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St. Columcille, Sullivan

Diving Mercy Sunday: April 7, 2024



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Welcome new parishioners! Please call the office (217-235-0539) to register!

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IC Mass Schedule

Saturday 4 PM (also 8:30 AM on First Saturday)
Sunday 8 AM, 10:30 AM
Weekday 7 AM (Mon. Wed., and Fri.) 5:30 PM (T. & Th.)
Sacrament of Reconciliation–30 minutes before Weekday Mass
(Monday-Friday) and Saturday 2:30-3:30 PM

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St. Columcille Mass Schedule

Saturday 6 PM Weekday 5:30 PM (Wed.) 7:00 AM (Thurs.)
Sacrament of Reconciliation before and after 5:30 PM Mass on
Wednesdays with Eucharistic Exposition ending with
Benediction at 6:30 PM.

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APRIL 7, 2024

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY



“Eight days later Jesus came and stood in their midst.”

John 20:19-31

Prepare For Next Sunday’s Readings

Next Sunday, we continue to hear Gospel accounts of Jesus’ appearances to his disciples following his Resurrection. This reading follows immediately after the report of Jesus’ appearance to his disciples on the road to Emmaus. Jesus greets his disciples with the words, “Peace be with you.” Even as they hear Jesus’ greeting of peace, the disciples are startled and terrified. They are uncertain about what to make of the figure before them and, quite understandably, they mistake Jesus for a ghost. Yet the figure before them is not a ghost; Jesus invites them to experience his resurrected body with their senses, to look and to touch. The figure before them is flesh and bone, still bearing the marks of crucifixion. Although the disciples cannot forget his suffering and death, peace begins to take root in their hearts, as their fears turn to joy and amazement. As further proof of his identity and of his resurrected body, Jesus eats with his disciples. The disciples have known Jesus best through the meals that he has shared with them. As Jesus commissions his disciples to be witnesses to what Scriptures foretold, our celebration of the Eucharist commissions us. Like the disciples, we are sent to announce the good news of Jesus’ forgiveness of sins.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Acts of the Apostles 3:13-15, 17-19: *The author of life you put to death, but God raised him from the dead.*

1 John 2:1-5: *Those who love God keep his commandments.*

Luke 24:35-48: *Jesus appears again to his disciples and shares a meal with them.*



APRIL 8-14

MONDAY

7:00AM– John Lawson

TUESDAY

5:30PM– Tony Sheehan

WEDNESDAY

7:00AM– Sanctity of Life

THURSDAY– St. Stanislaus

5:30PM– Frank & Lorraine Vodvarka

FRIDAY

7:00AM– The Ochs Family

SATURDAY– Third Sunday of Easter Vigil

4:00PM– Wayne & Madonna Fuller

SUNDAY– Third Sunday of Easter

8:00AM– People of Our Parish

10:30AM– Donna Martin

Readings for the Week of April 7, 2024

Monday: Is 7:10-14; 8:10/Ps 40:7-8, 8-9, 10, 11/Heb 10:4-10/Lk 1:26-38

Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37/Ps 93:1,1-2, 5/Jn 3:7-15

Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 3:16-21

Thursday: Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2&9, 17-18, 19-20/Jn 3:31-36

Friday: Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Jn 6:1-15

Saturday: Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19/Jn 6:16-21

Other Collections:

Funeral Dinner Ministry: \$ 1,380.00

Holy Land: \$ 1,289.00

Seminarians: \$ 2,018.00

February Diocesan Tithe: \$ 5,337.00

OUR GIVING

454 Registered Families

Fiscal Year– July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024

Weekly Budget	11,750.00
03/31/24– Parish	11,396.00
03/31/24– Major Projects Fund	550.00
Deficit/Surplus for Week	- 354.00
Year-To-Date Budget	470,000.00
Year-To-Date Collected	455,873.76
Deficit/Surplus for Year	- 14,126.24

St. Columcille:

Wed., April 10th at 5:30 PM: Ty Gentry Cummings

St. Stanislaus, Bishop & Martyr

Thurs., April 11th at 7:00 AM: Louis Meinhart

3rd Sunday Vigil

Saturday, April 13th at 6:00 PM: Art & Eileen Welsh

3-24-24 Vigil Regular Collection: \$1,417.00

St. Columcille February Diocesan Tithes: \$626.00

The Rosary for Life will be prayed before Mass NEXT weekend. Join us!

Sullivan Prayer List: Judy Marucco, B.J. Stirrett, Donna Walker, Pat Neuhauser, Kay Keller, Sally Bradshaw, Van Anderson, Chuck Woodworth, Dan & Leslie Guillory, Michael English, Dave Hudspath, Gayle Moody, Carole Blasche, Toby Howard, Kathy Frier, Kelly Sullivan, Fritz New, the Cook Family, Marvene Walker, Gary Smith, Ron & Marylyn Crnich and Rebecca.

**Divine Mercy Sunday Devotions at IC
April 7th**

2:30-3:30 P.M.

Exposition and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

Praying of the Chaplet and Sacrament of Reconciliation

Server Training:

**Saturday, April 13th from 9:00 AM-
Noon**

IC Church

For ALL current Servers AND those interested in learning about Serving who did not attend on March 23rd. Pizza will conclude our morning.



**Volunteers Needed:
Choices Pregnancy and Health
Volunteer Training
April 12 & 26
9 AM—3 PM
Call 217-234-3312 for more
information**



**Knights of Columbus
Impact Life Blood Dive
Sunday, April 21st from
9:00 AM –1:00 PM**

**IC Parish Center
To Schedule: Scan, call 1-
800-747-5401 or www.bloodcenter.org**

**Calling all Bunco Babes
and Bunco Beginners!**



Come and join us!

**No charge and NO experience needed!
We'll teach you this fast-moving game
and have a night of fun and fellowship!**

When: Friday, April 19, 6:30 P.M.

Where: Knights of Columbus Hall

**Bring: A snack to share.
Coffee and water provided.
Cold drinks available for purchase.**

Sign up requested but not required. Walk-ins welcome!

Sign-up sheet is in the church entrance.

Hosted by Immaculate Conception Social Committee.
Contact Mary Knepple (217-273-9320) or Suzi Coffman (217-460-1078) for further information.

A Pilgrim's Progress

In the 1930s St. Faustina Kowalska, a nun in Poland, received visits from Jesus and had discussions with him. The Lord came to her in a white garment with red and blue rays streaming from his heart. Christ asked her to have his image made into a painting with the words "Jesus I trust in You" for the veneration of the faithful. Christ asked her for the Feast of Divine Mercy to be established on the 2nd Sunday, the octave day, of Easter.

Pope St. John Paul II canonized St. Faustina as the first new saint of the 3rd Christian millennium and established the feast in the Jubilee Year 2000. At the request of her spiritual director St. Faustina wrote a lengthy diary chronicling her conversations with the Lord. The message of Divine Mercy has been described as as simple as ABC. Ask for Christ's mercy. Be merciful. Completely Trust in Jesus Christ.

There will be a Divine Mercy Holy Hour at IC today, Divine Mercy Sunday, from 2:30 to 3:30. It will include Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, praying of the Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3:00 P.M. the Sacrament of Reconciliation and Benediction. All are welcome.

Deo Vindice, Sail On, fr John



Congratulations to: Jacob Hampton, Blayz Gutierrez, and Briggs Whitley on completing their Christian initiations through the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist. Congratulations also to Mathias Gutierrez on his Baptism. Welcome to the family of faith.

ARE YOU A BAPTIZED CHRISTIAN BUT HAVE NEVER BEEN CONFIRMED OR SHARED IN THE HOLY EUCHARIST AS A FULLY INITIATED CATHOLIC?

A new Inquiry Class continues Tuesday, April 9 at 6:30PM in the Family of Faith Center (west Richmond Ave door). **Come Join Us!** Call Fr. John or Deacon Gene with questions: 217-235-0539

PEACE MEAL DELIVERY: We need you!
Immaculate Conception will be delivering Peace Meal the week of April 29-May 3. If you can give 1 hour of one day please sign the calendar located in the entrance to Church.
Thank you!

Illinois March for Life

Wednesday, April 17th the parish van will be leaving from Immaculate Conception at 7:30 AM and St. Columcille at 7:45 AM for Illinois Right to Life Mass, Rally and March at the State Capitol complex. Mass will be at 10:00 AM at Sangamon Auditorium on the UIS Campus. Rally and March at Noon. Call the parish office to reserve your seat in the van. Intended audience is Jr. High through adults.

Priestly Ordination Bus Trip

On Saturday, May 25th a bus will leave the IC Parish Center parking lot at 8:00 A.M. and the St. Columcille Church lot at 8:15 A.M. for the Priestly Ordination of our own Alex McCullough and Deacons Bruce Scott and Troy Niemerg who have had summer assignments with us plus Daniel McGrath & Jayke White. The Ordination Mass will take place at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Springfield. We will return that evening around 4:30 PM. Your call and \$20 to the parish office (235-0539) reserves your seat AND buys your buffet lunch at Golden Corral Buffet and Grill, Springfield after the Ordination. Be a part of this joyful event for Alex and all Transitional Deacons soon to be ordained Priests and for our Diocesan Church.



Sunday, May 5th 2024 from 9 am to 3 pm
Donativos son bienvenidos / FREE will offering!



- Bailables Folkloricos / Mexican folk dances
- Karaoke & música para bailar / Karaoke & dance
- Rifa / 50/50 Raffle
- Subasta silenciosa / Silent auction
- Piñatas!

Authentic Mexican Food

- Tacos de carne asada / Beef tacos
- Tacos de fajitas de pollo / Chicken fajita tacos
- Huaraches de frijol y queso / Oblong shape tortilla with beans & cheese
- Sopa de tortilla con pollo / Tortilla soup
- Ensalada de fruta y vegetales / Fruit & vegetables salad
- Eletes / Corn on the cob
- Nachos
- Aguas frescas con fruta natural / Natural botanical juices
- Sodas & botellas de agua / Sodas & bottled water



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Our parish celebration of Cinco de Mayo is on Sunday, May 5, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the PC It will include a Silent Auction to help raise funds to support our sister parish in Venezuela and our local Spanish Speaking Outreach.

We need YOUR help providing items for the auction.

Attention BAKERS: Please consider donating your specialty -- a cake, pie, pan of cinnamon rolls, or ??? -- as long as it can sit on the table at room temperature.

THEME "BASKETS": With some friends, or on your own, collect several items to fit a theme of your choice and put them together in an actual basket or other container.

SINGLE ITEMS: Donate a new in-original-packaging item or perhaps a substantial gift certificate.

Email Kathy Holmes with questions or to ask for a direct link to the donation request form
kahiota75@consolidated.net



Our Sorrowful Mother's Ministry
A Ministry of Healing, Reconciliation & Mercy

Our Sorrowful Mother's Ministry in Vandalia, IL will be hosting a retreat on April 19-20. The theme is "Healing Through Deep Prayer: Our Lady of the Church. The speaker will be Fr. Aidan Nichols. Dive into healing and explore Mary's role in the history of the Church with this holy priest. Please go to osmm.org to register, and the full agenda is listed on their website. The cost is \$45 to attend. You may also contact Karla Slifer at 217-690-5282 for more information.

Brookstone Rosary

We will pray the Rosary at Brookstone South on Wednesday, April 10th at 10:00 AM. Please come and join us!

Widows Luncheon:

Widows of Immaculate Conception and St. Columcille are invited to our monthly luncheon on Wednesday, April 17th at 11:30 AM at Stadium Grill, Mattoon.

Something New: Passports for Presents – A One Stop Community Christmas Fundraiser. Passports cost \$10.00. Passport holders dining at Alamo or La Luna during April, 2024 will receive a stamp on their passport. Passports need to be turned in at each restaurant or to Steve or Pat Conner before May 3rd to have your passport included in the raffle. For each stamp, the passport holder's name will be placed in a raffle for an Alamo or La Luna gift card. The drawing will be held during the Cinco De Mayo celebration on May 5. Passports are available for purchase during the fish fries or from One Stop Community Christmas Table Chairs.

We hope to expand to more restaurants next year and make this an annual event for One Stop Community Christmas.



Immaculate Conception:

Fr. Jason Stone, Linda Probst, Jared Brown, Mike Denning, Fred Sherer, Devin Deisher, Connie McNeilus, Teresa Valdez, Carole Maxey, Peggy Fuesting, Joseph Brinza, Elizabeth Brinza, Carol O'Neill, Alice Farmer, Madonna Collinsworth, Bryce Summary, Linda Sullivan, Sally Wolff, Michael English, Michelle Simpson, Connie Harris, Bonnie Kinney, Ryan Hardin, Cook Family, Patty Lawson, Liz Slater, Mike Kuncel, Pat and Guy Levingston, Mary O'Dell, Ruby Anne Kovack, Chris Bugle, Michael Grady, Angie Fox, Addison Graham, Wesco Family, Sara Clayhorn, Mark Buran, Ann Clark, Louise Farrell, Wendy Carter, Edna Probst, Rich Fafara, Karl Rabe, Sheila Rosine, Betty Bailey, Zale Vincent Walk, Chris Magnotta, Jim Pendell, Wyatt Edwards, Eddie Sullivan, Kelly Sullivan, Elisa Gonzalez, Liz Newton, Dennis James, Don Clark, Jr., Cassandra and Nora Olinger, 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.

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

Www.choices4pregnancy.org
Project Rachel-888-456-4673

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Immaculate Conception Calendar of Events:

Sat., April 6-Sun. April 7: Fit-2-Serve Bake/No Bake Sale after each weekend Mass

Sun., April 7: Divine Mercy Sunday Devotions at 2:30 PM in Church

Mon., April 8: KC Meeting at 7:00 PM in the KC Hall

Tues., April 9: RCIA Faith Inquiry Class at 6:30 PM in the FOFC

Wed., April 10: Adoration from 5:30—6:30 AM and 7:00 —8:00 PM in Church

Wed., April 10: Rosary at Brookstone South, Mattoon at 10:00 AM

Thurs., April 11: Oremus: A Guide to Catholic Prayer Faith Formation class continues at 9:30 AM in the FOFC

Thurs., April 11: Thursday Night Adult Faith class "The Creed" continues at 6:30 PM in the FOFC

Thurs., April 11: KC Bingo at 6:30 PM in the KC Hall

Sat., April 13: Server Training from 9:00 AM—Noon in Church

Sun., April 14: Family Catechesis at 9:15 AM in the FOFC



Knights News and Notes:

The Next Knights of Columbus meeting will take place on Monday, April 8th at 7:00 PM in the KC Hall. Plan on attending.

BINGO: KC Bingo will be held on Thursday, April 11 and 25th!

Diaconate Ordination Mass will take place on Friday, April 12th at 6:30 PM at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Springfield. All are invited to attend.

Congratulations to our Transitional Deacons, Charlie Delano, Ryan Kehoe and Stefan Kaniewski. Please keep them in your prayers.

**FORMS DUE NOW!
St C/IC Youth Mission Trip
June 2-June 7**

Join Us in Louisville, Ky. an Urban Service and Immersion Experience
8th Grade thru High School \$100/student with participation in group fundraising events.
Registration forms available!

If you did not receive one, please call the parish office.

Fundraiser Event!

Tuesday, April 9, 2024

11 AM - 9 PM

230 Broadway East, Mattoon



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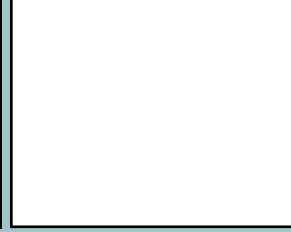


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