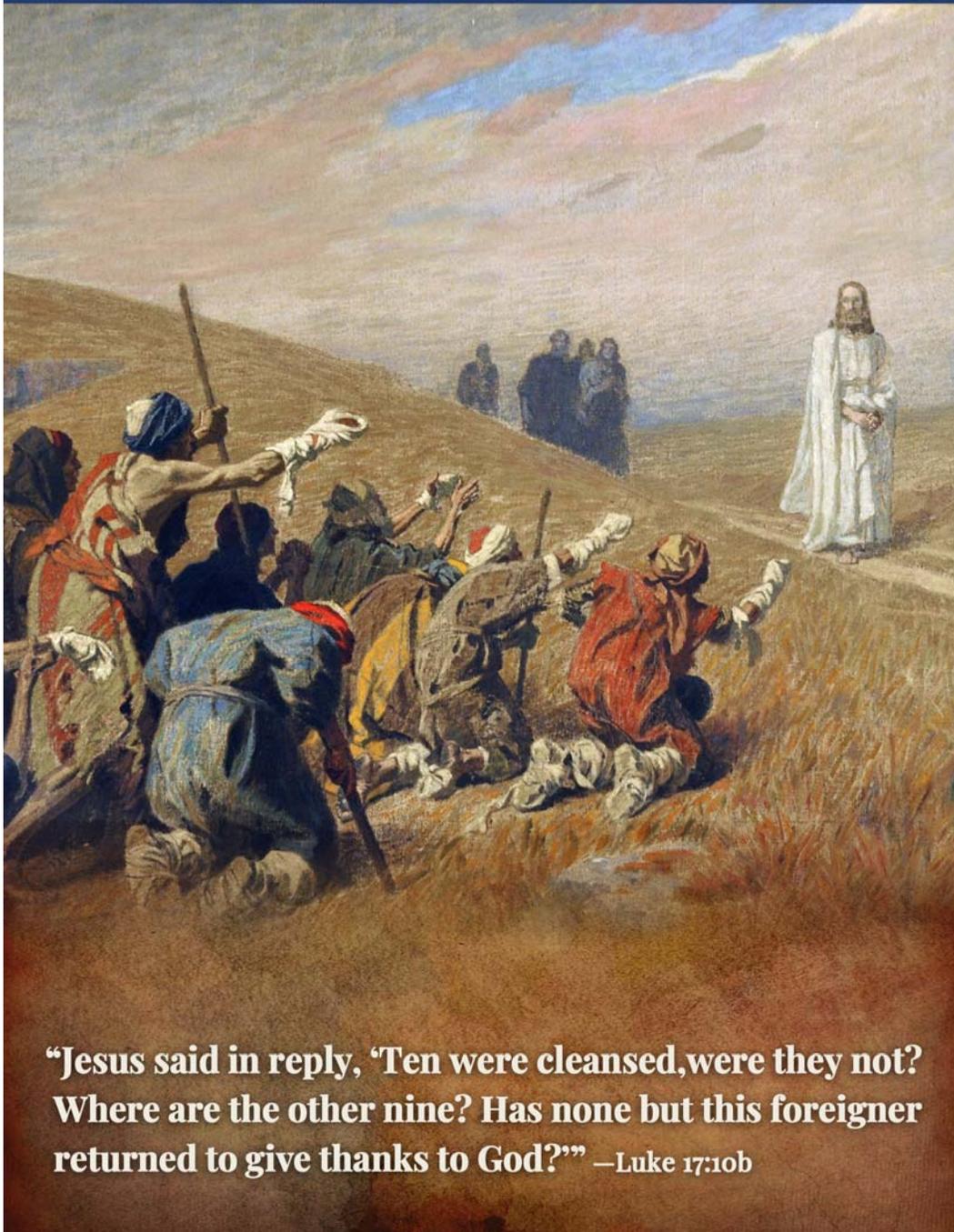


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“Jesus said in reply, “Ten were cleansed, were they not? Where are the other nine? Has none but this foreigner returned to give thanks to God?”” –Luke 17:10b

October 13, 2019

*28th Sunday
in Ordinary Time*

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

Thank You, Lord

As followers of Christ we are called to have an attitude of gratitude. The very word, "Eucharist" comes from the Greek word *ευχαριστία* which means, "thanksgiving." Our words and actions ought to therefore express our appreciation to God for who He is and for what He has done. In our daily lives we know that sometimes the two hardest words to say are, "thank you." It can be so easy for us to complain and at times to be ungrateful for what's going on in our lives. To be sure, there is a time and place for legitimate moments of lament. Biblically, we even read in the Psalms, "Hear my voice, O Lord, as I complain" (64:1). Suffering and complaining about it seems to be a part of our human nature.



At the same time when we experience the Grace of God at work within our lives and we are set free, forgiven, healed, and restored what is our response? According to the Gospel passage for this Sunday the response is not always one of humble gratitude. When Jesus healed a group of ten men who suffered from leprosy (or what is now referred to as Hansen's disease) there was only one of them—a Samaritan—who returned to thank him. That means that 90% of those who were miraculously healed and given a new start to their lives did not go back to thank Jesus for what he had done! His own words are worth pondering, "Where are the other nine? Has none but this foreigner returned to give thanks to God?" Then he said to him, "Stand up and go [for he had been kneeling before Jesus]; your faith has saved you" (17:16-19).

As a brief defense of those other nine who were cleansed, they did seem to be heeding the words of Jesus who told them to, "Go show yourselves to the priests" (Luke 17:14). Nonetheless, the fact remains that Sacred Scripture records only one person who expressed gratitude to Jesus for healing him. Let our lives be one of sincere gratitude to God for His strength when we are weak and for providing light when we seem to be surrounded by darkness. Quite simply but quite significantly we can pray from our hearts, "Thank you, Lord!"

Peace in Christ
Fr. James

"There is more value in a little study of humility and in a single act of it than in all the knowledge of the world."

—St. Teresa of Jesus

This Week's Readings and Observances

Sunday, October 13, 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

2 Kgs 5:14-17/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4 [cf. 2b]/2 Tm 2:8-13/Lk 17:11-19

Monday, October 14, St. Callistus I, Pope & Martyr; Columbus Day

Rom 1:1-7/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [2a]/Lk 11:29-32

Tuesday, October 15, St. Teresa of Jesus, Virgin & Doctor of the Church

Rom 1:16-25/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 [2a]/Lk 11:37-41

Wednesday, October 16, St. Hedwig, Religious;

St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, Virgin

Rom 2:1-11/Ps 62:2-3, 6-7, 9 [13b]/Lk 11:42-46

Thursday, October 17, St. Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop & Martyr

Rom 3:21-30/Ps 130:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6ab [7]/Lk 11:47-54

Friday, October 18, St. Luke, Evangelist

2 Tm 4:10-17b/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18 [12]/Lk 10:1-9

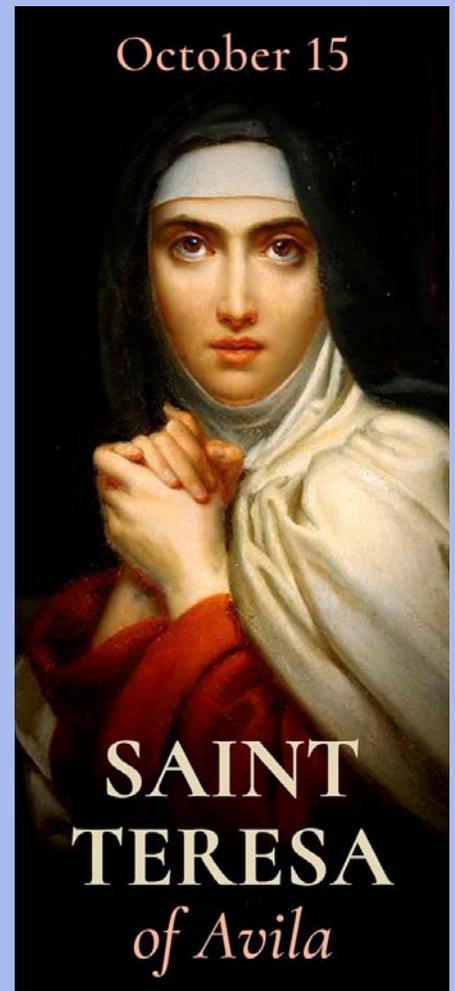
Saturday, October 19, Ss. John de Brébeuf and Isaac Jogues, Priests, & Companions, Martyrs

Rom 4:13, 16-18/Ps 105:6-7, 8-9, 42-43 [8a]/Lk 12:8-12

Sunday, October 20, 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time; World Mission Sunday

Ex 17:8-13/Ps 121:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 [cf. 2]/2 Tm 3:14—4:2/Lk 18:1-8

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Parish News

Scouts Popcorn/Wreath Sale

Next weekend, October 19-20 is the annual Boy Scout Wreath/Cub Scout Popcorn Sale. We'll be in the church narthex after all Masses to take wreath orders and sell popcorn to raise funds for our scouting programs. If you'd like to order a wreath or popcorn after next weekend, you can call or e-mail Bill Lepsch at 612-805-3445 or pack3066@comcast.net.

Heggies Pizza Sale

Heggies pizza will be on sale (to benefit our Faith Formation programs) after all Masses **October 19-20** and **26-27**. Be sure to sample the pizzas during the pancake breakfast after the 8:00 and 10:00 am Sunday Masses on October 20. Contact Mary Nawrocki 763-788-9062 x 210 or mnawrocki@immac-church.org to place orders during the week. *Delivery will be the weekend of November 23 - 24* after all Masses. What a great time to stock up on the BEST frozen pizza!

Another way to help: Take an order sheet to your workplace or better yet, sell to your Facebook friends. Heggies is a pizza people love to buy! Thank you in advance for your support!



October Rosary

October is dedicated to the Most Holy Rosary. Join us to pray the Rosary, led by the IC Council of Catholic Women,

every Sunday in October in the church immediately following the 10:00 am Mass and weeknights at 6:00 pm led by the Knights of Columbus. All are welcome!

Prayer

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.*

October 13 - Rev. Robert Fitzpatrick
October 14 - Rev. John Floeder
October 15 - Rev. John Forliti
October 16 - Rev. Daniel Friberg
October 17 - Rev. Francis Fried
October 18 - Rev. Nicholas Froehle
October 19 - Rev. Thomas Galarneault

Monthly Prayer Intention

Please join the Intercessory Prayer Ministry in praying for this month's prayer intention: ***Cooperation with God's grace for the good fruit that will come forth from the Archdiocesan Synod***



School News



"Spooky Not Scary!"

Halloween Play Date and Open House at Immaculate Conception School, Saturday, October 26. Preschool and kindergarten students are invited to a "Play Date" from 9:30 – 11:00 am that includes a treasure hunt, cookie decorating, bowling, Halloween bingo, snacks, trick or treating and more! No charge to attend, costumes optional. Preschool - grade 8 "Open House" from 9:30 am – 12:00 pm. Tour the school; meet teachers, and other parents. For more information visit ICCSonline.org



Concert to Benefit the ICS Scholarship Fund

Don't miss Mick Sterling Presents: *FROM BARRY—The Perfect Pop Songs of Barry Gibb and The Bee Gees*, November 8 in the IC School auditorium! This amazing concert with a 16 piece band honors the songwriting of Barry Gibb and the early work of the Brothers Gibb with songs like *How Can You Mend A Broken Heart, To Love Somebody, Words, Massachusetts*, and many more, plus songs from Saturday Night Fever including *Stayin' Alive, Jive Talkin'* and more. Proceeds benefit the Immaculate Conception School Scholarship Fund. Details at iccsonline.org.

Eucharistic Adoration

"In all circumstances give thanks, for this is the will of God for you in Christ Jesus."

(1 Thes. 5:18)

Adorers often start their hour of adoration with praise and thanksgiving then followed by prayers of petition and guidance. Praying before the Blessed Sacrament gives adorers the opportunity to focus on Jesus and receive the peace only He can give. Everyone is invited to come into His presence in our adoration chapel. Our chapel is open Monday through Friday from 7:00 am until 10:00 pm.

We are looking to expand our ministry and need to fill the following hours:

- Tuesdays at noon (partner) and 3:00 pm
- Wednesdays at noon and 5:00 pm
- Fridays at 11:00 am, 7:00 pm and 8:00 pm

We also are in need of additional partner adorers and substitute adorers. If you are interested in covering an hour, please call Sandy at 763-789-3246 for more information.

Pastoral Ministry

Fellowship Sunday

Join us this Sunday after the 8:00 and 10:00 am Masses for fellowship, donuts, oatmeal and beverages in our newly renovated Fellowship Hall, (located in the lower level of the church). Hosted by our ushers.

Anointing of the Sick

There will be an Anointing Mass at Crest View on 42nd (corner of 42nd and Central Avenues) on Thursday, November 7, 2019 at 3:15 pm. Rev. 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

“Growing Through Loss” is a grief and loss support ministry that addresses both the educational as well as support aspects of a variety of loss and grief issues. This week’s session, *Out of the Desert, Isolation or Engagement As One Experiencing Grief*, with speaker Bob Bartlett, will be on Monday, October 14 from 6:45 pm – 9:00 pm. Each evening is complete in itself. Brochures are available at all entrances to the church.

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 *Ronald Eugene Prokop, Deacon Lawrence Palkert* 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 • Paul Bona • Michelle Cadieux
Nichole Castonguay • Robin Crisp • Mary Fredenburg
Justine Grow • Barbara Kaminski • Brent Kosloski
Gerald Krawiecki • Steven Lauinger • Roger Mack
Sue McSherry • Johnnie Meyering • Janet Mihalik
Shawn Moulzolf • Danille Remarke • Steven Murphy Rogers
Greg Sery • Tammy Swedzinski • Sandra Tabor
Elaine Thunstrom • Lois Weyers • Germaine Wolsfeld
and all those on our prayer chain

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

Dear Visitor, We are glad to see you today! It is our goal that every visitor feel welcomed and included, as part of the family of God. We have ministries to help individuals build relationships, feel a sense of belonging, and create a community pleasing to God. Whether you are married or single, young or old, all of us find our purpose in life and our connection with each other in the wonderful fact that God loves us. He has an exciting plan for our life and we are here to help you discover that plan, and to follow His will. Our church is committed to serving you and welcoming you into our family. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions. Know that we are here for you and we welcome new members!

For more information about ICC or to become a member contact Vicki at 763-788-9062 x 212.

Social Justice

40 Days for Life



Join us Saturday, October 19, 2019 to pray at Planned Parenthood in the Midway section of Saint Paul. We have committed to having two (or more) persons, participating in prayer, from 6:00 am to 6:00 pm. By

standing or sitting peacefully in prayer at Planned Parenthood on Saturday, October 19, we will show our commitment in defense of the sanctity of life from conception to natural death. Please consider a one hour commitment and maybe ask a friend or family member to join you. Volunteers from our Social Justice Committee will be in the narthex after all Masses this weekend. For additional information contact Vicki Bazille at 763-788-9062 x 212 or Diane Tieden at 763-788-1897.

40 Dias Por La Vida

- Sábado, 19 de Octubre del 2019
- En el “Planned Parenthood” de Saint Paul
- Se necesitan voluntarios para orar en turnos de cada hora, 6:00 am - 6:00 pm
- Contacten a Vicki, 763-788-9062 para apuntarse

Social Justice Meeting

Tuesday, October 15 at 6:00 pm in the St. Francis Room located on the second floor of the school (the elevator is available through the parish office).

All Souls Memorial Service
November 4, 7:00 pm
Reception to follow

This beautiful service of prayer, psalms, hymns and scripture readings will be dedicated to the memory of all our loved ones.

Those who died and were buried from our parish within the past year will be remembered by name, through prayer and the light of Christ. For those who have lost a loved one in the past year from other parishes, states, etc. or have not received an invitation by mail, please call to include your loved one in this beautiful service.

We have only the names of those who celebrated the Mass of the Resurrection at Immaculate Conception. Please call the parish office as soon as possible with your name, address, the name of the deceased and date of death at 763-788-9062 to have them included. Names must be received by October 23. God bless each of you.

“Then [Jesus] said to him, ‘Stand up and go; your faith has saved you.’” (Lk 17:19)

Reflections

Word of Life

“With the help of an abortion healing ministry, couples can successfully work through abortion-related challenges. God’s grace can bring true healing to the relationships of those who trust in His infinite mercy.”

— USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities “Healing within Marriage from an Abortion” www.respectlife.org/healing-in-marriage

Why Do We Do That? - Catholic Life Explained Gratitude

Question: How can I practice gratitude in my everyday life?

Answer: God has given each of us many blessings. Fostering an “attitude of gratitude” might be easier than you think. Simple, concrete practices can help us to be more thankful more often. Incorporate it into your dinner with your spouse, or as you tuck the kids into bed at night. “What are three things you’re thankful for today?” Make a habit of writing one note a week to someone special in your life, thanking them for how they’ve impacted you. This is also a good practice in the workplace. Consider opening your weekly meetings with a quick round of gratitude sharing. “I’m grateful John helped me with that last-minute change to my presentation last week. I wouldn’t have finished it in time for the meeting without him.”

Another way is to designate a few minutes to thank God. This could be the first bit of your daily prayer time or after you receive communion on Sundays. You can also integrate it into your daily routine. How about while brushing your teeth? There’s probably nothing so important it can’t wait two minutes. Brush your teeth, quiet your mind, and thank God from your heart for His blessings throughout the day. Get creative! Any moment is an opportunity to praise and thank God.

Live the Liturgy—Inspiration for the Week

When standing in a place of privilege, it is difficult to see all of the wonders, healings, and graces God bestows upon us. We can easily take God’s abiding, healing, and sustaining presence for granted in our lives if our sights are too focused on earthly pleasures, status, or concerns. Those who have less often have a greater appreciation for even the smallest of gifts and tiniest of blessings. We live in a world of entitlement, and this error of thinking that things are “due me” or “deserved by me” can distort and corrupt our vision. How many times a day are you truly thankful and filled with gratitude? If you truly treasure the life God has given you, then every breath you take can be an opportunity to express joyful appreciation. Every moment of life is an occasion for healing and transformation.

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“The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.” (Lk 17:19)

Knights of Columbus

Knights of Columbus News

Our third Thursday of the month dinner and social in October has been cancelled. The November Memorial Mass, Dinner and Social is still on and is scheduled for November 21. Mass will be at 6:00 pm, dinner and social will follow. This year the cost for our dinners will be \$16.00. Please call Grand Knight Mike Hattenberger at 612-965-9817 to RSVP.

The Week Ahead

Sunday, October 13

Mass _____ 8:00 am
Fellowship _____ 9:00 am - 12:00 pm
Mass (Liturgy of the Word for Children) _____ 10:00 am
Rosary (led by the CCW) _____ 11:00 am
Mass (Spanish) _____ 11:30 am
ICS Teresa Daley Volleyball Tournament _____ 11:30 am - 6:00 pm

Monday, October 14

Rosary (led by the Knights of Columbus) _____ 6:00 pm
Boy Scouts Troop 119 _____ 6:45 pm - 8:15 pm
True Reformers Formation Series _____ 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Tuesday, October 15

Mass _____ 7:30 am
Rosary (led by the Knights of Columbus) _____ 6:00 pm
Charismatic Prayer Group _____ 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Wednesday, October 16

No School, Teacher in-service
Mass _____ 7:30 am
Rosary (led by the Knights of Columbus) _____ 6:00 pm
Parish Choir _____ 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Thursday, October 17

No School, Teacher in-service
Mass _____ 8:30 am
Communion Service, Royce Place _____ 3:15 pm
Rosary (led by the Knights of Columbus) _____ 6:00 pm
Social Justice Meeting _____ 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm
Bell Choir _____ 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) _____ 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Friday, October 18

No School, Teacher in-service
Mass _____ 7:30 am
True Reformers Formation Series _____ 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm
Rosary (led by the Knights of Columbus) _____ 6:00 pm
Cursillo Meeting _____ 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm
Our Lady of Guadalupe Prayer Group _____ 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Saturday, October 19

Baptism Class _____ 9:00 am - 11:00 am
Reconciliation _____ 3:30 pm - 4:30 pm
Mass _____ 5:00 pm
Scouts Popcorn and Wreath Sale _____ 6:00 pm - 6:30 pm
Our Lady of Guadalupe, Prayer Group _____ 6:30 pm - 9:00 pm

Sunday, October 20

Mass _____ 8:00 am
Parish Pancake Breakfast _____ 8:30 am - 11:45 am
Scouts Popcorn and Wreath Sale _____ 9:00 am - 12:45 pm
Mass (Liturgy of the Word for Children) _____ 10:00 am
Rosary (led by the CCW) _____ 11:00 am
Mass (Spanish) _____ 11:30 am

Mass Intentions

Sunday, October 13

+Katherine Bindert (8 am) | +Harvey Boser (10 am)
IC Parishioners (11³⁰ am)

Tuesday, October 15

+Gerald Ferber, Steve Lauinger, +Isabel Aquino (7³⁰ am)

Wednesday, October 16

+John & Barbara Botzet, Sr. (7³⁰ am)

Thursday, October 17

+Isabel Aquino (8³⁰ am)

Friday, October 18

+Isabel Aquino (7³⁰ am)

Saturday, October 19

+Cliff Shedlov (5 pm)

Sunday, October 20

IC Parishioners (8 am) | +Roger, Donald & Allen Dufault (10 am)
+Deceased

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
- Pastor, Fr. James Peterson**..... x 215
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- Accounting Specialist, Julie Mack**..... x 204
- Communications Coordinator, Sue Ashmore** x 205
- Director of Music and Liturgy, Ray Bannon**..... x 214
- Maintenance Supervisor, Doug Olson** x 218
- Pastoral Minister, Vicki Bazille** x 212
- Parish Business Manager, Michael Wilde**..... x 202
- Reception Desk** x 201
- Records Coordinator, Terri Glaeser**..... x 227
- Special Event Coordinator, Jami Bridgeman** x 221
- Wedding Coordinator, Barb Hartwick**..... x 204

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- Director of Faith Formation, Mary Nawrocki** x 210
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- 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
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PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS

- Dave Kellner Kathy Johnson Charles Karanja*
- Stacy McVary Marcus Paulson*
- Jane Bona (School Principal)*
- Steve Smith (Parish Trustee)*

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.

Thank Our Advertiser of the Week...

Heights Bakery

Debbie Doty, Parishioner

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763-572-0624

Open Tuesday - Friday, 5 am - 6 pm
Saturday, 6 am - 4 pm

This advertiser, and the others on the back of the bulletin, make this bulletin possible, please support them when you can.

Gospel Meditation

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time



“Ten lepers met him. They stood at a distance ...” In the ancient world and into the Middle Ages, there was no treatment for leprosy. People thought it was wildly contagious and were suspicious of any skin diseases. Lepers were isolated from civil society. This isolation was upheld by the Mosaic Law.

Should there be a healing from leprosy, the former leper was to present himself to a priest to certify the healing. Like Jesus commands, *“Show yourselves to the priests.”* The person would then undergo a religious rite to be formally reintroduced to society. In other words, a leper got their life back. So why didn’t they come back?

“As they were going they were cleansed. And one of them, realizing he had been healed, returned, glorifying God in a loud voice; and he fell at the feet of Jesus and thanked him.” Of the ten lepers healed by Christ, only one returns with a grateful heart. The others, perhaps, were thankful enough. Perhaps they couldn’t believe their luck, and they hastened to the priests to confirm the healing. They were more than willing to leave their life of rejection and isolation behind. Why take any steps backward, when the way ahead was so attractive? An attitude like this is perhaps understandable, but few would admire it.

How about you? Do you come back? If you’ve ever had the experience of getting what you hoped and prayed for, you know that this can sometimes be easier said than done. When we’ve wanted something badly enough, how easy it can be to focus on the gift rather than the giver. The truth is, God is daily offering us gifts: the gift of our existence, of the created world, of family and friends, of modern conveniences. Even in times of distress, there is always something to be thankful for. This Sunday, give yourself a gratitude check. Count your blessings. Glorify God and thank Him for the gift of your life!

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Wedding Banns

Norma Padilla & José Eliseo Padilla

Hilda Remache Carchi & Washington Carchi Zhagui

Collections

Weekend of September 28/29

Sunday Envelopes	\$ 4,153.00
Plate Collection	1,372.16
WeShare Online Giving	1,147.50
Total Weekly Collection	\$ 6,672.66

Weekend of October 5/6

Sunday Envelopes	\$ 5,583.94
Plate Collection	1,882.12
WeShare Online Giving	1,012.50
Automatic Withdrawal	5,792.00
Total Weekly Collection	\$ 14,270.56

NEW athletic socks for men, women, and children,
as well as small personal hygiene items, NEEDED
October 26 and 27 for the...

Immaculate Conception

SOCKS for the SOUL

Sock



Drive

Socks—they are a comfort that we all too often take for granted—but for those living on the streets during the wet and cold months of fall and winter, socks are a luxury they can't afford to go without.

This October, Immaculate Conception will hold its 11th annual Sock Drive. We will also be collecting toothbrushes and small containers of personal hygiene items, such as toothpaste, shampoo, conditioner, hand lotion and Chap Stick.

Donations of new athletic socks for men, women, and children, as well as small containers of personal hygiene items, can be placed in collection boxes located in the narthex on Saturday, October 26 and Sunday, October 27.

All donated adult socks and small hygiene items will be distributed to the clients of Catholic Charities Opportunity Center formally known as Branch III and children's socks will go to SACA (Southern Anoka Community Assistance), who provides supportive services for the poor and homeless in our community.

THANK YOU!

