

Immaculate Conception Parish

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April 30, 2023 ~ Fourth Sunday of Easter

This week's Mass Schedule & Events

Sun. 30:

St. Patrick's: 8:00 a.m. Mass for ⊕ Fred Myer/Jennifer Wangerin ICC: 10:00 a.m. Mass for All the people of the parish

Mon. 01 8:00 a.m. Mass for ⊕ Clarence Mohr

Tue. 02 8:00 a.m. Mass for ⊕ Lvg/Dscd Mbrs Corcoran Family

Wed. 03 6:30 p.m. Mass for ⊕ Bob Bachofer

Thur. 04 No Mass

Fri. 05 9:30 a.m. Mass for Sp. Int. for Kathy Chapin

Adoration ~ 8:30 a.m.

Sun. 07:

St. P's: 8:00 a.m. Mass for All the people of the parish

ICC: 10:00 a.m. Mass for 🕆 Larry Kohman

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Liturgical Assignments Sunday April 30 & May 7, 2023

Lector: Jim Moorman - 30

Eucharistic Minister:

Caleb Smith - 7

Doug Francis/Bob Martin/Tom Ryan - 30 Patty Francis/Marcia Ryan/Amber Smith - 7

Server:

Maya Newcomer - 30

Kyle Ryan - 7

ICC ~ Sunday Offering ~ April 23, 2023

Weekly Goal: 2,150.00
Loose Plate: 65.00
Envelopes: 660.00

Goal needed every week to meet budget:: \$2,150.00

Children's: 00.00
Difference: -1,425.00
Special Coll.: 249.23 Rice Bowl

Amt. Given: <u>75,543.49</u>
Difference: -15,006.51

YTD Goal:

Please Remember ICC in your Will!

Envelopes used: 14 out of 52 = 26%

90,550.00



PRAYER REQUESTS: Tara Bush, Wayne Kemper, Betty Bowden, Wayne Rziha, David Caldwell, Tyran Owens, Terry & Gary Johnson, Kayly Schoming, Brenda Gamboa, Luke & Mary Yetter, Tallie Baetz, Stan Knaus, Patty Prochazka. Janice Brungardt. Elovd Owens.

Kathy Chapin, Ambre Zvolanek- Honeywell, Jody Vater, Tina Sandoval, Charles Horinek, Lorraine Schneweis, Ted Loeffler, Connie Burt, Lynda Krahl, Gwyn Johnson, Teresa Bellerive, Peg Colborn, Andrea Trupp, Barb Martin, Sheri Christy, Mary Lou Crawford, Nancy Boyer, Judy Tracy, Kim Klucas, Chris Hrabe, Josh Hendry, Lonnie Creach, Darla Sealock & Delbert & Norma Lewis.

Remember ~ we start the Rosary 20 minutes before all Masses ~ come and join us!!!

RELIGIOUS ED.: Today, April 30th is our last Rel. Ed. Class for this year! We will have 1st Communion Practice today at the beginning of class.

GRADUATES HONORED: We will honor our graduates on Sunday, May14th at Mass. Seniors, please wear your cap & gowns. Please gather in the back and be here by 9:45 a.m.

"But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a dedicated nation, (God's) own purchased, special people, that you may set forth the wonderful deeds and display the virtues and perfections of Him Who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light. ~ Exodus 19:5,6

Have a wonderful week!

Our Military Men & Women serving our country ~ Mason Campbell. Madelyn Boyer, Dylan Hynes & Patrick Crippen. If you have someone serving please let Daylene know.



PASTOR'S CORNER: So we have reached the mid-point of the Easter Season and come to the Lord's Day unofficially called "Good Shepherd Sunday" because every year at this time we read from John 10, the famous "Good Shepherd Discourse." For the most part, the readings are focused around the idea of Jesus Christ as our divine Shepherd.

But what is a shepherd like? In Western culture, shepherding can involve a conflicted relationship with the sheep. Shepherds often drive sheep in different directions using dogs to intimidate them. But in Eastern cultures, shepherd don't "drive" the sheep; they lead them. The do not use dogs. The shepherd walks in front, and the sheep follow him, having learned to respond to his voice signals. It is said that two shepherds can mix their flocks in the same pen overnight, and in the morning, one shepherd can extricate his entire flock from the mixed group simply by making his distinctive call. It reminds us of Our Lord's words in the Gospel, "My sheep know my voice". Thus, shepherding in the ancient Near East was a much more personal affair than in modern Western culture. It was really more akin to "sheep whispering."

So in the lifetime of our Lord, the kingship was held by pretenders, the high priesthood was held by pretenders, and various false, self-proclaimed messiahs arose and led unsuccessful rebellions. In the vacuum of religious leadership left by these self-serving, competing claimants, the school of the Pharisees arose, which trained scholars in the law of Moses to teach the common people in the synagogues through the land. All these false leaders, intent too often on enriching themselves at the expense of the people of Israel, may be whom Jesus has in mind as the "thieves and robbers" who have come before him.

Jesus come not to "steal and slaughter and destroy," but that they "might have life and have it more abundantly." Jesus has come that his sheep may abound in life, experiencing a fullness unlike anything else.

True life begins with Jesus. A life of Dissipation and capitulation to our physical desires is actually a kind of living death.

Let's pray that during this Easter Season, we would understand better that the l8ife of sin is no life at all, and that the life in Christ is the beginning even now of eternal life.

Taken from: The Word of the Lord Reflections on the Sunday Mass Readings ~John Bergsma

Alcoholics Anonymous

Meets every Sunday at 8 p.m. in the parish hall & Wednesday mornings at 8 a.m. also in the parish hall. These are open meetings and all are welcome!

QUESTION OF THE WEEK:



Theme: We enter life to the full through Christ.

Adults: In what specific ways is Christ an example which you follow when dealing with others, especially with the ones against whom you hold a grudge or those who dislike you?

<u>Youth:</u> Sheep know their shepherd and follow his voice. How hard is it for you to recognize the voice of God in your own life? Who has helped you hear God's voice?

<u>Children:</u> How is Jesus your example when others don't like you?

CATHOLIC CHARITIES THRIFT STORE HOURS: Monday & Wednesday

9:00 am - 4:00 pm
Tuesday & Thursday
9:00 am - 6:00 pm
Friday
9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Please go to website for more information:
ccnks.org/thriftstore

<u>CREIGHTON MODEL INTRO SESSIONS:</u> The following are the dates for the Creighton Model Intro Sessions which will be held at Chiropractic Wellness Center, 1130 East Cloud Street, Salina at 7 p.m. You can contact Dr. Maria Rapp at drmaria@cwcks.com with any questions. 2023 dates: 5/18 & 6/20.

KNIGHTS COOKOUT: We will be having a cookout on Sunday, May 7th after Mass. The burgers and hotdogs will be supplied and the Knights will be grilling them. Everyone is welcome to join us. Please bring a side dish or a dessert (St. Ann's will also be providing a sheet cake in honor of those receiving 1st Communion). Any and all help cleaning up afterwards would be greatly appreciated.

St. Patrick's ~ Sunday Offering ~ April 23, 2023 Weekly Goal: \$250.00

Envelopes: 324.00 YTD Goal: 10,250.00 Special Coll.: 174.88 Rice Bowl Amt. Given: 13,176.01 Difference: +2.926.01

<u>DIOCESE VOCATION PRAYER:</u> O Lord, My God, please raise up an army of priests from the sons of the Diocese of Salina. Priests that will carry Your merciful words of absolution upon their lips. Priests that will anoint our loved ones with Your Holy Oil in sickness and at the hour of their death. Priests who will fearlessly proclaim the Gospel in season and out. Priests who will offer the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass for our salvation. Dearest Mother Mary, whisper consoling words of comfort into the hearts of mothers and fathers of our diocese as their sons discern a call into the Holy Orders of Christ's Eternal Priesthood. We ask this with humble hearts through the Holy Name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

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