



Immaculate Conception Catholic Church

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ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

MONDAY—SEPTEMBER 19

Twenty-Fifth Monday in Ordinary Time
 7:30 a.m. Eucharist [Millie Wycoff+] - Menville

TUESDAY—SEPTEMBER 20

Saint Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Priest, and Paul Chong Ha-sang, and Companions, Martyrs
 7:30 a.m. Rosary - Menville
 8:00 a.m. Eucharist [Rev. Msgr. Nicholas Ruba+] - Kingsley
 6:30 p.m. ICC Pastoral Council Meeting - Menville
 8:00 p.m. ICC Finance Council Meeting - Menville

WEDNESDAY—SEPTEMBER 21

Saint Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist
 7:30 a.m. Eucharist [Shirlee Williams+] - Menville
 4:00 p.m. ICC Server Training - Kingsley
 4:00 p.m. Faith Formation [PS-4] - Kingsley
 4:00 p.m. Faith Formation [PS-4] - Menville
 7:00 p.m. WFCC First Reconciliation Parent Meeting - Kingsley
 7:00 p.m. Faith Formation [5-12] - Kingsley
 7:00 p.m. Faith Formation [5-8] - Menville

THURSDAY—SEPTEMBER 22

Twenty-Fifth Thursday in Ordinary Time
 7:30 a.m. Rosary - Menville
 8:00 a.m. Eucharist [Jerry L. Kasner+] - Kingsley
 8:30 a.m. Bible/Book Study - Kingsley
 12:30 p.m. PieceMakers - Menville

FRIDAY—SEPTEMBER 23

Saint Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest
 7:30 a.m. Rosary - Menville

SATURDAY—SEPTEMBER 24

Twenty-Fifth Saturday in Ordinary Time
 4:00 p.m. Reconciliation - Kingsley
 5:00 p.m. Eucharist [Dale Leekley+] - Kingsley
 6:00 p.m. Baptism (Bottjen) - Kingsley

SUNDAY—SEPTEMBER 25

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 8:00 a.m. Reconciliation - Menville
 9:00 a.m. Eucharist [Ed & Secret Plendl+] - Menville
 10:00 a.m. Coffee/Juice/Rolls (KC8232) - Menville

**WHAT'S HAPPENING
 IN OUR PARISH**

Please visit the WFCC website to find more information about both parishes, to read and/or download this weekly bulletin, to read the latest news, and to learn more about our faith.
<http://www.westforkcatholiccommunity.org>
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18 September 2016

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

A man I know was publicly disgraced. The scandal cost him his job and was reported by the local TV stations and newspaper. I prayed for my friend; I also wondered what I would've done in his shoes. I concluded that I would've left town instead of facing the disappointment and disapproval. After some time I called my friend and - to my surprise - found out he had done the exact opposite. The job he lost involved public service and he had continued doing what he could to help people - often with no pay. I asked him how it was going. "Look," he said, "everybody has problems. Some bigger than mine, some smaller. But, at the end of the day, people don't care about my problems. They care about their problems, and I'm going to help them."

There is great truth in what he said. I've since heard several stories about how my friend has helped people, but it's been a long time since I've heard anyone mention his disgrace. Personally, I can only admire his spirit. You know, he's a lot like the man Jesus praises in this week's parable. Jesus calls him a "dishonest steward." He gets caught red-handed and knows he will lose his job. But he doesn't run away; he doesn't hide. Instead, he takes action, doing what he can to help others. Jesus praises him for that: not for his dishonesty, but for making the most of a bad situation.

The dishonest steward acted boldly - and so should we. I meet a lot of people who act as if they're the victim of their circumstances. Life has dealt them a losing hand and all they think they can do is quit. When I encounter someone feeling frustrated, powerless, and sorry for themselves, I say to them what Mother Teresa said to her sisters, "Get out and help people." No matter how bad things are, you will always meet someone who has it worse. The dishonest steward didn't give up, he acted decisively.

Now, Jesus praised him "for acting prudently." Prudence means to prioritize - putting first things first. I know this is going to sound self-serving, but it really isn't: the most prudent thing a person can do is to tithe. Firstly, by giving 5% of what they make to the parish. The parish, after all, provides for our most important needs: the sacraments, religious education and opportunities to grow holier. After you have supported the parish, your next 5% should go to other needs like your favorite charity, the Missions, Catholic radio - and don't forget - the Diocesan Annual Appeal. In that way you will fulfill the Biblical norm of tithing, giving 10% of what you earn back to the Lord. If it's not possible to give 10%, set a percent that you can give and then build up to 10%.

In the meantime, give of your time and talent. There are plenty of things that need to be done in the parish and there are not enough volunteers to take care of them. Be like the steward in today's Gospel - or like my friend who bounced back from disgrace. "Get out and do something." Make the best of your situation. Jesus assures us that if we are trustworthy with small things, he will give us greater responsibilities. With the parable of the dishonest steward, Jesus tells us to take action and do what we can. He will give us what we need to be good and prudent stewards.

Fr. Brad Pelzel

BIBLE STUDY WITH FR. BRAD - Learn how the key people, places, and events in the Bible fit together to reveal God's plan for you as you study the Bible from a Catholic perspective and see how our faith is rooted in Sacred Scripture. Each session is approx. 2 hours long with a discussion of the readings, Q & A by Fr. Brad and a video on the readings. For more information contact Fr. Brad.



MINISTERS' ASSIGNMENTS

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 24 5:00 P.M.

- Altar Servers:** Abbi Bailey, Trent Lammers, Jessen Lammers
- Reader(s):** Rachel Bohle, Amy Bailey
- Cantor:** Scott Bohle
- Organist:** Jolene Spooner
- Gifts:** Amy Benson Family
- Communion:** Barb Sitzmann, Millie Hamman, Jeanine Haggin
- KNH:** Alice Seuntjens
- Greeters:** Lisa Carlson, Sonya Hamman
- Ushers:** Jamie Sitzmann, Tim Carlson
- Collection Counters:** Barb Crabb, Linda Schlotman

INCOME/EXPENSES LAST WEEK

Adult Envelopes	\$3,179.00 (68 Envelopes)
Youth Envelopes*	\$40.00 (13 Envelopes)
Loose.....	\$714.00
Candles.....	\$20.25
Retired Priest & Sisters.....	\$25.00 (2 Envelopes)
Total Income.....	\$3,978.25
Needed Each Week	\$2,877.89
Total Expenses	\$1,177.02
*Time/Talent quotes from youth envelopes: none	

BUDGET REPORT 2016-2017

Income needed by 30 June 2017:	\$150,234.37
Income needed each week:	\$2,889.12
Income received since 1 July 2016:	\$31,192.67
	9/16/2016

SMC SANCTUARY LIGHT [SEPTEMBER 18-24] burns for the People of WFCC.

Weeks available until December 25.

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THE GLOBE Do you know the Bishop's Dinner for Catholic Schools winners? Read about them in The Catholic Globe! Got news? Email news@scdiocese.org or call (800) 352-9035 or (712) 255-2550.

SECULAR CARMELITES will have a retreat with Fr. Ralph Reyes, OCD at the Carmelite Monastery, Sioux City on Saturday September 17, 8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Lunch provided. Free will offering accepted. Contact

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THANK YOU so much to Fr. Brad for preparing the pasta, etc at St. Michael's after the Saturday night mass on 9/10/16. Sincere thanks to all those who attended and most of all, to those who helped in any way with the serving, clean-up and donations of salads and desserts. Your cooperation was just so good to see!

LADIES GUILD: We held our monthly guild meeting at St. Michaels last night and have a couple of items that need to be put in the bulletin.

- Prayer chain leaders include: Betty Murray 378-3209, MaryLou Mockler 378-2283 and Lois Galles 378-2045.
- St. Michaels Guild will be selling Danish Kringles again this year for our fall fundraiser.
- Contact Jan Meister at 378-3202, Millie Hamman at 378-2170 or a fall circle chair lady to place orders. The final order date will be October 29 with delivery date of the kringles on November 16 in the church hall.

FROM THE DESK OF BARB SITZMANN, DRE:

- Alice Seuntjens has started a new book/bible study on Thursdays. The book is Beautiful Mercy by Matthew Kelly (Dynamic Catholic) and others. Sessions will meet at 8:30 am weekly. Please contact Alice at 378-2242 if you are interested in participating.
- During the month of September, PS-12th grade FF students will be having a can good drive for the Dwelling Food Pantry in Kingsley. Please bring any items to the FF building through September 28th. On the 28th, the 10th, 11th and 12th grade students will be taking the collected items to the Dwelling and organizing the food pantry.
- For catechists needing to take certification classes, Sunday, September 18th from 1-2 pm will be class #3, 2-3 pm will be class #4 and from 3-4 pm will be class #5. These classes will be held at the FF Center. Please let me know if you plan to attend.
- Sunday, September 18th from 6-8 pm at the Merville Church, Father Brad will be presenting a Virtus class. Any new catechists, new sub teachers, parents interesting in helping with events and driving, and any seniors in high school interesting in helping with the youth are encouraged to take this class. Any seniors that are 17 years old that would like to take the class are needing written parental permission. Please contact me for a permission slip.
- Sunday, September 25th from 10:30 am-7pm will be Diocesan Youth Rally held at Sacred Heart Church in Spencer. This event is open for any middle school and high school students. Registration will be done through the parishes and the deadline to register is September 19th. Cost for the event is \$30. Forms have been sent home with all students. Please return forms to me ASAP if you are attending.
- Wednesday, September 21st at 7 pm at St. Michael Church will be a MANDATORY First Reconciliation parent meeting for parents of 2nd grade FF students.
- Wednesday, September 28th, the 5th-7th FF students will be going to Trinity Heights with driver certified chaperones. They will be leaving the FF Center at approximately 6:15 pm and return around 8:30 pm. Students have been given permission slips for this event. Please return them to me ASAP so I know how many drivers to line up.
- Reader training will be held Wednesday, October 5th in the church. Any middle school or high school students are encouraged to participate.
- Contact info: St. Michael FF Center 378-2021, Barb's cell 712-251-8567, home phone 378-2052, work phone 378-2861. Emails- FF stmikedre@gmail.com, home barbsitzmann@yahoo.com, work bsitzmann@k-pscd.org.

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MINISTERS' ASSIGNMENTS

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 25 9:00 A.M.

- Altar Servers:** Jack Crew, Sarah Nelson, Max McGill
- Reader(s):** Paige Glackin, Jenny Crew
- Cantor:** Gene Handke
- Organist:** Laura Krajcick
- Gifts:** Jan Wohlert Family
- Communion:** Mike Byers, Shelly Byers, Chuck Hoelker
- CharMac:** Elaine Ketelsen
- Ushers:** Jim Gries, Volunteer
- Collection Counters:** JoAnne Jenness, Marcia Sailer

INCOME/EXPENSES LAST WEEK

Adult Envelopes.....	\$1,985.00 (36 Envelopes)
Youth Envelopes*.....	\$8.04 (4 Envelopes)
Loose.....	\$790.32
Candles.....	\$21.15
Faith Formation	\$560.00
Interest Income	\$3.15
Sanctuary Light.....	\$5.00
Total Income.....	\$3,372.66
Needed Each Week	\$2,859.23
Total Parish Expenses	\$4,119.77

BUDGET REPORT 2016-2017

Income needed by 30 June 2017:	\$150,548.91
Income needed each week:	\$2,895.17
Income received since 1 July 2016:	\$52,685.62

9/16/2016

ICC SANCTUARY LIGHT [SEPTEMBER 18-24] burns for **Gert Friis+** at the request of **Jim & Cindy Hesse**.

Weeks available after January 22.

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Wavie Greigg 712-276-3614 or wagocds@gmail.com.

DINNERS/BREAKFASTS:

- **Omelet Benefit Breakfast** Sunday, October 2, from 8:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. At St. Michael-Sioux City. This is a benefit for longtime parishioner and Knights of Columbus Mike Boggs. If you're unable to attend the breakfast, please prayerfully consider donating to his GoFundMe account at gofundme.com/boogsbrigade2016 or donate to any of the following: Items for Silent Auction, Raffle Prizes, Pies of Sale, Slightly Used Books for Sale. All money raised will go toward Mike's long-term care. Mike's wife, Pat, who has been a teacher at Holy Cross for 28 years. Email questions to boggsbridage2016@gmail.com.

CHURCH CUSTODIAN WANTED: for Immaculate Conception Parish – Menville starting 7 September 2015. Applicant must be familiar with general cleaning skills including cleaning of floors, carpets, bathrooms, kitchens, windows, etc. along with the use of general cleaning equipment including vacuum cleaners, etc. Work needs to be completed before weekend and special [weddings, funerals, etc.] liturgies. Applicants must be able to pass a background check [criminal and credit] and be in compliance with the Safe Environment Program within six-months of hire. Applications are available from the WFCC office. Position is open until filled.

LADIES GUILD is preparing to rework the Guild handbook. We are asking anyone who wants to join/or remain on the Prayer Chain to sign up in the Hall.

FROM THE DESK OF ANGIE DUFFY, DFF:

- New catechists needing to take certification classes, here is the schedule: **Sunday, September 18** class #3 from 1:00-2:00; Class #4 from 2:00-3:00; Class #5 from 3:00-4:00. All classes will be held at Kingsley FF center. Please contact Barb (712-251-8567) if you plan to attend. **THESE CLASSES ARE REQUIRED OF NEW CATECHISTS.**
- **CICC classes** for the month of September will be the 14th and 28th starting at 7:00 p.m. High School students (9-12) are asked to attend the CICC Formation classes. Fr. Brad will be the lead catechist. His focus this year is Rediscovering Jesus. Looking forward to seeing you there.
- **September 18** at 6:00 p.m. at IC parish hall Fr. Brad will present the **VIRTUS training** class for new catechists, new substitute catechists, or parents interested in helping with the youth are asked to attend this training. To get registered please contact Alicia at the parish office 873-3644.
- **Parents of 2nd grade** Faith Formation students there will be a Parent Reconciliation meeting on September 21 at 7:00 p.m. at the Kingsley Faith Formation center. It is **important that you attend.**
- **Diocesan Youth Conference**, Sept. 25 from 10:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. at Sacred Heart Parish in Spencer, IA. Students in grades 6-8 would attend the Middle School track session and students in grades 9-12 would attend the High School track session. If interested in attending please contact me, Angie, at 873-3644 or go to the Sioux City Diocese website, www.lscdiocese.org, to learn more information and register.
- **Exorcism Talk !!!**
October 26, at 7 pm there will be a guest speaker on the topic of exorcism in the parish hall. Ever wonder if ghosts are real? Is the stuff in exorcism movies correct? Do we have exorcisms in our diocese? Come find out!
- **SEARCH RETREATS** for high school sophomores, juniors, and seniors have been set for November 11-13 at Sacred Heart School in Early, IA and March 3-5 at Spalding Catholic School in Granville, IA. Please think about attending a Search Retreat. It is a wonderful and moving experience. More details to come in the future.
- **Contact info:** Immaculate Conception Office 712-873-3644; Angie's cell 712-560-2593; email icmenvilledff@wiatel.net

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PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: Clarice Bainbridge, Leonard Beaver, Juanita Beaubien, Jim Berens, Rose Brown, Tom/Donna Clark, Virginia Connelly, Hilda Dragoo, Pauline Dugan, Kara Funk, Gary Gruis, Charlotte Honkomp, Virginia & Walt Kabisch, Mike Ketelsen, Millie Kisting, Harold Kloewer, Veronica Koebel, Joan McCain, Patricia McConnell, Stanley Nilles, Beverly Petekavich, Bob/Patricia Rogers, Jim Roger, Kay Sands, Judy Schroeder, Sylvesta Slota, Harlan/Fairy Steffe, Bernice Timmins, Marcella Thomas, Jeune Vondrak, Gerry Weinriech, Emmet Woltman, and the men and women serving in the military and police.

IMPORTANT DATES

- September 28, 7:00 p.m.: CICC [M]
- September 28, 7:00 p.m.: SMC 5th-7th grades to Trinity Heights [K]
- September 29, 8:30 a.m.: Bible/Book Study [K]
- September 30, TBA; Wedding Rehearsal (Uhl/Lehmann) [M]
- October 1, TBA: Wedding (Uhl/Lehmann) [M]
- October 2, 6:00 p.m.: Bible Study with Fr. Brad [M]
- October 5, 10:00 a.m.: Eucharist [KNH]
- October 5, 6:30-8:30 p.m.: ICC Field Trip [Trinity Heights]
- October 5, 7:00 p.m.: SMC Reader Training [K]
- October 6, 8:30 a.m.: Bible/Book Study [K]
- October 7, TBA: Wedding Rehearsal (Felts/Walsh) [K]
- October 8, TBA: Wedding (Felts/Walsh) [K]
- October 8, 6:00 p.m.: Fellowship Dinner (Guild) [M]
- October 9, 10:00 a.m.: Coffee/Juice/Rolls (KC8232) [M]
- October 9, 6:00 p.m.: Bible Study with Fr. Brad [K]
- October 11, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.: OFFICES CLOSED
- October 11, 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.: Diocesan Business Day [TBA]
- October 11, 6:30 p.m.: Eucharist [M]
- October 11, 7:00 p.m.: KC8232 Steak Fry/Meeting [M]
- October 12, 11:00 a.m.: Eucharist [CharMac]
- October 12, 7:00 p.m.: CICC [M]
- October 12, 7:00 p.m.: ICC Reader Training [M]
- October 12, 7:00 p.m.: SMC Guild Meeting [K]
- October 13, 8:30 a.m.: Bible/Book Study [K]
- October 13, 7:30 p.m.: ICC Faith Formation/Youth Ministry Meeting [M]
- October 16, 6:00 p.m.: Bible Study with Fr. Brad [M]
- October 20, 8:30 a.m.: Bible/Book Study [K]
- October 23, 10:00 a.m.: Full Breakfast (KC8232) [M]
- October 23, 6:00 p.m.: Bible Study with Fr. Brad [K]
- October 25, 7:00 p.m.: WFCC Parish Life Team Meeting [M]
- October 26, 7:00 p.m.: CICC [M]
- October 26, 7:00 p.m.: SMC 8th-12th grades to Planned Parenthood and Mary's Choice [K]
- October 27, 8:30 a.m.: Bible/Book Study [K]
- October 30, 6:00 p.m.: Bible Study with Fr. Brad [M]
- November 1: OFFICES CLOSED
- November 1, 7:00 p.m.: ICC Guild Meeting [M]
- November 2, 10:00 a.m.: Eucharist [KNH]
- November 3, 8:30 a.m.: Bible/Book Study [K]
- November 6, 6:00 p.m.: Bible Study with Fr. Brad [K]
- November 8, 7:00 p.m.: Eucharist [M]
- November 8, 7:30 p.m.: KC8232 Meeting [M]

WEST FORK CATHOLIC COMMUNITY INFORMATION

ADMINISTRATOR/PASTOR: Fr. Brad Pelzel 712-873-3644

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IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH: 712-873-3644

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ST. MICHAEL CHURCH HALL: 712-378-2722

FAITH FORMATION CENTER: 712-378-2021

Director of Faith Formation: Barbara Sitzmann

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Custodian-Church: Jan Meister / **Assistant Custodian-Church:**

Jolene Spooner / **Custodian-FF Center:** Sonya Hamman

Groundskeeper: Jerome Gollhofer

WFCC [MOVILLE] OFFICE HOURS:

Mon.-Fri. 8:15 a.m.-noon, 1:00-4:45 p.m.

Other times by appointment

EUCHARIST:

Saturday: 5:00 p.m.-Kingsley

Sunday: 9:00 a.m.-Moville

Monday, Wednesday: 8:00 a.m.-Moville

Tuesday, Thursday: 8:00 a.m.-Kingsley

RECONCILIATION:

Saturday: 4:00-4:45 p.m.-Kingsley

Sunday: 8:00-8:45 a.m.-Moville

Other times by appointment

ROSARY:

Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 7:30 a.m.—Moville

BAPTISM is to be arranged with the pastor in order to prepare for the child's baptism after completion of Baptism Class held quarterly (March, June, September, December).

MARRIAGE preparation is to begin 6-12 months before the wedding day. Please contact the pastor so that all preparations can be completed in time for the wedding and marriage.

Remember, a wedding is just a day, a marriage is a LIFETIME!

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: By appointment; last Sunday of October during Sunday Masses.

PERSONS WISHING TO JOIN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH, whether baptized in another faith or unbaptized and over the age of seven [7], should contact the pastor to begin the process known as RCIA at anytime of the year.

THOSE DISCERNING GOD'S CALL to be a priest, deacon, sister, or brother, may speak with the pastor or call the Diocesan Vocation office at 712-255-7933.