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CHRIST IS RISEN

EASTER 2023

**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH**

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**STEWARDSHIP**

As today's gospel reveals, the first meal shared with the risen Lord happened in a place called Emmaus. Perhaps there is no better time to reflect on this story than in those prayerful moments at Mass when we return to our place after receiving Holy Communion. Those few moments give us an opportunity to reflect on our stewardship of Christ's presence within us. We have a chance to practice hospitality by inviting Jesus into our hearts to walk and talk with us about our own Emmaus journey. We can relive once again the time when he broke bread for the disciples. And just as they did, we too can recognize Christ in this meal we have just shared with others.



### **Masses for the Week**

Tuesday	April 25 5:30pm	Mass at Our Lady of Lourdes - Ada
Wednesday	April 26 9:00am	Kevin Stahler - ICC
Thursday	April 27 9:00am	Earthquake victims - ICC
Friday	April 28 9:00am	Mass at Our Lady of Lourdes - Ada
Saturday	April 29 4:00pm	<b>Fourth Sunday of Easter</b> The People of the Parish
Sunday	April 30 9:00am	<b>Fourth Sunday of Easter</b> Kevin Stahler

Please remember to keep our Nursing Home Parishioners and the Home Bound and the sick in your prayers:

Charlene Hilty, Diane Jaeger, Rita Scharf,  
Carol Lowery, Ellen Ramage, Dr. Kate Johnson,  
Don Conkle, Gerry Cote, Carol Cozad, and  
Ernie Klingelhofer.

### **May Crowning**

May crowning will be held at the 9:00am Mass Sunday May 7. Join us in praying the rosary before Mass.



### **Dear Immaculate Conception Community**

Thank you for this gift from your Ash Wednesday collection. Your compassion and generosity are blessings to JOIN and the neighbors we serve. We are grateful to be a part of this devoted community. Being able to share your kindness with our brothers and sisters is a chance to bear witness to the gracious love of our Lord. May He bless you with His grace and peace! Lisa Keita, JOIN  
\$444.00 was collected and sent to JOIN.



### **Weekly Readings for Masses April 24 - April 30**

<b>Monday</b>	Acts 6:8-15; John 6:22-29
<b>Tuesday</b>	1 Peter 5:5b-14; Mark 16:15-20
<b>Wednesday</b>	Acts 8:1b-8; John 6:35-40
<b>Thursday</b>	Acts 8:26-40; John 6:44-51
<b>Friday</b>	Acts 9:1-20; John 6:52-59
<b>Saturday</b>	Acts 9:31-42; John 6:60-69
<b>Sunday</b>	Acts 2:14a, 36-41 1 Peter 2:20b-25 John 10:1-10

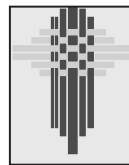


### **Week of April 16,**

<b>Regular (29)</b> .....	<b>\$1,290.00</b>
<b>Loose</b> .....	<b>230.00</b>
<b>Monthly Maintenance</b> .....	<b>115.00</b>
<b>Total</b> .....	<b>\$1,635.00</b>

**Year to date offertory beginning July. . . \$96,823.65**

### **The Bishops Annual Appeal is now called The Appeal**



"Forward with Jesus" is the theme for this year's Appeal. It encourages us to move forward in the Light of Christ. The Appeal has provided more than \$1 million back into our parishes for their most urgent and pressing needs. We pray that we will continue to strengthen the partnerships built through the Appeal and pray that we may successfully provide financial support to our parishes, Catholic schools, seminarians, and the many other diocesan ministries in the upcoming year. The Appeal Kickoff is the weekend of May 29 & 30. The Financial Goal for our parish this year is \$17,217.49; our 'Participation Goal' remains at 100%. Any amount you can give will help us to reach both goals! As always, any amount over our goal is returned to our parish.

### Upcoming Sacraments

Seven children will receive **First Holy Communion** on Sunday April 30 at the 9:00am Mass. A reception will follow in the St. Anthony Center, and all are welcome to attend.

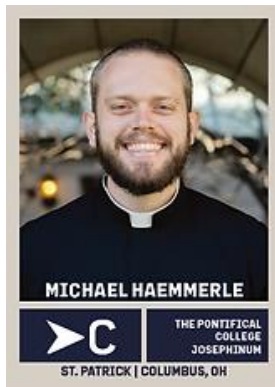
Seven children will receive the **Sacrament of Confirmation** on Tuesday May 2, 7:00pm. We welcome Bishop Earl Fernandes to celebrate this Sacrament. A reception in the St. Anthony Center follows the Mass and all are welcome to attend.

### The Chosen Season 2 watch party

The Chosen watch party will meet on Sunday April 23 at 6:00pm in the center for episode 8 "Beyond Mountains." All are welcome to bring a snack to share. This will conclude season 2.

### Please pray for our Seminarians

Every week we will pray for one of our Seminarians. This week please keep Michael Haemmerle from St. Patrick in Columbus in your prayers.



*Father, You love us and call each of us to go on mission with you in advancing your kingdom. You equip us with everything that we need to serve and love others in that mission. We pray for our seminarians whom you have called to seminary to discern a possible call to serve you as priests. Please watch over them, Lord. Guide them and help them grow in holiness. Grant them wisdom and courage to give themselves radically to You. We pray also for the grace to grow in holiness ourselves and to seek always your will in our lives. We ask this through Christ Our Lord. Amen.*

### The Church in Central and Eastern Europe

This weekend our special collection supports the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. Your donation today helps restore the Church and build the future in more than 25 countries still struggling to recover from former communist rule. Funds from this collection support reconstruction, education, formation, and poverty outreach. Thank you for your generosity. For more information visit: [www.usccb.org/ccce](http://www.usccb.org/ccce)



### Knights of Columbus Scholarship

The Knights of Columbus Council 1597 are calling for applications for the 2023 Stahler Family Memorial Scholarship. This scholarship is for graduating high school seniors and continuing ONU students. Please submit your application by May 5 for consideration. Applications can be picked up in the back of church or apply online

At <https://forms.gle/jCFAZNc4K7KBy6sC8>

### Kenton Knights of Columbus "Super Cash Bonanza"

The Kenton K of C will be selling tickets for the "Super Cash Bonanza" to support Ohio Charity Foundation as well as our local K of C charities. The tickets are \$5 each with a chance of winning over \$100,000 in prizes. Call Brad Lautar 419-675-0822 or see any K of C member to purchase your chance of winning some cash.

### Spring Tour Day at the Josephinum

The Pontifical College Josephinum welcomes you to its Spring Open House on Saturday, April 29, from Noon – 3:00 p.m. Explore the buildings, chapels and grounds of the only pontifical seminary outside of Italy! Tours highlight extensive woodwork, stained glass, terrazzo floors, intricate brickwork and sacred art. Registrations accepted online at [apps.pcj.edu/openhouse](https://apps.pcj.edu/openhouse) through April 19.

### Bus Tour of Seven Catholic Churches in Columbus:

Join this fun and educational tour of several churches in Columbus. Learn about their fascinating histories as vital places of Catholic worship, evangelization, and learning in our Diocese. This event is May 13 and is \$70 per person (lunch is included in the price). There are 40 spots available. RSVP email is [museumtours@catholicmuseum.org](mailto:museumtours@catholicmuseum.org). For more information, contact the Museum at 614-618-4030 or [info@catholicmuseum.org](mailto:info@catholicmuseum.org).

### Night at the Museum (May 20, 5-9 p.m.):

Have you seen the movie *Night At The Museum*? Come join us for a fun night of experiencing history come alive. Learn about the Catholic Church throughout the centuries through art and stories. You may be surprised at who you will meet. Located downtown Columbus near St. Joseph Cathedral at 257 E. Broad St., Columbus. We hope to see you there! For more information, contact the Museum at 614-618-4030 or [info@catholicmuseum.org](mailto:info@catholicmuseum.org).

**Next Festival Meeting –  
April 26, at 6:00pm in the Center**

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