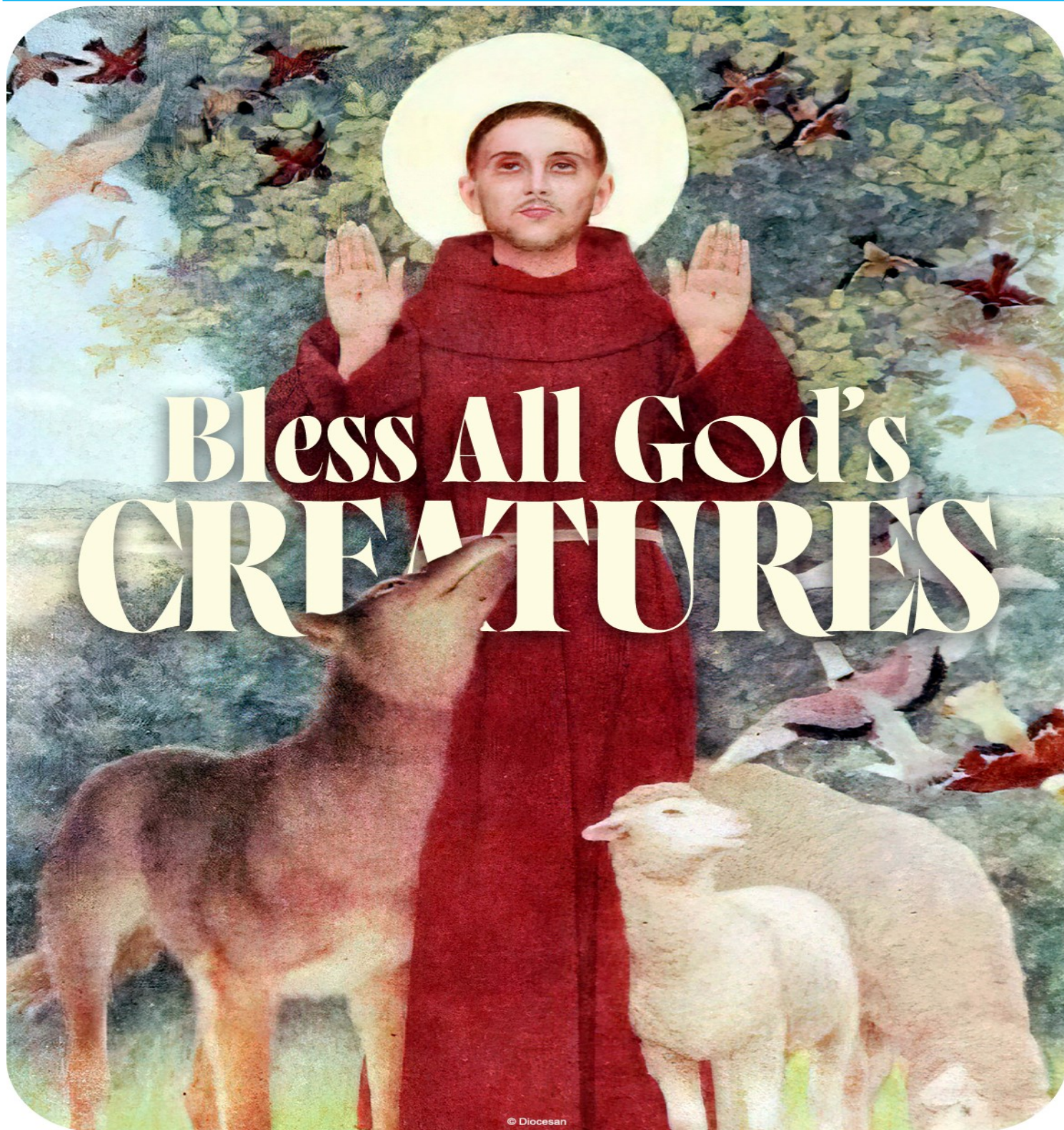


Immaculate Conception Catholic Church
St. Clare Catholic Church
TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Fr. Arul Lazar, MSFS - Pastor
icclarechurch@gmail.com

Dennis Cristofaro - Deacon
Rectory 273-8953

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

As you read this bulletin reflection, I will be in Italy, on pilgrimage to visit Rome, San Giovanni Rotondo, Lanciano and Assisi. I am very thankful for having the opportunity to go on pilgrimage to these places during this Jubilee Year of Hope, including **Mass with Pope Leo XIV** in St. Peter's Square, Walk to St. Peter's Holy Door, Private Mass in the crypt of Padre Pio, Padre Pio's cell, Crucifix where he received the Stigmata, Tomb & the churches and Mass at Basilica of St. Francis of Assisi on the his Feast Day.

I assure my prayers for all of you throughout the pilgrimage. Please keep us in your prayers.

As we mark the last weekend in the month of September, we hear the famous Gospel reading of Lazarus and the rich man from Luke.

The rich man chose to ignore Lazarus and his needs, even though Lazarus was just outside his door. Are we willing to reach out to those who most need our help?

Sometimes those who need our help the most are not found in the most glamorous or most exciting works of charity. But ultimately, God calls us to reach to those who truly need us the most.

I look forward to seeing all of you when I get back from the pilgrimage. Blessings to all of you.

Glory and Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ!

Fr. Arul Lazar

OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults) starts Sunday, October 5. Inquiry sessions will take place 8-10 am Sunday mornings in the church hall downstairs.

These sessions are open to anyone curious about the Catholic Church, anyone interested in becoming Catholic, any Catholic who wants to be confirmed or come back to the Church, and any Catholic who desires to learn more about his or her faith. Please invite someone you know who might be interested.

Also, we need parish sponsors. A parish sponsor represents our parish to one person coming into the Church and supports that person's journey of faith. If you would like to be a parish sponsor, please sign the sheet in the carport entrance.

If you have any questions, please call Mark Brost at (269) 251-6392.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

Saturday, September 27 - Vigil Mass

4:00 p.m. †Don W. Falborski

By: Mom & Dad

Sunday, September 28 - TWENTY SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

10:30 a.m. †Rita Barton

By: Mark & Sharon Voegel
and

The People in Our Parish

Monday, September 29 - Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael Archangels

8:00 a.m. NO MASS

Tuesday, September 30 - Saints Pius of Pietrelcine, Priest

6:00 p.m. NO MASS

Wednesday, October 1 - Sr. Therese of the child Jesus

8:00 a.m. NO MASS

Thursday, October 2 - Holy Guardian Angels

NO MASS

Friday, October 3 - Weekday

8:00 a.m. NO MASS

Saturday, October 4 - Vigil Mass

4:00 p.m. Julissa Barreda (B-day presentation)

By: Mom & Dad

Sunday, October 5 - TWENTY SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

10:30 a.m. †Beverly Rockrohr

By: Sharon Budenichs

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR SUNDAY, OCT. 5

First Reading: Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4

Responsorial Psalm: 95:1-2,6-7,8-9

Second Reading: 1 Peter 1:25

Gospel: Luke 17:5-10

BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL UPDATE

AS OF SEPTEMBER 14, 2025

GOAL	PLEGGED	BALANCE DUE
\$ 52,499	\$ 45,358.50	\$ 7,140.50

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.

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!

**No Weekday Masses
Monday September 29th through
Wednesday October 8th.
While Father is on Pilgrimage**

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION LECTORS, SERVERS AND MINISTERS SCHEDULE

Saturday, October 4 at 4:00 p.m.

Sacristan: Linda Baker
Lector: Anne Riopel
Body of Christ: Pat Larkins
Blood of Christ: Michael Heins & Jean Heins

Sunday, October 5 at 10:30 a.m.

Sacristan: Larry Larsh
Lector: Wayne Schimnoski
Body of Christ: Larry Larsh
Blood of Christ: Janice Schimnoski, Terryl Lewis
Diane Springer, Pixie Ziehm

IC PARISH SUPPORT

Week of 9/21/25

YTD

Fiscal Year July 1, 2025– June 30, 2026

Sunday Collection (80)	\$ 4,340.94	\$67,004.94
Online Collection (0)	\$0.00	\$4,005.00
Holy Days	\$0.00	\$ 1,319.50
Visitors/Loose	\$ 490.51	\$ 8,577.93
Mass Stipend.....	\$ 0.00	\$900.00
Utility Fund.....	\$ 0.00	\$ 492.00
Donations/Bequests.....	\$ 0.00	\$ 90.00
Total Offortory.....	\$ 4,831.45	\$ 82,389.37
Weekly Need.....	\$ 6,017.00	\$ 78,221.00
Over/Under.....	\$ (1,185.55)	\$ 4,168.37

Income not included in weekly needs:

IC Help	\$110.00
Votive Lights.....	\$32.75
Bible Study Fees	\$420.00
Campaign for Human Development	\$5.00

**EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 13TH WE WILL HAVE NEW DAILY MASS
TIMES**

Immaculate Conception will be at 8:30 a.m.

**Fr. Arul is adding a weekly 8:30 a.m. Tuesday Mass in
Spanish.**

**El padre Arul celebrará una Misa en español los Martes a
las 8:30 a.m. Empezando la semana del 13 de Abril.**

**St. Clare Tuesday evening Mass at 6:00 p.m. will remain
at St. Clare year-round.**

Comunidad Hispana

Se les hace una cordial invitación a una junta
que se llevará acabo el día **Domingo 12 de Oc-
tubre** después de la misa de 10:30 a.m. para
coordinar Misas en Español.

Los esperamos su presencia es muy importante.
Si Ud. tiene alguna pregunta porfavor llame a la
oficina al telefono es 269-273-8953

Dear Parishioners,

Please Join Us

To honor Dolores Springer
Sisters of St. Joseph Legacy Honoree
Annual Wine & Cheese Tasting
October 4th 5- 6:30p.m.

Por favor únete a Nosotros
En Honor a Dolores Springer
Homenajeada del Legado de las
Hermanas de San José
Cata Annual de Vino y Quesos
Octubre 4th 5-6:30 p.m.



Our grandparent picnic was a great success!
See all the photos on our Facebook page
facebook.com/iccschooltr.



¡Nuestro picnic de abuelos fue todo un éxito!
Vean todas las fotos en nuestra página de
Facebook: facebook.com/iccschooltr.



**ANNUAL PET BLESSING
OCTOBER 4th AT 10:00 AM**

PLEASE JOIN DCN. DENNIS IN THE CARPORT AT
IC, WITH YOUR LEASHED PETS, FOR THEIR
BLESSING!



ST. MARY AUTUMN GALA

FR. BART HALL, KALAMAZOO

COCKTAILS & CHARCUTERIE
DINNER & DESSERT

NOVEMBER

SATURDAY **8** 5 PM – 10 PM
2025JOIN US FOR RAFFLES AND LIVE AUCTIONS,
WHERE YOU COULD WIN A

MEMORABLE DINNER WITH FR. HARO

ENJOY A DELIGHTFUL SHORT COMEDY SET FEATURING
ANNE FACKLER\$55 * PERSON | \$400 * TABLE OF 8
RESERVATIONS, SCHEDULE AND DETAILS ATwww.stmarykazoo.org/gala

Semi-Formal Event

Proceeds will fund the needs of St. Mary Parish
Open to individuals aged 18 and older

ST. CLARE CHURCH

MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

SUNDAY - September 28

8:30 a.m.

†Deceased Members of Phil & Melva Sobota
By: Phil & Phyllis Nusbaum

TUESDAY - September 30

6:00 p.m.

NO MASS

SUNDAY - October 5

8:30 a.m.

†Steve Campbell

By: Liz Campbell

And

The People in Our Parish

Lector:

Phyllis Nusbaum

Ministers:

Phyllis Nusbaum, Sam Shirley, Alice D.

Altar Server:

Beth Collins

Ushers:

Mike Collins & Teena Kuhl

Coffee Crew:

Ron & Sherry Holben

SC PARISH SUPPORT

Week of 9/21/25

YTD

Fiscal Year July 1, 2025– June 30, 2026

Sunday Collection (16).....	\$563.00.....	\$ 10,443.00
Online Collection	\$ 0.00.....	\$ 0.00
Holy Days	\$ 0.00.....	\$ 254.00
Visitors/Loose.....	\$ 340.00.....	\$ 5,622.34
Mass Stipend	\$ 0.00.....	\$ 120.00
Utility Fund	\$ 0.00.....	\$ 272.00
Donations/Bequests	\$ 0.00.....	\$ 0.00
Total Offertory	\$903.00	\$ 16,711.34
Weekly Need	\$ 1,324.00.....	\$ 17,212.00
Over/Under	\$ (421.00).....	\$ (500.66)

Income not included in weekly needs:

Catholic Campaign Human Development	\$222.00
Capital Improvement Building Phase II	\$5.00

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO OUR PARISHIONERS! Sep. 29 -Oct. 5

Mary Caenepeel
John Collins
Terry Baker
Anayeli Magno
Larry Larsh
Na NguyenJames Schuster
Ainsley Burkey
Esmeralda Sanchez
CastroHappy Birthday to Na Nguyen who is
celebrating her 89th birthday on
October 2nd.Happy Birthday to James Schuster
who is celebrating his 83rd birthday
on October 2nd.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

First Friday Adoration will be
October 3rd, 8:30 am - 6 pmSign up sheet is in the
carport entrance.We need your assistance to sign up ahead of
the time. Thank you!

Jubilee Mass for Migrants / Misa de Jubileo para los
Migrantes - October/Octubre 2, 2025 !In observance of the
Jubilee Year 2025, Bishop Edward M. Lohse will celebrate
a special Jubilee of Migrants Mass on **Thursday, October
2, 2025 at 6:30pm** at San Felipe de Jesus Parish; 5586
117th St., Fennville, MI 49048.

ALL SOULS CANDLES

At the All Souls Mass on November 2nd we will have special
candles lit for everyone that has been buried from our parishes in the last
year. They will be lit at every Mass in remembrance through November.

We have purchased extra candles if you would like to add one for your
loved one, regardless of when or where they passed, please contact the
rectory office. There is a nominal charge of \$6 for the candles.

If you have a candle holder, left over from last year, and would like to
participate in this years devotion, you can bring it to the rectory (clean of
last years candle) and we can insert a new candle for \$4. There is no
need to purchase a new glass holder.

All requests are due into the rectory office by Wednesday, October 22nd.

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
 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 & Mary Larson
 Sharon Jacobs
 Tim Zebell
 Karen Szwaja
 Mark Stevens
 Roger & Theresa



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 DUTKA

269-279-5282

WWW.DUTKALAW.COM

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

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,
 Proveyemos 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