

**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH
THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD
JANUARY 9, 2022**

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**EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 4, 2021, THROUGH
SATURDAY, MARCH 12, 2022, SATURDAY MASSES WILL BE AT 4:00 PM
MASS INTENTIONS**

Tues. 5:30 PM 01/11 Our Parish Family
Wed. 7:45 AM 01/12 Norma Jean Bax
Thurs. 7:45 AM 01/13 Deceased Members of the Ralph Bailey Family
Fri. 7:45 AM 01/14 Our Parish Family
Sat. 4:00 PM 01/15 David Williams
Catherine & Virgil Muenks
Sun 7:00 AM 01/16 Deceased Members of Joseph Kliethermes and Thessen Family
Travis Muenks
Sun 10:00 AM 01/16 Our Parish Family

JANUARY 2022	Rosary	Song Leader(s)	Servers	Sacristan	Lector	Offertory	Eucharistic Ministers	Greeters	Usher
Sat Jan. 15 4:00 PM	Roger & Barbara Backes	Kim Luebbert, Laurie Bonnot	Addisyn Nilges, Andrew & Kaylee Muenks	Debbie Stegeman	Sandy Kremer	Chris Wilbers Family	Sandy Kremer, Kevin & Terri Muenks	Darlene Nilges	John & Kathy Muenks
Sun Jan. 16 7:00 AM	Mary Gentges	Volunteers Needed	Hunter Hoelscher, Matthew & Henry Robertson	Rita Linhardt	Rita Linhardt	Matt Robertson Family	Nina Crowe, Erica Robertson, Judy Skaggs	Carol Hudspeth	Glenn & Kathy Robertson
Sun Jan. 16 10:00 AM	Sharla Buthod	Paul Williams	Edie Bauer, Oliva Bonnot, Lily Borgmeyer	Julie Brandt	Marla Robertson	Dan & Florence Schaefer	Jon & Cindy Robertson, Amelia Stegeman	Brenton Voss	Curtis & Luke Brandt

CLEANING CHURCH: January 9 - 16 - Kim Crede, Amy Wilbers, Carter & Kaitlin Peters

Sunday Collection Report

January 1-2

Offering	\$10,604.25	Osage County Needs	\$376.00	Holy Day	\$825.00
Votive	\$104.00	Retired Priest/Seminary	\$200.00	Christmas	\$400.00

Offering Report

Weekly Budget	\$8,320.00	Fiscal YTD Budget	\$216,320.00
Weekend Offering	\$10604.25	Fiscal YTD Offering	\$219,642.85
Budget vs. Offering	+\$2,284.25	Fiscal YTD vs. Offering	+\$3,322.85

LOOSE CREEK BULLETIN & RESERVATIONS

Bulletin items due by Wednesday at noon.

To reserve the cafeteria or school, contact the school/parish secretary Jackie Bax:
Phone: (573) 897-3516 - (573) 690-1867
E-mail: jackie.bax@icloosecreek.org.

BONNOTS MILL BULLETIN

Bulletin items due by Wednesday evening.

Kim Jansen:
(573) 897-2813 or (573) 619-4279
st.louisoffrance@gmail.com / kimjansen128@gmail.com

IC PARISH FACEBOOK PAGE: <https://www.facebook.com/ICParishLooseCreek/>

IC PARISH YOUTUBE CHANNEL: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC1emSIFT8eBN3Z7RRj7nx0A/featured>

PARISH WEBSITE: Please check out our new website at <https://icloosecreek.diojeffcity.org/>. The website is a great place to find both parish and school information including church bulletins, events, school forms, handbooks, parish and school organizations, and so much more.

Bishop McKnight's January Prayer Intention is for the Local Church: As we begin a new year, may the opportunities for the grace to clearly recognize the dignity of life, education and ecumenism allow us to better support our brothers and sisters who need the warmth of Christ's love and our compassion during this winter season.

MESSAGE FROM FR. TONY: In today's Gospel, the Solemnity of the Baptism of the Lord, the end of the Christmas Season for the Church, Jesus allowed Himself to be baptized by John and the Trinity is revealed when the Father speaks and the Spirit descends upon Jesus.

John preached a baptism of repentance from sin, but Jesus was without sin. So why was Jesus baptized? It was a testimony of Jesus' oneness with sinners. That will be the hallmark of His ministry.

He came for sinners like Matthew, Zacchaeus, Mary Magdalene, the repentant thief on the cross, and every one of us. Whereas John's baptism ends with repentance, Jesus' baptism will bring about forgiveness for sinners through His death and resurrection. After Jesus' resurrection, baptism will be the way to freedom from Original Sin and the reception of the gift of new life and salvation.

In the Sacrament of Baptism, the baby is touched by the priest on the ears and on the lips as he says: "The Lord Jesus made the deaf hear and the mute speak. May He soon touch your ears to receive His word, and your mouth to proclaim His faith, to the praise and glory of God the Father."

Remembering our own baptism, let us turn from sin, open our ears to receive His word and our lips to proclaim our faith. Fr. Tony

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Sunday school is on January 9, and 16, 2022, and will be held in the IC School kindergarten classroom during the 10:00 Mass. If interested, please call Emily Frank at 573-291-9880.

PSR CLASSES: SECOND THROUGH EIGHTH GRADE PSR CLASSES: Will be on Wednesday, January 19, 2022 at 6:30 at IC School. Please contact Carol Haslag at 897-4231 or text (314) 852-2340 for any questions.

END OF YEAR DONATIONS: If you wish to have a contribution on your 2021 statement, please have these contributions made by January 9, 2022. Please mark as "2021" on the envelope. Thank you for your continued generosity and support. If you would like to direct deposit your church contributions in 2021, please contact Jackie at 897-3516 or email her and she will forward you an ACH bank form.

DECORATING CHURCH FOR THE CHRISTMAS SEASON: We will be taking down the Christmas Season Decorations on **Sunday, January 9, 2022, after the 10:00 A.M. Mass.** Everyone is welcome to come help take down the Christmas decorations. This makes a great service project for the Parish School of Religion and / or Confirmation students. Thank You! Spiritual/Worship Commission.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING: Parish Council Meeting will be on Tuesday, January 18, 2022 - 6:00 PM, Library.

FRONT OF BULLETIN UPDATES: If any group or club needs to update the front of the bulletin, please send those changes to jackie.bax@icloosecreek.org or call 897-3516 by Friday, January 28.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS RESTORATION: Several months ago the Stations of the Cross were evaluated by a restoration company. Detailed inspection concluded that our stations are actually a rare and very valuable set of wood carvings.

We arranged for one station to be restored as a trial before proceeding with the others. Previous over-painting was removed, revealing the true colors, including a gold leaf background behind the figures. Structural work on the surrounding frame was also badly needed. A break was re-repaired and reinforced, old putty replaced, chips filled in, and gold leaf touched up. The modern lettering decal that was added earlier was removed and an artist is hand painting a more historical script at the bottom of the station. The work will be complete in the next week or two.

The restored piece will be put on display in church for all parishioners to view. If you have seen our on-line auctions, you know that we have been trying to raise funds for this project. If you are able, please consider donating to this project, any amount is appreciated. The cost of sponsoring an individual station is \$1,100. Gifts in memory of a loved one are welcome; however, individual family plaques will not be available.

We are also requesting suggestions and assistance for transporting these large, fragile works of art to Restorations Plus in St Louis. Contact the parish council with your sponsorship, transportation suggestions, or general feedback regarding the restoration at iclparishcouncil@gmail.com.



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION SCHOOL NEWS

SCHOOL NEWS: We are having a fantastic start to 2022 and to our third quarter! Our 7th-grade Confirmation candidates are planning a special Mass and Muffins with Mom Day for next Wednesday. All our IC students' moms are invited to join us for Mass at 7:45 am on Wednesday, January 12, 2022. Mass will be followed with muffins, juice, and fellowship in the school cafeteria. We look forward to sharing some IC Style smiles with all of our moms! Smiles, Ms. Luebbert

TAPES FOR EDUCATION (THRIFTWAY RECEIPTS): Linn Thriftway has invited our school to participate in the "Tapes for Education" program this year. Points earned will be used to purchase educational equipment for our school. Please save Thriftway register tapes dated January 1, 2022 to April 30, 2022. Send your register tapes to school or place them in the container in the church vestibule. Spread the word to family and friends.

SCRIP MESSAGE: **Scrip rebate earned for December was \$1,934.07.** During the months of January through May, the Scrip Committee will be selling scrip out of the box the first Wednesday of each month from 5:30 pm to 6 pm in the school computer room. **Scrip Sell dates for January through May:** January 5, February 2, March 2, April 6, and May 4. **Please note:** scrip orders are filled Monday and Wednesday evenings and Friday afternoons. Orders will go home in backpacks or available for pick up the day after being filled. Orders filled Fridays will go home in backpacks on Fridays.

SCRIP CONTEST: The Scrip committee is having a contest running January 1, through February 28, 2022 (end of Scrip year). The contest is on all Scrip Physical Cards, Reloads, and EGift Cards. For every \$100 face value purchased during this time, we'll enter your family's name into a hat. On March 1, one winner is drawn which will get to pick from any \$25 value or less Scrip card from our Scrip box! The Scrip committee thanks you for your continued support to technology for IC school.

CATHOLIC SCHOOL'S WEEK JANUARY 23 – FEBRUARY 6 - 2022



As Catholic School's Week 2022 quickly approaches, we are pleased to announce:

Many Gifts, One Nation A Day of Giving to Catholic Schools

We are pleased to be a part of the Day of Giving to Catholic Schools once again this year. What a wonderful way to give back to our Catholic School!

Last year was a huge success!!

Donations for the Day of Giving will be accepted from January 23 – February 6, 2022. If you would like to make a donation to our Catholic school, you can put it in the collection basket (please mark envelope Attn: Day of Giving) or send it to school by Sunday, February 6.

Mail to: IC School, Attn: Day of Giving

PO Box 68

Loose Creek, MO 65054

Thank you for your continued support of Immaculate Conception School. Please contact School Advisory Board President Patrick Kremer (573-690-8202) if you have any questions.

Meetings & Events

Cub Scout will be meeting on Monday, January 17, at 7:00-8:00 pm in the school cafeteria.

KC COUNCIL 2027 ROSES FOR LIFE: It's time again for the Knights of Columbus Roses for Life Weekend which will be held on January 8 and 9 at all Masses. The roses have a tag which you place your information on, remove it from the rose and leave it in your pew. The information is then passed on to our legislators to show your support for the Pro-Life Movement.

KC COUNCIL 2027 MEETING: The monthly meeting will be on Tuesday, January 11. Rosary to end abortion at 7:15 PM, meeting at 7:30 PM at the Bonnots Mill Hall.

KC COUNCIL 2027 VITAE FOUNDATION: The Knights of Columbus will be sponsoring a special collection on January 15 and 16 for the Vitae Foundation. Vitae Primarily focuses on women facing unplanned, unwanted pregnancies, Vitae pioneered a series of landmark studies working with The Right Brain People® that resulted in a complete paradigm shift within the pro-life arena. Please consider supporting the work that is being conducted by the Vitae Foundation.

GAME DAY: The Game Day people are getting together at Annie's in Loose Creek at around 1:00-1:30 once a month on the first Thursday of every month. If you have questions/concerns, please contact Linda Peters at 573-690-7473 or e-mail at petersrLL@yahoo.com.

BOOKPLATES FOR THE ST. AUGUSTINE HYMNAL: If you'd like to purchase a bookplate in honor of a loved one, please place a \$16 donation (per bookplate) in the offering basket and then text or email Kim Luebbert (573)690-0176 or luebbertk626@gmail.com with the name of the loved one(s) you are honoring and who the gift is from. More than one bookplate can be donated and there **are 58 still available**. It's a memorial that will remain in our pews for years to come.

LOOSE CREEK COMMUNITY CENTER MEETING: There will be a meeting on Thursday, January 13, 2022, at 7:00 PM at the LCCC.

ST. THOMAS KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #2149 PANCAKE & SAUSAGE BREAKFAST is Sunday, January 16 from 8:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the St. Thomas K of C Hall. Adults \$10.00 & children \$5.00. Part of the proceeds will benefit St. Thomas the Apostle School.

SAVING BEST CHOICE UPCs: The Willing Workers are collecting Best Choice UPCs and would very much appreciate any assistance the parish can give us. We have collected these for many years and are grateful to all those who have helped us with these. The money we receive from the UPCs goes to helping in the community with Cub & Boy Scouts charters, donations to the Senior Citizen group, and supplying treats for the school children, to name a few. You can send them to school with the children or call Joani Backes and she will pick them up from you. Her # is 897-2734. Thank you!

WELCOME WEEKEND: Ladies, do you feel like your life lacks purpose? Do you just "go through the motions" everyday? Come join us for Welcome weekend February 19-20, 2022. Welcome is a weekend of meditation, prayer, renewal, and discovery of God's purpose for your life. You can register online at <http://www.saint-george-parish.org>.