

Welcome to
Immaculate Conception Church~Mattoon, IL
St. Columcille Church~Sullivan, IL

The Michael Mette Family Concert
Held on Sunday, December 16 in our Christian Formation Center



Thanks to everyone who came to the concert!



The HS Youth making bread to sell! YUMMY!



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH
Mattoon, Illinois

ST. COLUMCILLE CHURCH
Sullivan, Illinois

DECEMBER 30, 2018
THE HOLY FAMILY



**“His parents found Jesus sitting
in the midst of the teachers.”**

Luke 2:41-52

Prepare For Next Sunday’s Readings

INTRODUCTION

In next Sunday’s Gospel, (January 6), the Epiphany, today’s feast is filled with ironies for us. It celebrates those from afar who early acknowledged the Christ child and reminds us of those nearby who were threatened by him. Living in a current political climate that debunks globalism and challenges the meaning of Christianity, we must ask: “How do we make Christ’s presence known?” Who do we accept into our communities and our lives regardless of their origins? Christ’s coming has always turned things upside down.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Isaiah 60:1-6: *The new Jerusalem will shine in glory*

Ephesians 3:2-3, 5-6: *The Gentiles are co-heirs in Christ*

Matthew 2:1-12: *The Magi come to adore Jesus*

Readings for the Week of December 30, 2018

Monday: 1 Jn 2:18-21/Ps 96: 1-2, 11-12, 13/Jn 1:1-18

Tuesday: Nm 6:22-27/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21

Wednesday: 1 Jn 2:22-28/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Jn 1:19-28

Thursday: 1 Jn 2:29-3:6/Ps 98:1, 3cd-4, 5-6/Jn 1:29-34

Friday: 1 Jn 3:7-10/Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9/Jn 1:35-42

MASST Immaculate Conception
INTENTIONS

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

DECEMBER 31-JANUARY 6

MONDAY– New Year’s Eve

4:00PM Jeff Croy

TUESDAY– New Year’s Day

8:00AM Merle Lawson

WEDNESDAY

7:00AM Fr. Jack Savoree

THURSDAY

5:30PM Maureen Ankenbrand

FRIDAY

8:00AM Barry Beagles

SATURDAY

8:30AM Fran Flider

4:00PM People of Our Parish

SUNDAY

8:00AM Joe, Margaret & Richard Behl

10:30AM Robert N. Plush

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

526 Registered Families

Fiscal Year– July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018



Total Weekly Budget 10,500.00

12//18– Parish

Deficit/Surplus for Week

Year-To-Date Budget 262,500.00

Year-To-Date Collected 254,035.95

Deficit/Surplus for Year - 8,464.05

**IC CHURCH STAINED GLASS
WINDOWS PROJECT AND
CHURCH SOUND SYSTEM**

Amount Owed: \$46,260.00

Major Project Funds: \$22,650.00

Unpaid Balance: \$15,224.00

ST. COLUMCILLE CORNER

Mass Intentions

LAST SUNDAY OFFERING

December 31– Jan. 6 Total: \$

MONDAY-New Year's Eve

6:00PM Jim Matthews

WEDNESDAY

5:15PM For the People

SATURDAY

6:00PM Joyce Welsh

SUNDAY

10:00AM Dr. Anthony Vince

Sullivan Prayer List: *Fr. Sohm, David Walker, Sheila Littleton, Marie Luedke and Hal Walker*

If you would like to add a name to the Prayer List printed in the bulletin, please call the parish office at 235-0539.

The St. Elizabeth Council of Catholic Women would like to remind everyone that we are once again helping you dispose of Christmas card fronts, stamps and pop tab pulls. Please put in the basket in back of Church. Thank You!

Mass for Feast of Mary on December 31st will be at 6:00 pm

The Knights of Columbus will meet at 7:00PM on Wednesday, January 2.

St. Columcille Parish Epiphany Dinner on January 5th after 6:00 pm Mass.

PSR classes will resume on Sunday, January 6th.

Collection for the Moultrie County Food Pantry will take place next weekend. Thank you for your generosity.

St. Columcille will start the new year with a seven week program by Bishop Robert Barron titled, "**Seven Deadly Sins, Seven Lively Virtues**". A look at the sins and how each can be countered by a virtue to help us grow in our faith.

Each meeting will have a DVD presentation with discussion to follow.

Coffee and light refreshments will be available.

Meeting place is the parish hall on Wednesdays starting January 9 at 9:30AM. If you can't make all the meetings, come when you can. Any questions, call Gail Loveall at 217-254-4185.

A Pilgrim's Progress....

Today, on the Feast of the Holy Family, we pray together the prayer of consecration asking for their intercession for our homes and families in the New Year. The virtues St. Joseph, Our Lady, and the young Christ modeled for us in Nazareth are the good habits that will continue to sustain us as we seek to live as a domestic church in the coming days. They include honoring the dignity of work, persevering in prayer, living generosity, growing in the knowledge of our faith and the practice of the sacramental life. This includes more frequent reception of the Sacrament of Reconciliation and the Holy Eucharist. I encourage all of our families to pray the prayer of consecration together at home. Perhaps before family meals together each day. What? Some families actually eat meals together? I know it can be difficult. But making the effort is worth the sacrifices involved. Reading the Gospel of the day together as a family is another amazing way to inspire reflection and discussion. It is often the youngest family members who have the most insightful insights. A family discussion can include saying thank you, I am sorry, and sharing our hopes for tomorrow. If the Church is the place where we encounter Christ, hear his Word, and offer and receive God's mercy then these are the things we need to be doing to more truly form our families into the domestic church they are called to be. As we begin this week a new calendar year we all have great hopes and great uncertainties about what lies ahead. What we can know for sure is a better world, a holier Church, and a more effective parish witness begins with each of us and what happens in our homes and families. With gratitude for all your sacrifices for our parishes and all your kindnesses to me, especially during this holy season, I promise my continued prayers for you and yours, Pax et Bonum, fr john

EPIPHANY POTLUCK LUNCHEON

Immaculate Conception Parish Epiphany Luncheon: Please join us on Sunday, January 6th immediately following the 10:30 am Mass. The Magi will lead us in a processional from Church into the Rectory for the chalk marking ceremony, then on to the Parish Center for a parish wide potluck. Come, see the Rectory, enjoy Parish fellowship and be a part of the festivities! Meat, drink and tableware provided, please bring a dish to share. Sign up in the back of Church.

Our next opportunity to participate in 24 Hour Exposition will be Friday, January 4 thru Saturday, January 5. To commit to a specific time, sign up on the sheet at the entrance of the church. All are welcome!



Johnna Cottle, Max Rose, Fr. John Sohm, Maggie Kirts, Jacob Kirts, Joyce McCoy, Angie Fox, Addison Graham, Ken Davis, Wesco Family, Sara Clayhorn, Mark Buran, Dan O'Neill, Pat Hutchings, Don Clark, Susie Huckstead, Louise Farrell, Wendy Carter, Virginia Kastl, Jim Pendell, Julia Filosa, 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, Paul Farmer, Lois Neff, and Wyatt Edwards

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.

WEEKLY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

12/31— New Year's Eve Mass— 4:00PM— Church
01/01— New Year's Day Mass— 8:00AM— Church
01/02— Men's Prayer Huddle— 5:30AM— IC Chapel
01/02— Spanish Prayer Group— 6:00PM— PC
01/02— Eucharistic Adoration— 7-8:00PM— IC Chapel
01/03— ICC Prayer Group— 8:30AM— PC
01/04— 24 Hour Adoration— IC Chapel
01/05— Spanish Mass— 8:30AM— Church
01/06— PSR— 9:15-10:15AM— CFC
01/06— K of C Breakfast— 8-10AM— KC Clubhouse
01/06— Epiphany Open House/Potluck— Rectory/PC

JOY TO THE WORLD!

Are you interested in joining the Knights of Columbus or learning more about the Knights? If so, contact Matt England at 217-433-6832.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS:

**Cereal, Peanut Butter, Tuna,
Tuna Helper, Spaghetti,
and Spaghetti Sauce**

Thanks for your continued support!

Catholic Radio for Mattoon

102.5 FM

Catholic Radio for Sullivan:

88.9FM & 96.5FM

**GUIDELINES AFFILIATED
TO BOTH PARISHES**

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

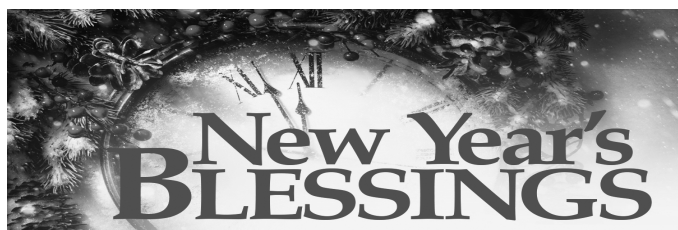
**Diocesan Child Abuse Reporting and Investigation
Number 217-321-1155**

DEADLINE FOR PARISH BULLETIN

Monday at 10:00AM

WHITE HOUSE RETREAT

All men of the parish are invited to join us on our annual retreat at the White House. This will be a silent, guided retreat based on the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius. It's a peaceful break from the chaos and confusion of everyday life. It's like a 3-day vacation with Christ on their beautiful 80-acre campus high on the bluffs overlooking the Mississippi River. All meals and private lodging are provided. Our retreat begins the evening of March 7 and concludes March 10, 2019. There is no set fee to attend a retreat at White House! White House operates on a free will offering basis, asking those in attendance to simply give what they feel they can at the conclusion of the retreat. **Please contact, Tim Genta at 234-9409, Don Kriesel at 273-9806 or Bill Carter at 294-2938** or visit www.whretreat.org to find additional dates.



UPCOMING K OF C EVENT

On Sunday, January 6, the Knights will host a 1st Sunday Breakfast starting after the 8:00AM Mass until the 10:00AM Mass at the Clubhouse. Proceeds from this event will go to our Youth Group for their trip to Washington, D.C. All are welcome!



ANNUAL CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL PROGRESS REPORT-IC

This Year's Goal: \$ 65,080.00

Gifts Thus Far: \$ 29,070.00

% of Participation: 34%

**Let's try and hit the half-way mark
before the end of the year ☺**

HOLIDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Solemnity of Mary/New Year's Eve

Immaculate Conception - 4:00 p.m.

St. Columcille 6:00 p.m.

Solemnity of Mary/New Year's Day

Immaculate Conception 8:00 a.m.

MARRIED COUPLES- SAVE THE DATE!

An evening out, just for you! **February 9** after 4:00 mass. **Social hour and Dinner** with Dustin and Bethany Reichmann, authors of the "15 Minute Marriage Makeover". For all who love their marriage and want to lead their families. Childcare provided. Details to follow.

Prayer of Consecration to the Holy Family

O Lord Jesus, you lived in the home of Mary and Joseph in Nazareth. There you grew in age, wisdom, and grace as you prepared to fulfill your mission as our Redeemer. We entrust our family to you.

O Blessed Mary, you are the Mother of our Savior. At Nazareth you cared for Jesus and nurtured him in the peace and joy of your home. We entrust our family to you.

O Saint Joseph, you provided a secure and loving home for Jesus and Mary, and gave us a model of fatherhood while showing us the dignity of work. We entrust our family to you.

Holy Family, we consecrate ourselves and our family to you. *May we be completely united in a love that is lasting, faithful, and open to the gift of new life. Help us to grow in virtue, to forgive one another from our hearts, and to live in peace all our days. Keep us strong in faith, persevering in prayer, diligent in our work, and generous toward those in need. May our home, O Holy Family, truly become a domestic church where we reflect your example in our daily life. Amen.*

Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, pray for us!

SAVE THE DATE

St. Hedwig Haus of Hospitality, a Catholic Worker House for Women and Children in need.

Fund Raising Soup Supper

Sunday January 27th from 4-6 P.M.

Immaculate Conception Parish Center

Mattoon

St. Hedwig Soup Supper Raffle

Choice of three Prizes :

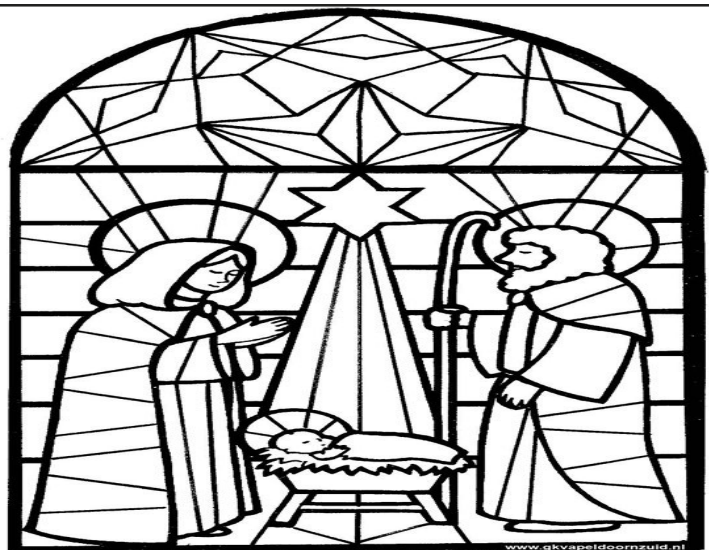
- 1) Tickets for four (+parking) at Fox Theater St. Louis- "The Rat Pack is Back" 2 PM 2-23-19 (Thank you Washington Savings Bank)
- 2) Large YETI cooler (Thank you Rural King)
- 3) One of Kind St. Hedwig Boos Butcher Block Cutting Board (Thank you Boos Butcher Block of Effingham)

**Tickets available after mass
or at I.C. parish office**

Re-Gifting for St. Hedwig

Receive some treasures for Christmas you are ready to share? We can use them for our bucket raffle at the St. Hedwig Soup Supper Jan. 27th. Drop them off at the I.C. rectory or on the table in the vestibule. Thank you!

Every donation helps women and children move forward in faith and in life!



MARY,

THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD
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Hail Mary

Hail Mary, full of grace. The Lord is with thee.

Blessed art thou amongst women,

and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners,

now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS AND CONTACT PEOPLE

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Finance Council		Building, Grounds & Repair Committee	
Pat Dust	235-4279	Mark Sheehan	235-2064
Pastoral Council		Communion To The Sick/Homebound	
Todd Farris	273-0502	Debbie Reinhart	234-3439
Golden Hearts		24 Hour Eucharistic Exposition	
Malcolm O'Neill	234-8101	Joe Denton	822-8239
Knights of Columbus/Squires		St. Vincent de Paul Society	
Matt England	433-6832	Brian McMichaels	258-NEED
Ladies Guild		Social Committee	
Betty Brandvold		Tim Knepple	273-8991
Legion of Mary		We Care Ministry	
Joe Denton	822-8239	Denise Cooling	254-7300
Liturgical Roles		Scriptural Prayer Group	
Deacon Gene	235-2189	Judy Rawlings	235-3846
Share The Word		Director of Christian Formation	
Sue Auer	317-4924	Carla Will	235-0431
Welcoming Committee		<u>St. Columcille Organizations and Contact People</u>	
Legion of Mary Members		St. Elizabeth council of Catholic Women	
<u>CALVARY CEMETERY</u>		Co-Presidents: Kathy Elzy	728-8075
Moni Sheehan	246-3643	Lucia Roney	433-0288
Linda Wentz	235-2488	Knights of Columbus	
		Tom Langenfeld	728-2390
		Parish School of Religion	
		Michelle Keller	972-0286