



Immaculate Conception Catholic Church

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ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

MONDAY—JANUARY 9

The Baptism of the Lord

7:30 a.m. Eucharist [Gert Friis+] - Movable
5:00-7:00 p.m. Visitation (Martin “Mike” Ketelsen)
- Movable
7:00 p.m. Prayer Service (Martin “Mike” Ketelsen)
- Movable

TUESDAY—JANUARY 10

First Tuesday in Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m. Rosary - Movable
8:00 a.m. Eucharist [Lorraine McDermott+]
- Kingsley
10:30 a.m. Funeral (Martin “Mike” Ketelsen)
- Movable
7:00 p.m. Eucharist [Rev. Msgr. Roger Augustine+]
- Movable
7:30 p.m. KC8232 Meeting - Movable

WEDNESDAY—JANUARY 11

First Wednesday in Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m. Eucharist [Millie Wycoff+] - Movable
11:00 a.m. Eucharist [People of WFCC] - CharMac
4:00 p.m. Faith Formation [PS-4] - Kingsley
4:00 p.m. Faith Formation [PS-4] - Movable
7:00 p.m. Faith Formation [5-12] - Kingsley
7:00 p.m. Faith Formation [5-8] - Movable
7:00 p.m. CICC - Movable
7:00 p.m. SMC Guild Meeting - Doosky’s

THURSDAY—JANUARY 12

First Thursday in Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m. Rosary - Movable
8:00 a.m. Eucharist [Jeff Bottjen+] - Kingsley
7:30 p.m. ICC Faith Formation/Youth Ministry
Meeting - Movable
4:00-7:00 p.m. SMC Reconciliation Learning
Stations - Kingsley

FRIDAY—JANUARY 13

First Friday in Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m. Rosary - Movable

SATURDAY—JANUARY 14

First Saturday in Ordinary Time

4:00 p.m. Reconciliation - Kingsley
5:00 p.m. Eucharist [Bob & Pat Stratton+]
- Kingsley
6:00 p.m. Fellowship Dinner (Guild) - Kingsley

SUNDAY—JANUARY 15

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Reconciliation - Movable
9:00 a.m. Eucharist [Living/Deceased Members]
- Movable
10:00 a.m. Coffee/Juice/Rolls (Guild) - Movable
6:00 p.m. Bible Study (Divided Kingdom
- Part 1) - Kingsley

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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8 January 2017

The Epiphany of the Lord

If you’ve ever studied how operas are put together, you know that they usually begin with an overture which presents the themes that will be encountered throughout the performance. In a sense, this week’s Gospel is part of the overture of St. Matthew’s Gospel. We are presented with themes such as: Jesus as “shepherd of Israel” and “light to the nations”, but the main theme is “epiphany”, that is, making visible an invisible reality. The epiphany we encounter this week comes about, not by what Jesus does, but by something that is done for him. He receives three mysterious gifts: gold, frankincense and myrrh. What do they signify?

Before explaining the significance of the Magi’s gifts, I would like to refer to a humorous Christmas card I received. The card imagined what would’ve happened if the Magi had been “Wise Women” instead of “Wise Men”, claiming that women would’ve arrived in time for Jesus’ birth because they asked for directions along the way, and above all, they would’ve brought practical gifts! One could quibble that gold is quite practical, but frankincense and myrrh don’t seem to fit very well.

The early Christians recognized that the Magi’s gifts were not so much practical as symbolic. St. Irenaeus of Lyon, a 2nd century writer, gave the most common interpretation: the gifts 1) recognized Jesus’ kingship, 2) honored his Divinity and 3) foreshadowed his sacrificial death. It is no surprise that gold, the most precious of metals, salutes his royalty. Frankincense, an aromatic resin burned at times of prayer and worship, venerates Jesus’ divine nature. Myrrh was a preservative ointment and foretells Jesus’ passion and death. The gifts of the Magi preview Matthew’s central message: the coming of Jesus is an epiphany, and human history has begun a new chapter.

Some people have tried to portray Jesus as a moral reformer, but that really misses the point. Jesus did not teach any particularly new morality. Jesus of course underscored various precepts such as seeking purity of heart and countering evil with good, but he didn’t reveal anything radically new. What was truly new in Jesus *was his person*. The gifts make that point: Jesus is God who became man to save us by his sacrifice and who will rule over all. That is the epiphany, the revelation that something completely different has entered our world. The arrival of Jesus transforms human history. A transformation that is not accomplished through military, economic or political means - but one soul at a time by inviting us into conversion and relationship.

With the birth of Jesus, two worlds collide: our natural world and the supernatural. Supernatural means “above” or “beyond ordinary reality” but not in the sense that it is beyond what we can understand and take part in, because it makes possible all that we see and experience. The collision of these two worlds does not bring about the destruction of the old, but rather a new order of understanding, an epiphany. The gifts of the Magi signify this new reality. I invite you to join the Magi in pondering who this Child is. And like them, worship Him.

Fr. Brad Pelzel



MINISTERS' ASSIGNMENTS

SATURDAY JANUARY 14 5:00 P.M.

- Altar Servers:** Carson Seuntjens, Marina Cronin, Zach Korynta
- Reader(s):** Austin Korynta, Amy Benson
- Cantor:** Amanda Seuntjens
- Organist:** Jolene Spooner
- Gifts:** Matt Beelner Family
- Communion:** Karen Malm, Marie McClure, Tim Carlson
- KNH:** Karen Malm
- Greeters:** Marie White, Lisa Carlson
- Ushers:** Verlyn Nafe, Jon Neuman
- Collection**
- Counters:** Shelly Krieg, Barb Sitzmann

INCOME/EXPENSES LAST WEEK

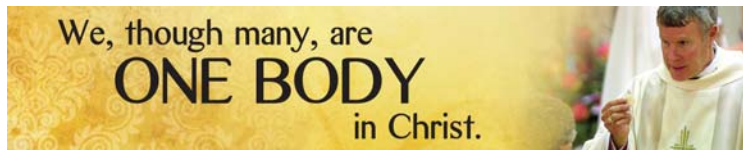
Adult Envelopes	\$1,559.00 (31 Envelopes)
Youth Envelopes*	\$12.00 (1 Envelope)
Loose	\$2,562.00
Catholic Charities.....	\$50.00 (4 Envelopes)
Dividend Income	\$85.40
Farm Ground Income	\$594.47
Rent	\$119.00
Total Income	\$4,981.87
Needed Each Week	\$2,877.89
Total Expenses	\$1,637.67

*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:	\$85,520.23

1/5/2017



	2015	2016
\$ Goal:	\$12,000.00	\$13,000.00
\$ Pledged:	\$9,542.50	\$7,685.00
\$ Given:	\$9,542.50	\$7,097.50
Pledges Goal:	168	171
Participants:	102	74
Participant Rate:	61%	43%

LADIES GUILD

- will meet for a supper meeting at Doosky's on Wednesday, January 11 at 6:00 p.m. Would love for everyone to join us!

FROM THE DESK OF BARB SITZMANN, DRE:

- Thursday, January 12th- 4-7 pm- come and go- Reconciliation Learning Stations @ FF Center for all 2nd graders and their parents.
- Sunday, January 15th- 4 pm- First Reconciliation for 2nd graders.
- Wednesday, January 25th- 7 pm- First Eucharist meeting in Moville for parents of all 2nd graders
- Wednesday, February 1st- 7 pm in the church- Blessing of Throats
- Sunday, February 5th- Dad's Belgian Waffle breakfast fundraiser at the Kingsley Community Center. Serving from 8:30-12:30 Also having a bake sale and auction items. Youth of the parish will be selling tickets after Christmas break. Please plan to attend to support youth going to church camp, retreats and conferences.
- Faith Formation students have been given information regarding next summer faith events- Camp Cayoca will be available for students 3-12th grades. 8th-12th graders have received information regarding Steubenville conferences. Please let me know ASAP if your child is interested in attending either of these events. JUST A REMINDER, THAT ALL CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES WILL NEED TO ATTEND A RETREAT OR CONFERENCE EITHER THE SUMMER BEFORE OR ELSE DURING THEIR CONFIRMATION PREP YEAR. ALL CURRENT 8TH AND 9TH GRADERS WILL NEED TO DO THIS!
- 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-pcsd.org.

ACH GIVING NOW AVAILABLE! For all of our Parishioners of St. Michael Parish is now offering an alternative to writing a weekly or monthly check. Join our Automated Giving Program and have your financial stewardship offering transferred directly to the parish account. Call the parish office for more information.

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SMC SANCTUARY LIGHT [JANUARY 8-14] burns for the People of WFCC.

Weeks available until January 2018.

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BIBLE STUDY WITH FR. Brad is at Immaculate Conception , Sunday, January 8 at 6:00 p.m. We will be covering Royal Kingdom—Part 2. If you are still interested in joining it isn't to late!

LITURGICAL VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: Greeters, Ushers, Families to Carry the Gifts, as well as Money Counters (must pass painless background check) All are needed! Your turn will only roll around once or twice per 3 month schedule, so its not a huge commitment, but an important one. Please consider giving your time and talent. For ICC call or email the parish office for SMC call or text Lisa Langel @ 378-2934 or 540-7238.

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MINISTERS' ASSIGNMENTS

SUNDAY JANUARY 15 9:00 A.M.

- Altar Servers:** Jacob Kuntz, Erika Kuntz, Madelyn Schultz
- Reader(s):** Brynn Kuntz, Cindy Hesse
- Cantor:** Angie Williams
- Organist:** Laura Krajicek
- Gifts:** Michael Baird Family
- Communion:** Kay Sands, Richard Sands, Mary Schultz
- CharMac:** Elaine Ketelsen
- Ushers:** Jim Gries, Volunteer
- Collection**
- Counters:** Marcia Sailer, Matthew Putze

INCOME/EXPENSES LAST WEEK

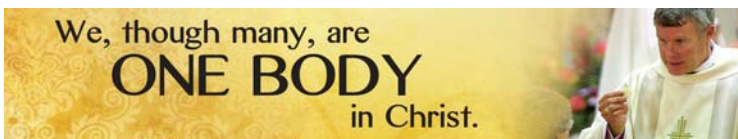
- Adult Envelopes\$2,917.00 (53 Envelopes)
- Youth Envelopes*\$17.75 (5 Envelopes)
- Loose \$297.00
- Catholic Charities.....\$80.00 (3 Envelopes)
- Total Income\$3,311.75**
- Needed Each Week..... \$2,859.23
- Total Parish Expenses..... \$2,310.54**
- *Time/Talent quotes from youth envelopes: none**

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:	\$99,707.94
	1/6/2017

ICC SANCTUARY LIGHT [JANUARY 8-14] burns for *Geraldine Neiwohner+*.

Weeks available after March 5, 2017.



	2015	2016
\$ Goal:	\$11,000.00	\$12,000.00
\$ Pledged:	\$8,847.50	\$8,170.00
\$ Given:	\$8,542.00	\$7,245.00
Pledges Goal:	151	171
Participants:	92	74
Participant Rate:	61%	43%

FROM THE DESK OF ANGIE DUFFY, DFF:

- **January 11 & 25** CICC classes
- **January 12-** Faith Formation and Youth Ministry meeting at 7:30 p.m. IC Library.
- **January 17-** Reconciliation Stations at IC Parish Hall from 6:30-8:00 p.m. 2nd grade parents and child are required to attend.
- **January 22-** First Reconciliation at 4:00 p.m. with refreshments to follow.
- **January 25-** First Eucharist parent meeting at 7:00 p.m. at IC Parish Hall. The meeting is mandatory for all 2nd grade Faith Formation parents.
- **January 29-** Youth Mass and breakfast. Any youth willing to help with the Youth Mass or breakfast, please contact Angie at IC office.
- **February 1-**Blessing of the throats during the 4:00 p.m. Faith Formation Classes.
- **February 22-** Deacon Joe Twidwell will be speaking to the 7:00 p.m. Faith Formation Classes about the service he performs at the Warming Shelter and his faith. Parish members are welcome to come and listen to Deacon Joe.
- St. Andrew Sibley is hosting a **mission trip** and inviting all diocesan youth. Please contact Christy Funk (712-577-9635 or 712-754-2739) at St. Andrew Sibley with questions and if you are interested in participating.
- **Camp Cayoca** at Twin Lakes, IA returns with a wonderful renewed experience, 3rd-6th grades June 11-13 and 7th-12th grades June 14-16.
- **Contact info:** Immaculate Conception Office 712-873-3644; Angie's cell 712-560-2593; email icmervilleff@wiatel.net

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PEACEFUL PRAYER for the upcoming Planned Parenthood Abortion Date Friday, January 27, 8:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Please join Mary's Choice for a peaceful prayer time outside of Planned Parenthood (4409 Stone Ave., Sioux City, IA 51106) to pray for the safety and protection of unborn babies, their mothers, and all involved. Stay for a few minutes or the entire time - every prayer helps to create a culture of life in Siouxland!"



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

PRAY ESPECIALLY FOR:

Virginia Connelly, parishioner, who passed away January 3; **Martin “Mike” Ketelsen**, parishioner and husband to Elaine Ketelsen, who passed away January 5.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen

IMPORTANT DATES

- January 17, 6:30-8:00 p.m.: ICC Reconciliation Learning Stations [M]
- January 22, 10:00 a.m.: Full Breakfast (KC8232) [M]
- January 22, 4:00 p.m.: ICC First Reconciliation [M]
- January 22, 6:00 p.m.: The Bible Timeline (Session 14: Divided Kingdom - Part 2) [M]
- January 25, 7:00 p.m.: WFCC First Eucharist Parent Meeting [M]
- January 29, 9:00 a.m.: ICC Youth Mass [M]
- January 29, 10:00 a.m.: ICC Youth Breakfast [M]
- January 29, 6:00 p.m.: The Bible Timeline (Session 15: Exile - Part 1) [K]
- February 1, 10:00 a.m.: Eucharist [KNH]
- February 1, 4:00 p.m.: Blessing of the Throats [M]
- February 1, 7:00 p.m.: Blessing of the Throats [K]
- February 5, 6:00 p.m.: The Bible Timeline (Session 16: Return) [M]
- February 6, 6:30 p.m.: WFCC Liturgy Team Meeting [M]
- February 8, 11:00 a.m.: Eucharist [CharMac]
- February 8, 7:00 p.m.: SMC Guild Meeting [K]
- February 12, 10:00 a.m.: Coffee/Juice/Rolls (KC8232) [M]
- February 12, 6:00 p.m.: The Bible Timeline (Session 17: Macabean Revolt) [K]
- February 14, 7:00 p.m.: Eucharist [M]
- February 14, 7:30 p.m.: KC8232 Meeting [M]
- February 19, 6:00 p.m.: The Bible Timeline (Session 18: Messianic Fulfillment - Part 1) [M]
- February 26, 10:00 a.m.: Full Breakfast(KC8232) [M]
- February 26, 6:00 p.m.: The Bible Timeline (Session 19: Messianic Fulfillment - Part 2) [K]
- March 1: ASH WEDNESDAY
- March 1, 7:30 p.m.: Eucharist [M]
- March 1, 10:00 a.m.: Eucharist [KNH]
- March 1, 4:00 p.m.: Eucharist [M]
- March 1, 4:00 p.m.: Prayer Service [K]
- March 1, 7:00 p.m.: Eucharist [K]
- March 1, 7:00 p.m.: Prayer Service [M]

WEST FORK CATHOLIC COMMUNITY INFORMATION

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

Groundskeeper: Jerome Gollhofer

WFCC [MOVILLE] OFFICE HOURS:

Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri. 8:30 a.m.-noon, 1:00-5:30 p.m.

Wed. 8:30 a.m.-noon, 1:00-5:30 p.m., 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Other times by appointment

EUCARIST:

Saturday: 5:00 p.m.-Kingsley

Sunday: 9:00 a.m.-Menville

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

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

RECONCILIATION:

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

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

Other times by appointment

ROSARY:

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

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.

WEST FORK CATHOLIC COMMUNITY RENTAL POLICY: Persons wishing to rent out either parish hall for non-parish functions (i.e. meetings, showers, dinners, etc.), need to call the parish office to check on availability and make arrangements. Signing a Hall Rental Agreement and fees are due before using the hall.

NEW PARISHIONERS should contact the parish office to register in the parish.