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Immaculate Conception

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573.564.2375 Parish Office | Office Hours M -Th 9am-3pm
Janet Cobb, Bookkeeper/Secretary | imm-con@sbcglobal.net | www.mcicparish.org
Parish Council Members: Dennis Benney-President, Jack Wells-Vice-President,
Vicki Parker, Dennis Cobb, and Michael Smith



156th YEAR OF SERVICE

St. Patrick Parish

505 First St. | Jonesburg | Missouri | 63351

636.488.5623 Parish Office | Office Hours T—Th 9am-1pm
Debbie Enger, Secretary | stpats@centurytel.net | www.stpatricksjonesburg.org
Parish Council Members: Dan Schwartz (314-488-7118)-President, Michael Van Beek
(641-275-5184)-Vice-President, Barb Turpin (636-368-2157)-Secretary,
Jocelyn Schluss (573-953-0324), and Derrick Cobb (636-359-8959)

Society of St. Vincent DePaul - 573.835.3631 Fr. Ernest Dike, Parochial Administrator, edike@diojeffcity.org Bulletin Deadline 9:00 AM on Wednesdays

July 5 2026 - Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Immaculate Conception Parish Mission

To proclaim the good news of the Gospel; to build community among the parishioners that we may journey in our faith together, giving witness to love and unity; to serve the needs of others in whatever form they may exit in our midst and to celebrate the realities of our faith

St. Patrick Parish Mission

As a church community here at St. Patrick, we want to know, love and serve Jesus in our efforts in: Christian formation/faith development; worship; social services; and stewardship of resources.



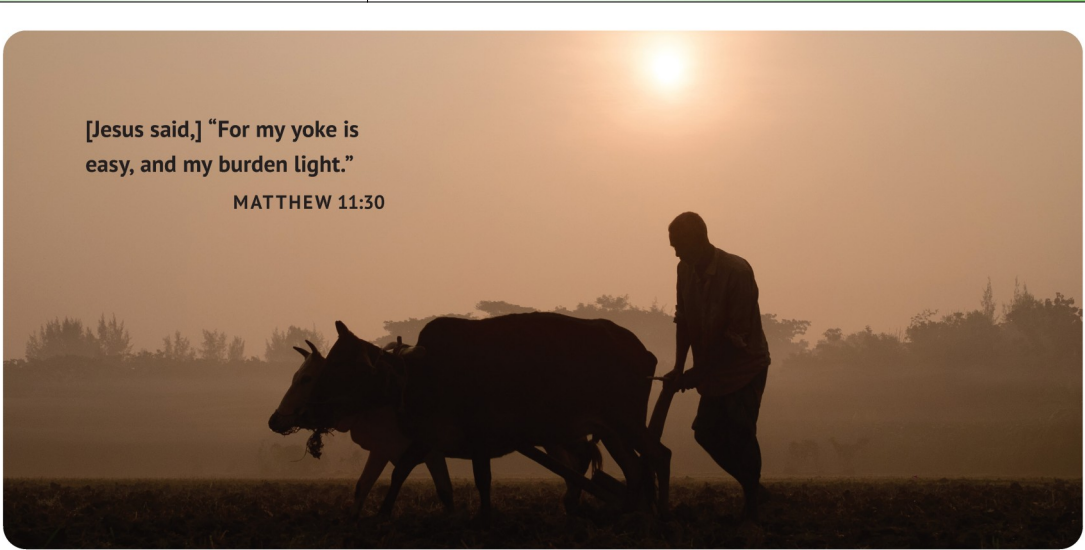
See!
I will not forget you, I have carved you on the palm of my hand.
Isaiah 49:15

Welcome everyone to
Eucharistic Adoration

On the 3rd Wednesday of
each month at **St. Patrick**
from 9:00 AM to 7:00 PM.

On Tuesdays at **Immaculate Conception** starting at 6:00 AM to 5:00 PM . At 5:00 PM Adoration will close with Devotion to the Divine Mercy and Benediction. Mass will start at 5:30 PM.

Eucharistic Adoration is a special time to worship and praise our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ and to deepen your intimate friendship and be nourished and strengthened by His presence and love.



[Jesus said,] “For my yoke is easy, and my burden light.”
MATTHEW 11:30

Take Up the Yoke

ANN M. GARRIDO

The invention of the yoke 6,000 years ago marked one of the great advances in human history. The yoke—a wooden beam fitted across the neck—harnessed the energy of two cattle pulling in the same direction, hastening the tilling of soil and transport of goods.

It is easy to see why, among many ancient peoples, the yoke became a symbol of subjugation. When the Roman army won a battle, they forced defeated soldiers to walk beneath a “yoke” of spears to indicate they were now in a state of servitude. The prophet Jeremiah once walked through Jerusalem wearing a yoke to warn the people they were about to be conquered by Babylon.

In Judaism, however, the Torah was also sometimes referred to as a yoke. It was a law to be submitted to, but it also was a way of life that offered an alternative to the cruel “yokes” imposed by kings. The Book of Sirach encourages youth to “Take [Torah’s] yoke upon your neck; that your mind may receive her teaching.... See for yourselves! I have labored only a little but have found much” (Sirach 51:26–27).

It is unclear exactly what Jesus meant when he invited us to accept *his* yoke, but it is likely that he was echoing the invitation of Sirach. He wanted us to know that following God’s law makes it possible for us to work together, accomplishing much that we could not do on our own. And that God’s law is a gentle law—one that enables rather than oppresses. Are you willing to receive Christ’s gentle teaching and make it your own? ●

Reflect

Is there a teaching of Jesus you find challenging?

Mass Schedule & Intentions for Immaculate Conception and St. Patrick

Mon	July	6th	NO Mass - Montgomery City
Tues	July	7th	NO Mass - Montgomery City
Wed	July	8th	8:30 AM Mass - Jonesburg +Ralph Wahby
Thur	July	9th	8:00 AM Mass - Montgomery City - Clint Cunningham-for healing
Fri	July	10th	8:00 AM Mass - Montgomery City +Mark Schneider
Sat	July	11th	5:00 PM Mass - Montgomery City - Our Parish Family
Sun	July	12th	8:00 AM Mass - Jonesburg +Clem Hagenhoff
			10:00 AM Mass - Montgomery City +Irwin Landolt
A reminder: If there is a funeral at any of the two parishes or a school cancellation due to weather, there will be no scheduled Mass.			

Immaculate Conception Parish & School			
	Income	Expenses	Difference
Fiscal Jul 25-May 26	\$651492.09	\$684,820.54	-\$33,328.45
May 2026	\$40,711.65	\$65,106.46	-\$24,394.81
	Church	ICS/Daycare	Total
June 7th	\$8,077.00	\$8,272.00	\$16,349.00
June 14th	\$3,948.60	\$4,569.00	\$8,517.60
June 21st	\$9,487.00	\$3,385.00	\$12,872.00
June 28th	\$4,571.00	\$10,053.00	\$14,624.00
Weekly Goal	\$13,768.96	Wkly Avg	\$13,090.65

Your Gifts to God! Thank You!



Sacraments & Information

Parish Membership: Please call the parish office to register.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: IC Sat 4:15PM-4:45PM, SP Sun 7:15AM or by appointment.

Sacrament of Baptism/Confirmation: Call the parish office to set up an appointment.

Sacrament of Marriage: Call the office at least six months prior to the date you would like to get married to make arrangements and set a date.

To Become a Catholic: Order of Christian Initiation of Adults begins in the Fall and sacramental initiation normally occurs at the Easter Vigil. Please call for details. Classes on Tuesday evenings at 6:30 PM at ICS.

Hospitalization: If you are hospitalized or have a family member who is home-bound, please call the parish office.

St. Patrick Parish			
	Income	Expenses	Difference
Fiscal Jul 25-April 26	\$65,895.20		
April, 2026	\$4,630.65		
Capital Campaign	\$15,120.00		
	Church		Total
June 7th			
June 14th			
June 21st			
June 28th			
Weekly Goal	\$1,964.42	Wkly Avg	

Additional Financial Information		Who is an Active Parishioner?	
Capital Improvements - \$515.00		♦Registered in the parish. ♦Regularly participates in Mass and the Sacraments. ♦Supports the parish financially. ♦Annually completes a stewardship of Time, Talent, and Treasure form and fulfills that commitment.	

IC SAT 5PM	Mass Ministries	July 4th & 5th	July 11th & 12th	July 18th & 19th	July 25th & 26th
	Lector	Jacob Roesner	Dennis Cobb	Larry Brueggemann	Dennis Benney
	Eucharistic Ministers	Beth Cobb, Tom Cobb, Don Broz	Dennis Cobb, Mary Pottebaum, Ruth Ann O'Keefe	Gary Hoette, Beth Cobb, Tom Cobb	Don Broz, Dennis Cobb, Ruth Ann O'Keefe
	Ministers of Hospitality	Bob Dryden, Tom Cobb, Daryl & Nancy Cobb	Ty Cothren Family	Bill & Liz Huston, Tom Cobb, Bob Dryden	Kasey Pottebaum Family
	Servers	Lila Broz Malorie Schulte	Beth Roesner Jacob Roesner	Lila Broz Malorie Schulte	Mercer Cothren Jacob Roesner
	Money Counters	Dennis Cobb & Don/Sandy Oakes	Dottie Brueggen & Debbie Heidelberger	Dennis Cobb & Daryl Rhoads	Judy Cobb & John/Aggie Baldetti
IC SUN 10AM	Lector	Janet Stumbaugh	Elizabeth Schierhoff	Mark Brower	Allie Johnson
	Children's Liturgy	Rachel Rakers	Anna Harrell	Anna Harrell	Geri Park
	Eucharistic Ministers	Jack Wells, Megan Hans, Pat Stumbaugh	Gayle Adams, Tony Wessel, Steve Williams	Dennis Cobb, Jacob Lotton, Eileen Lotton	Tudie Simpson, Jack Wells, Jenidean Readey
	Ministers of Hospitality	Charlie & Pat Korman Ron & Dianne Talley	Jerry Neale, Tony Wessel, Brady Craven & Dana Schneider	Jeff & Amanda Arens, Steve Williams & Julie Worsham	Pat & Janet Stumbaugh Ron & Dianne Talley
	Servers	Emilia Hans & Maverick Johnson	Leia Johnson & Luke Johnson	Ella Hans & Keagen Rakers	Josie & Wade Harrell
SP SUN 8AM	Money Counters	Megan Hans & Elaine Winford	Mark Brower & Steve Williams	Elaine Winford & Megan Hans	Pam Schwartz & Cathy McCormack
	Hospitality/Usher	Youth	Farrar Family	John Cobb, Jr. Family	Nancy & John Cobb
	Altar Clean Up Only	Jan Milzark	Laurie Dothage	Jan Milzark	Jan Milzark
	Lector	Gracie Cobb	Laurie Gilbert	Sara Johnson	Londa Swoboda
	Servers	Emma Cobb & Carl Johnson	Luke Farrar & Anna Johnson	Emma Cobb & Carl Johnson	Jordan Finke & McCullie Schluss
	Eucharistic Minister	Bridget Cobb, John Cobb, Sr., Barb Turpin	Nancy Cobb, Vicki Duenke, Sara Johnson	Bridget Cobb, John Cobb, Sr., Terri Lenzenhuber	Nancy Cobb, Vickie Duenke, Barb Turpin
	Money Counters	Gracie Cobb & Jan Milzark	John Cobb, Jr. & Brad Ellis	Bridget Cobb & Laurie Dothage	Derrick Cobb & Karen Stenger
	Remember, if you are unable to complete your assigned time, you are responsible for finding a replacement! Thank you for your service!				

Dear Padre, Is it appropriate to display the American flag in our church?

A diocesan bishop—who often delegates this matter to the discretion of the pastor—determines regulations on whether and how to display the American flag in a Catholic church. Displaying the flag, and a book of remembrance for those serving in the armed forces, seems to have originated in many US parishes during World War II. The practice has continued through subsequent wars and national tragedies.

While the Bishops’ Committee on the Liturgy advised that national symbols should not be *permanent* fixtures of a worship space, they may be appropriate at worship services on a civil holiday, etc. This same committee discouraged pastors from displaying the American flag within the sanctuary itself—a space reserved for the altar, ambo, presidential chair, and tabernacle—but instead to place the flag in the vestibule of the church together with a book of petitions for the living and deceased.

Fundamentally, a church building is where the liturgical assembly gathers as one body in Christ—the same Christ of the Eucharist who is beyond time and place, who came to unite our divisions. “The church building is a sign and reminder of the immanence and transcendence of God—who chose to dwell among us and whose presence cannot be contained or limited to any single place” (US Conference of Catholic Bishops, *Built of Living Stones*, 2000). ●



JOAQUIN OSSORIO CASTILLO / SHUTTERSTOCK

Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR / DearPadre.org

Do you have a question for the Padre?

Go to DearPadre.org to send your question and to learn more about Dear Padre.

Monday	Thursday	Saturday
July 6 Weekday Hos 2:16, 17c–18, 21–22 Mt 9:18–26	July 9 Weekday Hos 11:1–4, 8e–9 Mt 10:7–15	July 11 St. Benedict, Abbot Is 6:1–8 Mt 10:24–33
Tuesday	Friday	Sunday
July 7 Weekday Hos 8:4–7, 11–13 Mt 9:32–38	July 10 Weekday Hos 14:2–10 Mt 10:16–23	July 12 Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Is 55:10–11 Rom 8:18–23 Mt 13:1–23 or 13:1–9
Wednesday	July 8 Weekday Hos 10:1–3, 7–8, 12 Mt 10:1–7	

A WORD FROM POPE LEO XIV

There is a burning question in our hearts, a need for truth that we cannot ignore, which leads us to ask ourselves: what is true happiness? What is the true meaning of life? What can free us from being trapped in meaninglessness, boredom, and mediocrity?... We need to lift our eyes...to the “things that are above” (Colossians 3:2).

HOMILY, TOR VERGATA, AUGUST 3, 2025

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1st - Vicki Duenke
1st - Rich Grelle
2nd - Tom Waddell
10th - Jerry Bextermiller
15th - Theresa Bergfeld
15th - Ardith Walters
30th - Lloyd Sachs



1st +Mrs. Midden
5th +Tim Ebbesmeyer
8th +Ralph Wahby
12th +Clem Hagenhoff
15th +Shirly Rose
19th +Herb Mertz Family
22nd +Joe Lenzenhuber
26th +Roy Duenke
29th +Tom Lenzenhuber



Debbie is back part of the time! Once she has time to go thru all the financials and deposits for June, we will have that information in the bulletin for you.

Welcome Bishop Augustine T. Ukwuoma! The parishioners of Immaculate Conception and St. Patrick are excited you are here and look forward to meeting you during your visit with Fr. Ernest.



- *Humility: seeing life as a gift
- *Compassion: having empathy
- *Kindness: gentleness
- *Justice: working for a fairer world
- *Forgiveness: reconciling with self and others
- *Integrity: do what you say
- *Peace: committed to peace making and non-violence
- *Courage: standing up for the truth

1. **Registration:** The registration fee is per student, per school year. If your child is removed and re-enrolled, a registration fee will be charged again.
 - Early: on or before May 31st - \$125
 - Regular: June 1st - July 31st - \$150
 - Late: on or after August 1st - \$175
2. **Church Offering/Catholics Cost: Catholics** – Immaculate Conception School is a non-tuition school, because under the direction of the diocese, Bishop O'Donnell believes the education of the parish children is a mission of that parish. Therefore the children of the parish may attend the school because their parents are supporting the mission of the church by educating them (the child) in the ways of the faith. There is no tuition as long as the parents are **ACTIVE PARISH-IONERS**. *An active parishioner is a person who registered in the parish, regularly participates in Mass and the Sacraments, participates in the community life of the parish, and TITHES faithfully and justly to the church.* We hope that you **WILL** tithe justly and faithfully as we educate the children of our parish while supporting the mission of the parish.
3. **Non-Parishioner Cost: Non-Catholics** - \$4,100 for one child, \$5,450 for two children, and \$6,100 for three or more children.
4. **Technology Fee:** \$50.00 per child with a max of \$150 per family for the school year.
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6. **Copy of Records:** Current Vaccination and copy of Birth Certificate for all new students, copy of Baptism and First Communion certificates for all new students or those recently baptized or communed. Copy of Divorce papers with custody statement for divorced parents.
7. **Extended Care Fees:** \$12 for the first child, \$10 for each additional child— 6:30-7:15 AM and 3:35-5:30 PM, fees include before and /or after school (or any part thereof).
 - Example: 2 children = \$22 – 3 or more children = \$32.
 - \$17 per child on early out days, \$15 for each additional child:
 - Example: 2 children = \$32, 3 children = \$47
 - \$34.50 per child for a full day.
 - All Students: If your child is in our care after 5:30 PM, you will be charged \$1 for every minute after 5:30PM.