

**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH
FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
JANUARY 30, 2022**

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MASS INTENTIONS

Tues. 5:30 PM 02/01 Harold & Jacquilin Muenks
Wed. 7:45 AM 02/02 Our Parish Family
Thurs. 7:45 AM 02/03 Deceased Members of Vincent Muenks and Ted Kirsch Families
Fri. 7:45 AM 02/04 Al & Mike Hentges
Sat. 4:00 PM 02/05 Carter J Peters
Ed Reinsch
Sun 7:00 AM 02/05 Richard Porting
Mark Gentges
Sun 10:00 AM 02/06 Clarence and Marvin Buthod

| FEBRUARY 2022 | Rosary | Song Leader(s) | Servers | Sacristan | Lector | Offertory | Eucharistic Ministers | Greeters | Usher |
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| Sat Feb. 5 4:00 PM | Herbert & Joan Backes | Emerson Williams | Renee Wilbers, Alayna Backes, Lily Kempker | Debbie Stegeman | Rita Stiefermann | Roger & Barbara Backes | Troy Pinkerton, Rita Stiefermann, Roger Backes | Bonnie Haslag | Kenny Peters, Alan Stiefermann |
| Sun Feb. 6 7:00 AM | Mary Gentges | Looking for Volunteers | Taylor Baumhoer, Natalie Boessen | Judy Skaggs | Cheryl Gentges | JP Boessen Family | Janice Backes, Nina Crowe, Erica Robertson | Diane Haslag | Louie & Iris Wilbers |
| Sun Feb. 6 10:00 AM | Dan & Florence Schaefer | Kim Luebbert, Geri Fick | Boy Scouts | Cindy Robertson | Boy Scouts | Boy Scouts | Jon & Cindy Robertson, Laverne Robinson | Boy Scouts | Boy Scouts |

CLEANING CHURCH: January 30 – February 6 - Joe & Diane Grothoff, Diane Jaegers, Sharla Buthod

**Sunday Collection Report
January 22-23**

Offering \$6,710.00
Votive \$37.00

Offering Report

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| Weekly Budget | \$8,320.00 | Fiscal YTD Budget | \$241,280.00 |
| Weekend Offering | \$6,710.00 | Fiscal YTD Offering | \$245,777.60 |
| Budget vs. Offering | -\$1,610.00 | Fiscal YTD vs. Offering | +\$4,497.60 |

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:

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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.

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.

MESSAGE FROM FR. TONY: This week is Catholic Schools Week in our Diocese and throughout our country. The importance of Catholic education cannot be overstated.

Since the nation was mostly Protestant in the 19th century, there was anti-Catholic sentiment related to heavy immigration from Catholic Ireland after the 1840s, and a feeling that Catholic children should be educated in public schools to become “American.” In the 1880s most states passed a constitutional amendment, called The Blaine Amendments, forbidding tax money to be used to fund parochial schools.

In response, by 1890 the Irish and other groups had built an extensive network of parishes and parish schools across the urban Northeast and Midwest. The Irish and other Catholic ethnic groups looked to parochial schools not only to protect their religion, but to enhance their culture and language.

The main reason was fear that exposure to Protestant teachers in the public schools and Protestant fellow students, would lead to a loss of faith. Catholics established schools, parish by parish, using religious sisters as teachers in many cases.

This week will see a great number of activities and programs promoting Catholic schools locally and nationally. Some of our Immaculate Conception school students will share what Catholic education means to them at weekend Masses.

Whether or not you have children or grandchildren in our school, please remember the schools in your prayers. Feel free to stop in and visit as well. As pastor, I am very proud of our students, the teachers and staff, and all who support Catholic education in our great country. Jesus said it best: “Let the children come to Me.” Fr. Tony

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Sunday school is on February 6, and 27, 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: Classes will be on Wednesday, February 2, and 16, 2022, at 6:30 at IC School. Please contact Carol Haslag at 897-4231 or text (314) 852-2340 for any questions.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS RESTORATION: The restored 8th Station of the Cross has gained the approval of parishioners, so we will be sending the remaining stations to Restorations Plus within the next week! We anticipate having them back by mid-March. If you are able, please consider donating to this project, any amount is appreciated. The cost of sponsoring an individual station is \$1,100. If you would like to contribute to this project, you can drop an envelope marked; Stations of the Cross; in the general collection. Please include your name or if in memory of a loved one. "Any funds raised beyond the expense of the restoration will be applied to other projects, with the approval of Fr. Tony." Thank you for your support!

IN MEMORY OF SISTER EDITH JURGENSMEYER: To honor Sister Edith Jurgensmeyer, who served at IC School from 1974-1981, we will be collecting donations to the School Sisters of Notre Dame as a token of our gratitude and to further their holy mission. Envelopes marked. 'Sister Edith' may be dropped in the general collection for the next two weeks. Thank you for your generosity.

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. Register online at <http://www.saint-george-parish.org> to reserve a spot. The weekend is limited to the first 20.

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 38 still available**. It's a memorial that will remain in our pews for years to come.

EUCHARTISTIC ADORATION: Eucharistic Adoration will be on Friday, February, 4, 2022, from 8:30 – 3:30. Thank you.

YEAR END STATEMENTS: End of year contribution statements were mailed out this year. If you have any questions, please contact, Jackie at 897-3516.



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION SCHOOL NEWS

SCHOOL NEWS: We are so excited to begin this week with our Catholic Schools Week Kickoff Mass. The theme for Catholic Schools Week is faith, excellence, and service which falls directly in line with our mission to follow Jesus in faith, knowledge, and service. Our Student Council has many fun faith-filled activities planned for the week to help us complete this mission. We thank God for giving us the gift of our Immaculate Conception Catholic School and all Catholic schools. We are truly blessed to have our team of teachers, staff, students, families, and parishioners that support our school and its future growth. Smiles, Ms. Luebbert

TAPES FOR EDUCATION



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:** 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

It's not too late to donate!



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

Donations for the Day of Giving will be accepted from January 30 – 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

Every donation no matter size, is an investment in Immaculate Conception School.
Thank you for your generous donation that will make a positive impact to our Catholic School.
You are appreciated!

Meetings & Events

Boy Scout Troop 76 will be meeting on Monday, February 7, at 7:00-8:00 pm in the school cafeteria.

Cub Scout will be meeting on Monday, February, 21, at 7:00-8:00 pm in the school cafeteria.

OSAGE COUNTY NEEDS: The Osage County Needs collection will be taken up next weekend February 5-6, 2022. Thank you for your generosity.

IC RECYCLE PROGRAM WEEKEND: Please bring your bagged aluminum cans to the trailer parked next to the gas tanks February 5-6. **Please NO PLASTIC ITEMS. THANKS!**

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.

KC COUNCIL 2027 MEETING: The monthly meeting will be on Tuesday, February 8. Rosary to end abortion at 7:15 PM, meeting at 7:30 PM at the Bonnots Mill Hall.

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!

BREAKFAST DRIVE THRU: The Argyle/Koeltztown Vol. Fire Dept. will be hosting their drive-thru Breakfast fundraiser on Sunday, February 6, 2022 at the K of C Hall in Argyle serving from 7:30 to 11:30 a.m. Everyone is invited to attend. See flyer in back of church for more details.