

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church
St. Clare Catholic Church
SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



*"For everyone
who asks, receives;
and the one who
seeks, finds;
and to the one who
knocks, the door
will be opened."*

Fr. Arul Lazar, MSFS - Pastor
Rectory 273-8953

Dennis Cristofaro - Deacon
Emergency 273-8953 x112

The Knights of Columbus would like to give a heartfelt thank you to everyone that helped in making this year's Golf outing a success. Many parishioners and local businesses donated and became hole sponsors or contributed prizes. Fellow Knights solicited those donations, sold raffle tickets, ran side games, and handled accounts. Golfers supported us through their registration fees and participation in side games. It was a beautiful day to golf and those in attendance all seemed to have a very good time. At the same time, we were able to raise funds for many future donations. One final thank you goes out to Don and Sue for once again allowing us to use their course, St. Joe Valley Golf Club, and for cooking the post round meal for us. Next year's outing has already been scheduled. Please join us in 2026 on Sunday, July 19 as we continue this annual tradition.

INSTALLATION MASS

The Reverend Bishop Edward Lohse will be celebrating mass at Immaculate Conception on Saturday, August 9 at 4:00 pm to install Fr. Arul Lazar as our new pastor. There will be a reception after Mass in the church basement.
All are invited.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament



First Friday Adoration will be
August 1st, 8:30 am - 6 pm
Sign up sheet is in the
carport entrance.

ANNUAL KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS GARAGE SALE



Thursday, July 31st and
Friday, August 1st

We welcome any donations to help
support our organization.
No clothes please.

Deliveries to the pavilion can be made the week of
the sale. If assistance is needed, for larger items,
please call: Larry Larsh 269-257-0259

All Confirmation students and parents to
schedule meeting with Fr. ARUL Prior to Sept
start of 2nd year.

Los estudiantes de Confirmación y sus papás
deben hacer una cita con nuestro sacerdote
el Padre Arul
antes del mes de Septiembre.

ABUSE REPORTING SERVICE

The Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service (CBAR) has been established to receive reports of sexual abuse and related misconduct by bishops and to relay those reports to proper Church authorities for investigation. To make a report, visit ReportBishopAbuse.org or phone (800) 276-1562. When a report includes a crime, such as the sexual abuse of a minor, it will also be reported to civil authorities. Otherwise, reports will be kept confidential.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

Saturday, July 26 - Vigil Mass

4:00 p.m. Lois Maldonado (Healing)
By: Elizabeth Campbell
and
The People in our Parish

Sunday, July 27— SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

10:30 a.m. Caroline Modrzynski
By: Felix & Jean Skalski

Monday, July 28 - Weekday

8:00 a.m. †Thomas Modaff
By: Kim & Bob Modaff

Tuesday, July 29 - Saints, Martha, Mary, and Lazarus

6:00 pm Mass at St. Clare

Wednesday, July 30 - Saint Peter Chrysologus, Bishop

8:00 am †Diane Modaff
By: Kim & Bob Modaff

Thursday, July 31 - Saint Ignatius of Loyola, Priest NO MASS

Friday, August 1 - Saint Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop

8:00 a.m. †Walter & Mary Gregorek
By: Diane & Jeff Springer

Saturday, August 2 - Vigil Mass

4:00 p.m. Dennis Ziehm
By: Pixie Ziehm & Rick Grams
and
The People in our Parish

Sunday, August 3— EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

10:30 a.m. †Jim Sampson
By: Family

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR SUNDAY, AUGUST 3

First Reading: Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21-23

Responsorial Psalm: 90:3-4,5-6,12-13

Second Reading: Colossians 3:1-5,9-11

Gospel: Luke 12:13-21



Upcoming Classes

Birthing, Breastfeeding, Babies and More!

Bringing Up Baby (two-week class series) Tuesdays, July 15 and 22
Grandparenting (two-week class series) - Thursdays, July 17 and 24
Breastfeeding (one-time class) - Wednesday, July 23
Childbirth Basics (four-week class series)
Tues/Thurs - July 29, 31, Aug 5, 7

Classes are held at
1819 Gull Road
Kalamazoo, 49048

REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED TO ATTEND CLASSES

Please Scan the QR Code or go to
our website:
www.ccdok.org/caring-network

You can also contact Julie Davis at 269-910-3015
(call or text) or email juliedavis@ccdok.org



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION LECTORS, SERVERS
AND MINISTERS SCHEDULE

Saturday, August 2 at 4:00 p.m.

Sacristan: Bob Modaff
Lector: Lisa Gruber
Ministers: *Bob Modaff, Mary Sorensen, Carol Michael Heins

Sunday, August 3 at 10:30 a.m.

Sacristan: Larry Larsh
Lector: Lindy Luster-Bartz
Ministers: *Marilyn Cheney, Sherry Butler, Marry Ann Carr
TerryL Lewis, Janice Schimnoski

IC PARISH SUPPORT

Week of 7/20/25 YTD

Fiscal Year July 1, 2025– June 30, 2026		
Sunday Collection (66)	\$ 2,964.06	\$26,202.77
Online Collection (0)	\$ 0.00	\$1,335.00
Holy Days (0)	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Visitors/Loose	\$ 513.25	\$ 2,602.36
Mass Stipend	\$ 150.00	\$360.00
Utility Fund	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Donations/Bequests	\$ 0.00	\$ 90.00
Total Offertory	\$ 3,627.31	\$ 30,590.13
Weekly Need	\$ 6,017.00	\$ 24,068.00
Over/Under	\$ (2,389.69)	\$ 6,522.13

Income not included in weekly needs:

Votive Lights	\$82.00
Building Rental	\$250.00
Capital Improvement	\$533.00

Bishop Annual Appeal– Continuing Our Mission
A sincere thank you to all who have made their pledge! Your generous gift helps bring Christ to people and people to Christ in countless ways.

The Bishop's office has done a follow up mailing to those who not yet responded, providing a simple and convenient way to make a pledge.

We are moving closer to our parish goal, but we need your support to reach it! Your participation makes all the difference—please prayerfully consider joining this vital effort.
No Pledge is too small or too large!

BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL UPDATE
AS OF JULY 20, 2025

GOAL	PLEDGED	BALANCE DUE
\$ 52,499	\$ 38,103.50	\$ 14,395.50

Dear Parishioners,

The best partnership Immaculate Conception Parish has to offer families in forming children in faith is our Catholic School. We offer three year old preschool thru eighth grade. There is still time to enroll for the 2025-26 academic year. Contact the school office at 269-273-2085 for more information or visit our website at www.iccatholicschool.com.

La mejor colaboración que la Parroquia de la Inmaculada Concepción puede ofrecer a las familias para formar a sus hijos en la fe es nuestra Escuela Católica. Ofrecemos educación preescolar para niños de tres años hasta octavo grado. Aún hay tiempo para inscribirse para el año académico 2025-26. Para más información, comuníquese con la secretaria de la escuela al 269-273-2085 o visite nuestro sitio web:



You are invited to join us at the End-of-Summer Celebration as a part of the Huss Project Farmer's Market on **Saturday August 9th from 9am to 1pm**. The Community Carnival is a gathering of local organizations with the Back to School event which provides free backpacks and school supplies for students. Immaculate Conception Catholic School will have an information booth at the event.



Los invitamos a unirse a la Celebración de Fin de Verano, parte del Mercado Agrícola del Proyecto Huss, el sábado 9 de agosto de 9:00 a. m. a 1:00 p. m. El Carnaval Comunitario es una reunión de organizaciones locales con el evento de Regreso a Clases, que ofrece mochilas y útiles escolares gratuitos a los estudiantes. La Escuela Católica Inmaculada Concepción tendrá un puesto de información en el evento.

**A Faithful friend is a sturdy shelter.
He who finds one, finds a treasure (Sirach 6:14)**
Men, please consider joining us the second Saturday of each month for an opportunity to grow in our faith and a time of fellowship. These gatherings begin at 7:30 and typically last no more than an hour. Coffee and cookies are provided. Our next meeting will be Saturday, August 9th in the Immaculate Conception Social Hall.

Cremation Guidelines from the Vatican

The Church continues to prefer the practice of burying the bodies of the deceased because this shows a greater esteem towards the departed. Nevertheless, cremation is not prohibited unless it was chosen for reasons contrary to Christian faith. When cremation of the body has been chosen, the human cremated remains of the faithful must be laid to rest in a sacred place (i.e., a cemetery). This helps to ensure that due respect is shown to the faithful departed and that they are included in the prayers and remembrance of their family and the Catholic community.

Human cremated remains of the faithful departed should not be split among family members, scattered, incorporated into jewelry or kept at a residence. Assurance must be given that cremated remains will be properly buried or entombed. If a family indicates that the remains are to be scattered or disposed of in any inappropriate way, the cremated remains may NOT be present in the church for a funeral liturgy. Scattering is contrary to Catholic teaching that says the cremated humans remains should be handled with the same reverence as with a human body.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO OUR PARISHIONERS! July 28–August 3

Danny Covell	Jill Kotschevar
Scott Larkins	Sam Shirley
Ryan Mytch	Kathleen Gorkis
John Bond	Rosemary Sehy
Dan Schultz	Bethlehem Birhanesh
Bobbi Ann Chilson	Hope Tesfanesh
Deborah McCloskey	
Michael Collins	



JOIN US FOR A NIGHT OUT AT THE BALLPARK!

THURSDAY, AUGUST 7

GROWLERS VS. ROYAL OAK LEPRECHAUNS

FIRST PITCH 6:35 PM GATES OPEN: 5:35 PM

WHAT'S INCLUDED?
 Seating in the Pepsi Grandstand!

 FREE Growlers Hat! (\$15 Ticket)

 Purchase Bleacher Buffet (\$25 Ticket) for Food and Drink Included!
**HOW TO PURCHASE TICKETS**

Scan the QR Code or visit growlerstickets.com and enter Promotion: **Cursillo** to access your group tickets page



SCAN HERE!



QUESTIONS? | BRANDON CAMP | 269.492.7965 | BRANDON@GROWLERSBASEBALL.COM

ST. CLARE CHURCH
MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS
SUNDAY -July 27 SEVENTENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**8:30 a.m.**

† Mary Dolan Luxon

By: Sherry & Ken Roberts

TUESDAY - July 29 Saints Martha, Mary, and Lazarus**6:00 p.m.**

† Joseph & † Stella Dutka

By: Robert & Charlen Dutka

SUNDAY -August 3 EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**8:30 a.m.**

† Jim Sampson

By: Family

and

The People in our Parish

Lector:

Mary Collins

Minister:

Alice Dobrowolski, Dennis, Celeste Nemeth

Altar Server:

Beth Collins

Ushers:

Barb & John Luxon

Coffee Crew:

Ron Holben

SC PARISH SUPPORTWeek of 7/20/25YTD**Fiscal Year July 1, 2025– June 30, 2026**

Sunday Collection (13).....	\$355.00.....	\$ 3,784.00
Online Collection	\$ 0.00.....	\$ 0.00
Holy Days	\$ 0.00.....	\$ 0.00
Visitors/Loose.....	\$ 306.00.....	\$ 1,216.00
Mass Stipend	\$ 40.00.....	\$ 120.00
Utility Fund	\$ 0.00.....	\$ 141.00
Donations/Bequests	\$ 0.00.....	\$ 0.00
Total Offertory	\$ 701.00.....	\$ 5,261.00
Weekly Need	\$ 1,324.00.....	\$ 5,296.00
Over/Under	\$ (623.00).....	\$ (35.00)

Income not included in weekly needs:

Capital Improvement/Building Fund Phase II..... \$1,050.00

St. Clare Parish Picnic!**August 10th**

Meet at the church at 12:30 p.m. We will begin eating at 1:00 p.m. Meat and beverages will be provided. Feel free to bring your favorite side dish, salad or dessert. We hope you will all consider joining us and sharing fun times together and great food. Bring a lawn chair if the weather is good, and a lawn game if you have one. If any questions call Ron Holben 517-290-0547 or Phyllis Nusbaum 269-358-8299.



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH 645 S. DOUGLAS AVE., THREE RIVERS, MI

St. Clare Mission Parish
23126 M-86
Centreville, MI 49032

PLEASE REMEMBER THOSE IN SPECIAL NEED OF OUR PRAYERS

Dear Heavenly Father, in Jesus' name, we ask for healing and health for those on our prayer list. Please bless them and meet all of their needs. Amen.

Mark Brost
Terry Collins
Ben Doering
Roger Doering
John Gavin
Harry Gruber
Anastasia Gutierrez
Laurie Highfield
Al Jewett
Shonna Kazor
Greg King
Emma Klett
Cassandra Lems
Greg Mecham
Nora Middleton
Frank
Felipe
Mary Reck

Blanca Rubi
Charity Schaefer
Jared Vidal Rubi
Raul Vidal Rubi
Marlene Schultz
Mike Stumpf
Michael Tison
Craig Vaughn
Todd Ziehm
Vincent Zoski
Andreanne
Jim Larson
Nicki Holten
Michael Didelot
Sharon Jacobs
Tim Zebell

Karen Szwaja
Mark Stevens
Jill Sebo
Roger & Theresa
Komska
Connie Shoemaker
Shirlene Koth
Joseph Tobon
Sheyla Perez Miranda



Welcome To Our Parishes

If you would like to enroll, change your address, or simply have questions about our parish, please fill out the form below and drop it in the collection basket or mail it to the Church office:
645 S. Douglas, Three Rivers, MI 49093

Name _____
Address _____
City/Zip _____
Phone _____

Please circle one: IC Church St. Clare

- ☐ I would like to enroll as an active member.
☐ Please change my address to the one shown above.
☐ I would like to learn more about school/parish activities.
☐ I would like to learn more about the Catholic faith.
☐ I would like to offer the name of a homebound or ill Catholic who is not currently being visited: _____
☐ I would like to speak with a priest about a vocation to the priesthood or religious life.

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK:

ROBERT J. DUTKA
ATTORNEY AT LAW

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WWW.DUTKALAW.COM (269)273-8402
57635 N. MAIN, THREE RIVERS

Parishes & School Information

Rectory Office

Parish Secretary/Bookkeeper & Bulletin Editor – Raquel Arias
M,T,W,F 8:00 a.m.– 4:00 p.m. • Office closed on Thursdays
Telephone: 273-8953 E-mail: icchurchtr@outlook.com
Bulletin Deadline Monday at noon.

Mass times: Saturday 4:00 pm at Immaculate Conception

Sunday 8:30 am at St. Clare
Sunday 10:30 am at Immaculate Conception
Monday, 8:00 am at Immaculate Conception
Tuesday 6:00 pm at Immaculate Conception
Wednesday & Friday, 8:00 am at Immaculate Conception

Eucharistic Adoration: 8:30 am - 6:00 pm first Friday of every month.
Sacrament of Penance: 3:15 - 3:45 p.m. Saturday and by request.
Sacrament of Baptism: contact the Parish Office at 273-8953.
Sacrament of Marriage: Arrangements must be made a minimum of 6 months in advance.

Anointing of the sick: Please contact the office.

SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS OF THE PARISHES

Knights of Columbus #4141: Brian Johnson - 269-718-3883
Meets the 2nd Thursday of the month at 7:00 pm, church hall

Daughters of Mary: Nancy Schopf - 718-9218
Meets the 4th Tuesday of the month at 6:30 p.m., church hall

St. Clare Ladies' Guild: Phyllis Nusbaum, President - 269-358-8299
Meets the 1st Thursday of the month at 6:30 pm

St. Clare Men's Club: Ron Holben, President - 517-290-0547

Collaborative Evangelization Committee: Marie Koole - 506-3636
Meeting times are flexible

Permanent Deacon - Dennis Cristofaro 708-446-8244
d.cristofaro@att.net

Music Director -
Director of Religious Ed. - Mark Voegel 269-816-4466
High School Youth Ministry -
RCIA - Mark & Mary Brost 269-251-6392

MINISTRIES OF THE PARISHES

Sacristans, Lectors, Ministers Holy Communion: Jean Heins 412-480-9129

Altar Servers: Dcn. Dennis Cristofaro, 708-446-8244

Ushers: Mike Sebo, 269-492-5754

Homebound/Nursing Home Visitors: Rectory Office, 273-8953

Jail Ministry: Tom Springer, 273-4702 or 269-816-4965

Art & Environment of the Church: Mary Sorensen, 278-5275

SC Prayer Shawl Ministry: Celeste Nemeth, 467-1869

IC Prayer Shawl Ministry: Nancy Schopf, 718-9218

IC Prayer Chain: Call the Rectory to add someone to the prayer chain.

IC Help: Call the Rectory to donate or for help. 273-8953

BOARD CHAIRPERSONS

IC PARISH COUNCIL - LARRY LARSH 244-4547

SC PARISH COUNCIL - PETER RAMBADT 503-0825

IC FINANCE COUNCIL - SARAH MERCER 273-2228

SC FINANCE COUNCIL - JOHN LARIMER 625-6498

IC SCHOOL COMMISSION - BOB MODAFF 506-4041

OUR MISSION

Together with our community,
We provide a Christ-centered Education to:

- Build Faith based on the truths of the Catholic Church
- Develop Knowledge for becoming productive citizens
- Practice Christian Service as Jesus taught

Thereby allowing each student to flourish and become the Child of God they were created to be.

NUESTRA MISIÓN

Juntos con nuestra comunidad,
Proveemos una educación centrada en Cristo para:

- Fomentar la Fe basada en las verdades de la Iglesia Católica
- Desarrollar el Conocimiento para ser ciudadanos productivos
- Practicar el Servicio Cristiano como nos enseñó Jesús

Permitiendo así que cada estudiante florezca y se convierta en el Hijo de Dios creado para serlo.

Immaculate Conception School (PK-8th)

Principal - Sharon Voegel
Website: www.iccatholicschool.com 269-273-2085