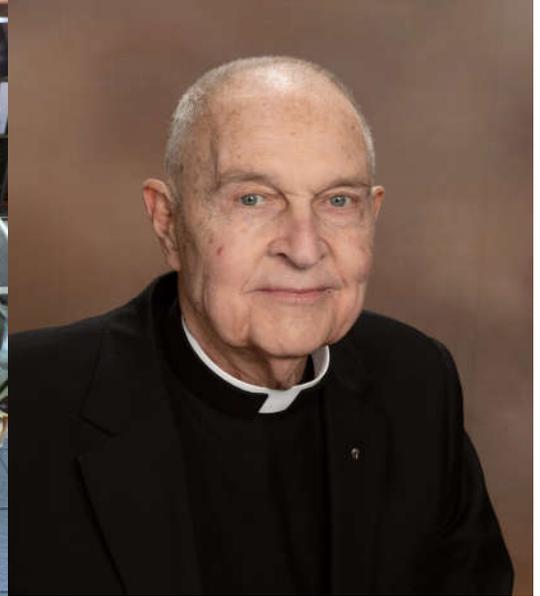


**Immaculate Conception, Mattoon**  
**St. Columcille, Sullivan**  
**October 6, 2019**

**We offer heartfelt congratulations to St. Columcille on the Golden Jubilee of their Church!**

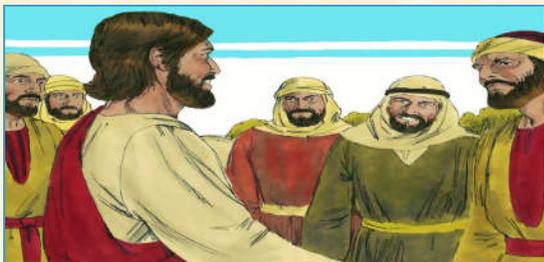


**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH**  
Mattoon, Illinois

**ST. COLUMCILLE CHURCH**  
Sullivan, Illinois

**OCTOBER 6, 2019**

**TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**



**“If you have faith!”**

Luke 17:5-10

**Prepare For Next Sunday’s Readings**

In next Sunday’s Gospel, (Oct. 13), we hear about how Jesus, continuing on his journey to Jerusalem, heals 10 lepers. This story is a lesson about faith and reminds us that faith is sometimes found in unlikely places. Ten people afflicted with leprosy cry out to Jesus. Struck with pity, Jesus heals all 10. However, only one is described as glorifying God and returning to thank Jesus. The one who returns is a Samaritan, a foreigner. Another lesson for us in this Gospel has to do with salvation. All 10 of the lepers were given the gift of healing, but in his gratitude to God for this gift, the Samaritan found salvation. Our salvation is found in recognizing the gifts we have been given and knowing to whom we must offer our thanks.

**SCRIPTURE READINGS**

2 Kings 5:14-17: *Naaman is cleansed of his leprosy and chooses to serve the God of Israel.*

2 Timothy 2:8-13: *Those who remain faithful to Christ will share Christ’s glory.*

Luke 17:11-19: *Jesus heals 10 lepers, and one, the Samaritan, returns to give thanks.*

**Readings for the Week of October 6, 2019**

Monday: Jon 1:1—2:2, 11/Jon 2:3, 4, 5, 8/Lk 10:25-37

Tuesday: Jon 3:1-10/Ps 130:1b-2, 3-4ab, 7-8/Lk 10:38-42

Wednesday: Jon 4:1-11/Ps 86:3-4, 5-6, 9-10/Lk 11:1-4

Thursday: Mal 3:13-20b/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 & 6/Lk 11:5-13

Friday: JI 1:13-15; 2:1-2/Ps 9:2-3, 6 & 16, 8-9/Lk 11:15-26



When there is a Funeral Mass (M-F)— there is No Morning Mass

**OCTOBER 7-13**

**MONDAY**

**8:00AM Robert Braun**

**TUESDAY**

**5:30PM Cora Stuckey**

**WEDNESDAY**

**7:00AM Rita James**

**THURSDAY**

**5:30PM Betty Elizabeth Reed**

**FRIDAY**

**8:00AM Frank & Fran Flider**

**SATURDAY**

**4:00PM Bob Luther**

**SUNDAY**

**8:00AM People of Our Parish**

**10:30AM For All the Confirmandi  
And First Communicants**

**Your Parish & Faith Stewardship  
Giving at a Glance**

**537 Registered Families**

**Fiscal Year— July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020**



<b>Total Weekly Budget</b>	<b>10,500.00</b>
09/29/19– Parish	<u>8,555.00</u>
<b>Deficit/Surplus for Weeks</b>	<b>- 1,945.00</b>
Year-To-Date Budget	126,000.00
Year-To-Date Collected	<u>111,078.37</u>
<b>Deficit/Surplus for Year</b>	<b>- 14,921.63</b>

**IC CHURCH LOWER LEVEL FLOOR**

**CFC SOFFITS, GUTTERS, PAINTING**

**CHURCH & RECTORY PLUMBING**

**Amount Owed: \$57,196.00**

**Major Project Funds: \$ 300.00**

**Unpaid Balance: \$41,898.75**

## Mass Intentions **ST. COLUMCILLE**

**Wednesday, October 9 at 5:30 pm:** For the People

**Saturday, October 12 at 4:00 pm: Jim Matthews**  
(Server: Need, Lector: Jane Jenkins, Ushers: Joyce Shelton & Darrell Lash, Eucharistic Minister: Scott Bales & Sandy Cameron)

**Sunday, October 13: Ed Bailey**  
(Server: Alec Keller, Lector: Kathy Elzy, Ushers: Mike Mossman & Leroy Seelhofer, Eucharistic Minister: Gail Loveall, Gary & Jane Stewart)

**Collection Total:** \$1,598.00

**Life Chain in Sullivan will be held Today, Sunday, October 6<sup>th</sup> from 2:00 – 3:00 pm at the intersection of Hamilton and Jackson Streets. Signs will be provided at 1:45 pm. You may bring lawn chairs and umbrellas.**

**Collection for Moultrie County Food Pantry will take place THIS weekend at St. Columcille.**

**The Rosary for life will be prayed 30 minutes before each weekend Mass in October at St. Columcille.**

**What is the Mass? A demonstration of an “Explanatory” Mass \* will be presented on October 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm at St. Columcille explaining what takes place during the mass and the meaning of the individual parts and actions. All are welcome! \*this is not an actual mass and does not fulfill our Sunday obligation**

**Mass at Courtyard Estates will be Wednesday, October 16<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 pm.**

**Our St. Columcille facebook page experienced a disruption in service. You will again need to find us on facebook by searching for Saint Columcille Sullivan then “like” us. We are sorry for the inconvenience.**

**Our parish observance at St. Columcille for the Feast of All Saints and All Souls will be Friday November 1<sup>st</sup> at 5:30 PM. Throughout the month of November, which in its entirety is dedicated to the commemoration of all the faithful departed, I invite you to place a photo of your departed loved ones in one of the sections of the partitions between the vestibule and the nave of the church. A book of remembrance will also be placed near the baptismal font where you may record the names of the deceased. They will be remembered at every mass during the month of November. - fr john**

A Pilgrim’s Progress

The heartbreaking accident Friday September 27<sup>th</sup> south of Sullivan took the lives of Tyson Mendoza a kindergarten student at Sullivan Elementary School and Lori Samples of Our Lady of the Holy Spirit Parish in Mt. Zion. Both were buried this past week. Lori was the mother of Zach Samples, a seminarian of the Springfield Diocese studying at St. Meinrad Seminary in Indiana. Their untimely deaths remind us of the fragility of life and the importance of the choices we make each day. At any age and at any time we may be called to meet Our Lord face to face. Please continue to keep them and their families in your prayers.

Next Sunday Bishop Paprocki will visit Immaculate Conception for the celebration of Confirmation and First Eucharist for the students from St. Columcille and IC. These Sacraments will be received at the 10:30 mass. While all are welcome please know we will have special guests including family members of those receiving the Sacraments.

Pax et Bonum, fr john

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### **I.C. & ST. C. FIRST COMMUNION/CONFIRMATION MASS**

**Will take place at Immaculate  
Conception on Sunday, October  
13th, 10:30 am**

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**The St. Columcille Council of Catholic Women Christmas Bazaar is coming up on November 2<sup>nd</sup>. Tickets for the beautiful quilt raffle are available now.**

**Sullivan Prayer List:** Michelle Keller, Carole Blasche, Fr. Sohm, Hal Walker, David Walker, Art Welsh, Gary Smith, Ron and Marylyn Crnich, Donna Walker, Toby Howard, Kathy Frier and Rebecca.



Will occur in Sullivan at the corner of Jackson and Hamilton Streets and at St. John's Lutheran on Sunday, October 6th from 2:00 pm—3:00 pm



**With Immaculate Conception:**

Fr. John Sohm, Max Rose, Jacob Kirts, Joyce McCoy, Angie Fox, Addison Graham, Ken Davis, Wesco Family, Sara Clayhorn, Mark Buran, Pat Hutchings, Don Clark, Susie Huckstead, Louise Farrell, Wendy Carter, Virginia Kastl, Edna Probst, Rich Fafara, Lyn Henning, Arlet Hertel, Karl Rabe, Sheila Rosine, Betty Bailey, Max Ohm, Mary Clark, Zale Vincent Walk, Mary Magnotta, Bernie Flood, Lois Neff, Gwen Johnson, Jim Pendell, Tammy Howard, Ralph Vaneste, Joe Hood, Jenness Drummond, Wyatt Edwards, Eddie Sullivan, Alice Farmer, Loretta Tucker, Teresa Miller, Ed Dhom, Joyce and Joe LaFleur

*If you have a loved one who should be added to our parish prayer list, please call the parish office.*

**TO REPORT ALLEGATIONS OF SEXUAL ABUSE OF A MINOR BY CLERGY-EVEN IF IT IS IN THE PAST**— individuals are encouraged to call the Diocesan Child Abuse Reporting and Investigation number (217) 321-1155. Individuals may also contact Illinois Department of Children and Family Services Child Abuse Hotline at 1.800.25.ABUSE, or contact your local police authority.

**I.C. WEEKLY CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

- 10/6 PSR -9:15 AM-CFC
- 10/8 RCIA Class-6:30 PM-PC
- 10/8 Pastoral Advisory Council-6:30 PM-PC
- 10/9- Men's Prayer Huddle- 5:30AM- IC Chapel
- 10//9 Spanish Prayer Group- 6:00PM- PC
- 10/9 Eucharistic Adoration—7:00 PM-8:00PM-IC Chapel
- 10/10-IC Prayer Group -8:30AM-PC
- 10/10-First Corinthians Study-9:30 AM-PC
- 10/10-Revelations Study-7:00 PM-PC
- 10/10 Surviving Divorce-7:00 PM-CFC
- 10/11 Golden Hearts -11:30AM-PC

**What is the Mass?**

The Catechism of the Catholic Church teaches us it is the Eucharist or principal celebration of the Church, established by Jesus at the Last Supper, in which the mystery of our salvation through participation in the sacrificial death and glorious Resurrection of Christ is made present and accomplished. Come and learn more about the "source and summit of our Faith"

**Sunday October 13<sup>th</sup> 6:30 P.M. at St. Columille**  
**A demonstration of an "Explanatory" Mass \* will be presented explaining what takes place during the mass and the meaning of the individual parts and actions. All are welcome! \*this is not an actual mass and does not fulfill our Sunday obligation**

**PSR News:**

**There will be no PSR on October 13th due to First Communion and Confirmation that morning.**

**Sacrament of Baptism**

Contact Parish Office to schedule a Baptism. New parents seeking the Sacrament of Baptism for an infant or child are asked to attend ONE pre-baptism session. Call the parish office at 235-0539 for information and to register.

**Sacrament of Marriage**

Contact Parish Office at least (6) months before the date to make arrangements.

**CHOICES Pregnancy & Health-234-3312**  
**Project Rachel-888-456-4673**

**Diocesan Child Abuse Reporting and Investigation Number 217-321-1155**

**DEADLINE FOR PARISH BULLETIN**  
**Monday at 10:00AM**

“Prayer Changes Us and We Change Things”  
-St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta

### **40 Days Prayer Campaign for Life**

Again this year the parishes of the Effingham Deanery are participating in a nationwide forty days of prayer to end abortion. Each parish is asked to set aside two days to pray for life at our parish church in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament in the tabernacle if possible. IC's remaining day is Thursday October 17<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 AM- 5:00 PM. A sign up sheet to commit to a specific time for prayer (at church or at home) is in the vestibule. Please commit to participate in this life saving event. Also in support of life consider volunteering at our local CHOICES office. Call Shannon at 217-234-3312.

### **GREETINGS FROM THE BENCH!**

Fall is perfect time to renew and refresh your faith by singing in the choir! No previous choir experience is necessary just a willingness to sing in prayer. Sunday rehearsals are at 9:30 am that morning in the choir loft, however no voice 6<sup>th</sup> grade and above will be turned away if you arrive on time for 10:30 am mass. If coming alone seems daunting, consider bringing a friend or a family member. Please consider begin a part of the choir on these dates: **Sundays: October 13<sup>th</sup>, October 27<sup>th</sup>, November 10<sup>th</sup>, November 24<sup>th</sup>, and Thanksgiving Day – November 28<sup>th</sup>**

### **The SVDP Trivia Night Committee**

Will be meeting **October 6<sup>th</sup> at 9:15am** in the library of the Christian Formation Center. If you are interested in being a part of committee, then please feel free to stop by.

If you have any questions, then contact Jeremy or Tiffany at [gibson0512@hotmail.com](mailto:gibson0512@hotmail.com)

### **SOCKS FOR SOLDIERS:**

Alpha Upsilon “Socks for Soldiers” will take place in our community from October 1-November 11th to collect new black or white, men’s or women’s, tube or crew socks for distribution to our soldiers. Donations can be placed in the box in the back of church. Thank you for your generous support of our military.

On Wednesday of this past week, Mrs. Lori Samples was buried from Our Lady of the Holy Spirit Parish in Mt. Zion. She was the mother of Zach Samples, a seminarian of our diocese, who has spent time much time working with the youth of our parish when he was a student at EIU. Those wishing to offer condolences to Zach may contact him at St. Meinrad Seminary, 200 Hill Road, St. Meinrad, Indiana 47577

### **HEAD START BEGINS:**

This week we welcome ERBA Head Start students to the Christian Formation Center (formerly St Mary’s School). ERBA Head Start’s early childhood and family development program will use our school to educate and shape the future of the youngest generation. **On days when children are present the parking lot gates will be closed for their safety as they enjoy our playground.** Let’s pray for success for this valued organization.

### **Golden Hearts**

**Golden Hearts will gather at 11:30 am on October 11, 2019. Our guest speaker will be parishioner, Sheila Greuel. Sheila will speak on her work with prison ministry and the programs that she offers in the community geared toward older adults. Bring a friend, dish to share and reconnect with fellow parishioners.**

## **SAVE THE DATE!**

*REMEMBERING OUR PAST. CELEBRATING OUR PRESENT.  
ENSURING OUR FUTURE.*

## **NEWMAN NIGHT**

*- SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2019*

4:30 PM - MASS

5:30 PM - SOCIAL HOUR & SILENT AUCTION

6:30 PM - DINNER & GREETINGS

8:30 - 11:00 PM - DANCE WITH D.J.

TO RESERVE YOUR TICKETS:

Call 217-348-0188

Or email us at [newman@eiunewman.org](mailto:newman@eiunewman.org)

*Join us in Celebrating 80 years!*

**Silent Auction items are needed for Newman Night. Please consider donating an item, gift certificate, theme basket, etc. to help make this a success. For more information, to make a donation or volunteer to help, please contact Maureen Smith at [msmith@eiunewman.org](mailto:msmith@eiunewman.org) or 348-0188.**

### October Van Outing:

**Monday, October 21st we will leave from the IC Parish Center at 9:15 am and depart for Effingham County. We will spend the day visiting beautiful rural churches, the Effingham County Museum, lunch at Niemergs (at your own cost) and the Cross. A contribution for gas money will be taken. We will return to the Parish Center at 4:00 pm. A trip to St. Columcille can be made for pickup and drop off upon request. Call the Office to sign up at 235-0539.**

### Happy Birthday!

Lifelong parishioner, Mary Catherine Beall is celebrating her 94th birthday and would enjoy receiving birthday wishes at :

Mary Catherine Beall  
101 Trowbridge Road  
Neoga, IL 62447

### Seminarian Education:

**Bishop Paprocki Wants Your Feedback!** The Diocese of Springfield in Illinois will be conducting a campaign planning study throughout October and November, and Bishop Paprocki would like to hear from you. The study will gather feedback on a potential diocesan-wide capital campaign to support the education of our seminarians. A high level of participation is needed to aid the bishop in making an informed decision about whether to move forward with a campaign. The Steier Group, a Catholic development fundraising firm, has been hired to conduct the study. A final recommendation on the viability of the campaign will be made in the early December. The study will provide everyone with an opportunity to share their thoughts through a combination of personal interviews, mail/online surveys, and town halls to be held at locations throughout the diocese. There will be regular updates in our bulletin in the weeks to come with more details on how you can participate. Stay tuned!

### Change for Choices!

Make choices that everyone can live with! Your "change" can help our four area centers (and mobile medical unit) meet the needs of those who too often have been rejected, deceived, and feel like they have nowhere to turn. Please pick up a bottle and be generous in the cause of Life. They may be returned to the basket in church at any time. To volunteer at our Mattoon Choices office please call Shannon at 234-3312.

### Maintenance Projects Around Immaculate Conception:

As you saw in the bulletin insert two weeks ago, recently the plumbing for the restrooms in the lower level of Church let us know that it had out lived it's usefulness. Plumbing connecting the facilities in the men and women's restrooms to the city sewers needed to be replaced. This work has been completed at a cost of \$12,222 to the parish. Hopefully we are now all set for the lifetime of all but perhaps the youngest of our parish family.

About the same time work was completed on the storm drainage system that flows through the drive between the church and Christian Formation Center (old St. Mary School). The majority of the work was completed in cooperation and through the financial responsibility of the City of Mattoon. We are grateful for their help on this project. The parish share of this work was \$2,900.

Early this year I awoke one morning to witness a sewage back up in the downstairs bath and guest bedroom of the rectory. This was due to back up from a now full septic tank that no one knew existed. The tank has been drained and eliminated and the rectory sewage is now all connected to city sewers in compliance with local ordinance. The cost of this project was \$3,200.

Recently volunteers from the parish completed (with \$1000 at parish expense for materials) a project of installing underground piping from the gutters on the west side of church getting the water further away from the church building. This is to help with the deterioration of the church foundation due to moisture and the unhealthy humidity level in the lower level of church.

It would be impossible to estimate the dollars in man hours our parish volunteers have saved us through labor and technical expertise in all these projects and many others not just in the last six months but over many years.

We are blessed to have a parish family where so many come forward to give of their time, talent, and material resources to help maintain our beautiful physical plant and grounds. And thanks to all those who through your generosity and sacrifice make this work possible through your use of the "gold envelope" for major projects in our monthly packet. Holy Mass is offered regularly for your intentions. With great gratitude and prayers, fr john

## **Looking Ahead...**

**Friday, October 11 at 11:30 am Golden Hearts will meet in the Immaculate Conception Parish Center.**

**Sunday, October 13th at 6:30 pm a demonstration of an “explanatory” Mass at St. Columille.**

**Wednesday, October 16th at 11:30 am the St. Elizabeth of Hungary Widows will meet for their monthly luncheon at Villa.**

**Wednesday, October 16th St. Vincent de Paul will meet at 6:30 pm in the Immaculate Conception KC Hall.**

**Thursday, October 17th from 8:00 am until 5:00 pm “Prayer Campaign for Life” Day of Prayer at IC.**

**Saturday, October 19th from 9:00am—11:00 am Catholic Charities Adult Clean Up Day.**

**Sunday, October 20th from 4:00—6:00 pm High School Youth Group Spaghetti Supper in the IC Parish Center.**

**Sunday, October 20th at 6:30 pm Living Rosary at Immaculate Conception.**

**Monday, October 21st Van Trip to Effingham and surrounding area.**

**Thursday, October 24th at 6:30 pm Immaculate Conception Ladies Guild will meet in the Parish Center.**

**Sunday, October 27th at 6:-00 pm Play: Vianney performed by Leonardo Defilippis of St. Luke Productions at Immaculate Conception.**