

# St Joseph the Worker Cluster

## The Catholic Parishes of

Immaculate Conception  
Sumner

Holy Name  
West Union

St Francis of Assisi  
Fayette

St Peter  
Clermont



DECEMBER 15, 2019 – THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

### SATURDAY/SUNDAY MASSES

#### Saturday:

4:00 p.m.. Immaculate Conception, Sumner  
6:00 p.m. .... Holy Name, West Union

#### Sunday:

8:00 a.m..... St. Peter, Clermont  
10:00 a.m. ....St. Francis of Assisi, Fayette

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### Holiday Bulletin schedules: Check with parish offices for deadlines



### MISSION STATEMENT

We the people of St. Joseph the Worker Cluster, give of ourselves by sharing time, talent and treasure to enhance the Catholic faith.

### VISION STATEMENT

We the people of St. Joseph the Worker Cluster, endeavor to come together as one family of God to serve as a Catholic faith community in the name of Jesus Christ our Savior.

- 24 - 5:00 pm Christmas Eve Mass @ SP  
7:00 pm Christmas Eve Mass @ SFA
- 25 - 8:00 am Christmas Mass @ IC  
10:00 am Christmas Mass @ HN



## Prayer Requests

Please remember in your prayers those from our Cluster who are sick and requesting prayer:

### From Immaculate Conception:

*Juliana Blaylock, Judy Brandt, Jim Duffy, Joyce Frank, Michelle Heidemann, Betty Humpal, Barb Hyman, Noreen Miller, Brian Piphon, Pauline Rader, Rhonda Rochford, Joyce Teeling, Brooke Toussaint*

### From St. Francis of Assisi:

*Veryl Burghardt, Addie Hollinrake, Dorothy Lau, Art Moellers, Helen Scheidel, Pat Whelan*

### From Holy Name:

*Doris Bouska, Kenny Bouska, Taylor Bouska, Mary Dunt Buenzow, Steve & Linda Dunt, Florian Franzen, Hayden Grimm, Bea Heffemen, Marion Heying, Jill Krambeer, Gerald Kramer, Eileen Lahey, Arlene Langreck, Roger Michael, Marilyn Miller, Roberta Mittelsted, Raelonna Patrick, Edmund Schmitt, Betty Scott, Leona Steinlage, Barb Van Horn*

### From St. Peter:

*Elizabeth Goddard, Laverne Imoehl, Albert Matt, Donna Miller, Jonathan Oakland, Ken Wagner, Richard Barnes, Ardith Barnes*

### Pope's Intention for December

#### The Future of the Very Young

That every country take the measures necessary to prioritize the future of the very young, especially those who are suffering.

#### Rest In Peace

**Thomas Jerome Smith, Jr. Forth Worth, Texas son of Rita Smith of Immaculate Conception Parish. Tom's funeral was held Monday, December 2, 2019 in Ft. Worth, Texas.**

**May God bring comfort to his family & friends.**

### Stewardship Quote

Today's Gospel provides a blueprint for good stewardship: "Let the man who has two coats give to him who has none. The man who has food should do the same."

# Parish Support

<b>Immaculate Conception, Sumner</b>	
<b>Sacrificial Giving 12/7/19</b>	<b>Total: \$1,690.00</b>
<b>Week Budget Need</b>	<b>\$2,190.00</b>
Adult Envelopes	1,051.00
Youth Envelopes	1.00
Offertory	68.00
Christmas	40.00
Immaculate Conception	460.00
Religious Retirement	70.00
<b>Total Weekend</b>	<b>\$1,690.00</b>

<b>Holy Name, West Union</b>	
<b>Sacrificial Giving 11/30 &amp; 12/7/19</b>	<b>Total: \$4,254.25</b>
<b>Week Budget Need</b>	<b>\$5,188.00</b>
Adult Offering	3446.00
Youth Offering	35.25
Offertory	210.00
Immaculate Conception	265.00
Thanksgiving	33.00
Religious Retirement	140.00
Christmas Flowers	100.00
Our Call to Share	25.00
<b>Total Weekend</b>	<b>\$4,254.25</b>

**ELECTION LUNCHEON \$5,385.43**

<b>St. Peter, Clermont</b>	
<b>Sacrificial Giving 12/8/19</b>	<b>Total: \$1,424.82</b>
<b>Week Budget Need</b>	<b>\$1,466.45</b>
Adult Envelopes	920.00
Youth Envelopes	5.82
Offertory	19.00
Cemetery	100.00
Religious Retirement	255.00
Thanksgiving	55.00
<b>Total Weekend</b>	<b>\$1,424.82</b>

<b>St. Francis of Assisi, Fayette</b>	
<b>Sacrificial Giving 12/8/19</b>	<b>Total: \$2,355.00</b>
<b>Week Budget Need</b>	<b>\$1,718.00</b>
Adult Envelopes	1,792.00
Youth Envelopes	1.00
Offertory	132.00
Garage Rent	35.00
Immaculate Conception	125.00
Poor & Needy	50.00
Religious Retirement	100.00
Thanksgiving	120.00
<b>Total Weekend</b>	<b>\$2,355.00</b>

### **2019 - Retirement Fund for Religious**

**Religious give thanks.** "Thank you' hardly seems adequate to convey what it means to us," says a Catholic sister of the financial assistance her community received from the Retirement Fund for Religious. Prayer-filled thanks for your donation to last week's second collection.

# CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Christmas Eve Masses - 5:00 pm at St. Peter, Clermont

7:00 pm at St. Francis of Assisi, Fayette

Christmas Day Masses - 8:00 am at Immaculate Conception, Sumner

10:00 am at Holy Name, West Union

## SOCIAL JUSTICE

**5th WEEKEND COLLECTION** Saturday December 28th at Holy Name. A second collection will be taken up for the **Fayette County Food Shelf**. For every \$1.00 given they can purchase \$10.00 worth of items.



### County Food Shelves December - Holiday Baking Month & Christmas Dinner Month

Suggested Items: : Flour, sugar, brown sugar, powdered sugar, baking soda, baking powder, shortening, baking chips, cake, cookie, bar mixes, or anything for a Christmas Dinner.

**ELVES FOR THE ELDERLY** - Sponsored by West Union Good Sam Soc. Collecting donations for isolated seniors for Christmas. Suggested items: Blankets, slippers, socks, hats, gloves, large print books, & personal care products or monetary donations. Donations accepted thru Dec. 16th at 201 Hall Street, WU. More information or to add someone to a confidential distribution list contact Melody Patrick @ 422-9348 or mpatrick@good-sam.com.

## ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

**Looking for inspiration?** Stumped for the right Christmas gift for your loved ones? Buy the women in your life an unforgettable day at the:

### 2020 Archdiocesan Women's Conference,

#### *Beauty in Christ: Fearless! Faithful! On Fire!*

Dynamic speakers Hallie Lord and Katie Prejean will inspire you to live fearlessly!! Join us on Saturday, January 25, 2020 at the DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel in Cedar Rapids, IA, 8:30 AM to 3:30 PM (doors open at 7:00 AM).

Discount rates apply until Monday, January 6, 2020. To register go to: <https://archwomensconference.org/registration/> (Financial assistance is available.)

**Saturday, March 14th, 2020** - Men's Conference will take place at Xavier Catholic High School, Cedar Rapids. The keynote speaker will be Patrick Madrid, with Archbishop Jackels presiding at Mass. More details may be found at [www.CatholicMenOnline.com](http://www.CatholicMenOnline.com).

## CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

If you would like to dedicate a poinsettia in memory of a loved one for Christmas:

**IC** - Contact Sue Heying at the Wild Rose (578- 5235) or Cindy Jacob at the parish office (578-8227).

**SFA** - Place your donation in an envelope marked "Flowers" with the name of your loved one(s) payable to SFA and place in the collection basket.

**HN** - Please use your budget envelope.

**SP** - Please use your budget envelope.

## LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Immaculate Conception is in need of Liturgical Ministers for Christmas Day Mass at 8:00 am. Look for the sign-up sheet in the gathering area.

## ADULT FAITH FORMATION

### THE FIRST STEP IN A CLOSER WALK WITH JESUS:



All are welcome at St. Peter's for **No Greater Love: A Biblical Walk Through Christ's Passion** by Dr. Edward Sri. This study, presented last year in the Cluster, was very popular. Make time to wake up your faith-life.

Classes at 7 pm are scheduled for: Jan 8, 15 & 29; and Feb 12.

## FAMILY OUTREACH

### THE GRAND ADVENTURE: A New Call to Grandparenting.

Mark your calendars beginning March 1, 2020. IC will host 6 sessions during Lent, after the 8:00 am Mass.

**Will you accept the challenge to make a difference in your grandchild's life?**



### Looking for a Christmas gift for someone special?

Consider Fr. Komboh's book - **Bundle of Joy**, a collection of reflections compiled over his years of priesthood. Cost is \$12.

To purchase your copy, contact your parish secretary or Father Komboh.



## MASSES & INTENTIONS

### 12/16/19 - Monday

No Mass - Pray for Vocations

Nm 24:2-7,15-17, Ps 25:4-9, Matt 21:23-27

### 12/17/19 -Tuesday

9:00 am, Hillcrest Nursing Home

Word & Communion

9:00 am, HN

+ Special Intention (RS)

Gn 49:2,8-10, Ps 72:1-8,17, Matt 1:1-17

### 12/18/19 – Wednesday

9:00 am, Maple Crest Manor

+ Marcy Blong

Jer 23:5-8, Ps 72:1,2,12,13,18,19, Matt 1:18-25

### 12/19/19 – Thursday

9:00 am, SP

+ Fr. Dale Rausch

Jgs 13:2-7,24,25, Ps 71:3-6,16,17, Luke 1:5-25

### 12/20/19 – Friday

9:00 am, IC

+ Lois Ann Schaufenbuel DiPaollo

Is 7:10-14, Ps 24:1-6, Luke 1:26-38

### 12/21/19 – Saturday

4:00 pm IC

+ Bob Piphon

6:00 pm, HN

+ Julie Schute

Song of Sg 2:8-14, Ps 33:2,3,11,12,20,21, Luke 1:39-45

### 12/22/19 – Sunday

8:00 am, SP

+ For the People

10:00 am, SFA

+ Mike Voshell

Is 7:10-14, Ps 24:1-6, Rom 1:1-7, Matt 1:18-24



## RECONCILIATION

### Saturday:

3:30 p.m.....Immaculate Conception, Sumner

5:30 p.m..... Holy Name, West Union

### Sunday:

7:30 a.m..... St. Peter, Clermont

9:30 a.m..... St. Francis of Assisi, Fayette

## LITURGICAL MINISTERS - DEC. 21 & DEC. 22

## Liturgical Ministers

### Immaculate Conception – Saturday 4:00 pm

Lector – Kelly Egan

Eucharistic Ministers - Joel Meyer

Lorraine Piphon

Ralph Schultz

Gifts – Joe Britt

Ushers – Joel & Nancy Meyer

Ralph Schultz

Greeters – Joel Meyer

Servers – Grant Henderson, Noah Henderson,

Mason Britt

Money Counters - Gary Schmitz

Bill Meyer

### Holy Name – Saturday 6:00 pm

Lector - John Baldwin

Eucharistic Ministers - Jackie Halstead

John Baldwin

Bonnie Patrick

Gifts – Mike & Barb Heins

Ushers – Mike Heins & Mike Elsbernd

Greeter – Justin Heins Family

Servers – Brianna Davis,

Bryce & Kaelyn Elsbernd

Money Counters – Jim Halstead

Bonnie Patrick

### St. Peter – Sunday 8:00 am

Lector – Damien Matt

Eucharistic Ministers – Bruce Kleve

MaryAnn Woodson

Ardith Barnes

Gifts – Caytlin & Damien Matt

Ushers – Craig Kleve, Dale Imoehl

Greeters – Lucy Durnan

Servers – Peyton Lehmann, Clayton Schaefer

Money Counters – Kathy Turner, Yvonne Kerr

### St. Francis – Sunday 10:00 am

Lector – Kurt Wood

Eucharistic Ministers - Lavell Kuennen

Mark Kuennen

Lyla Lamphier

Jim Mitchell

Gifts – Chad & Angie Ingels Family

Ushers – Denice Fink

Rick Fink

Rollin Fink

Chad Ingels

Servers – Streif Family