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Immaculate Conception Parish | St. Lawrence Parish | St. Boniface Parish

NOVEMBER 17, 2024

33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Connie Sweno, Office Administrator

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 4:30 pm (SB)

Sunday: 8:00 am (SL) & 10:00 am (IC)

Tuesday: None

Wednesday: None

Thursday: None

Friday: None

CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 4:00 pm (SB)

Sunday: 7:30 am (SL)

Sunday: 9:30 am (IC)

"HEAVEN AND EARTH WILL PASS AWAY, BUT MY WORDS WILL NOT PASS AWAY." - MK 13:31

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SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Contact the Pastor 1-2 months prior to date.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Arrangements to be made 6 months in advance. Contact the Pastor.

RCIA

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Adults desiring baptism, confirmation or full membership in the Catholic Church, contact Deacon Wendt. Sessions begin in Fall.

NEW PARISHIONERS

Please call the parish office or fill out one of the Family Registration sheets in the back of church. They can be handed in the weekend collection

VISITATION

Please notify the Pastor when a hospitalized / homebound parishioner desires holy communion.

ANOIDING OF THE SICK

Call the church office or the Pastor.

KEY Immaculate Conception Parish = (IC) | St. Lawrence Parish = (SL) | St. Boniface Parish = (SB)

BACKGROUND ON THE GOSPEL READING

This Sunday is the second to last Sunday of our liturgical year. As we approach the end of the Church year, our Gospel invites us to consider Jesus' predictions and teaching about the end of the world. In the context of Mark's Gospel, Jesus' words about this are spoken to his disciples as he prepares them for his passion and death.

Before we consider Jesus' words, it is important to note the political backdrop against which many think Mark's Gospel was written. Most scholars concur that Mark wrote his Gospel for Christians living in or near Rome about 30 to 40 years after the death of Jesus. This was a time of political turmoil in Rome. Some Christians experienced persecution by the Romans during the reign of the emperor Nero (about 64 A.D.). Jewish revolutionaries rebelled against the Romans, which led the Romans to destroy the Temple in Jerusalem in 70 A.D. In this time of political turmoil and persecution, many in Mark's community might have wondered if the end times predicted by Jesus were in fact quite near.

Last Sunday we heard Jesus' observation about the contributions being made to the temple treasury and the example of sacrificial giving that he saw in the poor widow's offering. If we had been reading Mark's Gospel continuously, we would have heard Jesus predict the destruction of the Temple, his teaching about the costs of discipleship, and the woes that

will accompany the end times. Finally, we would have heard Jesus instruct his disciples about the need for watchfulness so that they will not be caught unprepared for this final day of judgment.

In today's Gospel, Jesus continues this teaching by offering his disciples signs to look for that will indicate that the coming of the Son of Man is near. His words and images draw upon Old Testament imagery, especially images found in the Book of Daniel. Next, Jesus offers the lesson of the fig tree, a parable that teaches that if one knows how to read the signs, one can be prepared for the end times. Jesus also teaches, however, that no one knows when the end time will come, except the Father. In the verses that follow this reading in Mark's Gospel, Jesus continues to warn his disciples to be on watch for this end of time..

Jesus' words are not spoken to frighten his disciples, nor should they frighten us. Rather, they are offered to prepare us for the changes we will experience during our lifetimes and at the end times. Our consolation and hope is found in the lasting nature of Jesus' words and God's never-ending love for us.



MASS INTENTIONS

Monday – 11/18/24

NO MASS

Tuesday – 11/19/24 St. Boniface

NO MASS

Wednesday – 11/20/24 St. Lawrence

NO MASS

Thursday – 11/21/24 St. Lawrence

NO MASS

Friday – 11/22/24 Immaculate Conception

NONE

Friday – 11/22/24 St. Boniface

11:00 am † Joann Rippley by Dan & Elsie Brommer

Saturday – 11/23/24 St. Boniface

4:30 pm † Mass of Thanksgiving by Willie & Brenda Pronschinske

Sunday – 11/24/24 St. Lawrence

8:00 am † Marc Przybylla by MaryAnn Przybylla

Sunday – 11/24/24 Immaculate Conception

10:00am † Dennis Speltz by His Family



MINISTRY SCHEDULE | NOV 23-24

SATURDAY | 4:30 PM

Eucharistic Ministers: Brenda Pronschinske

Lectors: Bob Baecker

Servers: Jansen Wolfe
Abby Pronschinske

Ushers: Glen Pronschinske
Pat Pronschinske

SUNDAY | 8:00 AM

Eucharistic Ministers: Max Bachhuber

Lectors: Darlene Auer

Servers: Volunteer

Ushers: Volunteer
Volunteer

SUNDAY | 10:00 AM

Eucharistic Ministers: Rod Bagniewski

Lectors: Doris Killian

Servers: Goettings

Ushers: Peter Schaffner
Donnie Bjorge

ANNOUNCEMENTS

COMMUNION SERVICES

Deacon Wendt will offer Communion Services this week:

St. Boniface – 5:30 pm

St Lawrence, Wed – 8:00 am

Immaculate Conception, Fri – 8:00 am

According to tradition, **St. Gertrude the Great** was told by Our Lord that each time she piously recited the following prayer, it would release 1,000 souls (or a vast number) from their suffering in purgatory:

Eternal Father, I offer You the most precious blood of thy Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the Masses said throughout the world today, for all the Holy Souls in Purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the universal Church, for those in my own home, and in my family. Amen.

November is Devoted to the Poor Souls in Purgatory.

NOVEMBER MASSES



The month of November begins with a Mass for All Saints and is followed immediately by Masses for All of the Faithful Departed. The entire month consequently focuses on those souls who have passed before us—those enjoying the beatific vision, and those still waiting for final glory. There is a book in front of each parish for you to write down the names of the departed. Throughout the month of November we will pray for them.

FALL FESTIVAL



The Basilica of St. Stanislaus Kostka, Winona, fall festival will be Nov 23 in the church hall. Mass will be at 4 pm. The festival will start after mass with the quilt raffle, baked goods/candy booth, theme baskets, quilts and children's games and Polish Coffee Cakes. Lunch will be available. Big Ticket drawing at 9:30 pm. Come join us for an evening of fun.

WELCOME NEW ORGANIST

Please welcome Adam Rodgers, the new music minister/organist for St. Lawrence and Immaculate Conception Parishes. He is a student at WSU as a music major and has been playing organ & piano most of his life. He is from Mankato, MN. Please take the time to greet him and make him feel welcome.

BISHOP'S EDUCATION ENDOWMENT TRUST— BEET GRANT

A portion of the Diocesan Annual Appeal goes to the Bishop's Endowment. It is for the apostolic work of supporting Catholic education through Catholic Schools and the formation of our youth and adults in the parishes. With that endowment, we have received monies applied for through a BEET grant.

\$1,520 to St. Boniface School for upgrades to the kitchen.

\$600 for Rippley Social Hall sound equipment

\$900 for the NET retreat for the High School Religious Education Program.

Thank you to everyone that contributes to the Diocese Annual Appeal each year.



Give Thanks for God's Greatest Gift!

God's greatest gift to you is the gift of His own Son. Jesus is your Savior and loves you unconditionally. Jesus desires to be with you always and therefore Jesus gives Himself to you in the holy Eucharist so that He can live in your heart. The holy Eucharist is Christ Himself. You know that Jesus is your greatest friend because He gives Himself to you completely in the holy Eucharist. It is helpful to remember that the word Eucharist means thanksgiving. Be thankful to our Heavenly Father in a much deeper way this Thanksgiving for the incredible gift of the Eucharist.

Let's pray this right now and every day this week:

Jesus, thank You for giving Yourself to me in holy Communion and being my closest friend.

This week, prayerfully read how you are called to be thankful in Colossians 3:15.

PARISH FINANCIALS

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION		ST. LAWRENCE		ST. BONIFACE	
51 Env	\$ 2,376.00	30 Env	\$ 779.00	10 Env	\$ 590.00
Plate	\$ 229.50	Plate	\$ 114.00	Plate	\$ 201.00
		Mission Sunday	\$ 20.00		
		Energy	\$ 170.00		
Total	\$ 2,605.50	Total	\$ 1,083.00	Total	\$ 791.00
Attendance	100	Attendance	87	Attendance	81

SAINT BONIFACE

HELP WANTED

We are looking for someone who would clean the hallway between the church and social hall every week and the Rippley Hall whenever there is a gathering. If you are interested or have questions, please contact Connie in the office or email.

Thanksgiving jokes

Why did the butter keep telling jokes?

Because he was on a roll.



Why did the piecrust go to the dentist?

Because it needed a filling.

Why did the turkey have a stomach ache?

Because he gobbled everything up until he was stuffed.

What did the pie say to the plate?

You wanna piece of me?

Knock, knock.

Who's there?

Ida.

Ida who?

Ida know about you, but I'm hungry!

Why can't you tell secrets on a farm?

Because the corn has ears.

ST. BONIFACE CATHOLIC SCHOOL



The St. Boniface students are selling Butter braids and Driven Coffee. Orders for coffee are due Nov 18th and butter braids by Dec 2nd. Let the office or a student know if you would like to order.

Nov 22nd—Thanksgiving Mass & Meal—If you plan on attending, please let Olivia know so she can have a head count.

Dec 6th—Porch Pot Class & Sip 'N Shop. If you would like to attend, please let Emily or the office know. They are taking porch pot orders again this year. Check the St. Boniface School Facebook page.

Dec 12—St. Boniface Christmas Play. Everyone is welcome!

**We are still looking for a teacher to add to our team for this school year. If you know of anyone looking for a teaching position we would love to talk to them!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

If you have any questions, contact Carrie at treecclesiae.red@gmail.com or (608) 687-3228.



**The elementary students meet every Wednesday until 5pm at St. Mary's Parish Life Center in Fountain City.

The next class for 7th thru 10th grades will be at **Immaculate Conception on Nov 20.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION



Frank H. Krzoska
Oct 24, 2024

May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE



If you did not make it to the meeting and would still like to be on the committee, please call Connie in the office. The more hands/minds the merrier!

FOOD SHELF

Donations for CFC Area Food Shelf can be dropped off in Hansen Hall (church basement). Food donations most needed are healthy cereals - instant oatmeal - baked beans - tuna - chicken pouches or cans - canned meat - toilet paper (small pkgs).

ST. MARY'S QUILTERS



The quilters from St Mary's plan to meet the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month. However, weather, proximity to Holidays and other issues can cause us to cancel. We would love you to join us whenever you can, but please check with Simone Heitman 608 687 8239 or Jenny Schaffner 608 687 8466 to confirm we will be quilting before you come. We notify those who come regularly when we have to cancel.

SAINT LAWRENCE

SUNDAY BRUNCH



We will have our last Brunch for 2024 today after mass. Please join us for egg bakes, breads, rolls, fresh fruit, coffee, juice. Sponsored by our KC's and PCCW. Everyone is welcome to come and enjoy some fellowship!

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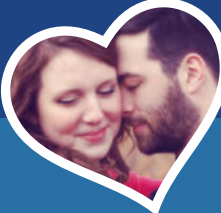
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