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May 19, 2019

5th Sunday of Easter

Mass Schedule

Tuesday	7:30 am
Wednesday	7:30 am
Thursday	8:30 am
Friday	7:30 am
Saturday	5:00 pm
Sunday	8:00 am
	10:00 am
	(Spanish) 11:30 am

Reconciliation

Saturday	3:30- 4:30 pm
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San Damiano Chapel

Eucharistic Adoration - weekdays



Our Mission

The Mission of The Church of the Immaculate Conception is to proclaim and celebrate our Lord Jesus Christ. We fulfill our mission as Christian disciples by intentionally responding to God's call to grow in holiness.

From the Pastor's Desk



First Communion

Way back in the early 1990s I was blessed to receive Holy Communion for the very first time. It was a simple yet very significant moment in the faith journey of my twin sister, our classmates, and for me. The location was the church of Immaculate Heart of Mary in Minnetonka. My life has never been the same since that beautiful and grace-filled day.

Many of our younger brothers and sisters in Christ here at Immaculate Conception will be receiving our Eucharistic Lord for the very first time this Sunday. Congratulations to them and to their families!

Do you remember the first time that you received Holy Communion? Hopefully it was a joyful and prayerful, peaceful and enriching experience.

Please say a prayer for our spiritual siblings that this Sunday would be the first of many, many, many opportunities in their lifetime to unite their own hearts and lives to our Lord and Savior in the Most Blessed Sacrament of the Altar.

May our own hearts be renewed each and every time we receive Christ in Holy Communion or make a spiritual communion on a weekly basis. In doing so we will be living tabernacles carrying Jesus to the rest of the world through our loving words and generous actions.



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Readings

Parish App Feature-of-the-Week

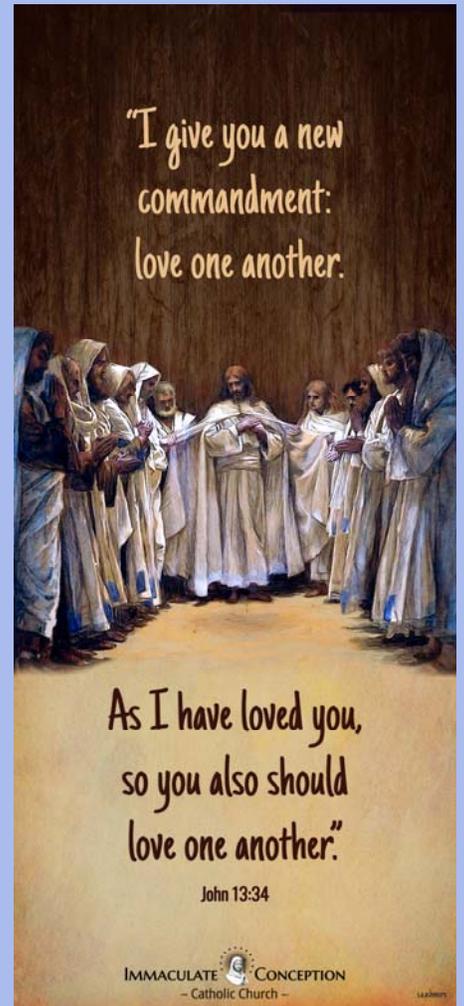
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Readings and Observances

Sunday, May 19, 5th Sunday of Easter

Acts 14:21-27/Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13 [cf. 1]/Rv 21:1-5a/Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35

Monday, May 20, St. Bernardine of Siena, Priest

Acts 14:5-18/Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16 [1ab]/Jn 14:21-26

Tuesday, May 21, St. Christopher Magallanes, Priest, & Companions, Martyrs

Acts 14:19-28/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21 [cf. 12]/Jn 14:27-31a

Wednesday, May 22, St. Rita of Cascia, Religious

Acts 15:1-6/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5 [cf. 1]/Jn 15:1-8

Thursday, May 23

Acts 15:7-21/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10 [3]/Jn 15:9-11

Friday, May 24

Acts 15:22-31/Ps 57:8-9, 10 and 12 [10a]/Jn 15:12-17

Saturday, May 25, St. Bede the Venerable, Priest & Doctor of the Church; St. Gregory VII, Pope; St. Mary Magdalene de'Pazzi, Virgin

Acts 16:1-10/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5 [2a]/Jn 15:18-21

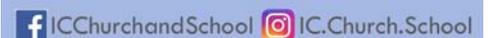
Sunday, May 26, 6th Sunday of Easter

Acts 15:1-2, 22-29/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 [4]/Rv 21:10-14, 22-23/Jn 14:23-29

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School News



Preschool students study and embrace the love of Christ's sacrifice.

The Road to Discipleship

Recognize God in Your Ordinary Moments

I was recently reading an article about the real aspects of true love. The psychologist writing the piece said that many people hide behind the words "I love you." They can start believing that if they say it enough times, it simply becomes true.

Jesus claimed that the world would know his disciples by the fact that they loved one another. In the Church, we speak of loving one another quite frequently. I hope that someone can tell that I am a disciple of Jesus by the way I love others. However, that hope is something I have to keep in the center of my mind because I fear too often that I speak more of love than act out of love.

As Christians, we can find ourselves hiding behind our words. History, unfortunately, has shown us that our witness of action has not always been profound enough. The world will surely know whom it is we serve if we love like Jesus, we act like Jesus, and we serve others like Jesus. Our stewardship will bear witness to the transforming power of Jesus Christ, and we will bring others to him. Our love will be an instrument of our evangelization. Our words will become true, not because we said them enough, but because they are true.

—Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

Eucharistic Adoration

"I give you a new commandment, says the Lord: love one another as I have loved you."

(John 14:34)

Come and pray before our Lord for the strength, courage and knowledge of how to love others as He loves us. Our chapel is available Monday through Friday beginning at 7:00 am and closing at 11:00 pm. Everyone is welcome to come to our Eucharistic Adoration Chapel.

We are looking for adorers to cover the following hours:

- Mondays at noon, 1:00 pm and 5:00 pm
- Tuesdays at noon (partner)
- Thursdays at 11:00 am.

We also are in need of additional partner adorers and substitute adorers—especially as we approach the summer vacation season. For information about adoration or to sign up for an hour, please call Sandy at 763-789-3246.



Parish News

Share the Gift of Your Smile—Be a Greeter!

Greeters are needed for Masses on Memorial Day weekend, May 25-26. If you are interested in greeting at any of these liturgies, sign up sheets are available in the Lending Library. Thank you.

Do You Know a High School Senior ...

... who is graduating this year? We are gathering names of students to invite to a Mass on June 2 when we will recognize graduates. Please contact Mary Nawrocki, Director of Faith Formation, at 763-788-9062 x 210 to request an invitation. Thank you!

Monthly Prayer Intention

Please join the Intercessory Prayer Ministry in praying for this month's prayer intention:

For students preparing for First Eucharist and their families, that they come to a deeper understanding of Christ present in the Eucharist.



May is the Month of the Blessed Virgin Mary

"I take refuge then, in prayer, and turn to Mary, and Our Lord always triumphs." —Saint Thérèse of Lisieux

Join us to pray the Rosary at Immaculate Conception during the month of May:

- Sundays after the 10:00 am Mass led by the Council of Catholic Women (after Mass please gather in the front pews on the pulpit side of church).
- Weeknights at 6:00 pm at the IC Shrine of Mary with the Knights of Columbus.

Pray for a Priest

Will You Pray for a Priest Each Day?

Prayer Suggestion: Dear Jesus, hear my prayer on behalf of your priest, Father [N]. Give him a deep faith, a bright and firm hope, and a burning love which will ever increase in the course of his priestly life. Be his comfort, his joy, and his strength. Amen.

May 20 - Rev. Michael Van Sloun
May 21 - Rev. Nicholas VanDenBroeke
May 22 - Rev. Jon Vanderploeg
May 23 - Rev. Anthony VanderLoop
May 24 - Rev. Chad VanHoose
May 25 - Rev. Richard Villano
May 26 - Rev. Norman Volkomi



**"I will praise your name for ever,
my king and my God."**

(Ps 145)

Faith Formation

Time to Register for Totus Tuus!

Our *Totus Tuus* summer programs are right around the corner! A week of faith and fun led by a team of college students and seminarians includes two sessions: a day camp for children entering grades 1-6 on June 10-14, 9:00 am to 2:30 pm, and an evening program for youth entering grades 7-12 on June 9-13, 7:30 pm to 9:45 pm. The cost is \$25 per participant and \$75 max per family. The cost of the program can be written off for tax purposes!

Grades 1-6

Daily Mass
Faith Activities
Games
Water fun!

Grades 7-12

Adoration
Confession
Hot Topics
Social Time

For more information and to register, go to ICCSonline.org or call the Faith Formation office at 763-788-9062 x 210.

Beyond Our Parish

Archdiocesan Marriage Day Celebration

Saturday, June 15, 10:00 am Mass, Cathedral of Saint Paul

Celebrate the beautiful mystery of the mutual self-gift between a man and woman in the Sacrament of Matrimony. The celebration includes Mass, renewal of vows, and a short reception. Couples celebrating their silver and golden anniversaries will be honored in a special way. Families and friends of all couples are welcome! Couples married one year or more may request a commemorative certificate signed by Archbishop Hebda. To request a certificate, please contact the Office of Marriage, Family & Life by June 10 at 651-291-4488 or mfl@archspm.org.

Confirmation Classes For Those With Special Needs

*Saturdays, August 10 and 24, 9:30 – 11:30 am
Church of St. Richard, Richfield*

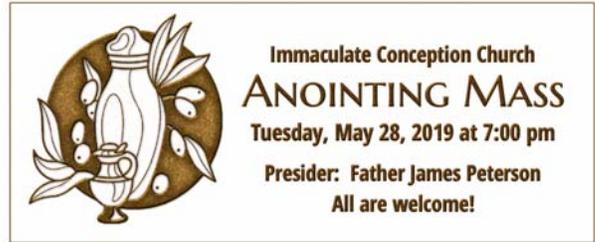
Do you know anyone with special needs or mental or physical disabilities age 16 or older, who has not received the Sacrament of Confirmation? Both classes are mandatory for guardians and candidates. Pre-registration is preferred but walk-ins will be accepted. Thank you in advance for your help in reaching out to all God's people. For more information, please contact Deacon Eric Gunderson or Sonya Flomo at 651-291-4488 or email us at flo-mos@archspm.org.

Archbishop Flynn Catechetical Institute

Discover the plan that will transform your work, your marriage, your family, your community... your life! This fall, the Archbishop Flynn Catechetical Institute will begin another two-year course at Mary, Mother of the Church in Burnsville. Taught by some of the best instructors in the Twin Cities, such as Bishop Andrew Cozzens, Jeff Cavins, Deacon Joe Michalak, Fr. John Klockeman, Dr. Todd Flanders, Christina Smith, Liz Kelly, and more, the program follows the four pillars of the Catechism of the Catholic Church and will make sense of all things Catholic, deepen your faith, and lay out the roadmap to heaven.

The classes are divided into four eleven-week modules and meet on Monday evenings, 7:00 to 9:00 pm, with two Saturday morning formative sessions per module. Applications are being accepted through July 1, 2019, for the class beginning in September. For more information and an application visit CIstudent.com or call 651-962-5072.

Pastoral Ministry



Anointing Mass at Crest View

Join us on Thursday, June 13 at 3:15 pm for an Anointing Mass at Crest View, 4444 Reservoir Boulevard. Father James Peterson will preside. All are welcome.

Individual Anointing of the Sick is available by request—call the parish office at 763-788-9062 x 212.

Growing Through Loss

Tuesday, May 21, from 6:45 – 9:00 pm at Abiding Savior Lutheran Church, 8211 Red Oak Drive, Mounds View. This is the final session—each session is complete in itself. Join Rev. Elisa Richardson from Abiding Savior for a special service of healing and hope. For more information contact Vicki at 763-788-9062 x 212.

In Need of Prayer? Please Call Us.

To add a name to the weekend Mass petitions or the bulletin, please call Vicki at 763-788-9062 x 212. For private prayer call Larene at 763-789-4246.

Pray For Our Loved Ones Who Have Died

Especially *Robert Soukup* and all who have died from war. May God grant them everlasting peace and joy in the kingdom of heaven.

Pray For All the Sick—Especially:

Mary Boatwright	Steven Lauinger	Greg Sery
Paul Bona	Roger Mack	Irene Spensley
Michelle Cadieux	Sue McSherry	Tammy Swedzinski
Nichole Castonguay	Johnnie Meyering	Elaine Thunstrom
Robin Crisp	Janet Mihalik	Lois Weyers
Mary Fredenburg	Izzy Miller	Germaine Wolsfeld
Barbara Kaminski	Shawn Moulzolf	<i>and all those on our prayer chain</i>
Gerald Krawiecki	Danille Remarke	

If your name was removed and you would like to continue to be on the prayer list please call 763-788-9062 x 212.

Social Justice

Coins for Social Justice



Small Change Can Do a World of Good! Coins for Social Justice raises funds to support programs that promote the gospel of peace and social justice. The fourth weekend of each month, IC parishioners are asked to fill the collection basket with their pocket change to benefit the

Social Justice Ministry.

The next collection will be next weekend of May 25/26. Only the loose change or marked envelopes from this collection are designated for Social Justice.

Word of Life

“Patients need to be able to trust their doctors to always care for their lives and never deliberately cause death... Patients facing serious illness may feel hopeless and depressed, as though their lives have lost meaning. Addressing psychological, emotional, and spiritual problems is essential to palliative care. Assisted suicide alleviates none of these problems, but gives in to them.”

— USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, “Killing the Pain, Not the Patient: Palliative Care vs. Assisted Suicide”

Why Do We Do That?

Catholic Traditions Explained

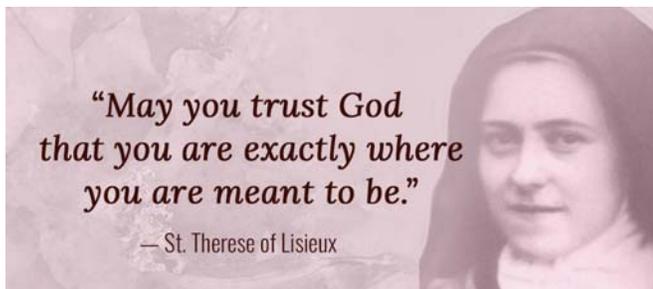
Question: *I’ve heard of the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy. What are they, and what’s the difference?*

Answer: As God has shown us mercy, so too are we called to show mercy to those we encounter. We see mercy throughout the Gospels, but the parable in Matthew 25 forms the foundation for the first set of Works of Mercy. This parable of the last judgment shows each person being asked how well they cared for those around them, and being reminded that this care for those in need is care for God Himself. Each person is asked if they have fed the hungry, given drink to the thirsty, clothed the naked, sheltered the stranger, cared for the sick, and visited the imprisoned. These—along with burying the dead—are the Corporal Works of Mercy, as they primarily concern the physical life of a person.

The list of the Spiritual Works of Mercy developed later. These actions of love primarily concern the inner life of a person. They are instructing the ignorant, counseling the doubtful, admonishing sinners, bearing wrongs patiently, forgiving offenses, comforting the afflicted, and praying for both the living and the dead. All of these actions are concrete ways of bringing the love of God into the world.

Live the Liturgy—Inspiration for the Week

How do people know that you are a disciple of Jesus Christ? Some folks prefer to keep their faith a secret and rarely mention their belief in Jesus. Others are more vocal and readily tell people that they are Christian. For Jesus, there is another way to recognize whether one is a disciple. He tells his friends that all will know they are disciples if they have love for one another. The love to which Jesus calls us to is not just an earthly love. It’s not just about doing nice things for people or even keeping positive thoughts about others. Jesus’ love is divine love. Put simply, Jesus became human so that we can become divine. We are called to look at the world, people, and ourselves as God does. This requires unconditional compassion and a whole lot of mercy and forgiveness. We cannot do this alone. That is why the risen Christ remains with us, especially through the Eucharist, to help us become who he is. If done correctly, there will be no question about who has our allegiance.



Sunday, May 19

Mass, Intention, +Clarence Stanoch _____ 8:00 am
 Parish Pancake Breakfast _____ 8:30 am - 11:45 am
 8th Grade Car Wash _____ 9:00 am - 12:00 pm
Mass, Intention, +George & Lillian Rozek _____ 10:00 am
Rosary (led by the CCW) _____ 11:00 am
Mass (Spanish), *Intention, IC Parishioners* _____ 11:30 am

Monday, May 20

St. Jude’s Circle _____ 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm
 RCIC I _____ 4:30 pm - 5:30 pm
Rosary (led by the Knights of Columbus) _____ 6:00 pm

Tuesday, May 21

Mass, Intention, Steve Lauinger _____ 7:30 am
Rosary (led by the Knights of Columbus) _____ 6:00 pm
 Social Justice Meeting _____ 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm
 Cub Scouts, Pack 66 _____ 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm
 Finance Council _____ 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm
 Charismatic Prayer Group _____ 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Wednesday, May 22

Mass, Intention, +George Rozek _____ 7:30 am
Rosary (led by the Knights of Columbus) _____ 6:00 pm
 ICS Activities Banquet _____ 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm
 Catechists Meeting _____ 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
 Parish Choir Rehearsal _____ 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Thursday, May 23

Mass (School), *Intention, +Alex Gonsalves* _____ 8:30 am
Rosary (led by the Knights of Columbus) _____ 6:00 pm
 Parish Pastoral Council _____ 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
 Bell Choir Rehearsal _____ 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Friday, May 24

Mass, Intention, Misik Family _____ 7:30 am
Rosary (led by the Knights of Columbus) _____ 6:00 pm
 Our Lady of Guadalupe Formation _____ 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Saturday, May 25

Baptism Class _____ 9:00 am - 10:30 am
 Reconciliation _____ 3:30 pm - 4:30 pm
Mass, Intention, +A. J. Breyer _____ 5:00 pm
 Our Lady of Guadalupe Prayer Group _____ 6:30 pm - 9:00 pm

Sunday, May 26

Mass, Intention, +Irene & Leonard Bryer _____ 8:00 am
 Fellowship _____ 8:30 am - 12:00 pm
Mass, Intention, IC Parishioners _____ 10:00 am
Rosary (led by the CCW) _____ 11:00 am
Mass (Spanish) _____ 11:30 am

+Deceased



“The One who sat on the throne said,
 ‘Behold, I make all things new.’”

(Rev 21:5a)

Church Directory

Emergency (Death or Anointing) 763-788-9062 (#9)

PARISH

- Parish Office..... 763-788-9062
(Open Monday - Friday, 8:00 am – 4:30 pm)
- Parish Fax..... 763-788-0202
- Reception Desk** x 201
- Parochial Administrator, Fr. James Peterson** x 215
- Accounting Specialist, Julie Mack**..... x 204
- Deacon, Larry Palkert**
- Communications Coordinator, Sue Ashmore** x 205
- Director of Marketing, Cathleen Cary** x 213
- Director of Music and Liturgy, Ray Bannon** x 214
- Maintenance Supervisor, Doug Olson** x 218
- Parish Business Manager, Michael Wilde**..... x 202
- Pastoral Minister, Vicki Bazille** x 212
- Records Coordinator, Terri Glaeser** x 227
- Special Event Coordinator, Jami Bridgeman** x 221
- Wedding Coordinator, Barb Hartwick**..... x 204

FAITH FORMATION

- Director of Faith Formation, Mary Nawrocki** x 210
- Administrative Assistant, Mary Scott** x 208

SCHOOL

- School Office..... 763-788-9065
- School Fax..... 763-788-9066
- Principal, Jane Bona (jbona@immac-church.org)**..... x 220
- Director of Advancement/School Business Manager**
- Mary Beth Pfeifer* x 203
- Administrative Assistant, Sherri Macko** x 219

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS

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| <i>Dave Kellner</i> | <i>Kathy Johnson</i> |
| <i>Charles Karanja</i> | <i>Stacy McVary</i> |
| <i>Marcus Paulson</i> | <i>Sandy Sichak</i> |
| <i>Jane Bona (School Principal)</i> | |
| <i>Steve Smith (Parish Trustee)</i> | |

Copies of the Parish Council meeting minutes are available in the pamphlet racks at the entrances to the church.

LOW GLUTEN HOSTS

Low gluten hosts (.002 gluten) are available. Come to the Sacristy before Mass to request one.

Gospel Meditations

5th Sunday of Easter

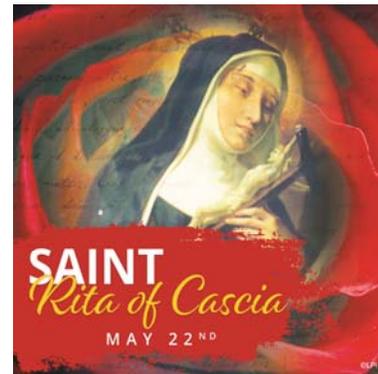
“I give you a new commandment: love one another.” With these words, Jesus sums up the law and the prophets in one concise phrase. Love one another. After 2,000 years, you’d think we’d have it figured out by now! But all too often we fail in this commandment. Perhaps we mistake “love” for mere “common decency.” Perhaps we’ve been betrayed, or our own visions of love have been tarnished or misrepresented in our lives. Blessedly, Jesus doesn’t leave us without a guide.



“As I have loved you, so you also should love one another.” Jesus himself modeled what this love should look like. So what are some of the characteristics of the love of Christ? Humility, for one. St. Paul writes that Jesus “emptied Himself.” In becoming man, Jesus puts aside the full splendor of the Godhead. Not only does he become human, but he takes on many of the mundane privations of human life. He spent most of his life in relative poverty—especially by our standards—as a common laborer. When he began gaining popularity as a preacher, he still traveled on foot and spent nights in other people’s homes or outdoors.

Jesus’ love is generous. He was always available to the crowds and to being interrupted by people in need. He invested time in his disciples and patiently taught them about the kingdom of God. The love of Jesus is also courageous. He encountered many people deemed less worthy of human respect, due to being public sinners or having a physical or mental disability. Jesus was brave in breaking these social boundaries to show care and concern to the outcast. These traits are possible for us to imitate! Indeed, we are hardly identifiable as Christians without them. “This is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.”

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"Do This In Memory Of Me"

with Father James Peterson.

This free, three-night series for all ages explores the truth and beauty of Christ's Real Presence in the Eucharist.

June 10, 11 & 12

7:00 - 8:30 pm

**Immaculate Conception Church
Fellowship Hall**

Pre-registration is not required but is appreciated.
Contact Mary Nawrocki at 763-788-9062 ext. 210.

