercy in Confession and his real presence in the Holy Eucharist. These 'so true' gifts truly bring healing, because they are the very touch of Jesus Christ in our very real world.

We are Christian for the primary reason the angel expressed to St Joseph. We are Christian because Jesus saves us from our sins. The modern world suffers from a horrific amnesia. The modern world forgets the malice of the fallen world, of fallen angels set against our good. Do not forget as St Paul says, "We are not fighting against flesh and blood but with the principalities, with the powers, with the world rulers of this present darkness, with the evil spirits in the heavens." (Eph 6:12) Therefore, turn to Jesus in all things. Turn to him first. The created world offers paths of healing. When properly discerned these created goods can be true blessings. However, place your greatest trust in Jesus. Trust Jesus with every fabric of your being. Jesus, Jesus, Jesus. His very name is like a nuclear bomb of healing, for his very name means, "God saves!"

Fr. Daniel L. Thelen

MASS INTENTIONS

We could use some Mass intentions, especially for our weekday Masses.
We are almost out of Mass intentions!!!!

Sunday Fund Day Winner!!
Sunday, Oct. 18, 2020 \$50 winner is Dolores Pokorny

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY TODAY!



We celebrate this day by remembering our baptismal call—to bring the Gospel to all! The second collection today and next Sunday for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith supports the work and witness of the Mission Church, as it provides for priests, religious and lay leaders who offer the Lord's mercy and concrete help to the most vulnerable communities in the Pope's missions.

**Are you looking for greater peace in your life?
October is the Month of the Rosary.**

Praying one decade of the Rosary with your family, which takes about 10 minutes, will bring greater peace to your family.

About the Rosary:

*Jesus gave Mary to John the Apostle as his Spiritual Mother when He was dying on the Cross. (John 19: 25-27) It has always been believed that John represented each one of us. It is therefore appropriate for you to pray to Mary, asking her for help in all of your needs.

*Mary is your Spiritual Mother and your sign of comfort and hope. The Blessed Mother's basic task is always to draw people into deeper friendship with her Son.

*The Rosary is a prayer in honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary, which repeats the privileged Marian prayer Hail Mary, in "decades" of ten prayers, which is preceded by the Our Father and concluded by the Glory Be to the Father, accompanied by meditation on the mysteries of Christ's life. (Catechism, Glossary, p. 897)

*Focusing on one of the Mysteries each day will help you to know and understand the major events of Jesus' life. You will encounter Jesus and develop a true friendship with Him as you are inspired to make a connection between the Mystery and your own life.

WEEKLY TITHING

WEEK OF 10/18	IMMAC. CONC	ST. JOSEPH
ADULT	1420.00	565.00
PLATE	169.00	56.00
TOTAL	1589.00	621.00
BUDGET	1639.00	1082.00
DIFFERENCE	(79.00)	(462.00)
BUDG DIFF YTD	(6220.97)	2976.26
WORLD MISSION	62.00	45.00

WE ARE NOW HANDICAP ACCESSIBLE AT ST JOSEPH'S!

The lift at St Joseph's is now installed and in service! If you have been waiting to come to Mass until it was done, you can now rest assured that you will be able to get into the church! Come and check it out, we hope to get a lot of use out of it!

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.

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

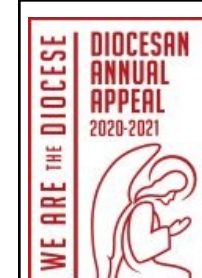
Wed. Oct. 28: Connelly, Statz
Wed. Nov. 4: Elfering, Statz
Wed. Nov. 11: Connelly, Laudon

You are welcome to attend daily Mass at 9 am before we count.

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**Goal - \$8240
Pledged - \$2685**

**St. Joseph
Goal - \$7300
Pledged - \$6695**



Live the Gospel of Life
RESPECT LIFE MONTH
October 2020

YEAR OF ST JOSEPH

